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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING	January 1, 2013	AND ENDING Dec	ember 31, 2013
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A. RE	GISTRANT IDENTIFI	ICATION	
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: FS2 Capital Partners, LLC ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BU	SINESS: (Do not use P.O.)	Box No.)	OFFICIAL USE ONLY FIRM I.D. NO.
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	(No. and Street)		
Philadelphia	PA	1	9104
(City)	(State)	(Z	ip Code)
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PAnn Marie Rafferty	PERSON TO CONTACT IN	2·	ORT 1 5-495-1168 Area Code – Telephone Number
B. ACC	COUNTANT IDENTIF		
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT	whose opinion is contained	in this Report*	
McGladrey LLP	-	-	
	(Name - if individual, state last,	first, middle name)	
751 Arbor Way, Suite 200	Blue Bell	PA	19422
(Address)	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Adrienne Yost Hart		, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial FS2 Capital Partners, LLC	statement	and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
of December 31	, 20 13	, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, prin	cipal offic	er or director has any proprietary interest in any account
classified solely as that of a customer, except as follow		•
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(h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Re	eguiremen	ts Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
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☐ (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explan	nation of th	ne Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the
Computation for Determination of the Reserv		
	audited Sta	tements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of
consolidation.		
 ☑ (1) An Oath or Affirmation. ☐ (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report. (Bo 	und under	concrete cover)
		ist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.
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**For conditions of confidential treatment of certain	portions of	this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2013

Filed as PUBLIC information pursuant to Rule 17a-5(d) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Member FS² Capital Partners, LLC Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Report on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of FS² Capital Partners, LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2013 that are filed pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the related notes (the "financial statement").

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

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 financial statement is free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Company's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in order to design 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. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of FS² Capital Partners, LLC as of December 31, 2013, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Blue Bell, Pennsylvania

McGladrey CCP

February 20, 2014

Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2013

See Notes to Financial Statement.

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16,051,934
Accounts receivable	985,324
Due from affiliate	16,454
Prepaid expenses	1,004,091
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	.,,
of \$199,954 in 2013	416,315
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Total assets	\$ 18,474,118
Liabilities and Member's Equity	
Liabilities	
Due to affiliate	\$ 2,668,834
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,868,567
Total liabilities	6,537,401
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 4)	
Member's Equity	11,936,717
Total liabilities and member's equity	\$ 18,474,118

Notes to Financial Statement

Note 1. Organization, Description of the Business, and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

<u>Organization</u>: FS² Capital Partners, LLC (the "Company") was formed in the State of Delaware on July 16, 2007. The Company received its registrations/licenses from the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") on December 14, 2007.

Description of the Business: The Company is registered with the SEC and FINRA as a broker-dealer. The Company is the affiliated broker-dealer and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Franklin Square Holdings, L.P. ("Holdings") and serves as the dealer manager in connection with the sale of shares by FS Energy and Power Fund ("FSEP"), FS Investment Corporation II ("FSIC II"), FS Global Credit Opportunities Fund-A ("FSGCO-A) and FS Global Credit Opportunities Fund-D ("FSGCO-D" and together with FSGCO-A, "FSGCO"), and served as the dealer manager in connection with the sale of shares by FS Investment Corporation ("FSIC", and collectively with FSEP, FSIC II, FSGCO-A and FSGCO-D, the "Funds"), in their public offerings of shares. The Company may serve as the dealer manager in connection with offerings by other entities sponsored by Holdings. FSIC closed its continuous public offering of shares to new investors in May 2012. The Company will not hold customer accounts and does not refer or introduce customers to other brokers and dealers.

<u>Rule 15c3-3 Exemption</u>: The Company operates under the provisions of paragraph (k)(2)(i) of Rule 15c3-3 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and, accordingly, is exempt from the remaining provisions of that rule. Essentially, the requirements of paragraph (k)(2)(i) provide that the Company must carry no margin accounts, promptly transmit all customer funds received, not otherwise hold funds or securities for, or owe money or securities to, customers and effectuate all financial transactions through one or more designated bank accounts.

A computation of reserve requirement is not applicable as the Company qualifies for exemption set forth in Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(i) promulgated under the Exchange Act.

A summary of the Company's significant accounting polices is as follows:

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>: The Company considers all cash balances and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

<u>Property and Equipment</u>: Property and equipment are stated at cost. Equipment is depreciated over its estimated useful life of 3 to 5 years using the straight-line method.

<u>Use of Estimates</u>: 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 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 those estimates.

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u>: The Company maintains cash balances at financial institutions which, at various times during the year, exceeded the threshold for insurance coverage provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). The Company mitigates its risk relative to cash by maintaining relationships with what management believes to be high credit quality financial institutions.

<u>Income Taxes</u>: The Company, with the consent of its member, has elected to be taxed under sections of federal and state income tax law which provide that, in lieu of corporation income taxes, the Company's items of income, deductions, losses and credits are allocated fully to the member. As a result of this election, no income taxes have been recognized in the accompanying financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statement

Note 1. Organization, Description of the Business, and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

<u>Income Taxes (Continued)</u>: Management evaluated the Company's tax positions and concluded that the Company had taken no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to income tax examinations by the U.S. federal, state or local tax authorities for the years before 2010.

<u>Subsequent Events</u>: The Company has evaluated the impact of subsequent events (events occurring after December 31, 2013) through February 20, 2014 which represents the date the financial statements were issued.

Note 2. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consists of the following:

	2013			
Computer equipment	\$ 332,338			
Furniture and fixtures	257,724			
Leasehold improvements	26,207			
Less accumulated depreciation	(199,954)			
	\$ 416,315			

Note 3. Commission Expenses

Wholesalers of the Company receive up to 52 basis points on the gross equity capital raised on behalf of the Funds during their offering stage excluding shares issued pursuant to the Funds' distribution reinvestment plans. In addition, certain management personnel of the Company receive commissions of up to 5 basis points on all gross equity capital raised. At December 31, 2013, \$930,189 of commissions were unpaid and are included in accounts payable and accrued expenses on the statement of financial condition.

Note 4. Commitments and Contingencies

<u>Legal and Other Loss Contingencies</u>: The Company is not currently subject to any material legal proceedings, nor, to its knowledge, is any material legal proceeding threatened against the Company. From time to time, the Company may be a party to certain legal proceedings in the ordinary course of business. While the outcome of these legal proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty, the Company does not expect that these proceedings will have a material effect upon its financial condition or results of operations. Accordingly, no provision for any legal or other loss contingencies has been made in the financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statement

Note 4. Commitments and Contingencies (Continued)

<u>Leasing Activities</u>: The Company leases office space in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from Holdings under an operating lease agreement which expires September 30, 2018. The Company also leases office space in Orlando, Florida to an unrelated party under an operating lease agreement which expires March 31, 2021. Future aggregate minimum lease payments are as follows:

Years Ending December 31,	
2014	\$ 280,349
2015	410,914
2016	403,400
2017	401,285
2018	378,272
Thereafter	 658,379
	\$ 2,532,599

Wholesaler Bonus Plan: Effective January 1, 2012, the Company adopted the FS² Capital Partners, LLC Wholesaler Bonus Plan (the "Plan") for the benefit of qualifying full-time employees of the Company, pursuant to which certain qualifying employees are eligible to receive performance-based awards in the form of cash or shares of an investment product sponsored by Holdings. Subject to limited exceptions, participants are not entitled to receive any award under the Plan unless they are employed by the Company on the date that the award is delivered. For the year ended December 31, 2013, the Company granted \$623,034 in cash awards and granted \$514,197 in share awards, which, subject to certain conditions, will vest and become payable in December 2016. Cash awards are recognized as compensation expense in the year granted. Share awards are recognized as compensation expense ratably over the vesting period. The Company expects to recognize the 2013 and 2012 share awards in compensation expense during the years 2014 – 2016 as follows:

	Share Awards Granted in			_			
Years Ending December 31,		2013		2012		Total	
2014	\$	171,399	\$	188,072	\$	359,471	
2015		171,399		188,072		359,471	
2016		171,399		-		171,399	
	\$	514,197	\$	376,144	\$	890,341	

Note 5. Net Capital Requirement

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1 under the Exchange Act), 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. The rule also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1. At December 31, 2013, the Company had net capital of \$9,966,095 which was \$9,530,268 more than required net capital of \$435,827 at December 31, 2013. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0.66 to 1 at December 31, 2013.