Via Facsimile and U.S. Mail Mail Stop 6010

May 18, 2007

Mr. Mark S. McAndrew Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Torchmark Corporation 3700 South Stonebridge Drive McKinney, TX 75070

Re: Torchmark Corporation Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2006 Filed March 1, 2007 File No. 001-08052

Dear Mr. McAndrew:

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

Sincerely,

Jim Atkinson Accounting Branch Chief