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# Independent auditors' report

To the Stockholder of Carthage Group, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial condition of Carthage Group, Inc. as of December 31, 2011 and 2010. 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 audits in accordance with the standards generally accepted in the United States of America. These 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 audits provide 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 Carthage Group, Inc., as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Caminiti & Cogliati, CPAs, LLP

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Hauppauge, New York January 18, 2012

# CARTHAGE GROUP, INC. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

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	2011	2010
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 179,415	\$ 199,067
Deposit-clearing organization (Note 2)	25,085	25,085
Accounts receivable (Note 3)	33,742	39,030
Prepaid expenses	7,452	5,724
Total current assets	245,694	268,906
Property and equipment, net (Note 4)	36,157	48,415
Other assets:		
Security deposit	900	900
Total assets	\$ 282,751	\$ 318,22
Liabilities and stockholder's equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 10,317	\$ 8,060
Accrued pension payable (Note 5)	36,284	34,338
Payroll taxes payable	2,090	2,900
Franchise tax payable	300	300
Total current liabilities	48,991	45,610
Stockholder's equity:		
Common stock, no par value, 200 shares authorized;		
50 shares issued and outstanding	4,000	4,000
Retained earnings	229,760	268,612
Total stockholder's equity	233,760	272,61
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	\$ 282,751	\$ 318,221

# 1. <u>Summary of significant accounting policies</u>

# Nature of business

Carthage Group, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York, doing business as a broker and dealer in securities registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and as a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.

#### **FASB Accounting Standards Codification**

FASB launched FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) as the single source of authoritative non-governmental U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). The Codification is effective for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. All existing accounting standards documents are superseded as described in FASB Statement No. 168, *The FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles*. All other accounting literature not included in the Codification is non-authoritative.

#### **Use of estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Revenue recognition**

Securities transactions and the related revenues and expenses are recorded on a settlement date basis; revenues and expenses would not be materially different if reported on a trade date basis.

# Cash equivalents

For purposes of the statements of financial condition and statements of cash flows, the Company has defined cash equivalents as highly liquid investments, with original maturities of less than three months, that are not held for sale in the ordinary course of business.

#### **Concentration of credit risk**

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk, consist principally of cash and accounts receivable. The Company maintains its cash balances in bank checking accounts, which at times may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes they are not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash balances.

#### 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### Fair value of financial instruments

The Company applies generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for fair value measurements of financial assets that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis. GAAP defines fair value 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. GAAP also establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements.

#### Accounts receivable

The Company considers accounts receivable to be fully collectible. Accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts has been established. If amounts become doubtful as to collections, an allowance will be established at that time.

# **Property and equipment**

Property and equipment are stated at cost. The costs of additions and betterments are capitalized and expenditures for repairs and maintenance are expensed in the period incurred. When items of property and equipment are sold or retired, the related costs and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is included in income. The Company provides depreciation under the straight-line method and accelerated methods over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

#### Income taxes

The Company elected "small business corporation" (S Corporation) status for federal and state tax purposes. An S Corporation is in effect a conduit for its consenting stockholder; therefore all items of income, deduction and tax credit flow through to the stockholder and are not taxed at the corporate level, but at the stockholder level.

The Company recognizes and measures its unrecognized tax benefits in accordance with FASB ASC 740, *Income Taxes*. Under that guidance the Company assesses the likelihood, based on their technical merit, that tax positions will be sustained upon examination based on the facts, circumstances and information available at the end of each period. The measurement of unrecognized tax benefits is adjusted when new information is available, or when an event occurs that requires a change. We have determined that there are no material uncertain tax positions that require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

# 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

# Advertising

The Company's policy is to expense advertising costs as the costs are incurred. Advertising expense for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$847 and \$1,279, respectively.

#### Subsequent events

In accordance with FASB ASC Topic 855, subsequent events (after December 31, 2011) have been evaluated through January 18, 2012, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

# 2. Deposits-clearing organization

The Company has a clearing agreement with a clearing agent, First Clearing LLC. As part of the agreement, the company is required to maintain at all times, a minimum balance of \$25,000 in the account. The clearing agent pays interest on the cash deposited in the deposit account in accordance with its then accepted free credit balance interest rates. If the clearing agent has a claim arising in any manner under this agreement against the Company and the Company has not resolved the claim within five business days after the receipt of the claim from the clearing agent, the clearing agent may deduct such claim from commissions then owed to the Company, and if such commissions are insufficient to satisfy such claim, the clearing agent is authorized to withdraw the amount from the deposit account and pay such amount to itself.

Upon termination of the agreement, the clearing agent shall pay within thirty days, the balance of the deposit account to the Company after any and all customer accounts have been either transferred to a new clearing agent or transferred directly to the customer.

# 3. Accounts receivable

Accounts receivable, \$33,742 for 2011 and \$39,030 for 2010, were all current and due from the clearing agent.

The Company's policy is to write-off doubtful accounts receivable in the year deemed uncollectible. In the opinion of management, no allowance for doubtful accounts is required.

# 4. Property and equipment

Property and equipment are summarized as follows:

	2010	2009
Vehicle	\$ 48,216	\$ 48,216
Furniture and equipment	27,423	27,423
	75,639	75,639
Less: accumulated depreciation	(39,482)	(27,224)
	<u>\$ 36,157</u>	<u>\$ 48,415</u>

Depreciation expense for the years 2011 and 2010 amounts to \$12,258, and \$6,685, respectively.

#### 5. <u>Pension plan</u>

The Company has a simplified employee pension plan, which covers all employees who meet the plan's eligibility requirements. Pension expense for the year ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, was \$36,284 and \$54,338, respectively.

#### 6. <u>Net capital</u>

The Company is subject to the SEC 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 (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).

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, the Company had net capital of \$189,251 and \$217,572 respectively, which was \$139,251 and \$167,572 in excess of its required net capital of \$50,000. The ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0.25887 to 1 and 0.20963 to 1 as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

# 7. <u>Commitments</u>

The Company rents office space month to month in Huntington, New York at the rate of \$1,378.50 per month. The total rent expense for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$16,541, respectively.