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Green Bancorp, Inc. Reports Third Quarter 2015 Earnings

2015 Third Quarter Highlights

- Third quarter 2015 earnings per share (diluted) were \$0.15 and excluding one-time acquisition expenses would have been \$0.17 per share
- Net income was \$4.1 million and would have been \$4.6 million excluding one-time acquisition expenses
- Pre-tax, pre-provision adjusted net income was \$10.5 million for the third quarter 2015 compared to \$7.7 million in the third quarter 2014, a 35.7% increase
- Completion of the merger of Patriot Bancshares, Inc. on October 1, 2015 resulting in pro forma combined total assets of over \$3.6 billion
- Achieved year-end loan growth objective ahead of plan with loans increasing \$87.5 million or 4.6% to \$2.0 billion compared with June 30, 2015

Houston, TX – October 28, 2015 – Green Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: GNBC), the bank holding company ("Green Bancorp" or the "Company") that operates Green Bank, N.A. ("Green Bank"), today announced results for its third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2015. The Company reported net income for the quarter of \$4.1 million, or \$0.15 per diluted common share, compared to net income of \$4.5 million or \$0.20 per diluted common share reported for the same period in 2014. Excluding one-time acquisition expenses, net income for the third quarter 2015 would have been \$4.6 million or \$0.17 per diluted common share, compared to \$4.8 million or \$0.21 per diluted common share reported for the same period in 2014.

Manny Mehos, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Green Bancorp said, "Our merger with Patriot Bancshares is a significant step for our company and our employees. Today we are among the 15 largest banking companies headquartered in Texas. The merger taken together with continued strong organic growth in our target markets reflects the continued success of our well defined business strategy. On a pre-tax, pre-provision basis, our performance for the quarter exceed our expectations."

Geoff Greenwade, President of Green Bancorp and Chief Executive Officer of Green Bank remarked, "Our third quarter results highlight continued solid execution by our bankers as we achieved our annual loan growth objective a full quarter ahead of schedule. The expense synergies to be recognized in the Patriot deal will largely be achieved this year due to our rapid closing and we continue to project EPS accretion from the merger will be at least 20% in 2016."

Results of operations for the quarter ended September 30, 2015

Net income for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 was \$4.1 million, compared with \$4.5 million for the same period in 2014. Net income per diluted common share was \$0.15 for the quarter ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$0.20 for the same period in 2014. The decrease in net income was principally due to increases in provision for loan

losses and noninterest expense, which includes a \$246 thousand increase of one-time acquisition expenses net of tax, offset by increased interest income resulting from growth in loans. Excluding the one-time acquisition expenses, net income for the quarter would have been \$4.6 million, or \$0.17 per diluted common share. Returns on average assets and average common equity, each on an annualized basis, for the three months ended September 30, 2015 were 0.68% and 5.37%, respectively. Green Bancorp's efficiency ratio, which represents noninterest expense divided by the sum of net interest income and noninterest income, was 59.80% for the three months ended September 30, 2015. Excluding the impact of one-time acquisition expenses, returns on average assets and average common equity, each on an annualized basis, would have been 0.76% and 6.06%, respectively, and the efficiency ratio would have been 56.44% for the three months ended September 30, 2015.

Net interest income before provision for loan losses for the quarter ended September 30, 2015, was \$21.2 million, an increase of \$3.7 million, or 20.8%, compared with \$17.5 million during the same period in 2014. The increase was primarily due to a 30.8% increase in average loan volume largely driven by the SharePlus acquisition and organic loan growth, somewhat offset by a decrease in the average loan yield. The net interest margin for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 decreased to 3.63%, compared with 3.90% for the same period in 2014. Average noninterest-bearing deposits for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 were \$481.9 million, an increase of \$107.1 million compared with the same period in 2014, and a decrease of \$9.4 million compared to the quarter ended June 30, 2015. Average shareholders' equity for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 was \$301.4 million, an increase of \$64.1 million compared with the same period in 2014, and an increase of \$5.1 million compared to the quarter ended June 30, 2015.

Net interest income before provision for loan losses during the quarter ended September 30, 2015 increased 1.1% or \$239 thousand, compared with \$20.9 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2015, primarily due to a 4.6% increase in average loan volume. The net interest margin for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 of 3.63% decreased from 3.84% for the quarter ended June 30, 2015. The decrease in net interest margin from the prior quarter was primarily due to lower loan yield resulting from lower impact of fee and discount accretion related to loans paid off early and recovered non-accrual interest recorded in the second quarter 2015.

Noninterest income for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 was \$2.9 million, an increase of \$537 thousand, or 23.0%, compared with \$2.3 million for the same period in 2014. This increase was primarily due to the acquired SharePlus operations and servicing income. When comparing the quarter ended September 30, 2015 to the quarter ended June 30, 2015, noninterest income decreased \$84 thousand, or 2.8%, from \$3.0 million.

Noninterest expense for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 was \$14.4 million, an increase of \$1.8 million, or 14.4%, compared with \$12.6 million for the same period in 2014. The increase was due to a \$379 thousand increase of one-time acquisition expenses. In addition, the increase was due to a \$372 thousand increase in professional and regulatory fees; a \$255 thousand increase in real estate acquired by foreclosure; a \$234 thousand increase in data processing; and a \$133 thousand increase in salaries and employee benefits. Factors contributing to the increase include recurring expenses related to the SharePlus acquisition and related to being a public company. When comparing the quarter ended September 30, 2015 to the quarter ended June 30, 2015, noninterest expense decreased 13.3%, or \$2.2 million, from \$16.6 million, primarily due to a \$1.2 million decrease of one-time acquisition expenses, a \$615 decrease in salaries and wages, and a \$230 thousand decrease in occupancy.

Loans held for investment at September 30, 2015 were \$2.0 billion, an increase of \$477.3 million, or 31.7%, compared with \$1.5 billion at September 30, 2014, primarily due to the SharePlus acquisition, continued opportunities for our portfolio bankers to generate new loans and expand existing relationships within our target markets, and increased mortgage warehouse volume. Excluding loans acquired in the SharePlus acquisition based on the acquisition date balance, loans increased \$315.5 million, or 21.0% from the September 30, 2014 balance. Loans held for investment at September 30, 2015 increased \$87.5 million, or 4.6%, from June 30, 2015 due to increases in the loan portfolio with mortgage warehouse volume contributing \$5.4 million to the quarterly increase. Average loans held for investment increased 30.8% or \$451.4 million to \$1.9 billion for the quarter ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.5 billion for the same period in 2014. Average loans held for investment for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 increased 4.6% or \$84.9 million from the quarter ended June 30, 2015.

Deposits at September 30, 2015 were \$1.9 billion, an increase of \$363.4 million, or 23.0%, compared to September 30, 2014, primarily due to \$218.0 million related to the SharePlus acquisition and \$94.0 million increase in our commercial deposits. Deposits at September 30, 2015 decreased \$83.4 million or 4.1% from June 30, 2015 due primarily to the expected outflow of the prior quarter's temporary balance increase of approximately \$95 million related to a title company relationship. Noninterest-bearing deposits at September 30, 2015 were \$499.1 million, an increase of \$105.5 million, or 26.8%, compared to September 30, 2014 and a decrease of \$105.0 million, or 17.4%, compared to June 30, 2015 due to the title company deposit. Average deposits increased 21.8% or \$340.7 million to \$1.9 billion for the quarter ended September 30, 2015, compared with the same period of 2014. Average noninterest bearing deposits for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 were \$481.9 million, an increase of \$107.1 million compared with the same period in 2014, and a decrease of \$9.4 million compared with the quarter ended June 30, 2015.

Results of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2015

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 was \$12.9 million, compared with \$12.7 million for the same period in 2014. Net income per diluted common share was \$0.49 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$0.58 for the same period in 2014. The increase in net income was principally due to increased interest income resulting from growth in loans. Other factors also contributed to the increase, including an increase in noninterest income and a decrease in interest expense, offset by increases in noninterest expense, provision for loan losses and provision for income taxes. Returns on average assets and average common equity, each on an annualized basis, for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 were 0.75% and 5.80%, respectively. Green Bancorp's efficiency ratio was 63.40% for the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

Net interest income before provision for loan losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, was \$62.6 million an increase of \$12.7 million, or 25.5%, compared with \$49.9 million during the same period in 2014. The increase was primarily due to a 30.1% increase in average loan volume, partially offset by a 24 basis point decrease in loan yields. The net interest margin for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 decreased to 3.79%, compared with 3.86% for the same period in 2014. Average noninterest-bearing deposits for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 were \$468.1 million, an increase of \$144.9 million compared with the same period in 2014. Average shareholders' equity for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 was \$296.5 million, an increase of \$81.7 million compared with the same period in 2014.

Noninterest income for nine months ended September 30, 2015 was \$7.9 million, an increase of \$2.0 million, or 33.7%, compared with \$5.9 million for the same period in 2014. This increase was primarily due to a \$788 thousand increase in customer service fees, a \$345 thousand in gain on sale of held for sale loans, a \$288 thousand increase in loan fees, and a \$240 thousand increase in gain on sale of the guaranteed portion of certain loans.

Noninterest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, was \$44.7 million, an increase of \$10.2 million, or 29.4%, compared with \$34.6 million for the same period in 2014. This increase was primarily due to a \$3.7 million increase in salaries and employee benefits resulting from increased staffing principally due to the SharePlus acquisition and increased compensation due to our portfolio banker compensation program and general merit compensation increases; a \$2.1 million increase in one-time acquisition expenses; a \$1.2 million increase in professional and regulatory fees; a \$913 thousand increase in occupancy; a \$666 thousand increase in data processing; and a \$418 thousand increase in real estate acquired by foreclosure due to write-downs. Factors contributing to the increases include recurring expenses related to the SharePlus acquisition and related to being a public company.

Average loans held for investment increased 30.0% or \$425.9 million to \$1.8 billion for nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.4 billion for the same period in 2014. Average deposits increased 25.6% or \$386.9 million to \$1.9 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with the same period of 2014.

Asset Quality

Nonperforming assets totaled \$36.3 million or 1.50% of period end total assets at September 30, 2015, up from \$13.5 million or 0.72% of period end total assets at September 30, 2014, and \$11.3 million or 0.47% of period end total assets at June 30, 2015. The increase was due primarily to a classified E&P credit relationship moved to nonperforming during the third quarter 2015. Accruing loans classified as troubled debt restructures and included in the nonperforming asset totals were \$6.0 million at September 30, 2015, compared with \$4.0 million at September 30, 2014.

The allowance for loan losses was 1.05% of total loans at September 30, 2015, compared with 1.01% of total loans at September 30, 2014 and 0.97% of total loans at June 30, 2015. The increase in the percentage when compared to September 30, 2014 was largely due to an increase in specific reserves. At September 30, 2015, the Company's allowance for loans losses was 1.15% of total loans excluding acquired loans that are accounted for under ASC 310-20 and ASC 310-30. Further, the allowance for loan losses plus acquired loan net discount to total loans adjusted for acquired loan net discount was 1.17% as of September 30, 2015.

The Company recorded a provision for loan losses of \$3.1 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2015, which included a \$2.4 million specific reserve on the energy credit discussed above, up from the \$805 thousand provision for the loan losses recorded for the quarter ended June 30, 2015. The provision for loan losses was \$5.4 million for nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

Net charge offs were \$622 thousand for the quarter ended September 30, 2015, compared with net charge offs of \$55 thousand for the quarter ended June 30, 2015, and net charge offs of \$663 thousand for the quarter ended September 30, 2014. Net charge offs were \$245 thousand, or 0.01% of average loans outstanding, for nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with net charge offs of \$2.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

Acquisition of SP Bancorp, Inc.

On October 17, 2014, Green Bancorp acquired SP Bancorp, Inc. ("SP Bancorp") and its wholly-owned subsidiary, SharePlus Bank ("SharePlus") headquartered in Plano, Texas. Pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, we paid \$46.4 million in cash for all outstanding shares of SP Bancorp capital stock, which resulted in goodwill of \$14.5 million as of September 30, 2015.

Merger with Patriot Bancshares, Inc.

On October 1, 2015, Green Bancorp completed the previously announced merger of Patriot Bancshares, Inc. ("Patriot") and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Patriot Bank. Patriot, headquartered in Houston, TX, operated six locations in Houston, two in Dallas and one in Fannin County, Texas. As of September 30, 2015, Patriot, on a consolidated basis, reported total assets of \$1.4 billion, total loans of \$1.1 billion, total deposits of \$1.1 billion and total shareholders' equity of \$125.2 million.

Under the terms of the merger agreement, we issued 10.4 million shares of Green Bancorp common stock for all outstanding shares of Patriot common stock, including the converted Series D and Series F preferred stock. In addition, Patriot's \$27.3 million Series B and Series C preferred stock were redeemed in connection with the closing.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Green Bancorp's management uses certain non–GAAP (generally accepted accounting principles) financial measures to evaluate its performance. Specifically, Green Bancorp reviews tangible book value per common share, the tangible common equity to tangible assets ratio, allowance for loan losses to total loans excluding acquired loans, allowance for loan losses plus acquired loans net discount to total loans adjusted for acquired loan net discount, selected metrics excluding one-time acquisition expenses and pre-tax, pre-provision adjusted net income. Green Bancorp has included in this Earnings Release information related to these non-GAAP financial measures for the applicable periods presented.

Please refer to the "Notes to Financial Highlights" at the end of this Earnings Release for a reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures.

Capital Management

The Basel III Capital Rules adopted by the federal regulatory authorities in 2013 substantially revised the risk-based capital requirements applicable to Green Bancorp and Green Bank. The Basel III Capital Rules became effective for Green Bancorp on January 1, 2015, subject to a phase-in period for certain provisions. Among other things, the Basel III Capital Rules introduced a new capital measure called "Common Equity Tier 1," which is a comparison of the sum of certain equity capital components to total risk-weighted assets, and revised the risk-weighting approach of the capital ratios with a more risk-sensitive approach that expanded the risk-weighting categories from the previous Basel I derived categories to a much larger and more risk-sensitive number of categories, depending on the nature of the assets.

Conference Call

As previously announced, Green Bancorp will hold a conference call today, October 28, 2015, to discuss its third quarter 2015 results at 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). The conference call can be accessed live over the phone by dialing 1-877-407-0789, or for international callers, 1-201-689-8562 and requesting to be joined to the Green Bancorp Third Quarter 2015 Earnings Conference Call. A replay will be available starting at 8:00 pm Eastern Time on October 28, 2015 and can be accessed by dialing 1-877-870-5176, or for international callers, 1-858-384-5517. The passcode for the replay is 13622160. The replay will be available until 11:59 pm Eastern Time on November 4, 2015.

Interested investors and other parties may also listen to a simultaneous webcast of the conference call by logging onto the investor relations section of the Company's website at investors.greenbank.com. The online replay will remain available for a limited time beginning immediately following the call.

To learn more about Green Bancorp, please visit the Company's web site at www.greenbank.com. Green Bancorp uses its web site as a channel of distribution for material Company information. Financial and other material information regarding Green Bancorp is routinely posted on the Company's web site and is readily accessible.

About Green Bancorp, Inc.

Headquartered in Houston, Texas, Green Bancorp is a bank holding company that operates Green Bank in Houston, Dallas and Austin. Commercial-focused, Green Bank is a nationally chartered bank regulated by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, a division of the Department of the Treasury of the United States.

Forward Looking Statement

The information presented herein and in other documents filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), in press releases or other public shareholder communications, or in oral statements made with the approval of an authorized executive officer contains forward looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 giving Green Bancorp's expectations or predictions of future financial or business performance or conditions. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "target," "estimate," "continue," "positions," "prospects" or "potential," by future conditional verbs such as "will," "would," "should," "could" or "may", or by variations of such words or by similar expressions. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties which change over time. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and we assume no duty to update forward-looking statements.

You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date such statements are made. These statements may relate to future financial performance, strategic plans or objectives, revenues or earnings projections, or other financial information. By their nature, these statements are subject to numerous uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in the statements.

Statements about the expected timing, completion and effects of the proposed transactions and all other statements in this release other than historical facts constitute forward-looking statements.

In addition to factors previously disclosed in Green Bancorp's reports filed with the SEC and those identified elsewhere in this communication, the following factors among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements: difficulties and delays in integrating the Green Bancorp and Patriot businesses or fully realizing cost savings and other benefits; business disruption following the merger; changes in asset quality and credit risk; the inability to sustain revenue and earnings growth; changes in interest rates and capital markets; inflation; customer borrowing, repayment, investment and deposit practices; customer disintermediation; the introduction, withdrawal, success and timing of business initiatives; competitive conditions; the inability to realize cost savings or revenues or to implement integration plans and other consequences associated with mergers, acquisitions and divestitures; economic conditions; and the impact, extent and timing of technological changes, capital management activities, and other actions of the Federal Reserve Board and legislative and regulatory actions and reforms.

Annualized, pro forma, projected and estimated numbers are used for illustrative purpose only, are not forecasts and may not reflect actual results.

	S	Sep 30, 2015		Jun 30, 2015		Mar 31, 2015		ec 31, 2014	S	ep 30, 2014
				(D	olla	rs in thousan	ds)			
Period End Balance Sheet Data:										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	96,451	\$	168,416	\$	129,108	\$	68,923	\$	71,547
Securities		249,558		258,882		228,035		238,278		244,759
Other investments		16,977		10,831		10,000		11,365		11,006
Loans held for sale		192		1,287		939		573		-
Loans held for investment		1,982,280		1,894,742		1,810,842		1,799,155		1,504,998
Allowance for loan losses		(20,724)		(18,292)		(17,542)		(15,605)		(15,262)
Goodwill		30,129		30,129		30,129		30,129		15,672
Core deposit intangibles, net		3,704		3,852		4,000		4,148		800
Real estate acquired through foreclosure		1,665		4,488		4,863		4,863		4,863
Premises and equipment, net		24,766		24,773		24,817		25,200		21,080
Other assets		30,989		29,843		27,474		29,106		17,279
Total assets	\$	2,415,987	\$	2,408,951	\$	2,252,665	\$	2,196,135	\$	1,876,742
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$	499,101	\$	604,073	\$	459,100	\$	431,942	\$	393,567
Interest-bearing transaction and savings										
deposits		792,957		758,123		809,300		777,431		638,917
Certificates and other time deposits		649,082		662,335		663,451		636,340		545,207
Total deposits		1,941,140		2,024,531		1,931,851		1,845,713		1,577,691
Securities sold under agreements to										
repurchase		3,080		9,858		13,012		4,605		4,391
Other borrowed funds		158,893		67,309		7,323		47,586		-
Other liabilities		9,645		8,601		6,709		9,826		8,696
Total liabilities		2,112,758		2,110,299		1,958,895		1,907,730		1,590,778
Shareholders' equity	_	303,229		298,652		293,770		288,405		285,964
Total liabilities and equity	\$	2,415,987	\$	2,408,951	\$	2,252,665	\$	2,196,135	\$	1,876,742

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	Sep 30, 2015	Jun 30, 2015	Mar 31, 2015	Dec 31, 2014	Sep 30, 2014	Sep 30, 2015	Sep 30, 2014
			(Dol	lars in thous	ands)		
Income Statement Data:							
Interest income:							
Loans, including fees	\$ 22,601	\$ 22,252	\$ 21,659	\$ 21,414	\$ 18,745	\$ 66,512	\$ 53,707
Securities	809	838	878	986	954	2,525	3,007
Other investments	111	113	110	111	82	334	241
Federal funds sold	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits in financial institutions	78	53	55	47	36	186	92
Total interest income	23,599	23,256	22,702	22,558	19,817	69,557	57,047
Interest expense:							
Transaction and savings deposits	696	695	682	684	657	2,073	1,855
Certificates and other time deposits	1,651	1,607	1,474	1,553	1,624	4,732	5,194
Other borrowed funds	90	31	30	38	24	151	104
Total interest expense	2,437	2,333	2,186	2,275	2,305	6,956	7,153
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Net interest income	21,162	20,923	20,516	20,283	17,512	62,601	49,894
Provision for loan losses	3,054	805	1,505	1,250	220	5,364	1,443
Net interest income after provision for loan	10 100	20.110	10.011	10.022	17 202	57.027	40 451
losses	18,108	20,118	19,011	19,033	17,292	57,237	48,451
Noninterest income:							
Customer service fees	867	917	863	796	694	2,647	1,859
Loan fees	680	671	371	483	422	1,722	1,434
Gain on sale of held for sale loans, net	113	157	75	28	-	345	-
Gain on sale of guaranteed portion of loans,							
net	908	960	645	594	1,050	2,513	2,273
Other	303	250	131	236	168	684	353
Total noninterest income	2,871	2,955	2,085	2,137	2,334	7,911	5,919
Noninterest expense:							
Salaries and employee benefits	8,562	8,878	8,757	8,891	8,131	26,197	22,211
Occupancy	1,332	1,562	1,460	1,585	1,138	4,354	3,443
Professional and regulatory fees	1,988	3,605	1,467	1,612	1,488	7,060	4,035
Data processing	610	583	644	4,173	403	1,837	1,180
Software license and maintenance	352	392	362	418	350	1,106	1,006
Marketing	160	152	148	95	191	460	559
Loan related	185	263	109	220	101	557	303
Real estate acquired by foreclosure, net	339	382	13	(30)	85	734	316
Other	844	761	796	916	673	2,401	1,500
Total noninterest expense	14,372	16,578	13,756	17,880	12,560	44,706	34,553
Income hefore in come toward	6.607	6.405	7.240	2.200	7.066	20.442	10.017
Income before income taxes	6,607	6,495	7,340	3,290	7,066	20,442	19,817
Provision for income taxes	2,528	2,357	2,691	1,243	2,533	7,576	7,122
Net income	\$ 4,079	\$ 4,138	\$ 4,649	\$ 2,047	\$ 4,533	\$ 12,866	\$ 12,695

	As of and For the Quarter Ended									1	As of an Nine Mor			
		Sep 30, 2015		Jun 30, 2015		Mar 31, 2015		Dec 31, 2014	Sep 30, 2014			Sep 30, 2015		Sep 30, 2014
					(In	thousand	ds, e	except per	sh	are data)			
Per Share Data (Common Stock):														
Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.16	\$	0.16	\$	0.18	\$	0.08	\$	0.20	\$	0.49	\$	0.59
Diluted earnings per share		0.15		0.16		0.18		0.08		0.20		0.49		0.58
Book value per common share		11.54		11.37		11.22		11.02		10.93		11.54		10.93
Tangible book value per common share (1)		10.25		10.08		9.92		9.71		10.30		10.25		10.30
Share		10.23		10.00		7.72		7.71		10.50		10.23		10.50
Common Stock Data:														
Shares outstanding at period end		26,277		26,270		26,176		26,176		26,171		26,277		26,171
Weighted average basic shares														
outstanding for the period		26,274		26,199		26,176		26,171		22,714		26,215		21,430
Weighted average diluted shares														
outstanding for the period		26,551		26,518		26,359		26,592		23,102		26,481		21,728
Selected Performance Metrics:														
Return on average assets		0.68	%	0.73	%	0.85	%	0.38 %	'n	0.98	%	0.75	%	0.95
Return on average equity		5.37		5.60		6.46		2.83		7.58		5.80		7.90
Efficiency ratio		59.80		69.43		60.86		79.75		63.29		63.40		61.91
Loans to deposits ratio		102.12		93.59		93.74		97.48		95.39		102.12		95.39
Noninterest expense to average assets		2.38		2.93		2.53		3.32		2.71		2.61		2.59
Capital Ratios:														
Average shareholders' equity to														
average total assets		12.6	%	13.0	%	13.2	%	13.4 %	,	12.9	%	12.9	%	12.0
Tier 1 capital to average assets														
(leverage)		12.1		11.9		12.0		12.1		14.7		12.1		14.7
Common equity tier 1 capital ⁽²⁾		12.2		12.5		13.0		N/A		N/A		12.2		N/A
Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets		12.2		12.5		13.0		13.1		15.9		12.2		15.9
Total capital to risk-weighted assets		13.2		13.4		13.9		14.0		16.9		13.2		16.9
Tangible common equity to tangible assets (1)		11.3		11.1		11.7		11.8		14.5		11.3		14.5
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Selected Other Metrics:														
Number of full time equivalent		250		266		267		272		210		250		210
employees		258		266		267		272		219		258		219
Number of portfolio bankers Period end actual loan portfolio		52		55		53		53		48		52		48
	Ф	26 601	Ф	22 101	Φ	22 721	Φ	31,500	Ф	20.822	Φ	36,601	Ф	20.822
average per portfolio banker Period end target loan portfolio	\$	36,601	Ф	33,191	Ф	32,721	Ф	31,300	\$	29,823	\$	30,001	\$	29,823
	Φ	52 200	Ф	17 210	Φ	46,679	Φ	11 600	¢	47 271	Ф	52,299	¢	47 271
average per portfolio banker	\$	52,299	\$	47,348	Ф	40,079	Ф	44,698	Φ	47,271	\$	32,299	\$	47,271
Estimated remaining capacity to target loan portfolio size		30.02	%	29.90	%	29.90	%	29.53 %	'n	36.91	%	30.02	%	36.91

Refer to "Notes to Financial Highlights" at the end of this Earnings Release for a reconciliation of this non-GAAP financial measure.

⁽²⁾ Common equity tier 1 capital ratio is a new ratio required under the Basel III Capital Rules effective January 1, 2015.

				For the	e Quarter End	led			
	Septo	ember 30, 201	5	Ju	ine 30, 2015		Septo	ember 30, 201	4
	·	Interest			Interest			Interest	
	Average	Earned/	Average	Average	Earned/	Average	Average	Earned/	Average
	Outstanding	Interest	Yield/	Outstanding	Interest	Yield/	Outstanding	Interest	Yield/
	Balance	Paid	Rate	Balance	Paid	Rate	Balance	Paid	Rate
				(Dolla	rs in thousand	ds)			
Assets									
Interest-Earning Assets:									
Loans	\$ 1,918,999	\$ 22,601	4.67 %	\$ 1,834,975	\$ 22,252	4.86 %	\$ 1,466,708	\$ 18,745	5.07 %
Securities	257,930	809	1.24	263,900	838	1.27	249,923	954	1.51
Other investments	15,909	111	2.77	9,940	113	4.56	9,065	82	3.59
Federal funds sold	959	-	-	1,006	-	-	801	-	-
Interest earning deposits	115.465	70	0.26	77.026	50	0.20	55.540	26	0.26
in financial institutions	117,465	78	0.26	75,836	53	0.28	55,548	36	0.26
Total interest-earning	2,311,262	23,599	4.05 %	2,185,657	23,256	4.27 %	1,782,045	19,817	4.41 %
assets	2,311,202	23,399	4.03 %	2,163,037	23,230	4.27 %	1,762,043	19,617	4.41 70
Allowance for loan losses	(10.002)			(19.297)			(15,669)		
	(18,892) 103,186			(18,387) 106,027			74,850		
Noninterest-earning assets Total assets	\$ 2,395,556			\$ 2,273,297					
Total assets	\$ 2,393,330			\$ 2,213,291			\$ 1,841,226		
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity Interest-bearing liabilities:									
Interest-bearing demand and savings deposits	\$ 769,454	\$ 696	0.36 %	\$ 775,043	\$ 695	0.36 %	\$ 625,834	\$ 657	0.42 %
Certificates and other	\$ 709,434	\$ 090	0.30 %	\$ 775,045	\$ 093	0.30 %	\$ 025,654	\$ 037	0.42 %
time deposits	651,334	1,651	1.01	662,109	1,607	0.97	561,408	1,624	1.15
Securities sold under	001,001	1,001	1.01	002,109	1,007	0.57	201,100	1,02	1110
agreements to									
repurchase	7,483	3	0.16	11,699	4	0.14	4,911	2	0.16
Other borrowed funds	174,531	87	0.20	29,230	27	0.37	29,025	22	0.30
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1,602,802	2,437	0.60 %	1,478,081	2,333	0.63 %	1,221,178	2,305	0.75 %
naomaes	1,002,002	2,107		1,770,001	2,000		1,221,170		0.75 70
Noninterest-bearing liabilities:									
Noninterest-bearing	404.045			101 205			271.011		
demand deposits	481,947			491,305			374,811		
Other liabilities	9,437			7,652			7,999		
Total liabilities	2,094,186			1,977,038			1,603,988		
Shareholders' equity	301,370			296,259			237,238		
Total liabilities and	¢ 2.205.556			e 2.272.207			¢ 1.041.226		
shareholders' equity	\$ 2,395,556			\$ 2,273,297			\$ 1,841,226		
Net interest rate spread			3.45 %			3.63 %			3.66 %
Net interest income and									
margin ⁽¹⁾		\$ 21,162	3.63 %		\$ 20,923	3.84 %		\$ 17,512	3.90 %

Net interest margin is equal to net interest income divided by interest-earning assets.

For the Nine	Months Ende	d Septeml	ber 30,
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	-		20	015		2014							
	0	Average outstanding Balance]	Interest Earned/ Interest Paid	Average Yield/ Rate	Average Outstanding Balance		Interest Earned/ Interest Paid		Average Yield/ Rate			
		Dalailce		raiu	(Dollars in	thousa			raiu	Kate			
Assets					(Donars in	uiousa	ilus)						
Interest-Earning Assets:													
Loans	\$	1,846,618	\$	66,512	4.82 %	\$	1,419,540	\$	53,707	5.06 %			
Securities		252,673		2,525	1.34		253,830		3,007	1.58			
Other investments		12,115		334	3.69		8,982		241	3.59			
Federal funds sold		869		-	-		720		-	-			
Interest earning deposits in financial institutions		93,393		186	0.27		46,369		92	0.27			
Total interest-earning assets		2,205,668		69,557	4.22 %		1,729,441		57,047	4.41 %			
Allowance for loan losses		(17,699)					(15,993)						
Noninterest-earning assets		104,959					71,539						
Total assets	\$	2,292,928				\$	1,784,987						
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity													
Interest-bearing liabilities:													
Interest-bearing demand and savings deposits	\$	777,438	\$	2,073	0.36 %	\$	614,431	\$	1,855	0.40 %			
Certificates and other time deposits		650,959		4,732	0.97		572,010		5,194	1.21			
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		11,430		13	0.15		5,943		7	0.16			
Other borrowed funds		80,276		138	0.23		48,180		97	0.27			
Total interest-bearing liabilities		1,520,103		6,956	0.61 %		1,240,564		7,153	0.77 %			
Noninterest-bearing liabilities:													
Noninterest-bearing demand deposits		468,119					323,180						
Other liabilities		8,236					6,503						
Total liabilities		1,996,458					1,570,247						
Shareholders' equity		296,470					214,740						
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	2,292,928				\$	1,784,987						
Net interest rate spread					3.60 %					3.64 %			
Net interest income and margin ⁽¹⁾			\$	62,601	3.79 %			\$	49,894	3.86 %			

Net interest margin is equal to net interest income divided by interest-earning assets.

Yield Trend

For the Quarter Ended Dec 31, Sep 30, Jun 30, Mar 31, Sep 30, 2015 2015 2015 2014 2014 Average yield on interest-earning assets: Loans, including fees 4.67 % 4.86 % 4.92 % 4.90 % 5.07 % Securities 1.24 1.27 1.51 1.59 1.51 Other investments 2.77 4.56 4.28 3.89 3.59 Federal funds sold Interest-earning deposits in financial institutions 0.26 0.28 0.26 0.30 0.26 Total interest-earning assets 4.05 % 4.27 % 4.35 % 4.36 % 4.41 % Average rate on interest-bearing liabilities: 0.35 % 0.37 % Interest bearing transaction and savings 0.36 % 0.36 % 0.42 % Certificates and other time deposits 1.01 0.97 0.94 0.99 1.15 Other borrowed funds 0.20 0.30 0.24 0.27 0.28 Total interest-bearing liabilities 0.60 % 0.63 % 0.60~%0.64%0.75 % Net interest rate spread 3.45 % 3.63 % 3.75 % 3.73 % 3.66 % Net interest margin (1) 3.63 % 3.84 % 3.93 % 3.92 % 3.90 %

Supplemental Yield Trend

	For the Quarter Ended										
	Sep 30, 2015	Jun 30, 2015	Mar 31, 2015	Dec 31, 2014	Sep 30, 2014						
Average yield on loans, excluding fees (2)	4.37 %	4.47 %	4.50 %	4.48 %	4.63 %						
Average cost of interest-bearing deposits	0.66	0.64	0.61	0.65	0.76						
Average cost of total deposits, including noninterest-bearing	0.49	0.48	0.47	0.50	0.58						

Average yield on loans, excluding fees is equal to loan interest income divided by average loan principal.

Interest Rate Sensitivity

	Percentage Change in Net Interest Income over a 12-month Horizon as of											
	Sep 30, 2015	Jun 30, 2015	Mar 31, 2015	Dec 31, 2014	Sep 30, 2014							
+200 basis point change in interest rates	21.5 %	22.3 %	19.6 %	19.2 %	20.7 %							
+100 basis point change in interest rates	11.6	11.9	10.7	10.3	10.7							
No change in interest rates	-	-	-	-	-							
-100 basis point change in interest rates	(4.8)	(6.1)	(3.9)	(4.8)	(3.3)							

Net interest margin is equal to net interest income divided by interest-earning assets.

Portfolio Composition

	Sep 30, 20	015	Jun 30, 2	015		Mar 31, 2	2015	Dec 31, 20	014		Sep 30, 2	014
D : 1E 1D 1					(1	Dollars in the	ousands)			-		
Period End Balances												
Commercial & industrial	\$ 820,337	41.4 %	\$ 795,483	42.0 %	\$	744,380	41.1 %	\$ 788,410	43.8 %	\$	725,583	48.2 %
Real Estate:												
Owner occupied												
commercial	183,224	9.2	176,453	9.2		166,604	9.1	163,592	9.1		132,940	8.8
Commercial	483,628	24.4	383,863	20.3		367,071	20.3	339,006	18.8		308,700	20.5
Construction, land &												
land development	252,206	12.8	290,469	15.3		273,125	15.1	240,666	13.4		230,259	15.3
Residential mortgage	230,796	11.6	234,026	12.4		249,591	13.8	257,066	14.3		100,818	6.8
Consumer and Other	12,089	0.6	14,448	0.8		10,071	0.6	10,415	0.6		6,698	0.4
Total loans held for												
investment	\$ 1,982,280	100.0 %	\$ 1,894,742	100.0 %	\$	1,810,842	100.0 %	\$ 1,799,155	100.0 %	\$	1,504,998	100.0 %
Deposits:												
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 499,101	25.7 %	\$ 604,073	29.9 %	\$	459,100	23.8 %	\$ 431,942	23.4 %	\$	393,567	24.9 %
Interest-bearing												
transaction	132,604	6.8	133,584	6.6		142,442	7.4	134,448	7.3		81,816	5.2
Money market	604,912	31.2	567,613	28.0		607,033	31.4	581,346	31.5		525,726	33.3
Savings	55,441	2.9	56,926	2.8		59,825	3.1	61,637	3.3		31,375	2.0
Certificates and other												
time deposits	 649,082	33.4	 662,335	32.7		663,451	34.3	636,340	34.5		545,207	34.6
Total deposits	\$ 1,941,140	100.0 %	\$ 2,024,531	100.0 %	\$	1,931,851	100.0 %	\$ 1,845,713	100.0 %	\$	1,577,691	100.0 %
Loan to Deposit Ratio	102.1 %	6	93.6 9	%		93.7 9	%	97.5 %	6		95.4 9	6

Asset Quality

											As of an	d fo	r the
		A	s of and	for	the Quar	ter	Ended				Nine Mon	ths	Ended
	Sep 30,	J	un 30,	N	Mar 31,]	Dec 31,	S	Sep 30,	:	Sep 30,	5	Sep 30,
	2015		2015		2015		2014		2014		2015		2014
	·		(Doll	lars	in thousa	and	s)						
Nonperforming Assets:													
Nonaccrual loans	\$ 22,762	\$	4,402	\$	3,789	\$	2,127	\$	2,709	\$	22,762	\$	2,709
Accruing loans 90 or more days past													
due	4,233		-		7		16		52		4,233		52
Restructured loans—nonaccrual	1,623		1,712		3,113		2,717		1,948		1,623		1,948
Restructured loans—accrual	6,048		681		2,390	_	2,257		3,973		6,048		3,973
Total nonperforming loans	34,666		6,795		9,299		7,117		8,682		34,666		8,682
Real estate acquired through													
foreclosure	1,665		4,488		4,863		4,863		4,863		1,665		4,863
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 36,331	\$	11,283	\$	14,162	\$	11,980	\$	13,545	\$	36,331	\$	13,545
Charge-offs:													
Commercial and industrial	\$ (981)	\$	(1,227)	\$	(77)	\$	(960)	\$	(679)	\$	(2,285)	\$	(1,967)
Owner occupied commercial real													
estate	(12)		-		-		-		-		(12)		-
Residential mortgage	(41)		-		-		-		-		(41)		-
Other consumer			(12)		(105)		(10)		(2)	_	(117)		(1,287)
Total charge-offs	(1,034)		(1,239)		(182)		(970)		(681)		(2,455)		(3,254)
Recoveries:													
Commercial and industrial	\$ 331	\$	1,163	\$	597	\$	53	\$	10	\$	2,091	\$	65
Owner occupied commercial real													1.4
estate	-		-		-		-		-		-		14
Commercial real estate	75		-		1		-		-		76		1
Residential mortgage	4		6		12		5		7		22		15
Other consumer	2		15		4		5		1	_	21	_	617
Total recoveries	412		1,184	_	614	_	63		18		2,210		712
N. (1 CC)	Φ ((22)	ф	(55)	ф	420	Φ.	(0.07)	ф	((((2))	Φ	(0.45)	ф	(0.540)
Net recoveries (charge-offs)	\$ (622)	\$	(55)	\$	432	\$	(907)	\$	(663)	\$	(245)	\$	(2,542)
A11.													
Allowance for loan losses at end of	¢ 20.724	¢	10 202	Φ	17 5 4 2	Ф	15 605	¢	15 262	Φ	20.724	¢	15 262
period	\$ 20,724	Þ	18,292	ф	17,542	\$	15,605	Þ	15,262		20,724	D	15,262
A and Orelian Dation													
Asset Quality Ratios:	1.50 %	1	0.47 %	1	0.63 %	7	0.55.0	,	0.72.0	1	1.50.0	,	0.72 %
Nonperforming assets to total assets Nonperforming loans to total loans		o		o		0	0.55 %	0	0.72 9	0	1.50 %)	
Total classified assets to total	1.75		0.36		0.51		0.40		0.58		1.75		0.58
	28.19		19.03		10.93		11.76		6.35		28.19		6.25
regulatory capital Allowance for loan losses to total	28.19		19.03		10.93		11./0		0.55		20.19		6.35
loans	1.05		0.97		0.97		0.87		1.01		1.05		1.01
Net charge-offs (recoveries) to	1.03		0.71		0.77		0.07		1.01		1.05		1.01
average loans outstanding	0.03		0.00		(0.02)		0.05		0.05		0.01		0.18
a. orașe round outounum	0.03		0.00		(0.02)		0.05		0.05		0.01		0.10

We identify certain financial measures discussed in this release as being "non-GAAP financial measures." In accordance with the SEC's rules, we classify a financial measure as being a non-GAAP financial measure if that financial measure excludes or includes amounts, or is subject to adjustments that have the effect of excluding or including amounts, that are included or excluded, as the case may be, in the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time in the United States in our statements of income, balance sheet or statements of cash flows. Non-GAAP financial measures do not include operating and other statistical measures or ratios or statistical measures calculated using exclusively either financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP, operating measures or other measures that are not non-GAAP financial measures or both.

The non-GAAP financial measures that we discuss in this release should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for the most directly comparable or other financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. Moreover, the manner in which we calculate the non-GAAP financial measures that we discuss in this release may differ from that of other companies reporting measures with similar names. You should understand how such other banking organizations calculate their financial measures similar or with names similar to the non-GAAP financial measures we have discussed in this release when comparing such non-GAAP financial measures.

Tangible Book Value Per Common Share. Tangible book value is a non-GAAP measure generally used by financial analysts and investment bankers to evaluate financial institutions. We calculate: (a) tangible common equity as shareholders' equity less goodwill and core deposit intangibles, net of accumulated amortization; and (b) tangible book value per common share as tangible common equity (as described in clause (a)) divided by shares of common stock outstanding. For tangible book value, the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is our book value.

We believe that this measure is important to many investors in the marketplace who are interested in changes from period to period in book value per common share exclusive of changes in intangible assets. Goodwill and other intangible assets have the effect of increasing total book value while not increasing our tangible book value.

The following table reconciles, as of the dates set forth below, total shareholders' equity to tangible common equity and presents our tangible book value per common share compared with our book value per common share:

	Se	p 30, 2015	Ju	n 30, 2015 (In thous	 <u>ar 31, 2015</u> , except per	 ec 31, 2014 re data)	Se	p 30, 2014
Tangible Common Equity								
Total shareholders' equity	\$	303,229	\$	298,652	\$ 293,770	\$ 288,405	\$	285,964
Adjustments:								
Goodwill		30,129		30,129	30,129	30,129		15,672
Core deposit intangibles		3,704		3,852	4,000	4,148		800
Tangible common equity	\$	269,396	\$	264,671	\$ 259,641	\$ 254,128	\$	269,492
Common shares outstanding (1)		26,277		26,270	 26,176	 26,176		26,171
Book value per common share (1)	\$	11.54	\$	11.37	\$ 11.22	\$ 11.02	\$	10.93
Tangible book value per common share (1)	\$	10.25	\$	10.08	\$ 9.92	\$ 9.71	\$	10.30

Excludes the dilutive effect of common stock issuable upon exercise of outstanding stock options. The number of exercisable options outstanding was 939,576 as of Sep 30, 2015; 938,927 as of Jun 30, 2015; 1,021,555 as of Mar 31, 2015; 1,020,743 as of Dec 31, 2014; and 1,023,072 as of Sep 30, 2014.

Tangible Common Equity to Tangible Assets. Tangible common equity to tangible assets is a non-GAAP measure generally used by financial analysts and investment bankers to evaluate financial institutions. We calculate: (a) tangible common equity as shareholders' equity less goodwill and core deposit intangibles, net of accumulated amortization; (b) tangible assets as total assets less goodwill and core deposit intangibles, net of accumulated amortization; and (c) tangible common equity to tangible assets as tangible common equity (as described in clause (a)) divided by tangible assets (as described in clause (b)). For common equity to tangible assets, the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is total shareholders' equity to total assets.

We believe that this measure is important to many investors in the marketplace who are interested in the relative changes from period to period in common equity and total assets, each exclusive of changes in intangible assets. Goodwill and other intangible assets have the effect of increasing both total shareholders' equity and assets while not increasing our tangible common equity or tangible assets.

The following table reconciles, as of the dates set forth below, total shareholders' equity to tangible common equity and total assets to tangible assets and presents our tangible common equity to tangible assets:

	S	ep 30, 2015	Jı	ın 30, 2015	M	ar 31, 2015	D	ec 31, 2014	S	ep 30, 2014
				(Doll	ars in thousa	nds)			
Tangible Common Equity										
Total shareholders' equity	\$	303,229	\$	298,652	\$	293,770	\$	288,405	\$	285,964
Adjustments:										
Goodwill		30,129		30,129		30,129		30,129		15,672
Core deposit intangibles		3,704		3,852		4,000		4,148		800
Tangible common equity	\$	269,396	\$	264,671	\$	259,641	\$	254,128	\$	269,492
Tangible Assets										
Total assets	\$	2,415,987	\$	2,408,951	\$	2,252,665	\$	2,196,135	\$	1,876,742
Adjustments:										
Goodwill		30,129		30,129		30,129		30,129		15,672
Core deposit intangibles		3,704		3,852		4,000		4,148		800
Tangible assets	\$	2,382,154	\$	2,374,970	\$	2,218,536	\$	2,161,858	\$	1,860,270
Tangible Common Equity to										
Tangible Assets		11.3 9	% <u> </u>	11.1 9	11.7 9	6	11.8 9	6 <u> </u>	14.5 %	

Allowance for Loan Losses to Total Loans excluding Acquired Loans. The allowance for loan losses to total loans excluding acquired loans is a non-GAAP measure used by management to evaluate the Company's financial condition. Due to the application of purchase accounting, we use this non-GAAP ratio that excludes that impact of these items to evaluate our allowance for loan losses to total loans. We calculate: (a) total loans excluding acquired loans as total loans less the fair value of acquired loans accounted for under ASC topics 310-20 and 310-30; and (b) allowance for loan losses to total loans excluding acquired loans as the allowance for loan losses divided by total loans excluding acquired loans (as described in clause (a)). For allowance for loan losses to total loans excluding acquired loans, the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is allowance for loan losses to total loans.

We believe that this measure is important to many investors in the marketplace who are interested in the relative changes from period to period in the allowance for loan losses to total loans excluding acquired loans. The acquired loans may have a premium or discount associated with them that includes a potential credit loss component with similar characteristics to the allowance for loan losses. This measure reports the allowance for loan loss coverage to only those loans not accounted for pursuant to ASC topics 310-20 and 310-30 which may assist the investor in evaluating the allowance coverage of loans excluding acquired loans.

The following table reconciles, as of the dates set forth below, allowance for loan losses to total loans excluding acquired loans:

	Sep 30, 2015		J	Jun 30, 2015	Mar 31, 2015	Ι	ec 31, 2014	5	Sep 30, 2014		
	(Dollars in thousands)										
Allowance for loan losses	\$	20,724	\$	18,292	\$	17,542	\$	15,605	\$	15,262	
Total loans excluding acquired loans											
Total loans	\$	1,982,280	\$	1,894,742	\$	5 1,810,842	\$	1,799,155	\$	1,504,998	
Less: Fair value of acquired loans accounted											
for under ASC Topics 310-20 and 310-30		172,645		190,815		214,689		238,424		12,366	
Total loans excluding acquired loans	\$	1,809,635	\$	1,703,927	\$	5 1,596,153	\$	1,560,731	\$	1,492,632	
Allowance for loan losses to total loans											
excluding acquired loans		1.15 %	%	1.07	%	1.10	%	1.00 9	6	1.02 %	

Allowance for Loan Losses plus Acquired Loan Net Discount to Total Loans adjusted for Acquired Loan Net Discount. Allowance for loan losses plus acquired loan net discount to total loans adjusted for acquired loan net discount is a non-GAAP measure used by management to evaluate the Company's financial condition. We calculate: (a) allowance for loan losses plus acquired loan net discount as allowance for loan losses plus acquired loan net discount, net of accumulated amortization; (b) total loans adjusted for acquired loan net discount as total loans plus acquired loan net discount, net of accumulated amortization; and (c) allowance for loan losses plus acquired loan net discount to total loans adjusted for acquired loan net discount (as calculated in clause (b)).

We believe that this measure is important to many investors in the marketplace who are interested in the relative changes from period to period in the allowance for loan losses plus the acquired loan net discount to total loans adjusted for the acquired loan net discount. This measure reports the combined allowance for loan loss and acquired loan net discount (or premium) as a percentage of loans inclusive of the acquired loan net discount (or premium) which may assist the investor in evaluating allowance coverage on loans inclusive of additional discount or premium resulting from purchase accounting adjustments.

The following table reconciles, as of the dates set forth below, allowance for loan losses plus acquired loans net discount to total loans adjusted for acquired loan net discount:

	S	ep 30, 2015	Jun 30, 2015		M	Mar 31, 2015		ec 31, 2014	S	ep 30, 2014		
	(Dollars in thousands)											
Allowance for loan losses plus acquired loan												
net discount												
Allowance for loan losses at end of period	\$	20,724	\$	18,292	\$	17,542	\$	15,605	\$	15,262		
Plus: Net discount on acquired loans		2,580		2,771		3,474		4,081		944		
Total allowance plus acquired loan net												
discount	\$	23,304	\$	21,063	\$	21,016	\$	19,686	\$	16,206		
Total loans adjusted for acquired loan net discount												
Total loans	\$	1,982,280	\$	1,894,742	\$	1,810,842	\$	1,799,155	\$	1,504,998		
Plus: Net discount on acquired loans		2,580		2,771		3,474		4,081		944		
Total loans adjusted for acquired loan net discount	\$	1,984,860	\$	1,897,513	\$	1,814,316	\$	1,803,236	\$	1,505,942		
Allowance for loan losses plus acquired loan net discount loans to total loans adjusted for acquired loan net discount		1.17 %		1.11 %		1.16 %	,	1.09 %		1.08 %		

Selected Metrics Excluding One-time Acquisition Expenses. The selected metrics excluding one-time acquisition expenses are non-GAAP measures used by management to evaluate the Company's performance. We calculate: (a) noninterest expense excluding one-time acquisition expenses as total noninterest expense less the one-time acquisition expenses; (b) net income excluding one-time acquisition expenses as net income plus one-time acquisition expenses, net of taxes; (c) diluted earnings per share excluding one-time acquisition expenses as net income excluding one-time acquisition expenses (as calculated in clause (b)) divided by the weighted average diluted shares outstanding; (d) return on average assets excluding one-time acquisition expenses as net income excluding onetime acquisition expenses (as calculated in clause (b)) divided by average total assets; (e) return on average equity excluding one-time acquisition expenses as net income excluding one-time acquisition expenses (as calculated in clause (b)) divided by average total shareholders' equity; and (f) efficiency ratio excluding one-time acquisition expenses as noninterest expense excluding one-time acquisition expenses (as calculated in clause (a)) divided by the sum of net interest income and noninterest income. For noninterest expense excluding one-time acquisition expenses, the most comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is noninterest expense. For net income excluding one-time acquisition expenses, the most comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is net income. For diluted earnings per share excluding one-time acquisition expenses, the most comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is diluted earnings per share. For return on average assets excluding one-time acquisition expenses, the most comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is return on average assets. For return on average equity excluding one-time acquisition expenses, the most comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is return on average equity. For the efficiency ratio excluding one-time acquisition expenses, the most comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is the efficiency ratio.

We believe that these measures are important to many investors in the marketplace who are interested in changes from period to period in noninterest expense, net income, diluted earnings per share, return on average assets, return on average equity and efficiency ratio with the exclusion of one-time acquisition expenses.

The following table reconciles, as of the dates set forth below, the selected metrics excluding one-time acquisition expenses:

													For the			
		For the Quarter Ended										Ended				
		Sep 30, 2015			Dec 31, 2014		Sep 30, 2014	Sep 30, 2015			Sep 30, 2014					
						(In thousa	nds,	except per	sha	re data)						
Noninterest Expense Excluding																
One-time Acquisition Expenses																
Total noninterest expense	\$	14,372	\$	16,578	\$	13,756	\$	17,880	\$	12,560	\$	44,706	\$	34,553		
Less: One-time acquisition																
expenses		808		1,996		226		4,290		429		3,030		936		
Noninterest expense excluding																
one-time acquisition expenses	\$	13,564	\$	14,582	\$	13,530	\$	13,590	\$	12,131	\$	41,676	\$	33,617		
Net Income Excluding One-time																
Acquisition Expenses																
Net Income	\$	4,079	\$	4,138	\$	4,649	\$	2,047	\$	4,533	\$	12,866	\$	12,695		
Plus: One-time acquisition																
expenses, net of taxes		525		1,297		147		2,788		279		1,970		608		
Net income excluding one-time	Φ.	4.604	Φ.	5 40.5	Φ.	4.506	Φ.	4.005	Φ.	4.012	ф	14006	Φ.	10.000		
acquisition expenses	\$	4,604	\$	5,435	\$	4,796	\$	4,835	\$	4,812	\$	14,836	\$	13,303		
Weighted average diluted shares																
outstanding		26,551		26,518		26,359		26,592		23,102		26,481		21,728		
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.15	\$	0.16	\$	0.18	\$	0.08	\$	0.20	\$	0.49	\$	0.58		
Diluted earnings per share,																
excluding one-time acquisition expenses		0.17		0.20		0.18		0.18		0.21		0.56		0.61		
expenses		0.17		0.20		0.10		0.16		0.21		0.50		0.01		
Average Total Assets	\$	2,395,556	\$ 1	2,273,297	\$	2,207,869	\$	2,134,814	\$	1,841,226	\$	2,292,928	\$	1,784,987		
Return on average assets	Ψ.	0.68		0.73		0.85		0.38 9		0.98 9	-	0.75		0.95 %		
Return on average assets,		0.00	,0	0.75	,	0.05	, .	0.50 /		0.70 /		0.75		0.55 76		
excluding one-time acquisition																
expenses		0.76		0.96		0.88		0.90		1.04		0.87		1.00		
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Average Common Shareholders'																
equity	\$	301,370	\$	296,259	\$	291,674	\$	286,660	\$	237,238	\$	296,470	\$	214,740		
Return on average equity		5.37	%	5.60 9	%	6.46	%	2.83 %	6	7.58 9	6	5.80 9	%	7.90 %		
Return on average equity,																
excluding one-time acquisition																
expenses		6.06		7.36		6.67		6.69		8.05		6.69		8.28		
Net interest income	\$	21,162	\$	20,923	\$	20,516	\$	20,283	\$	17,512	\$	62,601	\$	49,894		
Noninterest Income	\$	2,871	\$	2,955	\$	2,085	\$	2,137	\$	2,334	\$	7,911	\$	5,919		
Efficiency ratio		59.80	%	69.43	%	60.86	%	79.75 %	6	63.29 %		63.40	%	61.91 %		
Efficiency ratio, excluding one-																
time acquisition expenses		56.44		61.07		59.86		60.62		61.13		59.10		60.23		

Pre-tax, Pre-provision Adjusted Net Income. Pre-tax, pre-provision adjusted net income is a non-GAAP measure used by management to evaluate the Company's financial condition. We calculate pre-tax, pre-provision adjusted net income as net income plus provision for income taxes, plus provision for loan losses, plus one-time acquisition expenses. For pre-tax, pre-provision adjusted net income, the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is net income.

We believe that this measure is important to many investors in the marketplace who are interested in understanding the operating performance of the company before provision for loan losses, which can vary from quarter to quarter, and income taxes.

The following table reconciles, as of the dates set forth below, pre-tax, pre-provision adjusted net income:

				For the Nine Months Ended										
	Sep	30, 2015	Jun 30, 2015		Ma	r 31, 2015	Dec 31, 2014		Sep 30, 2014		Sep 30, 2015		Sep	30, 2014
				(D	ollars	in thousan	ds)							
Pre-Tax, Pre-Provision Adjusted														
Net Income														
Net Income	\$	4,079	\$	4,138	\$	4,649	\$	2,047	\$	4,533	\$	12,866	\$	12,695
Plus: Provision on income taxes		2,528		2,357		2,691		1,243		2,533		7,576		7,122
Plus: Provision for loan losses		3,054		805		1,505		1,250		220		5,364		1,443
Plus: One-time acquisition														
expenses		808		1,996		226		4,290		429		3,030		936
Total pre-tax, pre-provision											-			
adjusted net income	\$	10,469	\$	9,296	\$	9,071	\$	8,830	\$	7,715	\$	28,836	\$	22,196