



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

DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

February 18, 2020

Stefan J. Murry  
Chief Financial Officer  
APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.  
13139 Jess Pirtle Blvd  
Sugarland, TX 77478

**Re: APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.**  
**Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2019**  
**Exhibit No. 10.1**  
**Filed November 7, 2019**  
**File No. 001-36083**

Dear Mr. Murry:

We have concluded our assessment of your redacted exhibit for compliance with applicable form requirements and will process your supplemental response and related materials in accordance with your request.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance