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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 07/01/02	AND ENDING(06/30/03 MM/DD/YY	130 / 130 / 130
A. REGISTRANT	IDENTIFICATION		
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: FELDMAN, INGARDONA & CO.			FIRM ID. NO.
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do n	not use P.O. Box No.)		
2001 Butterfield Road, Suite 170 (No. and Street)			
Downers Grove	Illinois	60515	
(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)	
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO C	CONTACT IN REGARD	O TO THIS RE	EPORT
William M. Feldman		(630) 66	
	17	(Area Code -	Telephone No)
B. ACCOUNTANT	IDENTIFICATION	- , - ', - ' - '' - '' - ''	
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion		eport*	
Ryan & Juraska, Certified Public Accountant (Name – if individual, state last, first, middle name))	is		
141 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 3520	Chicago (City)	Illinois (State)	60604 (Zip Code)
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[] Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

[X] Certified Public Accountant

[] Public Accountant

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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

	OATH OR AFFIRMATION					
I, <u>William M. Feldman</u> , swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying financial statements and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of <u>Feldman, Ingardona & Co.</u> as of <u>June 30, 2003</u> 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 Chairman & Chief Executive Officer Title					
Subscribed	and sworn to before me this					
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	Notary Public					
[x] (a) [x] (b) [x] (c) [x] (d)	* contains (check all applicable boxes) Facing Page. Statement of Financial Condition. Statement of Income (Loss). Statement of Cash Flows.					
[x] (e)	Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.					
[x] (f) [x] (g)	Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors. Computation of Net Capital for Brokers and Dealers pursuant to Rule 15c3-1.					
[x] (9) [x] (h)	Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.					
[x] (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.					
[x] (l)	An Oath or Affirmation.					
[] (m)	A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report. A report describing any material inadequation found to exist or found to beyon existed since the					
[] (n)	A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.					
[x] (o)	Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Accounting Control. Schedule of Segregation Requirements and Funds in Segregation - Customers' Regulated					

Commodity Futures Accounts Pursuant to CFTC Rule 1.10(d)2(iv).

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

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Shareholders of Feldman, Ingardona & Co.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Feldman, Ingardona & Co. as of June 30, 2003, and the related statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements 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 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 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 position of Feldman, Ingardona & Co. as of June 30, 2003, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended 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 statements 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 statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Chicago, Illinois August 12, 2003

Pryan & Juraska

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION as of June 30, 2003

ASSETS

Cash Receivables from broker-dealer Furniture and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation	\$	39,867 390,036
of \$61,180) Other assets	-	1,798 31,02 <u>1</u>
	\$	462,722
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	,	
Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	52,908
Shareholders' Equity		
Common stock, no par value; 100,000 shares authorized; 100 shares issued and outstanding Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings		1,000 399,000 9,814
		409,814
	\$	462,722

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS for the year ended June 30, 2003

Revenues Fees and commissions Interest income	\$ 1,109,732 3,514 1,113,246
Expenses Officer and employee compensation and benefits Commissions, brokerage and clearing charges Occupancy and equipment costs Depreciation and amortization Communications Other operating expenses	348,797 96,681 90,481 10,780 8,731 57,784
Net Income	613,254 \$ 499,992

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY for the year ended June 30, 2003

	c 	ommon Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	_	Retained Earnings	_	Total
Balance, July 1, 2002	\$	1,000	\$ 399,000	\$	29,822	\$	429,822
Dividends paid		-	-		(520,000)		(520,000)
Net income		-	-	_	499,992	_	499,992
Balance, June 30, 2003	\$	1,000	\$ 399,000	\$_	9,814	\$_	409,814

FELDMAN, INGARDONA & CO.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN LIABILITIES SUBORDINATED TO CLAIMS OF GENERAL CREDITORS for the year ended June 30, 2003

Balance, July 1, 2002	\$ -
Borrowings / repayments	 -
Balance, June 30, 2003	\$

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS for the year ended June 30, 2003

Operating Activities Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$	499,992
Depreciation expense		10,780
Changes in operating assets and liabilities: Receivables from broker-dealer		28,415
Other assets		4,475
Accrued expenses	_	(28,260)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	-	515,402
Financing Activities Dividends paid	-	(520,000)
Net Cash Used in Financing Activities	_	(520,000)
Net Decrease in Cash		(4,598)
Cash, Beginning of Year	_	44,465
Cash, End of Year	\$_	39,867

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended June 30, 2003

1. Organization and Business

Feldman, Ingardona & Co. (the "Company"), an Illinois corporation, is a broker-dealer and an investment advisor registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers. The Company conducts business primarily with retail customers that are located throughout the United States, and introduces that business on a fully-disclosed basis to a clearing broker.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Revenue Recognition

Transactions in securities are recorded on trade date.

<u>Depreciation</u>

Depreciation of furniture and equipment is computed using the straight-line method for financial reporting, and straight-line and accelerated methods for income tax purposes. For the year ended June 30, 2003, depreciation expense totaled \$10,780.

Income Taxes

The Company has elected to be an "S corporation" under provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. Under those provisions, the Company does not pay federal corporate income taxes on its taxable income. The stockholders are liable for individual income taxes on the Company's taxable income.

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 reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

3. Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1) and has elected the "alternative method." Under this rule and method, the Company is required to maintain "net capital" equivalent to the greater of \$250,000 or 2 percent of "aggregate debit items," whichever is greater, as these terms are defined.

At June 30, 2003, the Company had net capital and net capital requirements of \$371,591, and \$250,000, respectively.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the year ended June 30, 2003

4. Commitments

The Company leases office space under a noncancelable operating lease agreement that expires on August 31, 2004. Rent expense for the year totaled approximately \$56,000.

The approximate minimum annual rental commitments under non-cancelable operating leases as of June 30, 2003 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,		<u>Amount</u>
2004	\$	57,000
2005	_	10,000
Total	\$_	67,000

5. Off-Balance Sheet Credit and Market Risk

Securities transactions of customers are introduced to and cleared through a clearing broker. Under the terms of its clearing agreement, the Company is required to guarantee the performance of its customers in meeting contracted obligations. In conjunction with the clearing broker, the Company seeks to control the risks associated with its customer activities by requiring customers to maintain collateral in compliance with various regulatory and internal guidelines. Compliance with the various guidelines is monitored daily and, pursuant to such guidelines, the customers may be required to deposit additional collateral, or reduce positions where necessary.

Amounts due from the clearing broker represent a concentration of credit risk and primarily relate to commissions received on securities transactions. The Company does not anticipate nonperformance by customers or its clearing broker. In addition, the Company has a policy of reviewing, as considered necessary, the clearing broker with which it conducts business.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

BRC	OKER OR DEALER: FELDMAN, INGARDONA & CO.		as of <u>June 30</u>	, 2003
L	COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL			
1.	Total ownership (from Statement of Financial Condition- Item 1800)	\$	409,814	[3480]
2.	Deduct: Ownership equity not allowable for net capital			[3490]
3.	Total ownership equity qualified for net capital	\$	409,814	[3500]
4.	Add:A. Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors allowable in computation of net cB. Other (deductions) or allowable subordinated liabilities	apital \$		[3520] [3525]
5.	Total capital and allowable subordinated liabilities	\$	409,814	[3530]
6.	Deductions and/or charges: A. Total non-allowable assets from Statement of Financial Condition (Note B and C) (See detail below) 1. Additional charges for customers' and non-customers' security accounts 2. Additional charges for customers' and non-customers' commodity accounts B. Aged fail-to-deliver 1. Number of items [3450] C. Aged short security differences- less [3460] reserved of 2. Number of items [3470] D. Secured demand note deficiency E. Commodity futures contract and spot commodities proprietary capital charges F. Other deductions and/or charges G. Deductions for accounts carried under Rule 15c3-1(a)(6), (a)(7)and (c)(2)(x) H. Total deduction and/or charges	[3540] [3550] [3560] [3570] [3580] [3590] [3600] [3610] [3615]	(32,819)	[3620]
7.	Other additions and/or allowable credits (List)			[3630]
8. 9.	Net Capital before haircuts on securities positions Haircuts on securities (computed, where applicable pursuant to 15c3-1(f)): A. Contractual securities commitments B. Subordinated securities borrowings C. Trading and Investment securities 1. Bankers' acceptance, certificates of deposit, and commercial paper 2. U.S. and Canadian government obligations 3. State and municipal government obligations 4. Corporate obligations 5. Stocks and warrants 6. Options 7. Arbitrage 8. Other securities D. Undue concentration E. Other (List)	\$ [3660] [3670] [3680] [3690] [3700] [3710] [3720] [3730] [3732] [3734] [3650] [3736] \$	(5,404)	[3640]
10.	Net Capital	\$	371,591	[3750]
	Non-Allowable Assets (line 6.A):		OMIT PENNIES	
	Furniture and equipment, net \$ 1,798 Other assets \$ 31,021 \$ 32,819			

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

BROKER OR DEALER:

FELDMAN, INGARDONA & CO.

as of June 30, 2003

	COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT			
Part A 11.	Minimum net capital required (6-2/3% of line 19)	\$_		[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)	\$_		[3758]
13.	Net capital requirement (greater of line 11 or 12)	\$_		[3760]
14.	Excess net capital (line 10 less 13)	\$_		[3770
15.	Excess net capital at 1000% (line 10 less 10% of line 19)	\$_		[3780
	COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS			
16.	Total A.I. liabilities from Statement of Financial Condition	\$_		[3790
17.	Add: A. Drafts for immediate credit B. Market value of securities borrowed for which no equivalent value is paid or credited C. Other unrecorded amounts (List) [3800]	_		[3830
18.	Deduct: Adjustment based on deposits in Special Reserve Bank Accounts (15c3-1(c)(1)(vii))	_		[3838]
19.	Total aggregate indebtedness	\$_		[3840]
20.	Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital (line 19 - by line 10)			[3850]
21.	Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital <u>after</u> anticipated capital withdrawals (line 19- by line 10 less item 4880 page 11)	_		[3853
	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		0	[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)	\$_	250,000	[3880]
24.	Net capital requirement (greater of line 22 or 23)	\$_	250,000	[3760
25.	Excess net capital (line 10 less 24)	\$_	121,591	[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)	\$_	71,591	[3854
28.	Net capital in excess of: 5% of combined aggregate debit items or \$300,000	_		[3920
	OTHER RATIOS			
Part C 29.	Percentage of debit 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 report for each subsidiary to be consolidated, the greater of: 1. Minimum dollar net capital requirement, or	rting b	roker dealer and,	

6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness or 2% of aggregate debits if alternative method is used.
 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 memberships in exchanges contributed for use of company (contra to item 1740) and partners securities which were included in non-allowable assets.
 For reports filed pursuant to paragraph (d) of Rule 17a-5, respondent should provide a list of material non-allowable assets.

BROKER OR DEALER:

FELDMAN, INGARDONA & CO.

as of June 30, 2003

COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKER-DEALERS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 (See Rule 15c3-3, Exhibit A and Related Notes) NOT APPLICABLE

CHEDIT	BALANCES			
1.	Free credit balances and other credit balances in customers' security accounts (see Note A, Exhibit A, Rule 15c3-3)	340]		
2.	Monies borrowed collateralized by securities carried for the accounts of customers (see Note B)	350]		
3.	Monies payable against customers' securities loaned (see Note C) [4	360}		
4.	Customers' securities failed to receive (see Note D)	370]		
5.	Credit balances in firm accounts which are attributable to principal sales to customers	380]		
6.	Market value of stock dividends, stock splits and similar distributions receivable outstanding over 30 calendar days	390]		
7.	**Market value of short security count differences 30 calendar days old[4	400]		
8.	**Market value of short securities and credits (not to be offset by longs or by debits in all suspense accounts over 30 calendar days [4	410]		
9.	Market value of securities which are in transfer in excess of 40 calendar days and have not been confirmed to be in transfer by the transfer agent or the issuer during the 40 days [4]	420]		
10.		425]		
11.	TOTAL CREDITS		\$	[4430]
DEBIT I	BALANCES			
12.	**Debit balances in customers cash and margin accounts excluding secured accounts and accounts doubtful of collection net of deductions pursuant to Note E, Exhibit A, Rule 15c3-3	440]		
13.	Securities borrowed to effectuate short sales by customers and securities borrowed to make delivery on customers' securities failed to deliver	450]		
14.	Failed to deliver of customers' securities not older than 30 calendar days[4	460]		
15.	Margin required and on deposit with the Options Clearing Corporation for all option contracts written or purchased in customer accounts (see Note F)	465]		
16.	Other (List)	469]		
17.	**Aggregate debit items		\$	[4470]
18.	**less 3% (for alternative method only – See Rule 15c3-1(f)(5)(i))			[4471]
19.	**TOTAL 15c3-3 DEBITS		\$	[4472]
RESER	VE COMPUTATION			
20.	Excess of total debits over total credits (line 19 less line 11)			[4480]
21.	Excess of total credits over total debits (line 11 less line 19)			[4490]
22.	If computation permitted, on a monthly basis, enter 105% of excess credits over total debits			[4500]
23.	Amount held on deposit in "Reserve Bank Account(s)," including value of qualified securities end of reporting period	s, at	\$	[4510]
24.	Amount of deposit (or withdrawal) including \$ [4515] value of qualified securities			[4520]
25.	New amount in Reserve Bank Account(s) after adding deposit or subtracting withdra including \$[4525] value of qualified securities	wal	\$	[4530]
26.	Date of deposit (MM/DD/YY)		OMIT PENNIES	[4540]

^{*} In the event the Net Capital Requirement is computed under the alternative method, this "Reserve Formula" shall be prepared in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (f) of Rule 15c3-1.

BROKER OR DEALER:

FELDMAN, INGARDONA & CO.

as of June 30, 2003

COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKER-DEALERS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 (continued) NOT APPLICABLE

FREQU	ENCY OF COMPUTA	TION					
27.	Daily	[4332]	Weekly	[4333]	Monthly	[4334]	
EXEMP	TIVE PROVISIONS						
28.	If an exemption from exemption is bas			dentify below the section	upon which such		
		cial Account customer trans Name of C	t for the Exclusions clear learing firm	ve Benefit of customers" med through another broke	r-dealer on a fully		[4550] [4560] [4570] [4580]
		Information	n of Possessio	n or Control Requiremen	nts Under Rule 15	<u>c3-3</u>	
State th	e market valuation and	d the numbe	er of items of:				
1.	possession or o	control as ontrol had b	of the report of een issued as o	s margin securities not date (for which instruction of the report date) but for we he time frames specified un	ons to reduce to which the required		[4586] [4587]
2.	reduce to posse	ssion or com	ntrol had not be ary lags which r	margin securities for whice een issued as of the repo esult from normal busines and D	rt date, excluding		[4588] [4589]
3.	maintain physic	al possess securities	ion or control of have been test	lying with the requiremen of customers' fully paid ed and are functioning i of Rule 15c3-3	and	OMIT PENNIES	[4585]
	(See II	ndependen	t Auditors' Rep	oort on Internal Control)			
NOTES A. B. C. D.	action was required b 15c3-3. State separately in response control by the response Be sure to include in item 15c3-3. Item two must be responde whether or not such a	y respondent a se to items on dent. two only items ed to only with date is the end emainder of thi	is of the report date of and two whether the not arising from "te report which is filed of a calendar quart is report. This inform	nargin securities required by Rule to required action was taken by response to securities reported in response emporary lags which result from notes as of the date selected for the broat. The response to item two shotation may be required on a more v).	spondent within the time thereto were subseque formal business operation sker's or dealer's annual build be filed within 60 c	e frames specified under Rule intly reduced to possession or ons" as permitted under Rule audit of financial statements, alendar days after such date,	

Note: There are no material differences between the audited computation for determination of reserve requirements and that per the Company's unaudited FOCUS report as filed

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL

To the Shareholders of Feldman, Ingardona & Co.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Feldman, Ingardona & Co. (the "Company") for the year ended June 30, 2003, we considered its internal control structure, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17A-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company, including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g), in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- (1) Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons
- (2) 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 a 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 an internal control structure 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 internal control structure policies and procedures, and of the practices and procedures referred to in the proceeding paragraph, and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of an internal control structure 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 financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the proceeding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control or 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.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving the internal control structure, including control activities for safeguarding securities, that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

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 were adequate at June 30, 2003 to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the SEC, the National Association of Securities Dealers 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.

Chicago, Illinois August 12, 2003

Ryan & Juraska