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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING _	01/01/02	_ AND ENDING	12/31/02
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B. ACC	OUNTANT IDENTIFI	CATION	
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT wi	nose opinion is contained in	this Report*	
Radachi and Company, Certified P	ublic Accountants		
(Name	: — if individual, state last, first, midd	le name)	
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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

Richard Desich	_, swear (or affirm) that, to the
best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting scho	
Mid-Ohio Securities Corporation	, as of
December 31 , XX 2002, are true and correct. I further swear (or af	firm) that neither the company
nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any acat acustomer, except as follows:	
GAIL PRIBANIC, Notary Public State of Ohio My Commission Expires 5-28-2006 RICHARD DES	Signature SICH, PRESIDENT.

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

Notary Public

- XX (a) Facing page.
- (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- XX (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- XX (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
- XX (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.
- XX (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- XX (g) Computation of Net Capital
- (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- **XX** (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.
- XX (l) An Oath or Affirmation.
- (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- XX (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).

FORM X-17A-5 PART III

DECEMBER 31, 2002

RADACHI AND COMPANY

Certified Public Accountants and Business Consultants

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Mid-Ohio Securities Corp. Elyria, Ohio

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Mid-Ohio Securities Corp. (a corporation) as of December 31, 2002, and the related statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors, 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. 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 Mid-Ohio Securities Corp. as of December 31, 2002, and the results of their operations and their 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 on pages 17 through 20 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 and Exchange Commission. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the 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.

Radachi - Company

February 17, 2003

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

December 31, 2002

	·	Allowable	Non-	Allowable		Total
ASSETS						
Cash	\$	191,170			\$	191,170
Cash segregated under federal						,
and other regulations (Note 11)		166,926,108				166,926,108
Receivables from brokers and dealers		16,706				16,706
Receivables from customers			\$	300,568		300,568
Receivables - other				1,071		1,071
Receivables from clearing organization (Note 2)		135,098				135,098
Securities owned, at market value: (Note 1)						,
Stocks, bonds, and warrants		1,229,182				1,229,182
Securities owned not readily marketable,						, ,
at fair value (Note 1)				23,200		23,200
Property and equipment, at cost				,		,
(net of accumulated depreciation and						
amortization of \$380,159) (Note 1)		398,128		427,062		825,190
Other assets:						•
Prepaid federal income tax				53,725		53,725
Investment in subsidiary (Note 9)		V		5,000		5,000
Miscellaneous				74,755	•	74,755
Total assets	<u>\$</u>	168,896,392	\$	885,381	\$	169,781,773

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

December 31, 2002

	_	A. I. Liabilities	_	Non-A.I. Liabilities	 Total
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUIT	Y				
LIABILITIES:					
Accounts payable	\$	90,502			\$ 90,502
Accounts payable segregated under federal and					
other regulations (Note 11)			\$	166,926,108	166,926,108
Payable to brokers or dealers					
and clearing organizations				25,159	25,159
Accrued expenses		243,732			243,732
Notes payable: (Note 3)					
Secured		398,128		3,671	 401,799
Total liabilities		732,362		166,954,938	167,687,300
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:					
Common stock, stated value \$5 per share;					
Authorized 500 shares,					
Issued and outstanding 128 shares					640
Additional paid-in capital					55,673
Retained earnings					 2,038,160
Total stockholders' equity		-0-		-0-	 2,094,473
	\$	732,362	\$	166,954,938	\$ 169,781,773

STATEMENT OF INCOME

Year Ended December 31, 2002

REVENUE:

Commissions:

Commissions on transactions in listed equity securities executed on an exchange	\$	55,799		
Commissions on transactions in exchange listed equity securities executed over-the-counter		100,332		
Commissions on listed option transactions		3,594		
Total securities commissions			\$	159,725
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,				
Gains or losses on firm securities trading accounts:				
From all other trading				8,044
Gains or losses on firm securities investment accounts:				
Includes realized gains/(losses)		271,043		
Includes unrealized gains/(losses)		(294,305)		(23,262)
Fees for account supervision, investment advisory,				
and administrative services		5,212,894		
Other revenue related to securities business		202,769		
Other revenue		351,943	***************************************	5,767,606
Total revenue			\$	5,912,113

STATEMENT OF INCOME

REVENUE (from previous page):		\$	5,912,113
EXPENSES:			
Clerical and administrative salaries	\$ 1,015,203		
Compensation of voting stockholders/officers	305,044		
Employee and representatives' benefits and taxes	194,700		
Commissions and clearance paid to all other brokers	153,526		
Administrative services	624,474	•	
Communications	37,915		
Depreciation and amortization	165,255		
Interest	33,204		
Occupancy	99,732		
Promotional	128,434		
Regulatory fees	37,435		
Retirement plan	49,984		
Other	2,432,059		5,276,965
NET INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES			635,148
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES (Note 10):			221,875
		•	
NET INCOME		\$	413,273

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

BALANCE - Beginning of year	\$	1,681,200
ADDITION - Net income		413,273
BALANCE - End of year	\$	2,094,473

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	·	
Net income	\$	413,273
Adjustments to reconcile net income to		·
net cash provided by operating activities		
Amortization		1,944
Depreciation		163,310
Loss on disposal of fixed assets		13,691
(Increase) decrease in:		·
Receivables from brokers and dealers		1,353
Receivables from customers		(111,122)
Receivables - other	•	174,360
Securities and spot commodities		641,129
Other assets		(67,751)
Increase (decrease) in:		
Secured notes payable		(113,204)
Accounts payable		67,068
Accrued expenses		(17,280)
Payables to brokers or dealers		(709,791)
Net cash provided by operating activities		456,980
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of customer lists		(50,000)
Purchase of fixed assets		(275,586)
Net cash used in investing activities		(275,580) $(325,586)$
rect cash ased in investing activities		(323,380)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Repayment of long-term debt		(17,461)
Repayment of capital lease obligations		(8,257)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u></u>	(25,718)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

INCREASE IN CASH	\$ 105,676
CASH - Beginning of year	 85,494
CASH - End of year	\$ 191,170
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:	
Cash paid during the year for interest	\$ 33,204
Cash paid during the year for income taxes	\$ 402,048

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2002

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

A. Business Activity:

The Company operates principally in the securities industry as a broker-dealer on a fully disclosed basis.

B. Securities:

Securities owned are valued at market value and securities owned not readily marketable are valued at fair value as determined by the Board of Directors. The resulting difference between cost and market (or fair value) is included in income.

C. Receivables:

The Company considers receivables to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is required. If amounts become uncollectible, they will be charged to expense when that determination is made.

D. Property and Equipment:

Property and equipment are stated at cost and are depreciated using the straight-line and modified accelerated cost recovery methods over the estimated useful lives of the various assets. Capital improvements are stated at cost and are amortized over the economic useful life of the improvement.

Maintenance, repairs, and minor renewals are charged against earnings when incurred. Additions and major renewals are capitalized.

Property and equipment are summarized as follows:

Land and building	\$ 653,834
Furniture and fixtures	103,300
Computer equipment	290,188
Capital improvements	17,009
Equipment held under capital lease	91,018
Customer lists	50,000
	1,205,349
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization	380,159
•	\$ 825,190

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2002

Note 1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued):</u>

E. Estimates:

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents:

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Company considers all highly-liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

G. Concentration of Credit Risk for Cash held at Banks and Brokerage Firm:

The Company maintains cash balances at several banks and with one brokerage firm. Accounts at each bank are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$100,000. The brokerage account contains cash that is protected up to \$100,000 by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation.

Note 2. Receivable from Clearing Organization:

An inventory loan receivable in the amount of \$135,098 is due from Dain Correspondent Services, a division of Dain Rauscher Incorporated, a broker clearing house.

\$135,098

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2002

Note 3. Notes Payable:

Notes payable and capital lease obligations, secured at December 31, 2002, consist of:

The Company entered into a capitalized lease agreement with American								
Financial Resources, Inc. in the amount of \$1,744 with interest at 1.27%,								
due	in	monthly	installments	of	\$219	including	interest,	until
September, 2003, secured by equipment.								

\$ 1,744

The Company has entered into a capitalized lease agreement in the amount of \$1,927 with Meritech Blue, Inc. with interest at 31.43% due in monthly installments of \$116 including interest, until November, 2004, that is secured by office equipment. The interest rate reflects a discounted purchase price.

1,927

A note payable in the amount of \$351,415 is due to FirstMerit Bank. The note is being paid in equal monthly installments of \$3,211, including interest at a rate of 2% over the prime index. This note matures in July, 2018, and is secured by the building of the Company.

351,415

A note payable in the amount of \$46,713 is due to FirstMerit Bank. The note is being paid in monthly installments of \$873, plus interest at a rate of 8.5%. This note matures in July, 2008, and is secured by the building of the Company.

46,713 \$401,799

Minimum future lease payments under capital leases as of December 31, 2002 for each of the next five years and in the aggregate are:

	_Amount
Year Ended:	
December 31, 2003	\$ 3,148
December 31, 2004	1,163
Total minimum payments	4,311
Less: Amount representing interest	<u>640</u>
Present value of net minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 3,671</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2002

Note 3. Notes Payable (Continued):

Maturities of long-term debt are as follows:

Year Ending	
December 31,	_Amount_
2003	\$ 19,486
2004	21,073
2005	22,790
2006	24,648
2007	26,657
Thereafter	283,474
	<u>\$ 398,128</u>

Note 4. <u>Defined Contribution Plan:</u>

The Company sponsors a defined contribution pension 401(k) plan covering all employees meeting certain plan requirements.

Pension expense for year ended December 31, 2002 was \$49,984.

Note 5. Leasing Arrangements:

The Company leases office equipment under three separate operating lease agreements. Each lease agreement is a five-year operating agreement that expires in January, 2003, May, 2005, and July, 2007. Each agreement requires monthly payments of \$194, \$409, and \$218, respectively. Under terms of all three leases, the Company is responsible for certain maintenance and repairs, insurance, operating costs, and property taxes. Office equipment lease expense for the year ended December 31, 2002, was \$11,235.

Future minimum lease payments consist of:

Year Ended	
December 31,	Amount
2003	\$ 7,718
2004	7,524
2005	4,661
2006	2,616
2007	1,526
	\$ 24,045

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2002

Note 6. Net Capital Requirement:

Pursuant to the net capital provisions of Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Company is required to maintain a minimum net capital as defined under such provisions. Net capital and the related net capital ratio may fluctuate on a daily basis. At December 31, 2002, the Company had net capital and net capital requirements of approximately \$1,085,393 and \$250,000, respectively. The Company's net capital ratio was 4.34 to 1.

Note 7. Custodian Accounts:

A custodial relationship exists between Mid-Ohio Securities Corp. and customers for which it maintains Individual Retirement Accounts. The Company collects an annual fee from each customer for such services.

Note 8. Report Disclosure:

Part III of the Mid-Ohio Securities Corp. Focus Report (Form X-17A-5) dated December 31, 2002, to the Securities and Exchange Commission is available for examination and copying at the principal office of the Company in Elyria, Ohio, and at the Chicago, Illinois regional office of the Commission.

Note 9. Investment:

The Company has an investment in a wholly-owned subsidiary, Mid-Ohio Capital Investment Services, Inc. which is carried at cost. These financial statements reflect only the activity of Mid-Ohio Securities Corp. and do not reflect any intercompany eliminations.

Note 10. Provision for Income Taxes:

Current provision for income taxes in the amount of \$221,875 reflects timing differences between financial statement and income tax reporting mainly due to the recognition of unrealized gains or losses on marketable securities for financial statement purposes.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2002

Note 11. Cash and Accounts Payable Segregated Under Federal and other Regulations:

These accounts represent customer investments segregated under federal and other regulatory agencies' rules.

The Company is awaiting a notice of resolution from the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") regarding Mid-Ohio Securities' designation of customer IRA contributions to an escrow account as a "Special Reserve Bank Account for the Exclusive Benefit of Customers". This entitles such funds to be excluded from the calculation of aggregate indebtedness and net capital and the compliance with Rules 15C3-1 and 15C3-3, resulting in the satisfactory resolution of an alleged violation of certain broker-dealer asset classification and capital requirement regulations. The Company has indicated their willingness to resolve this matter and accept a settlement proposal estimated at \$25,000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15C3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

As of December 31, 2002

NET CAPITAL

Total Stockholders' Equity	\$ 2,094,473	
Add: A. Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors allowable in computation of net capital	-0-	
B. Deferred federal income taxes	-0-	
Total capital and allowable subordinated liabilities		\$ 2,094,473
Deductions and/or Charges:		
Non-allowable assets:		
Receivables from customers	300,568	
Securities owned readily marketable	23,200	
Property and equipment	427,062	
Other assets	134,551	885,381
Net Capital before Haircuts on Securities Positions		1,209,092
Haircuts on Securities (computed, where applicable, pursuant to 15c3-1 (f)):		
A. Trading and investment securities:		
State and municipal government obligations	158	•
Stocks and warrants	115,035	
Other securities	8,506	100 (00
B. Undue concentration		123,699
Net Capital		\$ 1,085,393
RECONCILIATION WITH COMPANY'S COMPUTATION (included in Part II of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 2002)		
Net capital, as reported in Company Part II unaudited FOCUS report		\$ 1,341,313
Increase in assets	\$ 128,216	•
Increase in liabilities	(302,633)	
Increase in non-allowable assets	(81,503)	(255,920)
Net capital per above		\$ 1,085,393

COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15C3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

As of December 31, 2002

COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

Minimum net capital required	\$	48,849
Minimum dollar net capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer	\$	250,000
Net capital requirement	\$	250,000
Excess net capital	\$	835,393
Excess net capital at 1500%	<u>\$</u>	1,036,544
Excess net capital at 1000%	<u>\$</u>	1,012,157
Ratio: Aggregate indebtedness to net capital	, ************************************	.67 to 1
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS		
Items included in statement of financial condition Accounts payable Accrued expenses Deferred federal income tax Notes payable	\$	90,502 243,732 -0- 398,128
Total aggregate indebtedness	\$	732,362
Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital		67%
Percentage of debt-to-debt equity total computed in accordance with rule 15c3-1(d)		-0-%

COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15C3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

As of December 31, 2002

CREDIT BALANCES Free credit balances and other credit balances in customers' security accounts Total credit items	<u>\$</u>	166,925,794
DEBIT BALANCES Total debit items		-0-
RESERVE COMPUTATION Excess of total debits over total credits	\$	-0-
Amount held on deposit in "Reserve Bank Account" Amount on deposit including value of qualified securities New amount in Reserve Bank Accounts after adding deposit including value of qualified securities	\$ <u>\$</u>	166,926,108 -0- 166,926,108
The reserve computation is made on a weekly basis.		
RECONCILIATION with Company's computation (included in Part II of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 2002)		
Reserve computation, as reported in Company Part II unaudited FOCUS report Interest earned	\$	166,926,108 -0-
Reserve bank accounts balance per above	\$	166,926,108
Excess as reported in Company's Part II FOCUS Report	<u>\$</u>	-0-
Excess per this computation	<u>\$</u>	-0-

INFORMATION RELATING TO POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS UNDER 15C3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

As of December 31, 2002

1.	Customers' fully paid securities and excess margin securities not in the respondent's possession or control as of the report date (for which instructions to reduce to possession or control had been issued as of the report date) but for which the required action was not taken by the respondent within the time frames specified under Rule 15c3-3.	\$	<u>0-</u>
	A. Number of items		<u>0-</u>
2.	Customers' fully paid securities and excess margin securities for which instructions to reduce to possession or control had not been issued as of the report date, exluding items arising from "temporary lags which result from normal business operations" as permitted under Rule 15c3-3.	\$ <u> </u>	<u>0-</u>
	A. Number of items		<u>0-</u>
3.	The system and procedures utilized in complying with the requirement to maintain physical possession or control of customer's fully paid and excess margin securities have been tested and are functioning in a manner adequate to fulfill the requirements of Rule 15c3-3.		

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL

To The Board of Directors and Stockholders of Mid-Ohio Securities Corp. Elyria, Ohio

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Mid-Ohio Securities Corp. (a corporation) for the year ended December 31, 2002, we considered its internal control structure, including procedures 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 structure.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission, we have made a study of the practices and procedures (including tests of compliance with such practices and procedures) followed by Mid-Ohio Securities Corp. that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g)(1) in making (1) the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and the reserve required by Rule 15c3(e); (2) in making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13; (3) in complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under section 8 of Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and (4) in obtaining and maintaining physical possession or control of all 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 in internal control structure policies and procedures 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 Commission'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 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL (Continued)

Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or irregularities 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 irregularities 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 procedures 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 Commission 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 Commission's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the use of management, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the New York Stock Exchange, and other regulatory agencies which rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and should not be used for any other purpose.

Radachi - Company

February 17, 2003