

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

Mail Stop 3561

November 16, 2017

Mr. Howard S. Jonas Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Genie Energy Ltd. 520 Broad Street Newark, New Jersey 07102

Re: Genie Energy Ltd.

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2016

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Dear Mr. Jonas:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

/s/ William H. Thompson

William H. Thompson Branch Chief Office of Consumer Products