

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-4628

December 23, 2009

Mr. Anthony Tripodo Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc. 400 North Sam Houston Parkway East, Suite 400 Houston, Texas 77060

Re: Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

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Dear Mr. Tripodo:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Karl Hiller Branch Chief