

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO  
Form SC 13D/A  
November 09, 2001

SCHEDULE 13D

(RULE 13d-101)

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Amendments Thereto Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-2(a)

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 1) \*

CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP.

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

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(Title of Class of Securities)

228227 10 4

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(CUSIP Number)

Robert J. Berdan, Esq.  
The Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company  
720 East Wisconsin Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53202  
414-665-1558

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to  
Receive Notices and Communications)

N/A

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to  
report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing  
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securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS/I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS  
(ENTITIES ONLY)

The Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company  
39-0509570

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP  
(See Instructions)

(a) ☐

(b) ☒

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (See Instructions) OO

5 CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT  
TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Wisconsin

7 SOLE VOTING POWER 1,857,613  
NUMBER OF

8 SHARED VOTING POWER 1,285,950  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,857,613  
OWNED BY EACH  
REPORTING

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,285,950  
PERSON  
WITH

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 3,143,563

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

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13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 1.5%  
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14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions) IC  
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INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

This Amendment No. 1 relates to the Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Shares") of Crown Castle International Corp., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"). This amendment is filed by The Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company ("Northwestern").

This Amendment No. 1 amends Items 5, 6 and 7, with respect to information concerning Northwestern, of the original Schedule 13D filed on September 1, 1998 (the "Original Filing") by Digital Future Investments B.V.; TeleDiffusion de France International S.A.; TeleDiffusion de France; France Telecom; Candover Investments plc; Candover (Trustees) Limited; Candover Partners Limited (as general partner of the Candover 1994 UK Limited Partnership, the Candover 1994 UK No.2 Limited Partnership, the Candover 1994 US No.1 Limited Partnership and the Candover 1994 US No.2 Limited Partnership); Candover Services Limited; Ted B. Miller, Jr.; The Miller 1996 Gift Trust; Robert A. Crown (individually and for the Robert A. Crown grantor retained annuity trust); Barbara A. Crown (individually and for the Barbara A. Crown grantor retained annuity trust); Berkshire Fund III, a Limited Partnership; Third Berkshire Associates Limited Partnership; Berkshire Fund IV, Limited Partnership; Fourth Berkshire Associates LLC; Berkshire Investors LLC; Centennial Fund IV, L.P.; Centennial Holdings IV, L.P.; Centennial Fund V, L.P.; Centennial Entrepreneurs Fund V, L.P.; Centennial Holdings V, L.P.; Nassau Capital Partners II, L.P.; Nassau Capital LLC; NAS Partners I, L.L.C.; Fay, Richwhite Communications Limited; PNC Venture Corp.; PNC Holding Corp.; PNC Bank Corp.; American Home Assurance Company; American International Group, Inc.; New York Life Insurance Company; Northwestern; Harvard Private Capital Holdings, Inc.; Charlesbank Capital Partners, LLC; Prime VIII, L.P. and Prime SKA I, L.L.C. Northwestern assumes no responsibility for the completeness or accuracy of the information contained in the Original Filing or any amendment to the Original Filing concerning any person other than Northwestern.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

- (a-b) Northwestern beneficially owns 3,143,563 Shares (or 1.5% of the outstanding Common Stock). Of such amount, Northwestern has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to 1,857,613 Shares (200,000 of which Shares Northwestern has a right to acquire pursuant to warrants). The balance of such Shares, for which Northwestern has shared voting and dispositive power, are held as follows: (i) 68,850 Shares are owned by the Aggressive Growth Stock Fund of Mason Street Funds, Inc, an affiliate of Northwestern and a registered investment company; (ii) 1,206,200 Shares are owned by the Aggressive Growth Stock Portfolio of Northwestern Mutual Series Fund, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Northwestern and a registered investment company; (iii) 10,900 Shares are owned by Northwestern Mutual Life Foundation, Inc. Northwestern Mutual Investment Services, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Northwestern and a registered investment adviser, serves as investment

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adviser to the Aggressive Growth Stock Fund of Mason Street Funds, Inc. and to the Aggressive Growth Stock Portfolio of Northwestern Mutual Series Fund, Inc. Northwestern Investment Management Company, LLC, of which Northwestern is the sole member, serves as investment adviser to Northwestern and Northwestern Mutual Life Foundation, Inc.

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- (c) The table below sets forth information regarding purchases of Shares in open-market transactions during the last 60 days by the persons indicated.

PURCHASER	TRADE DATE	SHARES PURCHASED
Northwestern Mutual Life Foundation, Inc.	09/04/2001	1,000
Northwestern Mutual Series Fund, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Portfolio	09/04/2001	94,500
Northwestern Mutual Series Fund, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Portfolio	09/04/2001	10,600
Northwestern Mutual Series Fund, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Portfolio	09/05/2001	10,500
Northwestern Mutual Series Fund, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Portfolio	09/06/2001	10,700
Northwestern Mutual Series Fund, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Portfolio	09/07/2001	10,700
Mason Street Funds, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Fund	09/04/2001	4,500
Mason Street Funds, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Fund	09/04/2001	700
Mason Street Funds, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Fund	09/05/2001	700
Mason Street Funds, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Fund	09/06/2001	700
Mason Street Funds, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Fund	09/07/2001	700
Mason Street Funds, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Fund	09/19/2001	3,450
Mason Street Funds, Inc. -- Aggressive Growth Stock Fund	09/20/2001	3,400

- (e) As reported in the Company's definitive proxy statement filed on May 8, 2001, the Stockholders Agreement dated August 21, 1998, to which Northwestern was a party, was terminated as of October 18, 2000, except with respect to certain rights of Robert A. Crown, Barbara Crown and certain entities established by them and their permitted transferees, relating to the Company's name and logo. In the Original Filing Northwestern disclaimed being part of a group because of being a party to the Stockholders Agreement and disclaimed beneficial ownership of any shares by any other party to the Stockholders Agreement. Northwestern continues to disclaim such status and beneficial ownership, but any basis to contend that, by virtue of the Stockholders Agreement, Northwestern was a member of a group and therefore a beneficial owner of more than 5% of the Company's Common Stock ceased as of October 18, 2000.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

See Item 5 above regarding the termination of the Stockholders Agreement, which discussion is incorporated herein by reference. See Item 7, Exhibit 5, for a copy of the agreement terminating the Stockholders Agreement.

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Item 7. Materials to be Filed as Exhibits.

- Exhibit 1 Stockholders Agreement between Crown Castle and certain stockholders listed on Schedule 1 thereto, dated as of August 21, 1998, as amended by Amendment No. 1, dated as of November 12, 1998 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.26 of Crown Castle's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-71715) filed on March 17, 1999).
- Exhibit 2 Amendment Number Two, dated as of May 24, 1999, to the Stockholders Agreement between Crown Castle and certain stockholders listed on Schedule 1 thereto, dated as of August 21, 1998 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 16 of Amendment Number 1 to Schedule 13D filed by Candover Investments plc., Candover (Trustees) Limited, Candover Partners Limited (as general partner of the Candover 1994 UK Limited Partnership, the Candover 1994 UK No. 2 Limited Partnership, the Candover 1994 US No. 1 Limited Partnership and the Candover 1994 US No. 2 Limited Partnership) and Candover Services Limited on November 9, 1999).
- Exhibit 3 Amendment Number Three, dated as of August 11, 1999, to the Stockholders Agreement between Crown Castle and certain stockholders listed on Schedule 1 thereto, dated as of August 21, 1998 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of Crown Castle's September 30, 1999 Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (Registration No. 0-24737) filed on November 12, 1999).
- Exhibit 4 Amendment Number Four, dated as of October 1, 1999, to the Stockholders Agreement between Crown Castle and certain stockholders listed on Schedule 1 thereto, dated as of August 21, 1998 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of Crown

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Castle's September 30, 1999 Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q  
(Registration No. 0-24737) filed on November 12, 1999).

Exhibit 5      Termination Agreement, dated as of October 18, 2000, between  
Crown Castle and each of the stockholders listed on Schedule 1  
to the Stockholders Agreement and named on the signature pages  
of the Termination Agreement (filed herewith).

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After reasonable inquiry and to the best of its knowledge and belief,  
the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is  
true, complete and correct.

Date: October 31, 2001

THE NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL LIFE  
INSURANCE COMPANY

By:            /s/ Robert J. Berdan  
Robert J. Berdan  
Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

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