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November 9, 2009

Peter M. Strumph Chief Executive Officer Nile Therapeutics, Inc. 115 Sansome Street Suite #310 San Francisco, CA 94104

Re: Nile Therapeutics, Inc.

Form 10-K and 10-K/A for the Year Ended December 31, 2008

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Dear Mr. Strumph:

We have completed our review of your filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey P. Riedler Assistant Director

cc via facsimile: Sean Nagle, Esq.

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