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August 28, 2006

Mr. Vijay B. Samant President and Chief Executive Officer VICAL INCORPORATED 10390 Pacific Center Court San Diego, CA 92121-4340

Re: VICAL INCORPORATED

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005 Filed March 10, 2006 File No. 000-21088

Dear Mr. Samant:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and have no further comment at this time.

Sincerely,

Jim Atkinson Accounting Branch Chief