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WATERSIDE CAPITAL CORPORATION

2004 Annual Report

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A Small Business Investment Company

LETTER TO STOCKHOLDERS

During fiscal 2004, Waterside reported a net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations of \$2,022,000 or \$1.34 per share. The primary contributor to this increase was a realized gain of \$2,667,000 from the sale of common stock of Signius Investment Corporation, and a realized gain of \$1,200,000 from the sale of warrants in FireKing International. These realized gains were partially offset by a realized loss of \$1,255,000 due to the foreclosure and resulting write-off of Digital Square, Inc.

The company's fiscal 2004 operations increased its net asset value per common share from \$8.21 per share at June 30, 2003 to \$9.82 per share at June 30, 2004.

During fiscal 2004, the company funded \$2.8 million in new originations up slightly from the \$2.3 million funded in fiscal 2003. The company also accepted a note receivable for \$3,000,000 from the sale of the common stock in Signius Investment Corporation. We expect this will generate \$210,000 per year in current income.

For fiscal 2005, we continue to see significant opportunities for new investments, which we expect to fund with proceeds from several of our investments that we anticipate maturing during the coming year.

We continue to stay focused on our goals and our business plan. On behalf of our directors and employees, we thank you for your continued support.

J. Alan Lindauer

President & CEO

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| | Year Ended June 30, | | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
| Summary of Earnings Information: | | | | | |
| Operating Income: | | | | | |
| Dividends | \$ 2,189,862 | \$ 2,865,832 | \$ 2,007,981 | \$ 1,444,822 | \$ 1,059,292 |
| Interest on debt securities | 1,009,744 | 1,008,202 | 1,220,768 | 1,353,940 | 1,412,148 |
| Interest on notes receivable | | | 12,723 | 36,596 | 166,052 |
| Interest on cash equivalents | 37,203 | 17,642 | 22,989 | 41,067 | 16,575 |
| Fee and other income | 677,205 | 354,827 | 462,522 | 316,321 | 357,120 |
| Total operating income | 3,914,014 | 4,246,503 | 3,726,983 | 3,192,746 | 3,011,187 |
| Operating Expenses: | | | | | |
| Interest expense | 1,224,066 | 1,913,544 | 2,019,865 | 2,025,651 | 1,896,734 |
| Other | 1,645,318 | 1,668,727 | 1,577,290 | 1,331,368 | 1,385,099 |
| Total operating expenses | 2,869,384 | 3,582,271 | 3,597,155 | 3,357,019 | 3,281,833 |
| Recovery related to investee litigation, net | | | | 615,018 | |
| Net operating income (loss) before income taxes | 1,044,630 | 664,232 | 129,828 | 450,745 | (270,646) |
| Income tax expense (benefit) | (352,000) | (675,000) | | | |
| Net operating income (loss) | 1,396,630 | 1,339,232 | 129,828 | 450,745 | (270,646) |
| Realized gain (loss) on investments, net of income taxes (1) | 1,426,474 | 73,372 | (3,213,047) | (6,896,966) | 2,642,556 |
| Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments, net of income taxes (2) | (1,514,791) | (6,247,984) | (237,934) | 10,585,917 | (349,930) |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ 1,308,313 | \$ (4,835,380) | \$ (3,321,153) | \$ 4,139,696 | \$ 2,021,980 |
| Net operating income (loss) per share - basic and diluted | \$ 0.88 | \$ 0.85 | \$ 0.08 | \$ 0.29 | \$ (0.18) |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share - basic and diluted | \$ 0.83 | \$ (3.06) | \$ (2.11) | \$ 2.66 | \$ 1.34 |
| Weighted average number of shares outstanding | 1,581,430 | 1,581,430 | 1,576,306 | 1,554,646 | 1,505,493 |

At June 30,

| | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Balance Sheet Information: | | | | | |
| Loans and investments at fair value (3): | | | | | |
| Debt securities | \$ 8,877,766 | \$ 6,514,395 | \$ 8,463,170 | \$ 10,549,973 | \$ 12,766,273 |
| Equity securities | 23,237,050 | 23,146,571 | 15,304,120 | 12,547,868 | 9,858,319 |
| Options and warrants | 3,752,744 | 4,025,942 | 3,879,533 | 6,320,902 | 5,965,298 |
| Assets acquired in liquidation of portfolio securities | | | | | 250,000 |
| Notes receivable | | | 235,000 | 1,800,042 | 4,513,630 |

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|-----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Total Loans and Investments | 35,867,560 | 33,686,908 | 27,881,823 | 31,218,785 | 33,353,520 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 118,314 | 1,089,386 | 5,417,202 | 5,857,852 | 3,210,968 |
| Total assets | 39,098,743 | 38,378,758 | 35,081,369 | 38,881,380 | 38,499,312 |
| Debentures payable | 19,300,000 | 25,400,000 | 25,400,000 | 25,400,000 | 23,400,000 |
| Total stockholders' equity | 16,834,391 | 11,999,011 | 8,605,658 | 12,719,754 | 14,300,283 |

- (1) Amount presented net of income tax expense of \$873,000 for 2000, \$40,000 for 2001 and \$0 for 2002, 2003, and 2004.
- (2) Amounts have been presented net of deferred income tax expense (benefit) of (\$926,000), \$191,000, \$550,000, \$0 and \$0 respectively, for the years ended June 30, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- (3) The Company's loans and investments are presented at fair value, as determined by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, using the Model Valuation Policy as published by the Small Business Administration (SBA). The valuation policy includes estimates made by management in the absence of readily ascertainable market values. These estimated values may differ from those that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed. See the Notes to the Company's Financial Statements included elsewhere herein. The cost of the loans and investments was \$37,826,396, \$41,702,728, \$35,349,098, \$28,335,143, and \$30,819,808 at June 30, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004, respectively.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL
CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following analysis of the financial condition and results of operations of the Company should be read in conjunction with the Company's fiscal year 2004 financial statements and the notes thereto and the other information included elsewhere in this report.

General

Waterside Capital Corporation ("Waterside" or the "Company") is a specialty finance company headquartered in Norfolk, Virginia. The Company invests in equity and debt securities to finance the growth, expansion and modernization of small private businesses, primarily in the Mid-Atlantic Region. The Company was formed in 1993 as the Eastern Virginia Small Business Investment Corporation. Through June 30, 1996, the Company operated as a development stage company focused primarily on preparation to commence operation. The Company was licensed in 1996 by the Small Business Administration (SBA) as a Small Business Investment Company (SBIC) under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958. In October 1996, the Company made its first portfolio investment. In January 1998, the Company completed its Initial Public Offering (IPO) to raise additional equity to support its growth strategy.

The majority of the Company's operating income is derived from dividend and interest income on portfolio investments and application and processing fees related to investment originations. The remaining portion of the Company's operating income comes from interest earned on cash equivalents. The Company's operating expenses primarily consist of payroll, interest expense on SBA debentures and the Company's lines of credit and other expenses incidental to the Company's operations. Waterside currently has 6 full time employees.

Loans and Investments

The Company's primary business is investing in and lending to privately owned businesses through investments in subordinated debt, preferred stock and common stock. Substantially all of the Company's investments in subordinated debt securities and preferred stock also include detachable warrants or conversion features. The cost and fair value of the Company's loans and investments at June 30, 2003 and 2004 is shown in the following table:

| | Cost | | Fair Value | |
|--|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | June 30, | | June 30, | |
| | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 |
| Subordinated Debt | 38.2% | 41.4% | 33.8% | 38.3% |
| Preferred Stock | 48.3 | 36.3 | 31.8 | 27.0 |
| Common Equity | 3.0 | 1.9 | 8.4 | 2.6 |
| Options and Warrants | 4.2 | 3.4 | 20.2 | 17.9 |
| Assets Acquired in Liquidation of Portfolio Securities | | 2.4 | | 0.7 |
| Notes Receivable | 6.3 | 14.6 | 5.8 | 13.5 |

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|-------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Total | <u>100.0%</u> | <u>100.0%</u> | <u>100.0%</u> | <u>100.0%</u> |
|-------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|

The following tables show the loans and investments by geographic region and industry grouping at June 30, 2003 and 2004:

| Geographic Region | Cost | | Fair Value | |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | June 30, | | June 30, | |
| | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
| Mid Atlantic | 49.3% | 48.7% | 58.0% | 56.0% |
| Southwest | 6.2 | 8.3 | 5.6 | 8.9 |
| Midwest | 15.8 | 12.8 | 14.4 | 11.8 |
| Northeast | 22.1 | 27.8 | 22.0 | 22.4 |
| West | 6.6 | 2.4 | | 0.9 |
| Total | <u>100.0%</u> | <u>100.0%</u> | <u>100.0%</u> | <u>100.0%</u> |

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| | Cost | | Fair Value | |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | June 30, | | June 30, | |
| | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 |
| Industry Grouping | | | | |
| Service | 17.0% | 16.1% | 15.9% | 14.1% |
| Manufacturing | 34.6 | 32.8 | 35.3 | 32.6 |
| Telecommunications | 15.0 | 21.4 | 15.6 | 16.4 |
| Information technology | 13.7 | 9.9 | 6.4 | 7.7 |
| Media | 9.3 | 12.6 | 20.3 | 23.3 |
| Other | 10.4 | 7.2 | 6.5 | 5.9 |
| Total | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |

Results of Operations**2004 Compared to 2003**

For the year ended June 30, 2004, total operating income was \$3,011,000 compared to \$3,193,000 reported for fiscal 2003. This reflects a decrease of \$182,000 or 5.7% from the amount reported for fiscal 2003 due primarily to management's decision to discontinue the accrual of dividend and interest income on various investments due to the uncertainty of collection of the income. Additionally, the Company elected to discount non-current dividends receivable by \$152,000 to reflect the present value of the scheduled future payments. The operating income reported for the year ended June 30, 2004 consisted of dividends of \$1,059,000, interest on debt securities of \$1,412,000, interest on notes receivable of \$166,000, interest on cash equivalents of \$17,000 and fee and other income of \$357,000. For the year ended June 30, 2003, total operating income consisted of dividends of \$1,445,000, interest on debt securities of \$1,354,000, interest on notes receivable of \$37,000, interest on cash equivalents of \$41,000 and fee and other income of \$316,000.

Total operating expenses declined from \$3,357,000 for the year ended June 30, 2003 to \$3,282,000 reported for the year ended June 30, 2004. The reduction of \$75,000 or 2.2% in operating expenses when comparing fiscal 2004 to fiscal 2003 was primarily due to the Company's election to prepay \$2,000,000 in debentures payable to the SBA on September 1, 2003 and its associated reduction in interest expense. The Company also realized a reduction in legal expense due to reduced litigation and legal services during fiscal 2004. Total operating expenses for the year ended June 30, 2004 consisted of interest expense of \$1,897,000, salaries and benefits of \$810,000, legal and accounting expense of \$107,000 and other operating expenses of \$468,000. For the year ended June 30, 2003 total operating expenses consisted of interest expense of \$2,026,000, salaries and benefits of \$700,000, legal and accounting expenses of \$251,000 and other operating expenses of \$381,000. At June 30, 2004 the Company is in compliance with the SBA guidelines for management expense.

During the year ended June 30, 2003, litigation involving two former investees was settled. As a result, a recovery of \$615,000 of legal and other expenses associated with these litigations, net of expenses, was recorded in net operating income during the year.

The Company's net operating loss was \$271,000 for the year ended June 30, 2004 compared to net operating income of \$451,000 reported for the year ended June 30, 2003. During the year ended June 30, 2002, the Company ceased recognizing deferred tax benefits associated with the generation of net operating losses from operations and its realized losses because management concluded that it is not more likely than not that

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those benefits could be realized. Because the Company operates as a licensed SBIC, its dividend income is not taxable. As a result it is unlikely that the Company will generate taxable income in the foreseeable future. Unless the Company is able to generate significant realized gains from sales of investments, the benefits of tax losses from operations and any realized losses from settlement of investments are not likely to be realized. As a result, the Company has provided a valuation allowance for the full amount of the deferred tax asset at June 30, 2004.

During the year ended June 30, 2004, the Company realized a gain on investments of \$2,643,000 due primarily from a gain of \$2,667,000 from the sale of its common stock of Signius Investment Corporation and a gain of \$1,200,000 from the sale of its warrants in FireKing International. These realized gains were offset by a realized loss of \$1,255,000 due to the foreclosure and resulting write off of Digital Square, Inc. During the year ended June 30, 2003, the Company realized a loss on investments of \$6,897,000 due primarily to the realization of the previously recorded unrealized losses related to the Capital Market Group investment of \$1,480,000, the JMS Worldwide, Inc. investment of \$2,069,000, the National Assisted

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Living investment of \$1,040,000 and the Phoenix Fabrication, Inc. investment of \$912,000. The Company additionally realized a loss on its investment in Jubilee Tech International of \$2,427,000. These losses were partially offset by a realized gain of \$1,363,000 on the sale of warrants in the Answernet, Inc. investment.

The increase in unrealized depreciation of \$350,000 for the year ended June 30, 2004 was due to a combination of the reversal of unrealized appreciation and depreciation related to the previously discussed net realized gains and in recognition of unrealized gains and losses on various portfolio investments due to their changing valuations. The increase in unrealized appreciation of \$10,586,000 for the year ended June 30, 2003 was due to a combination of the reversal of unrealized depreciation related to the previously discussed realized loss on five individual investee companies and the recognition of unrealized gains on two investments due to their improved valuations. The Company took write ups on its investments in New Dominion Pictures, LLC of \$3,398,000 and its investment in Signius Investment Corporation of \$1,459,000 during fiscal 2003 and recognized numerous smaller additional gains and losses on its individual investments.

The net increase in stockholders equity resulting from operations of \$2,022,000 for the year ended June 30, 2004 or \$1.34 per share compared to an increase of \$4,140,000 or \$2.66 per share for the year ended June 30, 2003 due to the various items noted above.

2003 Compared to 2002

For the year ended June 30, 2003, total operating income was \$3,193,000 compared to \$3,727,000 reported for fiscal 2002. This reflected a decrease of \$534,000 or 14.3% from the amount reported for fiscal 2002 due primarily to management's decision to discontinue the accrual of dividend and interest income on an increased number of investments due to the uncertainty of collection of the income. The operating income reported for the year ended June 30, 2003 consisted of dividends of \$1,445,000, interest on debt securities of \$1,354,000, interest on notes receivable of \$37,000, interest on cash equivalents of \$41,000 and fee and other income of \$316,000. For the year ended June 30, 2002, total operating income consisted of dividends of \$2,008,000, interest on debt securities of \$1,221,000, interest on notes receivable of \$13,000, interest on cash equivalents of \$23,000 and fee and other income of \$463,000.

Total operating expenses were \$3,357,000 for the year ended June 30, 2003 compared with \$3,597,000 reported for the year ended June 30, 2002. The reduction of \$240,000 or 6.7% in operating expenses when comparing fiscal 2003 to fiscal 2002 was due to the significant increase in legal fees associated with investee litigation during fiscal 2002.

Total operating expenses for the year ended June 30, 2003 consisted of interest expense of \$2,026,000, salaries and benefits of \$700,000, legal and accounting expenses of \$251,000 and other operating expenses of \$381,000. For the year ended June 30, 2002 total operating expenses consisted of interest expense of \$2,020,000, salaries and benefits of \$690,000, legal and accounting expenses of \$508,000 and other operating expenses of \$379,000. At June 30, 2003 the Company was in compliance with the SBA guidelines for management expense.

During the year ended June 30, 2003, litigation involving two former investees was settled. As a result, a recovery of \$615,000 of legal and other expenses associated with these litigations, net of expenses, was recorded in net operating income during the year.

The Company's net operating income was \$451,000 for the year ended June 30, 2003 compared to \$130,000 reported for the year ended June 30, 2002. During the year ended June 30, 2002, the Company ceased recognizing deferred tax benefits associated with the generation of net operating losses from operations and its realized losses because management concluded that it is not more likely than not that those benefits

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could be realized. Because the Company operates as a licensed SBIC, its dividend income is not taxable. As a result it is unlikely that the Company will generate taxable income in the foreseeable future. Unless the Company is able to generate significant realized gains from sales of investments, the benefits of tax losses from operations and any realized losses from settlement of investments are not likely to be realized. As a result the Company has provided a valuation allowance for the full amount of its deferred tax asset at June 30, 2003.

During the year ended June 30, 2003, the Company realized a loss on investments of \$6,897,000 due primarily to the realization of the previously recorded unrealized losses related to the Capital Market Groups investment of \$1,480,000, the JMS Worldwide, Inc. investment of \$2,069,000, the National Assisted Living investment of \$1,040,000 and the Phoenix Fabrication, Inc. investment of \$912,000. The Company additionally realized a loss on its investment in Jubilee Tech International of \$2,427,000. These losses were partially offset by a realized gain of \$1,363,000 on the sale of warrants in the

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Answernet, Inc. investment. For the year ended June 30, 2002, the Company realized the losses on investments of \$3,213,000 due primarily to the realization of the previously recorded unrealized loss related to Tangent Solutions, Inc. (formerly named Electronic Business Systems, Inc. and Triangle Image Grouping) of \$2,298,000 coupled with the realization of the loss of \$2,270,000 of the previously recorded unrealized loss on Extraction Technologies, Inc. These losses were partially offset by a realized gain of \$1,070,000 on the sale of the Delta Educational Systems investment. The Company also realized numerous other smaller gains and losses during the years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002.

The change in unrealized appreciation of \$10,586,000 for the year ended June 30, 2003 was due to a combination of the reversal of unrealized depreciation related to the previously discussed realized losses on five individual investee companies and the recognition of unrealized gains on two investments due to their improved valuations. The Company took write-ups on its investments in New Dominion Pictures, LLC of \$3,398,000 and its investment in Signius Investment Corporation of \$1,459,000 during fiscal 2003 and recognized numerous smaller additional gains and losses on its individual investments. For the year ended June 30, 2002, the change in unrealized depreciation on investments of \$238,000 consisted of unrealized losses of \$1,878,000 related to the Digital Square investment, \$1,022,000 related to the Eton Court investment, \$2,069,000 related to the JMS Worldwide, Inc. investment, and \$959,000 related to the Phoenix Fabrication, Inc. investment. These losses were partially offset by the reclassification of unrealized depreciation related to Tangent Solutions, Inc. and Extraction Technologies, Inc. of \$4,568,000 to realized losses.

The net increase in stockholders equity resulting from operations of \$4,140,000 for the year ended June 30, 2003 or \$2.66 per share compared to a decrease of \$3,321,000 or \$2.11 per share for the year ended June 30, 2002 due to the various items noted above.

Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

At June 30, 2004, the Company's loans and investments totaled \$33.4 million compared to the \$31.2 million reported at June 30, 2003. For fiscal 2004, the Company funded \$2.8 million in new investments and received proceeds from the sales of investments and principal collected on debt securities of \$3.4 million. The Company also accepted a \$3,000,000 note receivable for the sale of its common stock in Signius Investment Corporation during 2004. For fiscal 2003, the Company funded \$2.5 million in new investments and received proceeds from the sales of investments and principal collected on debt securities of \$2.7 million. The Company accepted a note receivable for \$1,566,000 for this sale of stock warrants in Answernet, Inc. during 2003. The Company's cash position at June 30, 2004 declined to \$3.2 million from the \$5.9 million reported at June 30, 2003, due primarily to the Company's election to prepay \$2,000,000 in outstanding Small Business Administration debentures during 2004. The Company repurchased 91,955 shares of its outstanding common stock during fiscal 2004 in open market transactions.

Net asset value for common share increased to \$9.82 per share at June 30, 2004 from the \$8.21 per share reported at June 30, 2003.

For the year ended June 30, 2004, the net cash used in operating activities was \$766,000 compared to \$222,000 used during the year ended June 30, 2003. The major difference was created through the recovery of legal and other expenses related to investee litigation of \$615,000 during fiscal 2003. The net cash provided by investing activities was \$606,000 for the year ended June 30, 2004 compared to the \$689,000 provided during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. The Company used \$441,000 to repurchase its own stock during the year ended June 30, 2004 compared to the \$26,000 used for the repurchase of Company stock for the year ended June 30, 2003. The Company also elected to prepay \$2,000,000 in SBA guaranteed debt during fiscal 2004.

The Company utilizes cash flow from operations, proceeds from borrowings under lines of credit and approved SBA leverage, and proceeds from investment repayments and sales to fund its operations in investments. Based on the Company's current regulatory capital, the SBA has

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approved the issuance of up to \$31.9 million of debentures for the Company of which \$23.4 million have been issued at June 30, 2004. The Company also maintains a short term line of credit agreement which allows for maximum borrowing of \$2.5 million at June 30, 2004. Under the regulations governing the SBIC programs available, SBA leverage is determined based on the SBIC's regulatory capital and investment portfolio mix. Management is continuing to evaluate various strategic alternatives for the Company, including but not limited to raising additional equity capital through private sources, exploring other sources of financing through the SBA and managing the existing investment portfolio and reinvesting proceeds from repayments and liquidations.

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The Company is required to calculate the amount of capital impairment each reporting period based on Small Business Administration (SBA) regulations. The purpose of the calculation is to determine if the Undistributed Net Realized Earnings (Deficit) after adjustment for non-includable gains on securities exceeds the regulatory limits. If the adjusted deficit is greater than the calculated maximum impairment percentage, 50% for the Company as of June 30, 2004, the Company is considered to have impaired capital. As of June 30, 2004, the Company had a capital impairment percentage of 56.09%.

During the year, the Company sold some stock and warrants and took back debt instruments in lieu of cash. Since the transactions occurred with a small non-public company, the debt instruments were not rated and have not been valued by an investment-banking firm. As of June 30, 2004, \$4,919,556 of non-cash gains was not includable in the calculation of the impairment percentage and the Company's capital was impaired. This results in a technical default of the loan agreement with the SBA.

The default of the loan agreement with the SBA may be cured in several ways. Subsequent to June 30, 2004, the Company was advised by the SBA that they had cured the technical default through a credit enhancement of a note receivable with a letter of credit. This resulted in a capital impairment ratio below 50%.

Contractual Obligations and Commitments

The following table summarizes the Company's material contractual obligations, including both on and off balance sheet arrangements, and commitments at June 30, 2004 (in thousands):

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>2005</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2007</u> | <u>2008</u> | <u>2009</u> | <u>Thereafter</u> |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Contractual Obligations | | | | | | | |
| Operating leases | \$ 140 | \$ 39 | \$ 38 | \$ 38 | \$ 25 | | |
| Borrowings | | | | | | | |
| SBA Debentures | \$ 23,400 | | | | | \$ 10,300 | \$ 13,100 |
| Commitments: | | | | | | | |
| Revolving credit facility | | | | | | | |
| Employment contracts | | | | | | | |

Operating Leases

The company leases its office facility and various office equipment under non-cancelable operating leases. The termination date of the leased office space is March 1, 2008.

SBA Debentures

The SBA has approved the issuance of up to \$31,900,000 of debentures for the Company. All debentures bear interest payable semi-annually at a fixed rate and are due at maturity, which is ten years from the date that the interest rate is fixed. The debentures are subject to numerous covenants through the SBA, including restrictions on dividend payments and retirement of various equity interests. The debentures are subject to a prepayment penalty for the first five years they are outstanding. During 1999, the Company utilized \$12,300,000 of the available facility, \$6,000,000 of which bears interest at 7.24% and matures on March 1, 2009 and \$6,300,000 of which bears interest at 8.22% and matures on September 1, 2009. On September 1, 2003, the Company elected to prepay \$2,000,000 of the \$6,300,000 maturing September 1, 2009. During 2000, the Company utilized an additional \$7,000,000 which bears interest at 8.64% and matures March 1, 2010. During 2001, the Company utilized an additional \$6,100,000 of the available facility, \$3,100,000 of which bears interest at 8.45% and matures on September 1, 2010 and \$3,000,000 of which bears interest at 6.89% and matures on September 1, 2011. Currently, \$8,500,000 of the approved amount remains available.

Revolving Credit Facility

The Company has a line of credit with a financial institution with a total availability of \$2,500,000. The line bears interest at the bank's prime rate. There were no outstanding borrowings under the line at June 30, 2004. The line of credit expires on November 1, 2004.

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Employment Contract

The Company has an employment contract with one member of management. This employment agreement is terminable by the Company with or without cause. In the event that the employment agreement is terminated without cause and provided that the executive complies with the confidentiality and non-competition covenants, he will be entitled to receive all payments as defined in the respective agreement. The contract extends through January 2005.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Critical accounting policies are those that are both most important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results of operations and which require our most complex or subjective judgements or estimates. The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations is based upon our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgements that affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an on-going basis, we evaluate the judgements and estimates underlying our accounting policies, primarily the periodic valuation of our investment portfolio.

The Company values its investment portfolio at fair values as determined in good faith by the Company's Board of Directors in accordance with the Company's valuation policy, which is the Model Valuation Policy as published by the SBA. The policy presumes that loans and investments are acquired with the intent that they are to be held until maturity or disposed of in the ordinary course of business. The Company determines fair value to be the amount for which an investment can be exchanged in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time between willing parties other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

The Company invests primarily in illiquid securities, including the debt and equity of private companies. The Company's valuation policy considers the fact that privately negotiated securities change in value over a long period of time, that the Company does not intend to trade the securities, and that no readily available market exists for their liquidation. The Company's valuation policy is intended to provide a consistent basis for establishing the fair value of the portfolio. Unlike banks, the Company is not permitted to provide a general reserve for anticipated loan losses. Instead, the Company must record each individual investment at fair value each quarter. The Company records unrealized depreciation on investments when it believes that an asset has been impaired and full collection of the loan or realization of an equity security is doubtful. Conversely, the Company records unrealized appreciation if it has a clear indication that the underlying portfolio company has appreciated in value and the Company's security has also appreciated in value. Under its valuation policy, the Company does not consider temporary changes in the capital markets such as interest rate movements or changes in the public equity markets, in order to determine whether an investment in a private company has been impaired or whether such investment has increased in value. The value of investments in public securities is determined using quoted market prices, discounted for illiquidity and or restrictions on resale. Due to the uncertainty inherent in the valuation process, estimates of fair value may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed, and the difference could be material. Additionally, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the valuations currently assigned.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk

The Company's business activities contain elements of risk. The Company considers the principal types of market risk to be: risk of lending and investing in small privately owned companies, valuation risk of portfolio, risk of illiquidity of portfolio investments and the competitive market for investment opportunities. The Company considers the management of risk essential to conducting its business and to maintaining

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profitability. Accordingly, the Company's risk management systems and procedures are designed to identify and analyze the Company's risks, to set appropriate policies and limits and to continually monitor these risks and limits by means of reliable administrative and information systems and other policies and programs.

The Company manages its market risk by maintaining a portfolio of debt and equity interests that is diverse by industry, geographic area, size of individual investment and borrower. The Company is exposed to a degree of risk of public market

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price fluctuations as one of the Company's twenty-four investments is in a thinly traded, small public company, whose stock prices have been volatile. The other investments are in private business enterprises. Since there is typically no public market for the equity interests of the small companies in which the Company invests, the valuation of the equity interests in the Company's portfolio of private business enterprises is subject to the estimate of the Company's Executive Committee. In the absence of a readily ascertainable market value, the estimated value of the Company's portfolio of equity interests may differ significantly from the values that would be placed on the portfolio if a ready market for the equity interests existed. Any changes in estimated value are recorded in the Company's statement of operations as Net unrealized gains (losses). Each hypothetical 1% increase or decrease in value of the Company's portfolio of securities of \$33.4 million at June 30, 2004, and \$31.2 million at June 30, 2003, would have resulted in unrealized gains or losses and would have changed net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations for the year by 17% and 8%, respectively.

The Company's sensitivity to changes in interest rates is regularly monitored and analyzed by measuring the characteristics of assets and liabilities. The Company utilizes various methods to assess interest rate risk in terms of the potential effect of interest income net of interest expense, the market value of net assets and the value at risk in an effort to ensure that the Company is insulated from any significant adverse effects from changes in interest rates. Based on the model used for the sensitivity of interest income net of interest expense, if the balance sheet were to remain constant and no actions were taken to alter the existing interest rate sensitivity, a hypothetical immediate 100 basis point change in interest rates would have affected net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations negligibly over a twelve-month horizon. Although management believes that this measure is indicative of the Company's sensitivity to interest rate changes, it does not adjust for potential changes in credit quality, size and composition of the balance sheet and other business developments that could affect operating results. Accordingly, no assurances can be given that actual results would not differ materially from the potential outcome simulated by this estimate.

Forward Looking Statements

Included in this report and other written and oral information by management from time to time, including reports to shareholders, semi-annual shareholder letters, filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, news releases and investor presentations, are forward-looking statements about business objectives and strategies, market potential, the Company's ability to expand the geographic scope of its investments, the quality of the Company's due diligence efforts, its financing plans, its vendors, suppliers, and portfolio companies, future financial performance and other matters that reflect management's expectations as of the date made.

Except for historical information, all of the statements, expectations and assumptions contained in the foregoing are forward-looking statements (within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) that involve a number of risks and uncertainties. It is possible that the assumptions made by management—including, but not limited to, the average maturity of our investments, the potential to realize investment gains as these investments mature, investment opportunities, results, performance or expectations—may not materialize. Actual results may differ materially from those projected or implied in any forward-looking statements. In addition to the above factors, other important factors that may affect the Company's performance include: the risks associated with the performance of the Company's portfolio companies, dependencies on key employees, interest rates, the level of economic activity, and competition, as well as other risks described from time to time in the Company's filings with the Commission, press releases, and other communications. The Company disclaims any intent or obligation to update these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

Table of Contents**PRICE RANGE OF COMMON STOCK**

The Company's Common Stock is quoted on the NASDAQ Stock Market under the symbol WSCC. As of August 31, 2004, the Company had 99 stockholders of record and approximately 332 beneficial owners. The following table sets forth the range of high and low bid prices of the Company's common stock as reported on the NASDAQ stock market for the period from February 2, 1998, when public trading of the common stock commenced pursuant to the IPO, through June 30, 2004.

| | Net Asset Value Per Share(1) | Bid Price | | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | | High | Low | Close |
| 1998 | | | | |
| Third Quarter | \$ 8.18 | \$ 11.750 | \$ 10.750 | \$ 10.875 |
| Fourth Quarter | 8.24 | 11.375 | 10.125 | 11.125 |
| 1999 | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 8.25 | \$ 11.375 | \$ 9.000 | \$ 9.250 |
| Second Quarter | 8.37 | 10.620 | 7.500 | 8.500 |
| Third Quarter | 8.71 | 8.750 | 6.500 | 7.250 |
| Fourth Quarter | 8.90 | 7.875 | 6.000 | 6.750 |
| 2000 | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 8.98 | \$ 7.063 | \$ 6.625 | \$ 6.875 |
| Second Quarter | 11.13 | 9.438 | 6.625 | 9.000 |
| Third Quarter | 12.16 | 10.750 | 7.563 | 8.375 |
| Fourth Quarter | 10.65 | 8.500 | 6.500 | 6.500 |
| 2001 | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 10.44 | \$ 7.000 | \$ 4.000 | \$ 6.250 |
| Second Quarter | 9.75 | 6.250 | 2.531 | 3.750 |
| Third Quarter | 8.35 | 5.250 | 3.250 | 3.250 |
| Fourth Quarter | 7.59 | 4.000 | 3.000 | 3.650 |
| 2002 | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 8.00 | \$ 3.700 | \$ 2.000 | \$ 2.300 |
| Second Quarter | 6.76 | 4.750 | 2.250 | 2.740 |
| Third Quarter | 5.92 | 3.400 | 1.870 | 1.890 |
| Fourth Quarter | 5.52 | 2.990 | 1.390 | 2.600 |
| 2003 | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 5.82 | \$ 2.780 | \$ 1.670 | \$ 2.000 |
| Second Quarter | 5.70 | 3.700 | 1.520 | 2.400 |
| Third Quarter | 5.53 | 4.400 | 2.130 | 2.900 |
| Fourth Quarter | 8.21 | 3.410 | 2.500 | 2.670 |
| 2004 | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 8.28 | \$ 4.190 | \$ 2.530 | \$ 3.950 |
| Second Quarter | 8.81 | 4.420 | 3.490 | 3.810 |
| Third Quarter | 10.13 | 7.720 | 3.610 | 7.000 |
| Fourth Quarter | 9.82 | 8.720 | 5.250 | 5.500 |

- (1) Net asset value per share is determined as of the last day in the calendar quarter and therefore may not reflect the net asset value per share on the date of the high or low sales prices for that specific quarter. The net asset values shown are based on outstanding shares at the end of each quarter and the previously reported values have been restated to reflect the 5% stock dividend declared on February 5, 1999 and the 6% stock dividend declared on December 7, 1999.

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED
PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

The Stockholders and Board of Directors

Waterside Capital Corporation

Norfolk, Virginia

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Waterside Capital Corporation, including the schedule of loans and investments, as of June 30, 2004 and 2003 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 the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. The financial statements of Waterside Capital Corporation as of June 30, 2002, were audited by other auditors whose report dated August 23, 2002, expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Waterside Capital Corporation as of June 30, 2004 and 2003, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America

Norfolk, Virginia

July 23, 2004

Table of Contents**WATERSIDE CAPITAL CORPORATION****BALANCE SHEETS****JUNE 30, 2003 AND 2004**

| | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| ASSETS: | | |
| LOANS AND INVESTMENTS (NOTE 2): | | |
| Investments in portfolio companies at fair value: | | |
| Debt securities | \$ 10,549,973 | \$ 12,766,273 |
| Equity securities | 12,547,868 | 9,858,319 |
| Options and warrants | 6,320,902 | 5,965,298 |
| | <u>29,418,743</u> | <u>28,589,890</u> |
| Total portfolio securities | 29,418,743 | 28,589,890 |
| Assets acquired in liquidation of portfolio securities | | 250,000 |
| Notes receivable | 1,800,042 | 4,513,630 |
| | <u>31,218,785</u> | <u>33,353,520</u> |
| Total loans and investments (cost of \$28,335,143 and \$30,819,808 at June 30, 2003 and 2004, respectively) | 31,218,785 | 33,353,520 |
| CURRENT ASSETS: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 5,857,852 | 3,210,968 |
| Current portion of dividends receivable | 296,047 | 89,244 |
| Interest receivable | 97,934 | 130,811 |
| Prepaid expenses | 36,836 | 44,726 |
| Other current assets | 36,799 | 8,808 |
| | <u>6,325,468</u> | <u>3,484,557</u> |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS | 6,325,468 | 3,484,557 |
| Dividends receivable, excluding current portion | 551,500 | 1,013,000 |
| Property and equipment, net (Note 3) | 61,052 | 29,665 |
| Deferred financing costs, net | 724,575 | 618,570 |
| | <u>\$ 38,881,380</u> | <u>\$ 38,499,312</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 38,881,380 | \$ 38,499,312 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY: | | |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 5,628 | \$ 2,250 |
| Accrued interest | 677,066 | 622,117 |
| Accrued expenses (Note 4) | 78,932 | 174,662 |
| | <u>761,626</u> | <u>799,029</u> |
| TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES | 761,626 | 799,029 |
| Debentures payable (Note 5) | 25,400,000 | 23,400,000 |
| | <u>26,161,626</u> | <u>24,199,029</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 26,161,626 | 24,199,029 |
| STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY (NOTE 7): | | |
| Common stock, \$1 par value, authorized 10,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 1,548,630 and 1,456,675 at June 30, 2003 and June 30, 2004 respectively | 1,548,630 | 1,456,675 |

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| | | |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Preferred stock, \$1 par value, authorized 25,000 shares, no shares issued and outstanding | | |
| Additional paid-in capital | 14,553,719 | 14,204,223 |
| Net unrealized appreciation on investments, net of income taxes | 2,883,642 | 2,533,712 |
| Undistributed accumulated earnings (loss) | (6,266,237) | (3,894,327) |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY | 12,719,754 | 14,300,283 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Commitments and contingencies (Notes 2, 11, 12 and 13) | | |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY | \$ 38,881,380 | \$ 38,499,312 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Net asset value per common share | \$ 8.21 | \$ 9.82 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Table of Contents**WATERSIDE CAPITAL CORPORATION****STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS****YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2002, 2003 AND 2004**

| | <u>2002</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| OPERATING INCOME: | | | |
| Dividends | \$ 2,007,981 | \$ 1,444,822 | \$ 1,059,292 |
| Interest on debt securities | 1,220,768 | 1,353,940 | 1,412,148 |
| Interest on notes receivable | 12,723 | 36,596 | 166,052 |
| Interest on cash equivalents | 22,989 | 41,067 | 16,575 |
| Fee and other income | 462,522 | 316,321 | 357,120 |
| TOTAL OPERATING INCOME | 3,726,983 | 3,192,746 | 3,011,187 |
| OPERATING EXPENSES: | | | |
| Salaries and benefits | 690,331 | 699,679 | 809,923 |
| Legal and accounting | 265,950 | 251,050 | 106,677 |
| Legal expenses related to investee litigation (note 11) | 242,000 | | |
| Interest expense | 2,019,865 | 2,025,651 | 1,896,734 |
| Other operating expenses | 379,009 | 380,639 | 468,499 |
| TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES | 3,597,155 | 3,357,019 | 3,281,833 |
| Recovery related to investee litigation, net | | 615,018 | |
| Net operating income (loss) before income taxes | 129,828 | 450,745 | (270,646) |
| Income tax benefit (note 6) | | | |
| NET OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) | 129,828 | 450,745 | (270,646) |
| Realized gain (loss) on investments, net of income taxes of \$0, \$0 and \$0 for 2002, 2003 and 2004, respectively | (3,213,047) | (6,896,966) | 2,642,556 |
| Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments, net of income tax expense of \$550,000, \$0 and \$0 for 2002, 2003 and 2004 respectively | (237,934) | 10,585,917 | (349,930) |
| NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS | \$ (3,321,153) | \$ 4,139,696 | \$ 2,021,980 |
| NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS PER SHARE BASIC AND DILUTED | \$ (2.11) | \$ 2.66 | \$ 1.34 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding | 1,576,306 | 1,554,646 | 1,505,493 |

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Table of Contents**WATERSIDE CAPITAL CORPORATION****STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY****YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2002, 2003 AND 2004**

| | <u>Common Stock</u> | | <u>Additional Paid-In Capital</u> | <u>Net unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) on Investments</u> | <u>Undistributed Accumulated Earnings (Loss)</u> | <u>Total Stockholders Equity</u> |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---|--|--|--|
| | <u>Shares</u> | <u>Amount</u> | | | | |
| BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2001 | 1,581,430 | \$ 1,581,430 | \$ 14,618,719 | \$ (7,464,341) | \$ 3,263,203 | \$ 11,999,011 |
| Net operating income | | | | | 129,828 | 129,828 |
| Repurchase of outstanding stock | (23,800) | (23,800) | (48,400) | | | (72,200) |
| Net realized loss on investments, net of income taxes | | | | | (3,213,047) | (3,213,047) |
| Increase in net unrealized depreciation on investments, net of income taxes | | | | (237,934) | | (237,934) |
| BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2002 | 1,557,630 | \$ 1,557,630 | \$ 14,570,319 | \$ (7,702,275) | \$ 179,984 | \$ 8,605,658 |
| Net operating income | | | | | 450,745 | 450,745 |
| Net realized loss on investments | | | | | (6,896,966) | (6,896,966) |
| Increase in net unrealized appreciation on investments | | | | 10,585,917 | | 10,585,917 |
| Repurchase of outstanding stock | (9,000) | (9,000) | (16,600) | | | (25,600) |
| BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2003 | 1,548,630 | \$ 1,548,630 | \$ 14,553,719 | \$ 2,883,642 | \$ (6,266,237) | \$ 12,719,754 |
| Net operating loss | | | | | (270,646) | (270,646) |
| Net realized gain on investments | | | | | 2,642,556 | 2,642,556 |
| Decrease in net unrealized appreciation on investments | | | | (349,930) | | (349,930) |
| Repurchase of outstanding stock | (91,955) | (91,955) | (349,496) | | | (441,451) |
| BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2004 | 1,456,675 | \$ 1,456,675 | \$ 14,204,223 | \$ 2,533,712 | \$ (3,894,327) | \$ 14,300,283 |

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Table of Contents**WATERSIDE CAPITAL CORPORATION****STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS****YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2002, 2003, AND 2004**

| | <u>2002</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | | | |
| Net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ (3,321,153) | \$ 4,139,696 | \$ 2,021,980 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations to net cash (provided by) used in operating activities: | | | |
| Unrealized depreciation (appreciation) on investments | (312,066) | (10,585,917) | 349,930 |
| Realized (gain) loss on investments | 3,213,047 | 6,896,966 | (2,642,556) |
| Accretion of preferred stock and debt investments | (507,431) | (393,507) | (447,767) |
| Depreciation and amortization | 110,927 | 112,088 | 182,392 |
| Deferred income tax expense | 550,000 | | |
| Other non-cash items | (21,033) | 42,890 | |
| Changes in assets and liabilities increasing (decreasing) cash flows from operating activities: | | | |
| Dividends receivable | (108,941) | (136,835) | (254,697) |
| Interest receivable | 2,718 | 652 | (32,877) |
| Refundable income taxes | 533,225 | | |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 94,852 | 15,555 | 20,101 |
| Accounts payable, accrued interest and accrued expenses | 4,338 | (222,459) | 37,403 |
| Deferred revenue | 91,626 | (91,626) | |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | <u>330,109</u> | <u>(222,497)</u> | <u>(766,091)</u> |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: | | | |
| Recovery of investment | | 483,250 | 8,980 |
| Investments in equity securities made | | (250,000) | |
| Investments in debt securities made | (3,596,258) | (2,228,817) | (2,786,951) |
| Principal collected on debt securities | 1,946,860 | 2,262,617 | 1,566,825 |
| Proceeds from collection of notes receivable | 29,258 | 55,410 | 286,412 |
| Proceeds from sales of investments | 5,691,806 | 374,598 | 1,530,392 |
| Acquisition of property and equipment | (1,759) | (8,311) | |
| Net cash provided by investing activities | <u>4,069,907</u> | <u>688,747</u> | <u>605,658</u> |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | | |
| Repurchase of stock | (72,200) | (25,600) | (441,451) |
| Principal payment on SBA guaranteed debt | | | (2,000,000) |
| Payment of deferred financing costs | | | (45,000) |
| Net cash used in financing activities | <u>(72,200)</u> | <u>(25,600)</u> | <u>(2,486,451)</u> |
| NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS | <u>4,327,816</u> | <u>440,650</u> | <u>(2,646,884)</u> |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR | <u>1,089,386</u> | <u>5,417,202</u> | <u>5,857,852</u> |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR | <u>\$ 5,417,202</u> | <u>\$ 5,857,852</u> | <u>\$ 3,210,968</u> |

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|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information: | | | |
| Cash paid during the year for interest | \$ 2,067,770 | \$ 2,025,651 | \$ 1,951,683 |
| Cash paid during the year for income taxes | \$ | \$ | \$ |

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Noncash investing activities:

In the first quarter of 2002, the Company's preferred stock investment in Tangent Solutions, Inc. was settled in exchange for a \$87,842 note receivable through a bankruptcy proceeding. Of this amount, \$66,682 was written off as a realized loss upon completion of the bankruptcy process.

In the fourth quarter of 2002, the Company accepted a debt security in the amount of \$358,916 from Triangle Biomedical Sciences and exercised warrants for 54,743 shares of common stock. The investment was obtained through the forgiveness of \$396,000 of dividends receivable and a noncash financing fee of \$14,687. The exercise price of \$51,771 on the warrants was netted against these items.

In October 2002, the Company sold stock warrants with a cost of \$2,199 in exchange for a \$60,000 note, resulting in a realized gain of \$57,801.

In October 2002, the Company acquired the net assets associated with the Systems Integration Division of Netplex Systems, Inc. in exchange for the cancellation of certain debt and equity securities, with accrued interest and dividends thereon of \$16,710, totaling \$1.75 million. Those net assets were then sold to Lakeview Technology Solutions, Inc. in exchange for debt and equity securities totaling \$1.75 million.

During the first quarter of fiscal year 2002, the Company's preferred stock in Tangent Solutions, Inc. was settled in exchange for a note receivable through a bankruptcy proceeding. In the second quarter of fiscal year 2003, the remaining note, in the amount of \$19,402, was written off as a realized loss.

In March 2003, the Company accepted a debt security in the amount of \$33,000 from Triangle Biomedical Sciences for the forgiveness of \$33,000 of dividends receivable.

In March 2003, the Company accepted a note receivable for \$1,566,000 for the sale of stock warrants in Answernet, Inc., resulting in a realized gain of \$1,363,000.

In June 2004, the Company accepted a note receivable for \$3,000,000 for the sale of 2,059 shares of common stock in Signius Investment Corporation, resulting in a realized gain of \$2,667,405.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Waterside Capital Corporation (the Company) was incorporated in the Commonwealth of Virginia on July 13, 1993 and is a closed-end investment company licensed by the Small Business Administration (the SBA) as a Small Business Investment Corporation (SBIC). The Company makes equity investments in, and provides loans to, small business concerns to finance their growth, expansion and development. Under applicable SBA regulations, the Company is restricted to investing only in qualified small business concerns as contemplated by the Small Business Investment Act of 1958. The Company made its first loan to a small business concern in October 1996 and its first equity investment in November 1996.

In January 1998, the Company completed an Initial Public Offering (IPO) of 852,000 shares of common stock at a price of \$11.00 per share. The net proceeds, after \$1,288,464 of offering costs, were \$8,083,536.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid securities purchased with original maturities of three months or less at the acquisition date to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following at June 30, 2003 and 2004:

| | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents in banks | \$ 5,856,757 | \$ 3,209,873 |
| Cash deposits in brokerage accounts | 1,095 | 1,095 |
| Total | \$ 5,857,852 | \$ 3,210,968 |

The brokerage account reflected above consists of a deposit account held with a brokerage house to facilitate the trading of stock.

Investment Valuation

Investments are carried at fair value, as determined by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors. The Company, through its Board of Directors, has adopted the Model Valuation Policy, as published by the SBA, in Appendix III to Part 107 of Title 12 of the Code of Federal Regulations (the Policy). The Policy, among other things, presumes that loans and investments are acquired with the intent that they are to be held until maturity or disposed of in the ordinary course of business. Except for interest-bearing securities which are convertible into common stock, interest-bearing securities are valued at an amount not greater than cost, with unrealized depreciation being recognized when value is impaired. Equity securities of private companies are presumed to represent cost unless the performance of the portfolio company, positive or negative, indicates otherwise in accordance with the Policy guidelines. The fair values of equity securities of publicly traded companies are generally based on quoted market prices discounted due to the investment size or market liquidity concerns and for the effect of restrictions on the sale of such securities. Discounts can range from 0% to 40% for investment size and market liquidity concerns. Discounts for restriction on the sale of the investments are 15% in accordance with the provisions of the Policy. The Company maintains custody of its investments as permitted by the Investment Company Act of 1940.

Realized and Unrealized Gain or Loss on Investments

Realized gains or losses recorded upon disposition of investments are calculated as the difference between the net proceeds and the cost basis determined using the specific identification method. All other changes in the value of investments are included as changes in the unrealized appreciation or depreciation in the statement of operations.

Recognition of Interest and Dividend Income

Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. In the case of dividends on preferred stock investments where the Company has an agreement stipulating dividends payable, the Company accrues the dividends in income on a pro-rata basis

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during the year. Otherwise, dividends are recorded as income on the ex-dividend date. The fair value of the Company's non-current portion of dividends receivable is determined by discounting the future cash flows using current interest rates. The Company ceases to accrue dividends and interest income if the investee is more than 120 days delinquent in their payments. Accretion of loans and preferred stock investments are recorded as a component of interest and dividend income in the statement of operations.

Fee Income

Portfolio investment processing fees are recognized as income upon consummation of the related investment transaction.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost. Depreciation and amortization of property and equipment is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from five to seven years. Leasehold improvements are amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term or estimated useful life of the asset.

Deferred Financing Costs

Deferred financing costs consist of origination and processing fees paid in connection with the issuance of SBA debentures. The origination and processing fees are amortized using the effective interest method over the life of the related debentures. Accumulated amortization was \$234,425 and \$285,430 at June 30, 2003 and 2004, respectively.

Income Taxes

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating and capital loss carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

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Net Increase (Decrease) in Stockholders' Equity Resulting From Operations per Share

Basic earnings per share has been computed by dividing net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur assuming the inclusion of common share equivalents and has been computed by dividing net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations by the weighted average number of common shares and dilutive common share (equivalents outstanding). Dilutive common share equivalents include all outstanding stock options and warrants after applying the treasury stock method.

Stock Option Plan

As permitted under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123, *Accounting for Stock Based Compensation*, the Company has chosen to account for stock-based compensation using the intrinsic value method prescribed in Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees* (APB Opinion No. 25), and related interpretations. Accordingly, compensation cost for stock options is measured as the excess, if any, of the estimated fair value of the Company's stock at the date of grant over the amount an employee must pay to acquire the stock.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities

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and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Reclassification

Certain amounts reflected in the 2003 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2004 financial statement presentation.

(2) LOANS AND INVESTMENTS

Loans and investments consist primarily of preferred stock, debt securities, options and warrants, and notes receivable obtained from portfolio companies in accordance with SBIC investment regulations. The financial statements include securities valued at \$31,218,785 and \$33,353,520 at June 30, 2003 and 2004 (80.2% and 86.6% of assets), respectively. The valuation process completed by management includes estimates made by management and the Executive Committee in the absence of readily ascertainable market values. These estimated values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed, and those differences could be material.

The notes receivable are due from a guarantor of one of the Company's liquidated investments and purchasers of warrant shares in three investee companies.

(3) PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment at June 30, 2003 and 2004 consists of the following:

| | 2003 | 2004 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Furniture and fixtures | \$ 86,895 | \$ 86,895 |
| Computer equipment and software | 130,333 | 130,333 |
| Leasehold improvements | 8,311 | 8,311 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| | 225,539 | 225,539 |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization | 164,487 | 195,874 |

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|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Property and equipment, net | \$ 61,052 | \$ 29,665 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|

(4) ACCRUED EXPENSES

Accrued expenses at June 30, 2003 and 2004 consist of the following:

| | 2003 | 2004 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Accrued accounting and legal expense | \$ 42,171 | \$ 37,553 |
| Accrued salaries and benefits | | 96,417 |
| Other accrued expenses | 36,761 | 40,692 |
| Total accrued expenses | \$ 78,932 | \$ 174,662 |

(5) DEBENTURES PAYABLE

Based on its existing regulatory capital, the SBA has approved the issuance of up to \$31,900,000 of debentures for the Company. All debentures, if and when issued, bear interest payable semi-annually at a fixed rate and are due at maturity, which is generally 10 years from the date the interest rate is fixed. The debentures are subject to a prepayment penalty for the first five years they are outstanding. During 1999, the Company utilized \$12,300,000 of the available amount, \$6,000,000 of which bears interest at 7.24% and matures on March 1, 2009 and \$6,300,000 of which bears interest at 8.22% and matures on September 1, 2009. On September 1, 2003, the Company elected to prepay \$2,000,000 of the \$6,300,000 maturing

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September 1, 2009. During 2000, the Company utilized an additional \$7,000,000, which bears interest at 8.64% and matures on March 1, 2010. During 2001, the Company utilized an additional \$6,100,000 of the available facility, \$3,100,000 of which bears interest at 8.45% and matures on September 1, 2010 and \$3,000,000 of which bears interest at 6.89% and matures on September 1, 2011. At June 30, 2004, \$8,500,000 of the approved amount remains available for future borrowing.

(6) INCOME TAXES

The Company's provision for income taxes for the years ended June 30, 2002, 2003, and 2004 was allocated as follows:

| | <u>2002</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|--|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Income tax expense (benefit) attributable to operations | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Deferred tax expense (benefit) attributable to change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation on investments | 550,000 | | |
| Current tax expense attributable to realized gain on investments | | | |
| Total income tax expense (benefit) | \$ 550,000 | \$ | \$ |

The Company had no income tax expense (benefit) attributable to operations for the years ended June 30, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

The 2002, 2003 and 2004 actual tax expense (benefit) attributable to operations differs from the amount which would be provided by applying the statutory federal rate to net operating income before income taxes as follows:

| | <u>2002</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Computed expected tax expense (benefit) | \$ 44,000 | \$ 153,000 | \$ (92,000) |
| State taxes, net of federal impact | | | |
| Nontaxable dividend income | (621,000) | (491,000) | (360,000) |
| Change in valuation allowance attributable to operations | 576,000 | 338,000 | 452,000 |
| Other | 1,000 | | |
| Total income tax expense (benefit) attributable to operations | \$ | \$ | \$ |

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The Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities at June 30, 2003 and 2004 are as follows:

| | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Deferred tax assets: | | |
| Investments, due to recognition of unrealized depreciation and accretion for financial statement purposes | \$ | \$ |
| Property and equipment, due to differing depreciation methods | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Capital loss carryforward | 3,840,000 | 2,834,000 |
| Net operating loss carryforward | 1,290,000 | 1,870,000 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total gross deferred tax assets | 5,134,000 | 4,708,000 |
| Less valuation allowance | (3,420,000) | (3,248,000) |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total net deferred tax assets | 1,714,000 | 1,460,000 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Deferred tax liabilities: | | |
| Investments, due to recognition of unrealized appreciation and accretion for financial statement purposes | 1,714,000 | 1,460,000 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Net deferred tax assets | \$ | \$ |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

The Company's valuation allowance decreased \$1,367,000 and \$172,000 for the years ended June 30, 2003 and 2004, respectively.

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In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. Management considers projected future taxable income and tax planning strategies in making this assessment. Because the Company's dividend income is not taxable, the primary source of future taxable income available to the Company will be realized gains on sales of investments, the realization of which is uncertain. Management determined that projected future taxable income does not support the realization of the net deferred tax assets as of June 30, 2004, and a valuation allowance has been recorded to offset the entire net deferred tax assets. At June 30, 2004, the Company has net operating loss carryforwards for federal income tax purposes of \$4,924,000, which are available to offset future federal taxable income, if any, through 2023, and a capital loss carryforward of \$7,467,000 available to offset capital gains through 2012.

(7) STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Stock Dividend

On December 7, 1999, the Company declared a 6% stock dividend to shareholders of record as of January 14, 2000. On January 31, 2000, the Company issued 89,493 shares of common stock in conjunction with this dividend. Accordingly, amounts equal to the fair market value (based on quoted market prices) of the additional shares issued have been charged to retained earnings and capitalized as common stock and additional paid-in capital. Historical earnings per share, weighted average shares outstanding and net asset value per share have been restated to reflect the 6% stock dividend.

Undistributed Accumulated Earnings

Undistributed accumulated earnings at June 30, 2003 and 2004 consist of the following:

| | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Undistributed accumulated investment income | \$ 3,309,618 | \$ 3,038,972 |
| Undistributed accumulated net realized gains (losses) | (9,575,855) | (6,933,299) |
| Undistributed accumulated earnings | <u>\$ (6,266,237)</u> | <u>\$ (3,894,327)</u> |

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Effective December 7, 1999, the Executive Committee of the Company's Board of Directors and the SBA approved the capitalization of \$1,200,000 of the Company's undistributed accumulated earnings, which reduced the undistributed accumulated net realized gains disclosed above.

Stock Repurchase Program

During February 2002, the Company's Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase program. Under the program, the Company can repurchase up to two percent of its regulatory capital over the next year in open market and in privately negotiated transactions. During the year ended June 30, 2004, the Company acquired 91,955 shares of common stock at a total cost of \$441,451, or an average price of \$4.80 per share, which represents a discount of 51% in relation to the net asset value per share at June 30, 2004.

Stock Option Plan

During 1998, the Company adopted the Waterside Capital Corporation 1998 Employee Stock Option Plan (the Plan) pursuant to which the Company may grant stock options to officers and key employees. The Plan, as amended, authorizes the grant of options to purchase up to 212,000 shares of authorized but unissued common stock. Stock options are granted with an exercise price equal to the stock's fair market value at the date of grant. All stock options have 10-year terms and vest on a graded schedule, at which time they become fully exercisable. At June 30, 2004, there were 67,140 additional shares available for future grant under the Plan.

The per share, weighted-average fair value of all stock options granted is \$3.45. The fair value of each grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions: expected life of five

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years, expected volatility of 51.01%, expected dividend yield of 0% and risk-free interest rate of 6.23% for options granted in fiscal 2000; expected life of five years, expected volatility of 67.64%, expected dividend yield of 0% and risk-free interest rate of 4.82% for options granted in fiscal 2001; and expected life of five years, expected volatility of 60.0%, expected dividend yield of 0% and risk-free interest rate of 3.12% for options granted in fiscal 2004. No options were granted in fiscal 2002 or 2003.

Under the Plan, the employee stock options are dividend protected. As a result, the exercise price of the outstanding options was adjusted downward and the number of options increased so as to equalize the holder's value before and after a stock dividend or split. As a result of the stock dividend described above, all options outstanding were adjusted in accordance with the Plan.

The Company applies APB Opinion No. 25 in accounting for the Plan and, accordingly, no compensation cost has been recognized for stock option grants in the financial statements. Had the Company determined compensation cost based on the fair value at the grant date for its stock options under SFAS No. 123, the Company's net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations would have been reflected at the pro forma amounts indicated below:

| | <u>2002</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|--|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations: | | | |
| As reported | \$ (3,321,153) | \$ 4,139,696 | \$ 2,021,980 |
| Pro forma | (3,488,832) | 4,083,973 | 2,021,980 |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share - basic and diluted: | | | |
| As reported | \$ (2.11) | 2.66 | 1.34 |
| Pro forma | (2.21) | 2.63 | 1.34 |

Stock option activity during the periods indicated is as follows:

| | <u>Number of Shares</u> | <u>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Balance at June 30, 2001 | 193,945 | \$ 7.533 |
| Forfeited | (1,000) | 8.250 |
| Cancelled | (50,085) | 9.897 |
| Balance at June 30, 2002 | 142,860 | 6.693 |
| Granted | | |

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|--------------------------|---------|-------|
| Balance at June 30, 2003 | 142,860 | 6.693 |
| Granted | 2,000 | 3.970 |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance at June 30, 2004 | 144,860 | 6.655 |
| | <hr/> | |

At June 30, 2002, 2003 and 2004, 126,194, 142,860 and 142,860 options, respectively, were exercisable.

The range of exercise prices and weighted-average remaining contractual life of outstanding options at June 30, 2004 is \$3.97 - \$8.25 and 5.9 years, respectively.

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(8) NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the calculation of basic and diluted net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share for the years ended June 30, 2002, 2003 and 2004:

| | <u>2002</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2004</u> |
|--|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Basic net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share: | | | |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ (3,321,153) | \$ 4,139,696 | \$ 2,021,980 |
| Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding | 1,576,306 | 1,554,646 | 1,505,483 |
| Basic net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share | \$ (2.11) | \$ 2.66 | \$ 1.34 |
| Diluted net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share: | | | |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ (3,321,153) | \$ 4,139,696 | \$ 2,021,980 |
| Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding | 1,576,306 | 1,554,646 | 1,505,483 |
| Dilutive effect of stock options (as determined by using the treasury stock method) | — | — | — |
| Weighted-average number of common shares and dilutive common shares outstanding | 1,576,306 | 1,554,646 | 1,505,483 |
| Diluted net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share | \$ (2.11) | \$ 2.66 | \$ 1.34 |

(9) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2002, 2003 and 2004 the Company has no reportable related party transactions.

(10) LEASES

The Company has two noncancelable operating leases, primarily for office space, that expire over the next four years.

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Future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating leases (with initial or remaining lease terms in excess of one year) as of June 30, 2004 are:

| Year ending June 30, | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| 2005 | \$ 38,860 |
| 2006 | 37,926 |
| 2007 | 37,926 |
| 2008 | 25,284 |
| 2009 | |
| | <hr/> |
| Total minimum lease payments | \$ 139,996 |
| | <hr/> |

Net rental expense for operating leases for the years ended June 30, 2002, 2003 and 2004 was \$67,403, \$58,536 and \$36,478, respectively.

(11) COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES AND SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Employment Agreement

The Company has an employment agreement with one active member of management. This agreement provides for a specified annual base salary and certain discretionary and performance-based bonuses. The contract also provides for stock

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options to be granted to the executive, where the executive may purchase common shares of the Company at the fair value of the Company's common stock at the time of grant. The agreement expires on January 31, 2005.

Line of Credit

The Company has an open line of credit with a financial institution with a total availability of \$2,500,000. The line bears interest at the bank's prime rate. There were no outstanding borrowings under the line at June 30, 2004. The line of credit expires on November 1, 2004.

Investee Litigation

Litigation involving two former investees was settled during fiscal year 2003, and the Company received \$1,418,250 in connection with the settlements. A significant portion of the proceeds was considered to be a recovery of the legal expenses incurred during 2002 and 2003 related to these litigations.

Capital Impairment

The Company is required to calculate the amount of capital impairment each reporting period based on Small Business Administration (SBA) regulations. The purpose of the calculation is to determine if the Undistributed Net Realized Earnings (Deficit) after adjustment for non-includable gains on securities exceeds the regulatory limits. If the adjusted deficit is greater than the calculated maximum impairment percentage, 50% for the Company as of June 30, 2004, the company is considered to have impaired capital. As of June 30, 2004, the Company had a capital impairment percentage of 56.09%.

During the year, the Company sold some stock and warrants and took back debt instruments in lieu of cash. Since the transactions occurred with a small non-public company, the debt instruments were not rated and have not been valued by an investment-banking firm. As of June 30, 2004, \$4,919,556 of non-cash gains was not includable in the calculation of the impairment percentage and the Company's capital was impaired. This results in a technical default of the loan agreement with the SBA.

The default of the loan agreement with the SBA may be cured in several ways. Subsequent to June 30, 2004, the Company was advised by the SBA that they had cured the technical default through a credit enhancement of a note receivable with a letter of credit. This resulted in a capital impairment ratio below 50%.

(12) CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

Most of the Company's portfolio investment companies are located in the Mid-Atlantic region of the United States. In addition, three of the Company's portfolio investment companies are in the telecommunications industry. As a result, any adverse impact on the economy of that region or the telecommunications industry could adversely impact the Company's results of operations and financial position.

(13) FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following summary disclosures are made in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 107, *Disclosures About Fair Value of Financial Instruments*. Fair value is defined in the statement as the amount at which an instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties.

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments at June 30, 2003 and 2004:

Cash and cash equivalents, dividends receivable, interest receivable, accounts payable, accrued interest and accrued expenses:

The carrying amounts approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.

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Loans and investments:

The Company's loans and investments are reflected at fair value in the Company's balance sheets. The fair value of portfolio investments is determined by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors or by current market prices, if available, in accordance with the Company's valuation policy (see note 2).

Debentures payable:

The fair value of the debentures payable is estimated by discounting the future cash flows using current interest rates at which similar notes would be made to borrowers with similar credit ratings. The fair value of the \$25,400,000 debentures at June 30, 2003 and \$23,400,000 at June 30, 2004 was estimated to be \$28,751,000 and \$26,968,000, respectively.

(14) EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

Effective July 1, 1998, the Company adopted the Waterside Capital Corporation Defined Contribution Plan (the Plan). The Plan is available to all employees of the Company, regardless of age, who have completed at least three months of service. Eligible employees may contribute up to 8% of their compensation annually with the Company providing contributions of 100% of the first 6% of participating employees' contributions. In addition, the Company has the ability to make discretionary contributions, which will be determined by a resolution of the Board of Directors. Total employer expense for the Plan for the years ended June 30, 2002, 2003 and 2004 was \$34,145, \$37,765 and \$33,259, respectively.

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The Company's loans and investments at June 30, 2003 consisted of the following:

| <u>Debt Securities:</u> | <u>Maturity</u> | <u>Cost or Contributed Value</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
|---|-----------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Avery Communications, Inc. | 12/31/2006 | \$ 680,681 | \$ 680,681 |
| Caldwell / VSR, Inc. | 12/16/2006 | 1,653,526 | 1,653,526 |
| Digital Square, Inc. (a) | Demand | 289,250 | |
| Diversified Telecom, Inc. (a) | 5/19/2002 | 131,237 | 131,237 |
| Diversified Telecom, Inc. (a) | 10/13/2003 | 37,250 | 37,250 |
| EPM Development Systems / New Life | 5/29/2004 | 58,501 | 58,501 |
| Eton Court Asset Management, Ltd. (a) | 11/15/2007 | 570,316 | 570,316 |
| Eton Court Asset Management, Ltd. (a) | 5/18/2004 | 541,246 | 541,246 |
| FireKing International, Inc. | 12/31/2005 | 2,550,000 | 2,550,000 |
| Lakeview Technology Solutions, Inc. | 11/1/2007 | 800,000 | 800,000 |
| Lakeview Technology Solutions, Inc. | 11/1/2009 | 1,161,779 | 1,161,779 |
| New Dominion Pictures, LLC | 7/1/2006 | 841,229 | 841,229 |
| New Dominion Pictures, LLC | 7/1/2007 | 375,000 | 375,000 |
| Tabet Manufacturing Co., Inc. | 12/31/2004 | 370,191 | 370,191 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences (b) | 12/21/2005 | 200,000 | 200,000 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences (b) | 6/30/2005 | 391,916 | 391,916 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences (b) | 6/30/2005 | 187,101 | 187,101 |
| Total debt securities | | 10,839,223 | 10,549,973 |
| <u>Equity Securities:</u> | <u>Number of Shares</u> | <u>Cost or Contributed Value</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
| Publicly Traded Companies: | | | |
| Avery Communications, Inc. Preferred Stock | 1,250,000 | \$ 1,250,000 | \$ 1,250,000 |
| Primal Solutions, Inc. Common Stock | 200,000 | 4,000 | 4,200 |
| Private Companies: | | | |
| AmeriComm Direct Marketing, LLC Common Stock | 27,696 | 28 | 185,000 |
| Answernet, Inc. Preferred Stock | 150 | 122,230 | 122,230 |
| Answernet, Inc. (Signius Invest Corp) Preferred Stock | 700 | 528,048 | 528,048 |
| Crispies, Inc. Preferred Stock | 400 | 400,000 | 400,000 |
| Delta Educational Systems, Inc. Preferred Stock | 400 | 400,000 | 400,000 |
| Digital Square, Inc. Convertible Preferred Stock (a) | 1,513,425 | 1,513,425 | |
| Diversified Telecom, Inc. Preferred Stock (a) | 1,500 | 1,500,000 | 118,512 |
| EPM Development Systems / New Life Preferred Stock | 1,500 | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 |
| Eton Court Asset Management, Ltd Preferred Stock (a) | 1,000 | 987,277 | 119,438 |
| Fairfax Publishing Co., Inc. Preferred Stock | 600 | 590,224 | 590,224 |
| Lakeview Technology Solutions, Inc. Preferred Stock | 500 | 469,015 | 469,015 |
| New Dominion Pictures, LLC Preferred Stock | 250 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Signius Investment Corporation Common Stock (b) | 2,059 | 332,595 | 2,046,000 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences Common Stock (b) | 54,743 | 223,738 | 268,256 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences Preferred Stock (a & b) | 2,200 | 2,164,945 | 2,164,945 |

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|---|---------|------------|------------|
| VentureCom, Inc. Convertible Preferred Stock | 278,164 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 |
| Wireless Systems Engineering, Inc. Common Stock (b) | 48,000 | 281,000 | 132,000 |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total equity securities | | 14,516,525 | 12,547,868 |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |

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| <u>Stock Options and Warrants:</u> | <u>Number of Shares</u> | <u>Percentage Ownership</u> | <u>Cost or Contributed Value</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Answernet, Inc. | 16,937 | 4.00 | \$ 65,149 | \$ 334,000 |
| Caldwell / VSR, Inc. | 95,270 | 5.75 | 95,270 | 95,270 |
| Crispies, Inc. | 61,650 | 13.00 | 2,800 | 5,260 |
| Digital Square, Inc. | 150,000 | | 75,000 | |
| EPM Development Systems Corp. | 201 | 7.60 | 11,600 | 1,177,415 |
| Eton Court Asset Management, Ltd | 21,848 | 18.50 | 34,700 | |
| Fairfax Publishing Co., Inc | 1,026 | 20.30 | 123,238 | 426,638 |
| ISR Solutions, Inc. | 534,167 | 1.88 | 9,546 | 121,919 |
| Jubilee Tech International, Inc. | 400,000 | 1.60 | | |
| Lakeview Technology Solutions, Inc. | 122,000 | 25.00 | 122,000 | 122,000 |
| Mayfair Enterprises, Inc. | 22 | | | |
| New Dominion Pictures, LLC | | 12.30 | 464,650 | 3,863,000 |
| Tabet Manufacturing Co., Inc. | 487,500 | 19.50 | 175,400 | 175,400 |
| Total options and warrants | | | 1,179,353 | 6,320,902 |

| <u>Notes Receivable</u> | <u>Maturity</u> | <u>Cost or Contributed Value</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------|
| Charles Dean | 9/1/2007 | \$ 48,992 | \$ 48,992 |
| Duncan McDuff | On Demand | 210,050 | 210,050 |
| Executel Communications, Inc. | 3/1/2010 | 1,541,000 | 1,541,000 |
| Total notes receivable | | 1,800,042 | 1,800,042 |
| TOTAL LOANS AND INVESTMENTS | | \$ 28,335,143 | \$ 31,218,785 |

(a) Entity is in arrears with respect to dividend/interest payments.

(b) This entity is considered an affiliate of the Company.

The Company's loans and investments at June 30, 2004 consisted of the following:

| <u>Debt Securities:</u> | <u>Maturity</u> | <u>Cost or Contributed Value</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|--|-------------------|
| Avery Communications, Inc. | 12/31/2006 | \$ 680,681 | \$ 680,681 |
| Caldwell / VSR, Inc. | 12/16/2006 | 1,671,490 | 1,671,490 |
| Caldwell / VSR, Inc. | 10/31/2004 | 800,000 | 800,000 |
| Diversified Telecom, Inc. (a) | 5/19/2002 | 131,238 | 152,750 |
| Diversified Telecom, Inc. (a) | 10/13/2003 | 22,250 | 22,250 |

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|---|------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| EPM Development Systems / New Life | 5/29/2004 | 173,000 | 173,000 |
| Eton Court Asset Management, Ltd. (a) | 11/15/2007 | 1,177,127 | 1,177,127 |
| FireKing International, Inc. | 12/31/2005 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 |
| JTI, Inc. | 8/1/2008 | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| Lakeview Technology Solutions, Inc. (a) | 11/1/2007 | 980,000 | 980,000 |
| Lakeview Technology Solutions, Inc. (a) | 11/1/2009 | 1,157,779 | 1,157,779 |
| New Dominion Pictures, LLC | 11/1/2010 | 1,188,246 | 1,188,246 |
| New Dominion Pictures, LLC | 7/1/2006 | 891,390 | 891,390 |
| New Dominion Pictures, LLC | 7/1/2007 | 375,000 | 375,000 |
| Rileen Innovative Technologies, Inc. | 11/1/2008 | 218,977 | 218,977 |
| Tabet Manufacturing Co., Inc. | 5/1/2005 | 28,928 | 28,928 |
| Tabet Manufacturing Co., Inc. | 12/31/2004 | 419,638 | 419,638 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences (b) | 12/21/2005 | 200,000 | 200,000 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences (b) | 6/30/2005 | 391,916 | 391,916 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences (b) | 6/30/2005 | 187,101 | 187,101 |
| Total debt securities | | 12,744,761 | 12,766,273 |

Table of Contents**SCHEDULE OF LOANS AND INVESTMENTS continued**

| <u>Equity Securities:</u> | <u>Number of Shares</u> | <u>Cost or Contributed Value</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
|---|---------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Publicly Traded Companies: | | | |
| Primal Solutions, Inc. Common Stock | 200,000 | \$ 4,000 | \$ 41,000 |
| Private Companies: | | | |
| AmeriComm Direct Marketing, LLC Common Stock | 27,696 | 28 | 434,000 |
| Answernet, Inc. (Signius Invest Corp) Preferred Stock | 700 | 420,775 | 420,775 |
| Avery Communications, Inc. Preferred Stock (a) | 1,250,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,250,000 |
| Diversified Telecom, Inc. Preferred Stock (a) | 1,500 | 1,500,000 | |
| EPM Development Systems / New Life Preferred Stock | 1,500 | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 |
| Eton Court Asset Management, Ltd Preferred Stock (a) | 1,000 | 1,000,000 | 783,873 |
| Eton Court Asset Management, Ltd Common Stock | 56,863 | 34,700 | |
| Fairfax Publishing Co., Inc. Preferred Stock | 600 | 600,000 | 600,000 |
| Lakeview Technology Solutions, Inc. Preferred Stock (a) | 500 | 469,015 | |
| New Dominion Pictures, LLC Preferred Stock | 250 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Rileen Innovative Technologies, Inc. | 420 | 33,500 | 33,500 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences Common Stock (b) | 54,743 | 223,738 | 223,738 |
| Triangle Biomedical Sciences Preferred Stock (a & b) | 2,200 | 2,190,433 | 2,190,433 |
| VentureCom, Inc. Convertible Preferred Stock | 278,164 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 |
| Wireless Systems Engineering, Inc. Common Stock (b) | 48,000 | 281,000 | 131,000 |
| Total equity securities | | 11,757,189 | 9,858,319 |

| <u>Stock Options and Warrants:</u> | <u>Number of Shares</u> | <u>Percentage Ownership</u> | <u>Cost or Contributed Value</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Answernet, Inc. | 16,937 | 4.00 | \$ 65,149 | \$ 427,000 |
| Caldwell / VSR, Inc. | 95,270 | 5.75 | 95,270 | 489,000 |
| Crispies, Inc. | 61,650 | 13.00 | 2,800 | 5,260 |
| EPM Development Systems Corp. | 201 | 7.60 | 11,600 | 404,000 |
| Fairfax Publishing Co., Inc | 1,026 | 20.30 | 123,238 | 426,638 |
| Lakeview Technology Solutions, Inc. | 122,000 | 25.00 | 122,000 | |
| New Dominion Pictures, LLC | 129 | 12.94 | 464,650 | 4,038,000 |
| Tabet Manufacturing Co., Inc. | 487,500 | 19.50 | 175,400 | 175,400 |
| Total options and warrants | | | 1,060,107 | 5,965,298 |

| <u>Assets Acquired in Liquidation of Portfolio Securities</u> | <u>Cost or Contributed Value</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
|---|--|-------------------|
| Digital Square, LLC | 744,121 | 250,000 |
| Total assets acquired in liquidation of portfolio securities | 744,121 | 250,000 |

| <u>Notes Receivable</u> | <u>Maturity</u> | <u>Cost or Contributed Value</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------|
| Charles Dean | 9/1/2007 | \$ 23,386 | \$ 23,386 |
| Duncan McDuff | Demand | 49,244 | 49,244 |
| Executel Communications, Inc. | 3/1/2010 | 1,441,000 | 1,441,000 |
| Signius Investment Corporation | 4/1/2009 | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 |
| Total notes receivable | | 4,513,630 | 4,513,630 |
| TOTAL LOANS AND INVESTMENTS | | \$ 30,819,808 | \$ 33,353,520 |

- (a) Entity is in arrears with respect to dividend/interest payments.
(b) This entity is considered an affiliate of the Company.

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| J. Alan Lindauer ¹ | Hardee Realty Corporation | General and Thoracic Surgery | Secretary and Chief Financial Officer |
| President and Chief Executive Officer | Henry U. Harris, III | R. Scott Morgan, Sr. ¹ | Martin N. Speroni |
| James E. Andrews ² | President Virginia Investment Counselors, a division of BB&T Asset Management | President TowneBank | Vice President and Director of Research |
| Retired | T. Richard Litton, Jr. ¹ Executive Vice President and General Counsel | Jordan E. Sloan | Lex W. Troutman |
| J.W. Whiting Chisman, Jr. ^{1,2,3} | Harbor Group International, LLC | Chairman and Chief Executive Officer | Vice President and Business Development Officer |
| President | Robert I. Low ¹ | Harbor Group International, LLC | |
| Dare Investment Company | Retired | | |
| Marvin S. Friedberg | | | |
| Chief Executive Officer | | | |
| Virginia Commonwealth Trading Company | | | |
| Eric L. Fox | | | |
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