

Mail Stop 4561

June 16, 2008

Mark P. Fisher  
Thomas Weisel Partners Group, Inc.  
One Montgomery Street  
San Francisco, California 94104

**Re: Thomas Weisel Partners Group, Inc.  
Registration Statement on Form S-3  
Registration No. 333-151226  
Filed on May 28, 2008**

Dear Mr. Fisher:

We have conducted a limited review of your filing and have the following comment. Where indicated, we think you should revise your document in response to this comment. If you disagree, we will consider your explanation as to why our comment is inapplicable or a revision is unnecessary. Please be as detailed as necessary in your explanation. In our comment, we may ask you to provide us with additional information so we may better understand your disclosure. After reviewing this information, we may or may not raise additional comments.

Please understand that the purpose of our review process is to assist you in your compliance with the applicable disclosure requirements and to enhance the overall disclosure in your filing. We look forward to working with you in these respects. We welcome any questions you may have about our comments or on any other aspect of our review. Feel free to call us at the telephone numbers listed at the end of this letter.

General

1. We note that you relied on the Section 3(a)(10) exemption from registration for the sale of common stock and exchangeable shares, which took place on January 2, 2008. We also note that, pursuant to the Shareholders' Equity Agreement dated September 20, 2007, the exchangeable shares may not be exchanged, redeemed, or similarly converted until a registration statement covering the conversion shares is effective. Because registration of the conversion shares will likely occur within one year of the sale of the exchangeable shares, it appears the investment decision regarding the underlying common shares was made at the time the

exchangeable shares were sold. Please provide an analysis of why you believe it is appropriate to register the offer and sale of the underlying common shares at this time. To the extent the underlying securities were offered and sold at the time you issued the exchangeable shares, provide an analysis of the exemption from registration applicable to that offering. Please note that the Section 3(a)(10) exemption does not apply to the conversion of the exchangeable shares. Refer to Revised Staff Legal Bulletin No. 3 (October 20, 1999).

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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 all information required under the Securities Act of 1933 and that they have provided all information investors require for an informed investment decision. 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.

Notwithstanding our comment, in the event the company requests acceleration of the effective date of the pending registration statement, it should furnish a letter, at the time of such request, acknowledging that:

- should the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, declare the filing effective, it does not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing;
- the action of the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, in declaring the filing effective, does not relieve the company from its full responsibility for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments and the declaration of effectiveness as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

In addition, please be advised that the Division of Enforcement has access to all information you provide to the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance in connection with our review of your filing or in response to our comments on your filing.

We will consider a written request for acceleration of the effective date of the registration statement as confirmation of the fact that those requesting acceleration are aware of their respective responsibilities under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as they relate to the proposed public offering of the securities specified in the above registration statement. We will act on the request and, pursuant to delegated authority, grant acceleration of the effective date.

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If you have any questions, please call Byron N. Cooper at (202) 551-3473 or the undersigned at (202) 551-3785.

Sincerely,

Karen Garnett  
Assistant Director

cc: Scott D. Miller (*via fax*)