Mr. John C. Warren Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Washington Trust Bancorp, Inc. 23 Broad Street Westerly, Rhode Island 02891

Re:

Washington Trust Bancorp, Inc. Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2008 File No. 001-32991

Dear Mr. Warren:

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

Sincerely,

Sharon Blume Assistant Chief Accountant