

BEAR, STEARNS SECURITIES CORP.

**Statement of Financial Condition
and Independent Auditors' Report
November 30, 2006**

For additional information, the Company's 2006 audited Statement of Financial Condition, filed pursuant to Rule 17a-5(e)(3) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Regulation 1.10(g) under the Commodity Exchange Act, is available for examination and photocopying at the Company's headquarters at 383 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10179 and the Northeast Regional Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Stockholder of
Bear, Stearns Securities Corp.:

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Bear, Stearns Securities Corp. (the "Company") as of November 30, 2006. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards as established by the Auditing Standards Board (United States) and 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 statement is free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement, 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, such statement of financial condition presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Bear, Stearns Securities Corp. at November 30, 2006, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Deloitte + Touche LLP

January 25, 2007

BEAR, STEARNS SECURITIES CORP.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

NOVEMBER 30, 2006

(in thousands, except share data)

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 608,095
Cash and securities deposited with clearing organizations or segregated in compliance with federal regulations	7,984,366
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	993,659
Securities borrowed	74,179,171
Securities received as collateral	19,358,226
Receivables:	
Customers	23,659,358
Brokers, dealers and others	6,614,926
Interest and dividends	332,351
Other assets	30,420

TOTAL ASSETS \$ 133,760,572

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Short-term borrowings	\$ 1,322,621
Securities sold under agreement to repurchase	3,304,548
Securities loaned	13,939,480
Obligation to return securities received as collateral	19,358,226
Payables:	
Customers	68,735,644
Brokers, dealers and others	13,566,352
Ultimate Parent	8,583,100
Interest and dividends	345,140
Other liabilities and accrued expenses	130,180

129,285,291

Commitments and contingencies (Note 13)

Subordinated liabilities 3,410,000

Stockholders' Equity

Preferred stock, \$1.00 par value; 9,000 shares authorized (Series A Preferred Stock, \$1,500 liquidation preference); 450 shares outstanding	675
Common stock, \$1.00 par value; 1,000 shares authorized and outstanding	1
Paid-in capital	299,999
Retained earnings	764,606

Total Stockholders' Equity 1,065,281

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY \$ 133,760,572

See accompanying notes.

BEAR, STEARNS SECURITIES CORP.

NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION NOVEMBER 30, 2006

1. ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS

Bear, Stearns Securities Corp. (the “Company”) is a guaranteed subsidiary of Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. (“Bear Stearns”), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. (the “Ultimate Parent”). All of the Company’s common stock is owned by Bear Stearns. For purposes of this report, an “affiliate” is defined as the Ultimate Parent or a direct or indirect subsidiary of the Ultimate Parent.

Nature of Business - The Company provides securities and futures clearance, customer financing, securities lending and related services. The Company acts as a clearing broker carrying and clearing (i) customer cash and margin accounts for correspondents on either a fully disclosed or omnibus basis, and (ii) the proprietary trading accounts of hedge funds, brokers and dealers and other professional trading firms (collectively “clearing clients”). In addition, the Company acts as a carrying and clearing broker for customer and certain proprietary activities of Bear Stearns and other affiliates on either a fully disclosed or omnibus basis.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation - The Statement of Financial Condition is prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These principles require management to make estimates and assumptions, including those regarding certain accruals and the potential outcome of litigation, that affect the related amounts reported in the Statement of Financial Condition and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ materially from these estimates.

Cash Equivalents - The Company has defined cash equivalents as liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Customer Transactions - Customer securities transactions are recorded on the Statement of Financial Condition on a settlement date basis, which is generally three business days after trade date. Receivables from and payables to customers include amounts related to both cash and margin transactions. Securities owned by customers, including those that collateralize margin or other similar transactions, are not reflected in the accompanying Statement of Financial Condition.

Collateralized Securities Transactions - Transactions involving purchases of securities under agreements to resell (“reverse repurchase agreements”) or sales of securities under agreements to repurchase (“repurchase agreements”) are treated as collateralized financing transactions and are recorded at their contracted resale or repurchase amounts plus accrued interest. Interest is recorded on an accrual basis. Reverse repurchase agreements and repurchase agreements are presented on a net-by-counterparty basis, where permitted by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. It is the Company’s general policy to take possession of securities with a market value in excess of the principal amount loaned plus the accrued interest thereon, in order to collateralize reverse repurchase agreements. Similarly, the Company is generally required to provide securities to counterparties in order to collateralize repurchase agreements. The Company’s agreements with counterparties generally contain contractual provisions allowing for additional collateral to be obtained or excess collateral returned. It is the Company’s policy to value collateral and to obtain additional collateral, or to retrieve excess collateral from counterparties, when deemed appropriate.

Securities borrowed and securities loaned are recorded based on the amount of cash collateral advanced or received. Securities borrowed transactions facilitate the settlement process and require the Company to deposit cash, letters of credit or other collateral with the lender. With respect to securities loaned, the Company receives collateral in the form of cash or other collateral. The amount of collateral required to be deposited for securities borrowed, or received for securities loaned, is an amount generally in excess of the market value of the applicable securities borrowed or loaned. In non-cash loan versus pledge securities transactions, the Company, as lender, records the collateral received as both an asset and as a liability, recognizing the obligation to return the collateral to the borrower. The Company monitors the market value of securities borrowed and loaned, with excess collateral retrieved, or additional collateral obtained, when deemed appropriate. Interest related to securities borrowed and securities loaned transactions is recorded on an accrual basis.

Dividends - The Company earns dividend income on cash invested in money market accounts. Dividend income is recorded on an accrual basis.

Translation of Foreign Currencies - Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at fiscal year-end rates of exchange.

Income Taxes - The Company is included in the consolidated federal income tax return of the Ultimate Parent. Pursuant to an agreement with the Ultimate Parent which allows for current treatment of all temporary differences, the Company treats such differences as currently deductible and includes the tax effect on such differences in the payable to the Ultimate Parent.

New Accounting Pronouncements - In July 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48, “*Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes - an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109*” (“FIN No. 48”). FIN No. 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise’s financial statements in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (“SFAS”) No. 109, “*Accounting for Income Taxes*”. FIN No. 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN No. 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. FIN No. 48 must be implemented for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. The Company is currently evaluating the impact, if any, the adoption of FIN No. 48 on December 1, 2007, may have on the Statement of Financial Condition of the Company.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, “*Fair Value Measurement*” (“SFAS No. 157”). SFAS No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 requires companies to disclose the fair value of its financial instruments according to a fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy ranks the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values. Financial assets carried at fair value will be classified and disclosed in one of the three categories in accordance with the hierarchy. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are:

- Level 1: Quoted market prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.
- Level 2: Observable market based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data.

Additionally, companies are required to provide enhanced disclosure information regarding the activities of those financial instruments classified within the Level 3 category including a rollforward analysis of fair value balance sheet amounts for each major category of assets and liabilities and disclosure of the unrealized gains and losses for Level 3 positions held at the reporting date. SFAS No. 157 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. Early adoption is permitted if the entity has not yet issued financial statements for that fiscal year (including any interim periods). The Company is planning to early adopt SFAS No. 157 as of the first quarter of fiscal 2007 as permitted, and does not expect the adoption to have a material impact on its Statement of Financial Condition.

3. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Substantially all of the Company's assets and liabilities are carried at contracted amounts which approximate fair value. Assets that are recorded at contracted amounts approximating fair value consist largely of short-term secured receivables, including reverse repurchase agreements, securities borrowed, customer receivables and certain other receivables. Similarly, the Company's short-term liabilities such as bank loans, repurchase agreements, securities loaned, customer payables and certain other payables are recorded at contracted amounts approximating fair value. These instruments generally have variable interest rates and/or short-term maturities, in many cases overnight, and accordingly, their fair values are not materially affected by changes in interest rates.

The Company's subordinated liabilities are recorded at contracted amounts approximating fair value. These subordination agreements have a floating rate of interest which approximated market rates of interest available to the Company at November 30, 2006.

4. SHORT-TERM FINANCING

The Company meets its financing needs by borrowing from its Ultimate Parent, as further discussed in Note 15 "Related Party Activities," and by obtaining bank loans and entering into equity repurchase agreements. Bank loans are generally made on an unsecured basis with interest rates negotiated at the time of the transactions. At November 30, 2006, there were approximately \$1.3 billion of bank loans outstanding, generally maturing overnight. The equity repurchase agreements are short-term in nature with interest rates negotiated at the time of the transaction. At November 30, 2006, there were approximately \$3.3 billion of equity repurchase agreements.

The Company, along with the Ultimate Parent and certain affiliates, have in place a committed revolving credit facility ("Facility") totaling \$4.0 billion, which permits borrowing on a secured basis by the Company, Bear Stearns, the Ultimate Parent, Bear Stearns International, Ltd. and certain other affiliates. Secured borrowings can be collateralized by both investment-grade and non-investment-grade financial instruments as the Facility provides for defined advance rates on a wide range of financial instruments eligible to be pledged. The Facility terminates in February 2007, with all loans outstanding at that date payable no later than February 2008. The Company currently expects to renew such Facility upon expiration. There were no borrowings outstanding under the Facility at November 30, 2006.

At November 30, 2006, the Company, along with the Ultimate Parent and an affiliate, had a \$350 million committed revolving credit facility (“Pan Asian Facility”), which permits borrowing on a secured basis collateralized by foreign securities at pre-specified advance rates. In December 2006, the Pan Asian Facility was renewed at a \$350 million committed level with substantially the same terms. The Pan Asian Facility, as renewed, terminates in December 2007 with all loans outstanding at that date payable no later than December 2008. There were no borrowings outstanding under the Pan Asian Facility at November 30, 2006.

In June 2006, the Company renewed a committed revolving credit facility agreement (the “Credit Agreement”), guaranteed by Bear Stearns, to borrow up to \$100 million to support liquidity needs. The Credit Agreement, as renewed, terminates in June 2007, with all loans outstanding at the termination date payable no later than June 2008. There were no borrowings outstanding under the Credit Agreement at November 30, 2006.

The committed revolving credit facilities mentioned above contain various financial covenants, including the maintenance of specified levels of stockholders’ equity of the Ultimate Parent and maintenance of a minimum level of net capital of the Company, as defined in the Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1 (the “Net Capital Rule”) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. At November 30, 2006, the Ultimate Parent and the Company were in compliance with all such financial covenants.

5. COLLATERALIZED SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company enters into secured borrowing or lending agreements to obtain collateral necessary to effect settlements, meet customer needs or re-lend as part of its operations.

The Company receives collateral under reverse repurchase transactions, securities borrowed transactions, derivative transactions, customer margin loans and other secured money-lending activities. In many instances, the Company is permitted by contract or custom to rehypothecate the securities received as collateral.

At November 30, 2006, the fair value of securities received as collateral by the Company that can be repledged, delivered or otherwise used was approximately \$278.5 billion. This collateral was generally obtained under reverse repurchase, securities borrowed or margin lending agreements. Of these securities received as collateral, those with a fair value of approximately \$167.2 billion were delivered or repledged, generally as collateral under repurchase or securities lending agreements or to cover short sales.

In relation to non-cash loan versus pledge securities transactions, the Company recorded collateral received from Bear Stearns and a related obligation to return this collateral to Bear Stearns of approximately \$19.4 billion at November 30, 2006.

6. INCOME TAXES

Pursuant to an agreement with the Ultimate Parent which allows for current treatment of all temporary differences, the Company treats such differences as currently deductible and includes the tax effect on such differences in the payable to the Ultimate Parent. In the absence of such an agreement, the Company would have reported a cumulative deferred tax asset of approximately \$28.1 million at November 30, 2006.

7. SUBORDINATED LIABILITIES

The subordinated loan agreements with the Ultimate Parent at November 30, 2006 consisted of subordinated notes under revolving credit and other subordination agreements maturing in fiscal 2007 through 2010. At November 30, 2006, the total facility available under these agreements was approximately \$4.0 billion. Maturities of amounts drawn at November 30, 2006, are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u> (in thousands)
2007	\$ 300,000
2008	2,400,000
2010	<u>710,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,410,000</u>

At November 30, 2006, all outstanding subordinated liabilities are available to the Company in computing net capital pursuant to the Net Capital Rule. To the extent that the outstanding subordinated liabilities are required for the Company's continued compliance with its Net Capital Rule requirements, the subordinated liabilities may not be repaid.

The Company's subordinated revolving credit and other subordination agreements require payment of interest at floating rates related to the London Interbank Offered Rate. At November 30, 2006, interest rates that were in effect ranged from 5.57% to 6.21%.

8. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

The Company is a registered broker-dealer and futures commission merchant and, accordingly, is subject to the Net Capital Rule and the capital rules of The New York Stock Exchange, Inc. ("NYSE"), the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") and other principal exchanges of which it is a member. Under these rules, the Company is required to maintain minimum net capital, as defined, of not less than the greater of: (i) 2% of aggregate debit items arising from customer transactions, as defined in the Net Capital Rule, plus excess margin collateral on reverse repurchase agreements; or (ii) 8% of customer risk maintenance margin requirements plus 4% of non-customer risk maintenance margin requirements, all as defined in the capital rules of the CFTC. The NYSE may require a member firm to reduce its business if its net capital is less than 4% of aggregate debit items and may prohibit a member firm from expanding its business or paying cash dividends if its net capital is less than 5% of aggregate debit items. At November 30, 2006, the Company's net capital of approximately \$4.0 billion was approximately 6.8% of aggregate debit items and exceeded the minimum regulatory net capital requirement of approximately \$1.2 billion by approximately \$2.8 billion.

The Company performs the computation for assets in the proprietary accounts of its introducing brokers ("PAIB") in accordance with the customer reserve computation set forth in Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, so as to enable introducing brokers to include PAIB assets as allowable assets in their net capital computations (to the extent allowable under the Net Capital Rule).

9. PREFERRED STOCK

The Company's Series A Preferred Stock (the "Preferred Stock") has a liquidation preference of \$1,500 per share, is non-voting and is entitled to dividends, on a cumulative basis, at 6% per annum. The Company may redeem, at its option, the Preferred Stock at a price of \$1,500 per share plus accumulated and unpaid dividends upon the occurrence of certain events. At November 30, 2006, 10 shares of Preferred Stock were held by an affiliate of the Company.

10. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

Pursuant to an operating agreement, Bear Stearns provides the Company with personnel, substantially all of whom participate in the Ultimate Parent's qualified non-contributory profit sharing plan. Contributions to the plan are made at the discretion of the Ultimate Parent in amounts that relate to its level of income before provision for income taxes.

11. STOCK COMPENSATION PLANS

Certain employees of Bear Stearns participate in the Ultimate Parent's stock compensation plans which provide for grants of Capital Accumulation Plan ("CAP Plan") units, restricted stock units and option awards of the Ultimate Parent. Effective December 1, 2005, the Ultimate Parent adopted SFAS No. 123 (R), "*Share-Based Payment*," using the modified prospective application method. SFAS No. 123 (R) requires all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, to be recognized in the financial statements using a fair value-based method. Stock-based compensation cost is measured at grant date, based on the fair value of the award and is recognized as expense over the requisite service period.

The Ultimate Parent's stock compensation plans are summarized below.

Capital Accumulation Plan - Pursuant to the CAP Plan, certain key executives receive a portion of their total annual compensation in the form of CAP units. The number of CAP units credited is a function of the dollar amount awarded to each participant and the closing fair market value of the Ultimate Parent's common stock on the grant date. The CAP units awarded under the CAP Plan are generally subject to vesting and convert to common stock of the Ultimate Parent after five years. Holders of CAP units generally forfeit ownership of a portion of their award if employment is terminated before the end of the vesting period.

Each CAP unit gives the participant an unsecured right to receive, on an annual basis, an amount equal to the Ultimate Parent's pre-tax income per share, as defined by the CAP Plan, less the Ultimate Parent's net income per share, as defined by the CAP Plan, plus dividends per share ("earnings adjustment"), subject to certain limitations. The earnings adjustment credited to each participant's deferred compensation account is in the form of additional CAP units.

Restricted Stock Unit Plan - The Restricted Stock Unit Plan ("RSU Plan") provides for a portion of certain key employees' compensation to be granted in the form of restricted stock units ("RSUs"), with allocations made to participants' deferred compensation accounts. Under the RSU Plan, RSUs granted to employees have various vesting provisions and generally convert to common stock of the Ultimate Parent within four years. Such units are restricted from sale, transfer or assignment until the end of the restriction period. Holders of RSUs generally forfeit ownership of a portion of their award if employment is terminated before the end of the vesting period. Holders of RSUs are entitled to receive a dividend in the form of additional RSUs, based on dividends declared on the common stock of the Ultimate Parent.

The Ultimate Parent measures compensation cost for RSUs based on the fair market value of its common stock at the grant date. A portion relating to current service is expensed in the year of the award and, the portion relating to future service is amortized over the vesting period.

At November 30, 2006, there was \$1.7 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock-based compensation granted under the RSU Plan and is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately 3.1 years.

Stock Award Plan - Pursuant to the Stock Award Plan, certain key employees are given the opportunity to acquire common stock of the Ultimate Parent through the grant of options. Stock options generally have a 10-year expiration and generally vest immediately.

12. CUSTOMER ACTIVITIES

Customer Credit Risks

The Company's clearance activities for both clearing clients and customers, including affiliates, (collectively "customers"), involve the execution, settlement and financing of customers' securities, and futures transactions. Customers' securities activities are transacted on either a cash or margin basis, while customers' futures transactions are generally transacted on a margin basis subject to exchange regulations.

In connection with the customer clearance activities, the Company executes and clears customer transactions involving the purchase of securities, the sale of securities short ("short sales"), entering into futures transactions and the writing of option contracts. Short sales require the Company to borrow securities to settle customer short sale transactions and as such, these transactions may expose the Company to losses if customers are unable to fulfill their contractual obligations and customers' collateral balances are insufficient to fully cover their losses. In the event customers fail to satisfy their obligations, the Company may be required to purchase financial instruments at prevailing market prices to fulfill the customers' obligations.

The Company seeks to control the risks associated with its customers' activities by requiring customers to maintain margin collateral in compliance with various regulatory and internal guidelines. The Company monitors required margin levels and, pursuant to such guidelines, may require customers to deposit additional cash or other collateral, or to reduce positions, when deemed necessary. The Company also establishes credit limits for customers engaged in futures activities and monitors credit compliance. Additionally, with respect to the Company's correspondent clearing activities, introducing correspondent firms generally guarantee the contractual obligations of their customers. Further, the Company seeks to reduce credit risk by entering into netting agreements with customers, which permit receivables and payables with such customers to be offset in the event of a customer default.

In connection with the Company's customer financing and securities settlement activities, the Company may pledge customers' securities as collateral to satisfy the Company's exchange margin deposit requirements or to support its various secured financing sources such as bank loans, securities loaned and repurchase agreements. In the event counterparties are unable to meet their contractual obligations to return customers' securities pledged as collateral, the Company may be exposed to the risk of acquiring the securities at prevailing market prices to satisfy its obligations to the customers. The Company seeks to control this risk by monitoring the market value of securities pledged and by requiring adjustments of collateral levels in the event of excess exposure. Moreover, the Company establishes credit limits for such activities and monitors credit compliance.

Concentrations of Credit Risks

The Company is engaged in providing securities processing services to a diverse group of individuals and institutional investors, including affiliates. A substantial portion of the Company's transactions are collateralized and are executed with, or made on behalf of, institutional investors, including other brokers and dealers, commercial banks, insurance companies, pension plans, mutual funds, hedge funds and other financial institutions. The Company's exposure to credit risk, associated with the nonperformance of customers in fulfilling their contractual obligations pursuant to securities and futures transactions, can be directly affected by volatile or illiquid trading markets which may impair customers' ability to satisfy their obligations to the Company. The Company attempts to minimize credit risk associated with these activities by monitoring customers' credit exposure and collateral values and requiring, when deemed necessary, additional collateral to be deposited with the Company.

A significant portion of the Company's securities processing activities include clearing transactions for hedge funds, brokers and dealers and other professional traders, including affiliates. Due to the nature of their operations, which may include significant levels of credit extension such as leveraged purchases, short selling and option writing, the Company may have significant credit exposure should these customers be unable to meet their commitments. In addition, the Company may be subject to concentration risk through providing margin to these customers holding large positions in certain types of securities, securities of a single issuer, including sovereign governments, issuers located in a particular country or geographic area or issuers engaged in a particular industry, where the Company receives such large positions as collateral. The Company seeks to control these risks by monitoring margin collateral levels for compliance with both regulatory and internal guidelines. Additional collateral is obtained when necessary. To further control these risks, the Company has developed computerized risk control systems which analyze the customers' sensitivity to major market movements. The Company will require customers to deposit additional margin collateral or reduce positions if it is determined that customers' activities may be subject to above-normal market risk.

The Company acts as a clearing broker for substantially all of the customer and proprietary securities and futures activities of its affiliates on either a fully disclosed or omnibus basis. Such activities are conducted on either a cash or margin basis. The Company requires its affiliates to maintain margin collateral in compliance with various regulatory guidelines. The Company monitors required margin levels and requests additional collateral when deemed appropriate.

13. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Leases - The Company occupies office space under leases which expire at various dates through fiscal 2014, as well as utilizes office space under an arrangement with its Ultimate Parent and Bear Stearns. At November 30, 2006, the future minimum aggregate annual rentals payable under non-cancelable leases (net of subleases aggregating approximately \$2.1 million) for which the Company is a party to signed leases are as follows:

<u>Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u> <u>(in thousands)</u>
2007	\$ 4,141
2008	6,139
2009	6,063
2010	4,579
2011	1,138
Aggregate amount thereafter	<u>1,488</u>
Total	<u>\$ 23,548</u>

The various leases contain provisions for periodic escalations resulting from increased operating and other costs. In addition to these direct leases quantified in the table above, the Company has entered into an agreement with Bear Stearns and its Ultimate Parent whereby the cost of space utilized by the Company is allocated to it. This agreement excludes office space relating to the Ultimate Parent's arrangement with respect to the 383 Madison Avenue, New York City location, as further discussed in Note 15 "Related Party Activities."

Letters of Credit and Securities Borrowed - At November 30, 2006, the Company had letters of credit outstanding of approximately \$3.1 billion, of which approximately \$2.2 billion were unsecured. Letters of credit approximating \$3.1 billion were used as collateral for securities borrowed with a market value of approximately \$3.0 billion and the remaining letters of credit were used primarily to satisfy margin requirements at various exchanges.

Litigation - The Company is the sole defendant in an action commenced in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York by the Chapter 11 Trustee for Manhattan Investment Fund Limited ("MIFL"). The complaint seeks to recover from the Company, among other things, certain allegedly fraudulent transfers made by MIFL in the amount of \$141.4 million plus pre-judgment interest. The Company provided prime brokerage services to MIFL prior to its bankruptcy. In January 2007, the Bankruptcy Court granted the Trustee's motion for summary judgment on the fraudulent transfer claims against the Company. The Company believes it has substantial defenses to the Trustee's claims and intends to appeal the decision of the Bankruptcy Court.

In the normal course of business, the Company has been named as a defendant in various legal actions that involve claims for substantial amounts. In addition, the Company is involved from time to time in investigations and proceedings by governmental agencies and self-regulatory organizations.

Although the ultimate outcome of the various matters cannot be ascertained at this time, it is the opinion of management, after consultation with counsel, that the resolution of the foregoing matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Company, taken as a whole. Such resolution may, however, have a material effect on the operating results in any future period, depending on the level of income for such period.

14. GUARANTEES

The Company is a member of numerous exchanges and clearinghouses. Under the membership agreements, members are generally required to guarantee the performance of other members. Additionally, if a member becomes unable to satisfy its obligations to the clearinghouse, other members would be required to meet these shortfalls. To mitigate these performance risks, the exchanges and clearinghouses often require members to post collateral. The Company's maximum potential liability under these arrangements cannot be quantified. However, the potential for the Company to be required to make payments under these arrangements is remote. Accordingly, no contingent liability is recorded in the Statement of Financial Condition for these arrangements.

15. RELATED PARTY ACTIVITIES

Clearance and Futures Activities - At November 30, 2006, the Company's clearance and futures activities have resulted in net payables to Bear Stearns and other affiliates of approximately \$11.4 billion which is included within payables to brokers, dealers and others, and net receivables from other affiliates of approximately \$5.2 billion which is included within receivables from brokers, dealers and others.

Collateralized Securities Transactions - The Company enters into reverse repurchase and repurchase transactions with Bear Stearns. At November 30, 2006, such reverse repurchase transactions had a contract value of approximately \$4.7 billion, of which approximately \$3.7 billion (market value of collateral at November 30, 2006 of approximately \$3.8 billion) is reflected in cash and securities deposited with clearing organizations or segregated in compliance with federal regulations. The remaining reverse repurchase transactions of approximately \$993.7 million are reflected in securities purchased under agreements to resell.

The Company enters into securities borrowed and securities loaned transactions with Bear Stearns and other affiliates. Balances at November 30, 2006 relating to such securities borrowed and loaned transactions totaled approximately \$9.2 billion and \$12.7 billion, respectively.

Financing Activities - In the ordinary course of business, the Company obtains financing from the Ultimate Parent on an unsecured basis and provides collateralized short-term borrowings to affiliated companies. Interest rates on such balances are generally based on the federal funds rate. At November 30, 2006, the Company had a balance of approximately \$8.6 billion payable to the Ultimate Parent.

Operating Expenses - Pursuant to an operating agreement, Bear Stearns provides the Company with personnel, facilities and other services for which the Company was charged a fee.

Additionally, the Ultimate Parent and an affiliate are party to an agreement with respect to an office tower at 383 Madison Avenue, New York City ("383 Madison"), which was developed and built as the Ultimate Parent's worldwide headquarters. The Company has an agreement, for which no costs are assigned, permitting its occupancy of 383 Madison.

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