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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**

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING January 1, 2015 AND ENDING December 31, 2015  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Benefit Funding Services, LLC

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FIRM I.D. NO.

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

21860 Burbank Blvd., Suite 150  
(No. and Street)  
Woodland Hills California 91367  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT  
Debasish Banerjee (818) 657-0288  
(Area Code - Telephone Number)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report\*  
Brian W. Anson, CPA

18425 Burbank, Suite 606, Tarzana California 91356  
(Address) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

**CHECK ONE:**

- Certified Public Accountant
- Public Accountant
- Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Debasish Banerjee, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Benefit Funding Services, LLC, as of December 31, 2015, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:

NONE

Debasish Banerjee

Debasish Banerjee  
Signature

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Title

(SEE ATTACHED)

Notary Public

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

- (a) Facing Page.
- (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
- (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.
- (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- (g) Computation of Net Capital.
- (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
- (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
- (k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
- (l) An Oath or Affirmation.
- (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

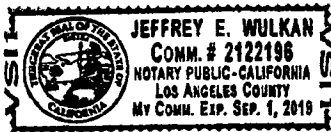
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State of California  
County of Los Angeles

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 24TH  
day of FEBRUARY, 2010, by DEBA SISH BANERJEE

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the  
person(s) who appeared before me.



(Seal)

Signature Jeffrey E. Wulkan  
JEFFREY E. WULKAN

**BRIAN W. ANSON**

*Certified Public Accountant*

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

Board of Members  
Benefit Funding Services, LLC  
Woodland Hills, California

I have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Benefit Funding Services, LLC, as of December 31, 2015 and the related statements of income, changes in member's equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Benefit Funding Services, LLC's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). 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 included 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 Benefit Funding Services, LLC as of December 31, 2015 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The supplemental information for the year ended December 31, 2015 (Schedule I, Statement of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1, Schedule II, Determination of Determination of Reserve Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3 (exemption), and Schedule III, Information for Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3 (exemption)) has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of Benefit Funding Services, LLC's financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of Benefit Funding Services, LLC's management. My 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 my opinion on supplemental information, I evaluated whether the supplemental information, including the form and content is presented in conformity with Rule 17a-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. In my opinion, the supplemental information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

This opinion is intended solely for the information and use of the board of members, 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.



Brian W. Anson  
Certified Public Accountant  
Tarzana, California  
January 29, 2016

BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

Statement of Financial Condition  
December 31, 2015

ASSETS

Cash (Note 1)	\$ 212,393
Accounts receivable	663
Other assets	<u>4,042</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 217,098</u>

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

Liabilities

Accounts payable	<u>\$ 21,446</u>
Total liabilities	<u>21,446</u>

Members' equity	<u>195,652</u>
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Total liabilities and members' equity	<u>\$ 217,098</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

Statement of Income  
For the year ended December 31, 2015

Total revenues	<u>395,275</u>
EXPENSES:	
Commissions	\$ 300,398
Professional fees	66,000
Other operating expenses	<u>23,669</u>
Total expenses	<u>390,067</u>
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX PROVISION	5,208
INCOME TAX PROVISION (Note 2)	
State income tax expense	<u>1,700</u>
NET INCOME	<u>\$ 3,508</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

Statement of Members' Equity  
For the year ended December 31, 2015

	Members' Equity	Net Income	Total Members' Equity
Beginning balance January 1, 2015	\$ 192,144		\$ 192,144
Net income		3,508	3,508
Ending balance December 31, 2015	\$ 192,144	\$3,508	\$195,652

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

Statement of Cash Flows  
For the year ended December 31, 2015

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Net income	\$ 3,508
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
(Increase) decrease in:	
Accounts receivable	3,717
Other assets	(2,609)
Increase (decrease) in:	
Accounts payable	14,851
Total adjustments	<u>15,959</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>19,467</u>
Increase in cash	19,467
Cash at beginning of year	192,926
Cash at end of year	<u>\$ 212,393</u>
Supplemental cash flow disclosures	
State Income taxes	\$ 1,700

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements



## BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

Notes to Financial Statements  
December 31, 2015

### Note 1: GENERAL AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### GENERAL:

Benefit Funding Services, LLC (the "Company") was formed in Nevada on September 11, 1997 as a single member Limited Liability Company. The Company is registered as a broker-dealer under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of The Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

The Company receives overrides from insurance companies for arranging the sale of variable life insurance and annuity products by registered representative of retail broker-dealers.

The Company is wholly owned by New First Financial Resources, LLC (New FFR).

#### SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Cash consists of amounts on deposit with major financial institutions and highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less.

The Company recognizes fee income as earned and realized net of any charge-backs. Fees represent overrides on variable life contracts from issuers as master general agent commissions.

The Company is a Nevada registered limited liability company doing business in California. The Federal taxation is similar to a single member LLC, whereby the taxes are paid at the member level. California Franchise tax law requires tax treatment as a "C" Corporation, but imposes an LLC fee for operating within California.

Income tax expenses for year ended December 31, 2015 was \$1,700.

BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

Notes to Financial Statements  
December 31, 2015

**Note 1: GENERAL AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES  
(Cont.)**

General

Management has reviewed subsequent events through January 29, 2016.

The Company is subject to audit by the Internal Revenue Service for years ending December 31, 2012, 2013 and 2014.

FASB ASC 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and establishes a fair value hierarchy which prioritized the inputs to valuation techniques. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. A fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. Valuation techniques that are consistent with the market, income or cost approach, as specified by FASB ASC 820 are used to measure fair value.

The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels:

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities the Company has the ability to access.

Level 2 inputs are inputs (other than quoted prices included within Level 1) that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability and rely on management's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. (The unobservable inputs should be developed based on the best information available in the circumstances and may include the Company's own data.)

**Fair Value Measurement on a Recurring Basis  
As of December 31, 2015**

<b>Assets</b>	<b><u>Level 1</u></b>	<b><u>Level 2</u></b>	<b><u>Level 3</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
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# BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

## Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2015

### Concentrations of credit risk

The Company is engaged in brokerage activities in which counter parties primarily include broker-dealers, insurance companies, and other financial institutions. In the event counter parties do not fulfill their obligations, the company may be exposed to risk. The risk of default depends on the creditworthiness of the counter party or issuer of the instrument. It is the company's policy to review, as necessary, the credit standing of each counter party. The firm is subject to charge-backs from the cancellation of underlying variable contracts.

100% of the revenues were generated in the states of California

### **Note 2: NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS**

The company is subject to the uniform net capital rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission, which requires both the maintenance of minimum net capital and the maintenance of maximum ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital. At December 31, 2015 the company had a net capital of \$190,947 which is \$185,947 in excess of the minimum of \$5,000 required and its ratio of aggregate indebtedness \$21,446 to net capital was 0.12 which is less than the 15 to 1 maximum ratio of a broker dealer.

### **Note 3: COMMITMENTS AND CONTIGENCIES**

#### VARIABLE INSURANCE SECURITIES PRODUCTS

In April 2001, the Company entered into an amendment to its operating agreement with New First Financial Resources, LLC, the sole member and owner of the Company, for the process of distributions of net profits. The Company can discretionarily distribute monthly up to 95% of its net profits to its single member/owner.

#### INSURANCE PRODUCTS

The Company receives as a conduit/custodian on behalf of its member/owner, commissions on variable products from insurance companies. The Company then forwards these funds to its member/owner, through various broker dealer intermediaries which register such member/owners.

BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

Statement of Net Capital  
 Schedule I  
 For the year ended December 31, 2015

	<u>Focus 12/31/2015</u>	<u>Audit 12/31/2015</u>	<u>Change</u>
Members' equity, December 31, 2015	\$ 195,652	\$ 195,652	0
Less: Non Allowable assets:			
Accounts receivable	663	663	0
Other assets	4,042	4,042	0
Tentative net capital	<u>190,947</u>	<u>190,947</u>	0
Haircuts:	-	-	0
NET CAPITAL	<u>190,947</u>	<u>190,947</u>	0
Minimum net capital	5,000	5,000	0
Excess net capital	<u>\$185,947</u>	<u>\$185,947</u>	\$0
Aggregate indebtedness	21,446	21,446	0
Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital	0.12	0.12	

There were no reported differences between the Audit and Focus filed at December 31, 2015.

BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

December 31, 2015

Schedule II

Determination of Reserve Requirements  
Under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

The Company is exempt from the Reserve Requirements of computation according to the provision of Rule 15c3-3 (k)(1).

Schedule III

Information Relating to Possession or Control  
Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3

The Company is exempt from the Rule 15c3-3 as it relates to Possession and Control requirements under the (k)(1) exemptive provision.

Securities Investor Protection Corporation  
1667 K Street NW, Ste 10000  
Washington, DC 20006-1620

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Check appropriate boxes.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	(i) its principal business, in the determination of SIPC, taking into account business of affiliated entities, is conducted outside the United States and its territories and possessions;*
<input type="checkbox"/>	(ii) its business as a broker-dealer is expected to consist exclusively of:
<input type="checkbox"/>	(I) the distribution of shares of registered open end investment companies or unit investment trust
<input type="checkbox"/>	(II) the sale of variable annuities;
<input type="checkbox"/>	(III) the business of insurance;
<input type="checkbox"/>	(IV) the business of rendering investment advisory services to one or more registered investment companies or insurance company separate accounts;
<input type="checkbox"/>	(iii) it is registered pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 78o(b)(11)(A) as a broker-dealer with respect to transactions in securities futures products;
Pursuant to the terms of this form (detailed below).	
x <u>Lance Hanigan</u>	1/8/2016
Authorized Signature/Title	Date

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BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES LLC  
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WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367

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Washington, DC 20006-1620

### Form SIPC-3

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#### Certification of Exclusion From Membership.

TO BE FILED BY A BROKER-DEALER WHO CLAIMS EXCLUSION FROM MEMBERSHIP IN THE SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION ("SIPC") UNDER SECTION 78ccc(a)(2)(A) OF THE SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION ACT OF 1970 ("SIPA").

The above broker-dealer certifies that during the year ending December 31, 2016 its business as a broker-dealer is expected to consist exclusively of one or more of the following (check appropriate boxes):

- (i) its principal business, in the determination of SIPC, taking into account business of affiliated entities, is conducted outside the United States and its territories and possessions;\*
- (ii) its business as a broker-dealer is expected to consist exclusively of:
  - (I) the distribution of shares of registered open end investment companies or unit investment trusts;
  - (II) the sale of variable annuities;
  - (III) the business of insurance;
  - (IV) the business of rendering investment advisory services to one or more registered investment companies or insurance company separate accounts;
- (iii) it is registered pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 78o(b)(11)(A) as a broker-dealer with respect to transactions in securities futures products;

and that, therefore, under section 78ccc(a)(2)(A) of SIPA it is excluded from membership in SIPC.

\*If you have any questions concerning the foreign exclusion provision please contact SIPC via telephone at 202-371-8300 or e-mail at asksipc@sipc.org to request a foreign exclusion questionnaire.

The following bylaw was adopted by the Board of Directors:

#### Interest on Assessments.

... If any broker or dealer has incorrectly filed a claim for exclusion from membership in the Corporation, such broker or dealer shall pay, in addition to all assessments due, interest at the rate of 20% per annum of the unpaid assessment for each day it has not been paid since the date on which it should have been paid.

In the event of any subsequent change in the business of the undersigned broker-dealer that would terminate such broker-dealer's exclusion from membership in SIPC pursuant to section 78ccc(a)(2)(A) of the SIPA, the undersigned broker-dealer will immediately give SIPC written notice thereof and make payment of all assessments thereafter required under section 78ddd(c) of the SIPA.

Sign, date and return this form no later than 30 days after the beginning of the year, using the enclosed return envelope.

Retain a copy of this form for a period of not less than 6 years, the latest 2 years in an easily accessible place.

**BRIAN W. ANSON**

*Certified Public Accountant*

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**Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed – Upon Procedures Related to an Entity's  
Claim of Exclusion from SIPC Membership**

Board of Members  
Benefit Funding Services, LLC  
Woodland Hills, CA

In accordance with Rule 17a-5.(e)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company is exempt from SIPC membership due to the fact that they engage in the sale of variable annuities and the business of insurance. A copy of Form SIPC 3 is included with this audit.

I was not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. Had I performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to my 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.

  
Brian W. Anson  
Certified Public Accountant  
Tarzana, California  
January 29, 2016

## Assertions Regarding Exemption Provisions

We, as members of management of Benefit Funding Services, LLC ("the Company"), are responsible for compliance with the annual reporting requirements under Rule 17a-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Those requirements compel a broker or dealer to file annual reports with the Securities 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 provided by the broker or dealer. Pursuant to that requirement, the management of the Company hereby makes the following assertions:

### **Identified Exemption Provision:**

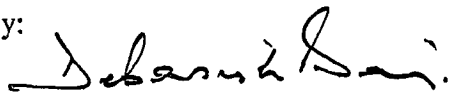
The Company claims exemption from the custody and reserve provisions of Rule 15c3-3 by operating under the exemption provided by Rule 15c3-3, Paragraph (k)(1).

### **Statement Regarding Meeting Exemption Provision:**

The Company met the identified exemption provision without exception throughout the period ending January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

Benefit Funding Services, LLC

By:



Debasish Banerjee, FINOP

(Name and Title)

January 29, 2016

(Date)



**BRIAN W. ANSON**

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC  
ACCOUNTING FIRM**

Board of Members  
Benefit Funding Services, LLC  
Woodland Hills, California

I have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying Exemption Report in which (1) Benefit Funding Services, LLC, identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. §15c3-3(k) under which Benefit Funding Services, LLC claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3: (k)(1) (the "exemption provision") and (2) Benefit Funding Services, LLC, stated that Benefit Funding Services, LLC, met the identified exemption provision throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. Benefit Funding Services, LLC's management is responsible for compliance with the exemption provision and its statements.

My 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 Benefit Funding Services, LLC's compliance with the exemption provision. 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, I do not express such an opinion.

Based on my review, I am 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)(1) of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.



Brian W. Anson  
Certified Public Accountant  
Tarzana, California  
January 29, 2016

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BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
AND  
ACCOMPANYING SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

REPORT PURSUANT TO SEC RULE 17a-5(d)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
DECEMBER 31, 2015

BENEFIT FUNDING SERVICES, LLC

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