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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING	01/01/2015	AND ENDING_1	2/31/2015
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A. REC	GISTRANT IDENTIFI	CATION	TWO TO THE THE
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Adviser	Dealer Services,	Inc.	OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUS	SINESS: (Do not use P.O. I	Box No.)	FIRM I.D. NO.
6125 Memorial Drive			
	(No. and Street)		
Dublin	OH	430	17-9767
(City)	(State)		(Zip Code)
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PE	ERSON TO CONTACT IN	REGARD TO THIS RE	EPORT
Douglas R. Cooper		614	-766-7000
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	OUNTANT IDENTIF		
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT v HHH CPA Group LLC	vnose opinion is contained	in this Report*	
	(Name - if individual, state last,	first, middle name)	
1250 Old Henderson Road	Columbi	us OH	43220
(Address)	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
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Certified Public Accountant	*		
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	lviser Dealer Services, Inc.		, as
_	December 31	. 20 15	, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
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	(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.		
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<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).



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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Members of Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. Columbus, Ohio

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial condition of Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of operations, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Adviser Dealer Services, Inc.'s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Adviser Dealer Services, 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 schedule of Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission and Reconciliation with Company's Computation of Net Capital as Included in Part IIA of Form X-17A-5 has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of Adviser Dealer Services, Inc.'s financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of Adviser Dealer Services, 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

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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 Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission and Reconciliation with Company's Computation of Net Capital as Included in Part IIA of Form X-17A-5 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

HUH CPA Group, LLC HHH CPA Group, LLC

Columbus, Ohio

February 22, 2016

## BALANCE SHEETS

## DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

<u>ASSETS</u>		2015		2014
Cash Accounts receivable Accounts receivable - related party	\$	537,043 3,757	\$	67,908 3,519 5,544
Total current assets		540,800		76,971
Deposit with clearing organization		25,005		25,001
	. \$	565,805	\$ _	101,972
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY				
Accounts payable Accounts payable - related party Commissions payable Accrued liabilities	\$	- 450,794 5,155 5,500	\$ -	500 - 3,653 6,463
Total current liabilities		461,449		10,616
Long-term liabilities				
Total liabilities		461,449		10,616
Stockholder's equity:				
Common stock; no par value, 1,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding Paid in capital Retained earnings		10,000 740,000 (645,644)	_	10,000 740,000 (658,644)
Total stockholder's equity		104,356	_	91,356
	\$	565,805	\$	101,972

## STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

## FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

	2015		2014
Revenues:			
12b-1 fees	\$ 664,979	\$	-
Commissions	90,071		77,869
Other income	25,718		17,149
Interest	463		397
Total revenues	781,231		95,415
Expenses:			
Marketing reimbursement	664,979		-
Salaries	34,383		31,076
Registration fees	23,701		15,843
Commissions	21,667		14,156
Professional fees	4,807		17,366
Interest	-		9,551
Other	18,694	•	7,423
Total expenses	768,231		95,415
Net income	\$ 13,000	\$	<u>.</u>

# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY

# FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

		2015		2014
Common Stock:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$	10,000	\$	10,000
Issued/(Repurchased) stock	,	-		
Balance at end of period		10,000		10,000
Paid In Capital:	•			
Balance at beginning of period		740,000	•	740,000
Contributed capital		-		-
Balance at end of period		740,000		740,000
Retained Earnings:		·		
Balance at beginning of period		(658,644)		(658,644)
Net income		13,000		-
Distributions		<u>-</u> .		
Balance at end of period		(645,644)		(658,644)
Total stockholder's equity	\$	104,356	\$	91,356

## STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

	_	2015		2014
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$	13,000	\$	-
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash				
provided by (used in) operating activities:				
(Increase) decrease in:				
Accounts receivable		5,544		(363)
Accounts receivable - related party		(238)		1,369
Deposit with clearing organization		(4)		-
Increase (decrease) in:		, ,		
Accounts payable		450,794		-
Accounts payable - related party		(500)		395
Commissions payable		1,502		900
Accrued liabilities		(963)		(202,888)
	_			
Total adjustments	_	456,135		(200,587)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		469,135		(200,587)
Cash flows from investing activities		-		-
Cash flows from financing activities:	-	<del></del>		
Net increase (decrease) in cash		469,135		(200,587)
Cash at beginning of period	-	67,908		268,495
Cash at end of period	\$ =	537,043	\$	67,908
Supplemental disclosures:				
Interest paid	. \$	_	\$	_
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Income taxes paid	\$ =		\$	

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014**

## Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### A. Organization

Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. (the Company) has been operating as a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the State of Ohio Securities Division; it is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA).

The Company does not hold customer funds or safe-guard customer securities and clears all transactions on a fully disclosed basis through its clearing firm.

As of December 31, 2015, the Company is licensed in 7 states, including California, Delaware, Maryland, Nebraska, New Jersey, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

#### B. Management's Estimates

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

#### C. Cash

The Company maintains cash balances at one bank and in several money market accounts. The cash balance in the bank was under the federally insured limit of \$250,000 as of December 31, 2015. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Company considers all cash in checking accounts and money market accounts to be cash equivalents.

#### D. Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to significant concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and commissions receivable. The Company places its cash with high credit quality financial institutions, which at times may be in excess of FDIC insurance limits. The Company's receivables represent commissions from completed securities trades. All customer transactions are cleared through another broker-dealer on a fully disclosed basis.

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#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014**

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

#### E. <u>Commissions</u>

Commission income and commission expense are recorded on a trade-date basis as security transactions occur.

#### Note 2 – Reserve Requirements

The Company is not obligated to report under SEC Rule 15c3-3 since it does not maintain customer accounts or hold securities. All customer transactions are cleared through another broker-dealer on a fully disclosed basis. Therefore, the Company does not have a reserve requirement nor does it have any information relating to the possession or control requirement under Rule 15c3-3.

## Note 3 - Net Capital Requirements (Schedules I and II)

Under SEC Rule 15c3-1, the Company is required to maintain net capital of not less than the greater of 6.67% of total liabilities, exclusive of subordinated debt, for the year ended December 31, 2015, \$30,779 or \$5,000. At December 31, 2015 the Company's net capital as defined by SEC Rule 15c3-1 was \$63,805 in excess of the minimum net capital required.

In addition to the minimum net capital provision, SEC Rule 15c3-1 requires that the Company maintain a ratio of aggregate indebtness, as defined, to capital, of not more than 15 to 1. At December 31, 2015 the ratio was 4.878 to 1.

#### Note 4 - Related Parties

The Company is affiliated through common ownership with Meeder Asset Management, Inc. (MAM), which provides investment advisory services. At December 31, 2015, the Company owed MAM \$450,794 for the above mentioned services, which is included in the related party receivable in the accompanying balance sheet.

The Company from time to time invests cash balances in the Meeder Funds Money Market Fund (the Fund). The Fund is managed by MAM, and certain officers of the Company, Meeder Investment Management, Inc., and MAM are also officers and/or trustees of the Fund. At December 31, 2015, cash and cash equivalents included \$257,562 invested in the Fund.

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#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014**

#### Note 5 - Income Taxes

Meeder Investment Management, Inc. files a consolidated income tax return which includes the Company and other related entities. Meeder Investment Management, Inc. has elected to be treated as an S corporation under the provision of Section 1362(a) of the internal Revenue Code (IRC), and the Company qualifies as a QSUB as defined by the IRC, which allows for the Company's income to be taxed directly to Meeder Financial, Inc. As a result, no provision for federal income taxes has been recognized.

The Company recognizes and discloses uncertain tax positions in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP). As of and during the year ended December 31, 2015, the Company did not have a liability for unrecognized tax benefits. The Company is no longer subject to examination by federal and state taxing authorities prior to 2012.

## Note 6 – Subsequent Events

Management has reviewed all events subsequent to December 31, 2015, up to the date of audit report and has not encountered any subsequent events that effect the current financial statements or that require additional disclosure.

## SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

# AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015

## Schedule I

# Computation of Net Capital under Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

## NET CAPITAL

Total stockholder's equity		\$104,356
Add: Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors allowable in computation of net capital		
Total capital and allowable subordinated liabilities		104,356
Non-allowable assets:  Accounts receivable – related party \$	S	
Net capital before haircuts on securities positions		104,356
Haircuts on securities (computed, where applicable, pursuant to rule 15c3-1(f)):  Other securities	0.770	0.770
Officer securities	9,772	9,772
Total net capital		\$ <u>94,584</u>
Computation of aggregate indebtness – Total liabilities from Balance Sheet		\$ <u>461,449</u>
Ratio of aggregate indebtness to net capital		4.878 to 1
Schedule II		
Reconciliation with Company's Computation of Net Ca Included in Part IIA of Form X-17A-5	apital as	
Net capital, as reported in Company's Part IIA (unaudited) FOCUS report		\$ 94,584
Audit adjustments		(-)
Net capital per audited financial statements		\$ <u>94,584</u>

## SEC Rule 15c3-3 Exemption Report

Board of Directors Adviser Dealer Services, Inc.

Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. is exempt from Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Rule 15c3–3. This exemption is based on provision (k)((2)(ii) of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. met the identified exemption provision identified above throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception.

Doug Cooper

February 16, 2015



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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Members of Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. Columbus, Ohio

We have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying SEC Rule 15c3-3 Exemption Report, in which (1) Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. §15c3-3(k) under which Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3: (2)(ii) (the "exemption provisions") and (2) Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. stated that Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. Adviser Dealer Services, 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 Adviser Dealer Services, 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)(ii)) of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Members of Adviser Dealer Services, Inc. Columbus, 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 (Form SIPC-7) to the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) for the year ended December 31, 2015, which were agreed to by Adviser Dealer Services, Inc., and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., and SIPC, solely to assist you and the other specified parties in evaluating Adviser Dealer Services, Inc.'s compliance with the applicable instructions of Form SIPC-7. Adviser Dealer Services, Inc.'s management is responsible for Adviser Dealer Services, 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:

- 1) Compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7 with respective cash disbursement records entries, noting no differences;
- 2) 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;
- 3) Compared any adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7 with supporting schedules and working papers, noting no differences;
- 4) Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7 and in the related schedules and working papers, supporting the adjustments noting no differences; and
- 5) Compared the amount of any overpayment applied to the current assessment with the Form SIPC-7 on which it was originally computed, noting no differences (if applicable).

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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.

HHH CPA Group, LLC

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Columbus, Ohio

February 22, 2016

# SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

1st Half

Payment Date
July 30, 2015

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RE:

Adviser Dealer Services, Inc.

SEC File No.: 8-47374

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find two copies of the annual audited report for Adviser Dealer Services, Inc., together with Form X-17A-5, Part III, pursuant to Rule 17a-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Sincerely,

Ruth Kirkpatrick

Senior Legal Specialist

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**Enclosures** 

cc:

Douglas R. Cooper

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