

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

March 24, 2011

Daron Evans Chief Financial Officer Nile Therapeutics, Inc. 4 West 4th Avenue, Suite 400 San Mateo, CA 94402

Re: Nile Therapeutics, Inc.

Preliminary Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A

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Dear Mr. Evans:

We have completed our review of your filing and do not have any further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Riedler Assistant Director