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ANNUAL AUDITED REPORT

PART III

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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 January 1, 2002 AND ENDING December 31, 2002
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

Monarch Capital Group, LLC

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

330 Madison Avenue 36th Floor

(No. and Street)

New York

New York

10017

(City)

(State)

(Zip code)

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

Michael Potter

212-808-4375

(Area Code - Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Halpern & Associates, LLC

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

143 Weston Road

Weston

CT

06883

(Address)

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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☒ 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).

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Michael Potter, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Monarch Capital Group, LLC as of December 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:

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
BEFORE ME ON THIS DATE

JAN 14 2003

ANTHONY G. BARCHESI
Notary Public of New Jersey
Commission Expires 6/24/2004

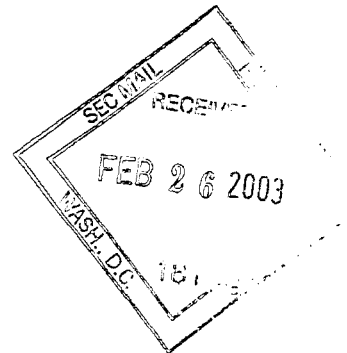
Signature

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 Proprietor's Capital.
- ☐ (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claim 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).



MONARCH CAPITAL GROUP, LLC
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
DECEMBER 31, 2002

Halpern & Associates, LLC

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Manager of
Monarch Capital Group, LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Monarch Capital Group, LLC, as of December 31, 2002. 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 this financial statement is 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 statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Monarch Capital Group, LLC as of December 31, 2002, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Halpern & Associates, LLC

Weston, Connecticut
February 17, 2003

MONARCH CAPITAL GROUP, LLC
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
DECEMBER 31, 2002

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 43,848
Due from Clearing Broker	<u>168,514</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u><u>\$ 212,362</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S CAPITAL

Accounts Payable	<u>\$ 3,000</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES	 3,000
 Member's Capital	 <u>209,362</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S CAPITAL	 <u><u>\$ 212,362</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

MONARCH CAPITAL GROUP, LLC

NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

DECEMBER 31, 2002

1. NOTES ON SIGNIFICANT BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

Monarch Capital Group, LLC (the "Company") was organized under the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York in March 1999. The Company is a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission and became a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc on January 28, 2000. In this capacity, it executes agency transactions for its customers and forwards all such transactions to Bear Stearns Securities Corp., the Company's clearing agent, on a fully disclosed basis. As of July 31, 2002, the Company became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Monarch Holdings, LLC. ("Holdings").

In the normal course of its business, the Company enters into financial transactions where the risk of potential loss due to changes in market (market risk) or failure of the other party to the transaction to perform (credit risk) exceeds the amounts recorded for the transaction.

The Company's policy is to continuously monitor its exposure to market and counterparty risk through the use of a variety of financial, position and credit exposure reporting and control procedures. In addition, the Company has a policy of reviewing the credit standing of each broker-dealer, clearing organization, customer and/or other counterparty with which it conducts business.

As of December 31, 2002, the amounts due from broker reflected in the statement of financial condition are receivable from Bear Stearns Securities Corp.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Company records securities transactions and related revenues and expenses on a trade date basis.

Security transactions and financing with the clearing broker are classified as operating activities on the statement of cash flows since this is the Company's principal business.

The Company maintains its books and records on an accrual basis in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America while using the cash basis for income tax purposes.

Deferred taxes result from the recognition of certain items in different periods for financial and tax reporting.

MONARCH CAPITAL GROUP, LLC

NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2002

3. INCOME TAXES

The Company is recognized as a Limited Liability Company (an "LLC") by the Internal Revenue Service. As an LLC, the Company is not subject to income taxes. The Company's income or loss is reportable by its members on their individual tax returns. .

4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

Pursuant to a formal management fee agreement, Holdings provided personnel, administrative services and office space to the Company. The financial statements reflect fees of \$366,967 relating to this arrangement. This agreement was terminated effective January 1, 2003.

5. RULE 15C3-3

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under paragraph (k)(2)(A) in that the Company carries no customer accounts.

6. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Net Capital 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 8 to 1 since the company has been a registered broker dealer for less than one year. At December 31, 2002, the Company had net capital of \$209,362 which exceeded the minimum requirement of \$100,000 by \$109,362. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital ratio was .01 to 1.

MONARCH CAPITAL GROUP, LLC
ACCOUNTANTS' SUPPLEMENTARY
REPORT ON
INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

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ACCOUNTANTS' SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL

To the Manager of
Monarch Capital Group, LLC

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of Monarch Capital Group, LLC (the "Company"), for the year ended December 31, 2002, we considered its internal control structure, including procedures for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our 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(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 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, including procedures for safeguarding securities, that we consider to be material weaknesses 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 December 31, 2002 to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report recognizes that it is not practicable in an organization the size of Monarch Capital Group, LLC to achieve all the divisions and duties and cross-checks generally included in a system of internal accounting control and that alternatively greater reliance must be placed on surveillance by management.

This report is intended solely for the use of management, the SEC, the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., and other regulatory agencies that 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.

Harper & Associates, LLC