

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

June 19, 2019

Glenn A. Votek Chief Financial Officer Annaly Capital Management, Inc. 1211 Avenue Of The Americas New York, New York 10036

> Re: Annaly Capital Management, Inc. Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 Filed February 15, 2019 File No. 001-13447

Dear Mr. Votek:

We have reviewed your May 13, 2019 response to our comment letter 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 comment within ten business days by providing the requested information or advise us as soon as possible when you will respond. If you do not believe our comment applies to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing your response to this comment, we may have additional comments. Unless we note otherwise, our references to prior comments are to comments in our April 17, 2019 letter.

FORM 10-K FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

<u>Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis</u> <u>Non-GAAP Financial Measures, page 55</u>

1. We have considered your response to comment one and note your proposal to disclose the upfront amounts paid or received in future periods to the extent material. We understand that several of your non-GAAP measures, such as Economic Interest Expense and Core Earnings, are designed to include the cost of financing. We further understand that amounts paid or received related to market agreed coupon interest rate swaps are akin to financing costs, and these costs are currently excluded from your non-GAAP measures. Given the characterization and purpose of several of your Non-GAAP financial measures, we believe that to the extent material, the current period impact of amounts paid or received related to market agreed coupon interest rate swaps should be appropriately

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reflected within such Non-GAAP financial measures. Please revise your disclosure in future filings accordingly.

You may contact Wilson K. Lee, Senior Staff Accountant at (202) 551 - 3468 or Robert F. Telewicz, Accounting Branch Chief at (202) 551 - 3438 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Real Estate and Commodities