

*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)

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, MICHAEL E. GIBBONS	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accompanying BROWN, GIBBONS, LANG & CON	financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
of DECEMBER 31	, 20_09, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
neither the company nor any partner, propri classified solely as that of a customer, excep	etor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account t as follows:
	Signature
DAVID L. STANDEN, Notary Public State of Ohio, Lorain County	PRESIDENT
My Commission Expires May 17, 2014 Device A. A. Carro Notary Public	Title Title Title Title Thomas Muest CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
 This report ** contains (check all applicable ☑ (a) Facing Page. ☑ (b) Statement of Financial Condition. ☑ (c) Statement of Income (Loss). 	
(d) Statement of Changes in Financial C	
 (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholde (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities 	ers' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital. Subordinated to Claims of Creditors
(g) Computation of Net Capital.	
$\Box (h) Computation for Determination of R$	Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
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	he Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
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\mathbf{X} (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental R (n) A report describing any material inad	equacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous au



To the Stockholders Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. Cleveland, Ohio

Independent Auditors' Report

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. as of December 31, 2009, and the related statements of income, changes in stockholders' 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 consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, 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 condition of Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. as of December 31, 2009, 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.

Meloney + Norstry LLC

Cleveland, Ohio February 9, 2010

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FORM X-17A-5

<u>PART III</u>

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

December 31, 2009

ASSETS	Allowable	Non-Allowable	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	\$680,119	\$-	\$680,119
Other assets: Accounts receivable	<u> </u>	5,000	5,000
Total assets	\$680,119	\$ 5,000	\$685,119

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	A.I. Liabilities	Non-A.I. Liabilities	Total
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 870	\$ -	\$ 870
Accrued expenses	16,200	<u> </u>	16,200
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 17,070</u>	<u>\$</u>	17,070
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Common stock, without par value			
Authorized – 1,500 shares			
Issued and outstanding – 425 shares			10,000
Additional paid-in-capital			23,248
Retained earnings			634,801
Total stockholders' equity			668,049
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity			\$685,119

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

FORM X-17A-5

<u>PART III</u>

STATEMENT OF INCOME

Year Ended December 31, 2009

REVENUE Fee income Interest income	\$3,862,624 1,468	
		\$3,864,092
EXPENSES		
Management fees	3,808,500	
Dues	14,574	
Professional service fees	17,300	
Commercial activity tax	8,472	
Memberships and licenses	1,055	
Education and training	2,444	
Third party computer services	4,920	
Insurance	1,152	
Finders' fees	804	
Miscellaneous expenses	870	
Total expenses		3,860,091
NET INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		4,001
INCOME TAXES		57
NET INCOME		\$ 3,944

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

FORM X-17A-5

<u>PART III</u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Year Ended December 31, 2009

BALANCE – BEGINNING

ADDITION

Net income

BALANCE - ENDING

\$664,105

3,944

\$668,049

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<u>PART III</u>

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended December 31, 2009

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash	\$ 3,944
provided by operating activities: Decrease in accounts payable Increase in accrued expenses Net cash provided by operating activities	(875) <u>1,200</u> <u>4,269</u>
INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	4,269
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	675,850
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$680,119
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information: Cash paid during the year for: Local income taxes	\$ 57

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

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<u>PART III</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- A. Organization and Operation Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. (the "Company") was incorporated on July 29, 1991 under the name of BG Securities, Inc. The name was later changed to Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. The Company conducts an investment banking business and acts as agent in securities transactions with qualified institutional investors. Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. is a registered broker dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, the State of Ohio Division of Securities and the Illinois Securities Department.
- B. Use of Estimates 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.
- C. Cash and Cash Equivalents The Company considers short-term mutual funds to be cash equivalents. The Company places its temporary cash investments with two financial institutions, which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits.
- D. Accounts Receivable The Company extends unsecured credit to customers under normal trade agreements which generally require payment within 30 days. The Company has not provided an allowance for doubtful accounts. The Company uses the direct write-off method to record bad debts. Based upon management's review of delinquent accounts and an assessment of the Company's historical evidence of collections, this method does not differ significantly from the allowance method. There were no bad debts for the year ended December 31, 2009.
- E. Fee Income Fee income is contingent upon the realization of predetermined contractual results; consequently, fees are recognized when the earning process is complete.
- F. Income Taxes Effective April 1, 1996, the Company has elected to be taxed under the provisions of subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code. Under these provisions, the Company does not pay federal or state corporate income taxes on its taxable income. Instead, the stockholders are liable for individual federal and state income taxes on their respective shares of the Company's taxable income. The Company is responsible for local income taxes.

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<u>PART III</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

F. Income Taxes (Continued)

In January 2009, the Company implemented new provisions of "Accounting for Income Taxes" which clarify the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in a Company's financial statements. The provision prescribes certain criteria for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. These provisions also provide guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition. The implementation did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements. There were no unrecognized tax benefits as of the date of adoption.

As of December 31, 2009, the Company's income tax years from 2006 and thereafter remain subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service, as well as various state and local taxing authorities.

G. Subsequent Events – The Company has evaluated subsequent events through February 9, 2010, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 2. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

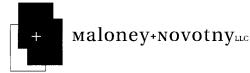
At December 31, 2009, the Company had accounts receivable of \$5,000 due from a stockholder and accounts payable totaling \$460 due to a former stockholder. The Company also incurred management fees of \$3,808,500 in 2009 from Brown Gibbons Lang & Company LLC, an affiliate related through common ownership.

NOTE 3. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (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). Net capital and the related net capital ratio may fluctuate on a daily basis. At December 31, 2009, the Company had net capital and net capital requirements of \$653,470 and \$5,000, respectively. The Company's aggregate indebtedness to net capital ratio was .03 to 1.

NOTE 4. REPORT DISCLOSURE

Part IIA of the Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. Focus Report (Form X-17A-5), dated December 31, 2009, to the Securities and Exchange Commission is available for examination and copying at the office of the Company in Cleveland, Ohio, and at the Chicago, Illinois, regional office of the Commission.



To the Stockholders Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. Cleveland, Ohio

We have audited the financial statements of Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, and have issued our report thereon dated February 9, 2010. 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 11 through 12 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 Act of 1934. 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.

Meloney + Norstry Lh C

Cleveland, Ohio February 9, 2010

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FORM X-17A-5

<u>PART III</u>

COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL

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Total stockholders' equity from statement of financial condition Deductions and/or charges:		\$668,049
Total non-allowable assets from statement of financial condition Haircuts on securities	\$ 5,000 9,579	14,579
Net capital		\$653,470

RECONCILIATION OF NET CAPITAL PURSUANT TO RULE 17a-5(d)(4)

December 31, 2009

Net capital per unaudited broker-dealer computation	\$653,470
Adjustments	
Net capital per audited computation above	<u>\$653,470</u>

FORM X-17A-5

<u>PART III</u>

COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

December 31, 2009

Minimum net capital requirement	<u>\$ 1,138</u>
Minimum dollar net capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer	\$ 5,000
Net capital requirement	\$ 5,000
Excess net capital	\$648,470
Excess net capital at 1000%	\$647,470

COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS

December 31, 2009

Total A.I. Liabilities from Statement of Financial Condition

Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital

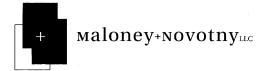
CLAIM FOR EXEMPTION PROVISION UNDER RULE 15c3-3

December 31, 2009

(k)(2)(A) – Broker deals primarily in arranging private placements of debt and equity for corporate issuers, principally with institutional purchasers, carries no margin accounts and does not hold funds or securities for customers.

\$ 17,070

<u>3%</u>



To the Stockholders Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. Cleveland, Ohio

In accordance with Rule 17a-5(e)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we have performed the procedures enumerated below with respect to the accompanying Schedule of Assessment and Payments [Transitional Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7T)] to the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) for the year ended December 31, 2009, which were agreed to by Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc., the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. and SIPC, solely to assist you and the other specified parties in evaluating Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc.'s compliance with the applicable instructions of the Transitional Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7T). Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc.'s management is responsible for Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc.'s compliance with those requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. The procedures performed and our findings are as follows:

- 1. Compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7T with respective cash disbursement records entries [cancelled checks] noting no differences;
- 2. Compared the amounts reported on the audited Form X-17A-5 for the year ended December 31, 2009, as applicable, with the amounts reported in Form SIPC-7T for the year ended December 31, 2009 noting only that total revenues reported on Form X-17A-5 for the year ended December 31, 2009 exceeded total revenues reported on Form SIPC-7T by revenues earned prior to April 1, 2009 as required on Form SIPC-7T;
- 3. Compared any adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7T with supporting schedules and working papers noting no differences; and
- 4. Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7T and in the related schedules and working papers [summary of quarterly Focus Reports] supporting the adjustments noting no differences.

We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.



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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the specified parties listed above and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Meloney + Norstay LLC

Cleveland, Ohio February 9, 2010

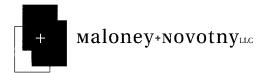
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DETERMINATION OF "SIPC NET OPERATING REVENUES" AND GENERAL ASSESSMENT

		begin and endi	for the fiscal period ning April 1, 2009 ng Dec. <u>31</u> , 2009 minate cents
Item No. 2a. Total revenue (FOCUS Line 12/Part IIA Line 9, Code 4030)		\$	2,746,017
2b. Additions: (1) Total revenues from the securities business of subsidiaries (ex predecessors not included above.	cept foreign subsidiaries) and		
(2) Net loss from principal transactions in securities in trading acc	ounts.		
(3) Net loss from principal transactions in commodities in trading a	accounts.	. <u></u>	
(4) Interest and dividend expense deducted in determining item 2a			
(5) Net loss from management of or participation in the underwritin	ng or distribution of securities.	<u></u>	
(6) Expenses other than advertising, printing, registration fees and profit from management of or participation in underwriting or d	d legal fees deducted in determining net istribution of securities.		·
(7) Net loss from securities in investment accounts.		. <u> . </u>	
Total additions			
2c. Deductions: (1) Revenues from the distribution of shares of a registered open investment trust, from the sale of variable annuities, from the advisory services rendered to registered investment companies accounts, and from transactions in security futures products.	business of insurance, from investment		
(2) Revenues from commodity transactions.			
(3) Commissions, floor brokerage and clearance paid to other SIP securities transactions.	C members in connection with		
(4) Reimbursements for postage in connection with proxy solicitati	on.		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(5) Net gain from securities in investment accounts.			
 (6) 100% of commissions and markups earned from transactions in (ii) Treasury bills, bankers acceptances or commercial paper to from issuance date. 		<u></u>	
(7) Direct expenses of printing advertising and legal fees incurred related to the securities business (revenue defined by Section	in connection with other revenue 16(9)(L) of the Act).		
(8) Other revenue not related either directly or indirectly to the set (See Instruction C):	curities business.		
(9) (i) Total interest and dividend expense (FOCUS Line 22/PART Code 4075 plus line 2b(4) above) but not in excess of total interest and dividend income.	IIA Line 13,		
(ii) 40% of interest earned on customers securities accounts (40% of FOCUS line 5, Code 3960).	\$		
Enter the greater of line (i) or (ii)			
Total deductions			
2d. SIPC Net Operating Revenues		\$2	2,746,017
2e. General Assessment @ .0025		\$	6,865.04
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To the Stockholders Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. Cleveland, Ohio

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of Brown, Gibbons, Lang & Company Securities, Inc. as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Company's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's 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 consideration of control activities for safeguarding securities. This study included 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 and recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13.
- 2. 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 preparation of financial statements in accordance 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.

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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.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Company's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first and second paragraphs and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control and 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, as described in the second paragraph of this report, were adequate at December 31, 2009 to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Securities and Exchange Commission 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 is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

"Meloney + Norstay LLC

Cleveland, Ohio February 9, 2010

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PART III

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