CORPORATE OBJECTIVES

 To become an acknowledged leader in providing select, diverse and professional financial services.

We intend to become a singular organization recognized for our innovation and effectiveness in providing select and diverse financial services to corporations, financial institutions, governments, individuals and investment dealers. We intend to maintain the highest professional standards in rendering each of our services, and we aspire to become acknowledged, by clients and competitors alike, as a leader in our field.

To attain a leading position in each market in which we participate.

We believe that leading market positions can be attained by rendering packages of differentiated and valuable services of scope through systematic marketing programs. By attaining and keeping a leading position in the markets we serve, we will have greater influence over the price and quality of our services which will result in increased benefits to our clients and increased profits for the firm.

We intend to achieve the leading market position with respect to at least one important service we offer to each market we serve. Preferably, we will achieve such a position through more than one major service in each market. Those services which may not at present command a leading market position should either have that potential with further development, or should significantly reinforce the leading market position of other closely related services.

 To emphasize the development of new and improved services, particularly those which satisfy key needs of large multi-client groups.

We intend to control our own destiny. To accomplish this over a period of time, we believe that we must continuously improve our present services, develop new services which will satisfy the changing and emerging needs of clients, and market all of our services successfully. Services which involve close and continuous relationships with large multi-client groups provide particularly good avenues to achieving and maintaining market positions.

We are especially willing to develop and implement new services which require substantial commitments of resources if potential returns are high. We also remain open to the development of less complex and resourceful services which reinforce the market positions of existing services. We intend to maintain a systematic service planning capability and to develop throughout our organization an inclination and knowhow to research, design and implement service modifications and innovations.