



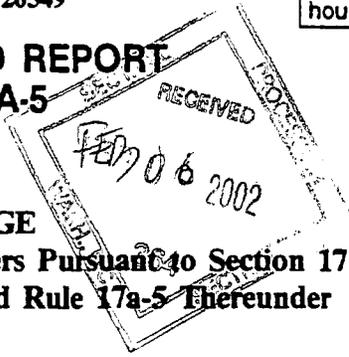
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Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder

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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING January 1, 2001 AND ENDING December 31, 2001  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

Robert G. Mauro Securities,

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FIRM ID. NO.

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

P.O. Box 200

(No. and Street)

Mount Kisco

New York

10549

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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

Steven J. Alperin, CPA

973 -808-8801

(Area Code — Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

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

Alperin, Nebbia & Associates, CPA

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

30 Two Bridges Road, Suite 240

Fairfield

New Jersey

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(Address)

(City)

(State)

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CHECK ONE:

- Certified Public Accountant
- Public Accountant
- Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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\*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(2).



**ROBERT G. MAURO INVESTMENT SECURITIES**

**(S.E.C. NO. 8 – 45249)**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION  
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2001**

**AND  
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
AND**

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE**

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This report is filed as a PUBLIC document in accordance with Rule 17a-5(e)(3) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

**ROBERT G. MAURO INVESTMENT SECURITIES**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of  
Robert G Mauro Investment Securities  
Mt. Kisco, NY

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Robert G. Mauro Investment Securities (a proprietorship) as of December 31, 2001 that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This financial statement is the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. 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 statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position at December 31, 2001 in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

*Alperin, Nebbia  
& Associates, CPA, PA*

Alperin, Nebbia & Associates, CPA. PA

Fairfield, New Jersey  
January 24, 2002

**ROBERT G. MAURO INVESTMENT SECURITIES  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2001**

**ASSETS**

**Current Assets:**

Cash and cash equivalents \$ 35,150

Total Assets \$ 35,150

**LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY**

**Current Liabilities:**

Accrued expenses and other liabilities \$ 1,000

**Commitments and Contingencies**

Proprietor's Capital 34,150

Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity \$ 35,150

**ROBERT G. MAURO INVESTMENT SECURITIES  
NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2001**

**Note A – Organization and Significant Accounting Policies**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared solely from the accounts of Robert G. Mauro Investment Securities, a proprietorship, and the owner represents that they do not include his personal accounts or those of any other operation in which he is engaged.

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and the disclosure of contingencies in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from the estimates included in the financial statements.

The Proprietorship generates its revenues principally by providing securities brokerage services. Revenues for these services are transaction based. As a result, the Proprietorship's revenues could vary based on the performance of the financial markets.

Securities transactions and related expenses are recorded on a trade date basis. The Company clears all securities transactions through Access Financial Group, Inc., on a fully disclosed basis.

Cash and cash equivalents include investments in money market funds. Marketable securities are valued at market value with the resulting difference between cost and market included in income.

**Note B – Income Taxes**

The proprietorship is not a tax paying entity for purposes of federal and state income taxes, and thus, no provision for income taxes has been recorded in these statements. Income from the proprietorship is combined with the proprietor's other sources of income and expense and reported on the proprietor's individual federal and state income tax returns.

**Note C – Commitments and Contingencies**

The Proprietorship leases office space on a month-to-month basis. Rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2001 was \$350.

**Note D – Net Capital Requirements**

Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires that this Proprietorship maintain net capital, as defined, of not less than \$5,000. At December 31, 2001, the proprietorship's net capital, as computed under the applicable rules, amounted to \$34,150. Robert G. Mauro Investment Securities is therefore in compliance with Rule 15c3-1.

**Note E – Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 107, "Disclosures About Fair Value of Financial Instruments" requires that all entities disclose the fair value of financial instruments, as defined, for both assets and liabilities recognized and not recognized in the statement of financial condition. The Company's financial instruments, as defined, are carried at, or approximate fair value.

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Robert G. Mauro Investments Securities  
Mt. Kisco, New York

Dear Sirs:

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Robert G. Mauro Investments Securities (a proprietorship) for the year ended December 31, 2001, we considered its internal control structure, including procedures for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in rule 17a-5(a)(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Proprietorship does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Proprietorship in any of the following:

1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons
2. Recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13.
3. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The management of the Proprietorship is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies, procedures and of the practices referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives.

Two of the objectives of an internal control structure and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Proprietorship has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because if changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted the following condition involving the accounting system and internal control structure:

The size of the business and resultant limited number of employees imposes practical limitations on the effectiveness of those control policies and procedures that depend on the segregation of duties. Because this condition is inherent in the size of the Proprietorship, the specific weaknesses are not described herein and no corrective action has been taken or proposed by the Proprietorship.

The foregoing condition was considered in determining the nature, timing, and extent of audit procedures to be performed in our audit of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2001, and this report does not affect our report thereon dated January 24, 2002.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Proprietorship's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2001, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the National Association of Securities Dealers and other regulatory agencies which may rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers and should not be used for any other purpose.

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Fairfield, New Jersey  
January 24, 2002