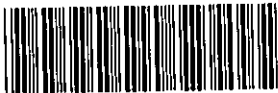


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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/06 AND ENDING 12/31/06
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER - DEALER:

~~NICO Securities, LLC~~ *Westward Capital, LLC*
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)
311 South Wacker Drive Suite 900

(No. and Street)

Chicago Illinois 60606
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

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

John Kiely 312-786-5961
(Area Code - Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Robert Cooper & Company CPAs, P.C.
(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

401 S. La Salle Suite 302 Chicago IL 60605
(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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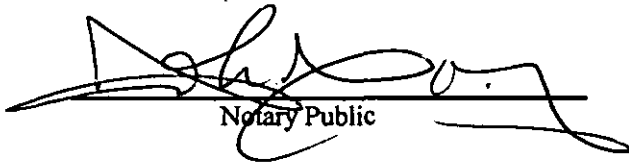
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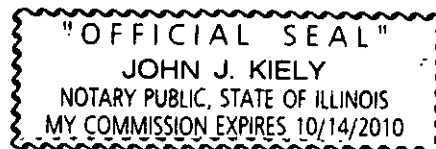
I, Peter Meyer, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statements and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of NICO Securities, LLC., as of December 31, 2006, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal, officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:


Signature

Member

Title


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 Cash Flows.
- (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 of 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).**

NICO Securities, LLC
(An Illinois
Limited Liability Company)

Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2006, and
Independent Auditors' Report

(Filed Pursuant to Rule 17A-5 Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934)

NICO SECURITIES, LLC
Annual Report
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

To the Members:
NICO Securities, LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of **NICO Securities, LLC** as of December 31, 2006, and the related statements of income, changes in Members capital, and cash flows for the period ending December 31, 2006. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Members. 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 **NICO Securities, LLC** as of December 31, 2006, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year 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 Schedules I and II 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 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the 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.


Robert Cooper & Company, CPA's PC
February 24, 2007

NICO Securities, LLC
(An Illinois limited liability company)
Statement of Financial Condition
December 31, 2006

Assets

Cash	\$ 13,885
Due from broker dealer	906,416
Due from FCM	263,127
Preferred Stock	50,000
Total Assets	\$ <u>1,233,429</u>

Liabilities and Member's Equity

Liabilities	
Due to member	\$
Securities sold short:	
Marketable securities sold short, at market value	0
Options sold short, at fair value	0
Accrued expenses	11,383
Total liabilities	<u>11,383</u>
Member's equity	1,222,046
Total member's equity and Liabilities	\$ <u>1,233,429</u>

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The accompanying notes to financial statements
are an integral part of this statement

NICO Securities, LLC
(An Illinois limited liability company)
Statement of Operations
For the year ended December 31, 2006

Revenues:	
Trading revenue net of commissions	\$ 1,574,676
Futures trading revenue	1,325,872
Interest and dividend income	367,560
Total Revenue	<u>118,756</u>
Expenses:	
Interest Expense	209,044
Regulatory and other expenses	45,081
Dividend expense	62,162
Seat lease	69,319
Trader fees	85,803
Technology & information expenses	28,862
Other operating expenses	202,869
Total expenses	<u>703,141</u>
Net Income	<u>\$ -584,385</u>

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are an integral part of this statement

NICO Securities, LLC
(An Illinois limited liability company)
Statement of Changes in Member's Equity
For the year ended December 31, 2008

Members Capital December 31, 2005	\$ 150,706
Capital contributions	1,705,725
Capital withdrawals	(50,000)
Net income	(584,385)
Members Capital December 31, 2008	<u>1,222,046</u>

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are an integral part of this statement

NICO Securities, LLC
(An Illinois limited liability company)
Statement of Cash Flows
For the year ended December 31, 2006

Cash Flows From Operating Activities:	
Net Income	\$ (584,385)
Items not effecting cash flow to reconcile cash depreciation	0
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Increase in securities owned	30,344,697
Increase in receivable from brokers and dealers	(1,061,207)
Increase in accrued receivables	(85,057)
increase in other receivable	
Increase in securities sold	(29,043,410)
Increase in futures ote	
Increase in Dividend payable	(178,042)
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	11,383
Net Cash used in operating activities	<u>(596,021)</u>
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:	
Purchase of fixed assets	0
Purchase of preferred jbo stock	(50,000)
Net Cash used in Investing activities	<u>(50,000)</u>
Cash Flows From Financing Activities	
Repyment of loan from member	(1,000,000)
Proceeds from capital contributions	1,705,725
Payments for capital withdrawals	(50,000)
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>655,725</u>
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	9,704
Cash at December 31, 2005	4,181
Cash at December 31, 2006	<u>\$ 13,885</u>
	0

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 are an integral part of this statement

NICO Securities, LLC
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

NOTE 1 Organization

NICO Securities, LLC (The "Company") was organized under the Uniformed General LLC Act of Illinois February 1, 2005. After April 1, 2006 the Company operated as a single member LLC. The business of the Company is to engage in the speculative trading of stock and stock options, for their own account on organized exchanges in the United States. NICO Securities, LLC is registered as a Broker Dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and a member of the Chicago Board Options Exchange (CBOE). The Company is exempt from certain filing requirements under the Rule 15c3-1(a)(6) of the Securities and Exchange Commission, since the Company does not trade on behalf of customers, effects transactions only with other broker dealers, does not effect transactions in unlisted options and clears and carries its trading accounts with a registered clearing partner of the Exchange.

NOTE 2 Significant Accounting Policies

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles 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 the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

In the normal course of business, the Company enters into transactions in exchange traded securities, including options thereon which are used primarily to hedge certain proprietary securities and commitments. Proprietary securities transactions together with related revenues and expenses are recorded on trade date. Securities and options owned are reflected at market value with the resulting unrealized gains and losses reflected currently in income.

Income Taxes.

A single member Limited Liability Company does not pay federal income taxes. The Company is treated for Federal and State income taxes as a disregarded entity. The member is responsible for reporting their pro rata share of the profits or losses on their tax returns. The Company reports their income for taxes on a calendar year basis.

Depreciation.

Depreciation is provided on a double declining balance following MACRS lives for all depreciable assets. The estimated useful lives are three years to five years for computers and related software

Statement of Cash Flows

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Company has defined cash equivalents as highly liquid investments, with original maturities of less than ninety days that are not held for sale in the ordinary course of business.

NICO Securities, LLC
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

NOTE 3 Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Substantially all of the Company's assets and liabilities are considered financial instruments as defined by Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 107, and are either already reflected at fair values, are short-term or replaceable on demand. Therefore, except for the preferred stock ownership, their carrying amounts approximate their fair value.

NOTE 4 Securities Owned and Sold, but not yet purchased

Marketable securities owned and sold but not yet purchased consists of trading and investment securities at quoted market value, as illustrated below.

	Sold, net yet purchased
Options	Nothing to Report at year end
Securities	Nothing to Report at year end

NOTE 5 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 (and the rule of the applicable exchange also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1). Under this rule, the Company is required to maintain "minimum net capital" equivalent to \$100,000 or 6 2/3% of "aggregate indebtedness," whichever is greater, as these terms are defined. At December 31, 2006 the Company had net capital of \$ 1,172,046, which was \$1,072,046 in excess of its required net capital.

NOTE 6 Derivative Financial Instruments

Derivative financial instruments used for trading purposes, including economic hedges of trading instruments, are carried at market value or, if market prices are not readily available, fair value. Market values for exchange-traded derivatives, principally futures and certain options, are based on quoted market prices. Fair values for over-the-counter derivative financial instruments, principally forwards, options, and swaps, are based on pricing models intended to approximate the amounts that would be received from or paid to a third party in settlement of the contracts.

Derivatives used for economic hedging purposes include swaps, forwards, futures, and options. Unrealized gains or losses on these derivative contracts are recognized currently in the statement of income as trading revenues. The Company does not engage in activity in swaps or the forward market.

NICO Securities, LLC
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

NOTE 6 Derivative Financial Instruments (continued)

Financial Instruments and Fair Value of Financial Instruments,” requires disclosures about the amounts, nature, terms and fair values of derivative financial instruments. The statements also requires that a distinction be made between financial instruments held or issued for trading purposes and financial instruments held or issued for purposes other than trading.

The Company invests in exchange traded options on stock for speculative purposes. These contracts are marked to market daily and involve elements of market and credit risk. The Company’s contracts are all exchange-traded whereas the options clearing corporation acts as the counter party of the specific transactions and , therefore, bears the risk of delivery to and from the counter parties.

The Company does not apply hedge accounting as defined in FASB Statement 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, as all financial instruments are marked to market with changes in fair values reflected in earnings. Therefore, the disclosures required in paragraphs 44 and 45 of the statement are generally not applicable with respect to these financial instruments.

Fair value of options contracts are recorded in securities owned or securities sold, not yet purchased, as appropriate.

Premiums and unrealized gains and losses for written and purchased option contracts are recognized gross in the consolidated statement of financial condition.

NOTE 7 Financial Instruments Held or Issued for Trading Purposes

The Company trades in exchange trade equities and equity options. The following table summarizes the components of income from proprietary trading transactions and includes the class of financial instruments included.

Equity activities (including equity shares, and options on stock) \$-43,284

The following amounts disclosed represent the market or fair value of derivative financial instruments at December 31, 2006, and the average market of fair value calculated based upon month end amounts, during the year for those instruments:

December 31, 2006	Asset FMV	Liability FMV	Asset Average. FMV	Liability Average FMV
Options	0	0	0	0

NICO Securities, LLC
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

NOTE 8 Receivable from Broker-Dealers

Receivable from broker-dealers at December 31, 2006 consist of the following:

Broker-dealer	\$1,169,544
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The amount receivable from broker-dealers is primarily from the settling of their stock, futures and stock options. The cash balance pays interest at the broker call rate less 75 basis points. The Company clears all transactions through another broker dealer pursuant to a clearing agreement.

At December 31, 2006, substantially all assets of the Company are deposited with the clearing broker.

NOTE 9 Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Company and its subsidiaries are engaged in various trading and brokerage activities in which counterparties primarily include broker-dealers, banks, and other financial institutions. In the event counterparties do not fulfill their obligations, the Company may be exposed to risk. The risk of default depends on the creditworthiness of the counterparty or issuer of the instrument. It is the Company's policy to review, as necessary, the credit standing of each counter party.

NOTE 10 Guarantees

FASB Interpretation No. 45 (FIN 45), Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others, requires the Company to disclose information about its obligations under certain guarantee arrangements. FIN 45 defines guarantees as contracts and indemnification agreements that contingently require a guarantor to make payments to the guaranteed party based on changes in an underlying (security or commodity price, an index) related to an asset, liability or equity security of a guaranteed party. FIN 45 also defines guarantees as contracts that contingently require the guarantor to make payments to the guaranteed party based on another entity's failure to perform under an agreement as well as indirect guarantees of the indebtedness of others.

Exchange Member Guarantees

The Company is a member of various exchanges that trade and clear securities and/or futures contracts. Associated with its membership, the Company may be required to pay a proportionate share of the financial obligations of another member who may default on its obligations to the exchange. While the rules governing different exchange memberships vary, in general the Company's guarantee obligations would arise only if the exchange had previously exhausted its resources. In addition, any such

NICO Securities, LLC
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

guarantee obligation would be apportioned among the other non-defaulting members of the exchange. Any potential contingent liability under these membership agreements cannot be estimated. The Company has not recorded any contingent liability in the consolidated financial statements for these agreements and believes that any potential requirement to make payments under these agreements is remote.

NOTE 11 **Commitments and Contingencies**

The Company has no long-term agreements, which would require expenditures in future periods.

NOTE 12 **Preferred Stock**

The Company owns preferred in their broker dealer. The stock is unmarketable and is carried at cost, which is its approximate fair value. The stock was redeemed in January 2007.

NOTE 13 **Subsequent events**

Effective January 1, 2007 the Company ceased to operate under Rule 15c3-1(a)(6) of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and withdrew \$916,416 of equity. Their JBO status was terminated by their former clearing firm.

NICO Securities, LLC
(An Illinois limited liability company)
COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL
PURSUANT TO UNIFORM NET CAPITAL RULE 15C3-1

December 31, 2006

Member's equity, December 31, 2006	\$ 1,222,046
Less:	
Non allowable assets	-50,000
Haircuts	0
Undue concentration	0
Net capital	<u><u>1,172,046</u></u>
Required net capital	100,000
Excess capital	<u><u>\$ 1,072,046</u></u>
Excess capital @ 1000%	<u><u>\$ 1,070,908</u></u>

Note The above information on this schedule is in agreement, in all material respects, with the unaudited FOCUS Report, Part II filed by Cornerstone as of December 31, 2006

The accompanying notes to financial statements
are an integral part of this statement

NICO Securities, LLC
(An Illinois limited liability company)
COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL
PURSUANT TO UNIFORM NET CAPITAL RULE 15C3-1

December 31, 2006

COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS

Aggregate Indebtedness

Items included in the balance sheet:

Accrued liabilities	\$ 11,383
	<u>11,383</u>

Ratio: Aggregate Indebtedness to Net Capital	0.971208% to 1
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**The accompanying notes to financial statements
are an integral part of this statement**

NICO Securities, LLC
(An Illinois limited liability company)
COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS
AND INFORMATION RELATING TO POSSESSION AND CONTROL
REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO RULE 15c3-3

December 31, 2006

RESERVE COMPUTATION
(See note below)

INFORMATION FOR POSSESSION AND CONTROL REQUIREMENTS
(See note below)

Note: The Company, is exempt from Rule 15c3-3, it does not transact a business in securities with, or for, other than members of a national securities exchange and does not carry margin amounts, credit balances or securities for any person defined as a "customer" pursuant to Rule 17a-5(c)(4). Accordingly, there are no amounts reportable under these sections.

**To the Members:
NICO Securities LLC:**

In planning and performing our audit of the consolidated financial statements and supplemental schedules of NICO Securities LLC (the Company), for the year ended December 31, 2006, 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 consolidated financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

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 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 conformity 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 internal control 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

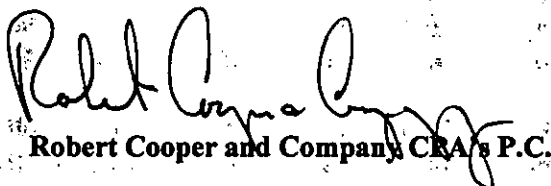
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of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being

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, 2006, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Members, management, the SEC, Chicago Board Options Exchange, 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.

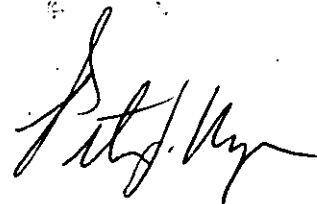


Robert Cooper and Company, CRA's P.C.

February 24, 2006

OATH OR AFFIRMATION
REGARDING ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS
OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF FOR
THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31,2006

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained herein is accurate and complete.



Peter Meyer
Managing Member