

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

December 17, 2012

<u>Via E-mail</u>
Michael D. Newman
Chief Financial Officer
Office Depot, Inc.
6600 North Military Trail
Boca Raton, FL 33496

Re: Office Depot, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

Filed February 28, 2012 File No. 001-10948

Dear Mr. Newman:

We have completed our review of your filings. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filing and the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Andrew D. Mew

Andrew D. Mew Accounting Branch Chief

cc: Peter Boylan