

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

Mail Stop 3030

December 22, 2009

Thomas McNaughton Chief Financial Officer Harvard Bioscience, Inc. 84 October Hill Road Holliston, MA 01746

Re: Harvard Bioscience, Inc.

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

Filed March 11, 2009 File No. 001-33957

Dear Mr. McNaughton:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and do not, at this time, have any further comments.

Sincerely,

Jeff Jaramillo Accounting Branch Chief