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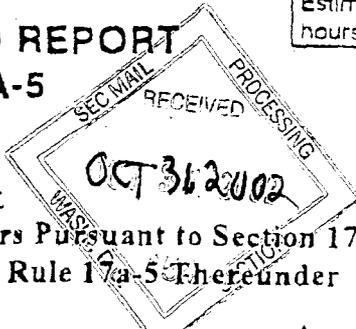
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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING September 1, 2001 AND ENDING August 31, 2002
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A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Higham Whitridge Securities Inc.

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

850 Ridge Avenue

(No. and Street)

Pittsburgh, PA 15212

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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

Chester H. Sanderson

(412) 237-2080

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

McKeever, Varga & Senko

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

500 Manor Oak Two, Pittsburgh, PA 15220

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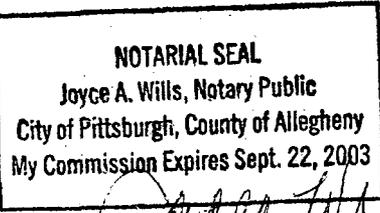
*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Chester H. Sanderson, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Higham-Whitridge Securities, as of August 31, 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



Joyce A. Wills
Notary Public

[Signature]
Signature

Secretary/Treasurer
Title

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 15c3-3 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).

Audited Financial Statements

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.
(A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Babb, Inc.)

August 31, 2002 and 2001

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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.

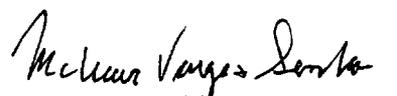
Wayne, Pennsylvania:

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Higham-Whitridge Securities, Inc. (a wholly owned subsidiary of Babb, Inc.) (the Company) as of August 31, 2002 and 2001, and the related statements of income, changes in stockholder's equity, and cash flows for the years then ended that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements 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 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 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Higham-Whitridge Securities, Inc. at August 31, 2002 and 2001, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in the accompanying schedules (pages 8 and 9) is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.


Certified Public Accountants

September 26, 2002

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.
(A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Babb, Inc.)

Statements of Financial Condition

August 31, 2002 and 2001

	2002	2001
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 115,209	\$ 115,010
Investments	3,300	3,300
Prepaid taxes	<u>307</u>	<u>114</u>
Total current assets	<u>118,816</u>	<u>118,424</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 118,816</u>	<u>\$ 118,424</u>
Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Due to parent company	<u>-</u>	<u>400</u>
Total current liabilities	1,200	1,600
Stockholder's equity:		
Common stock, stated value \$1 per share-- authorized, issued, and outstanding 1,000 shares	1,000	1,000
Additional paid-in capital	4,000	4,000
Retained earnings	<u>112,616</u>	<u>111,824</u>
Total stockholders' equity	<u>117,616</u>	<u>116,824</u>
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	<u>\$ 118,816</u>	<u>\$ 118,424</u>

See notes to financial statements.

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.
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Statements of Income

For the Years Ended August 31, 2002 and 2001

	2002	2001
Revenues:		
Net commission income	\$ 1,376	\$ 1,664
Interest	<u>1,928</u>	<u>4,392</u>
Total revenue	<u>3,304</u>	<u>6,056</u>
Expenses:		
Other operating expenses	2,505	4,980
Management fees (Note 2)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenses	<u>2,505</u>	<u>4,980</u>
Income before income taxes	799	1,076
Provision for income taxes (Note 1c)	<u>7</u>	<u>469</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 792</u>	<u>\$ 607</u>

See notes to financial statements.

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.
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Statements of Changes in Stockholder's Equity

For the Years Ended August 31, 2002 and 2001

	Additional Common Stock	Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Total Stock- holders' Equity
Balance at August 31, 2000	\$ 1,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 111,217	\$ 116,217
Net income	-	-	607	607
Balance at August 31, 2001	1,000	4,000	111,824	116,824
Net income	-	-	792	792
Balance at August 31, 2002	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,000</u>	<u>\$ 112,616</u>	<u>\$ 117,616</u>

See notes to financial statements.

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.
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Statements of Cash Flows

For the Years Ended August 31, 2002 and 2001

	2002	2001
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 792	\$ 607
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
(Increase) decrease from changes in:		
Prepaid taxes	(193)	169
Increase (decrease) from changes in:		
Accrued income tax expense	-	-
Accounts payable	-	-
Due to parent company	(400)	(2,600)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	(199)	(1,824)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(199)	(1,824)
Cash, beginning of year	<u>115,010</u>	<u>116,834</u>
Cash, end of year	\$ <u>115,209</u>	\$ <u>115,010</u>

See notes to financial statements.

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.
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Notes to Financial Statements

August 31, 2002 and 2001

Note 1. Significant Accounting Policies

A. Business

Higham-Whitridge Securities, Inc. (the Company) is engaged exclusively in the sale of insurance contract annuities and mutual funds. Commission income is recognized as received.

B. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of income and expense during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

C. Income Taxes

The operations of the Company are included in the consolidated federal income tax return of Babb, Inc. In accordance with the policy of Babb, Inc., the Company provides for its share of federal income taxes as if it were filing separately with the Internal Revenue Service. The Company does not receive tax benefits from Babb, Inc. in years in which operating losses are incurred. The provision for income taxes in the statement of income for the years ended August 31, 2002 and 2001 are \$7 and \$469, respectively.

D. Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of reporting, cash and cash equivalents include money market accounts and any highly liquid debt instruments with an original maturity of three months or less from the date of purchase.

Note 2. Management Fees

Babb, Inc. provides the Company with facilities and various management, accounting and other services. The management fees charged for the years ended August 31, 2002 and 2001 were \$-0- and \$-0-, respectively.

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.
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Notes to Financial Statements
(Continued)

August 31, 2002 and 2001

Note 3. Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), 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 15 to 1. At August 31, 2002, the Company had net capital of \$114,009, which was \$109,009 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was .01 to 1 and .01 to 1 at August 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

Note 4. Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company maintains its cash and cash equivalents in a financial institution located in Allegheny County. At August 31, 2002 and 2001 the Company's uninsured cash balance totaled \$15,209 and \$15,010, respectively, per bank records. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts and does believe that it is exposed to any significant risk to cash.

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.
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Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1
of the Securities and Exchange Commission

August 31, 2002 and 2001

	2002	2001
Net capital:		
Total stockholder's equity	\$ 117,616	\$ 116,824
Less: Nonallowable assets	(3,607)	(3,414)
2% haircut on securities	<u> -</u>	<u> -</u>
Net capital	<u>\$ 114,009</u>	<u>\$ 113,410</u>
Aggregate indebtedness:		
Items included in statement of financial condition:		
Accounts payable and due to parent	\$ <u>1,200</u>	\$ <u>1,600</u>
Computation of basic net capital requirements:		
Minimum net capital	\$ <u>5,000</u>	\$ <u>5,000</u>
Excess net capital	\$ <u>109,009</u>	\$ <u>108,410</u>
Excess net capital at 1,000% (net capital less 10% of aggregate indebtedness)	\$ <u>113,889</u>	\$ <u>113,250</u>
Ratio: Aggregate indebtedness to net capital	<u>.01 to 1</u>	<u>.01 to 1</u>

The computation of net capital per this report does not differ from that previously filed on the Form X-17A-5 as of August 31, 2002.

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.
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Statement Regarding Rule 15c3-3

August 31, 2002

The Company is exempt from Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission under paragraph (k)(1) of that rule.

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Report of Independent Auditors on Internal Control

Board of Directors

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.

Wayne, Pennsylvania

In planning and performing our audit of the basic financial statements of Higham-Whitridge Securities, Inc. (the Company) as of and for the year ended August 31, 2002, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the basic financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities 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(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 company 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 Company 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 Company 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 and procedures and of the practices and procedures 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

To the Board of Directors

HIGHAM-WHITRIDGE SECURITIES, INC.

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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 Company 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 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 of 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 no matters involving the internal control structure, that we considered to be a material weakness as defined above.

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 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 Company's practices and procedures were adequate at August 31, 2002, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors, management, the Securities and Exchange Commission and other regulatory agencies which 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.


Certified Public Accountants

September 26, 2002

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August 31, 2002 and 2001