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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 01/01/20 AND ENDING 12/31/20  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Cirrus Research LLC  
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)  
303 South Broadway, Suite 212

OFFICIAL USE ONLY  
FIRM I.D. NO.

(No. and Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)  
Tarrytown NY 10591  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT  
Satya Pradhuman (914)289-1411  
(Area Code - Telephone Number)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

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

Raines and Fischer LLP

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

555 Fifth Avenue, 9th Floor New York NY 10017  
(Address) (City) (State) (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, Satya Pradhuman, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Cirrus Research LLC, as of December 31, 2020, 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:

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THIRZA T. MORAN  
NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF NEW YORK  
No. 01M06213717  
Qualified in New York County  
My Commission Expires November 16, 2021

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
CEO  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

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

- (a) Facing Page.
- (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- (c) Statement of Income (Loss) or, if there is other comprehensive income in the period(s) presented, a Statement of Comprehensive Income (as defined in §210.1-02 of Regulation S-X).
- (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
- (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.
- (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.

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

**CIRRUS RESEARCH, LLC**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**  
December 31, 2020

**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Members of Cirrus Research, LLC:

**Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Cirrus Research, LLC (the "Company"), as of December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, collectively referred to as the financial statements. In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2020, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

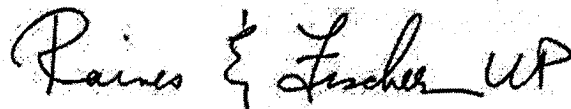
**Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, 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.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2017.



New York, New York  
March 1, 2021

**CIRRUS RESEARCH, LLC**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**ASSETS**

Current assets:	
Cash	\$ 118,433
Accounts receivable	5,019
Right to use asset	242,128
Prepaid expenses	<u>4,768</u>
Total current assets	<u>370,348</u>
Property and equipment	872,448
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(313,075)</u>
	<u>559,373</u>
Security deposits	<u>19,840</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 949,561</u>

**LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY**

Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 28,020
Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") loan	75,747
Lease liability	<u>253,174</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>356,941</u>
Members' equity	<u>592,620</u>
Total liabilities and members' equity	<u>\$ 949,561</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## CIRRUS RESEARCH, LLC

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2020

1. Statement of Significant Accounting Policies:

Organization:

Cirrus Research, LLC (The Company), a New York limited liability company, is registered as a broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. The Company performs research services to various investment companies.

Basis of Accounting:

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

Revenue Recognition:

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)." The guidance in this ASU supersedes the revenue recognition requirements in Topic 605, "Revenue Recognition." Under the new guidance, an entity should recognize revenue to depict transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The amendments in ASU No. 2014-09 are effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018 (FASB entities), and interim reporting periods beginning one year later, December 15, 2019.

The Company records its advisory fees as they are earned based on the services provided or consummation of the related transaction.

In accordance with ASU No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" ("ASC Topic 606") revenues from contracts with customers are recognized when, or as, the Company satisfies its performance obligations by transferring the promised services to the customers. A service is transferred to a customer when, or as, the customer obtains control of that service. A performance obligation may be satisfied at a point in time or over time. Revenue from a performance obligation satisfied at a point in time is recognized at the point in time that the Company determines the customer obtains control over the promised service. Revenue from a performance obligation satisfied over time is recognized by measuring the Company's progress in satisfying the performance obligation in a manner that depicts the transfer of the services to the customer. The amount of revenue recognized reflects the consideration the Company expects to receive in exchange for those promised services (i.e., the "transaction price"). In determining the transaction price, the Company considers multiple factors, including the effects of variable consideration, if any.

Cash and Cash Equivalents:

Cash equivalents are limited to short term, highly liquid investments that are both readily convertible to known amounts of cash and of an original maturity of three months or less.

## CIRRUS RESEARCH, LLC

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2020

1. Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

Concentration of Risk:

The Company maintains cash in bank accounts which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits or where no insurance is provided. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts and does not believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

Use of Estimates:

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that were assumed in preparing the financial statements.

Property and Equipment:

Property and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Repairs and maintenance charges, which do not increase the useful lives of assets, are charged to expense as incurred. Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$75,014.

Income Taxes:

The Company has elected to be treated as a Limited Liability Company under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and New York State tax regulations. No provision for federal and state income taxes is made in these financial statements as these taxes are the responsibility of the members under this form of organization.

Subsequent events:

Management has evaluated subsequent events through March 1, 2021, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

2. Net Capital Requirements:

Cirrus Research, LLC is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Uniform Net Capital Rule (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. At December 31, 2020, Cirrus Research, LLC had net capital of \$79,367 after adjustments for non-allowable assets, which was \$71,713 in excess of its required net capital. Cirrus Research, LLC's net capital ratio was 1.4466 to 1.

CIRRUS RESEARCH, LLC

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2020

3. Commitments and Contingencies:

Office lease:

The Company entered into a lease agreement with Am Trust Realty Corp. for the rental of property located at 303 South Broadway, Suite 212, Tarrytown, NY 10591 which expires on February 29, 2024.

Future minimum lease payments for the lease term are:

<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	
2021	\$ 78,509
2022	79,866
2023	81,224
2024	13,575
	<u>\$ 253,174</u>

The lease was determined to be an operating type lease. The Company recorded rent expense for the year of \$76,212. In accordance with FASB issued (ASU) 2016-02, "Leases (Topic 842)" the Company classified the lease as an operating lease and has no other short-term leases. The Company has reviewed and based the right of use asset and lease liabilities, primarily, on the present value of unpaid future minimum lease payments. In accordance with the guidance, the Company has an increase on its balance sheet as of December 31, 2020 for the right of use asset of \$242,128, offset by lease liabilities of \$253,174.

4. Paycheck Protection Program Loan:

On May 4, 2020, the Company received loan proceeds of \$75,747 pursuant to a promissory note agreement (The "Promissory Note") with a bank under the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP"). The PPP, established as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), provides for loans to qualifying businesses for amounts up to 2.5 times of the average monthly payroll expenses of the qualifying business. The Promissory Note has a loan maturity of May 3, 2022, a stated interest rate of 1.0% per annum, and has payments of principal and interest that are due monthly after the initial six-month deferral period where interest accrues, but no payments are due. The Promissory Note provides for customary events of default, including, among others, those relating to failure to make payments when due and breaches of representations.

The Company may prepay the principal of the Promissory Note at any time without incurring any prepayment charges. The loan is subject to all the terms and conditions applicable under the PPP and is subject to review by the Small Business Association (the "SBA") for compliance with program requirements, including the Company's certification that the current economic uncertainty made the PPP loan request necessary to support ongoing operations.

**CIRRUS RESEARCH, LLC**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

4. Paycheck Protection Program Loan (continued):

In June 2020, the Payroll Protection Program Flexibility Act ("PPPFA") was signed into law adjusting certain key terms of loans issued under the PPP. In accordance with the PPPFA, the initial deferral period may be extended from six to up to ten months and the loan maturity may be extended from two to five years. The PPPFA also provided for certain other changes, including the extent to which the loan may be forgiven.

The loan's principal and accrued interest are forgivable to the extent that the proceeds are used for eligible purposes, subject to certain limitations, and that the Company maintains its payroll levels over a twenty-four-week period following the loan date. The Company has used the proceeds for eligible purposes consistent with the provisions of the PPPFA. However, there can be no assurance that any portion of the loan will be forgiven and that the Company will not have to repay the loan in full.