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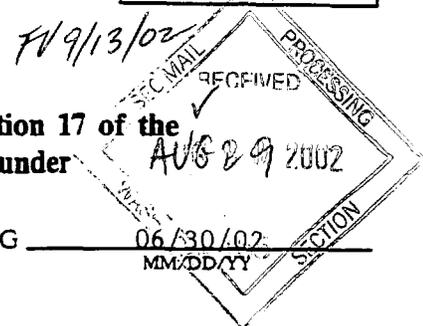
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Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder



REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 07/01/01 AND ENDING 06/30/02
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

Cressman Esser Securities, Inc. ✓

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| FIRM ID. NO. |

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

700 E. Diehl Road, Suite 140

(No. and Street)

Naperville,

Illinois

60563

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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

James P. Cressman

(630) 505-5005

(Area Code — Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Dunleavy & Company, P.C.

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

13116 South Western Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois

60406

(Address)

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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).

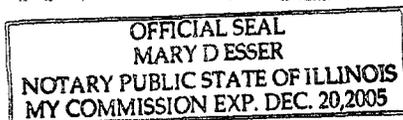
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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, James P. Cressman, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Cressman Esser Securities, Inc., as of June 30, 2002, 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



James P. Cressman
Signature
Vice President
Title

Mary D Esser
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 Proprietor's 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).

CRESSMAN ESSER SECURITIES, INC.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

JUNE 30, 2002

DUNLEAVY & COMPANY, P.C.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
13116 SOUTH WESTERN AVENUE
BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS 60406

(708) 489-1680
Fax: (708) 489-1717

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors
Cressman Esser Securities, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Cressman Esser Securities, Inc. as of June 30, 2002 that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. 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 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 statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement of financial condition. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall statement of financial condition presentation. We believe that our audit of the statement of financial condition provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Cressman Esser Securities, Inc. as of June 30, 2002, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



DUNLEAVY & COMPANY, P. C.
Certified Public Accountants

Blue Island, Illinois
July 19, 2002

CRESSMAN ESSER SECURITIES, INC.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

JUNE 30, 2002

ASSETS

| | | |
|---|----|--------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 50 |
| Receivable from broker/dealers | | 25,000 |
| Securities owned, at estimated fair value | | <u>3,300</u> |

TOTAL ASSETS **\$ 28,350**

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

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| Common stock, no par value; authorized 10,000 shares; issued and outstanding 1,000 shares | \$ | 30,000 |
| Additional paid-in capital | | 3,300 |
| Retained earnings (deficit) | | <u>(4,950)</u> |

TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY **\$ 28,350**

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

CRESSMAN ESSER SECURITIES, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization - The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cressman Esser, Inc. and was incorporated in the state of Illinois on July 8, 1992. The Company is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. The Company's principal business activity is the sale of securities. Operations began in November, 1992.

Securities Owned - Marketable securities are valued at market value and securities not readily marketable are valued at fair value as determined by the Board of Directors. The resulting difference between cost and market value (or fair value) is included in income.

Securities Transactions - Commission revenue and related expense arising from securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis, which is the same business day as the transaction date.

Cash Equivalents - Cash equivalents are defined as certificates of deposit and U.S. government obligations with an original maturity date, when purchased by the Company, of less than 90 days and those securities registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 which are comprised of cash and other short-term debt instruments and which are commonly referred to as "money market funds."

Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make 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 statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

CRESSMAN ESSER SECURITIES, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

NOTE 2 - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

As a registered broker/dealer and member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., the Company is subject to the Uniform Net Capital Rule, which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 1500%. At June 30, 2002 the Company's net capital and required net capital were \$25,050 and \$5,000 respectively. The ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0%.

NOTE 3 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As mentioned in Note 1, the Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cressman Esser, Inc. The Company is also affiliated with Cressman Esser Investment Advisors, Inc. The three companies report their income on a consolidated basis for income tax purposes. The parent assumes responsibility for all income tax liabilities.

For the year ended June 30, 2002, Cressman Esser, Inc., has paid substantially all overhead and operating expenses incurred by the Company with the exception of clearing and execution charges. In addition, the Company paid management fees to Cressman Esser, Inc. totaling \$216,647.

NOTE 4 - SECURITIES OWNED

Securities owned consist entirely of warrants issued by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. These warrants are exercisable in four tranches with 300 shares of common stock being the maximum number of shares exercisable in each tranche. The first tranche is exercisable for one year beginning on June 28, 2002 at the exercise price of \$13.00 per share. Each of the remaining 3 tranches is exercisable for successive one year periods beginning after the expiration of the first tranche. The exercise price in three remaining tranches are \$14, \$15 and \$16 per share respectively. The Company's management has valued these warrants at their cost of \$3,300.

CRESSMAN ESSER SECURITIES, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

NOTE 5 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On July 9, 2002, the Company paid Cressman Esser, Inc. management fees of \$16,307. These management fees were not considered to be owed to Cressman Esser, Inc. at June 30, 2002.

NOTE 6 - CLEARING AGREEMENT WITH OFF-BALANCE-SHEET RISK

Clearing Agreement - The Company has entered into an agreement with another broker/dealer (Clearing Broker/Dealer) whereby that Clearing Broker/Dealer will execute and clear securities transactions for the Company on a fully disclosed basis. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company is prohibited from entering into a similar agreement with another broker/dealer without prior approval of that Clearing Broker/Dealer. The Company has deposited \$25,000 with the Clearing Broker/Dealer to assure the Company's performance under the agreement. This amount is included in "Receivable from broker/dealers". The agreement may be terminated by either party 90 days prior notification. Additional provisions of the agreement state that the Company is to be held responsible for any losses arising when the customers introduced by the Company to the Clearing Broker/Dealers fail to meet their contractual commitments pertaining to the purchase, sale and possible financing of securities transactions. The Company may therefore be exposed to off-balance-sheet risk in the event the customer is unable to fulfill its contracted obligations and it is necessary for the Clearing Broker/Dealers to purchase or sell the securities at a loss. The Company's exposure to risk would consist of the amount of the loss realized and any additional expenses incurred pertaining to the transaction or other customer activity.