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FORM 10-Q

" QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2002

COMMISSION FILE NO. 1-12449

SCPIE HOLDINGS INC.

(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

DELAWARE
(STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION
OF INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION)

95-4457980 (I.R.S. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NO.)

1888 CENTURY PARK EAST, SUITE 800 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

90067 (ZIP CODE)

REGISTRANT S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE:

(310) 551-5900

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer s classes of stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class

Outstanding at May 10, 2002

Preferred stock, par value \$1.00 per share Common stock, par value \$.0001 per share No shares outstanding 9.318.066 shares

PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

SCPIE HOLDINGS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In Thousands, Except Share Data)

	March 31, 2002		December 31, 2001	
		(unaudited)		
ASSETS		(
Securities available-for-sale:				
Fixed maturity investments, at fair value (amortized cost 2002 \$578,448; 2001 \$565,225)	\$	575,827	\$	569,144
Equity investments, at fair value (cost 2002 \$29,660; 2001 \$29,744)		26,071		29,098
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Total securities available-for-sale		601,898		598,242
Other investment		14,928		14,928
Short term investments		65,098		84,989
Real estate		15,676		15,766
Total Solute		13,070		13,700
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Total investments		697,600		713,925
Cash		7,124		10,162
Accrued investment income		9,451		8,673
Premiums receivable		151,169		82,490 79,248
Reinsurance recoverable on paid and unpaid		89,292		
Deferred policy acquisition costs Federal income taxes receivable		20,250		19,465
Deferred federal income taxes		21,691		11,558 36,661
		29,030		5,324
Costs in excess of net assets acquired		5,324		6,839
Property and equipment, net Other assets		6,436 3,610		
Other assets		3,010		3,301
Total assets	\$	1,040,977	\$	977,646
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LIABILITIES				
Reserves:	\$	504.000	\$	576,636
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	Э	594,088	Э	
Unearned premiums		162,237		101,868
Total reserves		756,325		678,504
Bank loan payable				9,000
Other liabilities		31,282		30,754
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Total liabilities		787,607		718,258
Commitments and contingencies		,		. 10,200

		March 31, 2002	December 31, 2001
STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY			
Preferred stock par value \$1.00, 5,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued or outstanding			
Common stock par value \$.0001, 30,000,000 shares authorized, 12,792,091 shares issued,2002 9	,318,066		
shares outstanding 2001 9,318,066 shares outstanding		1	1
Additional paid-in capital		37,805	37,803
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(4,422)	1,883
Retained earnings		322,671	322,734
		356,055	362,421
Treasury stock, at cost (2002 2,974,025 shares and 2001 2,974,025 shares)		(98,914)	(98,983)
Stock subscription notes receivable		(3,771)	(4,050)
Total stockholders equity		253,370	259,388
Total liabilities and stockholders equity		\$ 1,040,977	\$ 977,646

See accompanying notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In Thousands, Except Per Share Data) (Unaudited)

		nths Ended ch 31,
	2002	2001
Revenues:		
Premiums earned	\$ 81,053	\$ 47,638
Net investment income	8,538	9,002
Realized investment gains	335	1,200
Equity in earnings from affiliate	248	250
Other revenue	104	201
Total revenues	90,278	58,291
Expenses:		
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	68,700	45,840
Other operating expenses	20,777	9,264
Interest expenses	51	579
Total expenses	89,528	55,683
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Income before federal income taxes	750	2,608
Federal income tax expense (benefit)	(176)	367
Net income	\$ 926	\$ 2,241
Basic earnings per share of common stock	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.24
Diluted earnings per share of common stock	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.24
Cash dividend declared per share of common stock	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.10

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

(In Thousands) (Unaudited)

	 nmon ock]	dditional Paid-in Capital	Comp	umulated Other prehensive me (Loss)	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock	Sub	Stock scription Notes ceivable	Total Stock- Holders Equity
BALANCE AT JANUARY 1, 2002	\$ 1	\$	37,803	\$	1,883	\$ 322,734	\$ (98,983)	\$	(4,050)	\$ 259,388
Net income						926				926
Other comprehensive loss for unrealized gains on securities sold, net of reclassification adjustments of \$53										
for losses included in net income					(6,305)					(6,305)
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Comprehensive loss										(5,379)
Treasury stock reissued							69			69
Repayment of stock subscription note									279	279
Cash dividends						(989)				(989)
Other			2							2

BALANCE AT MARCH 31, 2002	\$ 1	\$ 37,805	\$ (4,422)	\$ 322,671	\$ (98,914)	\$ (3,771)	\$ 253,370

See accompanying notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In Thousands) (Unaudited)

		nths Ended ch 31,
	2002	2001
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	\$ 926	\$ 2,241
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Provision for amortization and depreciation	1,206	467
Provision for deferred federal income taxes		(2,264)
Realized investment gains	(335)	(1,200)
Equity in earnings of affiliate	(248)	(250)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Deferred acquisition costs	(785)	(3,362)
Accrued investment income	(778)	381
Federal income tax receivable	967	301
Unearned premiums	60,369	58,661
Unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses, and reinsurance recoverables	7,408	(4,364)
Other liabilities	528	14,163
Premium receivable	(68,679)	(51,787)
Other assets	(309)	(1,264)
Other assets	(509)	(1,204)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 270	\$ 11,422
INVESTING ACTIVITIES	((0.707)	¢ (152.740)
Purchases fixed maturities	(60,727)	\$ (153,748)
Sales fixed maturities	47,169	142,327
Maturities fixed maturities		7,148
Purchases equities	10.001	(2,500)
Changes in short-term investments	19,891	(9,746)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$ 6,333	\$ (16,519)
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FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Bank loan payment	\$ (9,000)	\$
Repayment of stock subscription note	279	
Reissue of treasury shares	69	134
Cash dividends	(989)	(924)
Net cash used in financing activities	\$ (9,641)	\$ (790)
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Decrease in cash	\$ (3,038)	\$ (5,887)
Cash at beginning of period	10,162	10,418
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Cash at end of period	\$ 7,124	\$ 4,531

See accompanying notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited) March 31, 2002

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts and operations, after intercompany eliminations, of SCPIE Holdings Inc. (SCPIE Holdings) and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, principally SCPIE Indemnity Company (SCPIE Indemnity), American Healthcare Indemnity Company (AHI), American Healthcare Specialty Insurance Company (AHSIC), SCPIE Underwriting Limited (SUL) and SCPIE Management Company (SMC), collectively, the Company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and with instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 7 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three-month period ended March 31, 2002 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2002. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in SCPIE Holdings annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.

Certain 2001 amounts have been reclassified to conform to the 2002 presentation.

2. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2002		2001
	(In Thousands, Exce Per Share Data)			-
Numerator:				
Net income	\$	926	\$	2,241
Numerator for:				
Basic earnings per share of common stock	\$	926	\$	2,241
Diluted earnings per share of common stock	\$	926	\$	2,241
Denominator:				
Denominator for basic earnings per share of common stock weighted-average shares outstanding		9,318		9,339
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Stock options		201		
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Denominator for diluted earnings per share of common stock adjusted weighted-average shares outstanding		9,519		9,339
Basic earnings per share of common stock	\$	0.10	\$	0.24
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Diluted earnings per share of common stock	\$	0.10	\$	0.24

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) (Unaudited)

March 31, 2002

3. INVESTMENTS

The Company s investments in available-for-sale securities at March 31, 2002 are summarized as follows:

	Cost or Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
		(In Tho	ousands)	
Fixed-maturity securities:				
Bonds:				
U. S. Government and Agencies	\$ 167,875	\$ 2,206	\$ 1,946	\$ 168,136
State, municipalities and political subdivisions	122,956	1,246	1,504	122,698
Mortgage-backed securities, U.S. Government	67,494	479	611	67,361
Corporate	220,123	1,502	3,993	217,632
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Total fixed-maturity securities	578,448	5,433	8,054	575,827
Equity securities	29,660	11,668	5,257	26,071
Total	\$ 608,108	\$ 17,101	\$ 13,311	\$ 601,898

4. FEDERAL INCOME TAXES

A reconciliation of income tax computed at the federal statutory tax rate to total income tax expense is as follows:

		nths Ended ch 31,
	2002	2001
	(In Tho	ousands)
Federal income tax at 35%	\$ 263	\$ 913
Increase (decrease) in taxes resulting from:		
Tax-exempt interest	(486)	(620)
Goodwill		53
Other	47	21
Total	\$ (176)	\$ 367

On March 9, 2002, the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 became law. The new law allows tax losses incurred in 2001 and 2002 to be carried back five years instead of the two years allowed under prior law. As a result of this law change, the Company will be able to recoup an additional approximate \$11 million of taxes paid in the three years ended December 31, 1998, 1999 and 2000 subsequent to filing its 2001 tax return. The federal income taxes receivable recorded on the December 31, 2001 balance sheet were increased by approximately \$11 million and the deferred tax asset decreased by an identical amount in the financial statements for the quarter ended March 31, 2002.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) (Unaudited)

March 31, 2002

5. BUSINESS SEGMENTS

The Company classifies its business into two segments: Direct Healthcare Liability Insurance and Assumed Reinsurance. Segments are designated based on the types of products provided and based on the risks associated with the products. Direct Healthcare Liability Insurance represents professional liability insurance for physicians, oral and maxillofacial surgeons, hospitals and other healthcare providers. Assumed Reinsurance represents the book of assumed, worldwide reinsurance of professional, commercial and personal liability coverages, commercial and residential property risks, accident and health coverages and marine coverages. Other includes items not directly related to the operating segments such as net investment income, realized investment gains and losses, and other revenue.

The following table presents information about reportable segment income (loss) and segment assets as of and for the period indicated (in thousands):

	Direct Healthcare Liability Insurance	Assumed Reinsurance	Other	Total
Three Months Ended March 31, 2002				
Premiums earned	\$ 43,142	\$ 37,911	\$	\$ 81,053
Net investment income			8,538	8,538
Realized investment gains			335	335
Equity earnings from affiliate			248	248
Other revenue			104	104
Total revenues	43,142	37,911	9,225	90,278
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	40,496	28,204		68,700
Other operating expenses	10,735	10,042		20,777
Interest expenses			51	51
Total expenses	51,231	38,246	51	89,528
Segment (loss) income before income taxes	(8,089)	(335)	9,174	750
Combined ratio	118.8%	100.9%		110.5%
Segment assets	\$ 264,498	\$ 71,755	\$ 704,724	\$ 1,040,977
	Direct Healthcare Liability Insurance	Assumed Reinsurance	Other	Total
Three Months Ended March 31, 2001				
Premiums earned	\$ 35,592	\$ 12,046	\$	\$ 47,638
Net investment income	Ψ 33,372	Ψ 12,010	9,002	9,002
Realized investment gains			1,200	1,200
Equity earnings from affiliate			250	250
Other revenue			201	201
2			231	201
Total revenues	35,592	12,046	10,653	58,291
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	35,117	10,723	10,000	45,840

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Other operating expenses	7,886	1,378		9,264
Interest expenses			579	579
Total expenses	43,003	12,101	579	55,683
Segment (loss) income before income taxes	(7,411)	(55)	10,074	2,608
Combined ratio	120.8%	100.5%		116.2%
Segment assets	\$ 195,061	\$ 15,699	\$ 719,489	\$ 930,249

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) (Unaudited)

March 31, 2002

6. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Company is named as defendant in various legal actions primarily arising from claims made under insurance policies and contracts. These actions are considered by the Company in estimating the loss and loss adjustment expense reserves. The Company s management believes that the resolution of these actions will not have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial position or results of operations.

Between January 1, 2000 and April 30, 2001, the Company issued endorsements to certain policyholders of the insurance company subsidiaries of Highlands Insurance Group, Inc. (HIG). Under these endorsements, the Company agreed to assume the policy obligations of the HIG insurance company subsidiaries, if the subsidiaries became unable to pay their obligations by reason of having been declared insolvent by a court of competent jurisdiction. The coverages included property, workers compensation, commercial automobile, general liability and umbrella. The gross premiums written by the HIG subsidiaries were approximately \$88.0 million for the subject policies. In November 2001, HIG disclosed that its A.M. Best Rating had been reduced to C- and that its financial plan might trigger some level of regulatory involvement. In December 2001, HIG announced that it would cease issuing any new or renewal policies as soon as practical. HIG has advised the Company that at March 31, 2002, the HIG insurance company subsidiaries had paid losses and LAE under the subject policies of \$31.5 million and had established case loss reserves of \$23.7 million, net of reinsurance. Incurred but not reported losses are expected to emerge; however, the amount cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. If the HIG insurance company subsidiaries are declared insolvent at some future date by a court of competent jurisdiction and unable to pay losses under the subject policies, the Company would be responsible to pay the amount of the losses incurred and unpaid at such date; however, the Company would be entitled to indemnification of a portion of this loss from certain of the reinsurers of the HIG insurance company subsidiaries. The Company would be subrogated to the rights of the policyholders as creditors of the HIG insurance company subsidiaries. The Annual Statements filed by the HIG insurance company subsidiaries with the applicable state regulatory authorities in March 2002 show combined policyholder surplus of approximately \$41.2 million at December 31, 2001, which includes \$152.6 million of reserve discounting. In February 2002, the Texas Department of Insurance issued Supervisory Orders to the Texas HIG Insurance Company subsidiaries. By their terms, the Orders are also binding on all of the HIG affiliates. Under these and similar orders in other jurisdictions, the HIG Insurance Company subsidiaries are effectively restricted to the run off payment of losses.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) (Unaudited)

March 31, 2002

7. ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

During 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* (FAS 142), which requires that, effective January 1, 2002, goodwill and certain other intangible assets deemed to have an indefinite useful life, cease amortizing. The following table illustrates the financial statement impact as though FAS 142 was in effect beginning January 1, 2001.

	,	except earning per amounts)
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2001		
Reported net income	\$	2,241
Add back: intangible amortization		539
Adjusted net income	\$	2,780
Basic and diluted earnings per share:		
Reported net income per share	\$	0.24
Intangible amortization		0.06
Adjusted net income per share	\$	0.30

8. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On April 30, 2002, the company eliminated 41 positions from a total staffing of 230. A one time charge of approximately \$600,000 will be recorded in the second quarter of 2002 related to severance and other associated costs.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

GENERAL

Certain statements in this report on Form 10-Q that are not historical fact constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors based on the Company s estimates and expectations concerning future events that may cause the actual results of the Company to be materially different from historical results or from any results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Actuarial estimates of losses and loss expenses and expectations concerning the Company s ability to retain current insureds at profitable levels, maintain its existing reinsurance relationships, and expand its healthcare liability insurance business in its principal market are dependent upon a variety of factors, including future economic, competitive and market conditions, frequency and severity of catastrophic events, future legislative and regulatory changes, the level of ratings established by national rating organizations, the inherent uncertainty of loss and loss expense estimates, and the cyclical nature of the property and casualty industry, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and many of which are beyond the control of the Company. In addition, the Company s future results will be, in large part, dependent upon the successful growth and profitability of a business segment, assumed reinsurance, in which the Company has only limited experience. The Company is also subject to certain structural risks, including statutory restrictions on intercompany transactions within the Company s holding company structure. These risks and uncertainties are discussed in more detail under Business Risk Factors, and Management s Discussion and Analysis General in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001.

The Company conducts its insurance business in two business segments: direct healthcare liability insurance and assumed reinsurance operations. Direct healthcare liability insurance represents professional liability insurance for physicians, oral and maxillofacial surgeons and dentists, healthcare facilities and other healthcare providers. The direct healthcare liability insurance segment includes premiums assumed under fronting arrangements related to a dental program. Assumed reinsurance represents the book of assumed worldwide reinsurance of professional, commercial and personal liability coverages, commercial and residential property risks, accident and health and workers compensation coverages and marine coverages.

The Company experienced significant underwriting losses in both segments during 2001. The losses in the direct healthcare liability insurance segment were almost entirely attributable to adverse experience incurred by the Company under policies issued to physicians and medical groups in states outside California. Adverse experience included both losses incurred under policies issued and renewed during 2001 and increases in loss reserves for policies issued in prior years. The Company instituted a number of premium rate increases and stricter underwriting standards during 2001 in an attempt to improve results. The Company and the independent insurance agency for the principal non-California programs (Brown & Brown) have recently agreed to terminate the Company s participation no later than March 2003. In the meantime, the Company continues to apply very strict underwriting requirements and has the full advantage of the rate increases on policies issued and renewed under these programs.

The underwriting loss experienced in the assumed reinsurance segment during 2001 was primarily the result of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack on the World Trade Center, Pentagon and certain airlines. During 2001, the Company recorded a loss of \$28.1 million from the September 11 event. As a result of the Company s 2001 financial results,

on February 21, 2002, A.M. Best & Co (A.M. Best), the leading rating organization for the insurance industry, downgraded the financial strength rating of the Company s insurance company subsidiaries to B++ (Very Good) from A (Excellent). The stated reason for the downgrade was the effect the losses for 2001 will have on the capitalization of the Company in relation to significant premium growth that occurred during 2001. This downgrade could have a material adverse effect on the ability of the Company to maintain its volume of premiums written and earned, particularly in the assumed reinsurance segment.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2002 COMPARED TO THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2001

Consolidated Operating Results

Total revenues were \$90.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002, an increase of 54.9% over total revenues of \$58.3 million for the same period in 2001. Premiums earned increased \$33.4 million, or 70%, for the quarter ended March 31, 2002. The increase was principally attributable to assumed reinsurance premiums earned of \$37.9 million in the first quarter of 2002 as compared to \$12.0 million earned the prior year.

Net investment income decreased to \$8.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002, or 5.6%, from \$9.0 million a year ago. The average rate of return on invested assets was 4.83% and 5.32% for the three months ended March 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. During the first quarter of 2002, the Company realized \$0.3 million of investment gains as compared to \$1.2 million in realized investment gains for the same period in 2001. Variations in investment returns occur due to interest rate fluctuations, the allocation of investments between taxable and nontaxable securities and general conditions in the securities markets that are evaluated by the Company in accordance with its investment guidelines.

Total expenses were \$89.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002, an increase of 60.1% over total expenses of \$55.7 million for the same period in 2001. The combined ratio was 110.5% for the first quarter of 2002 compared to 116.2% in the prior year. The combined ratio is the sum of loss and LAE expenses and other operating expenses to premiums earned. The decrease in the combined ratio in 2002 is due to a change in the mix of business to a greater proportion of assumed reinsurance, which produced a lower combined ratio.

Net income for the three months ended March 31, 2002 was \$0.9 million, a decrease of 59.1% from net income of \$2.2 million for the corresponding period in 2001.

Other comprehensive income or loss represents the change in unrealized gains and losses on invested assets occurring during the period. As a result of changes occurring in the fixed income and securities markets, the Company had comprehensive losses of \$5.3 million (net of tax) in the first quarter of 2002.

Direct Healthcare Liability Insurance Segment

Premiums Earned. Premiums earned in the direct healthcare liability insurance segment increased by approximately \$7.6 million, or 21.2%, to \$43.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002 from \$35.6 million for the same period in 2001. This was principally due to a \$4.6 million increase in premium from physicians and small medical groups written through Brown & Brown outside California, reflecting the 70% average rate increases instituted during the end of 2001 in the states involved. In California, premiums earned from physician and medical groups increased by approximately \$2.1 million to \$26.1 million from \$24.0 million in 2001, reflecting an 8.4% average rate increase in 2002.

In the 2002 first quarter, gross premiums written were \$104.1 million, and net premiums written were \$98.7 million. In the same period in 2001, gross premiums written were \$98.0 million and net premiums written were \$94.6 million.

Losses and LAE. Losses and LAE in the direct healthcare liability insurance segment increased to \$40.5 million, or 93.8% of premiums earned in the first quarter 2002, from \$35.6 million, or 98.7% of premiums earned for the same period in 2001. The lower loss ratio in 2002 is primarily due to higher rates in 2001 and 2002 for California physicians, medical groups and healthcare facilities. In the 2002 first quarter, the Company reduced its prior years loss and LAE reserve estimates by \$4.8 million, compared to \$2.9 million in the 2001 first quarter.

Other Operating Expenses. Other operating expenses for the direct healthcare liability insurance segment increased to \$10.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002 as compared to \$8.1 million for the same period in 2001. In 2002, the Company did not defer acquisition costs related to physician business written outside California because of the unprofitable status of the business. In the 2001 first quarter, a significant portion of these costs was deferred.

The combined ratio for the direct healthcare liability segment was 118.8% in the 2002 first quarter, compared to 120.8% in the prior year.

Assumed Reinsurance Segment

Premiums Earned. Premiums earned in the assumed reinsurance segment increased to \$37.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002 from \$12.0 million for the same period in 2001, reflecting the anticipated growth in the segment. Premiums earned included approximately \$20.3 million under casualty programs, \$5.8 million under property programs, \$9.0 million under accident and health programs and \$2.8 million under its marine program. Gross premiums written in the 2002 first quarter were \$46.0 million, and net premiums written were \$42.7 million. In the same period last year, gross premiums written were \$12.3 million, and net premiums written were \$11.7 million.

Approximately \$13.0 million of the 2002 earned premium increase was attributable to the Company s participation in Lloyd s of London (Lloyd s) syndicates. Premiums written through these syndicates are established to include higher commission expenses and lower expected loss ratios than the Company s other assumed reinsurance business.

Losses and LAE. Losses and LAE in the assumed reinsurance segment increased to \$28.2 million, or 74.4% of premiums earned in the first quarter 2002, from \$10.7 million, or 89.0% of premiums earned for the same period in 2001. The lower loss ratio in 2002 is due to the significant amount of Lloyd s syndicate business discussed above.

Other Operating Expenses. Other operating expenses for the assumed reinsurance segment increased \$8.6 million to \$10.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002 from \$1.4 million for the same period in 2001. The increase reflects commission expenses associated with higher premiums in 2002 at higher commission rates.

The combined ratio for the assumed reinsurance segment was 100.9% and 100.5% in 2002 and 2001, respectively.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The primary sources of the Company s liquidity are insurance premiums, net investment income, recoveries from reinsurers and proceeds from the maturity or sale of invested assets. Funds are used to pay losses, LAE, operating expenses, reinsurance premiums and taxes.

Because of uncertainty related to the timing of the payment of claims, cash from operations for a property and casualty insurance company can vary substantially from period to period. During the first three months of 2002, the Company had positive cash flow from operations of \$0.3 million compared to \$11.4 million in 2001.

The Company invests its positive cash flow from operations in both fixed maturity securities and equity securities. The Company s current policy is to limit its investment in equity securities and real estate to no more than 8.0% of the total market value of its investments. Accordingly, the Company s portfolio of unaffiliated equity securities was \$26.1 million at March 31, 2002. The Company plans to continue its emphasis on fixed maturity securities investments for the indefinite future.

The Company has made limited investments in real estate, which have been used almost entirely in the Company s operating activities, with the remainder leased to third parties. The Company leases approximately 95,000 square feet of office space for its headquarters. The lease is for a term of 10 years ending in 2009, and the Company has two options to renew the lease for a period of five years each. The Company s two former headquarters buildings were leased to third parties during 2000.

SCPIE Holdings is an insurance holding company whose assets primarily consist of all of the capital stock of its insurance company subsidiaries. Its principal sources of funds are dividends from its subsidiaries and proceeds from the issuance of debt and equity securities. The insurance company subsidiaries are restricted by state regulation in the amount of dividends they can pay in relation to earnings or surplus, without the consent of the applicable state regulatory authority, principally the California Department of Insurance. SCPIE Holdings principal insurance company subsidiary may pay dividends to SCPIE Holdings in any 12-month period, without regulatory approval, to the extent such dividends do not exceed the greater of (i) 10% of its statutory surplus at the end of the preceding year or (ii) its statutory net income for the preceding year. Applicable regulations further require that an insurer s statutory surplus following a dividend or other distribution be reasonable in relation to its outstanding liabilities and adequate to meet its financial needs, and permit the payment of dividends only out of statutory earned (unassigned) surplus unless the payment out of other funds receives regulatory approval. The amount of dividends that the insurance company subsidiaries are able to pay to SCPIE Holdings during 2002 without prior regulatory approval is approximately \$12.4 million. No dividends were paid by the insurance company subsidiaries through May 13, 2002.

Common stock dividends paid to stockholders were \$.40 per share in 2001. These dividends were funded through dividends from the Company s insurance subsidiaries received in prior years. The Company has declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$.10 per share, payable on June 28, 2002. Payment of future dividends is subject to Board approval, earnings and the financial condition of the Company.

According to regulations governing insurance companies, the insurance company subsidiaries are required to maintain sufficient statutory capital and surplus to cover the risks associated with the policies they write. Due to losses and strengthening of loss reserves in 2001, the statutory capital and surplus of the insurance company subsidiaries declined significantly, while premiums increased. Failure to generate significant profitability in 2002 or obtain additional capital will limit the Company subsidiaries or maintain its premium writings. There is no assurance that additional capital, if necessary, will be available to the Company on favorable or acceptable terms.

The average rate of return on invested assets was 4.83% and 5.32% for the three months ended March 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

The Company had borrowings of \$9.0 million outstanding at December 31, 2001, under a Credit Agreement with three bank lenders. On February 28, 2002, the Company fully repaid the outstanding balance, and the parties terminated the Credit Agreement.

Based on historical trends, market conditions and its business plans, the Company believes that its sources of funds will be sufficient to meet its liquidity needs over the next 18 months and beyond. However, because economic, market and regulatory conditions may change, there can be no assurance that the Company s sources of funds will be sufficient to meet these liquidity needs. The short- and long-term liquidity requirements of the Company may vary because of the uncertainties regarding the settlement dates for unpaid claims.

During May 2001, the Board of Directors authorized the continuation of the Company s 1999 program to repurchase up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock on the open market. This authorization extended the Company s 1999 program that would have otherwise expired in May 2001. Under this extended 1999 program, 391,420 shares have been repurchased.

EFFECT OF INFLATION

The primary effect of inflation on the Company is considered in pricing and estimating reserves for unpaid losses and LAE for claims in which there is a long period between reporting and settlement, such as medical malpractice claims. The actual effect of inflation on the Company s results cannot be accurately known until claims are ultimately settled. Based on actual results to date, the Company believes that loss and LAE reserve levels and the Company s rate-making process adequately incorporate the effects of inflation.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The Company is subject to various market risk exposures, including interest rate risk and equity price risk.

The Company invests its assets primarily in fixed-maturity securities, which at March 31, 2002 comprised 82.5% of total investments at market value. U.S. government and tax-exempt bonds represent 50.7% of the fixed-maturity investments, with the remainder consisting of mortgage-backed securities and corporate bonds. Equity securities, consisting primarily of common stocks, account for 3.7% of total investment at market value. The other investment, which is comprised of a mutual fund investment that contains derivative instruments, accounts for 2.1% of total investments at market value. Approximately 11.7% of the investment portfolio consists of real estate investments and highly liquid short-term investments, which are primarily overnight bank repurchase agreements and short-term money market funds.

The value of the fixed-maturity portfolio is subject to interest rate risk. As market interest rates decrease, the value of the portfolio goes up with the opposite holding true in rising interest rate environments. The value of the common stock equity investments is dependent upon general conditions in the securities markets and the business and financial performance of the individual companies in the portfolio. Values are typically based on future economic prospects as perceived by investors in the equity markets.

At March 31, 2002, the value of the fixed maturity portfolio was \$2.6 million below amortized cost. At December 31, 2001 the Company s fixed maturities were valued at \$3.9 million above amortized cost.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

(a) The following exhibits are included herewith.

Number	Document

- 10.1 Employment Agreement dated May 1, 2002 between SCPIE Management Company and Timothy C. Rivers.
- (b) The Company filed no reports on Form 8-K during the quarterly period ended March 31, 2002.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

SCPIE HOLDINGS INC.

Date: May 15, 2002 By: /s/ Donald J. Zuk

Donald J. Zuk

President and Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Robert B. Tschudy

Robert B. Tschudy Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

By: /s/ Edward G. Marley

Edward G. Marley
Controller and Chief Accounting Officer

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