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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 01/01/2002 AND ENDING 12/31/2002  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION

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FIRM I.D. NO.

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

994 OLD EAGLE SCHOOL ROAD, SUITE 1020

(No. and Street)

WAYNE

PA

19087

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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

MALCOLM A. MORRISON

610-293-1484

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

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

COGEN SKLAR LLP

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

150 MONUMENT ROAD, SUITE 500 BALA CYNWYD, PA 19004

(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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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, MALCOLM A. MORRISON, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION, 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:

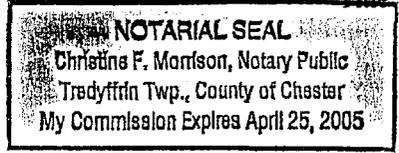
Malcolm Morrison

Signature

Pres.

Title

Christine F. Morrison
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 15c3-3 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).

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

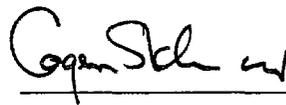
To the Stockholder  
Wharton Equity Corporation  
Wayne, Pennsylvania

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial condition of Wharton Equity Corporation as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the related statements of income, cash flows and changes in stockholder's equity 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 audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. 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 audits provide 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 Wharton Equity Corporation at December 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.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The schedules on pages 8-10 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits 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.



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January 17, 2003

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION  
 STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION  
 DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash	\$183,140	\$ 85,772
Concessions receivable	134,572	144,597
Brokerage house deposits	53,206	52,577
Federal tax refund receivable	-	4,000
Prepaid expenses	<u>4,881</u>	<u>16,090</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>\$375,799</u></u>	<u><u>\$303,036</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Commissions payable	\$113,265	\$117,543
Accounts payable	3,661	3,662
Income taxes payable	<u>18,145</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u><u>135,071</u></u>	<u><u>121,205</u></u>
<b>STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY</b>		
COMMON STOCK - no par value; 1,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding	8,025	8,025
ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL	36,475	36,475
RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>196,228</u>	<u>137,331</u>
<b>TOTAL STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY</b>	<u><u>240,728</u></u>	<u><u>181,831</u></u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY</b>	<u><u>\$375,799</u></u>	<u><u>\$303,036</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION  
 STATEMENTS OF INCOME  
 YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
REVENUE		
Concessions	\$4,418,397	\$2,423,138
Miscellaneous	28,395	33,459
Interest	10,435	3,818
	<u>4,457,227</u>	<u>2,460,415</u>
 OPERATING EXPENSES	 <u>4,377,330</u>	 <u>2,494,433</u>
 INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES	 79,897	 (34,018)
 PROVISION FOR (REFUND OF) INCOME TAXES	 <u>21,000</u>	 <u>(4,000)</u>
 NET INCOME (LOSS)	 <u>\$ 58,897</u>	 <u>\$ (30,018)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION  
 STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
 YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net income (loss)	\$ 58,897	\$ (30,018)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net increase (decrease) in cash		
(Increase) decrease in assets		
Concessions receivable	10,025	(47,256)
Brokerage house deposits	(629)	(1,786)
Federal tax refund receivable	4,000	(4,000)
Prepaid expenses	11,209	(13,126)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities		
Commissions payable	(4,278)	41,896
Accounts and taxes payable	18,144	(5,542)
	<u>97,368</u>	<u>(59,832)</u>
 NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	 97,368	 (59,832)
 CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR	 <u>85,772</u>	 <u>145,604</u>
 CASH - END OF YEAR	 <u>\$ 183,140</u>	 <u>\$ 85,772</u>
 <b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION</b>		
Cash paid during the year for:		
Income taxes	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 20,504</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION  
 STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY  
 YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>Additional Paid-in Capital</u>	<u>Retained Earnings</u>	<u>Total Stockholder's Equity</u>
BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2001	\$ 8,025	\$ 36,475	\$167,349	\$ 211,849
NET LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(30,018)</u>	<u>(30,018)</u>
BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2001	8,025	36,475	137,331	181,831
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,897</u>	<u>58,897</u>
BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2002	<u>\$ 8,025</u>	<u>\$ 36,475</u>	<u>\$196,228</u>	<u>\$ 240,728</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Formation and Nature of Operations

Wharton Equity Corporation was incorporated in Delaware on March 16, 1981. The Company sells investments on a concession basis to customers located in the Eastern United States.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires the use of estimates based on management's knowledge and experience. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Concessions Receivable

Concessions are recognized as income on the date they become payable by the dealer or insurance company. No allowance for bad debts is considered necessary.

Income Taxes

The Company follows Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109 (SFAS No. 109), "Accounting for Income Taxes." Under SFAS No. 109, an asset and liability approach is required. Such an approach would result in the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the book carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets and liabilities.

Since there are no temporary differences, no provision is necessary.

Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income is a more inclusive financial reporting methodology that includes disclosure of certain financial information that historically has not been recognized in the calculation of net income. Since the company has no items of other comprehensive income, comprehensive income is equal to net income.

NOTE 2 - CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK INVOLVING CASH

During the year, the Company may have deposits with major financial institutions, which exceed Federal Depository Insurance limits. These financial institutions have strong credit ratings, and management believes that credit risk related to these deposits is minimal.

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

NOTE 3 - CORPORATE INCOME TAXES

Current income tax expense for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001 consists of the following:

	2002	2001
Federal (Refund)	\$13,000	\$ (4,000)
State	8,000	-
	\$21,000	\$ (4,000)

NOTE 4 - NET CAPITAL

Pursuant to the net capital provision of Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company is required to maintain a minimum net capital, as defined under such provision. Net capital may fluctuate on a daily basis. The Company had net capital as defined under Rule 15c3-1 of \$214,540 and \$134,687 at December 31, 2002 and 2001; net capital requirements were \$50,000 at December 31, 2002 and 2001.

NOTE 5 - LEASES

For the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001, total rental expense under leases amounted to \$16,157,32 and \$15,222. At December 31, 2002, the Company was obligated under a non-cancelable operating lease arrangement for office facilities as follows:

YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31,	LEASE OBLIGATION
2003	\$ 15,150
2004	15,150
2005	12,625
TOTAL	\$42,925

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION  
SCHEDULES OF OPERATING EXPENSES  
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Commissions	\$3,978,438	\$2,075,421
Payroll - officers	228,000	235,012
Payroll - office	23,066	-
Payroll taxes and benefits	19,051	22,142
Office supplies and expense	89,467	118,106
Rent	16,157	15,222
Insurance	350	1,840
Health insurance	3,079	3,618
Professional fees	12,647	9,371
Registration fees	3,485	7,134
Telephone	3,101	4,140
Miscellaneous taxes	250	1,086
Publications and subscriptions	239	1,341
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$4,377,330</u>	<u>\$2,494,433</u>

See accountants' report.

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION  
 COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1 OF THE  
 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2002

CAPITAL AND ALLOWABLE SUBORDINATED LIABILITIES	
Total stockholder's equity qualified for net capital	<u>\$240,728</u>
DEDUCTIONS	
Non-allowable assets:	
Prepaid expenses	4,881
Excess of concessions receivable over commissions payable	<u>21,307</u>
	<u>26,188</u>
NET CAPITAL	<u>\$214,540</u>
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS	
Items included in statement of financial condition:	
Commissions payable	\$113,265
Accounts and taxes payable	<u>21,806</u>
Total aggregate indebtedness	<u>\$135,071</u>
COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT	
MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIRED: (BASED ON AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS)	<u>\$ 9,009</u>
MINIMUM DOLLAR NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT OF REPORTING DEALER	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
EXCESS NET CAPITAL	<u>\$164,540</u>
RATIO: AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO NET CAPITAL	<u>.63 to 1</u>

WHARTON EQUITY CORPORATION  
RECONCILIATION UNDER RULE 17-a-5(d)(4) OF THE SECURITIES  
AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
DECEMBER 31, 2002

NET CAPITAL RECONCILIATION UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE  
COMMISSION RULE 17a-5(d)(4)

Net capital as reported on (unaudited) FOCUS Report Part IIA - December 31, 2002 (as amended)	\$231,681
Increase of cash	3,736
Decrease of concessions receivable	(78)
Decrease of prepaid expenses	(3,656)
Decrease of accounts payable	(4,369)
Adjustment of non-allowable assets	8,533
Adjustment of commissions receivable over commissions payable	<u>(21,307)</u>
 NET CAPITAL	 <u><u>\$214,540</u></u>

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT  
ON INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE REQUIRED BY  
SEC RULE 17a-5 FOR A BROKER-DEALER CLAIMING  
AN EXEMPTION FROM SEC RULE 15c3-3

Wharton Equity Corporation  
Wayne, Pennsylvania

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of Wharton Equity Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2002, we considered its internal control, including control activities 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 internal control.

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. Wharton Equity Corporation is limited to acting as broker (agent) for a single issuer in soliciting subscriptions for securities of such issuer, who promptly transmits to such issuer all funds and promptly delivers to the subscriber all securities received in connection therewith, and who does not otherwise hold funds or securities for or owe money or securities to customers. Consequently, it claims exemption under SEC Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(ii). 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 internal control 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 controls 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 internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute

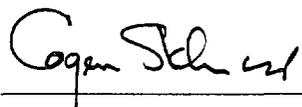
assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. 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, error or fraud 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 internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control 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 components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud 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 internal control, including control activities 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 is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, management, the SEC, NASD, 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 is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

  
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January 17, 2003