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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 FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/15 AND ENDING 12/31/15 MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER - DEALER:

Asperion Group LLC

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FIRM ID. NO.

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

151 East 80th Street, 3rd Floor

(No. and Street)

New York

(City)

New York

(State)

10075

(Zip Code)

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

Debra L. Pipines

(212) 487-5004

(Area Code - Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

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

VB&T CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, PLLC

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

250 West 57th Street

(Address)

New York

(City)

New York

(State)

10107

(Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:

- Certified Public Accountant
- Public Accountant
- Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

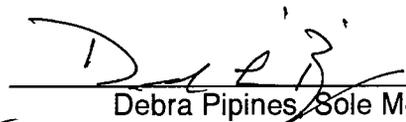
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\*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(2).

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## OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Debra L. Pipines, Sole Member and Principal, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statements and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Asperon Group LLC. (Company), as of December 31, 2015, 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:



Debra Pipines, Sole Member

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 17 day of FEB, 2016.

### This report contains (check all applicable boxes):

- (a) Facing page.
- (b) Balance Sheet.
- (c) Statement of Operations.
- (d) Statement of Cash Flows.
- (e) Statement of Changes in Member's Equity.
- (f) Statement of Changes in Subordinated Liabilities (not applicable).
- (g) Notes to Financial Statements.
- (g) Computation of Net Capital for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. (not applicable)
- (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (not applicable).
- (j) A Reconciliation, including Appropriate Explanations, of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3 (not applicable).
- (k) A Reconciliation Between the Audited and Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition With Respect to Methods of Consolidation (not applicable).
- (l) An Affirmation.
- (m) A Copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.(Not required)
- (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit (Supplemental Report on Internal Control).

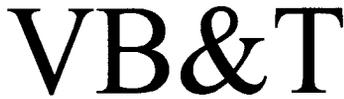
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Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 01WE8071493  
Qualified in New York County  
Commission Expires March 18, 2018

**Asperion Group LLC**

December 31, 2015

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Member of  
Asperion Group LLC

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of Asperion Group LLC, (the "Company") (a Delaware Limited Liability Company), which comprise the statement of financial condition as of December 31, 2015 that is filed pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the related notes to the financial statements and supplemental information. The company's management is responsible for these financial statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included 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, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial condition of Asperion Group LLC as of December 31, 2015 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*VB&T CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, PLLC*

New York, NY  
February 1, 2016

**Asperion Group LLC**  
**Statement of Financial Condition**  
**December 31, 2015**

**Assets**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 32,941
Fees receivable	3,674
Other current assets	723
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$19,043	<u>10,218</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u><u>47,556</u></u>

**Liabilities and Member's Equity**

**Liabilities**

Accrued expenses	\$ <u>19,010</u>
Total Liabilities	19,010

**Member's equity**

	<u>28,546</u>
Total Liabilities and Member's Equity	\$ <u><u>47,556</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

AsperionGroup LLC  
Notes to Financial Statements  
December31,2015

1. **ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS**

Asperion Group LLC (the "Company"), was formed as a single member limited liability company on April 26, 2002 in the State of Delaware. The Company is a registered broker-dealer pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), effective November 11, 2002.

The Company was formed for the purpose of acting as a placement agent, finder or consultant in the sale of shares or interests in hedge funds and private equity funds.

The Company will terminate on December 31, 2032, or in the event of certain other circumstances as defined in the limited liability company agreement.

2. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Presentation**

The Company's financial statements are presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

**Fees Receivable**

Fees receivable are considered fully collectible by management and, accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is considered necessary.

**Property, Equipment, and Leasehold Improvements**

Property, equipment, and leasehold improvements are recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Additions and improvements are capitalized.

**Income Taxes**

No provision for Federal or State income taxes has been made in the accompanying financial statements since such liabilities and related expenses are the responsibility of the member. The Company is responsible for a local unincorporated business tax on income, which is calculated at the statutory rate.

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Notes to Financial Statements  
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**2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

The authoritative guidance issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board requires management to determine whether it is more likely than not that a tax position will be sustained upon examination by the applicable taxing authority, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefit to be recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement. De-recognition of a tax benefit previously recognized could result in the Company recording a tax liability that would reduce net assets. Tax penalties and interest, if any, would be accrued as incurred and would be recorded on the statement of operations. The Company files tax returns as prescribed by the tax laws of the jurisdiction in which it operates. In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to examination by federal, state and local jurisdictions, where applicable. The earliest tax year that is subject to examination under the statute of limitations is 2012 for state and federal jurisdictions. As of December 31, 2015, the Company did not have any unrecognized tax liabilities.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of 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.

**3. PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT, AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS**

Property, equipment, and leasehold improvements consist of the following:

Computers and equipment	\$ 11,003
Furniture and fixtures	18,258
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(19,043)</u>
	\$ <u>10,218</u>

Depreciation expense was \$4,292 for the year ended December 31, 2015.

**4. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS**

The Company is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital of \$5,000 and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2015 the Company had net capital of \$13,931, which was \$8,931 in excess of the amount required. The Company's percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 136.45%.

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Notes to Financial Statements  
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**5. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Management has evaluated subsequent events through February 1, 2016, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued. Management is not aware of any subsequent events that require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

**Asperion Group LLC**  
**Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements**  
**Under Sec. 240.15c3-3**  
**December 31, 2015**

**Schedule II**

The Company is exempt from the Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in that the Company's activities are limited to those set forth in the conditions appearing in paragraph k(2)(i) of the rule.

Asperion Group LLC - Exemption Report

Asperion Group LLC (the "Company") is a registered broker-dealer subject to Rule 17a-5 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5, "Reports to be made by certain brokers and dealers"). This Exemption Report was prepared as required by 17 C.F.R. § 240.17a-5(d)(1) and (4). To the best of its knowledge and belief, the Company states the following:

- (1) The Company claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3 under the provisions of 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3 (k)(2)(i).
- (2) The Company met the identified exemption provisions in 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3(k) throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception.

**Asperion Group LLC**

I, Debra Pipines, swear (or affirm) that, to my best knowledge and belief, this Exemption Report is true and correct.

By:   
Title: Principal  
Date: