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Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 09/01/2016 AND ENDING 08/31/2017  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

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(No. and Street)

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(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT

FERNANDO FUSSA

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(Area Code - Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report\*

KEVANE GRANT THORNTON LLP

(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

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Certified Public Accountant



Public Accountant




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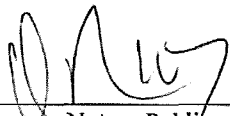
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## OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, FERNANDO FUSSA, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of ROBUS CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC, as of AUGUST 31, 20 17, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows: NONE

  
Signature  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
Title

  
Notary Public

This report \*\* contains (check all applicable boxes):

- ☒ (a) Facing Page.
- ☒ (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- ☐ (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- ☐ (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
- ☐ (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.
- ☐ (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- ☒ (g) Computation of Net Capital.
- ☐ (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
- ☒ (l) An Oath or Affirmation.
- ☐ (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- ☐ (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

**\*\*For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).**

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Financial Statement and Report of  
Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

**Robus Capital Partners LLC**

(A wholly-owned subsidiary of Pacific Capital Corp.)

August 31, 2017

**Robus Capital Partners LLC**  
**(A wholly-owned subsidiary of Pacific Capital Corp.)**

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## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Member of  
**Robus Capital Partners LLC:**

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We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of **Robus Capital Partners LLC** (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Pacific Capital Corp.) ("the Company"), as of August 31, 2017. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the auditing standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **Robus Capital Partners LLC** as of August 31, 2017, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

The Schedule I – Computation of net capital under Rule 15c 3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission and Schedule II – Reconciliation of aggregate indebtedness pursuant to Rule 17a-5 (D)(4) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Schedules") have been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of the Company's financial statement. The Schedules are the responsibility of the Company's management.

Our audit procedures included determining whether the Schedules reconcile to the financial statement or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the Schedules. In forming our opinion on the Schedules, we evaluated whether the Schedules, including their form and content are presented in conformity with 17 C.F.R. § 240.17a-5. In our opinion, the Schedule I – Computation of net capital under Rule 15c 3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission and Schedule II – Reconciliation of aggregate indebtedness pursuant to Rule 17a-5 (D)(4) of the Securities and Exchange Commission are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statement as a whole.

San Juan, Puerto Rico,  
November 20, 2017.

*Kevane Grant Thornton LLP*



**Robus Capital Partners LLC**  
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**Balance Sheet**  
**August 31, 2017**

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**Assets**

Cash	\$	35,510
Other assets		<u>500</u>
Total assets - all current	\$	<u><u>36,010</u></u>

**Liabilities and Member's Capital**

Accrued expenses	\$	9,850
Due to parent company		<u>7,374</u>
Total liabilities - all current		<u>17,224</u>
 <b>Member's capital</b>		 <u>18,786</u>
Total liabilities and member's capital	\$	<u><u>36,010</u></u>

**Robus Capital Partners LLC**  
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**Notes to Financial Statement**  
**August 31, 2017**

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(1) **Organization and summary of  
significant accounting policies:**

(a) **Organization** –

Robus Capital Partners LLC (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Pacific Capital Corp.) ("the Company"), is a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation ("SIPC"). The Company was formed as a Limited Liability Company pursuant to Chapter XIX of the Puerto Rico Limited Liability Company Act on December 4, 2015 ("formation date") and was granted FINRA membership on June 23, 2016 ("commencement date").

The Company engages in mergers and acquisitions, including fairness opinions, and private placements on a best efforts basis. Since the date of formation to the date of these financial statements, the Company has not generated any revenues.

The most significant accounting policies followed by the Company are the following:

(b) **Summary of significant accounting policies** –

(i) **Basis of presentation** –

The Company's fiscal year ends on August 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. The Company has evaluated subsequent events through November 20, 2017, the date the financial statement was available to be issued.

(ii) **Income taxes** –

The Company elected to be treated as a partnership under the provisions of the 2011 Puerto Rico Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, the Company is not subject to the payment of taxes on income, as the distributive shares of its annual income, or loss, is required to be currently reported as income or loss of the member.

The Company follows the accounting standard on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes. As a result, management assessed whether there were any uncertain tax positions which may give rise to income tax liabilities and determined that there were no such matters requiring recognition in the accompanying financial statement.

(iii) **Concentration of credit risk** –

Financial instruments that may potentially expose the Company to concentration of credit risk consist of cash in its bank accounts. The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts at high quality financial institutions. At times, such deposits may exceed federal insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts.

(iv) **Use of estimates** –

The accompanying financial statement has been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which require management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statement and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting year end. Actual results could differ from those estimates.



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**August 31, 2017**

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(2) **Member's capital:**

The Company is governed by the terms and conditions of an Operating Agreement ("Agreement") dated December 4, 2015. The Company shall continue until terminated in accordance with the terms of the Agreement or as provided by law, including events of dissolution. The Company shall be dissolved only upon vote of all holding an interest in the Company, or the expiration of the term of the Company, if any.

The overall management and control of the Company shall be performed by the management, who may, but need not, be a Member. All of the management's powers and limitations will be governed as specified and outlined in the Agreement.

(3) **Related party transactions:**

The Company has related party transactions with Pacific Capital Corp. ("the Parent"). All amounts outstanding are due on demand and do not bear interest. As of August 31, 2017, the total due to parent company amounted to \$7,374.

**Management agreement**

On December 15, 2015, the Company entered into an expense sharing and management agreement with Pacific Capital Corp. ("the Parent") to provide various administrative, operational, finance and human resources services to the Company. The Company also rents office space from the Parent. See Note (4).

(4) **Commitments:**

On January 19, 2016, the Company entered into a sublease agreement with Pacific Capital Corp. ("the Parent") ("Sub landlord") that expired on August 31, 2017. Nonetheless, this sublease agreement was extended for two additional years. The future minimum lease payments will be:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2018	\$ 13,689
2019	13,937
	<u>\$ 27,626</u>

(5) **Net capital requirement:**

The Company is subject to the Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1) promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Under the method of computing capital requirements adopted by the Company, net capital shall not be less than \$5,000 or 6.67% of Aggregate Indebtedness, whichever is greater. Also, aggregate indebtedness shall not exceed 800% of net capital, and 1,500% thereafter. As of August 31, 2017, the Company's net capital, as defined, was \$18,286, which exceeded the minimum net capital requirement by \$13,286.

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**(6) Exemption from Rule 15c3-3:**

The Company is exempt from the SEC Rule 15c3-3 pursuant to the exemptive provision under sub-paragraph (k)(2)(i). Under paragraph (k)(2)(i) of Rule 15c3-3, a broker-dealer is exempt from the Customer Protection Rule if it carries no margin accounts; promptly transmits (i.e., by noon of the business day following receipt) all customer funds and securities received and does not otherwise hold or owe money or securities to customers; and effectuates financial transactions with customers through one or more bank accounts designated as a special account for the exclusive benefit of customers.

**(7) Income taxes:**

The Company operates as a partnership under the provisions of the 2011 Puerto Rico Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, the Company is not subject to the payment of taxes on income, as the distributive shares of its annual income, or loss, is required to be currently reported as income or loss of the member.

The Parent company has been granted a Tax Exemption Decree under Act 20-2012, "Act to Promote the Export of Services" (the "Act 20 Decree") which, among other exemptions, its net income derived from eligible activities, as defined in the Act 20 Decree, will be taxed at a 4% flat rate for the next twenty (20) years. During the year ended August 31, 2017, the Company was granted the Act 20 Decree subject to some conditions, under which it will allow that any taxable income will be taxed at 4% by the Company's Member.

**(8) Supplementary information:**

The accompanying Schedules I and II have been prepared in accordance with the requirements and general format of FOCUS Form X-17a-5.

Other schedules, such as, Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors, Determination of Reserve Requirements, Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements, and Schedule of Segregation Requirements and Funds in Segregation, which are required per SEC Rule 15c3-3 are omitted as being not applicable since, during the year ended August 31, 2017, the Company had not had activities that would need to be disclosed on such schedules.

**(9) Contingencies:**

The Company, at times, may be involved in litigation relating to matters that arises in the ordinary course of its operations and activities. Such matters are contested by the Company's legal counsel or covered by insurance. It is management and its legal counsels' opinion, that the final outcome of such claims and legal proceedings when they arise, will not materially affect the operations of the Company.

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**Schedule I**

**Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1  
of the Securities and Exchange Commission  
August 31, 2017**

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**Net Capital:**

Total member's capital	\$	18,786
Less- Non-allowable assets-		
Other assets		(500)
Net capital	\$	18,286

**Aggregate indebtedness:**

Items included in the accompanying balance sheet-		
Accrued expenses	\$	9,850
Due to parent company		7,374
Total aggregate indebtedness	\$	17,224

**Computation of basic net capital requirement:**

Minimum net capital required (aggregate indebtedness * 6.67%)	\$	1,148
Minimum dollar net capital requirement	\$	5,000
Net capital requirement (highest of above amounts)	\$	5,000
Excess net capital (net capital - \$5,000)	\$	13,286
Net capital less the greater of 10% of aggregate indebtedness or 120% of minimum dollar net capital requirement	\$	12,286
Ratio: Aggregate indebtedness to net capital		94.19%

**Reconciliation with Company's computation** (included in Part IIA Form X-17A-5 as of August 31, 2017):

Net capital, as reported in Company's Part IIA (Unaudited) FOCUS report	\$	18,286
Net audit adjustments		-
Net capital per above	\$	18,286

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**Schedule II**

**Reconciliation of Aggregate Indebtedness Pursuant to Rule 17A-5 (D)(4)  
of the Securities and Exchange Commission  
August 31, 2017**

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**Reconciliation with Company's computation** (included in Part IIA Form  
X-17A-5 as of August 31, 2017):

Aggregate indebtedness as reported in	
Company's Part IIA (Unaudited) FOCUS report	\$ 17,224
Audit adjustments	<u>-</u>
Schedule I	<u>\$ 17,224</u>