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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/2009 AND ENDING 12/31/2009
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A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: <u>Symetra Securities, Inc.</u>		OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.) <u>777 108th Avenue N.E, Suite 1200</u>		FIRM I.D. NO.
<u>Bellevue</u> (City)	<u>WA</u> (State)	<u>98004-5135</u> (Zip Code)
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT <u>LeeAnna K. Glessing</u>		<u>425-256-6302</u> (Area Code - Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Ernst & Young, LLP

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

<u>999 Third Avenue, Suite 3500</u> (Address)	<u>Seattle</u> (City)	<u>WA</u> (State)	<u>98104</u> (Zip Code)
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CHECK ONE:

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

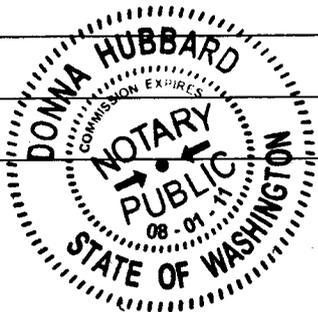
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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, LeeAnna K. Glessing, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Symetra Investment Services, Inc. SECURITIES, INC., as of December 31, 2009, 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:



[Handwritten Signature]

Signature

VP/Treasurer/Financial Principal

Title

[Handwritten Signature]

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 15c3-1 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).

Symetra Securities, Inc.
(A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Symetra Financial Corporation)

Financial Statements and Supplemental Information

Year Ended December 31, 2009

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

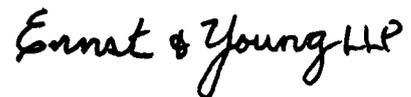
The Board of Directors
Symetra Securities, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Symetra Securities, Inc. (the Company) (a wholly owned subsidiary of Symetra Financial Corporation) as of December 31, 2009, and the related statements of income, changes in stockholder's equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. 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 audit.

We conducted our audit 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. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and 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 Symetra Securities, Inc. at December 31, 2009, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

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 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our 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.



February 24, 2010

Symetra Securities, Inc.
(A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Symetra Financial Corporation)

Statement of Financial Condition

December 31, 2009

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,519,642
Accrued interest income	244
Accounts receivable	655,084
Prepaid expenses and other assets	29,638
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,204,608</u>
 Liabilities and stockholder's equity	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 19,430
Payable to Affiliates and Parent	65,587
Payable to Parent for income taxes	164,767
Deferred income tax liabilities	4,398
Total liabilities	<u>254,182</u>
 Commitments and contingencies	
 Stockholder's equity:	
Common stock (10,000 shares authorized, issued, and outstanding; \$100 par value)	1,000,000
Additional paid-in capital	106,083
Retained earnings	844,343
Total stockholder's equity	<u>1,950,426</u>
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	<u>\$ 2,204,608</u>

See accompanying notes.

Symetra Securities, Inc.
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Statement of Income

Year Ended December 31, 2009

Revenues

Dealers' concession income:

Variable annuity products – Symetra	\$ 3,930,768
Variable life products – Symetra	189,505
Mutual fund 12b-1 fee income	1,984,396
Other mutual fund income	433,939
Interest and dividend income	9,049
Total revenues	<u>6,547,657</u>

Expenses

Commissions:

Variable annuity products – Symetra	3,930,768
Variable life products – Symetra	189,505
Personnel expenses	314,344
Other administrative expenses	306,161
Total expenses	<u>4,740,778</u>

Income before income tax expense 1,806,879

Income tax expense 635,708

Net income \$ 1,171,171

See accompanying notes.

Symetra Securities, Inc.
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Statement of Changes in Stockholder's Equity

Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Common Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Total Stockholder's Equity
Balance at January 1, 2009	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 106,083	\$ 783,172	\$ 1,889,255
Net income	-	-	1,171,171	1,171,171
Cash dividends on common stock	-	-	(1,110,000)	(1,110,000)
Balance at December 31, 2009	<u>\$ 1,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 106,083</u>	<u>\$ 844,343</u>	<u>\$ 1,950,426</u>

See accompanying notes.

Symetra Securities, Inc.
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Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, 2009

Operating activities	
Net income	\$ 1,171,171
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Deferred tax expense	251
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	
Accrued interest income	2,339
Accounts receivable	(64,086)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(1,475)
Accounts payable	14,026
Payable to Affiliates and Parent	22,397
Payable to Parent for income taxes	(693)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>1,143,930</u>
Financing activity	
Dividends paid on common stock	<u>(1,110,000)</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	33,930
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>1,485,712</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u><u>\$ 1,519,642</u></u>
Supplemental cash flow disclosure	
Income taxes paid to Parent	<u><u>\$ 636,150</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

Symetra Securities, Inc.
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Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2009

1. Organization and Nature of Business

Symetra Securities, Inc. (the Company) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Symetra Financial Corporation (the Parent). The Company is a registered broker-dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC). The Company acts as the underwriter and distributor of the registered separate account products for Symetra Life Insurance Company (Symetra Life) and First Symetra National Life Insurance Company of New York (collectively, the Affiliates). The issuance and management of securities by the Affiliates could be affected by changes in their economic or regulatory environment. It is reasonably possible that these changes could negatively impact the Company's future ability to generate concession income.

The Company also acts as the broker of record for a certain group of shareholders of Pioneer Funds. The Company provides record-keeping and other account holder services for these shareholders, including the facilitation of nonsolicited purchase, sale, and redemption orders of Pioneer Funds. The Company promptly transmits all investor funds received in connection with its activities as a broker-dealer for Pioneer Funds and does not otherwise hold funds or securities for, or owe money or securities to, customers.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which require management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The amounts reflect management's best estimates, though actual results could differ from those estimates. Management believes the amounts provided are appropriate.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes balances on deposit with banks and other financial institutions, which may be in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's insurance limits. The Company considers investments in institutional money market funds to be cash equivalents. The Company defines cash equivalents as short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time of purchase.

Symetra Securities, Inc.
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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Dealers' Concessions Income and Commissions Expense

Dealers' concession income and commission expense on variable annuity and variable life insurance products are recorded on the trade date as related transactions occur. Mutual fund 12b-1 concession income is recorded as earned on Class A share assets of the Pioneer Funds' customers for which the Company is the broker of record.

Financial Instruments

Cash and cash equivalents, accrued interest income and receivables are carried at fair value or contracted amounts, which approximate fair value. Similarly, certain liabilities, including certain payables, are carried at fair value or contracted amounts which approximate fair value at December 31, 2009.

Income Taxes

The Company is included in the Parent's consolidated federal income tax return with other non-life insurance entities. A tax allocation agreement has been entered into by the Company and all other non-life insurance entities with the Parent. The allocation is based upon separate return calculations. The Company may receive current credit for net losses, if any, as such losses offset taxable income of other members of the non-life insurance consolidated group. The provision for federal income taxes is based on amounts determined to be payable as a result of operations within the current accounting period. Intercompany tax balances are settled quarterly.

Income taxes have been provided using the liability method. The provision for income taxes has two components: current and deferred income taxes. The deferred income taxes are calculated on the basis of the difference between book value and valuation for tax purposes of the appropriate assets and liabilities using the enacted tax rates. Deferred tax assets are recognized only to the extent that it is probable that future tax profits will be available. A valuation allowance is established where deferred tax assets cannot be recognized.

Subsequent Events

The Company evaluated subsequent events through February 24, 2010, the date of issuance of its financial statements.

Symetra Securities, Inc.
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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

3. Related-Party Transactions

The Company, in the normal course of business, is charged by the Parent or Symetra Life for its share of operating, administrative, personnel expenses, and income tax payments paid during the year on its behalf. At December 31, 2009, amounts due to the Parent and Symetra Life were \$1,663 and \$63,924, respectively.

The following table summarizes expenses allocated to the Company for the year ended December 31, 2009:

	Allocated From	
	Parent	Symetra Life
Income taxes	\$ 635,708	\$ —
Defined contribution plan expense	—	12,544
Rent expense	20,893	—
Other operating, administrative and personnel expenses	—	534,585
Total	\$ 656,601	\$ 547,129

4. Dividends

In March 2009 and September 2009, the Company declared and paid dividends of \$520,000 and \$590,000, respectively, to its Parent. Dividend payments are limited by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1) described in Note 5.

5. Net Capital Requirement

The Company is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital, equivalent to the greater of \$5,000 or one-fifteenth of aggregate indebtedness, and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15-to-1. Advances to affiliates, dividend payments, and other equity withdrawals are subject to certain notifications and other provisions of the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule or other regulatory bodies. The Company appropriately notified the SEC and FINRA in advance of the dividend payments described in Note 4. At December 31, 2009, the Company had net capital of \$1,240,087, which was \$1,223,435 in excess of its required net capital of \$16,652. The ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 20.14%.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

6. Income Taxes

The Company is included in the Parent's income tax returns, which are filed in the U.S. federal and various state jurisdictions. These tax returns have been examined and closing agreements have been executed with the Internal Revenue Service or the statute of limitations has expired for all tax periods through December 31, 2003. The Internal Revenue Service is in the process of auditing the Company's return for the tax year ended July 31, 2004 filed in consolidation with its former parent, Safeco Corporation. This tax return includes the Company's short year from January 1, 2004 through July 31, 2004. To date, no significant tax issues or proposed adjustments have been raised by the examiners. The Company's tax returns following July 31, 2004 are currently not subject to an Internal Revenue Service audit, and the statute of limitations has expired for the tax years ended December 31, 2004 and 2005. The Company is not currently subject to any state income tax examinations.

Income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2009 consisted of the following:

Current income tax expense:	
Federal	\$ 630,381
State	5,076
Total current income tax expense	635,457
Deferred income tax expense:	
Federal	251
Total deferred income tax expense	251
Total income tax expense	\$ 635,708

Differences between income taxes computed by applying the U.S. federal income tax rate of 35% to income before income taxes, and the provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2009 were as follows:

Income before income taxes	\$ 1,806,879	
Computed "expected" tax expense	\$ 632,408	35.0%
State income tax	3,300	0.2
Provision for income taxes	\$ 635,708	35.2%

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

6. Income Taxes (continued)

The tax effects of temporary differences that gave rise to the deferred income tax assets and deferred income tax liabilities at December 31, 2009 were as follows:

Total deferred income tax assets	\$	--
Deferred income tax liabilities:		
Prepaid insurance		(4,398)
Total deferred income tax liability		<u>(4,398)</u>
Deferred income tax liability	\$	<u>(4,398)</u>

As of December 31, 2009, the Company did not have any unrecognized tax benefits.

7. Commitments and Contingencies

Because of the nature of its business, the Company is subject to legal actions filed or threatened in the ordinary course of its business operations. Management does not believe that such litigation will have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, future operating results, or liquidity.

The Company has not been subject to any threatened litigation or legal actions for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Supplemental Information

Symetra Securities, Inc.
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Schedule I
Computation of Net Capital Pursuant to Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and
Exchange Commission

December 31, 2009

Computation of net capital	
Total stockholder's equity and regulatory capital	\$ 1,950,426
Less: Nonallowable assets	(684,967)
Add: Other additions and/or allowable credits	<u>4,398</u>
Net capital before haircut	1,269,857
Less: Haircut on investments	<u>(29,770)</u>
Net capital	<u><u>\$ 1,240,087</u></u>
Aggregate indebtedness	<u><u>\$ 249,785</u></u>
Computation of basic net capital requirement	
Minimum net capital required	<u><u>\$ 16,652</u></u>
Excess net capital	<u><u>\$ 1,223,435</u></u>
Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital	<u><u>20.14%</u></u>

Note: The differences between the audited computation of net capital included in this report and the corresponding schedule included in the Company's unaudited December 31, 2009, Part IIA FOCUS filing are as follows: net capital is \$8,719 lower, excess net capital is \$9,300 lower, aggregate indebtedness is \$8,719 higher, and the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital is 0.84% higher than the unaudited December 31, 2009 FOCUS report filing.

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Schedule II
Statement Regarding Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

December 31, 2009

The Company is exempt from Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission under paragraph (k)(1) of the Rule because the Company's transactions are limited to the purchase, sale, and redemption of redeemable securities of registered investment companies, and/or variable life insurance or annuity products, and does not otherwise hold funds or securities for, or owe money or securities to, customers.

Supplementary Report

Supplementary Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm on Internal Control Required by SEC Rule 17a-5(g)(1)

The Board of Directors
Symetra Securities, Inc.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Symetra Securities, Inc. (the Company) (a wholly owned subsidiary of Symetra Financial Corporation), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States, we considered its internal control over financial reporting (internal control), as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's 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 consideration of control activities for safeguarding securities. The study included 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 including any of the following:

1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons and recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13
2. 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 and 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.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first and second paragraphs and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control and 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, as described in the second paragraph of this report, were adequate at December 31, 2009, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, management, the SEC, 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ernst & Young LLP'.

February 24, 2010

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
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Symetra Securities, Inc.
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Year Ended December 31, 2009

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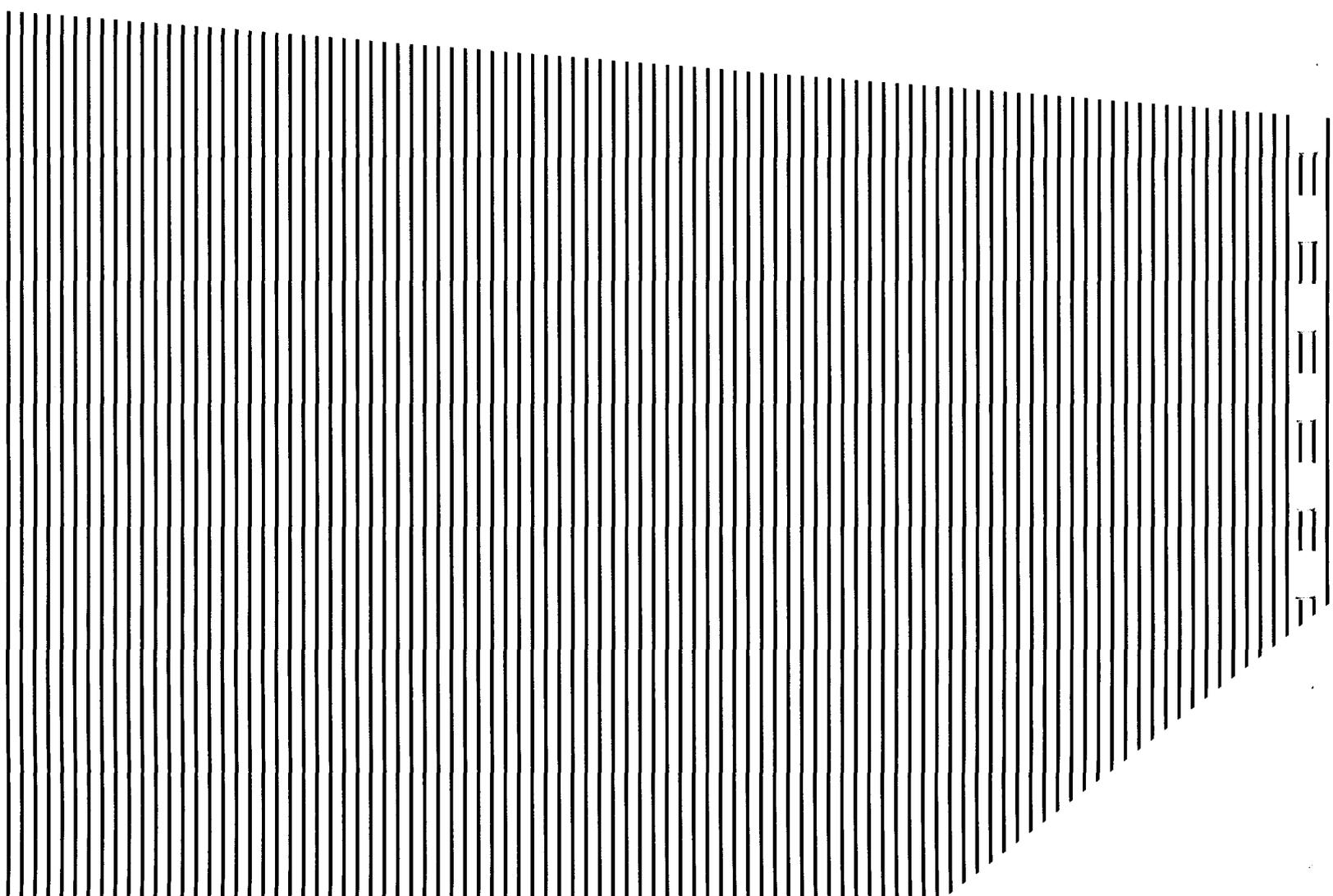
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To the Board of Directors and Management of Symetra Securities, Inc.:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Directors and management of Symetra Securities, Inc., the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC), the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and other state regulatory agencies, in accordance with Rule 17a-5(e)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. We performed the procedures solely to assist the specified parties in evaluating Symetra Securities Inc.'s compliance with the applicable instructions of the Transitional Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7T) for the period from April 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009 covered by Form SIPC-7T. Symetra Securities, Inc.'s management is responsible for Symetra Securities, Inc.'s compliance with those requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures we performed and our findings are as follows:

1. Compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7T with respective cash disbursement record entries in Lawson, noting no differences;
2. Compared the Total Revenue amounts reported on the audited Form X-17A-5 for the year ended December 31, 2009 less revenues reported on the FOCUS reports for the period from January 1, 2009 through March 31, 2009 with the amounts reported in Form SIPC-7T for the period from April 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 noting no differences;
3. Compared any adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7T with the following supporting schedules and working papers noting no differences;
 - a. Lawson Balance Sheet and Income Statement Detail
 - b. Lawson Account Detail
4. Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7T and in the related supporting schedules and working papers supporting the adjustments noting no differences.

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance with the applicable instructions of the Transitional Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7T) for the period from April 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the specified parties listed above and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ernst & Young LLP

February 24, 2010