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Pursuant to Rule 17f-2 [17 CFR 270.17f-2]

1. Investment C	Company Act File Number	Date examinati	Date examination completed:					
811-1056		January 31, 201	January 31, 2012					
2. State Identifi	cation Number:							
AL	AK	AZ	AR	CA	CO			
CT	DE	DC	FL	GA	HI			
ID	IL	IN	IA	KS	KY			
LA	ME	MD	MA	MI	MN			
MS	MO	MT	NE	NV	NH			
NJ	NM	NY	NC	ND	ОН			
OK	OR	PA	RI	SC	SD			
TN	TX	UT	VT	VA	WA			
WV	WI	WY	PUERTO RICO					
Other (specify):		<u> </u>						
3. Exact name o	of investment company as	specified in registration st	atement:					
Capital Southw	est Corporation							
4. Address of principal executive office (number, street, city, state, zip code):								
12900 Preston I	Road, Suite 700, Dallas,	Texas 75230						

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811-1947						
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AL	AK	AZ	AR	CA	CO	
CT	DE	DC	FL	GA	HI	
ID	IL	IN	IA	KS	KY	
LA	ME	MD	MA	MI	MN	
MS	MO	MT	NE	NV	NH	
NJ	NM	NY	NC	ND	ОН	
OK	OR	PA	RI	SC	SD	
TN	TX	UT	VT	VA	WA	
WV	WI	WY	PUERTO RICO			
Other (specify)):					
3. Exact name	of investment company as	specified in registration st	atement:			
Capital Southy	vest Venture Corporation					
4. Address of p	orincipal executive office (number, street, city, state,	zip code):	_		
12900 Preston	Road, Suite 700, Dallas,	Texas 75230				

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors of Capital Southwest Corporation and Subsidiaries:

We have examined management's assertion, included in the accompanying Management Statement Regarding Compliance With Certain Provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, that Capital Southwest Corporation and subsidiary (the "Company") complied with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act") as of January 31, 2012. Management is responsible for the Company's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assertion about the Company's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Company's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. Included among our procedures were the following tests performed as of January 31, 2012, and with respect to agreement of security purchases and sales, for the period from October 3, 2011 (the date of our last examination) through January 31, 2012:

- · Confirmation of all securities held by Morgan Stanley Smith Barney ("Custodian").
- \cdot Reconciliation of all such securities to the books and records of the Company and the Custodian.
- · Agreement of additional investments in fiveexisting portfolio companies, sale of two portfolio companies and write offof one portfolio company since our last report from the books and records of the Company to the bank statements.

We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Company's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, management's assertion that Capital Southwest Corporation and subsidiaries complied with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 as of January 31, 2012, with respect to securities reflected in the investment account of the Company is fairly stated, in all material respects.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the Board of Directors of Capital Southwest Corporation and subsidiaries and the Securities and Exchange Commission and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

Dallas, Texas March 27, 2012

Management Statement Regarding Compliance With Certain Provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940

We, as members of management of Capital Southwest Corporation and subsidiary (the "Company"), are responsible for complying with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2, "Custody of Investments by Registered Management Investment Companies," of the Investment Company Act of 1940. We are also responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal controls over compliance with those requirements. We have performed an evaluation of the Company's compliance with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2 as of January 31, 2012 and from October 3, 2011 through January 31, 2012.

Based on this evaluation, we assert that the Company was in compliance with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 as of January 31, 2012 and from October 3, 2011 through January 31, 2012 with respect to securities reflected in the investment account of the Company.

Capital Southwest Corporation [Name of Company]

/s/ Tracy L. Morris [Name]

Chief Financial Officer [Title]

January 31, 2012 [Date]