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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

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ny knowledge and belief the accompanyin Delaware Distributors LP	g financial statement and	supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
of May 27	, ₂₀ 16	, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) t
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Financial Statements and Supplemental Information

Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2016

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Management of Delaware Distributors, L.P.

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of financial condition and the related statements of operations, partners' capital and cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Delaware Distributors, L.P. (the "Company") at March 31, 2016, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit of these statements in accordance with the auditing 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, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The accompanying Schedule I is supplemental information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The supplemental information is the responsibility of the Company's management. The supplemental information has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of the Company's financial statements. 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 Rule 17 a-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. In our opinion, the Schedule I is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

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Statement of Financial Condition

March 31, 2016

(In Thousands)

Assets Cash and cash equivalents	\$	35,011
Deferred dealer commissions, less accumulated amortization	D.	55,011
of \$2,323		2 150
Due from affiliated mutual funds		2,159
		7,252
Due from affiliates		801
Prepaid expenses and other assets		1,000
Total assets	\$	46,223
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Liabilities and partners' capital		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	15,709
Due to affiliates		7,097
Accrued salaries and related expenses		4,482
Total liabilities		27,288
Partners' capital:		•
General partner		189
Limited partners		18,746
		18,935
Total partners' capital		

Statement of Operations

Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2016

(In Thousands)

Revenues	<u> </u>
Distribution fees	\$ 87,737
Administrative fees	74,599
Commissions and other income, net	1,998
Total revenues	164,334
Expenses	
Distribution costs	113,304
Salaries and related expenses	[′] 29,169
Selling, general, and administrative	14,921
Amortization	6,792
Total expenses	164,186
Net income	\$ 148

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Statement of Changes in Partners' Capital

Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2016

(In Thousands)

	Dist (C	Inc. General	Inv Dis Par (J	tner, Inc. Limited	Ma (1	elaware Capital nagement Series Limited	
	<u> </u>	artner)	P	artner)	F	'artner)	<u>Total</u>
Percentage interest per							
partnership agreement		1%		98%		1%	100%
Balances as of March 31, 2015		188		18,411		188	18,787
Net income for the fiscal year							
ended March 31, 2016		1		146		1	148
Balances as of March 31, 2016	\$	189	\$	18,557	\$	189	\$ 18,935

Statement of Cash Flows

Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2016

(In Thousands)

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Cash flows from operating activities Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$	148
Amortization		6,792
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Increase in Deferred dealer commissions		(5,351)
Decrease in Due from affiliated mutual funds		633
Increase in Prepaid expenses and other assets		(97)
Decrease in Due from affiliates		870
Decrease in Due to affiliates		(200)
Decrease in Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(1,759)
Increase in Accrued salaries and related expenses	-	21
Net cash provided by operating activities		1,057
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		1,057
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		33,954
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	35,011

Notes to Financial Statements (In Thousands)

March 31, 2016

1. Description of Business and Ownership and Basis of Presentation

Delaware Distributors, L.P. ("the Partnership") is a registered broker-dealer with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") and is the national distributor for affiliated mutual funds. The partners are Delaware Distributors, Inc. ("DDI") (1% General Partner), Delaware Investments Distribution Partner, Inc. ("DIDP") (98% Limited Partner), and Delaware Capital Management Series of Delaware Management Business Trust ("DCM") (1% Limited Partner). DDI is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Delaware Management Holdings, Inc. ("Holdings"). DIDP and DCM are indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of Holdings. Holdings, an indirect majority-owned subsidiary of Macquarie Group Limited ("Macquarie"), views the Partnership as an integral part of its investment management strategy.

The Partnership and other affiliated entities with which the Partnership does business are under common ownership and management control. The existence of this control could result in operating results or financial position of the Partnership significantly different from those that would have been obtained if the Partnership were autonomous.

The accompanying financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP").

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Fair Value Measurements

The Partnership utilizes The Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures topic of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") ("Topic 820") to measure fair value of its financial instruments. Topic 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and enhances disclosures about fair value instruments. The topic establishes a three-level fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The three-level hierarchy for fair value measurement is defined as follows:

• Level 1 – inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices available in active markets for identical investments as of the reporting date.

Notes to Financial Statements (In Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Fair Value Measurements (continued)

- Level 2 inputs to the valuation methodology are other than quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date, and fair value can be determined through the use of models or other valuation methodologies. The Partnership does not hold any Level 2 assets or liabilities.
- Level 3 inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable inputs in situations where there is little or no market activity for the asset or liability and the reporting entity makes estimates and assumptions related to the pricing of the asset or liability, including assumptions regarding risk. The Partnership does not hold any Level 3 assets or liabilities.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are maintained in demand deposits accounts.

The Partnership's cash and cash equivalents at March 31, 2016 of \$35,011 were classified as Level 1 within the fair value hierarchy.

The Partnership holds cash or cash equivalents in certain financial institutions over and above the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance limit of \$250.

Due from affiliated mutual funds

Amounts included in Due from affiliated mutual funds on the Statement of Financial Condition are deemed to approximate fair value due to the short collection cycle.

Deferred Dealer Commissions

Sales commissions paid to dealers in connection with the sale of certain shares of open-end affiliated mutual funds sold without a front-end sales charge are capitalized and amortized over a period that approximates the period of time during which such commissions are expected to be recovered from distribution plan (12b-1) payments received from the applicable affiliated mutual

Notes to Financial Statements (In Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Deferred Dealer Commissions (continued)

funds and contingent deferred sales charges received from shareholders upon the redemption of their shares. Deferred dealer commissions are amortized over a 12 month period. The deferred dealer commission asset is evaluated for impairment at least annually based on estimated future undiscounted cash flows expected to be received. The results of the impairment evaluation at March 31, 2016 indicated that the respective deferred dealer commission asset is not impaired.

Revenues

Distribution fees are received from affiliated mutual funds to reimburse the Partnership for the costs of marketing and selling fund shares. Distribution fees are recognized based on contracted rates as a percentage of average daily net assets of the funds. In turn, the Partnership enters into agreements with and compensates brokers who sell the affiliated fund shares and incurs other distribution costs relating to marketing and selling fund shares, which are classified within Distribution costs on the Statement of Operations. Because it is considered the principal distributor to the funds, the Partnership utilizes the gross basis of presentation of reporting distribution fees and related distribution costs.

Administrative fees are earned for additional advertising, promotion and distribution of affiliates' products. These fees are recorded as earned in accordance with contractual agreements with the affiliates. The application of the terms of the contract is reviewed at least annually for appropriateness by the Partnership and by the affiliates to which the services are provided.

Commissions income is recorded as of trade date and is comprised of net sales charges retained and deferred sales charges received relating to purchases and redemptions of shares of affiliated mutual funds and related products. Other income consists of dividend income related to amounts invested in an affiliated money market mutual fund.

Stock-Based Compensation

Certain employees of the Partnership participate in the Holdings and Macquarie stock-based compensation plans. The Partnership and Holdings account for these plans in accordance with the Stock Compensation topic ("Topic 718") of the FASB ASC.

Notes to Financial Statements (In Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Stock-Based Compensation (continued)

The Partnership expenses the fair value of restricted stock units ("RSUs") issued under the Holdings plan. The fair value of all stock-based payments is recognized as compensation expense over the period an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award.

The Holdings stock-based awards applicable to the Partnership employees are expensed by the Partnership and are included in Salaries and related expenses on the Statement of Operations, but the liability is included on DIA with an intercompany liability between the Partnership and DIA. For an equity award classified as a liability, the liability is marked to market through net income at the end of each reporting period. The value of the Holdings awards is determined based on an independent appraisal valuation of Holdings performed by a third-party appraiser, in general, quarterly. When determining the fair market value of Holdings, the independent valuation firm generally applies the market approach. Expected forfeitures for the Holdings' plan are estimated at the grant date, and revised, as needed, over the vesting period, thereby recognizing compensation expense only for those awards expected to vest. The RSUs generally vest over four to seven years.

Under the Macquarie Group Employee Retained Equity Plan ("MEREP"), Macquarie issues RSUs. The awards are measured at their grant dates based on Macquarie's publicly traded market value. The grant date fair value of the Macquarie awards granted to the Partnership's employees is expensed over the required service period and the awards generally vest over three to four years. The expenses related to these awards are charged to the Partnership by Macquarie as an intercompany charge.

The Partnership recognized \$342 of expense for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016 related to these stock-based compensation awards and is included in salaries and related expenses on the Partnership's Statement of Operations.

Taxes

Under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and applicable state and local tax regulations, the taxable income or loss of the Partnership is reported in the tax returns of the partners in accordance with the terms of the partnership agreement. Accordingly, no provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for federal, state or local taxes.

The Partnership does not have any tax positions at March 31, 2016 for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly increase or decrease within 12 months of the reporting date.

Notes to Financial Statements (In Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Taxes (continued)

As of March 31, 2016, the statute of limitations is open for tax years 2010 through 2016 for the Pennsylvania and Philadelphia filings as well as filings made under the Internal Revenue Code.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Adoption of New Accounting Pronouncements

In May, 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standard Update 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("Standard"). The core principle of the Standard is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The Partnership will be required to adopt this standard in the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019. The Partnership is currently evaluating the impact of this standard on the financial statements.

3. Net Capital Requirements

The Partnership is subject to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1) which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15-to-1. At March 31, 2016, the Partnership's net capital, required net capital, and ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital were as follows:

Net capital	\$ ·	7,723
Required net capital	\$	1,819
Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital	3.5	53 to 1

Notes to Financial Statements (In Thousands)

3. Net Capital Requirements (continued)

The Partnership claims the exemption provision of Rule 15c3-3 of the SEC under Section (k)(2)(i) of the Rule.

4. Employee Benefit Plans

Defined Contribution Plans

The Partnership participates in a defined contribution plan sponsored by Holdings. The Partnership makes annual contributions to the plan equal to 4.0% of a participant's eligible compensation up to \$125. Expense related to the plan totaled \$293 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016.

The Partnership participates in a 401(k) plan sponsored by Holdings. The Partnership makes matching contributions equal to 100% of each participant's pre-tax contribution up to 3% of compensation plus an additional contribution equal to 50% of the next 2% of eligible compensation, as defined by the plan, contributed by the participant. Expense related to the 401(k) plan totaled \$662 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016.

Delaware Investments Notional Investment Policy

The bonus compensation of certain employees is deferred in accordance with Macquarie's bonus retention policy for Holdings and its subsidiaries. The Delaware Investments Notional Investment Policy is an investment vehicle for such retained bonuses. In accordance with this policy, a designated portion of the employee's bonus is notionally invested in a portfolio of Delawarc-managed products as determined by the Macquarie compensation committee. The notional investment vests over a three-year period commencing on the date of the grant. The recognition of the expense of the notional investment occurs as of the first day of the service period of the employee's bonus. The expense related to this plan for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016 was \$413.

5. Related Party Transactions

The related party transactions below are in addition to those discussed elsewhere in the notes to the financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements (In Thousands)

5. Related Party Transactions (continued)

At March 31, 2016, the partnership had no cash in an affiliated money market mutual fund. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016, the Partnership recognized investment income of \$5 relating to cash maintained in an affiliated money market mutual fund during the fiscal year which is included in Commissions and other income on the Statement of Operations.

In the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016, the Partnership was charged selling, general, and administrative expenses of \$2,809 primarily by Holdings and Macquarie affiliates for services provided by employees of affiliates.

The Partnership allocated certain costs related to the distribution of managed account products to an affiliate. The allocated costs presented as a reduction of Salaries and related expenses on the Statement of Operations in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016 was \$4,176. The allocated costs presented as a reduction of selling, general and administrative expenses were \$2,235.

In the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016, the Partnership received Distribution fees of \$87,737 from affiliated mutual funds to reimburse the Partnership for the costs of marketing and selling fund shares. Amounts included in Due from affiliated mutual funds on the Statement of Financial Condition related to these fees as of March 31, 2016 were \$7,108.

In the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016, the Partnership earned \$74,599 for additional advertising, promotion and distribution of affiliates' products.

The Partnership pays certain expenses on behalf of affiliated mutual funds and is reimbursed by the funds in the subsequent month. The Partnership does not include these payments on the Statement of Operations. The amount included in Due from affiliated mutual funds for these payments was \$144 at March 31, 2016.

The Partnership generally settles its intercompany balances on a regular basis. Due from affiliates and Due to affiliates on the Statement of Financial Condition includes all outstanding balances arising from the above transactions.

6. Other Matters

On April 1, 2015, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York entered an order ("Court Order") enjoining Macquarie Capital (USA) Inc. (MCUSA), an affiliate of the Partnership, from violating Sections 17(a)(2) and 17(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933 (the

Notes to Financial Statements (In Thousands)

6. Other Matters (continued)

"Injunction"). As a result of the Injunction, the Partnership was disqualified under Section 9(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), from acting as a principal underwriter for any registered open-end investment company.

Upon learning of the terms of the Court Order and the potential consequences of the Injunction under Section 9(a), the Partnership along with other affected affiliates including Delaware Management Company, a Series of Delaware Management Business Trust, Delaware Investments Fund Advisers, a Series of Delaware Management Business Trust and Four Corners Capital Management, LLC (the "Fund Servicing Applicants") promptly contacted the staff of the SEC and submitted an application (the "Application") pursuant to Section 9(c) of the Act for (i) a temporary order granting an exemption from the prohibitions imposed by Section 9(a) of the Act pending the determination of the SEC on the Application for a permanent exemption (the "Temporary Order"); and (ii) a permanent order exempting the Fund Servicing Applicants from the provisions of Section 9(a) of the Act with respect to the Injunction. The SEC issued the Temporary Order on May 15, 2015.

After the SEC issued the Temporary Order, the SEC notified the Fund Servicing Applicants of its intent to bring an administrative cease-and-desist action against them for acting as adviser, subadviser and distributor for registered investment companies from April 1, 2015 through May 15, 2015 without exemptive relief. Because the SEC did not raise the prospect of such an administrative action until after the Fund Servicing Applicants had received temporary exemptive relief, the proposed administrative action did not interrupt their provision of advisory and distribution services to registered investment companies. The Fund Servicing Applicants (including the Partnership) each agreed to settle this matter with the SEC without admitting or denying the SEC's findings by paying a \$20 fine.

By an order issued by the SEC on August 3, 2015, pursuant to Section 9(c) of the Act, the Fund Servicing Applicants including the Partnership were permanently exempted from prohibitions imposed by Section 9(a) of the Act that resulted from the Injunction.

7. Subsequent Events

The Partnership has evaluated its subsequent events through May 27, 2016, the date the Partnership's financial statements were available to be issued, and has determined there were no additional matters to be disclosed.

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Supplemental Information

Schedule I - Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (In Thousands)

March 31, 2016

Net capital		
Total partnership capital	\$	18,935
Deductions:		,
Total nonallowable assets		11,212
Net capital	\$	7,723
Aggregate indebtedness		
Items included in Statement of Financial Condition:		
Total liabilities	\$	27,288
Total aggregate indebtedness	\$	27,288
Computation of basic net capital requirement	· .	
Minimum net capital required	\$	1,819
Excess net capital	\$	5,904
Excess net capital at 1000% (net capital less 10% of aggregate indebtedness)	\$	4,994
Ratio: Aggregate indebtedness to net capital		3.53 to 1

There were no material differences between the audited Computation of Net Capital included in this report and the corresponding schedule included in the Partnership's unaudited amended March 31, 2016 Part IIA Focus Filing as filed on April 25, 2016.



To the Management of Delaware Distributors, L.P.:

We have reviewed Delaware Distributors, L.P.'s assertions, included in the accompanying Delaware Distributors, L.P's Exemption Report, in which (1) the Company identified 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3(k)(2)(i) as the provision under which the Company claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3 (the "exemption provision") and (2) the Company stated that it met the identified exemption provision throughout the year ended March 31, 2016 without exception. The Company's management is responsible for the assertions and for compliance with the identified exemption provision throughout the year ended March 31, 2016.

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 the Company'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 assertions. 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 assertions 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 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3.

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May 27, 2016





Delaware Distributors, L.P.'s Exemption Report

2005 Market St. Philadelphia, PA 19103-7094

Delaware Distributors, L.P. (the "Company") is a registered broker-dealer subject to Rule 17a-5 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5, "Reports to be made by cetain brokers and dealers"). This Exemption Report was prepared as required by 17 C.F.R. § 240.17a-5(d)(1) and (4). To the best of its knowledge and belief, the Company states the following:

- (1) The Company claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3 under the following provision of 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3(k):(2)(i).
 - (2) The Company met the identified exemption provisions in 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3(k) throughout the most recent fiscal year without exeption.

Delaware Distributors, L.P.

I, Richard Salus, swear (or affirm) that, to my best knowledge and belief, this Exemption Report is true and correct.



By:

Title: Sr. Vice President, Chief Financial Officer May 27, 2016

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Report of Independent Accountants

To the Management of Delaware Distributors L.P.

In accordance with Rule 17a-5(e)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we have performed the procedures enumerated below with respect to the accompanying General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7) of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) of Delaware Distributors L.P. (the "Partnership") for the year ended March 31, 2016, which were agreed to by the Partnership, the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (collectively, the "specified parties") solely to assist the specified parties in evaluating the Partnership's compliance with the applicable instructions of Form SIPC-7 during the year ended March 31, 2016. Management is responsible for the Partnership'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 on page 1, items 2B, 2C and 2F of Form SIPC-7 with the respective cash disbursement records entries, as follows:
 - a. Agreed the amount of \$10 listed on items 2B of the SIPC 7 for the April 1, 2015 September 30, 2015 period to the wire sent to SIPC on October 30, 2015 (wire ID 002514).
 - b. Agreed the amount of \$32 listed on items 2C of the SIPC 7 for the April 1, 2015 March 31, 2016 period to item 2D of the SIPC 7 for the April 1, 2014-March 31, 2015 period.
 - c. Agreed the amount of \$255 listed on items 2F of the SIPC 7 for the April 1, 2015 March 31, 2016 period to the wire sent to SIPC on May 27, 2016 (wire ID 002930)
- 2. Compared the Total Revenue amount reported on page 4 of the audited Form X-17A-5 for the year ended March 31, 2016 to the Total revenue amount of \$164,334,433 reported on page 2, item 2a of Form SIPC-7 for the year ended March 31, 2016, noting a variance of \$433 due to rounding.
- 3. Compared any adjustments reported on page 2, items 2b and 2c of Form SIPC-7 with the supporting schedules and working papers, as follows:
 - a. Compared deductions of \$89,616,678 on SIPC-7 (April 1, 2015 March 31, 2016) line 2c(1) "Revenues from the distribution of shares of a registered open end investment company or unit investment trust, from the sale of variable annuities, from the business of insurance, from investment advisory services rendered to registered investment companies or insurance company separate accounts, and from transactions in security futures products" to the summation of "6021000020 Other Commissions Income, 6021000021 CDSC Revenue - Delaware, 6021100020 Upfront Commission Income, Other, and 607000021 12B-1 Fee Revenue" in the "Per FS" column of the schedule titled "DDLP SIPC Support" prepared by the Partnership, noting no differences.
 - b. Recalculated the summation noted in step 3(a) as the sum of "6021000020 Other Commissions Income, 6021000021 CDSC Revenue - Delaware, 6021100020 Upfront Commission Income, Other, and 6070000021 12B-1 Fee Revenue" in the "FY16 Total" column of the schedule titled "DDLP SIPC Support" prepared by the Partnership and

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- c. agreed to general ledger accounts 6021000020, 6021000021, 6021100020, 6070000021, noting no difference.
- d. Compared deductions of \$74,598,800 on SIPC-7 (April 1, 2015 March 31, 2016) line 2c(8) "Other revenue not related either directly or indirectly to the securities business" to the line titled "8010990000 Internal Other Revenue, 6095990020 Internal Fees Received, and the financial statement adjustment for profit share" in the "Per FS" column on the schedule titled "DDLP SIPC Support" prepared by the Partnership, noting no difference.
- e. Compared "6021000020 Other Commissions Income, 6021000021 CDSC Revenue -Delaware, 6021100020 Upfront Commission Income, 6070000021 12B-1 Fee Revenue, 8010990000 Internal Other Revenue, 6095990020 Internal Fees Received, and the financial statement adjustment for profit share " in the "FY16 Total" column of the schedule titled "DDLP SIPC Support" prepared by the Partnership to general ledger accounts 6021000020, 6021000021, 6021100020, 6070000021, and 8010990000, 6095990020, and the financial statement topside noting no difference.
- 4. Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7 and in the related schedules and working papers obtained in procedure 3, as follows:
 - a. Recalculated the mathematical accuracy of the amount in the line titled "Total Deductions" on page 2, line 2c of \$164,215,478, noting no difference;
 - b. Recalculated the mathematical accuracy of the amount in the line titled "SIPC Net Operating Revenues" on page 2, line 2d of \$118,955, noting no difference;
 - c. Recalculated the amount in the line titled "General Assessment @ .0025" on page 2, line 2e of \$297, noting no difference.
 - d. Recalculated the mathematical accuracy of the amount in the line titled "Assessment balance due or (overpayment)" on page 1, line 2D of 255, noting no difference.

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the Company's preparation of Form SIPC-7 in accordance with the applicable instructions. 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 management and the board of directors of the Partnership, the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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May 27, 2016

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DETERMINATION OF "SIPC NET OPERATING REVENUES" AND GENERAL ASSESSMENT Amounts for the fiscal period

	beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016
Item No. 2a. Total revenue (FOCUS Line 12/Part IIA Line 9, Code 4030)	Eliminate cents \$ <u>164,334,433</u>
 2b. Additions: (1) Total revenues from the securities business of subsidiaries (except foreign subsidiaries predecessors not included above. 	diaries) and
(2) Net loss from principal transactions in securities in trading accounts.	
(3) Net loss from principal transactions in commodities in trading accounts.	
(4) Interest and dividend expense deducted in determining item 2a.	
(5) Net loss from management of or participation in the underwriting or distribution o	f securities.
(6) Expenses other than advertising, printing, registration fees and legal fees deduct profit from management of or participation in underwriting or distribution of secu	
(7) Net loss from securities in investment accounts.	·
Total additions	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
 2c. Deductions: (1) Revenues from the distribution of shares of a registered open end investment cor investment trust, from the sale of variable annuities, from the business of insurar advisory services rendered to registered investment companies or insurance com accounts, and from transactions in security futures products. 	nce, from investment
(2) Revenues from commodity transactions.	
(3) Commissions, floor brokerage and clearance paid to other SIPC members in conn securities transactions.	ection with
(4) Reimbursements for postage in connection with proxy solicitation.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(5) Net gain from securitles in investment accounts.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(6) 100% of commissions and markups earned from transactions in (i) certificates of a (ii) Treasury bills, bankers acceptances or commercial paper that mature nine mo from issuance date.	
(7) Direct expenses of printing advertising and legal fees incurred in connection with related to the securities business (revenue defined by Section 16(9)(L) of the Act	other revenue
 (8) Other revenue not related either directly or indirectly to the securities business. (See Instruction C): 	74 500 000
Administrative Services Agreement (Deductions in excess of \$100,000 require documentation)	74,598,800
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(9) (i) Total interest and dividend expense (FOCUS Line 22/PART IIA Line 13, Code 4075 plus line 2b(4) above) but not in excess of total interest and dividend income.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(ii) 40% of margin interest earned on customers securities accounts (40% of FOCUS line 5, Code 3960).	·
Enter the greater of line (i) or (ii)	
Total deductions	164,215,478
2d. SIPC Net Operating Revenues	<u>118,955</u>
2e. General Assessment @ .0025	\$ <u>297</u>
	(to page 1, line 2.A.)

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