

Great Pacific Securities' Business Continuity Plan

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Great Pacific Securities has developed a Business Continuity Plan on how we will respond to events that significantly disrupt our business. We are committed to protecting its customers and clients. Since the timing and impact of disasters and disruptions is unpredictable, we will have to be flexible in responding to actual events as they occur. All of these plans are reviewed regularly.

<u>Contacting Us</u> – If after a significant business disruption you cannot contact us as you usually do at (800) 284-4804, you should call our alternative number (714) 619-3000 or go to our website at <u>www.greatpac.com</u>. If you cannot access us through either of those means, you should contact our clearing firm, Broadcort(a divison of Bank of America Merrill Lynch) for instructions on how it may provide access to funds and securities, enter orders and process other trade-related transactions for our customers.

• For positions and balances you may call Broadcort at (646)-855-3986 or (917)-576-3995

<u>Our Business Continuity Plan</u>- We plan to quickly recover and resume business operations after a significant business disruption and respond by safeguarding our employees and property, making a financial and operational assessment, protecting the firm's books and records, and allowing our customers to transact business. In short, our business continuity plan is designed to permit our firm to resume operations as quickly as possible, given the scope and severity of the significant business disruption.

Our business continuity plan addresses: data back-up and recovery; all mission critical systems; financial and operational assessments; alternative communications with customers, employees, and regulators; alternate physical location of employees; critical supplier, contractor, bank and counter-party impact; regulatory reporting; and assuring our customers prompt access to their funds and securities if we are unable to continue our business.

Our clearing firm, Broadcort, a division of Bank of America Merrill Lynch, stores a copy of our important records in two geographically separate locations. While every emergency situation poses unique problems based on external factors, such as time of day and the severity of the disruption, our clearing firm has advised us that its objective is to restore its own operations and be able to complete existing transactions and accept new transactions



and payments within one day. Your orders and requests for funds and securities could be delayed during this period.

<u>Varying Disruptions</u> Significant business disruptions can vary in their scope, such as only our firm, a single building housing our firm, the business district where our firm is located, the city where we are located, or the whole region. Within each of these areas, the severity of the disruption can also vary from minimal to severe. In a disruption to only our firm or a building housing our firm, we will transfer our operations to a local site when needed to expect to recover and resume business within 4 hours. In a disruption affecting our business district, city, or region, we will transfer our operations to a site outside of the affected area, and recover and resume business within 24 hours. In either situation, we plan to continue in business, transfer operations to our clearing firm if necessary, and notify you through our website www.greatpac.com or our customer emergency number (800) 284-4806 and/or (714) 619-3000 on how to contact us. If the significant business disruption is so severe that it prevents us from remaining in business, we will assure our customer's prompt access to their funds and securities.

<u>For more information</u> -If you have any questions about our business continuity planning, you can contact us at (800) 284-4804.