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Information Requested 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 01/01/09 AND ENDING 12/31/09  
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**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: **M&I Distributors LLC**

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FIRM I.D. NO.

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)  
**111 East Kilbourn Avenue, Suite 200**

(No. and street)

**Milwaukee** **Wisconsin** **53202**  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

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

**William J. Crain, Jr., Senior Vice President** **(414) 765-8195**  
(Area Code - Telephone Number)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

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

**Deloitte & Touche LLP**

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

**555 East Wells Avenue** **Milwaukee** **WI** **53202**  
(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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\* 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).

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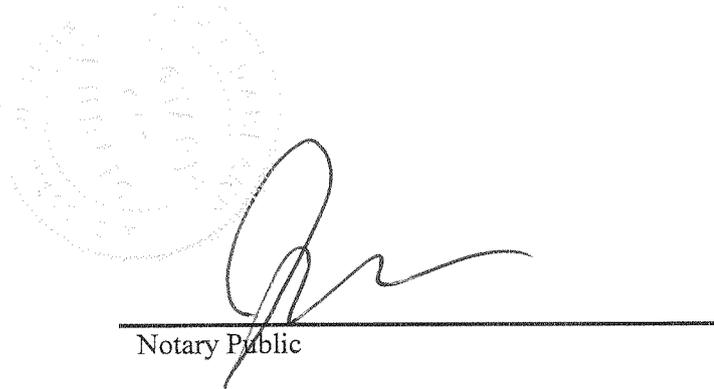
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## OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, William J. Crain Jr., swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of M&I Distributors LLC 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.

  
Name William J. Crain Jr.  
Title Senior Vice President

  
Notary Public

This report \*\* contains (check all applicable boxes):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | (o) Independent Auditor's Supplemental Report on Internal Control  |

\*\* For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3)

# M&I Distributors LLC

(SEC I.D. 8-67845)

Financial Statements as of and for the  
Year Ended December 31, 2009,  
Supplemental Schedules as of December 31, 2009,  
Independent Auditors' Report, and  
Supplemental Report on Internal Control

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Member of  
M&I Distributors LLC  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of M&I Distributors LLC (the "Company"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Marshall & Ilsley Corporation, as of December 31, 2009, and the related statements of operations, cash flows, and changes in member's capital for the year 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 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 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, 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 financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2009, and the results of its operations and its 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 supplemental schedules g and h 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 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These schedules are the responsibility of the Company's management. Such schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

*Deloitte & Touche LLP*

February 24, 2010

## **M&I DISTRIBUTORS LLC**

### **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009**

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#### **ASSETS**

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$ 121,017
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE — AFFILIATES	39,787
PREPAID EXPENSES	<u>18,990</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 179,794</u>

#### **LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S CAPITAL**

LIABILITIES	\$ 11,766
MEMBER'S CAPITAL	<u>168,028</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 179,794</u>

See notes to financial statements.

# M&I DISTRIBUTORS LLC

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

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### REVENUE:

Service fees from affiliate	\$ 236,458
Interest	<u>127</u>
Total revenue	<u>236,585</u>

### EXPENSES:

Management service fees to affiliate	120,000
Other	<u>17,202</u>
Total expenses	<u>137,202</u>

INCOME BEFORE TAXES 99,383

PROVISION FOR TAXES 36,498

NET INCOME \$ 62,885

See notes to financial statements.

## M&I DISTRIBUTORS LLC

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S CAPITAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

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	Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings (Accumulated Deficit)	Total
BALANCE — January 1, 2009	\$ 60,000	\$ (4,857)	\$ 55,143
Contributions from member	50,000		50,000
Net income	<u>          </u>	<u>62,885</u>	<u>62,885</u>
BALANCE — December 31, 2009	<u>\$ 110,000</u>	<u>\$ 58,028</u>	<u>\$ 168,028</u>

See notes to financial statements.

# M&I DISTRIBUTORS LLC

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

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### OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

Net income	\$ 62,885
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities:	
Increase in accounts receivable	(15,222)
Increase in prepaid expenses	(2,299)
Decrease in other assets	2,770
Increase in accrued expense	<u>11,766</u>

Net cash provided by operating activities 59,900

FINANCING ACTIVITIES — Contributions from member 50,000

NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS 109,900

### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:

Beginning of year 11,117

End of year \$ 121,017

SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOWS INFORMATION — Income taxes paid during year \$ 21,962

See notes to financial statements.

# M&I DISTRIBUTORS LLC

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

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### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Organization** — M&I Distributors LLC (the “Company”) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Marshall & Ilsley Corporation (M&I) and was formed on October 4, 2007. The Company is organized as a Wisconsin limited liability company. The first capital contribution was made on December 19, 2007, from its sole member, M&I. The Company was registered as a broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission and became a member of the Financial Industry Regulation Authority, Inc. (FINRA) effective July 2, 2008. It filed its first FOCUS report in September 2008 after receiving final FINRA approval and beginning operations.

The Company acts as a mutual fund distributor.

**Estimates** — The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents** — Cash equivalents include investments in money market mutual funds. As of December 31, 2009, \$115,063 of the total cash and cash equivalents balance was invested in the Federated Money Market Mutual Fund, which represents a concentration of credit risk. As of December 31, 2009, \$5,953 was invested in M&I demand deposit accounts.

**Revenue Recognition** — Service fees from affiliates include fees paid by M&I to the Company for its distribution of M&I’s mutual funds, as well as its review of advertising materials prepared by M&I regarding its mutual funds. Revenue is recorded as services are performed.

**Income Taxes** — The Company is included in the consolidated income tax returns of M&I. M&I charges or credits the Company for its share of its consolidated income tax liability attributable to the Company’s taxable income or loss as if the Company filed a separate income tax return. Deferred income taxes are accounted for using the “asset and liability” method. Under this method, a deferred tax asset or liability is determined based on the enacted tax rates that will be in effect when the differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and tax bases of existing assets and liabilities are expected to be realized.

### 2. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

The Company has management and services agreements that govern certain related party arrangements with M&I affiliates, whereby the Company receives revenue for acting as the distributor of the Marshall Funds. In addition, the Company pays a management services fee to M&I Financial Advisors, Inc. for program management. In 2009, the Company recorded the following transactions with M&I affiliates:

	Revenue (Expense)
Service fees	\$ 236,458
Management service fees	(120,000)

These transactions may not be reflective of those that would have been incurred between unrelated parties.

### 3. NET CAPITAL AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

As a registered broker-dealer, the Company is subject to the requirements of Rule 15c3-1 (the "net capital" rule) of the Securities and Exchange Commission which requires aggregate indebtedness to net capital, as defined, not to exceed 15.0 to 1.0. As of December 31, 2009, the Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0.11 to 1.0, and net capital, as defined, was \$106,950, which was in excess of the required net capital of \$5,000.

The Company is exempt from the requirements of Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the customer protection rule, under subparagraph (k)(1).

### 4. INCOME TAXES

The Company is included in the consolidated income tax returns of M&I, which files its income tax returns in the United States and various state jurisdictions. The Company's tax years subject to examinations by federal and state taxing authorities include 2007 forward.

As of December 31, 2009, there were no unrecognized tax benefits. The Company does not anticipate that within twelve months of December 31, 2009, the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly increase or decrease due to any separate tax position.

As of December 31, 2009, the Company had no deferred taxes.

The Company recognizes accrued interest related to unrecognized tax benefits and penalties as income tax expense.

The current income tax provision for the year ended December 31, 2009, is as follows:

Current:	
Federal	\$ 33,528
State	<u>2,970</u>
Total provision for taxes	<u>\$ 36,498</u>

The difference between the Company's effective income tax rate and the statutory federal income tax rate of 35% is attributable primarily to state income taxes, net of federal benefit.

### 5. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In preparing these financial statements, the Corporation has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure resulting from subsequent events through February 24, 2010, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. This evaluation did not result in any subsequent events that necessitated disclosure and/or adjustments.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES**

**M&I DISTRIBUTORS LLC**
**COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL FOR BROKERS AND DEALERS  
 PURSUANT TO RULE 15c3-1  
 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009**


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MEMBER'S CAPITAL	<u>\$ 168,028</u>
NONALLOWABLE ASSETS:	
Receivables from affiliates	39,787
Other nonallowable assets	<u>18,990</u>
Total Non-Allowable Assets	<u>58,777</u>
Net capital before securities haircuts	109,251
Haircuts on securities	<u>2,301</u>
NET CAPITAL	<u>\$ 106,950</u>
MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIRED (6 2/3% OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS)	<u>\$ 784</u>
MINIMUM DOLLAR NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
EXCESS NET CAPITAL	<u>\$ 101,950</u>
EXCESS NET CAPITAL AT 1000%	<u>\$ 100,950</u>
TOTAL AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS	<u>\$ 11,766</u>
PERCENTAGE OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO NET CAPITAL	<u>11 %</u>

The amount of net capital in this Schedule g is in agreement in all material respects with the unaudited Focus Report, Part IIA FORM X-17A-5, filed by the Corporation on January 14, 2010.

**M&I DISTRIBUTORS LLC**

**EXEMPTIVE PROVISION UNDER RULE 15C3-3  
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009**

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The Company is exempt from the requirements of Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the provision of subparagraph (k)(1).

February 24, 2010

To the Board of Directors of  
M&I Distributors LLC:

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of M&I Distributors LLC, (the "Company"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Marshall & Ilsley Corporation, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009 (on which we issued our report dated February 24, 2010, and such report expresses an unqualified opinion on those financial statements), in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Company's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an 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. This study included tests of compliance with 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 and 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 Federal Reserve 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 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 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 would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be 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, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., and other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered broker-dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Yours truly,

*Deloitte & Touche LLP*