

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

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

January 6, 2011

D. Craig Mense Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer CNA Financial Corporation 333 S. Wabash Chicago, IL 60604

Re: CNA Financial Corporation Form 10-Q for Quarterly Period Ended September 30, 2010 File No. 001-05823

Dear Mr. Mense:

We have completed our review of your 10-Q and the above referenced filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Melissa Rocha Branch Chief