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|  | A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION   |   |  |
| NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: DCM Brokers, LLC  |  | OFFICIAL USE ONLY   |  |
| ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE   | FIRM ID NO.  |   |  |
| 626 W. Jackson   |  | Lannan  |  |
|  | (No. and Street)   |   |  |
| Chicago  | Illinois   | 60661   |  |
| (City)   | (State)  | (Zip Code)  |  |
| NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBE<br>Maureen O'Rourke   | R OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS   | (312) 788-2487  |  |
|  |  | (Area Code - Telephone No.)   |  |
|  | <b>B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION</b>  |   |  |
|  | TANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*  |   |  |
| McGladrey & Pullen, LLP  | (Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)   |   |  |
| One South Wacker Drive, Suite 800<br>(Address)   | Chicago II   | RITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  |  |
| CHECK ONE:<br>Certified Public Account<br>Public Accountant<br>Accountant not resident | ant  | FEB 2 7 2012  |  |
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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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## **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

I, David Kavanagh, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of DCM Brokers, LLC, as of December 31, 2011, 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.

OFFICIAL SEAL MAUREEN A O'ROURKE NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF ILLINOIS COMMISSION EXPIRES09/15/14

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

- X (a) Facing page.
- X (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- (d) Statement of Cash Flows.
- (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.
- $\mathbf{X}$ (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.
- (o) Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control.

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

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**Independent Auditor's Report** 

To the Member DCM Brokers, LLC Chicago, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of DCM Brokers, LLC (the Company) as of December 31, 2011, 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 statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement of financial condition. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall statement of financial condition. We believe that our audit of the statement of financial condition provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of DCM Brokers, LLC as of December 31, 2011, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Mc Gladrey & Pallen, LCP

Chicago, Illinois February 24, 2012

## Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2011

| Assets               |  |                     |
|----------------------|--|---------------------|
| Cash<br>Other assets |  | \$<br>20,784<br>461 |
| Total assets         |  | \$<br>21,245        |
| Member's equity      |  | \$<br>21,245        |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement of financial condition.

#### Notes to Statement of Financial Condition

### Note 1. Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies

DCM Brokers, LLC (the Company), a wholly owned subsidiary of Dearborn Capital Management, L.L.C. (the Parent or Dearborn Capital), is a registered broker-dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA).

In the normal course of business, the Company, as an investment banking firm, seeks to act as a wholesaler of interests in primarily U.S.-based public and private companies and limited partnerships who may benefit from financing through the private placement via direct participation programs of equity and/or debt capital.

The Company operates under the provisions of Paragraph (k)(2)(i) of Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and, accordingly, is exempt from the remaining provisions of that rule, including the requirement to make the reserve computation under Rule 15c3-3. Essentially, the requirement of Paragraph (k)(2)(i) provides that a broker-dealer who carries no margin accounts, promptly transmits all customer funds and delivers all securities received in connection with its activities as a broker or dealer, does not otherwise hold funds or securities for, or owe money or securities to, customers and effectuates all financial transactions between the broker or dealer and its customers through one or more bank accounts, each to be designated as Special Account for the Exclusive Benefit of Customers of the Company.

A summary of the Company's significant accounting policies follows:

**Accounting policies**: The Company follows accounting standards established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the FASB) to ensure consistent reporting of financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. References to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) in these footnotes are to the *FASB Accounting Standards Codification*<sup>TM</sup>, sometimes referred to as the Codification or ASC.

**Use of estimates**: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Income taxes**: The Company is an Illinois limited liability company and is not subject to federal income tax. The taxable income of the Company is included in the consolidated U.S. income tax return filed by its Parent.

The Company is not subject to examination by U.S. federal or state taxing authorities for tax years before 2008. As of December 31, 2011, the Company has no uncertain tax positions, and accordingly, has not recorded a liability for the payment of interest or penalties.

## Note 2. Related-Party Transactions

The Company has entered into an agreement with Dearborn Capital, effective August 1, 2008, whereby Dearborn Capital assumes responsibility for certain expenses of the Company. Such expenses will not be allocated to or reimbursed by the Company, and accordingly, there will be no expense allocation formulated by Dearborn Capital.

### Notes to Statement of Financial Condition

## Note 3. Indemnifications

In the normal course of business, the Company enters into contracts and agreements that contain a variety of representations and warranties and which provide general indemnifications. The Company's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Company that have not yet occurred. The Company believes that it is unlikely it will have to make material payments under these arrangements and has not recorded any contingent liability in the financial statements for these indemnifications.

## Note 4. Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC 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. SEC Rule 15c3-1 also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1. At December 31, 2011, the Company had net capital of \$20,784 which was \$15,784 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital of 1.

Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2011

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