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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, 2003 AND ENDING December 31, 2003  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

Kedem Capital Corporation

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

534 Broad Hollow Road

FIRM ID. NO.

(No. and Street)

Melville

New York

11747

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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

Ben Z. Kedem

631-755-3330

(Area Code — Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

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

Halpern & Associates

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

143 Weston Road

Weston

CT

06883

(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, Ben Z. Kedem, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Kedem Capital Corporation, as of December 31, 2003, 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:

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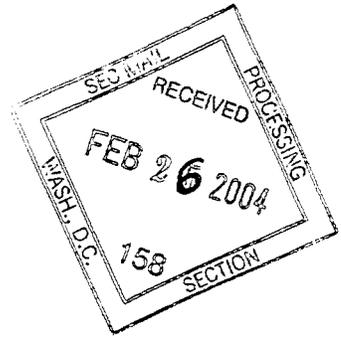
Ben Z. Kedem  
Signature  
President  
Title

Patricia A. Gross  
Notary Public  
PATRICIA A. GROSS  
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York  
No. 4879177, Suffolk County  
Commission Expires December 8, 2006

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).



KEDEM CAPITAL CORPORATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

DECEMBER 31, 2003

# **Halpern & Associates, LLC**

Certified Public Accountants and Consultants

143 Weston Road • Weston, CT 06883 • (203)227-0313 • FAX (203)226-6909 • Info@Halpernassoc.com

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the President of  
Kedem Capital Corporation

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Kedem Capital Corporation (the "Company") as of December 31, 2003. 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 Kedem Capital Corporation as of December 31, 2003, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Halpern & Associates, LLC*

Weston, Connecticut  
January 21, 2004

KEDEM CAPITAL CORPORATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

DECEMBER 31, 2003

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 182,038
Investment in non-marketable securities	3,300
Receivable from clearing broker	26,727
Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$140,111 and \$13,048 respectively	2,442
Other assets	<u>34,009</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u><u>\$ 248,516</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY

LIABILITIES	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	\$ 27,004
 SUBORDINATED LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY	
Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors	0
 SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY	
Common stock, no par value; authorized 200 shares; issued and outstanding 1 share	200,000
Retained Earnings	<u>21,512</u>
 TOTAL SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY	 <u>221,512</u>
 TOTAL SUBORDINATED LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY	 <u>221,512</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY	 <u><u>\$ 248,516</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

KEDEM CAPITAL CORPORATION

NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2003

Depreciation is provided for on accelerated methods over the useful lives of the assets. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the term of the lease.

3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include \$160,656 in a money market fund, which are being held at the clearing broker.

4. PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES

The Company is recognized as an S-Corporation by the Internal Revenue Service. As an S-Corporation, the Company is subject to a New York State surcharge, while the shareholder is liable for federal and state income taxes on the Company's taxable income. As a result, the financial statements reflect the minimum tax charged by the State of New York.

For purposes of the New York State surcharge, the Company has available loss carry-forwards of approximately \$15,500, which will expire between December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2017.

5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

Included in other assets is a receivable of \$3,375 from a corporation, which is wholly owned by the Company's shareholder.

6. COMMITMENT

The Company leases office space under a non-cancelable lease expiring December 31, 2005. The lease contains provisions for escalations based on increases in certain costs incurred by the lessor. Future minimum lease payments on this lease are as follows:

Year ending December 31,		
2004		79,819
2005		<u>79,819</u>
	Total	\$ 159,638

# KEDEM CAPITAL CORPORATION

## NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

DECEMBER 31, 2003

### 1. NOTES ON SIGNIFICANT BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

Kedem Capital Corporation (the "Company") began doing business as a registered broker-dealer in securities with the Securities and Exchange Commission in 1986. In this capacity, it executes both principal and agency transactions for itself and its customers. The Company operates on a fully disclosed basis through its clearing broker, Bear Stearns Securities Corp. ("Bear").

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. Investments in non-marketable securities are carried at historical cost.

The Company's policy is to continuously monitor its exposure to market and counter-party 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 counter-party with which it conducts business.

The Company introduces its customer transactions to Bear with whom it has a correspondent relationship for execution and clearance in accordance with the terms of a clearance agreement. In connection therewith, the Company has agreed to indemnify Bear for losses that the clearing broker may sustain related to the Company's customers. After December 31, 2003, all amounts related to customer transactions were received by Bear. Securities purchased by customers in connection with those transactions are held by the clearing broker as collateral for the amounts owed.

The clearing and depository operations for the Company's proprietary and customer transactions are performed by Bear pursuant to the clearance agreement. At December 31, 2003, the receivable from clearing broker reflected on the statement of financial condition was substantially in cash.

### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Security transactions and financing with Bear 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 generally accepted accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

KEDEM CAPITAL CORPORATION

NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2003

7. RULE 15C3-3

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under paragraph (k)(2)(ii) in that the Company carries no margin accounts, promptly transmits all customer funds and delivers all securities received, does not otherwise hold funds or securities for or owe money or securities to customers and effectuates all financial transactions on behalf of customers on a fully disclosed basis.

8. 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 15 to 1. At December 31, 2003, the Company had net capital of \$178,518, which exceeded the minimum requirement of \$100,000 by \$78,518. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital ratio was .15 to 1.