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DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

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# DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. San Diego, California

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial condition of Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. (a California corporation) (the "Company"), as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and the related statements of operations, changes in shareholder's equity, and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel Inc.'s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit also 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 audits provide 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 Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The supplementary information contained in Schedules I, II, III, and IV has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc.'s financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc.'s management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the supplemental information reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the supplemental information. In forming our opinion on the supplemental information, we evaluated whether the supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with 17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5. In our opinion, the supplemental information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

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San Diego, California February 23, 2016

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## DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION December 31, 2015 and 2014

## <u>ASSETS</u>

|   |           | 2015      | •         | 2014      |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Current assets:   |           |           |           |           |
| Cash  | \$        | 1,495,976 | \$        | 1,912,133 |
| Accounts receivable   |           | 669,580   |           | 737,504   |
| Receivables from related parties  |           | 2,163,302 |           | 2,219,842 |
| Prepaids and other assets   | (         | 282,223   |           | 314,706   |
| Total current assets  |           | 4,611,081 |           | 5,184,185 |
| Investments held to maturity<br>Furniture, fixtures and equipment, net of |           | 824,621   |           | 877,725   |
| accumulated depreciation of \$595,161 and \$554,113                       |           | 86,873    |           | 114,685   |
| Total assets  | <u>\$</u> | 5,522,575 | <u>\$</u> | 6,176,595 |

# LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY

| Current liabilities:<br>Accounts payable<br>Accrued liabilities   | \$       749,292<br>569,435 | • •                    |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Total current liabilities   | 1,318,727                   | 1,304,618              |
| Contingencies (Note 8)  |                             |                        |
| Shareholder's equity:<br>Common stock, no par value; 100,000 shares<br>authorized, issued and outstanding | 1,990                       | •                      |
| Additional paid-in capital<br>Retained earnings   | 1,723,717<br>2,478,141      |                        |
| Total shareholder's equity  | 4,203,848                   | 4,871,977              |
| Total liabilities and shareholder's equity  | <u>\$     5,522,575</u>     | <u>\$    6,176,595</u> |

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

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# DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

| Revenues:   | 2015                                       | 2014                                |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| Investment advisory services and fees<br>Brokerage and mutual fund commissions<br>Interest and other income | \$ 10,121,183<br>337,531<br><u>330,070</u> | \$ 10,416,918<br>351,470<br>282,617 |
| Total revenues  | 10,788,784                                 | 11,051,005                          |
| Expenses:   |  |                                     |
| Salaries and benefits   | 5,146,132                                  | 4,461,446                           |
| Commissions and trading   | 3,123,565                                  | 2,892,645                           |
| Sales and marketing   | 907,593                                    | 838,716                             |
| Occupancy and equipment<br>Professional and outside services  | 458,641                                    | 405,184                             |
| Other   | 327,311<br>359,171                         | 326,824<br>219,554                  |
| Oulei   |  | 219,554                             |
| Total expenses  | 10,322,413                                 | 9,144,369                           |
| Net income before taxes   | 466,371                                    | 1,906,636                           |
| (Provision) benefit for income taxes  | (7,500)                                    | 15,200                              |
| Net income  | <u>\$ 458,871</u>                          | <u>\$    1,921,836</u>              |

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

# DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

|                            | Common Stock |           | Additional<br>Paid-in<br>Capital | Retained<br>Earnings | Total               |                     |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Balance, December 31, 2013 | 100,000      | \$        | 1,990                            | \$ 1,723,717         | \$ 2,944,434        | \$ 4,670,141        |
| Shareholder distributions  | -            |           | -                                | -                    | (1,720,000)         | (1,720,000)         |
| Net income                 |              |           |                                  |                      | 1,921,836           | 1,921,836           |
| Balance, December 31, 2014 | 100,000      |           | 1,990                            | 1,723,717            | 3,146,270           | 4,871,977           |
| Shareholder distributions  | -            |           | -                                | -                    | (1,127,000)         | (1,127,000)         |
| Net income                 |              |           |                                  |                      | 458,871             | 458,871             |
| Balance, December 31, 2015 | 100,000      | <u>\$</u> | <u>1,990</u>                     | <u>\$ 1.723.717</u>  | <u>\$_2,478,141</u> | <u>\$ 4,203,848</u> |

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

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# DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

| Cook flows from an anting a stivition   | <u> </u>  | 2015                       |           | 2014                             |
|---|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities:<br>Net income<br>Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash<br>provided by operating activities: | \$        | 458,871                    | \$        | 1,921,836                        |
| Depreciation<br>Accretion of discount on investments<br>Change in assets and liabilities:<br>(Increase) decrease in assets:                 |           | 41,048<br>(36,672)         |           | 45,427<br>(20,915)               |
| Accounts receivable<br>Receivables from related parties<br>Prepaids and other assets<br>Increase (decrease) in liabilities:                 |           | 67,924<br>56,540<br>32,483 |           | 736,989<br>(448,643)<br>(61,093) |
| Accounts payable<br>Accrued liabilities   |           | 164,829<br>(150,720)       |           | (109,593)<br><u>111,817</u>      |
| Net cash provided by operating activities   |           | 634,303                    |           | 2,175,825                        |
| Cash flows from investing activities:<br>Sales of investments<br>Purchases of furniture, fixtures and equipment                             |           | 89,776<br>(13,236)         |           | 73,216<br>(102,005)              |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities   |           | 76,540                     |           | (28,789)                         |
| Cash flows from financing activities:<br>Shareholder distributions  |           | <u>(1,127,000)</u>         |           | (1,720,000)                      |
| Net cash used in financing activities   |           | (1,127,000)                |           | (1,720,000)                      |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash   |           | (416,157)                  |           | 427,036                          |
| Cash at beginning of year   |           | 1,912,133                  |           | 1,485,097                        |
| Cash at end of year   | <u>\$</u> | <u>1,495,976</u>           | <u>\$</u> | 1,912,133                        |

Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:

| Cash paid during the year for: |                |  |
|--------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Interest                       | \$<br><u> </u> |  |
| Income taxes                   | \$<br>- \$     |  |

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

#### NOTE 1 - OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Operations**

Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. (the "Company") was incorporated in California in 1982 and is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") as a Registered Investment Adviser and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") as a securities broker/dealer.

The Company serves as investment adviser to and distributor of a series of registered investment company shares or mutual funds (the "Dunham Funds"). As such, the Company earns investment advisory fees and receives commissions (12b-1 fees) on the sales of certain classes of shares. The Company also earns advisory fees from asset allocation and wrap fee programs utilizing noload or load-waived share classes of the Dunham Funds. The Company also serves as investment adviser for certain clients for which Dunham Trust Company, an affiliate, serves as Trustee.

The Company earned fees by providing financial advisory and asset management services to the Dunham Commercial Mortgage Fund, LP (the "Commercial Mortgage Fund"), a California limited partnership, of which Asset Managers, Inc. ("Asset Managers"), an affiliate, was the General Partner. The Commercial Mortgage Fund was closed during 2014 thereby eliminating any future advisory fees earned by the Company from this Fund.

The Company previously earned fees by providing financial advisory, asset management and distribution services to three California limited partnerships, the D&A Mortgage Funds ("Mortgage Funds"), of which Asset Managers is the General Partner. In April 2009, a majority of the limited partners of the Mortgage Funds approved to begin an orderly liquidation of the Mortgage Funds due to the continuing difficult economic environment and challenging real estate and credit markets impacting the Mortgage Funds and their borrowers, thereby eliminating any future placement fees and advisory fees earned by the Company from the Mortgage Funds.

#### Recognition of Revenue

The Company, as investment advisor, earns monthly advisory fees from the Dunham Funds based on the average monthly net asset value of each fund. The fee varies by fund and ranges from 0.50% to 0.65% on an annualized basis.

The Company, as program sponsor, has entered into agreements with various financial advisers choosing to use the Company's asset allocation and advisory wrap fee programs ("Asset Allocation Programs"). The Asset Allocation Programs use the Dunham Funds – Class N or A Shares. The Company earns advisory fees based either on the performance of the underlying accounts or on a flat percentage fee basis, subject to the Asset Allocation Program selected, the financial adviser's choice and the qualification of the client. Advisory fees are earned monthly and collected quarterly. A portion of the advisory fees are in turn paid to the financial advisers. Advisory fees are recognized to revenue when earned.

The Company has entered into contracts with various broker/dealers to sell, through registered sales representatives, shares of the Dunham Funds – Class C and A Shares. The Company receives compensation monthly in the form of 12b-1 fees on the sales of such shares, a portion of which is in turn paid to the participating broker/dealers. Such fees are recognized to revenue when earned.

#### NOTE 1 - OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

#### Recognition of Revenue, Continued

The Company earned advisory fees from the Commercial Mortgage Fund calculated as a percentage of the monthly interest distribution to investors. These fees were recorded monthly when earned. As discussed above, the Company no longer receives fees related to the Commercial Mortgage Fund or the Mortgage Funds.

#### Accounts Receivable and Allowances for Uncollectible Accounts

Accounts receivable are stated at the historical carrying amount. The Company establishes an allowance for uncollectible accounts, if required, based on historical experience and any specific customer collection issues that the Company has identified. Uncollectible accounts receivable are written off when a settlement is reached for an amount that is less than the outstanding balance or when the Company has determined that the balance will not be collected.

#### Investments

The Company accounts for its investments in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 320, *Investments - Debt and Equity Securities*, which requires investments to be classified into the following three categories: held-tomaturity, trading, or available for sale. Held-to-maturity securities are presented at amortized cost. Trading securities are reported at fair value and unrealized gains and losses on trading securities are included in earnings. Available-for-sale securities are reported at fair value and unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities are reported in a separate component of shareholder's equity. Securities that the Company both positively intends and has the ability to hold to maturity are classified as securities held to maturity.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Generally accepted accounting principles in the United States requires the use of fair values in determining the carrying values of certain assets and liabilities in the financial statements, as well as for specific disclosures about certain assets and liabilities.

Accounting guidance established a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to these valuation techniques used to measure fair value giving preference to quoted prices in active markets (level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs such as a reporting entity's own data or information or assumptions developed from this data (level 3). Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, observable inputs other than quoted prices, such as interest rates and yield curves, and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

#### Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment

Furniture, fixtures and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is charged to expense using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which is generally three to five years. Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 was \$41,048 and \$45,427, respectively, and is included in occupancy and equipment expense. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred.

#### NOTE 1 - OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

### Income Taxes

The Company, as a wholly-owned subsidiary of an S corporation, has elected to be treated as a qualified subchapter S subsidiary (QSSS). As such, the Company is not treated as a separate corporation for tax purposes. Instead, all its assets, liabilities, and items of income, deduction and credit are treated as assets, liabilities and items of its S corporation parent, which, in general, will accrue directly to its shareholders. The S corporation pays a California franchise tax of 1.5%. For financial reporting purposes, the Company computes its tax liability on a separate return basis and may reduce its liability to that of the combined return upon filing of the return. Accordingly, no provision for federal income taxes is included in the financial statements. A tax provision of \$7,500 and a benefit of \$15,200 is recorded for California state taxes for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

The Company adopted the application of uncertain tax positions of FASB ASC 740, *Income Taxes*, during 2009. The standard addresses the determination of whether tax benefits claimed or expected to be claimed on a tax return should be recorded in the financial statements. Under FASB ASC 740, the Company may recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position should be measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than fifty percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement. FASB ASC 740 also provides guidance on de-recognition, classification, interest and penalties on income taxes, accounting in interim periods and requires increased disclosures. At the date of adoption, and as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Company does not have a liability for unrecognized tax uncertainties.

The Company's policy is to record interest and penalties on uncertain tax provisions as income tax expense. As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Company has no accrued interest or penalties related to uncertain tax positions. The Company is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions. However, currently no audits for any tax periods are in progress. Management believes that the Company is no longer subject to income tax examination for years prior to December 31, 2012.

#### 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 at the balance sheet date and the reported amount of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Reclassifications**

Certain amounts on the prior year's financial statements have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

#### NOTE 2 - CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

The Company currently maintains its bank accounts at one financial institution located in California. The accounts at this bank are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to applicable limits. At December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Company's uninsured cash balances totaled \$1,245,876 and \$1,662,033, respectively. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts and management believes it places its cash on deposit with financial institutions that are financially stable and monitors such institutions on an ongoing basis.

#### NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS

The Company periodically invested its excess cash in limited partner units of one or more of the Mortgage Funds, which historically maintained a constant net asset value ("NAV"). At December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Company had investments of \$559,236 and \$601,544, respectively, in the D&A Daily Mortgage Fund III, L.P. (the "Daily Mortgage Fund"), which was available for redemption daily. During 2013, the Company received \$1,104,224 of the Daily Mortgage Fund at a discount of \$562,919 from an investor in the Daily Mortgage Fund in settlement of an arbitration dispute. The discount is recognized in income relative to cash flows received from redemptions. At December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Company had investments of \$265,385 and \$276,181. respectively, in the D&A Semi-Annual Mortgage Fund III, L.P. (the "Semi-Annual Mortgage Fund"), which was available for redemption twice a year. As discussed in Note 1, the Mortgage Funds began an orderly liquidation in April 2009. Further, effective December 31, 2012, the Mortgage Funds lowered their respective NAVs pursuant to a Modification Proposal approved by a majority of the limited partners in each Mortgage Fund. The revised NAVs should allow for faster liquidation and return of capital, but with the trade off of receiving less than 100% of the amounts invested. At December 31, 2012, the Company wrote down to fair market value the Company's investments in the Mortgage Funds. The Mortgage Funds will continue to manage their investments and make pro-rata capital distributions to all limited partners as cash becomes available. The Company does not know how much of its investments in the Mortgage Funds will be available for redemption during 2016.

| Description               |    | Cost at<br>cember 31,<br>2015 | Ui | Gross<br>nrealized<br>Gains | Unre | ross<br>ealized<br>sses | <br>Fair<br>Value |
|---------------------------|----|-------------------------------|----|-----------------------------|------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Mortgage Funds            |    |                               |    |                             |      |                         |                   |
| Daily Mortgage Fund       | \$ | 559,236                       | \$ | 484,734                     | \$   | -                       | \$<br>1,043,970   |
| Semi-Annual Mortgage Fund |    | 265,385                       |    | -                           |      | -                       | 265,385           |
| Total                     | \$ | 824,621                       | \$ | 484,734                     | \$   | _                       | \$<br>1,309,355   |
| Description               |    | Cost at<br>cember 31,<br>2014 | Ui | Gross<br>nrealized<br>Gains | Unre | ross<br>ealized<br>sses | <br>Fair<br>Value |
| Mortgage Funds            |    |                               |    |                             |      |                         |                   |
| Daily Mortgage Fund       | \$ | 601,544                       | \$ | 521,406                     | \$   | -                       | \$<br>1,122,950   |
| Semi-Annual Mortgage Fund | ·  | 276,181                       |    | -                           |      | -                       | <br>276,181       |
| Total                     | \$ | 877,725                       | \$ | 521,406                     | \$   | -                       | \$<br>1,399,131   |

The following table summarizes the investments held to maturity by classification:

#### NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS, Continued

The Mortgage Funds were valued at cost at year end. The NAVs of the Mortgage Funds are determined by the General Partner and are based on the estimated fair value of the underlying net assets held by the Mortgage Funds. The Mortgage Funds do not record loans at fair value on a recurring basis, but uses fair value measurements of collateral security in the determination of its allowance for loan losses. The fair value of the underlying net assets in the Mortgage Funds is determined using the sales comparison, income and other commonly used valuation approaches. No allowance for potential credit losses was considered necessary at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

#### NOTE 4 - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consists of advisory fees receivable from clients, billed and collected quarterly. There is no allowance for uncollectible accounts required on these balances as of December 31, 2015 and 2014.

#### NOTE 5 - ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accrued liabilities at December 31, 2015 and 2014 were as follows:

|                           | 2015       | 2014       |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|
| Payroll and related taxes | \$ 314,881 | \$ 470,544 |
| Vacation                  | 172,811    | 179,913    |
| Audit and tax             | 23,043     | 17,698     |
| Other                     | 58,700     | 52,000     |
|                           | \$ 569,435 | \$ 720,155 |

#### NOTE 6 - NET CAPITAL AND RESERVE REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, as defined, not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2015 and 2014, the amount of net capital, as defined, exceeds the minimum amount required by \$461,314 and \$926,684, respectively, and its ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital is 1.85 to 1 and 1.11 to 1, respectively.

The Company is exempt from the provisions of SEC Rule 15c3-3 (pursuant to paragraph (k)(2)(i) of such Rule) as an introducing broker that carries no margin accounts, does not otherwise hold funds or securities of customers and effectuates financial transactions through bank accounts designated as Special Accounts for the Exclusive Benefit of Customers. Operating as such, the Company is not required to prepare a determination of reserve requirements for brokers or dealers.

#### NOTE 7 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company earns advisory, commissions and other fees related to the Dunham Funds and for services as discussed in Note 1. For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, these fees amounted to \$7,110,667 and \$6,625,051, respectively. As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Company has a receivable balance of \$612,042 and \$631,568, respectively, which is included in receivables from related parties. In conjunction with earning the above fees, the Company pays commissions and other expenses to participating broker/dealers and service providers. For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, these amounts were \$631,714 and \$483,773, respectively.

The Company shares certain expenses and services of employees with affiliates. Such costs are allocated and charged to the Company and to the affiliates based on agreed upon estimates of each affiliate's usage and/or benefit of such expenses and services except for bonus expense, if any, which is allocated to each company based on net income. Total allocable expenses of the Company and the affiliates were \$7,756,283 and \$7,882,915 for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively, of which \$460,827 and \$1,568,894 were allocated to or paid directly by affiliates. The reimbursements from affiliates were offset against the Company's related operating expenses. The Company may also make advances, which are unsecured and noninterest bearing, to its affiliates. As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Company has a receivable balance of \$1,551,110 and \$1,588,273, respectively, from affiliates for allocable expenses and advances which is included in receivables from related parties.

#### **NOTE 8 - CONTINGENCIES**

The lease for the facility in which the Company is located is held by an affiliate. The Company pays a portion of the total lease expense based on management's calculation of shared overhead expenses as discussed in Note 7.

The Company, along with certain affiliates and/or officers, has been named in a lawsuit related to the breach of a consulting agreement. The Plaintiff is primarily seeking compensation (consulting fees), interest, damages and attorneys' fees and costs. The Company believes the allegations are without merit and is vigorously defending the lawsuit. The Company believes, bases on current knowledge, that an adverse outcome would not have a material adverse affect on the financial condition of the Company.

#### NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

The Company offers a retirement savings 401(k) plan covering all eligible employees. The plan provides for voluntary employee contributions up to a dollar limit prescribed by law and the Company may make discretionary matching contributions to the plan. The contribution expense to the plan was \$25,304 and \$0 for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

#### NOTE 10 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT

Management has evaluated subsequent events, as defined by FASB ASC 855, *Subsequent Events*, through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued on February 23, 2016.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE I

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# DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-1 December 31, 2015 and 2014

|   |           | 2015  |           | 2014  |
|---|-----------|---|-----------|---|
| Net worth   | \$        | 4,203,848   | \$        | 4,871,977   |
| Less:<br>Non-allowable assets:<br>Accounts receivable<br>Investments<br>Receivables from related parties<br>Prepaid and other assets<br>Furniture, fixtures and equipment |           | 669,580<br>824,621<br>1,629,137<br>282,323<br><u>86,873</u> |           | 737,504<br>877,725<br>1,650,573<br>314,806<br>114,685 |
| Total non-allowable assets  |           | 3,492,534   |           | 3,695,293   |
| Other deductions  |           |   |           |   |
| Net capital   | <u>\$</u> | 711,314   | <u>\$</u> | <u>_1,176,684</u>                                     |
| Aggregate indebtedness  |           |   |           |   |
| Items included in statements of financial condition<br>Accounts payable<br>Accrued liabilities  | \$        | 749,292<br>569,435  | \$        | 584,463<br>720,155                                    |
| Total aggregate indebtedness  | <u>\$</u> | 1,318,727   | <u>\$</u> | 1,304,618   |
| Computation of Basic Net Capital Requirement  |           |   |           | ·   |
| Minimum net capital required (6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness or \$250,000, whichever is greater)  | <u>\$</u> | (250,000)   | <u>\$</u> | (250,000)   |
| Net capital in excess of amount required  | <u>\$</u> | 461,314   | <u>\$</u> | 926,684   |
| Net capital less greater of 10% of aggregate indebtedness or 120% of \$250,000  | <u>\$</u> | 411,314   | <u>\$</u> | 876,684   |
| Ratio: Aggregate indebtedness to net capital  |           | <u>1.85 to 1</u>  |           | <u>1.11 to 1</u>                                      |

# DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-1 TO AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED December 31, 2015 and 2014

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|  | 2015                | 2014                   |
|--|---------------------|------------------------|
| Net capital as previously reported in Part II of<br>Form X-17A-5 of the Company's FOCUS Report               | \$ 711,314          | \$ 1,176,684           |
| Adjustments  |                     | <u> </u>               |
| Net capital as reported on the Company's FOCUS report and on Schedule I                                      | <u>\$711,314</u>    | <u>\$1,176.684</u>     |
| Aggregate indebtedness as previously reported in<br>Part II of Form X-17A-5 of the Company's<br>FOCUS Report | \$ 1,318,727        | \$ 1,304,618           |
| Adjustments  |                     |                        |
| Aggregate indebtedness as reported on the Company's FOCUS report and on Schedule I                           | <u>\$ 1,318,727</u> | <u>\$    1,304,618</u> |

# SCHEDULE III

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# DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. INFORMATION RELATING TO THE POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-3 December 31, 2015 and 2014

|   | 2015 | 2014 |
|---|------|------|
| State the market valuation and number of items:   |      |      |
| 1. Customers' fully paid securities and excess margin securities not in the respondent's possession or control as of the audit date (for which instructions to reduce to possession or control had been issued as of the audit date) but for which the required action was not taken by respondent within the time frames specified under Rule 15c3-3 | NONE | NONE |
| Number of items   | NONE | NONE |
| 2. Customers' fully paid securities and<br>excess margin securities for which<br>instructions to reduce to possession<br>or control had not been issued as of<br>the audit date, excluding items<br>arising from "temporary lags which<br>result from normal business operations"<br>as permitted under Rule 15c3-3                                   | NONE | NONE |
| Number of items   | NONE | NONE |

The Company is exempt from Rule 15c3-3 under the exemptive provisions of section (k)(2)(i) and, accordingly, has no possession or control requirements.

#### SCHEDULE IV

# DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-3 December 31, 2015 and 2014

|   | 2(       | 015 | 201      | 4 |
|---|----------|-----|----------|---|
| Credit balances:                                    |          |     |          |   |
| Free credit balances and other credit               |          |     |          |   |
| balances in customers' securities accounts          | \$       |     | \$       |   |
| Monies borrowed collateralized by securities        | Φ        | -   | Ψ        | _ |
| carried for the accounts of customers               |          |     |          |   |
| Monies payable against customers' securities loaned |          | —   |          | - |
| Customers' securities failed to receive             |          | —   |          | - |
| Credit balances in firm accounts attributable       |          | _   |          | _ |
| to principal sales to customers                     |          | _   |          |   |
| Market value of stock dividends, stock splits,      |          |     |          |   |
| and similar distributions receivable                |          |     |          |   |
| outstanding over 30 calendar days                   |          | _   |          | _ |
| Market value of short security count                |          |     |          |   |
| differences over 30 calendar days                   |          |     |          | _ |
| Market value of short securities and credits        |          |     |          |   |
| in all suspense accounts over 30 calendar days      |          | _   |          | _ |
| Market value of securities which are in             |          |     |          |   |
| transfer in excess of 40 calendar days and          |          |     |          |   |
| have not been confirmed to be in transfer           |          |     |          |   |
| by the transfer agent or the issuer during          |          |     |          |   |
| the 40 days.  |          | -   |          | - |
| Debit balances:                                     |          |     |          |   |
| Debit balances in customers' accounts,              |          |     |          |   |
| excluding unsecured accounts and accounts           |          |     |          |   |
| doubtful of collection net of deductions            |          |     | v        |   |
| pursuant to rule 15c3-3                             |          | -   |          | - |
| Securities borrowed to effectuate short sales       |          |     |          |   |
| by customers and securities borrowed to make        |          |     |          |   |
| delivery on customers' securities failed to         |          |     |          |   |
| deliver.  |          | -   |          | - |
| Failed to deliver of customers' securities not      |          |     |          |   |
| older than 30 calendar days                         | <u></u>  | _   |          |   |
| Even on of total and the superstant of the          | ¢        |     | ሱ        |   |
| Excess of total credits over total debits           | <u>⊅</u> |     | <u>Ъ</u> |   |

The Company operates pursuant to the exemptive provisions of SEC Rule 15c3-3 subparagraph (k)(2)(i). The Company does not carry customer accounts; therefore, they are not required to compute reserve requirements in Part II of Form X-17A-5.

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# DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. REPORT ON EXEMPTION PROVISIONS REPORT PURSUANT TO PROVISIONS OF 17 C.F.R. §15C3-3(K) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc.

We have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying Exemption Report, in which Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. §15c3-3(k) under which Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3: (2)(i) (the "exemption provisions") and Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. stated that Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc.'s management is responsible for compliance with the exemption provisions and its statements.

Our review was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included inquiries and other required procedures to obtain evidence about Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc.'s compliance with the exemption provisions. A review is substantially less in scope than an examination, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on management's statements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to management's statements referred to above for them to be fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the provisions set forth in paragraph (k)(2)(i) of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

San Diego, California February 23, 2016 PKF

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RE: SEA Rule 17a-5 Exemption Report

We, as members of management of Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. (the "Company"), are responsible for compliance with the annual reporting requirements under Rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (SEA). Those requirements compel a broker or dealer to file annual reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the broker or dealer's designated examining authority (DEA). One of the reports to be included in the annual filing is an "Exemption Report" prepared by an independent public accountant based upon a review of assertions provide by the broker or dealer. Pursuant to that requirement, the management of the Company hereby makes the following assertions:

#### Identified Exemption Provision:

The Company claims exemption from the Possession or Control and Reserve Requirement provisions of Rule 15c3-3 by operating under the exemption provided by Rule 15c3-3 (k)(2)(i).

#### Statement Regarding Meeting Exemption Provision:

The Company met the identified exemption provision without exception throughout the year ended December 31, 2015.

The above statements are made to the best knowledge and belief of the Company. This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Independent Public Accountant, the SEC, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and other regulatory agencies that rely on SEA Rule 17a-5(d)(4) 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.

By:

Denise S. Iverson, CPA -CFO February 08, 2016

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DUNHAM & ASSOCIATES INVESTMENT COUNSEL, INC. REPORT ON THE SIPC ANNUAL ASSESSMENT

PURSUANT TO RULE 17a-5(e)(4)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENT AND PAYMENTS (FORM SIPC-7)

To the Board of Directors Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. San Diego, California

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 ("Form SIPC-7") to the Securities Investor Protection Corporation ("SIPC") for the year ended December 31, 2015, which were agreed to by Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. (the "Company") and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., and SIPC, solely to assist you and the other specified parties in evaluating Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc.'s compliance with the applicable instructions of Form SIPC-7. Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc.'s management is responsible for Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, 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 we performed and our findings are as follows:

- Compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7 with respective cash disbursement records entries by tracing listed assessment payments to amounts clearing on original bank statements, noting no differences;
- Compared the amounts reported on the audited Form X-17A-5 for the year ended December 31, 2015, as applicable, with the amounts reported in Form SIPC-7 for the year ended December 31, 2015, noting no differences;
- Compared any adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7 with supporting schedules and working papers by reviewing the Company's accounting records and internal financial information, noting no differences;
- 4) Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7 and in the related schedules and working papers by reviewing the Company's accounting records and internal financial information supporting the adjustments, noting no differences.

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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.

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.

San Diego, California February 23, 2016 PKF

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| <b>SIPC-7</b><br>(33-REV 7/10) |
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SIPC-7

(33-REV 7/10)

# **General Assessment Reconciliation**

For the fiscal year ended 12/31/2015 (Read carefully the instructions in your Working Copy before completing this Form)

# TO BE FILED BY ALL SIPC MEMBERS WITH FISCAL YEAR ENDINGS

1. Name of Member, address, Designated Examining Authority, 1934 Act registration no. and month in which liscal year ends for purposes of the audit requirement of SEC Rule 17a-5:

|                        | 22*22******3171*************************  | Note: If any of the information shown on the<br>mailing label requires correction, please e-mail<br>any corrections to form@sipc.org and so<br>indicate on the form filed.<br>Name and telephone number of person to<br>contact respecting this form. |
|------------------------|---|---|
|                        |   | Brian F. Kenny 858.964.050  |
| •                      | <ul> <li>A. General Assessment (item 2e from page 2)</li> <li>B. Less payment made with SIPC-6 filed (exclude interest) <ul> <li>7/30/15</li> <li>Date Paid</li> </ul> </li> <li>C. Less prior overpayment applied</li> <li>D. Assessment balance due or (overpayment)</li> <li>E. Interest computed on late payment (see instruction E) fordays at 20% p</li> <li>F. Total assessment balance and interest due (or overpayment carried forward)</li> </ul> | $s = 9, 195 \\ ( 5, 065 ) \\ ($   |
|                        | <ul> <li>G. PAID WITH THIS FORM: Wire transfer<br/>Check enclosed, payable to SIPC being sent<br/>Total (must be same as F above)</li> <li>H. Overpayment carried forward</li> </ul>  | <u>3 0</u> )  |
| -<br>The<br>per<br>tha | Subsidiaries (S) and predecessors (P) included in this form (give name and 1934 A<br>Subsidiaries (S) and predecessors (P) included in this form (give name and 1934 A<br>Solution Solution contained the form and the<br>son by whom it is executed represent thereby<br>t all information contained herein is true, correct<br>complete.  | Act registration number):<br>integrates Investment Counsel, Inc.  |
|                        | ted the <u>12<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>February</u> , 20 <u>16</u> .  | (Authorized Signature)<br>C.F.O.  |
|                        | s form and the assessment payment is due 60 days after the end of the fiscal<br>a period of not less than 6 years, the latest 2 years in an easily accessible p   |   |
| IPC REVIEWER           | Dates:<br>Postmarked Received Reviewed<br>Calculations<br>Exceptions:<br>Disposition of exceptions:   | Forward Copy  |
| S                      | <ul> <li>Disposition of exceptions:</li> <li>1</li> </ul>   |   |

# DETERMINATION OF "SIPC NET OPERATING REVENUES" AND GENERAL ASSESSMENT

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Amounts for the fiscal period beginning 1/1/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

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|  |   | and ending 12/31/2015      |
|--|---|----------------------------|
| Item No.<br>2a. Total revenue (FOCUS Line 12/Part IIA Line 9, Code 4030)   |   | Eliminate cents<br>\$      |
| 2b. Additions:<br>(1) Total revenues from the securities business of subsidiaries (ex<br>predecessors not included above.  | xcept foreign subsidiaries) and                               |                            |
| (2) Net loss from principal transactions in securities in trading ac   | counts.   | - <u>-</u> , i. i <b>n</b> |
| (3) Net loss from principal transactions in commodities in trading   |   |                            |
| <ul> <li>(4) Interest and dividend expense deducted in determining item 2;</li> </ul>  |   |                            |
| (5) Net loss from management of or participation in the underwriti   |   |                            |
| (6) Expenses other than advertising, printing, registration fees an<br>profit from management of or participation in underwriting or of  | d legal fees deducled in determining ne                       | ł                          |
| (7) Net loss from securities in investment accounts.   |   |                            |
| Total additions  |   | -0-                        |
| 2c. Deductions:<br>(1) Revenues from the distribution of shares of a registered open<br>investment trust, from the sale of variable annuities, from the<br>advisory services rendered to registered investment companie<br>accounts, and from transactions in security futures products. | business of insurance, from investment                        | 7,110,667                  |
| (2) Revenues from commodity transactions.  |   |                            |
| (3) Commissions, floor brokerage and clearance paid to other SIP<br>securities transactions.   | C members in connection with                                  | -0-                        |
| (4) Reimbursements for postage in connection with proxy solicitat  | ion.  |                            |
| (5) Net gain from securities in investment accounts.   | 4,  |                            |
| (6) 100% of commissions and markups earned from transactions i<br>(ii) Treasury bills, bankers acceptances or commercial paper<br>from issuance date.  |   |                            |
| (7) Direct expenses of printing advertising and legal fees incurred<br>related to the securities business (revenue defined by Section  | f in connection with other revenue<br>n 16(9)(L) of the Act). |                            |
| <ul> <li>(8) Other revenue not related either directly or indirectly to the set<br/>(See Instruction C):</li> </ul>  | ecurities business.   |                            |
| (Deductions in excess of \$100,000 require documentation)  | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·                         |                            |
| (9) (i) Total interest and dividend expense (FOCUS Line 22/PART<br>Code 4075 plus line 2b(4) above) but not in excess<br>of total interest and dividend income.  | 11A Line 13,<br>\$  |                            |
| <ul> <li>40% of margin interest earned on customers securities<br/>accounts (40% of FOCUS line 5, Code 3960).</li> </ul>   | \$  | ×                          |
| Enter the greater of line (i) or (ii)  | ·   |                            |
| Total deductions   |   | 7,110,667                  |
| 2d. SIPC Net Operating Revenues  |   | \$                         |
| 2e. General Assessment @ .0025   |   | \$9,195                    |
|  |   | (to page 1, line 2.A.)     |



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February 25, 2016

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Re: CRD #13162 FY 2015 Audited Financials

To Whom It May Concern:

Dunham & Associates Investment Counsel, Inc. is a FINRA broker/dealer. Per your requirements, enclosed are two copies of the Statement of Financial Condition for the year ending December 31, 2015.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (858) 964-0500.

Sincerely,

Defiise S. Iverson Chief Financial Officer

Enclosure