Mail Stop 6010

Via Facsimile and U.S. Mail

January 14, 2008

Mr. Robert L. Moody Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer National Western Life Insurance Company 850 East Anderson Lane Austin, Texas 78752-1602

> Re: National Western Life Insurance Company Form 10-K for fiscal year ended December 31, 2006

File No. 002-17039

Dear Mr. Moody:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Carlton E. Tartar Branch Chief