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Christopher J. Carey
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Re: City National Corporation Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008

Dear Mr. Carey:

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

Sincerely,

Kevin W. Vaughn Branch Chief