

October 2, 2012

VIA EDGAR SUBMISSION

Ms. Suzanne Hayes  
Assistant Director  
Division of Corporation Finance  
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, N.E.; mail stop 4561  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
U.S.A.

Re: **Banco Santander-Chile**  
**Form 20-F for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011**  
**Filed April 30, 2012**  
**Form 6-K filed August 22, 2012**  
**File No. 001-14554**

Dear Ms. Hayes:

On behalf of Banco Santander-Chile ("**Santander-Chile**" or the "**Bank**"), we acknowledge receipt by Santander of the letter dated September 25, 2012 (the "**Comment Letter**") of the Staff of the Division of Corporation Finance (the "**Staff**") of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission regarding the above referenced Annual Report on Form 20-F and Form 6-K of Santander-Chile.

Santander-Chile is working to respond to the Comment Letter. However, the Bank has advised us that it will require additional time to consider and respond to the Staff's comments. Accordingly, on behalf of Santander-Chile, we respectfully request an extension of time to respond to the Comment Letter to October 23, 2012.

We are grateful for the Staff's accommodation in this matter. Please do not hesitate to call me at (212) 450-4950 with any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Nicholas A. Kronfeld

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cc: Robert Moreno Heimlich  
Banco Santander-Chile

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