Securities and Exchange Commission Washington, D.C. 20549 Form 10-Q

<pre>(Mark One) [X] Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 of of 1934 For the Quarterly Period Ended June 30, 199</pre>	· ·
[_] Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or Act of 1934	or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange
For the transition period from	_ to
Commission File No. 0-15341	
Donegal Group In	nc.
(Exact name of registrant as speci	fied in its charter)
Delaware	23-2424711
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
1195 River Road, P.O. Box 302, Mar	ietta, PA 17547-0302
(Address of principal executive offic	es, including zip code)
(717) 426-1931	-
(Registrant's telephone number, i	ncluding area code)
(Former name, former address and	former fiscal year,

Indicate by check mark whether 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 [_].

Applicable Only to Issuers Involved in Bankruptcy Proceedings During the Preceding Five Years:

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required by Sections 12, 13, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court. Yes $[\]$. No $[\]$.

Applicable Only to Corporate Issuers:

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date: 8,317,057 shares of Common Stock, \$1.00 par value, outstanding on July 31, 1999.

Part I. Financial Information

Item 1. Financial Statements.

Donegal Group Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheet

	June 30, 1999 December 31, 199	
	(Unaudited)	
Assets		
Investments		
Fixed maturities		
Held to maturity, at amortized cost	\$ 124,943,975	\$ 127,183,788
Available for sale, at market value	92,060,000	90,525,855
Equity securities, available for sale at market	13,503,312	6,763,943
Short-term investments, at cost, which		
approximates market	7,824,375	30,521,887
Total Investments	238,331,662	254,995,473
Cash	2,694,685	8,227,042
Accrued investment income	3,565,331	3,164,599
Premiums receivable	22,971,658	19,824,894
Reinsurance receivable	50,314,541	48,339,223
Deferred policy acquisition costs	11,761,237	11,334,301
Federal income tax receivable	224,641	227,841
Deferred federal income taxes	4,851,226	3,536,692
Prepaid reinsurance premiums	31,752,105	27,203,111
Property and equipment, net	6,273,040	5,920,420

Accounts receivable - securities Other	 1,041,233	329,299 2,128,611
Total Assets	\$ 373,781,359	\$ 385,231,506
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	=========	=========
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Liabilities		
Losses and loss expenses	\$ 143,735,738	\$ 141,409,008 94,722,785 4,821,594 1,394,373 1,785,914 708,513 37,500,000
Unearned premiums	102,152,913	94,722,785
Accrued expenses	3,635,722	4,821,594
Drafts payable	1,049,158	1,394,373
Reinsurance balances payable	1,448,001	1,785,914
Cash dividend declared to stockholders		708,513
Line of credit	15,000,000	37,500,000
Accounts payable - securities	1,350,000	503,840
Other	963,682	884, 392
Due to affiliate - Other	2,052,865	870,083
Total Liabilities	271,388,079	284,600,502
Stockholders' Equity		
Preferred stock, \$1.00 par value, authorized		
1,000,000 shares; none issued		
Common stock, \$1.00 par value, authorized 10,000,000 shares, issued		
8,427,469 and 8,325,221 shares and outstanding 8,305,181		
and 8,202,933 shares	8,427,469	8,325,221
Additional paid-in capital	42,432,747	41,271,322
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(904,262)	41,271,322 1,315,425 50,610,792
Retained earnings	53,329,082	50,610,792
Treasury stock	(891,756)	(891,756)
Total Stockholders' Equity	102,393,280	100,631,004
Total Liabilities and		
Stockholders' Equity	\$ 373,781,359	\$ 385,231,506
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Donegal Group Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statement of Income (Unaudited)

For the three months ended June 30, 1999 and 1998

	Three Months 1999	Ended June 30, 1998
Revenues:		
Premiums earned Premiums ceded	\$ 52,653,705 16,823,890	
Net premiums earned Investment income, net of investment		27,578,257
expenses	3,155,817	2,768,139
Realized gain	32,345	35,442
Lease income Service charge income	205,224 564,786	
Service charge income		
Total Revenues	39,787,987	31,023,026
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Expenses: Losses and loss expenses	36,505,254	28,433,598
Reinsurance recoveries	12,342,954	9,208,460
Net losses and loss expenses	24,162,300	19,225,138
Amortization of deferred policy acquisition costs	7,325,000	5,025,000
Other underwriting expenses	5,763,127	3,450,366
Policy dividends	298,636	
Interest	263,487	200,556
Other expenses	478,571	401,243
Total Evnences	20 201 121	
Total Expenses	38,291,121	28,644,569
Income before income taxes	1,496,866	
Income taxes	196,130	485,025
Net income	\$ 1,300,736	\$ 1,893,432
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Earnings per common share	\$.16	\$.22
Basic	φ .10	
Diluted	\$.16	
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Statement of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)		
	1999	1998
Net Income	\$ 1,300,736	\$ 1,893,432
Other comprehensive income, net of tax Unrealized gains (losses) on securities: Unrealized holding gain (loss) arising during the period	(1,419,048)	165,369
Reclassification adjustment, net of income tax	(21,348)	(23, 392
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(1,440,396)	141,977
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (139,660)	
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Donegal Group Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statement of Income (Unaudited)

For the six months ended June 30, 1999 and 1998

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1999	1998
Revenues:	¢ 10/ /00 000	¢ 91 720 689
Premiums earned Premiums ceded	\$ 104,489,888 32,566,102	\$ 81,739,088 26,956,287
Net premiums earned Investment income, net of investment	71,923,786	54,782,801
expenses	6,525,078	5,613,406
Realized gain	15,415	347,235
Lease income Service charge income	402,361 1,031,337	371,184 804,544
Corvice onarge income		
Total Revenues	79,897,977 	61,919,170
Expenses:		
Losses and loss expenses	73,106,709	53,360,594
Reinsurance recoveries	24,492,758	18,333,551
Net losses and loss expenses	48,613,951	35,027,043
Amortization of deferred policy	40,013,931	33,027,043
acquisition costs	13,356,000	9,725,000
Other underwriting expenses	11,520,884	8,147,317
Policy dividends Interest	630,012 694,431	820,124 383,615
Other expenses	860,958	823,052
Total Expenses	75,676,236	54,926,151
Income before income taxes	4,221,741	6,993,019
Income taxes	769,638	1,782,934
Net income	\$ 3,452,103	\$ 5,210,085
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Earnings per common share		
Basic	\$.42	\$.63
Diluted	\$.42	\$.62
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Statement of Comprehensive (Unaudited)	e Income	
	1999	1998
Net Income	\$ 3,452,103	\$ 5,210,085
Other comprehensive income, net of tax Unrealized gains on securities: Unrealized holding gain (loss) arising during the period	(2,209,513)	673,318
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Reclassification adjustment, net of income tax	(10,174)	(229,175)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(2,219,687)	444,143
Comprehensive income	\$ 1,232,416 ========	\$ 5,654,228 ========

DONEGAL GROUP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (Unaudited) FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 1999

	Common	Stock 	Additional	Accumulated Other Com-	Deteined	T	Total Stock-
	Shares	Amount	Paid-In Capital	prehensive Income(Loss)	Retained Earnings 	Treasury Stock 	holders' Equity
Balance, December 31, 1998	8,325,221	\$8,325,221	\$41,271,322	\$1,315,425	\$50,610,792	\$(891,756)	\$100,631,004
Issuance of Common Stock	102,248	102,248	1,161,425				1,263,673
Net Income					3,452,103		3,452,103
Cash Dividend					(733,813)		(733,813)
Other Comprehensive Loss				(2,219,687)			(2,219,687)
Balance, June 30, 1999	8,427,469 ======	\$8,427,469 ======	\$42,432,747 =======	\$ (904,262) =======	\$53,329,082 =======	\$(891,756) =======	\$102,393,280 =======

DONEGAL GROUP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) For the six months ended June 30, 1999 and 1998

	Six months en 1999 	ded June 30, 1998
Cash flows from operating activities: Net income	\$ 3,452,103	\$ 5,210,085
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	E4E 600	217 046
Depreciation and amortization Realized investment gain Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	(15, 415)	217,046 (347,235)
Losses and loss expenses	2,326,730	4,453,733
Unearned premiums Premiums receivable	7,430,128 (2.146.764)	3,301,2/1 (1 707 456)
Deferred policy acquisition costs	(426, 936)	(661,694)
Deferred federal income taxes	(171,058)	(1,797,456) (661,694) (16,798) (2,475,737) (528,031) (96,777) (330,314) (70,693)
Reinsurance receivable	(1,975,318)	(2, 4 75, 737)
Prepaid reinsurance premiums	(4,548,994)	(528,031)
Accrued investment income	(400,732)	(96,777)
Due from affiliate	1,182,782	(330,314)
Reinsurance balances payable	(337,913)	(70,693)
Federal income taxes receivable Other, net	3,200 (422,928)	(402,605)
Net adjustments	(337, 913) 3, 200 (422, 928) 	111,923
Net cash provided by operating activities	3,494,584	5,322,008
Cash flows from investing activities: Purchase of fixed maturities Held to maturity		(9,004,828)
Available for sale	(13,639,230)	(14,234,581)
Purchase of equity securities, available for sale Maturity of fixed maturities		(9,004,828) (14,234,581) (11,878,128)
Held to maturity	10,150,310	13,307,736 5,248,065 535,765
Available for sale	10,154,868	5,248,065
Sale of fixed maturities - available for sale Sale of equity securities, available for sale		
Purchase of property and equipment	(789 563)	(365,073)
Net sales of short-term investments	22,697,512	5,893,013 (365,073) 9,049,074
Net cash provided by (used in)		
investing activities	13,651,712	(1,448,957)
Cash flows from financing activities:	(4 440 000)	(4 077 700)
Cash dividends paid Issuance of common stock	(1,442,326) 1,263,673	4 047 500
Line of credit, net	(22 500 000)	(5 500 000)
Eine of oredity net	(22,300,000)	(5,500,000)
Net cash used in financing activities	(22,678,653)	(5,460,250)
Net decrease in cash	(5,532,357)	(1,587,199)
Cash at beginning of year	8,227,042	3,413,315
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Cash at end of quarter	\$ 2,694,685 =======	\$ 1,826,116 =======
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Cash paid during period - Interest - Income taxes	\$ 700,279 \$ 595,380	\$ 58,143 \$ 2,202,337

DONEGAL GROUP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES (Unaudited) Summary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

1 - Organization

Donegal Group Inc. (the "Company") was organized as a regional insurance holding company by Donegal Mutual Insurance Company (the "Mutual Company") on August 26, 1986 and operates in the Mid-Atlantic and Southern states through its wholly-owned stock insurance companies, Atlantic States Insurance Company ("Atlantic States"), Southern Heritage Insurance Company ("Southern Heritage"), Southern Insurance Company of Virginia ("Southern"), Delaware Atlantic Insurance Company ("Delaware") and Pioneer Insurance Company ("Pioneer") (collectively "Insurance Subsidiaries"). The Company has three operating segments: the investment function, the personal lines of insurance and the commercial lines of insurance. Products offered in the personal lines of insurance consist primarily of homeowners and private passenger automobile policies. Products offered in the commercial lines of insurance consist primarily of commercial automobile, commercial nultiple peril and workers' compensation policies. The Insurance Subsidiaries are subject to regulation by Insurance Departments in those states in which they operate and undergo periodic examinations by those departments. The Insurance Subsidiaries are also subject to competition from other insurance companies in their operating areas. Atlantic States participates in an inter-company pooling arrangement with the Mutual Company and assumes 65% of the pooled business. Southern cedes 50% of its business to the Mutual Company and Delaware cedes 70% of its Workers' Compensation business to the Mutual Company At June 30, 1999, the Mutual Company held 60% of the outstanding common stock of the Company.

In addition to the Company's Insurance Subsidiaries, it also owns all of the outstanding stock of Atlantic Insurance Services, Inc. ("AIS"), an insurance services organization currently providing inspection and policy auditing information on a fee-for-service basis to its affiliates and the insurance industry.

2 - Basis of Presentation

The financial information for the interim period included herein is unaudited; however, such information reflects all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, which, in the opinion of management, are necessary to a fair presentation of the financial position, results of operations and cash flow for the interim period included herein. The results of operations for the six months ended June 30, 1999, are not necessarily indicative of results of operations to be expected for the twelve months ended December 31, 1999.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto contained in the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1998.

3 - Earnings Per Share

The computation of basic and diluted earnings per share is as follows:

		Net Income	Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	Earnings Per Share
inree Mo	onths Ended June 30:			
1999				
	Basic Effect of stock options	\$1,300,736 	8,292,407 	\$.16
	Diluted	\$1,300,736	8,292,407	\$.16
1998				
	Basic Effect of stock options	\$1,893,432 	8,243,201 193,445	\$.22
	Diluted	\$1,893,432	8,436,646	\$.22
		Net Income	Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	Earnings Per Share
Six mont	ths Ended June 30:		Average Shares	Per
Six mont	ths Ended June 30:	Income	Average Shares Outstanding	Per Share
	ths Ended June 30: Basic Effect of stock options	Income \$3,452,103	Average Shares Outstanding 	Per Share \$.42
1999	Basic	Income \$3,452,103	Average Shares Outstanding	Per Share \$.42
1999	Basic Effect of stock options	\$3,452,103 	Average Shares Outstanding 	Per Share \$.42
1999	Basic Effect of stock options	\$3,452,103 	Average Shares Outstanding 	Per Share \$.42

4 - Segment Information

The performance of the personal lines and commercial lines based upon underwriting results as determined under statutory accounting practices (SAP) which is used by management to measure performance for the total business of the Company.

Financial data by segment is as follows:

	Six Months End 1999	led June 30, 1998
	(\$ in thou	ısands)
Revenues: Premiums earned: Commercial lines Personal lines	\$23,182 48,742	\$22,050 32,733
Total net premiums earned	71,924	54,783
Net investment income Realized investment gains (losses) Other	6,525 15 1,434	5,613 347 1,176
Total revenues	\$79,898	\$61,919
Income before income taxes: Underwriting income (loss) Commercial lines Personal lines	\$ (205) (2,169)	\$ 3,062 (3,175)
SAP underwriting gain (loss) GAAP adjustments	(2,374) 177	(113) 950
GAAP underwriting gain (loss) Net investment income Realized investment gains (losses) Other	(2,197) 6,525 15 (121)	1,063 5,613 347 (30)
Income before income taxes	\$ 4,222	\$ 6,993

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Overview

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Revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1999 were \$39,787,987 an increase of \$8,764,961 or 28.3%, over the same period of 1998. An increase in net premiums earned of \$8,251,558 or 29.9%, represented most of this change. Premium growth escalated as a result of the Company's acquisition of Southern Heritage in November, 1998. Southern Heritage accounted for \$6,188,870, or 75.0%, of the increase in net premiums earned. Investment income for the second quarter increased \$387,678 or 14.0% with Southern Heritage accounting for an increase of \$609,853. A decrease in the annualized average return on investments from 5.5% in the second quarter 1998 to 5.3% in the second quarter 1999, offset by an increase in average invested assets from \$203.0 million in the second quarter 1998 to \$238.6 million in the second quarter 1999, accounted for the remaining change. Realized investment gains, which resulted from normal turnover of the Company's investment portfolio, were \$32,345 in the second quarter 1999 compared to \$35,442 for the same period of 1998.

The GAAP combined ratio of insurance operations in the second quarter of 1999 was 104.8% compared to 101.7% for the same period in 1998. The GAAP combined ratio is the sum of the ratios of incurred losses and loss adjusting expenses to premiums earned (loss ratio), policyholders dividends to premiums earned (dividend ratio), and underwriting expenses to premiums earned (expense ratio). The Company's loss ratio in the second quarter of 1999 was 67.4% compared to 69.7% in the second quarter of 1998. Results for the second quarter of 1999 reflect the integration of Southern Heritage and a return to more expected weather patterns as compared to the stormy weather experienced in June 1998. The expense ratio for the second quarter 1999 was 36.5% compared to 30.7% for the second quarter 1998. The increase in the expense ratio results from higher levels of agents' contingent commission as well as higher levels of employee incentives due to the lower loss ratios in the second quarter 1999 and to additional expenditures for advertising and agents' incentives for the rollover of books of business. The dividend ratio decreased to 0.8% for the second quarter of 1999 compared to 1.2% for the same period of 1998 due to higher loss ratios in the workers' compensation line of business and the addition of Southern Heritage which decrease the percentage that Workers' Compensation represents of the total premiums earned.

Federal income taxes for the second quarter represented 13.1% of the income before income taxes compared to 20.4% for the same period of 1998. Decreased underwriting profits resulted in tax free investment income representing a higher percentage of the income before income taxes in 1999 compared to 1998.

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Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1999 were \$79,897,977 an increase of \$17,978,807 or 29.0%, over the same period of 1998. An increase in net premiums earned of \$17,140,985 or 31.3%, represented most of this change. Premium growth escalated as a result of the Company's acquisition of Southern Heritage in November, 1998. Southern Heritage accounted for \$13,398,082, or 78.2%, of the increase in net premiums earned. Investment income for the first six months of 1999 increased \$911,672 or 16.2% with Southern Heritage accounting for an additional \$1,177,901. A decrease in the annualized average return on investments from 5.5% in the first six month of 1998 to 5.3% in the first six months of 1999, offset by an increase in average invested assets from \$205.0 million in the six months of 1998 to \$246.7 million in the first six months of 1999, accounted for the remaining change. Realized investment gains, which resulted from normal turnover of the Company's investment portfolio, were \$15,415 in the first six months of 1999 compared to \$347,235 for the same period of 1998.

The GAAP combined ratio of insurance operations in the first six months of 1999 was 103.1% compared to 98.1% for the same period in 1998. The GAAP combined ratio is the sum of the ratios of incurred losses and loss adjusting expenses to premiums earned (loss ratio), policyholders dividends to premiums earned (dividend ratio), and underwriting expenses to premiums earned (expense ratio). The Company's loss ratio in the first half of 1999 was 67.6% compared to 63.9% in the first half of 1998. Results for the six months ended June 30, 1999 reflect the integration of Southern Heritage. The expense ratio for the first half of 1999 was 34.6% compared to 32.6% for the first half of 1998. The increase in the expense ratio results from higher levels of agents' contingent commission as well as higher levels of employee incentives due to the lower loss ratios in the second quarter 1999 and to additional expenditures for advertising and agents incentives for the rollover of books of business. The dividend ratio decreased to 0.9% for the first six months of 1999 compared to 1.5% for the same period of 1998 due to higher loss ratios in the workers' compensation line of business and the addition of Southern Heritage which decrease the percentage that Workers' Compensation represents of the total premiums earned.

Federal income taxes for the six months ended June 30, 1999 represented 18.2% of the income before income taxes compared to 25.5% for the same period of 1998. Decreased underwriting profits resulted in tax free investment income representing a higher percentage of the income before income taxes in 1999 compared to 1998.

The Company generates sufficient funds from its operations and maintains a high degree of liquidity in its investment portfolio. The primary source of funds to meet the demands of claim settlements and operating expenses are premium collections, investment earnings and maturing investments. As of June 30, 1999 the Company had no material commitment for capital expenditures.

In investing funds made available from operations, the Company maintains securities maturities consistent with its projected cash needs for the payment of claims and expenses. The Company maintains a portion of its investment portfolio in relatively short-term and highly liquid assets to ensure the availability of funds.

As of June 30, 1999, pursuant to a credit agreement dated December 29, 1995, with Fleet National Bank of Connecticut, (the "Bank") the Company had unsecured borrowings of \$15.0 million. Per the terms of the credit agreement, the Company may borrow up to \$40 million at interest rates equal to the bank's then current prime rate or the then current London interbank Eurodollar bank rate plus 1.70%. At June 30, 1999, the interest rate on the outstanding balance was 6.76%. In addition, the Company will pay a non-use fee at a rate of 3/10 of 1% per annum on the average daily unused portion of the Bank's commitment. On each July 27, commencing July 27, 2001, the credit line will be reduced by \$8 million. Any outstanding loan in excess of the remaining credit line, after such reduction, will then be payable.

The Company's principal source of cash with which to pay stockholder dividends is dividends from Atlantic States, Southern, Pioneer, Southern Heritage and Delaware, which are required by law to maintain certain minimum surplus on a statutory basis and are subject to regulations under which payment of dividends from statutory surplus is restricted and may require prior approval of their domiciliary insurance regulatory authorities. Atlantic States, Southern, Pioneer, Southern Heritage and Delaware are subject to Risk Based Capital (RBC) requirements effective for 1994. At December 31, 1998, all five Companies' capital was substantially above the RBC requirements. At December 31, 1998, amounts available for distribution as dividends to Donegal Group without prior approval of the insurance regulatory authorities are \$6,480,524 from Atlantic States, \$638,832 from Southern, \$530,035 from Pioneer, \$1,085,807 from Delaware and \$1,580,564 from Southern Heritage.

Credit Risk

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The company provides property and liability coverages through its subsidiaries' independent agency systems located throughout its operating area. The majority of this business is billed directly to the insured although a portion of Donegal Group's commercial business is billed through its agents who are extended credit in the normal course of business.

The Company's subsidiaries have reinsurance agreements in place with the Mutual Company and with a number of other major authorized reinsurers.

Impact of Inflation

Property and casualty insurance premiums are established before the amount of losses and loss settlement expenses, or the extent to which inflation may impact such expenses, are known. Consequently, the Company attempts, in establishing rates, to anticipate the potential impact of inflation.

Year 2000 Issues

The Year 2000 issue (i.e. the ability of computer systems to properly process information which contains dates beginning with January 1, 2000 and thereafter) affects virtually all companies. All computer systems used for processing of business for the Company are owned and operated by Donegal Mutual Insurance Company (the "Mutual Company").

The ability to process information in a timely and accurate manner is vital to the Company's property and casualty insurance business. The Company recognizes that the systems used to process its business must be able to accurately identify and process information containing year 2000 dates. The Mutual Company has had a vigorous and comprehensive project underway since 1995 to ensure substantial compliance by the end of 1998. This project was initiated as part of a review of the main application systems utilized by the Mutual Company and was geared towards the implementation of new or current versions of its application software to bring greater efficiencies and operational improvements to its users. The project was expanded to include a review of all hardware, peripheral software and inquiries of agents and vendors to determine the readiness of each related to the Year 2000 problem. During 1998 the Mutual Company put into production its updated, Year 2000 compliant versions of its main application softwares and late in the year began issuing policies with expiration dates in the year 2000. The implementation of these updated systems were without major problems and the Mutual Company's mission critical systems were substantially Year 2000 compliant by the end of 1998. Testing of less critical systems, documentation of vendors' readiness, replacement of some hardware and final testing of certain other potential problem dates continues in 1999 and is anticipated to be complete near the end of the third quarter. Costs directly related to the Year 2000 changes were not material.

With respect to insurance policies issued by the Company providing coverage to insureds who may incur losses as a result of Year 2000 problems, the Company is evaluating its possible exposure under such coverages. Endorsements excluding losses related to or resulting from Year 2000 issues are being attached to commercial policies.

Given the nature of its business, the Company believes that its exposure to embedded chip Year 2000 issues is minimal. The Company believes that its most significant Year 2000 exposure is the potential business disruption that would be caused by widespread failure of public utility systems. Prolonged failure of power and telecommunications systems could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operation, cash flow and consolidated financial position.

This Year 2000 disclosure contains statements which are forward looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties and qualify for the statutory safe harbor under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Future Year 2000 readiness activities may not adhere to the anticipated schedule because more problems may be encountered than anticipated in the various stages of testing and trained personnel may not be available to work on internal systems in the time required; or there may be unexpected problems with the readiness of third party business partners and vendors who cannot produce services, or utility companies may not be able to provide the vital services required to maintain operations.

Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

In June, 1998, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities". SFAS No. 133 establishes accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments and for hedging activities. SFAS No. 133 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 1999, with earlier adoption permitted.

Insurance Related Assessments

In December 1997, the AICPA Accounting Standards Executive Committee issued Statement of Position (SOP) 97-3, Accounting by Insurance and Other Enterprises for Insurance-Related Assessments. The accounting guidance of this SOP focuses on the timing of recognition and measurement of liabilities for insurance-related assessments. The SOP is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 1998. The Company believes that they are in compliance with the provisions of this SOP and no impact on the Company's financial reporting is expected.

Computer Software Development Costs

On March 4, 1998, the AICPA Accounting Standards Executive Committee issued Statement of Position (SOP) 98-1, Accounting for the Costs of Computer Software Developed or Obtained for Internal Use. This SOP requires that certain costs related to the development or purchase of internal-use software be capitalized and amortized over the estimated useful life of the software. This SOP also requires that costs related to the preliminary project stage and the post-implementation/operations stage in an internal-use computer software development project be expensed as incurred. SOP 98-1 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 1998. The Company believes that they are in compliance with the provisions of this SOP and no material impact of the Company's financial reporting is expected.

Part II. Other Information

Item 1. Legal Procee	
None. Item 2. Changes in S	
None.	
Item 3. Defaults upo	
None.	
	Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.
None.	
Item 5. Other Inform	
None.	
Item 6. Exhibits and	Reports on Form 8-K.
(b) Reports No repo	nancial Data Schedule on 8-K: cs on Form 8-K were filed by the Company during the ended June 30, 1999
	Signatures
	equirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the used this report to be signed on its behalf by the duly authorized.
	DONEGAL GROUP INC.
August 12, 1999	By: /s/ Donald H. Nikolaus, President and Chief Executive Officer
August 12, 1999	By: /s/ Ralph G. Spontak, Senior Vice President Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

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