

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

February 6, 2013

Via E-mail
John M. Engquist
Chief Executive Officer
H&E Equipment Services, Inc.
11100 Mead Road, Suite 200,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70816

RE: H&E Equipment Services, Inc.

Form 10-Q for the Fiscal Quarter Ended September 30, 2012

Filed November 1, 2012

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

Filed March 2, 2012 File No. 000-51759

Dear Mr. Engquist:

We have completed our review of your filing. 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 filings 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 filings to be certain that the filings includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Terence O'Brien

Terence O'Brien Accounting Branch Chief