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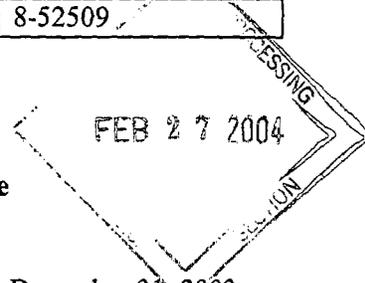
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**Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder**

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING January 1, 2003 AND ENDING December 31, 2003  
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**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER - DEALER:

ADIRONDACK ELECTRONIC MARKETS LLC

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

120 West 45<sup>th</sup> Street, 25th Floor

(No. and Street)

New York

(City)

New York

(State)

10036

(Zip Code)

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

Christopher Martel

212-895-4532

(Area Code - Telephone No.)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

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

Deloitte & Touche LLP

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

2 World Financial Center

(Address)

New York

(City)

New York

(State)

10281-1414

(Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:

Certified Public Accountant

Public Accountant

Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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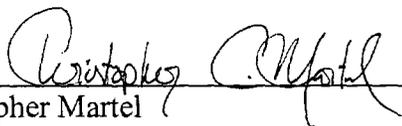
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\*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(2).

**AFFIRMATION**

I, Christopher Martel, affirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedules pertaining to Adirondack Electronic Markets LLC for the year ended December 31, 2003, are true and correct. I further affirm that neither the Company nor any officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer.



Christopher Martel  
Chief Financial Officer

**JACQUELINE ZUCKER**

Notary Public, State of New York

No. 02ZU6048833

Qualified in New York County

Commission Expires ~~Oct. 2, 2002~~

*Nov 26, 2006*

Subscribed to before me this  
19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2004.



Notary Public

**ADIRONDACK ELECTRONIC MARKETS LLC**  
**(SEC I.D. No. 8-52509)**



**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**  
**AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2003**  
**AND**  
**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**  
**AND**  
**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL**

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**Filed pursuant to Rule 17a-5(e)(3)**  
**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as a**  
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Member of  
Adirondack Electronic Markets LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Adirondack Electronic Markets LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2003, that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities 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 financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. 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, such statement of financial condition presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Adirondack Electronic Markets LLC as of December 31, 2003, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deloitte &amp; Touche LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

February 19, 2004

**ADIRONDACK ELECTRONIC MARKETS LLC**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**  
**December 31, 2003**  
**(in thousands of dollars)**

**ASSETS**

Cash	\$	187
Financial instruments owned:		
Equity securities		82,082
Options		35,374
Fixed assets and leashold improvements, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$4,517		1,782
Other assets		<u>767</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b><u>\$ 120,192</u></b>

**LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY**

Financial instruments sold, not yet purchased:		
Equity securities	\$	40,910
Options		41,582
Payable to clearing broker		23,740
Other liabilities and accrued expenses		<u>2,082</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b><u>108,314</u></b>
 <b>MEMBER'S EQUITY</b>		 <b><u>11,878</u></b>
 <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY</b>		 <b><u>\$ 120,192</u></b>

See notes to statement of financial condition.

**ADIRONDACK ELECTRONIC MARKETS LLC**  
**NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**  
**December 31, 2003**

**1. ORGANIZATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

Adirondack Electronic Markets LLC (the "Company") is a Delaware limited liability company, initially formed to operate primary market-making seats and competitive market-making seats on the International Securities Exchange ("ISE"). The ISE is a fully electronic exchange for listed equity options in the United States. The Company's sole member is Adirondack Trading Partners LLC ("ATP").

**2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

*Use of Estimates* – The preparation of the statement of financial condition in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions, which include the valuation of financial instruments, that could affect the amounts reported in the financial statement. The Company believes that the estimates utilized in the preparation of the financial statement are prudent and reasonable. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

*Proprietary Transactions* – Financial instruments owned and financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased, which include cash and derivative products (options and futures) are recorded at fair value in the statement of financial condition. The fair value of equity securities and futures contracts is based on the last trade quoted on a national exchange, and the fair value of index options is based on the midpoint of the last bid and offer quoted on the Chicago Board Options Exchange. The fair value of equity options is based on the midpoint of the last bid and offer quoted on the ISE.

The Company clears its securities and options transactions through its clearing broker on a fully-disclosed basis. The payable to clearing broker represents amounts due in connection with the financing of proprietary positions and amounts on deposit. The clearing broker is the primary source of short-term financing for the Company, and that financing is collateralized by the financial instrument inventory of the Company. The financial instrument inventory is held and may be pledged by the clearing broker.

Purchases and sales of financial instruments are recorded in the accounts on trade date.

Substantially all of the Company's assets and liabilities are carried at fair value or amounts that approximate fair value. Fair value is the amount at which financial instruments could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

*Fixed assets and leasehold improvements* – Fixed assets and leasehold improvements are carried at cost less related accumulated depreciation and amortization. Fixed assets consist of furniture, equipment, and software, which are depreciated on a straight-line basis over estimated useful lives of three to five years. The Company recognizes a full year's depreciation in the year of acquisition. Leasehold improvements are amortized on a straight-line basis over the lesser of their estimated useful life or the length of the lease.

*Income Taxes* – As a single member LLC, AEM is treated as a division of ATP for federal and state income tax purposes. ATP as the sole member is responsible for reporting the Company's income or loss.

### **3. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Company leases seats on the ISE from ATP at a rate substantially lower than prevailing market lease rates.

The Company provides ATP with office space and other administrative services, in return for which ATP provides certain management services to the Company. At December 31, 2003, a receivable of \$75,613 in connection with such services is included in other assets.

### **4. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

Derivatives are financial instruments whose value is based upon an underlying asset, index or reference rate. Exchange-traded derivatives are standardized contracts transacted through regulated exchanges and include futures and certain option contracts.

Derivatives financial instruments contain off-balance sheet risk, whereby changes in the market values of underlying securities or interest rates may result in changes in the values of the financial instruments in excess of the amounts recognized in the statement of financial condition. Through the use of hedging strategies, the Company attempts to reduce its exposure to market risks arising from the use of these financial instruments.

Futures contracts represent future commitments to purchase or sell other financial instruments at specified terms at specified future dates. Options provide the option purchaser (holder) with the right, but not the obligation, to purchase or sell a financial instrument at a specified price on or before a specified future date. The Company receives premiums in exchange for bearing risk of unfavorable changes in the market values of the financial instruments underlying the options, which have been sold.

In the normal course of business, the Company makes markets in exchange-traded options. Such market-making activities require the use of options, futures contracts, and long and short positions in equity securities to manage the Company's exposure to various market risks.

### **5. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WITH OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK AND CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK**

Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased, represent obligations to deliver specified financial instruments at contracted prices, thereby creating liabilities to purchase such financial instruments at some time in the future at then-prevailing market prices, thus subjecting the Company to market risk.

The Company's transactions in financial instruments are cleared by one clearing broker. Substantially all of the Company's cash and securities positions are either held as collateral by the clearing broker against various margin obligations of the Company or deposited with such clearing broker for safekeeping purposes.

To the extent the Company has not borrowed the maximum amount available from the clearing broker with respect to such collateral and deposits, such excess represents available short-term

funding. The Company maintains short-term liquidity in the form of additional margin borrowings available from the clearing broker. This subjects the Company to liquidity risk, to the extent the clearing broker may choose to decrease the collateralized margin borrowings it makes available to the Company.

## 6. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Company has entered into obligations under operating leases in excess of one year for office space and equipment. At December 31, 2003, future minimum payments for commitments under such leases are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2004	\$ 749,426
2005	618,083
2006	618,083
2007	618,083
2008	154,521
Thereafter	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,758,196</u>

For each lease period in the table above, the Company is contractually liable to the lessor for real estate taxes and certain utilities.

## 7. NET CAPITAL

The Company is a registered broker-dealer and, accordingly, is subject to the net capital requirements of Rule 15c3-1 (the "Rule") under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Company computes its net capital under the alternative method permitted by the Rule, which requires that the Company maintain minimum net capital as defined equal to \$250,000. At December 31, 2003, the Company had net capital of \$2,244,123, which is \$1,994,123 in excess of its required net capital of \$250,000.

## 8. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On February 13, 2004, the Company received a capital contribution in the amount of \$1,000,000 from ATP.



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February 19, 2004

To the Member of  
Adirondack Electronic Markets LLC

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Adirondack Electronic Markets LLC (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2003 (on which we issued our report dated February 19, 2004), we considered its internal control, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the Company's internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we have made a study of the practices and procedures (including tests of compliance with such practices and procedures) followed by the Company that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. We did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13 or in complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities.

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 internal control 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 Securities and Exchange Commission's (the "Commission") 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 acquisition, 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 conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

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February 19, 2004  
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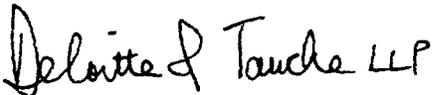
Because of inherent limitations in any internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal control or of such practices and procedures to future periods are subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the practices or procedures may deteriorate.

Our consideration of the Company's internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the Company's 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 one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by 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 the Company's internal control and its operations, 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 Commission 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, 2003, to meet the Commission's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Company's member, management, the Securities and Exchange Commission, 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 is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Yours truly,

Deloitte & Touche LLP