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

# MEANS INVESTMENT COMPANY, INC. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SEPTEMBER 30, 2003 AND 2002 WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# **SEPTEMBER 30, 2003 AND 2002**

### WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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### RICHARD M. ROSA

Certified Public Accountant

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Stockholders
Means Investment Company, Inc.

I have audited the accompanying statements of financial condition of Means Investment Company, Inc. as of September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2002 and the related statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity and cash flows for the years then ended, that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I 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. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In accordance with your instructions, the scope of my audit did not include any audit procedures related to the investment in Micbrooks Partnership. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion as to the investment in Micbrooks Partnership at September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2002 or as to the equity in income of Micbrooks Partnership for the years ended September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2002. This investment is presented using the equity method. U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require that this investment be presented on a consolidated basis as disclosed in Note 1 to the financial statements. The effect of this departure from U.S. generally accepted principles, if any, has not been determined.

In my opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had I performed audit procedures related to the investment in Micbrooks Partnership, and had that investment been presented on a consolidated basis, as referred to in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Means Investment Company, Inc. as of September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2002 the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

My audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedules 1 through 4 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 Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined necessary had I performed audit procedures related to the investment of Micbrooks Partnership, and had that investment been presented on a consolidated basis, as referred to in the third paragraph, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Brewer, Maine

November 10, 2003

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# **Statements of Financial Condition**

# September 30, 2003 and 2002

# **ASSETS**

	2003	<u>2002</u>
Assets		
Cash	\$ 41,833	\$ 67,639
Money market funds	925,153	854,282
Total cash and cash equivalents	966,986	921,921
Receivable from broker-dealers and clearing organizations	17,105	23,173
Receivable from stockholder	170,000	170,000
Receivables, income taxes	4,287	19,847
Marketable securities owned, at market value	1,000,800	930,157
Receivables, employee and affiliate	14,500	14,584
Investment in unconsolidated subsidiary, at equity	31,576	25,216
Other investments, at cost which approximates market value	25,000	25,000
Property and equipment, at cost, net	246,326	219,646
Other assets	6,384	
	\$ 2,482,964	\$ 2,349,544

# **Statements of Financial Condition**

# September 30, 2003 and 2002

# LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

	<u>2003</u>	2002
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 50,875	\$ 41,458
Deferred income taxes	173,653	153,625
Total liabilities	224,528	195,083
Commitment and contingency (Notes 5 and 6)		
Stockholders' equity		
Common stock of no par value; authorized 2,000 shares,		
issued 100 shares	300,000	300,000
Retained earnings	2,075,073	1,971,098
	2,375,073	2,271,098
Less cost of 9.99 shares of treasury stock	116,637	116,637
Total stockholders' equity	2,258,436	2,154,461
	\$ 2,482,964	\$ 2,349,544

# **Statements of Income**

# Years Ended September 30, 2003 and 2002

	<u>2003</u>	2002
Revenues		
Commissions and fees	\$ 686,297	\$ 750,209
Income from principal transactions, including unrealized	,	,
gains of \$174,408 for 2003 and losses of \$41,901 for 2002	187,917	92,195
Underwriting	410	16,638
Interest and dividends	53,939	58,397
Other income	4,838	2,667
Equity in income of unconsolidated subsidiary	6,360	-
Gain on disposal of fixed assets	8,797	
Total revenue	948,558	920,106
Expenses		
Employee compensation and benefits	516,678	549,174
Communications	18,915	11,688
Occupancy and equipment	92,773	82,851
Equity in loss of unconsolidated subsidiary	-	865
Other expenses	135,795	195,714
Settlement cost		23,500
Total expenses	764,161	863,792
Income before income taxes	184,397	56,314
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	20,028	(24,875)
Net income (loss)	\$ 164,369	\$ 81,189

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

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# Statements of Changes in Stock

# Years Ended September 30, 2

·	Common Stock			
	Shares	Amount	Retaine Earning	
Balances at September 30, 2001	100	\$ 300,000	\$1,889,9	
Net income (loss)		<u> </u>	81,1	
Balances at September 30, 2002	100	300,000	1,971,0	
Net income (loss)	-	-	164,3	
Dividends		<del></del>	(60,3	
Balances at September 30, 2003	100	\$ 300,000	\$2,075,	

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

# **Statements of Cash Flows**

# Years Ended September 30, 2003 and 2002

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income	\$ 164,369	\$ 81,189
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	32,610	23,473
Gain on sale of other investments	-	(2,667)
Gain on disposal of fixed assets	(8,797)	=
Gain on sale of investment securities	(3,403)	-
Deferred income taxes	20,028	(24,875)
Net unrealized (gains) on marketable securities owned	(174,408)	41,901
Equity in (income) loss of unconsolidated subsidiary	(6,360)	848
Decrease (increase) in		
Receivable from broker-dealers and clearing organizations	6,068	4,828
Receivables, employee and affiliate	84	(14,584)
Receivables, income taxes and other	15,560	-
Securities owned for trading purposes, at cost	2,988	(2,305)
Other assets	(6,384)	2,415
Increase (decrease) in		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	9,023	(21,300)
Dividends payable	394	
Net cash provided by operating activities	51,772	88,923
Cash flows from investing activities		
Additions to property and equipment	(67,056)	(4,147)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities	112,500	-
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets	16,563	_
Dividends declared	(60,394)	-
Proceeds from sale of other investments	(00,574)	18,000
	(9.220)	,
Additions to securities owned for investment purposes	(8,320)	(97,890)
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	(6,707)	(84,037)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	45,065	4,886
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	921,921	917,035
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 966,986	\$ 921,921

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

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

### September 30, 2003 and 2002

### **Nature of Business**

Means Investment Company, Inc. is a full service brokerage firm located in Bangor, Maine. Its customers consist of individuals located primarily in New England. The Company is a registered broker/dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of NASD (National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.) and SIPC (Securities Investors Protection Corporation). Credit is extended without collateral. The Company is exempt from the provisions of SEC Rule 15c3-3, Customer Protection-Reserves and Custody of Securities, since it does not hold customer funds or securities.

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### **Financial Statement Presentation**

The Company holds a  $66^2/_3\%$  interest in Micbrooks Partnership. Management has elected to account for the investment under the equity method even though the ownership would require consolidation in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 94, "Consolidation of All Majority-Owned Subsidiaries." The effect on the financial statements of this departure from generally accepted accounting principles has not been determined.

### 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 reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures 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.

### Securities Transactions

Customers' securities and commodities transactions are recorded on a settlement date basis with related commission revenue and expenses recorded on a trade date basis. Commission revenue is recorded net of clearing costs. Securities and commodity transactions of the Company are recorded on a settlement date basis. There were no material trades, which had not settled as of September 30, 2003 or 2002.

### Cash

The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts. The Company believes it is not exposed to any significant risk on cash or cash equivalents.

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

September 30, 2003 and 2002

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Concluded)

### Cash Equivalents

All liquid investments with original maturities of less than ninety days that are not held for sale in the ordinary course of business are considered to be cash equivalents for purposes of the statement of financial condition and statement of cash flows.

### Marketable Securities Owned

Marketable securities owned are stated at their market value at the balance sheet date. Unrealized gains or losses are reflected in the statements of income. Realized gains and losses are computed based upon the specific security sold.

### **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment are depreciated by straight-line and accelerated methods over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets.

### **Income Taxes**

The Company has elected S corporation status effective October 1, 2001. Earnings and losses after that date will be included in the personal income tax returns of the stockholders. Accordingly, the Company will not incur additional income tax obligations, and future financial statements will not include a current provision for income taxes unless "built in gains" tax is realized. Deferred income taxes related to S corporation "built in gains" will be applicable until September 30, 2011. Built in gains tax is a corporate level tax on the difference between the cost basis and market value of investment securities at October 1, 2001. It will be realized only if those securities held for investment on October 1, 2001 are sold prior to September 30, 2011.

### 2. Marketable Securities Owned

Marketable securities owned consist of trading and investment securities at market values, as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Corporate stocks	\$ 1,000,800	\$ 817,280
Corporate bonds	~	11,625
State and municipal obligations		101,252
	\$ 1,008,800	\$ 930,157

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

# September 30, 2003 and 2002

# 3. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment, at cost, consists of the following:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Building, improvements and sign Furniture and fixtures Computer and equipment Vehicles	\$ 356,664 36,219 59,230 28,500	\$ 356,664 40,022 26,878 35,148
	480,613	458,712
Less accumulated depreciation	234,287	239,066
	\$ 246,326	\$ 219,646

Depreciation expense was \$32,610 in 2003 and \$27,782 in 2002.

# 4. Income Taxes

Income tax expense (benefit) consists of:

2002		Current	<u>Deferred</u>	<u>Total</u>
2002	Federal State	\$ - -	\$ 20,028	\$ 20,028
		\$	\$ 20,028	\$ 20,028
<u>2001</u>	Federal State	\$ - -	\$ (24,875)	\$ (24,875)
		\$ -	\$ (24,875)	\$ (24,875)

As discussed in <u>Note 1</u>, the Company changed its tax status from taxable to nontaxable in 2002. All of the deferred tax provision in 2003 and 2002 relates to the calculation of "built in gains" tax.

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

### September 30, 2003 and 2002

### 5. Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rules (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 **September 30, 2003** the Company had net capital of \$1,586,963 which was \$1,486,963 in excess of its required net capital of \$100,000. The Company's net capital ratio was 0.03 to 1.

### 6. Contingency

The Company has guaranteed a mortgage note payable with an outstanding balance of \$132,594 at September 30, 2003 and \$144,855 at September 30, 2002 for Micbrooks Partnership, in which the Company holds a  $66^2/_3\%$  interest.

### 7. Related Party Transactions

The Company owns a  $66^2/_3\%$  interest in Micbrooks Partnership, which owns one-half of the building occupied by the Company. Rent totaling \$15,000 in 2002 and 2001 was paid to the partnership under a month-to-month lease agreement. The Company is also obligated to pay any operating expenses of the partnership in excess of rental proceeds. No excess payment was required during 2003 or 2002.

The Company has advanced \$170,000 to an officer. The balance is non-interest bearing, unsecured, and due on demand.

### 8. Pension Plan

The Company maintains a 401(k) pension plan covering substantially all employees. The company can match employee contributions based on a percentage of the participant's wages. For the years ending September 30, 2003 and 2002 the Company did not make a matching contribution.

# Computation of Net Capital Pursuant to Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

# **September 30, 2003**

Net capital	
Stockholders' equity	\$ 2,258,436
Ded at Novella 11 and	
Deduct: Nonallowable assets	170.000
Receivable from stockholder	170,000
Investment in unconsolidated subsidiary	31,576
Other investments	25,000
Property and equipment, net	246,326
Income taxes receivable	4,287
Receivable from employees	14,500
Deposit	6,384
Haircuts on securities positions	173,400
Net capital	\$ 1,586,963
Aggregate indebtedness Items included in statement of financial condition	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	50,875
Total aggregate indebtedness	\$ 50,875
Computation of basic net capital requirement	
Minimum net capital required	100,000
Excess net capital	1,486,963
Total net capital	\$ 1,586,963
Ratio: Aggregate indebtedness to net capital	.03

# Reconciliation of Audited vs. Unaudited Computation of Net Capital Pursuant to Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

# September 30, 2003

Net capital, as reported in Company's Part II (unaudited) focus report	\$ 1,611,139
Audit adjustments, net decrease in non-allowable assets	1,564
Audit adjustments, net decrease in other deductions	18,000
Audit adjustments, net decrease in stockholders' equity	(43,740)
Net capital	\$ 1,586,963

# Reconciliation to the Company's Part $\Pi$ (unaudited) Focus Report

The decrease of \$43,740 in shareholders' equity is principally comprised of a \$10,256 increase in depreciation, a \$15,000 increase in accrued compensation and a \$18,837 increase in deferred income taxes. Other differences are not material.

### RICHARD M. ROSA

Certified Public Accountant

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL

To The Stockholders
Means Investment Company, Inc.

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements of Means Investment Company, Inc. for the year ended September 30, 2003, I considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my 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 (SEC), I have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that I considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g); (1) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under Rule 17a-3(11) (2) in ascertaining that the company is exempt from Rule 15c3-3 no facts came to my attention to indicate that the exemption had not been complied with since my last examination.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are require to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding 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 internal control 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 conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in any 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.

My consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control 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 component does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error 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, I noted no matters involving internal control, including procedures for safeguarding securities that I considered to be material weakness as defined above.

I 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 my study, I believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate as of September 30, 2003 to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the use of management, the SEC, and other regulatory agencies which rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers and should not be used for any other purpose.

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Brewer, Maine

November 10, 2003