

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

October 14, 2011

Via E-mail
Mr. Harold Riley
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Citizens, Inc.
400 East Anderson Lane
Austin, TX 78752

Re: Citizens, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Filed March 11, 2011

Form 10-Q for the Quarterly Period Ended June 30, 2011

Filed August 8, 2011 File No. 000-16509

Dear Mr. Riley:

We have completed our review of your filings. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filing and the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gus Rodriguez

Gus Rodriguez Accounting Branch Chief