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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 AS OF 12/31/11
MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

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FIRM ID. NO.

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

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

225 Park Avenue South, 17th Floor

(No. and Street)

New York

(City)

NY

(State)

10003

(Zip Code)

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

Jacqueline Sloan

(312) 431-0014

(Area Code - Telephone No)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Ryan & Juraska, Certified Public Accountants

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

141 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 2250

(Address)

Chicago

(City)

Illinois

(State)

60604

(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).

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Dan Goldman, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Chimera Securities, 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, except as follows:

None



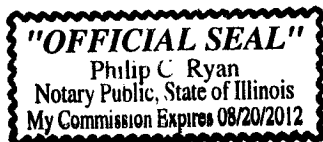
Signature


Chief Financial Officer

Title

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

27th day of February, 2012





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 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 General Creditors.
- (g) Computation of Net Capital for Brokers and Dealers pursuant to Rule 15c3-1.
- (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements for Brokers and Dealers 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.
- (o) Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Accounting Control.
- (p) Schedule of Segregation Requirements and Funds in Segregation - Customers' Regulated Commodity Futures Accounts Pursuant to CFTC Rule 1.11(d)2(iv).

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

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES
PURSUANT TO SEC RULE 17a-5(d)

December 31, 2011

AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

R&J

RYAN & JURASKA

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of
Chimera Securities, LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Chimera Securities, 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 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 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 financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Chimera Securities, LLC as of December 31, 2011, 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 statement taken as a whole. The information contained in the supplementary schedules is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statement, 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 statement and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statement taken as a whole.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ryan & Juraska".

Chicago, Illinois
February 27, 2012

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

Statement of Financial Condition

December 31, 2011

ASSETS

Cash	\$	1,101,537
Receivable from broker-dealers		17,500,236
Securities owned, at fair value		6,489,105
Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, at cost (net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$273,366)		388,139
Other assets		<u>243,210</u>
	\$	<u>25,722,227</u>

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

Liabilities

Securities sold, not yet purchased, at fair value	\$	12,712,288
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		<u>879,694</u>
		13,591,982

Members' equity

		<u>12,130,245</u>
	\$	<u>25,722,227</u>

See accompanying notes.

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

Notes to Statement of Financial Condition

December 31, 2011

1. Organization and Business

Chimera Securities, LLC (the "Company"), a Delaware limited liability company, was formed on May 29, 2008. The Company is a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is a member of the CBOE Stock Exchange. The Company engages primarily in the proprietary trading of exchange-traded equity securities, equity options contracts and commodity contracts. The Company has two classes of membership interest. Class A members participate in the Company's general activities and have management and voting rights. Class B members participate in their individual trading activities.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Revenue Recognition and Securities Valuation

Securities transactions and related revenue and expenses are recorded on a trade date basis and, accordingly gains and losses are recorded on unsettled transactions.

All financial instruments are recorded in the statement of financial condition at fair value in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820 - Fair Value Measurement and Disclosures (see Note 6).

Unrealized gains and losses on open futures contracts are included in receivable from and payable to broker-dealer in the statement of financial condition.

Income Taxes

No provision has been made for federal income taxes as the taxable income or loss of the Company is included in the respective income tax returns of the members.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the 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 these estimates.

Depreciation and Amortization

Furniture and equipment are being depreciated over the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method. Leasehold improvements are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the associated lease.

3. Concentrations of Credit Risk

At December 31, 2011, significant credit concentrations consisted of approximately \$9 million, representing the market value of the Company's trading accounts carried by one of its clearing brokers, Wedbush Securities, Inc. Management does not consider any credit risk associated with this net receivable to be significant.

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

Notes to Statement of Financial Condition, Continued

December 31, 2011

4. Derivative Financial Instruments and Off-Balance Sheet Risk

In the normal course of business the Company enters into transactions in derivative financial instruments and other financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk that include equity and index options and short stocks. All derivative instruments are held for trading purposes. All positions are reported in the accompanying statement of financial condition at fair value and gains and losses from derivative financial instruments are included in trading gains in the statement of operations.

Futures contracts provide for the delayed delivery/receipt of securities or money market instruments with the seller/buyer agreeing to make/take delivery at a specified date, at a specified price. Fair value of futures contracts is included in receivable from broker-dealers. The contractual or notional amounts related to these financial instruments reflect the volume and activity and do not reflect the amounts at risk. Futures contracts are executed on an exchange, and cash settlement is made on a daily basis for market movements. Accordingly, futures contracts generally do not have credit risk.

Options contracts grant the purchaser, for the payment of a premium, the right to either purchase from or sell to the writer a specified instrument under agreed terms. As a writer of options contracts, the Company receives a premium in exchange for bearing the risk of unfavorable changes in the price of the financial instruments underlying the options.

Securities sold, not yet purchased, represent obligations of the Company to deliver specified securities and thereby create a liability to repurchase the securities in the market at prevailing prices. These transactions may result in off-balance sheet risk as the Company's ultimate obligation to satisfy its obligation for securities sold, not yet purchased may exceed the amount recognized in the statement of financial condition.

Risk arises from the potential inability of counterparties to perform under the terms of the contracts (credit risk) and from changes in the values of the underlying financial instruments (market risk). The Company is subject to credit risk to the extent any broker with which it conducts business is unable to fulfill contractual obligations on its behalf. The Company attempts to minimize its exposure to credit risk by monitoring brokers with which it conducts investment activities. In management's opinion, market risk is substantially diminished when all financial instruments are aggregated.

5. Agreements and Related Party Transactions

The Company has a Joint Back Office ("JBO") clearing agreement with Wedbush Securities, Inc. ("Wedbush"). The agreement allows JBO participants to receive favorable margin treatment as compared to the full customer margin requirements of Regulation T. As part of this agreement, the Company has invested \$10,000 in the preferred shares of Wedbush. The Company's investment in Wedbush is reflected in the other assets category of the statement of financial condition. Under the rules of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, the agreement requires that the Company maintain a minimum net liquidating equity of \$1 million with Wedbush, exclusive of its preferred interest.

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

Notes to Statement of Financial Condition, Continued

December 31, 2011

6. Fair Value Disclosure

ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures requires enhanced disclosures about investments that are measured and reported at fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are those that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Company. Unobservable inputs reflect the Company's assumptions about the inputs market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels:

Level 1 Inputs Valuation is based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the reporting date.

Level 2 Inputs Valuation is based on other than quoted prices included with Level 1 that are observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 assets include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities that are not active; and inputs other than quoted prices that are observable, such as models or other valuation methodologies.

Level 3 Inputs Valuation is based on unobservable inputs for the valuation of the asset or liability. Level 3 assets include investments for which there is little, if any, market activity. These inputs require significant management judgment or estimation.

The following table presents the Company's fair value hierarchy for those assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2011:

	Level 1	
	Assets	Liabilities
	Securities Owned	Securities Sold, Not Yet Purchased
Options on forward contracts	10,944	-
Options on futures contracts	-	2,850
Equity options	932,636	7,096,680
Common stock	5,545,525	5,612,758
	<u>\$ 6,489,105</u>	<u>\$ 12,712,288</u>

At December 31, 2011, the Company held no level 2 or level 3 investments.

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

Notes to Statement of Financial Condition, Continued

December 31, 2011

7. Commitments

The Company conducts its operations in leased office facilities and annual rentals are charged to current operations.

The minimum annual rental commitments under a non-cancelable operating lease are approximately as follows as of December 31, 2011:

<u>Year Ending December 31</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2012	\$ 593,000
2013	593,000
2014	593,000
2015	593,000
2016	<u>593,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,965,000</u>

8. Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15(c)3-1). Under this rule, the Company is required to maintain "net capital" equal to the greater of \$100,000 or 6⅔% of "aggregate indebtedness", as defined.

At December 31, 2011, the Company had net capital and net capital requirements of \$9,085,888 and \$100,000, respectively.

9. Subsequent Events

The Company's management has evaluated events and transactions through February 27, 2012, the date the financial statements were issued, noting no material events requiring disclosure in the Company's financial statements other than those listed below.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

**FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL COMBINED UNIFORM SINGLE REPORT
PART III**

BROKER OR DEALER: **CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC**

as of **December 31, 2011**

COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL

1.	Total ownership (from Statement of Financial Condition- Item 1800)	\$ <u>12,130,245</u>	[3480]
2.	Deduct: Ownership equity not allowable for net capital	_____	[3490]
3.	Total ownership equity qualified for net capital	\$ <u>12,130,245</u>	[3500]
4.	Add:		
	A. Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors allowable in computation of net capital	_____	[3520]
	B. Other (deductions) or allowable subordinated liabilities	_____	[3525]
5.	Total capital and allowable subordinated liabilities	\$ <u>12,130,245</u>	[3530]
6.	Deductions and/or charges:		
	A. Total non-allowable assets from Statement of Financial Condition (Note B and C) (See detail below)	\$ <u>631,349</u>	[3540]
	1. Additional charges for customers' and non-customers' security accounts	_____	[3550]
	2. Additional charges for customers' and non-customers' commodity accounts	_____	[3560]
	B. Aged fail-to-deliver	_____	[3570]
	1. Number of items _____	[3450]	
	C. Aged short security differences- less reserved of _____	[3460]	[3580]
	1. Number of items _____	[3470]	
	D. Secured demand note deficiency	_____	[3590]
	E. Commodity futures contract and spot commodities proprietary capital charges	<u>937,480</u>	[3600]
	F. Other deductions and/or charges	<u>15,416</u>	[3610]
	G. Deductions for accounts carried under Rule 15c3-1(a)(6), (a)(7)and (c)(2)(x)	_____	[3615]
	H. Total deduction and/or charges	\$ <u>(1,584,245)</u>	[3620]
7.	Other additions and/or allowable credits (List)	_____	[3630]
8.	Net Capital before haircuts on securities positions	\$ <u>10,546,000</u>	[3640]
9.	Haircuts on securities (computed, where applicable pursuant to 15c3-1(f)):		
	A. Contractual securities commitments	_____	[3660]
	B. Subordinated securities borrowings	_____	[3670]
	C. Trading and Investment securities		
	1. Bankers' acceptance, certificates of deposit, and commercial paper	_____	[3680]
	2. U.S. and Canadian government obligations	_____	[3690]
	3. State and municipal government obligations	_____	[3700]
	4. Corporate obligations	_____	[3710]
	5. Stocks and warrants	_____	[3720]
	6. Options	_____	[3730]
	7. Arbitrage	_____	[3732]
	8. Other securities	<u>\$ 1,460,112</u>	[3734]
	D. Undue concentration	_____	[3650]
	E. Other (Money Market Deposit)	_____	[3736]
10.	Net Capital	\$ <u>9,085,888</u>	[3750]

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Non-Allowable Assets (line 6.A):

Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements	\$ 388,139	
Other assets	243,210	
	<u>\$ 631,349</u>	

Note: There are no material differences between the audited computation of net capital and the Partnership's unaudited FOCUS report as filed.

**FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL COMBINED UNIFORM SINGLE REPORT
PART III**

BROKER OR DEALER: CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

as of **December 31, 2011**

COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

Part A

11.	Minimum net capital required (6-2/3% of line 19)	\$ <u>58,646</u>	[3756]
12.	Minimum dollar net capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer and minimum net capital requirement of subsidiaries computed in accordance with Note (A)	\$ <u>100,000</u>	[3758]
13.	Net capital requirement (greater of line 11 or 12)	\$ <u>100,000</u>	[3760]
14.	Excess net capital (line 10 less 13)	\$ <u>8,985,888</u>	[3770]
15.	Excess net capital at 1000% (line 10 less 10% of line 19)	\$ <u>8,997,919</u>	[3780]

COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS

16.	Total A.I. liabilities from Statement of Financial Condition	\$ <u>879,694</u>	[3790]
17.	Add:		
	A. Drafts for immediate credit _____	[3800]	
	B. Market value of securities borrowed for which no equivalent value is paid or credited _____	[3810]	
	C. Other unrecorded amounts (List) _____	[3820]	[3830]
18.	Deduct: Adjustment based on deposits in Special Reserve Bank Accounts (15c3-1(c)(1)(vii)) _____		[3838]
19.	Total aggregate indebtedness	\$ <u>879,694</u>	[3840]
20.	Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital (line 19 ÷ by line 10)	<u>10%</u>	[3850]
21.	Percentage of debt to debt-equity total computed in accordance with Rule 15c3-1(d)		[3860]

COMPUTATION OF ALTERNATE NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

Part B

22.	2% of combined aggregate debit items as shown in Formula for Reserve Requirements pursuant to Rule 15c-3-3 prepared as of the date of the net capital computation including both brokers or dealers and consolidated subsidiaries debits		[3870]
23.	Minimum dollar net capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer and minimum net capital requirement of subsidiaries computed in accordance with Note (A)	\$ _____	[3880]
24.	Net capital requirement (greater of line 22 or 23)	\$ _____	[3760]
25.	Excess net capital (line 10 less 24)	\$ _____	[3910]
26.	Percentage of Net Capital to Aggregate Debits (line 10 ÷ by line 17 page 8)		[3851]
27.	Percentage of Net Capital, <u>after</u> anticipated capital withdrawals, to Aggregate Debits (line 10 less item 4880, page 11 ÷ by line 17 page 8)		[3854]
28.	Net capital in excess of: the greater of 5% of combined aggregate debit items or 120% of minimum net capital requirement	\$ _____	[3920]

OTHER RATIOS

Part C

29.	Percentage of debt to debt-equity total computed in accordance with Rule 15c3-1(d)		[3860]
30.	Options deductions/Net Capital ratio (1000% test) total deductions exclusive of liquidating equity under Rule 15c3-1(a)(6), (a)(7) and (c)(2)(x) ÷ Net Capital		[3852]

NOTES:

- A. The minimum net capital requirement should be computed by adding the minimum dollar net capital requirement of the reporting broker dealer and, for each subsidiary to be consolidated, the greater of:
1. Minimum dollar net capital requirement, or
 2. 6-2/3% of **aggregate** indebtedness or **2% of aggregate debits if alternative method is used.**
- B. Do not deduct the value of securities borrowed under subordination agreements of secured demand notes covered by subordination agreements not in satisfactory form and the market values of Companies in exchanges contributed for use of company (contra to item 1740) and Members securities which were included in non-allowable assets.
- C. For reports filed pursuant to paragraph (d) of Rule 17a-5, respondent should provide a list of material non-allowable assets.

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

**Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements
Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3**

December 31, 2011

The Company did not handle any customer cash or securities during the year ended December 31, 2011, and does not have any customer accounts.

CHIMERA SECURITIES, LLC

Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3

December 31, 2011

The Company did not handle any customer securities or cash during the year ended December 31, 2011 and does not have any customer accounts.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL

To the Members of
Chimera Securities, LLC

In planning and performing our audit of the statement of financial condition of Chimera Securities, LLC (the Company), as of December 31, 2011, 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 our opinion on the financial statement, 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 the following:

1. Making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and the reserve required by Rule 15c3-3(e)
2. Making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons, and the 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
4. Obtaining and maintaining physical possession or control of all fully paid and excess margin securities of customers as required by Rule 15c3-3

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 previously 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 the financial statement 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 *control deficiency* 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 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 company's financial statement 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 previously.

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, 2011 to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the SEC, the CBOE Stock 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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ryan & Juraska". The ink is black and the signature is fluid and legible.

Chicago, Illinois
February 27, 2012