

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

May 13, 2014

VIA E-MAIL
Mr. John C. Popeo
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer
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Re: CommonWealth REIT
Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013
Filed on February 28, 2014

File No. 001--09317

Dear Mr. John C. Popeo:

We have reviewed your response letter dated May 5, 2014 and have the following comment. In our comment, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter within ten business days by providing the requested information, or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. If you do not believe our comment applies to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing the information you provide in response to this comment, we may have additional comments.

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1. We have considered your response to comment one. It appears your table of information is Non-GAAP. Please note that a full Non-GAAP income statement is not appropriate. Please revise future periodic filings to remove the full Non-GAAP income statement. Reference is made to Question 102.10 of the Division's Compliance and Disclosure Interpretations for Non-GAAP Financial Measures.

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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 Exchange Act rules require. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

You may contact Wilson K. Lee at (202) 551-3468 or me at (202) 551-3629 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kevin Woody

Kevin R. Woody Branch Chief