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Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder

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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING	MM/DD/YY	AND ENDING	MM/DD/YY	
A. REC	SISTRANT IDENTI	FICATION		
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:  BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & C ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSI 2175 North Californ	NESS: (Do not use P.O		OFFICIAL USE ONLY FIRM ID. NO.	
	(No. and Street)			
Walnut Creek, Calif	Fornia 94596			
(City)	(Suite)		(Zip Code)	
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PE Stephen R Kinkade	RSON TO CONTACT	415 8	REPORT 883 9350 rea Code — Telephone No.)	
B. ACC	OUNTANT IDENT	IFICATION		
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT wire Shipp, William Weldon	nose opinion is contained	d in this Report*		
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1964 Mountain Blvd O	akland, Ca 94611			
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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

Stephen B Kinkade	, swear (or affirm) that, to the
best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statem  Butler Larsen Pierce & Company Inc	
January 3L 19 <sup>2003</sup> are true and correct.	I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company
nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any prop a customer, except as follows:	
JAVAD FOROUZEH Comm. # 1275601 NOTARY PUBLIC-CALIFORNIA Marin County My Comm. Expires Sept. 1, 2004	Signature Financial Principal Title
Notary Public	State of California County of Marin
This report** contains (check all applicable boxes):  (a) Facing page.  (b) Statement of Financial Condition.	Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this 2011 day of March, 2003  By Stephen Roy Kinkadi
(c) Statement of Principles Condition.  (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.	(notary) Italicust
(e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' of (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of (g) Computation of Net Capital	of Creditors.
<ul> <li>(h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Put</li> <li>(i) Information Relating to the Possession or control Requirement</li> <li>(j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements</li> <li>(k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements solidation.</li> </ul>	nts Under Rule 15c3-3.  computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
<ul> <li>(1) An Oath or Affirmation.</li> <li>(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.</li> <li>(n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or female.</li> </ul>	ound 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).

### BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

For the year ended January 31, 2003

# BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC. For the year ended January 31, 2003

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#### WILLIAM WELDON SHIPP CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

#### DALLAS YOUNG BUILDING 1964 MOUNTAIN BOULEVARD, SUITE 199 OAKLAND, CA 94611 (510) 339-8955

#### Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors Butler Larsen Pierce & Company, Inc.

I have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Butler Larsen Pierce & Company, Inc., Inc. as of January 31, 2003, and the related statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Butler Larsen Pierce & Company, Inc., Inc. as of January 31, 2003, 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.

My examination was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements, taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedule I-IV is presented for 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 the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

March 24, 2003

William Weston Shapp

# BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION JANUARY 31, 2003

#### **Assets**

Cash Receivable from Clearing Organization (Note 2) Receivable from clients Commission Receivable Office Furniture, equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$70,605 Other Assets	\$ 269,079 2,109,992 2,605,105 74,164 40,632 33,257
Total Assets	<u>\$5,132,229</u>
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equit	<u>y</u>
Payables to Clients Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Income Taxes Payable Liability Subordinated to Claims Of General Creditors Total Liabilities	\$2,585,346 2,083,943 33,494 $\frac{410,000}{\$5,112,783}$
Stockholders' Deficit:	
Common Stock, no par value: Authorized 500,00 shares, Issued and outstanding – 31,000 shares Retained Deficit Total Stockholders' Equity  Total Liabilities and	\$ 44,008 <24,562> \$ 19,446
Stockholders' Equity	<u>\$5,132,229</u>

# BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC. STATEMENT OF INCOME For Year Ended January 31, 2003

### Revenues

Commissions Interest income Other income	\$7,751,312 14,780 20,160
Total Revenues	\$7,786,202
<u>Expenses</u>	
Employee compensation and related costs Securities clearance Communications Occupancy and equipment Depreciation Promotion, Travel / Entertainment Professional services Other Interest expense	\$6,144,287 171,741 558,259 270,876 40,531 427,140 44,330 47,436 29,014
Total Expenses	\$ 7,733,614
Income <loss> before income taxes</loss>	\$_52,588
Income taxes expense (Note 6)	\$ 52,000
Net Income	\$ 588
Net Income per share	\$ .019

#### BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC. , STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For Year Ended January 31, 2003

### Cash flows from operating activities:

Net Income <loss> (see Footnote)</loss>	\$	588
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net  Cash provided by operating activities:  Depreciation and amortization  Increase in commission receivable  Increase in receivable from clients  Decrease in payables to clients  Increase in receivable from clearing organizations,  including deposits  Decrease in other assets  Increase in accounts payable and Accrued liabilities  Increase in taxes payable		40,531 <7,543> 66,130 <77,421> ,306,881> <6,176> 1,183,422 11,970
Net Cash inflows from Operating activities	\$	<95,380>
Cash flows from investing activities:  Equipment purchased	\$	< 6,785>
Net cash outflow from investing activities	\$	< 6,785>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	\$	<102,165>
Cash balance Beginning of Year	\$	371,244
Cash balance End of Year	<u>\$</u>	269,079
Supplemental information: Income taxes paid Interest paid	\$ \$	208,384 29,014

### BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY For year ended January 31, 2003

	Common <u>Stock</u>	Retained Earnings	Stockholders' <u>Equity</u>
Beginning Balance January 31, 2002	\$ 44,008	\$<25,150>	\$ 18,858
Net Income <loss></loss>	0	588	588
		<del></del>	
Balance January 31, 2003	<u>\$ 44,008</u>	<u>\$&lt;24,562&gt;</u>	<u>\$ 19,446</u>

#### BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS January 31, 2003

#### Note 1) Organization

Butler Larsen Pierce & Company, Inc. (the Company) was incorporated on May 9, 1977, and is registered as a municipal securities broker under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The company has elected to be treated as a "municipal securities brokers' broker" pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1 (the Rule).

#### Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Office furniture, equipment, and software is depreciated using the straight line method over useful lives of five to seven years.

Securities transactions are recorded on a trade-date basis.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the reported amount of revenues and expenses for the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Note 3) Securities Transactions

The Company arranges simultaneous purchases and sales of municipal securities on behalf of its clients. Accordingly, any uncompleted transactions results in a client receivable which is principally offset by a client payable. Transactions effected through clearing organizations are reported on a net basis with such clearing organizations. Additionally the company maintains a \$ 220,000 deposit with clearing organizations, which is included in receivable from clearing organization on the statement of financial condition.

#### Note 4) Subordinated Liabilities

Under the loan agreements with two stockholders, the Company borrowed a total of \$410,000 on an unsecured loan, subordinated basis. Loans totaling \$30,000 bear interest at 8 percent and are due in February 2003. Loans totaling \$140,000 bear interest at prime plus 1.5 % and are due in February, May and November 2003. Loans totaling \$120,000 bear interest at prime plus 2.5% and are due April 2005. Loans totaling \$120,000 bear interest at prime plus 3% and are due in February 2006. Because the loans are subordinated to the claims of general creditors, they qualify as capital for regulatory purposes.

#### Note 5) Net Capital Requirements

The Company is required to maintain minimum net capital as defined by rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company has elected to compute its net capital (as defined) in accordance with paragraph (a) (8) of the Rule, which requires that net capital be no less than 6 2/3 % of aggregate indebtedness (as defined) but in no case less than \$150,000. At

January 31, 2003 the Company's net capital was \$325,812, which amount is \$175,812 in excess of the required net capital. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital also may not exceed 15 to 1. At January 31, 2003 the Company's net capital ratio was 6.28 to 1.

#### Note 6) Provision for Taxes on Income

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes," issued in February 1992.

The income tax provision of \$50,000 consists of \$39,300 Federal and \$12,700 State taxes assessed to the Company.

#### Note 7) Lease Obligation

The Company leases office space under non-cancelable leases. Rent expense for office space for the year ended January 31, 2003 was \$216,448. At January 31, 2001, minimum future payments under non-cancelable office space lease agreements as follows:

For year ended	Amount
January 31, 2004	\$ 40,381
January 31, 2005	\$ 40,580
January 31, 2006	\$ 40,779
January 31, 2007	\$ 40,980
Total future minimum lease payments	\$162,720

#### Note 8) Pension Plan

The Company has a defined contribution pension plan for employees after one year's service. The Company makes monthly contributions to the accounts of each eligible employee based on prescribed percentages of the participating employees' compensation. Employee accounts are self-directed by each employee. The contribution for the year ended January 31, 2003 was \$122,958 all of which was paid by January 31, 2003.

# SCHEDULE 1 Page 1 of 2

# FOCUS REPORT– PART II As of January 31, 2003

Firm Name: BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY,	FIRM ID: 0073889	
<ul> <li>Total Ownership Equity (o/e)</li> <li>Deduct o/e not allowable for net capital</li> <li>Total o/e qualified for net capital</li> <li>Add:</li> </ul>		\$ 19,446
<ul><li>a. Allowable subordinated liabilities</li><li>b. Other deductions or credits</li></ul>		\$410,000
5 Total cap and allowable sub-loans		\$429,446
<ul> <li>Deductions &amp;/or charges</li> <li>a. Total non-allowable assets</li> <li>b. Aged fail to deliver</li> <li>1. Number of items</li> </ul>	73,889 165	
Total deductions and /or charges  Other additions &/or allowable credits  Net capital before haircuts		\$<74,054>
9 Haircuts on securities:  a. Contractual commitments b. Subordinated debt c. Trading and investment sec:  1. Exempted securities 2. Debt securities 3. Options 4. Other securities d. Undue concentration	20.500	\$355,392
e. Other – Money Market Fund	29,580	\$<29,580>
10 Net Capital		<u>\$325,812</u>

## FOCUS REPORT – PART II January 31, 2003

Firm Name:	BUTLER L	ARSEN PIERCE	& COMPANY, INC.
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1 11111	Name. BOTEER EARSEN	TIERCE & COMI ANT	, INC.	
11	Minimum net capital requir	red		\$136,495
12	Minimum dollar requireme	nt		150,000
13	Net cap requirement (greate	er of Line 11 or 12)		150,000
14	Excess net capital (Line 10	- Line 13)		175,812
15	Excess net capital @ 1000%	% (net cap – 10% of AI)		121,068
Com	putation of Aggregate Indebt	tedness		
16	Total AI liability from Bala	nce Sheet		2,047,437
17	Add: a. Drafts for immediate creb. Market value of security value is paid or credited c. other unrecorded amour	y borrowed where no equ	ivalent	
19	Total Aggregate Indebtedne	ess		2,047,437
20	Percentage of aggregate ind	lebtedness to net capital		628
21	Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital after anticipated withdrawals			800
Othe 29	r ratios Percentage of debt to debt-6	equity (15c#-1(d) )		16
	Schedule of Withdrawals Philip Pierce	2/28/03	\$70,000	

#### SCHEDULE II

#### BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC.

#### COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKER-DEALERS UNDER RULE 15c#-3 January 31, 2003

An exemption for Rule 15c3-3 is claimed based upon section (k) (2) (i). The company acts exclusively as a municipal securities "brokers' brokers' as defined in Rules 15c3-1 (a) (8) and has no customers as defined in the rule.

INFORMATION FOR POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15C3-3

Not applicable

#### SCHEDULE III

# BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC. RECONCILIATION OF THE COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL PURSUANT TO RULE 17a-5 (d) (4) January 31, 2003

	Net <u>Capital</u>	Aggregate Indebtedness	Excess Net Capital
Focus Report as originally filed and amended Adjustments:	\$325,812	\$ 2,047,437	\$ 175,812
in the mains			
As files with audited Financial statements	\$ 325,812	\$ 2,047,437	<u>\$ 175,812</u>

#### BUTLER LARSEN PIERCE & COMPANY, INC. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN LIABILITIES SUBORDINATED TO CLAIMS OF GENERAL CREDITORS

#### For the Year Ended January 31, 2003

Beginning Balance, February 1, 2002	\$ 410,000
Increases	0
Decreases	0
Ending Balance January 31, 2003	\$ 410,000

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Independent Auditor's Report in Internal Accounting Control Required by SEC Rule 17a-5

Board of Directors Butler Larsen Pierce & Company, Inc.

I have examined the financial statements of Butler Larsen Pierce & Company, Inc. for the year ended January 31, 2003 and have issued my report thereon dated March 24, 2003. AS part of my examination, I made a study and evaluation of the Company's system of internal accounting control (which included the procedures for safeguarding securities) to the extent I considered necessary to evaluate the system as required by generally accepted auditing standards. The purpose of my study and evaluation, which included obtaining an understanding of the accounting system, was to determine the nature, timing, and extent of the auditing procedures necessary for expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

Also, as required by rule 17a-5 (g) (1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission, I have made a study of the practices and procedures (including tests of compliance with such practice and procedures) followed by Butler Larsen Pierce & Company, Inc. that I considered relevant to the objective stated in rule 17a-5 (g) (1) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under rule 17a-3 (a) (11), I did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company (I) in making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13 or (ii) in complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities of Section 8 of Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System because the Company does not carry security accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting 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 control procedures and of the practices and procedures refereed to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the Commission's above-mentioned objectives. The objectives of a system 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 preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in any internal accounting control procedures or the practices and procedures or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or irregularities may nevertheless 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 degree of compliance with them may deteriorate.

My study and evaluation made for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph would not necessarily disclose all material weaknesses in the system. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the system of internal accounting control of Butler Larsen Pierce & Company, Inc. taken as a whole. However, my study and evaluation disclosed no condition that I believed to be a material weakness.

I understand that the 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 the 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 at January 31, 2003 to meet the Commission's objectives.

This report in intended solely for the use of management and the Securities and Exchange Commission and should not be used for any other purpose.

Wellson Weldon Shipp

March 24, 2003