

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

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

September 14, 2011

<u>Via E-mail</u> Melissa Garza Senior Vice President, Business and Legal Affairs Westwood One, Inc. 1166 Avenue of the Americas, 10th Floor New York, NY 10036

Re: Westwood One, Inc. Preliminary Proxy Statement on Schedule 14C Filed September 6, 2011 File No. 001-14691

Dear Ms. Garza:

We have limited our review of your filing to those issues we have identified in our comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter by amending your filing, by providing the requested information, or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your filing and the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

General

1. Disclose that Financial Advisor has consented to use of the fairness opinion in the document.

Annex D

2. We note the limitation on reliance by shareholders in the fairness opinion provided by Financial Advisor. Because it is inconsistent with the disclosures relating to the opinion, the limitation should be deleted. Alternatively, disclose the basis for Financial Advisor's belief that shareholders cannot rely upon the opinion to support any claims against Financial Advisor arising under applicable state law (e.g., the inclusion of an express disclaimer in Financial Advisor's engagement letter with the Company). Describe any applicable state-law authority regarding the availability of such a potential defense. In

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the absence of applicable state-law authority, disclose that the availability of such a defense will be resolved by a court of competent jurisdiction. Also disclose that resolution of the question of the availability of such a defense will have no effect on the rights and responsibilities of the board of directors under applicable state law. Further disclose that the availability of such a state-law defense to Financial Advisor would have no effect on the rights and responsibilities of either Financial Advisor or the board of directors under the federal securities laws.

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.

In responding to our comments, please provide a written statement from the company acknowledging that:

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

Please contact Tonya Aldave at (202) 551-3601 or me at (202) 551-3750 with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Max A. Webb

Max A. Webb Assistant Director

cc (via e-mail): Rick Madden, Esq. Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom