

October 23, 2018

## Via EDGAR

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance Attn: Jessica Livingston, Staff Attorney 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: NorthWest Indiana Bancorp

Registration Statement on Form S-4 filed on October 10, 2018

File No. 333-227785

Dear Ms. Livingston:

Pursuant to Rule 461 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, NorthWest Indiana Bancorp (the "*Registrant*") hereby respectfully requests that effectiveness of the above-referenced Registration Statement be accelerated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "*Commission*") to 5:00 p.m. (EDT) on Thursday, October 25, 2018, or as soon as practicable thereafter.

Please contact David P. Hooper, Esq. of Barnes & Thornburg LLP at (317) 231-7333 with any questions you may have regarding this request. In addition, please notify Mr. Hooper by telephone when this request for acceleration has been granted.

Sincerely,

/s/ Robert T. Lowry

Robert T. Lowry Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

cc: Benjamin J. Bochnowski Leane E. Cerven David P. Hooper

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