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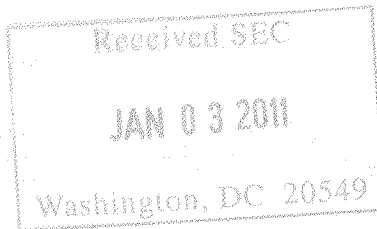
January 3, 2011

Ms. Velma T. Smith  
Branch Chief  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
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Room 2531  
100 F Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Ms. Smith:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, PENN WEST PETROLEUM LTD., Common Shares, no par value, and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on January 3, 2011. Tentative listing date – January 3, 2011.

Sincerely,



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