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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING J	ANUARY 1, 2002 AND I	ENDÎNG <u>DEC</u>	EMBER 31, 2002
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NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PER LUCIANO NICASIO	SON TO CONTACT IN REGARD	TO THIS REPOI	RT 03) 358-9021
		(Aı	rea Code – Telephone Number)
B. ACCO	DUNTANT IDENTIFICATION	٧	
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT wh	ose opinion is contained in this Rep	ort*	
KAUFMAN, ROSSIN & CO.		."	
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#### **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

I, L	UCIANO NICASIO	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
	ledge and belief the accompanying financial statem	nent and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
	DECEMBER 31	, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
neither t	he company nor any partner, proprietor, principal o	officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account
classified	solely as that of a customer, except as follows:	
	NO EXCEPT	IONS.
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(a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f) (g) (h) (i) (j) (k) (i) (f) (n) (o)	Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Postatement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Computation of Net Capital.  Computation for Determination of Reserve Require Information Relating to the Possession or Control II A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation Computation for Determination of the Reserve Req A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudite consolidation.  An Oath or Affirmation.  A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.  A report describing any material inadequacies found	ements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3. Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3. In of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-3 and the quirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3. In d Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit. Internal Control required by SEC Rule 17a-5.

A report containing a statement of financial condition has been included: accordingly it is requested that this report be given confidential treatment.



REPORT PURSUANT TO RULE 17a-5
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE
ACT OF 1934
DECEMBER 31, 2002

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members Aurum Capital LLC Stamford, Connecticut

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Aurum Capital LLC as of December 31, 2002, and the related statements of operations, changes in members' equity and cash flows for the year 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. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these 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 Aurum Capital LLC as of December 31, 2002, 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.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Company has sustained operating losses and negative cash flows from operations since inception. In the absence of achieving profitable operations and positive cash flows from operations or obtaining equity or debt financing, the Company may have difficulty meeting current obligations or maintaining required minimum regulatory net capital. These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management's plans in regard to these matters are also described in Note 2. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of these uncertainties.

ROSSIN CO. PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information on pages 9 and 10 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 of the Securities 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.

Kaufman, Rossin & Co.

Miami, Florida March 14, 2003

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2002

ASSETS			
CASH		\$	6,097
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY		<del>-</del>	0,077
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MEMBERS' EQUITY		\$	6,097

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

REVENUES Advisory fees	\$	1,000
EXPENSES	•	
Occupancy and administration (Note 3)	•	3,598
Other		448
Professional fees		6,000
Regulatory fees		993
Total expenses		11,039
NET LOSS	\$(	10,039)

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

Members' Equity as of December 31, 2001		\$ 11,636
Contributed capital		4,500
Net loss	•	 10,039)
Members' Equity as of December 31, 2002		\$ 6,097

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net loss	\$(	10,039)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Capital contributions		4,500
NET DECREASE IN CASH	· · · (	5,539)
CASH - BEGINNING		11,636
CASH - ENDING	\$	6,097
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:		· <u> </u>
Interest paid	\$	-

#### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Description of Business and Organization

Aurum Capital LLC (the "Company") is a broker-dealer whose membership in the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. became effective April 17, 2000. The Company assists middle market and development stage companies in raising capital through the private placement of securities.

#### Government and Other Regulation

The Company is subject to significant regulation by various governmental agencies and self-regulatory organizations. Such regulation includes, among other things, periodic examinations by these regulatory bodies to determine whether the Company is conducting and reporting its operations in accordance with the applicable requirements of these organizations.

#### Income Taxes

The Company is not subject to income taxes as the income or loss is includible in the tax returns of the members.

#### Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

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.

#### NOTE 2. GOING CONCERN

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which contemplate continuation of the Company as a going concern. The Company has incurred operating losses and negative cash flows from operations since inception.

The Company's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent upon achieving profitable operations and positive cash flows from operations or obtaining equity or debt financing. These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### NOTE 2. GOING CONCERN (Continued)

To date management has made a strategic decision to narrowly define its business activity to private placements for portfolio companies. The financing needs of these companies have been limited, resulting in limited activity in the Company. In 2003, management expects to activate other business areas, which will require additional capital resources to generate profitable cash flow from operations. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of these uncertainties.

#### NOTE 3. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company receives management and administrative services, including the use of the Company's office facility and equipment, from an entity affiliated by virtue of common ownership. In this regard, the affiliate incurs operating expenses and provides facilities for the Company in consideration of a fee. For the year ended December 31, 2002 the Company incurred and paid \$3,598 of occupancy and administrative fees to this entity.

#### NOTE 4. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

As a registered broker-dealer, the Company is subject to the Uniform Net Capital Rule of the Securities and Exchange Commission, which requires that "Net Capital", as defined, shall be at least the greater of \$5,000 or one-fifteenth of "Aggregate Indebtedness", as defined. At December 31, 2002, the Partnership's "Net Capital" was \$6,097, which exceeded requirements by \$1,097, and the ratio of "Aggregate Indebtedness" to "Net Capital" was 0.00 to 1.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL PER UNIFORM NET CAPITAL RULE 15c3-1 DECEMBER 31, 2002

RATIO OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO NET CAPITAL		0.00 to 1
EXCESS NET CAPITAL	\$	1,097
MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT - GREATER OF \$5,000 OR 6 2/3% OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS OF \$0		5,000
CREDITS  Members' Equity	\$	6,097

There are no material differences that exist between the above computation and the Company's corresponding unaudited Form X-17A-5, Part IIA filing.

STATEMENT ON EXEMPTION FROM THE COMPUTATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS AND INFORMATION FOR POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 DECEMBER 31, 2002

In accordance with the exemptive provisions of SEC Rule 15c3-3, specifically exemption k(2)(i), the Company is exempt from the computation of reserve requirements and the information relating to the possession or control requirements.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5 FOR A BROKER-DEALER CLAIMING AN EXEMPTION FROM SEC RULE 15c3-3

To the Members Aurum Capital LLC Stamford, Connecticut

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplementary information of Aurum Capital LLC (the Company) for the year ended December 31, 2002, we considered its internal control, 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 (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 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

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 required 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors 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 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 components 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, we noted no matters involving internal control, 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 December 31, 2002, to meet the SEC's objectives.

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

Kaufman, Rossin & Co.

Miami, Florida March 14, 2003