

Mail Stop 4561

November 14, 2007

Mr. Gerald L. Brickey  
Chief Financial Officer  
Cowlitz Bancorporation  
927 Commerce Avenue  
Longview, Washington 98632

**RE: Cowlitz Bancorporation  
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2006  
Filed March 30, 2007  
File No. 0-23881**

Dear Mr. Brickey:

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

Sincerely,

Hugh West  
Accounting Branch Chief