

## **Business Continuity**

Prairie Capital Markets, LLC plans to quickly recover and resume business operations after a significant business disruption (SBD) 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 company's business continuity plan (BCP) is designed to permit us to resume operations as quickly as possible, given the scope and severity of the SBD.

The BCP addresses: data backup 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; and regulatory reporting.

**Significant Business Disruptions:** The Company's plan takes into account two types of Significant Business Disruptions, internal and external. Internal SBDs affect only the Company's ability to communicate and do business, such as a fire or loss of electrical power in the office or building. External SBDs prevent the operation of the securities markets or a number of firms, such as a terrorist attack, a natural disaster, or another event that causes a wide-scale, regional disruption in essential services.

**Internal SBDs:** In the event of a disruption in the Company's business operations due to an internal SBD, the Company will attempt to continue to conduct business as usual by utilizing alternative communication methods (if available), such as the Internet, cell phones, etc., or by moving its operations to an alternative location. If personnel or operations must be moved to an alternate location, the Company anticipates that it will resume regular operations with 2-4 hours.

**External SBDs:** In the event of a disruption in the Company's business operations due to an external SBD, the Company will attempt to continue to conduct business as usual by moving its operations to an alternative location outside the affected area, if possible, or by providing customers with alternative communication arrangements, as indicated below, to conduct

business. The Company will attempt to resume business within 24 hours and to keep its customers informed regarding relevant events to the best of its ability based on the circumstances.

In all cases, the Company will resume normal business operations as soon as it is able to do so, based on the type and the extent of the disrupting event. If the significant business disruption is so severe that it prevents us from remaining in business, we will notify clients accordingly.

**Communications:** In the event you are unable to reach the Company at our main number, please proceed as follows:

Contact the Chief Compliance Officer, at the following alternate telephone number:

Timothy Witt 630.413.5593

**Contact information:** Any questions regarding the Company's Business Continuity Plans should be addressed to: Timothy Witt, Prairie Capital Markets, LLC, One Lincoln Center, Suite 800, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181; or call 630.413.5565.