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NOTICE OF EXEMPT SOLICITATION

1. Name of the Registrant:

WELLPOINT, INC.

2. Name of the person relying on exemption:

CTW INVESTMENT GROUP

3. Address of the person relying on exemption:

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4. Written materials. Attach written materials required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 14a6(g)(1):

CtW Investment Group

May 3, 2012

Dear fellow WellPoint shareholders:

The CtW Investment Group, alongside a coalition of institutional investors, is urging shareholders VOTE NO on two nominees to the board of WellPoint because of political spending, disclosure and governance issues.

Late last week, Institutional Shareholder Services (ISS) issued a report recommending a vote in favor of WellPoint's incumbent board members in the election of directors and against the shareholder proposal seeking greater disclosure and accountability. UNFORTUNATELY, THE CTW INVESTMENT GROUP BELIEVES ISS'S ANALYSIS IS DEEPLY FLAWED, failing to examine the risks to shareholder value from WellPoint's political spending and the potential size of the disclosure gap represented by undisclosed "special assessments" to trade associations. AS A RESULT, INVESTORS THAT RELY ON ISS MAY UNWITTINGLY GIVE WELLPOINT THE GREEN LIGHT TO CONTINUE TO PURSUE POTENTIALLY HIGH-RISK, SURREPTITIOUS POLITICAL SPENDING THAT CAN PLACE LONG-TERM SHAREHOLDER VALUE AT RISK.

ISS states clearly at the beginning of its analysis that if "supported by fact," the coalition's concerns "would indicate the potential for conflicts especially in light of the company's alleged involvement in the funding of \$86 million to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce." Yet, without giving any meaningful countenance to the factual points put forward by concerned investors, ISS later concludes in favor of the board, deploying the proxy advisory industry's equivalent of "punting" the issue: the oft-used "we will continue to monitor" text.

Unfortunately, it is difficult to monitor payments that go undisclosed. Moreover, it is potentially reckless to wait another year or more to address an issue that concerned investors demonstrate has already raised potentially serious misalignments between shareholders and management in the past, and could well do so again as the fate of the health care overhaul law and long-term sustainability of the health industry is debated among lawmakers and other

politicians.

ISS FAILS TO ADDRESS TWO KEY POINTS:

- the substantial nature of special assessments paid to trade associations and the gaping holes that this refusal to disclose leaves in current disclosure; and
- 2) the misalignment between WellPoint's past political spending and the long-term interests of shareholders, and the risks that undisclosed funding could again be misaligned in the current environment.

It is critical that shareholders recognize that special assessments are not, as the company claims, de minimis, and the risks to shareholders not confined to what  ${\tt ISS}$ 

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sees as 'reputational risks' but, instead, more fundamental: the potential misalignment with long-term value creation, a discussion of which is notably absent in the ISS report. Paramount is our concern that the company's contributions were in conflict with its public positions on health care that WellPoint articulated to investors and the general public, and the interests of long-term investors. This is hugely problematic and yet receives no attention in ISS's analysis.

Both failures are on display in ISS's conclusion that our critique is "based on historical events [the debate on health care reform] that do not appear to have harmed shareholder value." First, the company's expenditures to defeat health care reform are the most egregious case we know of surreptitious corporate spending, which only came to light because of dogged journalism. It is precisely because the company does not fully disclose its political spending that investors do not have information on current spending. Second, the debate over health care reform is hardly a "historical" event that now lives solely in the past. Whether such spending is taking place currently is particularly important to investors given the uncertainty over health care reform and the ramifications to the business if all or parts of the reform law are repealed. Third, nowhere in ISS's analysis are the risks outlined by the coalition discussed; indeed the analysis makes no mention of shareholder value in the evaluation of our concerns, leaving no foundation for ISS's conclusion that shareholder value has not been harmed.

It is vital to note that ISS prefers to limit the discussion of risks from a lack of transparency to reputational risk, evidenced by its extensive discussion of the American Legislative Exchange Council, ALEC, rather than the more fundamental concern about business (mis)alignment and the potential conflict between the short-run interests of executives in defeating health reform verses the long-term interests of shareholders in building a sustainable business. To be clear, we believe reputational risk is an issue, yet the concerns that elevated WellPoint's spending to an issue on directors relates to the business alignment and long-term shareholder value.

ISS's failure to understand the shortcomings of WellPoint's current disclosure and the potentially serious understating of the company's political activities becomes clear when ISS recommends against the political disclosure proposal (Item No. 4), despite a policy bent towards support for such proposals. ISS claims that WellPoint's '"shareholders are provided with information to enable them to generally evaluate the company's political contributions . . . the

risks and benefits of the company's political participations and the company's management of those risks and benefits." ISS, however, fails to explain how shareholders can understand what WellPoint is doing in this area when potentially millions of dollars in undisclosed shareholder funds may be supporting efforts at odds with shareholders' long-term interests.

CTW INVESTMENT GROUP CONTINUES TO RECOMMEND VOTES AGAINST JULIE HILL AND SUSAN BAYH

The Governance Committee, as ISS notes, is responsible for managing director-related conflicts. Given its apparent failure to adequately perform this role in the past as regards to political spending, and its failure to establish, as ISS now recommends, an independent committee to oversee political spending, we continue to recommend investors hold the only long-term member of the Governance Committee up for election under the classified board structure responsible - Julie Hill.

We also continue to recommend investors vote against Susan Bayh given the potential conflicts she embodies both past and present.

For more information, please contact michael.pryce-jones@changetowin.org.

Sincerely,

Richard Clayton

/s/ Richard W. Clayton III Research Director, CtW Investment Group

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	Loans Pas	st <b>Duc</b> ans Pas	st <b>Duc</b> ans Pas	t <b>Diot</b> al	Current	PCI	Total	Accruing L (Non-PCI) Past Due
December 31, 2017	30-59 Day	ys 60-89 Days 90 Days or <b>Mast</b> e Due Loa <b>l</b> wans				Loans	Loans	90 Days or
Commercial and industrial:	000,24,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	, o , o <b>2 u</b> , o o	112000000	<b>0</b>	2001	<b>2001</b>	70 <b>2 u</b> j 5 01
Secured Unsecured Real estate:	\$ 2,060 642	\$ 312 —	\$ 5,714 —	\$ 8,086 642	\$ 1,544,131 122,247	\$ 6,099 —	\$ 1,558,316 122,889	\$ 640 —
Secured by commercial properties Secured by	442	_	2,195	2,637	2,213,331	19,675	2,235,643	_
residential properties Construction and land development: Residential	1,490	1,290	418	3,198	762,818	9,865	775,881	_
construction loans Commercial construction loans and land	315	_	_	315	176,937	_	177,252	_
development	1,370	101		1,471	782,444	1,438	785,353	
Consumer	194	20	_	214	40,105	127	40,446	
Broker-dealer	_		_		577,889		577,889	
	\$ 6,513	\$ 1,723	\$ 8,327	\$ 16,563	\$ 6,219,902	\$ 37,204	\$ 6,273,669	\$ 640

In addition to the non-covered loans shown in the tables above, PrimeLending had \$73.4 million and \$84.5 million of loans included in loans held for sale (with an aggregate unpaid principal balance of \$74.0 million and \$85.2 million, respectively) that were 90 days past due and accruing interest at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. These loans are guaranteed by U.S. government agencies and include loans that are subject to repurchase, or have been repurchased, by PrimeLending.

Management tracks credit quality trends on a quarterly basis related to: (i) past due levels, (ii) non-performing asset levels, (iii) classified loan levels, (iv) net charge-offs, and (v) general economic conditions in state and local markets.

The Company utilizes a risk grading matrix to assign a risk grade to each of the loans in its portfolio with the exception of broker-dealer margin loans. A risk rating is assigned based on an assessment of the borrower's management, collateral position, financial capacity, and economic factors. The general characteristics of the various risk grades are described below.

Pass – "Pass" loans present a range of acceptable risks to the Company. Loans that would be considered virtually risk-free are rated Pass – low risk. Loans that exhibit sound standards based on the grading factors above and present a reasonable risk to the Company are rated Pass – normal risk. Loans that exhibit a minor weakness in one or more of the grading criteria but still present an acceptable risk to the Company are rated Pass – high risk.

Special Mention – "Special Mention" loans have potential weaknesses that deserve management's close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses may result in a deterioration of the repayment prospects for the loans and weaken the Company's credit position at some future date. Special Mention loans are not adversely classified and do not expose the Company to sufficient risk to require adverse classification.

Substandard – "Substandard" loans are inadequately protected by the current sound worth and paying capacity of the obligor or the collateral pledged, if any. Loans so classified must have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the Company will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected. Many substandard loans are considered impaired.

PCI – "PCI" loans exhibited evidence of credit deterioration at acquisition that made it probable that all contractually required principal payments would not be collected.

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The following tables present the internal risk grades of non-covered loans, as previously described, in the portfolio by class (in thousands).

June 30, 2018	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	PCI	Total
Commercial and industrial:					
Secured	\$ 1,462,355	\$ 6,600	\$ 61,123	\$ 5,055	\$ 1,535,133
Unsecured	119,289		1,009		120,298
Real estate:					
Secured by commercial					
properties	2,233,481	4,740	62,427	16,762	2,317,410
Secured by residential properties	809,996	_	11,161	3,929	825,086
Construction and land					
development:					
Residential construction loans	209,655	_		_	209,655
Commercial construction loans	,				,
and land development	737,143	_	592	919	738,654
Consumer	38,139	_	123	_	38,262
Broker-dealer	600,162	_	_	_	600,162
	\$ 6,210,220	\$ 11,340	\$ 136,435	\$ 26,665	\$ 6,384,660
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December 31, 2017	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	PCI	Total
December 31, 2017 Commercial and industrial:	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	PCI	Total
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Pass \$ 1,483,502	Special Mention \$ 17,354	Substandard \$ 51,361	PCI \$ 6,099	Total \$ 1,558,316
Commercial and industrial:		-			
Commercial and industrial: Secured	\$ 1,483,502	-	\$ 51,361		\$ 1,558,316
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate:	\$ 1,483,502	-	\$ 51,361		\$ 1,558,316
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured	\$ 1,483,502	-	\$ 51,361		\$ 1,558,316
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial	\$ 1,483,502 121,774	\$ 17,354 —	\$ 51,361 1,115	\$ 6,099 —	\$ 1,558,316 122,889
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial properties	\$ 1,483,502 121,774 2,154,595	\$ 17,354 —	\$ 51,361 1,115 53,726	\$ 6,099 — 19,675	\$ 1,558,316 122,889 2,235,643
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial properties Secured by residential properties	\$ 1,483,502 121,774 2,154,595	\$ 17,354 —	\$ 51,361 1,115 53,726	\$ 6,099 — 19,675	\$ 1,558,316 122,889 2,235,643
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial properties Secured by residential properties Construction and land	\$ 1,483,502 121,774 2,154,595	\$ 17,354 —	\$ 51,361 1,115 53,726	\$ 6,099 — 19,675	\$ 1,558,316 122,889 2,235,643
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial properties Secured by residential properties Construction and land development:	\$ 1,483,502 121,774 2,154,595 756,091	\$ 17,354 —	\$ 51,361 1,115 53,726	\$ 6,099 — 19,675	\$ 1,558,316 122,889 2,235,643 775,881
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial properties Secured by residential properties Construction and land development: Residential construction loans	\$ 1,483,502 121,774 2,154,595 756,091	\$ 17,354 —	\$ 51,361 1,115 53,726	\$ 6,099 — 19,675	\$ 1,558,316 122,889 2,235,643 775,881
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial properties Secured by residential properties Construction and land development: Residential construction loans Commercial construction loans	\$ 1,483,502 121,774 2,154,595 756,091 177,252	\$ 17,354 — 7,647 —	\$ 51,361 1,115 53,726 9,925	\$ 6,099 — 19,675 9,865 —	\$ 1,558,316 122,889 2,235,643 775,881
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial properties Secured by residential properties Construction and land development: Residential construction loans Commercial construction loans and land development	\$ 1,483,502 121,774 2,154,595 756,091 177,252 780,905	\$ 17,354 — 7,647 —	\$ 51,361 1,115 53,726 9,925 —	\$ 6,099 — 19,675 9,865 — 1,438	\$ 1,558,316 122,889 2,235,643 775,881 177,252 785,353
Commercial and industrial: Secured Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial properties Secured by residential properties Construction and land development: Residential construction loans Commercial construction loans and land development Consumer	\$ 1,483,502 121,774 2,154,595 756,091 177,252 780,905 40,211	\$ 17,354 — 7,647 —	\$ 51,361 1,115 53,726 9,925 —	\$ 6,099 — 19,675 9,865 — 1,438	\$ 1,558,316 122,889 2,235,643 775,881 177,252 785,353 40,446

#### Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is subject to regulatory examinations and determinations as to adequacy, which may take into account such factors as the methodology used to calculate the allowance and the size of the allowance. The Company's analysis of the level of the allowance for loan losses to ensure that it is appropriate for the estimated credit losses in the portfolio consistent with the Interagency Policy Statement on the Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses and the Receivables and Contingencies Topics of the ASC is described in detail in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements included in the Company's 2017 Form 10-K.

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Changes in the allowance for non-covered loan losses, distributed by portfolio segment, are shown below (in thousands).

T	Commercial and	l	(	Construction an	nd						
Three Months Ended June 30, 2018 Balance, beginning of	Industrial	Real Estate	I	Land Developm	nen	Consumer	Bı	roker-Deale	r Total		
period Provision (recovery) for loan losses Loans charged off Recoveries on charged off loans Balance, end of period	\$ 23,269	\$ 29,300	9	5 7,449	9	\$ 276	\$	77	\$ 60,371		
	1,815 (2,233)	(767) (24)		(178) —		(75) (30)		340	1,135 (2,287)		
	666 \$ 23,517	75 \$ 28,584	\$	<del></del>	3	36 5 207	\$	<u> </u>	777 \$ 59,996		
Six Months Ended	Commercial and		C	onstruction and	d						
June 30, 2018 Balance, beginning of	Industrial	Real Estate	L	and Developm	enC	onsumer	Br	Broker-Dealer Total			
period Provision (recovery)	\$ 23,674	\$ 28,775	\$	7,844	\$	311	\$	353	\$ 60,957		
for loan losses Loans charged off Recoveries on charged	119 (3,416)	(264) (30)		(573)		(109) (43)		64	(763) (3,489)		
off loans Balance, end of period	3,140 \$ 23,517	103 \$ 28,584	\$	<del></del> 7,271	\$	48 207	\$	 417	3,291 \$ 59,996		
Three Months Ended	Commercial and		C	onstruction and	d						
June 30, 2017	Industrial	Real Estate	L	and Developm	enC	onsumer	Br	oker-Deale	r Total		
Balance, beginning of period Provision for loan	\$ 21,679	\$ 26,112	\$	6,879	\$	464	\$	23	\$ 55,157		
Provision for loan losses Loans charged off	735 (1,200) 620	2,779 (218) 61		766 — —		165 (127) 22		448 	4,893 (1,545) 703		

Recoveries	on	charged
off loans		

Balance, end of period \$ 21,834 \$ 28,734 \$ 7,645 \$ 524 \$ 471 \$ 59,208

	Commercial and	l	Construction and						
Six Months Ended									
June 30, 2017	Industrial	Real Estate	Land Dev	elopmenConsumer	Bro	Broker-Dealer Total			
Balance, beginning of									
period	\$ 21,369	\$ 25,236	\$ 7,002	\$ 424	\$	155	\$ 54,186		
Provision for loan									
losses	1,210	3,701	654	221		316	6,102		
Loans charged off	(1,805)	(300)	(11)	(161)			(2,277)		
Recoveries on charged									
off loans	1,060	97		40			1,197		
Balance, end of period	\$ 21,834	\$ 28,734	\$ 7,645	\$ 524	\$	471	\$ 59,208		

The non-covered loan portfolio was distributed by portfolio segment and impairment methodology as shown below (in thousands).

June 30, 2018	Commercial and Industrial	Real Estate	Construction and Land Developme	-	Broker-Dealer	Total
Loans individually						
evaluated for						
impairment	\$ 18,653	\$ 12,679	\$ 569	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 31,901
Loans						
collectively evaluated for						
impairment	1,631,723	3,109,126	946,821	38,262	600,162	6,326,094
PCI Loans	5,055	20,691	919	_	<del>-</del>	26,665
	\$ 1,655,431	\$ 3,142,496	\$ 948,309	\$ 38,262	\$ 600,162	\$ 6,384,660

	Commercial and		Construction and	l		
December 31, 2017 Loans	Industrial	Real Estate	Land Developme	en <b>C</b> onsumer	Broker-Dealer	Total
individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 16,819	\$ 13,782	\$ 611	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 31,212

Loans						
collectively						
evaluated for						
impairment	1,658,287	2,968,202	960,556	40,319	577,889	6,205,253
PCI Loans	6,099	29,540	1,438	127	_	37,204
	\$ 1,681,205	\$ 3,011,524	\$ 962,605	\$ 40,446	\$ 577,889	\$ 6,273,669

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The allowance for non-covered loan losses was distributed by portfolio segment and impairment methodology as shown below (in thousands).

	Commercial and	d	Construction and	l		
June 30, 2018	Industrial	Real Estate	Land Developme	enConsumer	Broker-Deale	er Total
Loans individually						
evaluated for impairment	\$ 2,501	\$ 810	\$ 85	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,396
Loans collectively						
evaluated for impairment	20,958	26,483	7,032	207	417	55,097
PCI Loans	58	1,291	154		_	1,503
	\$ 23,517	\$ 28,584	\$ 7,271	\$ 207	\$ 417	\$ 59,996

	Co	ommercial and	1		Co	onstruction and	l					
December 31, 2017	In	dustrial	R	eal Estate	La	and Developme	enCo	onsumer	Br	oker-Deale	rTotal	
Loans individually												
evaluated for impairment	\$	365	\$	932	\$	93	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 1,39	90
Loans collectively		22.220		26.125		T 506		202		2.52		
evaluated for impairment		23,220		26,127		7,536		293		353	57,5	529
PCI Loans		89		1,716		215		18			2,03	38
	\$	23,674	\$	28,775	\$	7,844	\$	311	\$	353	\$ 60,9	957

#### 6. Covered Assets and Indemnification Asset

The Bank acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of FNB in connection with an FDIC-assisted transaction on September 13, 2013 (the "Bank Closing Date"). As part of the Purchase and Assumption Agreement by and among the FDIC (as receiver of FNB), the Bank and the FDIC (the "P&A Agreement"), the Bank and the FDIC entered into loss-share agreements covering future losses incurred on certain acquired loans and OREO. The Company

refers to acquired commercial and single family residential loan portfolios and OREO that are subject to the loss-share agreements as "covered loans" and "covered OREO", respectively, and these assets are presented as separate line items in the Company's consolidated balance sheets. Collectively, covered loans and covered OREO are referred to as "covered assets". Pursuant to the loss-share agreements, the FDIC has agreed to reimburse the Bank the following amounts with respect to the covered assets: (i) 80% of net losses on the first \$240.4 million of net losses incurred; (ii) 0% of net losses in excess of \$240.4 million up to and including \$365.7 million of net losses incurred; and (iii) 80% of net losses in excess of \$365.7 million of net losses incurred. Net losses are defined as book value losses plus certain defined expenses incurred in the resolution of assets, less subsequent recoveries. Under the loss-share agreement for commercial assets, the amount of subsequent recoveries that are reimbursable to the FDIC for a particular asset is limited to book value losses and expenses actually billed plus any book value charge-offs incurred prior to the Bank Closing Date. There is no limit on the amount of subsequent recoveries reimbursable to the FDIC under the loss-share agreement for single family residential assets. The loss-share agreements for commercial and single family residential assets are in effect for five years and ten years, respectively, from the Bank Closing Date, and the loss recovery provisions to the FDIC are in effect for eight years and ten years, respectively, from the Bank Closing Date. The asset arising from the loss-share agreements, referred to as the "FDIC Indemnification Asset," is measured separately from the covered loan portfolio because the agreements are not contractually embedded in the covered loans and are not transferable should the Bank choose to dispose of the covered loans.

In accordance with the loss-share agreements, the Bank may be required to make a "true-up" payment to the FDIC approximately ten years following the Bank Closing Date if its actual net realized losses over the life of the loss-share agreements are less than the FDIC's initial estimate of losses on covered assets. The "true-up" payment is calculated using a defined formula set forth in the P&A Agreement. At June 30, 2018, the Bank has recorded a related "true-up" payment accrual of \$16.6 million based on the current estimate of aggregate realized losses on covered assets over the life of the loss-share agreements.

Covered Loans and Allowance for Covered Loan Losses

Loans acquired in the FNB Transaction that are subject to a loss-share agreement are referred to as "covered loans" and reported separately in the consolidated balance sheets. Covered loans are reported exclusive of the cash flow reimbursements that may be received from the FDIC.

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The Bank's portfolio of acquired covered loans had a fair value of \$1.1 billion as of the Bank Closing Date, with no carryover of any allowance for loan losses. Acquired covered loans were preliminarily segregated between those considered to be PCI loans and those without credit impairment at acquisition.

In connection with the FNB Transaction, the Bank acquired loans both with and without evidence of credit quality deterioration since origination. The Company's accounting policies for acquired covered loans, including covered PCI loans, are consistent with the accounting policies for acquired non-covered loans, as described in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements. The Company has established under its PCI accounting policy a framework to aggregate certain acquired covered loans into various loan pools based on a minimum of two layers of similar risk characteristics for the purpose of determining their respective fair values as of their acquisition dates, and for applying the subsequent recognition and measurement provisions for income accretion and impairment testing.

The following table presents the carrying value of the covered loans summarized by portfolio segment (in thousands).

	June 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Commercial and industrial	\$ 938	\$ 1,055
Real estate	158,672	179,359
Construction and land development	1,360	1,715
	160,970	182,129
Allowance for covered loans	(1,974)	(2,729)
Total covered loans, net of allowance	\$ 158,996	\$ 179,400

The following table presents the carrying value and the outstanding contractual balance of covered PCI loans (in thousands).

		December
	June 30,	31,
	2018	2017
Carrying amount	\$ 75,473	\$ 87,113
Outstanding balance	151,529	179,019

Changes in the accretable yield for covered PCI loans were as follows (in thousands).

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months 30,	Ended June
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 87,593	\$ 142,466	\$ 91,833	\$ 143,731
Reclassifications from nonaccretable difference, net (1)	3,228	11,618	9,715	23,024
Transfer of loans to covered OREO (2)	(656)	(662)	(847)	(780)
Accretion	(8,772)	(25,115)	(19,308)	(37,668)
Balance, end of period	\$ 81,393	\$ 128,307	\$ 81,393	\$ 128,307

- (1) Reclassifications from nonaccretable difference are primarily due to net increases in expected cash flows in the quarterly recasts, but may also include the reclassification and immediate income recognition of nonaccretable difference due to the favorable resolution of loans accounted for individually. Reclassifications to nonaccretable difference occur when accruing loans are moved to non-accrual and expected cash flows are no longer predictable and the accretable yield is eliminated.
- (2) Transfer of loans to covered OREO is the difference between the value removed from the pool and the expected cash flows for the loan.

The remaining nonaccretable difference for covered PCI loans was \$57.2 million and \$72.7 million at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, a combination of factors affecting the inputs to the Bank's quarterly recast process led to the reclassifications from nonaccretable difference to accretable yield. These transfers resulted from revised cash flows that reflect better-than-expected performance of the covered PCI loan portfolio as a result of the Bank's strategic decision to dedicate resources to the liquidation of covered loans during the noted periods.

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Covered impaired loans include non-accrual loans, TDRs, PCI loans and partially charged-off loans. The amounts shown in the following tables include Pooled Loans, as well as loans accounted for on an individual basis. For Pooled Loans, the recorded investment with allowance and the related allowance consider impairment measured at the pool level.

Covered impaired loans, segregated between those considered to be PCI loans and those without credit impairment at acquisition, are summarized by class in the following tables (in thousands).

June 30, 2018	Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance		Recorded Investment with Allowance	Total Recorded Investment	Related Allowance
PCI					
Commercial and industrial:					
Secured	\$ 3,372	\$ —	\$ 147	\$ 147	\$ 15
Unsecured	5,443	_	_	_	
Real estate:					
Secured by commercial					
properties	62,824	5,326	12,057	17,383	889
Secured by residential properties	115,541	248	57,695	57,943	1,047
Construction and land					
development:	C.1.				
Residential construction loans	645	_	_	_	
Commercial construction loans	10.467				
and land development	10,467	<u> </u>		— 75.472	
N DCI	198,292	5,574	69,899	75,473	1,951
Non-PCI Commercial and industrial:					
Secured Secured	44				
Unsecured	44	_	<del>_</del>	_	
Real estate:	<del>_</del>	<del></del>	<del></del>	<del></del>	
Secured by commercial					
properties				_	
Secured by residential properties	6,610	5,550		5,550	
Construction and land	0,010	2,220		3,550	
development:					
Residential construction loans		_	_		
Commercial construction loans					
and land development	9	5	_	5	

6,663	5,555		5,555	
\$ 204,955	\$ 11,129	\$ 69,899	\$ 81,028	\$ 1,951

	Unpaid Contractual		Recorded Investment with	Total Recorded	Related
December 31, 2017	Principal Balar	nce No Allowance	Allowance	Investment	Allowance
PCI					
Commercial and industrial: Secured	\$ 3,783	\$ —	\$ 194	\$ 194	\$ 19
Unsecured	5,732	<b>5</b> —	\$ 194	\$ 194	\$ 19
Real estate:	3,732	<del></del>	<del></del>	_	<del>_</del>
Secured by commercial					
properties	80,223	2,388	21,171	23,559	1,817
Secured by residential properties	125,361	249	63,107	63,356	861
Construction and land	123,301	2.0	05,107	05,550	001
development:					
Residential construction loans	672				
Commercial construction loans					
and land development	11,118	4	_	4	_
	226,889	2,641	84,472	87,113	2,697
Non-PCI					
Commercial and industrial:					
Secured	44	_	_	_	_
Unsecured	_		_	_	
Real estate:					
Secured by commercial					
properties			_		_
Secured by residential properties	6,279	5,370		5,370	
Construction and land					
development: Residential construction loans					
Commercial construction loans	_	<del>_</del>	<del>_</del>	_	_
and land development	18	12		12	
and land development	6,341	5,382		5,382	
	\$ 233,230	\$ 8,023	\$ 84,472	\$ 92,495	\$ 2,697
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Average investment in covered impaired loans is summarized by class in the following table (in thousands).

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended Jur 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Commercial and industrial:				
Secured	\$ 144	\$ 644	\$ 171	\$ 887
Unsecured		171		234
Real estate:				
Secured by commercial properties	17,547	37,752	20,471	41,734
Secured by residential properties	65,772	71,734	66,110	73,689
Construction and land development:				
Residential construction loans				
Commercial construction loans and land development	8	2,537	11	3,846
	\$ 83,471	\$ 112,838	\$ 86,763	\$ 120,390

Covered non-accrual loans are summarized by class in the following table (in thousands).

		December
	June 30,	31,
	2018	2017
Commercial and industrial:		
Secured	\$ —	\$ —
Unsecured		_
Real estate:		
Secured by commercial properties		_
Secured by residential properties	5,271	5,087
Construction and land development:		
Residential construction loans	_	_
Commercial construction loans and land development	6	17
	\$ 5,277	\$ 5,104

At both June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, there were no covered non-accrual loans included in covered PCI loans for which discount accretion had been suspended because the extent and timing of cash flows from these covered PCI loans could no longer be reasonably estimated.

Interest income, including recoveries and cash payments, recorded on covered impaired loans was \$0.2 million during both the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, while interest income recorded on covered impaired loans during both the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$0.3 million. Except as noted above, covered PCI loans are considered to be performing due to the application of the accretion method.

The Bank classifies loan modifications of covered loans as TDRs in a manner consistent with that of non-covered loans as discussed in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements. The Bank did not grant any TDRs during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017. Pooled Loans are not in the scope of the disclosure requirements for TDRs. At June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Bank had nominal unadvanced commitments to borrowers whose loans have been restructured in TDRs.

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There were no TDRs granted during the twelve months preceding June 30, 2018 or 2017 for which payment was at least 30 days past due.

An analysis of the aging of the Bank's covered loan portfolio is shown in the following tables (in thousands).

June 30, 2018 Commercial		t D <b>iuc</b> ans Pas ys 60 89 Dag			Current Lo <b>dns</b> ans	PCI Loans	Total Loans	Accruing Loan (Non PCI) Pas 90 Days or Mo
and industrial: Secured	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 791	\$ 147	\$ 938	\$ —
Unsecured Real estate: Secured by commercial	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
properties Secured by residential	66	_	_	66	9,902	17,383	27,351	_
properties Construction and land development: Residential construction	2,397	1,535	1,776	5,708	67,670	57,943	131,321	_
loans Commercial construction loans and land	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
development	\$ 2,463	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	\$ 5,774	1,360 \$ 79,723	\$ 75,473	1,360 \$ 160,970	* — * —
Dagamhar 21	Loans Pas	t Ducans Past	Duœans Past	Dītotal	Current	PCI	Total	Accruing Loans (Non PCI) Past
December 31, 2017	30 59 Day	ys60 89 Day	s90 Days or	<b>Mose</b> Due L	oa <b>h</b> xoans	Loans	Loans	90 Days or Mor

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Commercial and industrial:								
Secured	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 861	\$ 194	\$ 1,055	\$ —
Unsecured	· —	· —	· <u>—</u>	· —	· <u>—</u>	· <u>—</u>	· —	· —
Real estate:								
Secured by commercial								
properties	209	113	_	322	11,472	23,559	35,353	_
Secured by								
residential								
properties	5,624	1,211	3,226	10,061	70,589	63,356	144,006	283
Construction								
and land								
development:								
Residential								
construction								
loans Commercial			_	_	_	_	_	
construction								
loans and land								
development	38			38	1,673	4	1,715	_
development	\$ 5,871	\$ 1,324	\$ 3,226	\$ 10,421	\$ 84,595	\$ 87,113	\$ 182,129	\$ 283
	\$ 2,071	¥ 1,521	\$ 5, <b>22</b> 0	Ψ 10,1 <b>2</b> 1	Ψ 01,075	Ψ 07,113	Ψ 10 <b>2</b> ,1 <b>2</b> )	¥ <b>2</b> 00

The Bank assigns a risk grade to each of its covered loans in a manner consistent with the existing loan review program and risk grading matrix used for non-covered loans, as described in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements. The following tables present the internal risk grades of covered loans in the portfolio by class (in thousands).

June 30, 2018	Pass	Spe	ecial Mention	Sub	standard	PCI	Total
Commercial and industrial:							
Secured	\$ 392	\$		\$ 3	399	\$ 147	\$ 938
Unsecured				-			
Real estate:							
Secured by commercial properties	9,208			7	760	17,383	27,351
Secured by residential properties	57,048		343	1	5,987	57,943	131,321
Construction and land development:							
Residential construction loans	_			-		_	_
Commercial construction loans and							
land development	1,342			1	8	_	1,360
	\$ 67,990	\$	343	\$ 1	7,164	\$ 75,473	\$ 160,970

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December 31, 2017	Pass	Sp	ecial Mention	Substandard	PCI	Total
Commercial and industrial:						
Secured	\$ 429	\$		\$ 432	\$ 194	\$ 1,055
Unsecured						
Real estate:						
Secured by commercial properties	10,961			833	23,559	35,353
Secured by residential properties	68,544		356	11,750	63,356	144,006
Construction and land development:						
Residential construction loans				_	_	_
Commercial construction loans and						
land development	1,649			62	4	1,715
	\$ 81,583	\$	356	\$ 13,077	\$ 87,113	\$ 182,129

The Bank's impairment methodology for covered loans is consistent with the methodology for non-covered loans, and is discussed in detail in Notes 5 and 6 to the consolidated financial statements included in the Company's 2017 Form 10-K.

Changes in the allowance for covered loan losses, distributed by portfolio segment, are shown below (in thousands).

	Commercial and		Construction and	
Three months ended June 30, 2018	Industrial	Real Estate	Land Development	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 45	\$ 2,776	\$ 2	\$ 2,823
Provision (recovery) for loan losses	(26)	(764)	(5)	(795)
Loans charged off	_	(57)	_	(57)
Recoveries on charged off loans	_		3	3
Balance, end of period	\$ 19	\$ 1,955	\$ —	\$ 1,974
	Commercial and		Construction and	
Six months ended June 30, 2018	Industrial	Real Estate	Land Development	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 24	\$ 2,702	\$ 3	\$ 2,729
Provision (recovery) for loan losses	(5)	(690)	(9)	(704)
Loans charged off	_	(57)	_	(57)
Recoveries on charged off loans			6	6

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Balance, end of period	\$ 19	\$ 1,955	\$ —	\$ 1,974
Three months ended June 30, 2017 Balance, beginning of period Provision for loan losses Loans charged off	Commercial and Industrial \$ 16 28	Real Estate \$ 736 309 (362)	Construction and Land Developmen \$ 1 623	t Total \$ 753 960 (362)
Recoveries on charged off loans Balance, end of period	3 \$ 47	1 \$ 684	4 \$ 628	8 \$ 1,359
Six months ended June 30, 2017 Balance, beginning of period Provision for loan losses Loans charged off Recoveries on charged off loans Balance, end of period	Commercial and Industrial  \$ 35 12 (6) 6 \$ 47	Real Estate \$ 378 822 (521) 5 \$ 684	Construction and Land Development  \$ — 622 — 6  \$ 628	Total \$ 413 1,456 (527) 17 \$ 1,359

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impairment

impairment

**PCI** Loans

Loans collectively evaluated for

The covered loan portfolio was distributed by portfolio segment and impairment methodology as shown below (in thousands).

	Comme	ercial and			Co	nstruction and	
June 30, 2018	Industr	ial	Re	eal Estate	Laı	nd Development	Total
Loans individually evaluated for							
impairment	\$ —	_	\$	_	\$		\$ —
Loans collectively evaluated for							
impairment	79	1		83,346		1,360	85,497
PCI Loans	14	-7		75,326			75,473
	\$ 93	8	\$	158,672	\$	1,360	\$ 160,970
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		ercial and	_			nstruction and	
December 31, 2017	Industri	ial	Re	eal Estate	La	nd Development	Total
Loans individually evaluated for							

The allowance for covered loan losses was distributed by portfolio segment and impairment methodology as shown below (in thousands).

\$ —

92,444

86,915

\$ 179,359

\$

\$

1,711

1,715

4

\$

861

194

1,055

	Con	nmercial and			Constru	ction and	
June 30, 2018	Indu	ıstrial	R	eal Estate	Land Do	evelopment	Total
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$		\$		\$		\$ —
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment		4		19		_	23
PCI Loans		15		1,936		_	1,951
	\$	19	\$	1,955	\$	_	\$ 1,974

\$ —

95,016

87,113

\$ 182,129

	Con	nmercial and			Const	ruction and	
December 31, 2017	Indu	ıstrial	R	eal Estate	Land	Development	Total
Loans individually evaluated for							
impairment	\$	_	\$	_	\$		\$ —
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment		5		24		3	32
PCI Loans		19		2,678		_	2,697
	\$	24	\$	2,702	\$	3	\$ 2,729

#### Covered Other Real Estate Owned

A summary of the activity in covered OREO is as follows (in thousands).

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months 30,	Ended June
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 35,777	\$ 45,374	\$ 36,744	\$ 51,642
Additions to covered OREO	2,351	3,404	4,846	5,127
Dispositions of covered OREO	(2,565)	(5,531)	(4,972)	(12,330)
Valuation adjustments in the period	(668)	(943)	(1,723)	(2,135)
Balance, end of period	\$ 34,895	\$ 42,304	\$ 34,895	\$ 42,304

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, the Bank wrote down certain covered OREO assets to fair value to reflect new appraisals on certain OREO acquired in the FNB Transaction and OREO acquired from the foreclosure on certain FNB loans acquired in the FNB Transaction. Although the Bank recorded a fair value discount on the acquired assets upon acquisition, in some cases additional downward valuations were required. The downward valuations recorded during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 were related to covered assets subject to the loss-share agreements with the FDIC.

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These additional downward valuation adjustments reflect changes to the assumptions regarding the fair value of the OREO, including in some cases the intended use of the OREO due to the availability of more information, as well as the passage of time. The process of determining fair value is subjective in nature and requires the use of significant estimates and assumptions. Although the Bank makes market-based assumptions when valuing acquired assets, new information may come to light that causes estimates to increase or decrease. When the Bank determines, based on subsequent information, that its estimates require adjustment, the Bank records the adjustment. The accounting for such adjustments requires that the decreases to the initially recorded fair value be recorded at the time such new information is received, while increases to fair value are recorded when the asset is subsequently sold.

#### FDIC Indemnification Asset

A summary of the activity in the FDIC Indemnification Asset is as follows (in thousands).

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months 30,	Ended June
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 25,458	\$ 47,940	\$ 29,340	\$ 71,313
FDIC Indemnification Asset accretion (amortization)	(1,933)	(4,236)	(5,815)	(8,185)
Transfers to due from FDIC and other		(3,400)	_	(22,824)
Balance, end of period	\$ 23,525	\$ 40,304	\$ 23,525	\$ 40,304

As of June 30, 2018, the Bank had billed \$147.8 million to and collected \$145.8 million from the FDIC, which represented reimbursable covered losses and expenses through September 30, 2017.

#### 7. Mortgage Servicing Rights

The following tables present the changes in fair value of the Company's MSR asset, as included in other assets within the consolidated balance sheets, and other information related to the serviced portfolio (dollars in thousands).

				Six Months	Ended June		
	Three Months Ended June 30,				30,		
	2018		2017		2018	2017	
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 63,957		\$ 45,573		\$ 54,714	\$ 61,968	
Additions	3,068		1,266		9,729	2,490	
Sales	(9,303)				(9,303)	(17,499)	
Changes in fair value:							
Due to changes in model inputs or assumptions (1)	1,032		(2,064)		4,673	(1,207)	
Due to customer payoffs	(1,381)		(1,195)		(2,440)	(2,172)	
Balance, end of period	\$ 57,373		\$ 43,580		\$ 57,373	\$ 43,580	
			December				
	June 30,		31,				
	2018		2017				
Mortgage loans serviced for others	\$ 4,394,219		\$ 4,762,042				
MSR asset as a percentage of serviced mortgage loan	s 1.31	%	1.15	%			

<sup>(1)</sup> Primarily represents normal customer payments, changes in discount rates and prepayment speed assumptions, which are primarily affected by changes in interest rates and the refinement of other MSR model assumptions.

The key assumptions used in measuring the fair value of the Company's MSR asset were as follows.

	June 30	),	December	31,
	2018		2017	
Weighted average constant prepayment rate	9.27	%	10.93	%
Weighted average discount rate	11.09	%	11.03	%
Weighted average life (in years)	7.6		6.9	

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A sensitivity analysis of the fair value of the Company's MSR asset to certain key assumptions is presented in the following table (in thousands).

	June 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Constant prepayment rate:		
Impact of 10% adverse change	\$ (1,704)	\$ (1,948)
Impact of 20% adverse change	(3,473)	(3,839)
Discount rate:		
Impact of 10% adverse change	(2,401)	(2,135)
Impact of 20% adverse change	(4,604)	(4,103)

This sensitivity analysis presents the effect of hypothetical changes in key assumptions on the fair value of the MSR asset. The effect of such hypothetical change in assumptions generally cannot be extrapolated because the relationship of the change in one key assumption to the change in the fair value of the MSR asset is not linear. In addition, in the analysis, the impact of an adverse change in one key assumption is calculated independent of any impact on other assumptions. In reality, changes in one assumption may change another assumption.

Contractually specified servicing fees, late fees and ancillary fees earned of \$6.1 million and \$5.0 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$11.8 million and \$11.5 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, were included in net gains from sale of loans and other mortgage production income within the consolidated statements of operations.

#### 8. Deposits

Deposits are summarized as follows (in thousands).

June 30,	December 31,
2018	2017

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\$ 2,468,332	\$ 2,411,849
1,272,098	1,202,752
2,209,780	2,222,555
9,911	101,624
354,232	411,771
200,643	218,812
1,298,626	1,313,482
	95,274
\$ 7,813,622	\$ 7,978,119
	1,272,098 2,209,780 9,911 354,232 200,643 1,298,626

# 9. Short-term Borrowings

Short-term borrowings are summarized as follows (in thousands).

	June 30,	December 31,
	2018	2017
Federal funds purchased	\$ 78,350	\$ 101,775
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	502,885	539,149
Federal Home Loan Bank	675,000	250,000
Short-term bank loans	354,500	315,500
	\$ 1,610,735	\$ 1,206,424

Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase generally mature daily, on demand, or on some other short-term basis. The Bank and the Hilltop Broker-Dealers execute transactions to sell securities under

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agreements to repurchase with both customers and other broker-dealers. Securities involved in these transactions are held by the Bank, the Hilltop Broker-Dealers or a third-party dealer.

Information concerning federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase is shown in the following tables (dollars in thousands).

	Six Months 2018	s En	ded June 30, 2017	
Average balance during the period	\$ 721,167		\$ 500,830	
Average interest rate during the period	1.63	%	0.86	%
			December	
	June 30,		31,	
	2018		2017	
Average interest rate at end of period	1.74	%	1.21	%
Securities underlying the agreements at end of period:				
Carrying value	\$ 514,378		\$ 581,636	
Estimated fair value	\$ 531,130		\$ 598,300	

Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") short-term borrowings mature over terms not exceeding 365 days and are collateralized by FHLB Dallas stock, nonspecified real estate loans and certain specific commercial real estate loans. Other information regarding FHLB short-term borrowings is shown in the following tables (dollars in thousands).

	Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2018	2017		
Average balance during the period	\$ 117,956	\$ 355,249		
Average interest rate during the period	1.91 %	0.92 %		
		December		
	June 30,	31,		
	2018	2017		
Average interest rate at end of period	2.07 %	1.30 %		

The Hilltop Broker-Dealers use short-term bank loans periodically to finance securities owned, margin loans to customers and correspondents, and underwriting activities. Interest on the borrowings varies with the federal funds rate. The weighted average interest rate on the borrowings at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 was 2.82% and 2.27%, respectively.

# 10. Notes Payable

Notes payable consisted of the following (in thousands).

		December
	June 30,	31,
	2018	2017
Senior Notes due April 2025, net of discount of \$1,469 and \$1,545, respectively	\$ 148,531	\$ 148,455
FHLB notes, net of premium of \$261 and \$436, respectively, with maturities ranging		
from September 2020 to June 2030	4,603	19,402
NLIC note payable due May 2033	10,000	10,000
NLIC note payable due September 2033	10,000	10,000
ASIC note payable due April 2034	7,500	7,500
Insurance company line of credit due December 31, 2018		1,000
Ventures Management lines of credit due January 2019	47,102	12,452
	\$ 227,736	\$ 208,809

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#### 11. Income Taxes

The Company applies an estimated annual effective rate to interim period pre-tax income to calculate the income tax provision for the quarter in accordance with the principal method prescribed by the accounting guidance established for computing income taxes in interim periods. The Company's effective tax rates were 24.3% and 29.1% during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and 23.9% and 31.4% during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The 2018 effective tax rates approximated the applicable statutory rates. The effective tax rates during the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 were lower than the statutory rate primarily due to a nontaxable increase to other noninterest income recorded as part of the resolution of the SWS matter as discussed in Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements, as the SWS Merger was a tax-free reorganization under Section 368(a) the Internal Revenue Code. The decreases in the Company's effective tax rates from periods in 2017 to periods in 2018 were primarily driven by the reduction in the corporate tax rate from 35% to 21% pursuant to the enactment of the Tax Legislation. Certain deferred tax asset amounts recorded in December 2017 following enactment of the Tax Legislation are considered reasonable estimates as of June 30, 2018 and could be adjusted during the measurement period, which will end in December 2018, as a result of further refinement of calculations, changes in interpretations and assumptions made, guidance that may be issued and actions the Company may take as a result of the Tax Legislation.

12. Commitments and Contingencies

Legal Matters

The Company is subject to loss contingencies related to litigation, claims, investigations and legal and administrative cases and proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. The Company evaluates these contingencies based on information currently available, including advice of counsel. The Company establishes accruals for those matters when a loss contingency is considered probable and the related amount is reasonably estimable. Any accruals are periodically reviewed and may be adjusted as circumstances change. A portion of the Company's exposure with respect to loss contingencies may be offset by applicable insurance coverage. In determining the amounts of any accruals or estimates of possible loss contingencies, the Company does not take into account the availability of insurance coverage, other than that provided by reinsurers in the insurance segment. When it is practicable, the Company estimates loss contingencies for possible litigation and claims, whether or not there is accrued probable loss. When the Company is able to estimate such probably losses, and when it estimates that it is reasonably possible it could incur losses in excess of amounts accrued, the Company is required to make a disclosure of the aggregate

estimation. As available information changes, however, the matters for which the Company is able to estimate, as well as the estimate themselves, will be adjusted accordingly.

Assessments of litigation and claims exposures are difficult due to many factors that involve inherent unpredictability. Those factors include the following: the varying stages of the proceedings, particularly in the early stages; unspecified, unsupported, or uncertain damages; damages other than compensatory, such as punitive damages; a matter presenting meaningful legal uncertainties, including novel issues of law; multiple defendants and jurisdictions; whether discovery has begun or is complete; whether meaningful settlement discussions have commenced; and whether the claim involves a class action and if so, how the class is defined. As a result of some of these factors, the Company may be unable to estimate reasonably possible losses with respect to some or all of the pending and threatened litigation and claims asserted against the Company.

Following completion of Hilltop's acquisition of SWS, several purported holders of shares of SWS common stock (the "Petitioners") filed petitions in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (the "Court") seeking appraisal for their shares pursuant to Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. These petitions were consolidated as In re SWS Group, Inc., C.A. No. 10554-VCG. On May 30, 2017, the Court issued its Memorandum Opinion in the matter. The Court found the "fair value" of the shares of SWS common stock as of the date of the transaction was \$6.38 per share. Accordingly, Hilltop paid cash of \$6.38 per share, plus statutory interest from the effective date of the merger until the date of payment, to the Petitioners and the other stockholders of SWS who properly demanded appraisal rights under Delaware law, collectively representing 7,438,453 shares. Each outstanding share of SWS common stock, other

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than shares held by Hilltop, in treasury by SWS or by stockholders who properly demanded appraisal rights under Delaware law, was converted into the right to receive 0.2496 shares of Hilltop common stock and \$1.94 in cash, the aggregate value of which was \$6.92 per share of SWS common stock as of the effective date of the merger. The resolution of this matter resulted in 1,856,638 shares of HTH common stock, which had been held in escrow during the pendency of the proceeding, being returned to the Company's pool of authorized but unissued shares of common stock and a pre-tax net increase to other noninterest income of \$11.6 million during the second quarter of 2017. This change in common stock is reflected in repurchases of common stock within the consolidated statements of stockholders' equity included in the Company's 2017 Form 10-K. Certain Petitioners filed an appeal to the Court's Memorandum Opinion. On February 23, 2018, the Delaware Supreme Court affirmed the decision of the lower Court.

The Company is involved in information-gathering requests and investigations (both formal and informal), as well as reviews, examinations and proceedings (collectively, "Inquiries") by various governmental regulatory agencies, law enforcement authorities and self-regulatory bodies regarding certain of its businesses, business practices and policies, as well as the conduct of persons with whom it does business. Additional Inquiries will arise from time to time. In connection with those Inquiries, the Company receives document requests, subpoenas and other requests for information. The Inquiries, including the Inquiry described below, could develop into administrative, civil or criminal proceedings or enforcement actions that could result in consequences that have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows as a whole. Such consequences could include adverse judgments, findings, settlements, penalties, fines, orders, injunctions, restitution, or alterations in the Company's business practices, and could result in additional expenses and collateral costs, including reputational damage.

As a part of an industry-wide Inquiry, PrimeLending received a subpoena from the Office of Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding mortgage-related practices, including those relating to origination practices for loans insured by the Federal Housing Administration (the "FHA"). On August 20, 2014, PrimeLending received a Civil Investigative Demand from the United States Department of Justice (the "DOJ") related to this Inquiry. According to the Civil Investigative Demand, the DOJ is conducting an investigation to determine whether PrimeLending has violated the False Claims Act in connection with originating and underwriting single-family residential mortgage loans insured by the FHA. The DOJ has advised PrimeLending that, based upon its review of a sample of loans for which an FHA insurance claim was paid by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), some of the loans do not meet FHA underwriting guidelines. PrimeLending, based upon its own review of the loan sample, does not agree with the sampling methodology and loan analysis employed by the DOJ. Remedies in these proceedings or settlements may include statutory damages, indemnification, fines and/or penalties. Many institutions have settled these matters on terms that included large monetary penalties. PrimeLending has fully cooperated with this Inquiry, continues to discuss this matter with the DOJ and adjusts its indemnification reserve based upon such discussions.

While the final outcome of litigation and claims exposures or of any Inquiries is inherently unpredictable, management is currently of the opinion that the outcome of pending and threatened litigation and Inquiries will not, except related to specific matters disclosed above, have a material effect on the Company's business, consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows as a whole. However, in the event of unexpected future developments, it is reasonably possible that an adverse outcome in any matter, including the matters discussed above, could be material to the Company's business, consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows for any particular reporting period of occurrence.

Indemnification Liability Reserve

The mortgage origination segment may be responsible to agencies, investors, or other parties for errors or omissions relating to its representations and warranties that each loan sold meets certain requirements, including representations as to underwriting standards and the validity of certain borrower representations in connection with the loan. If determined to be at fault, the mortgage origination segment either repurchases the affected loan from or indemnifies the claimant against loss. The mortgage origination segment has established an indemnification liability reserve for such probable losses.

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Generally, the mortgage origination segment first becomes aware that an agency, investor, or other party believes a loss has been incurred on a sold loan when it receives a written request from the claimant to repurchase the loan or reimburse the claimant's losses. Upon completing its review of the claimant's request, the mortgage origination segment establishes a specific claims reserve for the loan if it concludes its obligation to the claimant is both probable and reasonably estimable.

An additional reserve has been established for probable agency, investor or other party losses that may have been incurred, but not yet reported to the mortgage origination segment based upon a reasonable estimate of such losses. Factors considered in the calculation of this reserve include, but are not limited to, the total volume of loans sold exclusive of specific claimant requests, actual claim settlements and the severity of estimated losses resulting from future claims, and the mortgage origination segment's history of successfully curing defects identified in claim requests. While the mortgage origination segment's sales contracts typically include borrower early payment default repurchase provisions, these provisions have not been a primary driver of claims to date, and therefore, are not a primary factor considered in the calculation of this reserve.

At June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the mortgage origination segment's indemnification liability reserve totaled \$23.9 million and \$23.5 million, respectively. The provision for indemnification losses was \$1.0 million and \$1.1 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$1.7 million and \$2.0 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

The following tables provide for a rollforward of claims activity for loans put-back to the mortgage origination segment based upon an alleged breach of a representation or warranty with respect to a loan sold and related indemnification liability reserve activity (in thousands).

	Activity - Origination Loan Balance			
	Three Months Ended			
	June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 32,321	\$ 39,245	\$ 33,702	\$ 40,669
Claims made	5,361	8,650	12,350	17,029
Claims resolved with no payment	(5,892)	(9,991)	(11,753)	(18,088)
Repurchases	(1,245)	(226)	(3,334)	(1,688)
Indemnification payments	_	(5,124)	(420)	(5,368)

Representation and Warranty Specific Claims

Activity - Origination Loan Balance

Balance, end of period	\$ 30,545	\$ 32,554	\$ 30,545	\$ 32,554	
	Indemnification Liability Reserve Activity Three Months Ended				
	June 30, Six Months Ended June 3			Ended June 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017	
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 23,332	\$ 18,952	\$ 23,472	\$ 18,239	
Additions for new sales	1,014	1,145	1,743	1,992	
Repurchases	(85)	(23)	(245)	(125)	
Early payment defaults	(41)	(60)	(188)	(129)	
Indemnification payments	(4)	(671)	(121)	(713)	
Change in reserves for loans sold in prior years	(306)	3,024	(751)	3,103	
Balance, end of period	\$ 23,910	\$ 22,367	\$ 23,910	\$ 22,367	
		December			
	June 30,	31,			
	2018	2017			
Reserve for Indemnification Liability:					
Specific claims	\$ 999	\$ 646			
Incurred but not reported claims	22,911	22,826			
Total	\$ 23,910	\$ 23,472			

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Although management considers the total indemnification liability reserve to be appropriate, there may be changes in the reserve over time to address incurred losses, due to unanticipated adverse changes in the economy and historical loss patterns, discrete events adversely affecting specific borrowers or industries, and/or actions taken by institutions or investors. The impact of such matters is considered in the reserving process when probable and estimable.

### Other Contingencies

In connection with the FNB Transaction, the Bank entered into two loss-share agreements with the FDIC that collectively cover \$1.2 billion of loans and OREO acquired in the FNB Transaction. Pursuant to the loss-share agreements, the FDIC has agreed to reimburse the Bank the following amounts with respect to the covered assets: (i) 80% of net losses on the first \$240.4 million of net losses incurred; (ii) 0% of net losses in excess of \$240.4 million up to and including \$365.7 million of net losses incurred; and (iii) 80% of net losses in excess of \$365.7 million of net losses incurred. Net losses are defined as book value losses plus certain defined expenses incurred in the resolution of assets, less subsequent recoveries. Under the loss-share agreement for commercial assets, the amount of subsequent recoveries that are reimbursable to the FDIC for a particular asset is limited to book value losses and expenses actually billed plus any book value charge-offs incurred prior to the Bank Closing Date. There is no limit on the amount of subsequent recoveries reimbursable to the FDIC under the loss-share agreement for single family residential assets. The loss-share agreements for commercial and single family residential assets are in effect for five years and ten years, respectively, from the Bank Closing Date and the loss recovery provisions to the FDIC are in effect for eight years and ten years, respectively, from the Bank Closing Date. As part of the loss-share agreements, the Bank is subject to annual FDIC compliance audits. As discussed in Note 6 to the consolidated financial statements, and in accordance with the loss-share agreements, the Bank may be required to make a "true-up" payment to the FDIC approximately ten years following the Bank Closing Date if its actual net realized losses over the life of the loss-share agreements are less than the FDIC's initial estimate of losses on covered assets. The "true-up" payment is calculated using a defined formula set forth in the P&A Agreement. While the ultimate amount of any "true-up" payment is unknown at this time and will vary based upon the amount of future losses or recoveries within our covered loan portfolio, the Bank has recorded a related "true-up" payment accrual of \$16.6 million at June 30, 2018 based on the current estimate of aggregate realized losses on covered assets over the life of the loss-share agreements. The initial estimate of the FDIC Indemnification Asset at the Bank Closing Date was recorded at the present value of 80% of \$240.4 million. As of June 30, 2018, the Bank projects that the sum of actual plus projected covered losses and reimbursable expenses subject to the loss-share agreements will be less than \$240.4 million. As of June 30, 2018, the Bank had billed \$184.7 million of covered net losses to the FDIC, of which 80%, or \$147.8 million, were reimbursable under the loss-share agreements. As of June 30, 2018, the Bank had received aggregate reimbursements of \$145.8 million from the FDIC, which represented reimbursable covered losses and expenses through September 30, 2017.

The Bank is party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit that involve varying degrees of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized in the consolidated financial statements. Such financial instruments are recorded in the consolidated financial statements when they are funded or related fees are incurred or received. The contract amounts of those instruments reflect the extent of involvement (and therefore the exposure to credit loss) the Bank has in particular classes of financial instruments.

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer provided that the terms established in the contract are met. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates and may require payment of fees. Because some commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments issued to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. These letters of credit are primarily issued to support public and private borrowing arrangements. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending loan commitments to customers.

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In the aggregate, the Bank had outstanding unused commitments to extend credit of \$2.0 billion at June 30, 2018 and outstanding financial and performance standby letters of credit of \$25.1 million at June 30, 2018.

The Bank uses the same credit policies in making commitments and standby letters of credit as it does for on-balance sheet instruments. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary, in these transactions is based on management's credit evaluation of the borrower. Collateral held varies but may include real estate, accounts receivable, marketable securities, interest-bearing deposit accounts, inventory, and property, plant and equipment.

In the normal course of business, the Hilltop Broker-Dealers execute, settle, and finance various securities transactions that may expose the Hilltop Broker-Dealers to off-balance sheet risk in the event that a customer or counterparty does not fulfill its contractual obligations. Examples of such transactions include the sale of securities not yet purchased by customers or for the accounts of the Hilltop Broker-Dealers, use of derivatives to support certain non-profit housing organization clients, clearing agreements between the Hilltop Broker-Dealers and various clearinghouses and broker-dealers, secured financing arrangements that involve pledged securities, and when-issued underwriting and purchase commitments.

### 14. Stock-Based Compensation

Pursuant to the Hilltop Holdings Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2012 Plan"), the Company may grant nonqualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units ("RSUs"), performance awards, dividend equivalent rights and other awards to employees of the Company, its subsidiaries and outside directors of the Company. In the aggregate, 4,000,000 shares of common stock may be delivered pursuant to awards granted under the 2012 Plan. At June 30, 2018, 1,267,430 shares of common stock remained available for issuance pursuant to awards granted under the 2012 Plan, excluding shares that may be delivered pursuant to outstanding awards. Compensation expense related to the 2012 Plan was \$2.5 million and \$3.2 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$4.8 million and \$5.9 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

During the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, Hilltop granted 10,024 and 7,513 shares of common stock, respectively, pursuant to the 2012 Plan to certain non-employee members of the Company's board of directors for services rendered to the Company.

### Restricted Stock Units

The following table summarizes information about nonvested RSU activity for the six months ended June 30, 2018 (shares in thousands).

	RSUs	
		Weighted
		Average
		Grant
		Date
	Outstanding	Fair Value
Balance,		
December 31,		
2017	1,318	\$ 20.89
Granted	457	\$ 23.37
Vested/Released	(355)	\$ 19.79
Forfeited	(100)	\$ 19.78
Balance, June 30,		
2018	1,320	\$ 22.13

Vested/Released RSUs include an aggregate of 73,661 shares withheld to satisfy employee statutory tax obligations during the six months ended June 30, 2018. Pursuant to certain RSU award agreements, an aggregate of 17,481 vested RSUs at June 30, 2018 require deferral of the settlement in shares and statutory tax obligations to a future date.

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During the six months ended June 30, 2018, the Compensation Committee of the board of directors of the Company awarded certain executives and key employees an aggregate of 433,268 RSUs pursuant to the 2012 Plan. At June 30, 2018, 335,560 of these outstanding RSUs are subject to time-based vesting conditions and generally cliff vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, and 84,626 of these outstanding RSUs will cliff vest based upon the achievement of certain performance goals over a three-year period.

At June 30, 2018, in the aggregate, 1,061,629 of the outstanding RSUs are subject to time-based vesting conditions and generally cliff vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, and 258,773 outstanding RSUs cliff vest based upon the achievement of certain performance goals over a three-year period. At June 30, 2018, unrecognized compensation expense related to outstanding RSUs of \$17.9 million is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.65 years.

15. Regulatory Matters

Banking and Hilltop

PlainsCapital, which includes the Bank and PrimeLending, and Hilltop are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory — and possibly additional discretionary — actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct, material effect on the consolidated financial statements. The regulations require PlainsCapital and Hilltop to meet specific capital adequacy guidelines that involve quantitative measures of assets, liabilities and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The Company performs reviews of the classification and calculation of risk-weighted assets to ensure accuracy and compliance with the Basel III regulatory capital requirements. The capital classifications are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings and other factors. Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the companies to maintain minimum amounts and ratios (set forth in the following table) of Tier 1 capital (as defined in the regulations) to total average assets (as defined), and minimum ratios of common equity Tier 1, Tier 1 and total capital (as defined) to risk-weighted assets (as defined).

In order to avoid limitations on capital distributions, including dividend payments, stock repurchases and certain discretionary bonus payments to executive officers, Basel III also implemented a capital conservation buffer, which requires a banking organization to hold a buffer above its minimum risk-based capital requirements. This buffer will help to ensure that banking organizations conserve capital when it is most needed, allowing them to better weather

periods of economic stress. The buffer is measured relative to risk-weighted assets. The phase-in of the capital conservation buffer requirements began on January 1, 2016 for Hilltop and PlainsCapital. Based on the actual ratios as shown in the table below, Hilltop and PlainsCapital exceed each of the capital conservation buffer requirements in effect as of June 30, 2018, as well as the fully phased-in requirements through 2019.

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The following table shows PlainsCapital's and Hilltop's actual capital amounts and ratios in accordance with Basel III compared to the regulatory minimum capital requirements including conservation buffer in effect at the end of the period and on a fully phased-in basis as if such requirements were currently in effect as measured at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively (dollars in thousands). Based on actual capital amounts and ratios shown in the following table, PlainsCapital's ratios place it in the "well capitalized" (as defined) capital category under regulatory requirements.

			Minimum Requireme Including Buffer In Effect a	ents Cons	servation Fully		To Be Well	l
	A - 4 1		End of		Phased		C:4-1: 1	
	Actual Amount	Ratio	Period Ratio		In Ratio		Capitalized Ratio	
June 30, 2018	Amount	Kano	Kano		Katio		Katio	
Tier 1 capital (to average assets):								
PlainsCapital	\$ 1,174,264	12.80 %	. 40	%	4.0	0%	5.0	%
Hilltop	1,689,009	12.90 %		%	4.0		N/A	70
Common equity Tier 1 capital (to	1,000,000	12.70 /	7 7.0	70	7.0	70	14/11	
risk-weighted assets):								
PlainsCapital	1,174,264	14.59 %	6.375	%	7.0	%	6.5	%
Hilltop	1,643,623	17.61 %		%	7.0		N/A	,-
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets):	-,,	-,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		, -		,-	- ,,	
PlainsCapital	1,174,264	14.59 %	7.875	%	8.5	%	8.0	%
Hilltop	1,689,009	18.10 %		%	8.5	%	N/A	
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets):	, ,							
PlainsCapital	1,237,812	15.38 %	9.875	%	10.5	%	10.0	%
Hilltop	1,733,360	18.58 %	9.875	%	10.5	%	N/A	
			Requirement Including	Minimum Capital Requirements Including Conservation				
			Buffer In Effect a End of	t	Fully Phased		To Be Well	l
	Actual		Period		In		Capitalized	
	Amount	Ratio	Ratio		Ratio		Ratio	
December 31, 2017	7 Milouit	Kano	Rano		Rano		Ratio	

Tier 1 capital (to average assets):

PlainsCapital	\$ 1,147,527	12.32 % 4.0	% 4.	0 % 5.0	%
Hilltop	1,688,358	12.94 % 4.0	% 4.	0 % N/A	Α
Common equity Tier 1 capital (to					
risk-weighted assets):					
PlainsCapital	1,147,527	14.47 % 5.75	% 7.	0 % 6.5	%
Hilltop	1,639,009	17.71 % 5.75	% 7.	0 % N/A	Α
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets):					
PlainsCapital	1,147,527	14.47 % 7.25	% 8.	5 % 8.0	%
Hilltop	1,688,358	18.24 % 7.25	% 8.	5 % N/A	Α
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets):					
PlainsCapital	1,212,793	15.29 % 9.25	% 10	0.5 % 10.	0 %
Hilltop	1,738,325	18.78 % 9.25	% 10	).5 % N/A	<b>A</b>
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Broker-Dealer

Pursuant to the net capital requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), Hilltop Securities has elected to determine its net capital requirements using the alternative method. Accordingly, Hilltop Securities is required to maintain minimum net capital, as defined in Rule 15c3-1 promulgated under the Exchange Act, equal to the greater of \$250,000 and \$1,000,000, respectively, or 2% of aggregate debit balances, as defined in Rule 15c3-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act. Additionally, the net capital rule of the NYSE provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if resulting net capital would be less than 5% of the aggregate debit items. HTS Independent Network follows the primary (aggregate indebtedness) method, as defined in Rule 15c3-1 promulgated under the Exchange Act, which requires the maintenance of the larger of minimum net capital of \$250,000 or 1/15 of aggregate indebtedness.

At June 30, 2018, the net capital position of each of the Hilltop Broker-Dealers was as follows (in thousands).

		HTS
	Hilltop	Independent
	Securities	Network
Net capital	\$ 205,730	\$ 3,362
Less: required net capital	11,427	250
Excess net capital	\$ 194,303	\$ 3,112
Net capital as a percentage of aggregate debit items	36.0	%
Net capital in excess of 5% aggregate debit items	\$ 177,161	

Under certain conditions, Hilltop Securities may be required to segregate cash and securities in a special reserve account for the benefit of customers under Rule 15c3-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act. Assets segregated under the provisions of the Exchange Act are not available for general corporate purposes. At June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Hilltop Broker-Dealers held cash of \$128.4 million and \$186.6 million, respectively, segregated in special reserve bank accounts for the benefit of customers. The Hilltop Broker-Dealers were not required to segregate cash and securities in special reserve accounts for the benefit of proprietary accounts of introducing broker-dealers at June 30, 2018 or December 31, 2017.

As a mortgage originator, PrimeLending and its subsidiaries are subject to minimum net worth and liquidity requirements established by the HUD and the GNMA, as applicable. On an annual basis, PrimeLending and its subsidiaries submit audited financial statements to HUD and GNMA, as applicable, documenting their respective compliance with minimum net worth and liquidity requirements. As of June 30, 2018, PrimeLending and its subsidiaries' net worth and liquidity exceeded the amounts required by both HUD and GNMA, as applicable.

Insurance

The statutory financial statements of the Company's insurance subsidiaries, which are domiciled in the State of Texas, are presented on the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Texas Department of Insurance. Texas has adopted the statutory accounting practices of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC") as the basis of its statutory accounting practices with certain differences that are not significant to the insurance company subsidiaries' statutory equity.

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A summary of statutory capital and surplus and statutory net income of each insurance subsidiary is as follows (in thousands).

Capital and surplus:		June 30, 2018	December 31, 2017	
National Lloyds Insurance C American Summit Insurance	\$ 93,578 23,910			
	Three Months	Ended	Six Months	Ended June
	June 30, 2018	2017	30, 2018	2017
Statutory net income (loss):	2010	2017	2010	2017
National Lloyds Insurance Company American Summit Insurance Company	\$ (2,633) 394	\$ (7,152) (309)	\$ 1,134 1,283	\$ (6,516) 523

Regulations of the Texas Department of Insurance require insurance companies to maintain minimum levels of statutory surplus to ensure their ability to meet their obligations to policyholders. At June 30, 2018, the Company's insurance subsidiaries had statutory surplus in excess of the minimum required.

The NAIC has adopted a risk based capital ("RBC") formula for insurance companies that establishes minimum capital requirements indicating various levels of available regulatory action on an annual basis relating to insurance risk, asset credit risk, interest rate risk and business risk. The RBC formula is used by the NAIC and certain state insurance regulators as an early warning tool to identify companies that require additional scrutiny or regulatory action. At June 30, 2018, the Company's insurance subsidiaries' RBC ratio exceeded the level at which regulatory action would be required.

16. Stockholders' Equity

Dividends

On July 26, 2018, the Company announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.07 per common share, payable on August 31, 2018, to all common stockholders of record as of the close of business on August 15, 2018.

Stock Repurchase Program

In January 2018, the Hilltop board of directors authorized a new stock repurchase program through January 2019 pursuant to which the Company was originally authorized to repurchase, in the aggregate, up to \$50.0 million of its outstanding common stock. In July 2018, the Hilltop board of directors authorized an increase to the aggregate amount of common stock the Company may repurchase under this program to \$100.0 million, which is inclusive of repurchases to offset dilution related to grants of stock-based compensation.

During the six months ended June 30, 2018, the Company paid \$38.8 million to repurchase an aggregate of 1,702,696 shares of common stock at an average price of \$22.81 per share. These shares were returned to the Company's pool of authorized but unissued shares of common stock. The purchases were funded from available cash balances. The Company's stock repurchase program and related accounting policy are discussed in detail in Note 1 and Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements included in the Company's 2017 Form 10-K.

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17. Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company uses various derivative financial instruments to mitigate interest rate risk. The Bank's interest rate risk management strategy involves effectively managing the re-pricing characteristics of certain assets and liabilities to mitigate potential adverse impacts from changes in interest rates on the net interest margin. PrimeLending has interest rate risk relative to interest rate lock commitments ("IRLCs") and its inventory of mortgage loans held for sale. PrimeLending is exposed to such interest rate risk from the time an IRLC is made to an applicant to the time the related mortgage loan is sold. To mitigate interest rate risk, PrimeLending executes forward commitments to sell mortgage-backed securities ("MBSs"). Additionally, PrimeLending has interest rate risk relative to its MSR asset and uses derivative instruments, including interest rate swaps, swaptions, and U.S. Treasury bond futures and options to hedge this risk. The Hilltop Broker-Dealers use forward commitments to both purchase and sell MBSs to facilitate customer transactions and as a means to hedge related exposure to interest rate risk in certain inventory positions.

Non-Hedging Derivative Instruments and the Fair Value Option

As discussed in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company has elected to measure substantially all mortgage loans held for sale at fair value under the provisions of the Fair Value Option. The election provides the opportunity to mitigate volatility in reported earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently without applying complex hedge accounting provisions. The fair values of PrimeLending's IRLCs, forward commitments, interest rate swaps and swaptions, and U.S. Treasury bond futures and options are recorded in other assets or other liabilities, as appropriate, and changes in the fair values of these derivative instruments are recorded as a component of net gains from sale of loans and other mortgage production income. The fair value of PrimeLending's derivative instruments decreased \$3.1 million and increased \$8.8 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and increased \$6.9 million and \$9.5 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Changes in fair value are attributable to changes in the volume of IRLCs, mortgage loans held for sale, commitments to purchase and sell MBSs and MSR assets, and changes in market interest rates. Changes in market interest rates also conversely affect the value of PrimeLending's mortgage loans held for sale and its MSR asset, which are measured at fair value under the Fair Value Option. The effect of the change in market interest rates on PrimeLending's loans held for sale and MSR asset is discussed in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements. The fair values of the Hilltop Broker-Dealers' and the Bank's derivative instruments are recorded in other assets or other liabilities, as appropriate. The fair values of the Hilltop Broker-Dealers' derivatives increased \$3.0 million and \$9.9 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, while the fair values of the Bank's derivatives increased nominally during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The fair values of the Hilltop Broker-Dealers' derivatives decreased \$2.2 million and increased \$16.2 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, while the fair values of the Bank's derivatives increased \$0.2 million and \$0.1 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Derivative positions are presented in the following table (in thousands).

	June 30, 2018 Notional Estimated		December 31, 2	2017 Estimated	
	Amount	Fair Value	Amount	Fair Value	
Derivative instruments:					
IRLCs	\$ 1,390,728	\$ 31,475	\$ 850,850	\$ 18,851	
Customer-based written options	30,889	(109)	21,637	38	
Customer-based purchased options	30,889	109	21,637	(38)	
Commitments to purchase MBSs	3,153,297	7,297	2,831,635	(921)	
Commitments to sell MBSs	5,753,361	(13,112)	4,963,498	2,972	
Interest rate swaps	24,102	211	25,971	51	
U.S. Treasury bond futures and options (1)	198,000		214,500		

<sup>(1)</sup> Changes in the fair value of these contracts are settled daily with PrimeLending's counterparty.

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PrimeLending had cash collateral advances totaling \$8.2 million and \$0.8 million to offset net liability derivative positions on its commitments to sell MBSs at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. In addition, PrimeLending advanced cash collateral totaling \$3.2 million on its U.S. Treasury bond futures and options at both June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017. These amounts are included in other assets within the consolidated balance sheets.

### 18. Balance Sheet Offsetting

Certain financial instruments, including resale and repurchase agreements, securities lending arrangements and derivatives, may be eligible for offset in the consolidated balance sheets and/or subject to master netting arrangements or similar agreements. The following tables present the assets and liabilities subject to enforceable master netting arrangements, repurchase agreements, or similar agreements with offsetting rights (in thousands).

June 30, 2018	Gross Amounts of Recognized Assets	O	Net Amounts t Gross Amou <b>nt</b> sAssets Offset in the Presented in the						et mount		
Securities borrowed: Institutional counterparties	\$ 1,491,182	\$		_	\$ 1,491,182	\$	(1,424,434)	\$	_	\$	66,748
Interest rate options: Customer counterparties	109			_	109		_				109
Interest rate swaps: Institutional counterparties	211				211		(909)		_		(698)
Reverse repurchase agreements: Institutional counterparties	229,172				229,172		(228,049)				1,123

Forward MBS derivatives: Institutional						
counterparties	7,297		7,297	(7,297)		
December 31, 2017 Securities borrowed: Institutional	\$ 1,727,971	\$ _	\$ 1,727,971	\$ (1,660,689)	\$ _	\$ 67,282
counterparties	\$ 1,386,821	\$ _	\$ 1,386,821	\$ (1,327,536)	\$ _	\$ 59,285
Interest rate options: Customer counterparties	38		38	_	_	38
-	30		30			50
Reverse repurchase agreements: Institutional counterparties	186,537	_	186,537	(186,026)	_	511
Forward MBS derivatives: Institutional						
counterparties	3,576	_	3,576	(3,576)		
	\$ 1,576,972	\$ 	\$ 1,576,972	\$ (1,517,138)	\$ _	\$ 59,834
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				N	et Amounts		oss Amounts Not Balance Sheet	Offs	set in	
	Gross Amounts of Recognized Liabilities	Offset	in the	of Pr	E Liabilities resented in the alance Sheet	Fir	nancial struments		sh llatera edged	
June 30, 2018 Securities loaned: Institutional counterparties	\$ 1,316,128	\$ —		\$	1,316,128	\$	(1,254,389)	\$	_	\$ 61,739
Interest rate options: Institutional counterparties	109	_			109		_		_	109
Repurchase agreements: Institutional counterparties Customer	418,566	_			418,566		(418,566)		_	_
counterparties	84,319				84,319		(84,319)		_	
Forward MBS derivatives: Institutional counterparties  December 31,	14,050 \$ 1,833,172	(93 \$ (93	*	\$	13,112 1,832,234	\$	(7,123) (1,764,397)	\$	_	\$ 5,989 67,837
2017 Securities loaned: Institutional counterparties	\$ 1,215,093	\$ —		\$	1,215,093	\$	(1,157,198)	\$	_	\$ 57,895
Interest rate options: Institutional counterparties	38	_			38		_		_	38
Interest rate swaps:	35	(86	)		(51)		(1,059)		_	(1,110)

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Institutional counterparties						
Repurchase agreements: Institutional						
counterparties	409,058	_	409,058	(409,058)	_	
Customer counterparties	130,091	_	130,091	(130,091)	_	_
Forward MBS derivatives: Institutional						
counterparties	2,696 \$ 1,757,011	(1,171) \$ (1,257)	1,525 \$ 1,755,754	(1,295) \$ (1,698,701)	\$ — \$	230 57,053

Secured Borrowing Arrangements

Secured Borrowings (Repurchase Agreements) — The Company participates in transactions involving securities sold under repurchase agreements, which are secured borrowings and generally mature one to thirty days from the transaction date or involve arrangements with no definite termination date. Securities sold under repurchase agreements are reflected at the amount of cash received in connection with the transactions. The Company may be required to provide additional collateral based on the fair value of the underlying securities, which is monitored on a daily basis.

Securities Lending Activities — The Company's securities lending activities include lending securities for other broker-dealers, lending institutions and its own clearing and retail operations. These activities involve lending securities to other broker-dealers to cover short sales, to complete transactions in which there has been a failure to deliver securities by the required settlement date and as a conduit for financing activities.

When lending securities, the Company receives cash or similar collateral and generally pays interest (based on the amount of cash deposited) to the other party to the transaction. Securities lending transactions are executed pursuant to written agreements with counterparties that generally require securities loaned to be marked-to-market on a daily basis. The Company receives collateral in the form of cash in an amount generally in excess of the fair value of securities loaned. The Company monitors the fair value of securities loaned on a daily basis, with additional collateral obtained or refunded, as necessary. Collateral adjustments are made on a daily basis through the facilities of various clearinghouses. The Company is a principal in these securities lending transactions and is liable for losses in the event of a failure of any other party to honor its contractual obligation. Management sets credit limits with each counterparty and reviews these limits regularly to monitor the risk level with each counterparty. The Company is subject to credit risk through its securities lending activities if securities prices decline rapidly because the value of the Company's collateral could fall below the amount of the indebtedness it secures. In rapidly appreciating markets, credit risk increases due to short positions. The Company's securities lending business subjects the Company to credit risk if a counterparty fails to perform or if collateral securing its obligations is insufficient. In securities transactions, the Company is subject to credit risk during the period between the execution of a trade and the settlement by the

customer.

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The following tables present the remaining contractual maturities of repurchase agreement and securities lending transactions accounted for as secured borrowings (in thousands). The Company had no repurchase-to-maturity transactions outstanding at both June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

	Remaining Co Overnight and	ontractual Maturities Greater Than	r		
		Up to			
*	~ .	30 30-90 90			
June 30, 2018	Continuous	Days Days T	otal		
Repurchase agreement transactions:					
U.S. Treasury and agency securities	\$ 145,005	\$ — \$ — \$ — \$			
Asset-backed securities	357,880		357,880		
Securities lending transactions:					
Corporate securities	1,266		1,266		
Equity securities	1,314,862		1,314,862		
Total	\$ 1,819,013	  \$ _ \$ _ \$ _ \$	1,819,013		
Gross amount of recognized liabilities for repurchase agreemen transactions in offsetting disclosure above  Amount related to agreements not included in offsetting disclosure above	t and securities	_	1,819,013		
	Remaining Co	ontractual Maturities			
	Overnight	Greater			
	and	Than			
		Up to			
		30 30-90 90			
December 31, 2017	Continuous	Days Days T	otal		
Repurchase agreement transactions:					
U.S. Treasury and agency securities	\$ 181,915	\$ — \$ — \$ — \$			
Asset-backed securities	357,234		357,234		
Securities lending transactions:					
Corporate securities	11,499		11,499		
Equity securities	1,203,594		1,203,594		
Total	\$ 1,754,242		1,754,242		
	-		•		

Gross amount of recognized liabilities for repurchase agreement and securities lending transactions in offsetting disclosure above \$ 1,754,242

Amount related to agreements not included in offsetting disclosure above \$ —

# 19. Broker-Dealer and Clearing Organization Receivables and Payables

Broker-dealer and clearing organization receivables and payables consisted of the following (in thousands).

	June 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Receivables:		
Securities borrowed	\$ 1,491,182	\$ 1,386,821
Securities failed to deliver	58,522	25,491
Trades in process of settlement	47,174	29,412
Other	18,073	22,654
	\$ 1,614,951	\$ 1,464,378
Payables:		
Securities loaned	\$ 1,316,128	\$ 1,215,093
Correspondents	26,537	30,160
Securities failed to receive	60,041	37,864
Other	7,198	4,446
	\$ 1,409,904	\$ 1,287,563

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20. Reserve for Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses

A summary of NLC's reserve for unpaid losses and LAE, as included in other liabilities within the consolidated balance sheets, is as follows (in thousands).

		December
	June 30,	31,
	2018	2017
Reserve for unpaid losses and allocated LAE balance, net	\$ 21,004	\$ 17,470
Reinsurance recoverables on unpaid losses	6,091	11,495
Unallocated LAE	1,148	1,248
Reserve for unpaid losses and LAE balance, gross	\$ 28,243	\$ 30,213

A summary of claims loss reserve development activity is presented in the following table (dollars in thousands).

			June 30, 20 Total of IBNR Reserves Plus	)18
			Expected	Cumulative
	Six Months I	Ended June 30,	Developme	ent
Accident	2018		on	Number of
			Reported	Reported
Year	Paid	Incurred	Claims	Claims
2014	83,640	84,050	87	13,150
2015	86,175	87,205	410	15,121
2016	82,671	84,614	1,490	21,451
2017	85,089	89,107	2,659	21,308
2018	23,338	36,431	5,669	5,779
Total	360,913	\$ 381,407		
		All outstandir	ng reserves pi	rior to 2014,
	510	net of reinsura	ance	
	\$ 21,004			

Reserve for unpaid losses and allocated LAE, net of reinsurance

#### 21. Reinsurance Activity

NLC limits the maximum net loss that can arise from large risks or risks in concentrated areas of exposure by reinsuring (ceding) certain levels of risk. Substantial amounts of business are ceded, and these reinsurance contracts do not relieve NLC from its obligations to policyholders. Such reinsurance includes quota share, excess of loss, catastrophe, and other forms of reinsurance on essentially all property and casualty lines of insurance. Net insurance premiums earned, losses and LAE and policy acquisition and other underwriting expenses are reported net of the amounts related to reinsurance ceded to other companies. Amounts recoverable from reinsurers related to the portions of the liability for losses and LAE and unearned insurance premiums ceded to them are reported as assets. Failure of reinsurers to honor their obligations could result in losses to NLC; consequently, allowances are established for amounts deemed uncollectible as NLC evaluates the financial condition of its reinsurers and monitors concentrations of credit risk arising from similar geographic regions, activities, or economic characteristics of the reinsurers to minimize its exposure to significant losses from reinsurer insolvencies. At June 30, 2018, total reinsurance recoverables and receivables had a carrying value of \$8.8 million, which is included in other assets within the consolidated balance sheets. There was no allowance for uncollectible accounts at June 30, 2018, based on NLC's quality requirements.

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The effects of reinsurance on premiums written and earned are summarized as follows (in thousands).

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,				
	2018		2017		2018	2018		2017	
	Written	Earned	Written	Earned	Written	Earned	Written	Earned	
Premiums									
from direct									
business	\$ 35,801	\$ 33,372	\$ 37,792	\$ 36,753	\$ 68,886	\$ 66,740	\$ 73,588	\$ 73,952	
Reinsurance									
assumed	3,567	3,111	3,358	2,910	6,609	6,111	6,227	5,728	
Reinsurance									
ceded	(2,335)	(2,378)	(2,974)	(3,643)	(4,345)	(4,431)	(6,187)	(7,520)	
Net									
premiums	\$ 37,033	\$ 34,105	\$ 38,176	\$ 36,020	\$ 71,150	\$ 68,420	\$ 73,628	\$ 72,160	

The effects of reinsurance on incurred losses are as follows (in thousands).

	Three Mont	ths Ended	Six Months	Ended June
	June 30,		30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Losses and LAE incurred	\$ 23,869	\$ 33,352	\$ 37,321	\$ 55,654
Reinsurance recoverables	540	(168)	2,620	(770)
Net loss and LAE incurred	\$ 24,409	\$ 33,184	\$ 39,941	\$ 54,884

### Catastrophic coverage

At June 30, 2018, NLC had catastrophic excess of loss reinsurance coverage of losses per event in excess of \$8 million retention by NLIC and \$1.5 million retention by ASIC. ASIC maintained an underlying layer of coverage, providing \$6.5 million of reinsurance coverage in excess of its \$1.5 million retention to bridge to the primary program. The reinsurance for NLIC and ASIC in excess of \$8 million is comprised of three layers of protection: \$17 million in excess of \$8 million retention and/or loss; \$30 million in excess of \$25 million loss; and \$50 million in excess of \$55 million loss. NLIC and ASIC retain no participation in any of the layers, beyond the first \$8 million and \$1.5 million, respectively. At June 30, 2018, total retention for any one catastrophe that affects both NLIC and ASIC

was limited to \$8 million in the aggregate.

Effective January 1, 2018, NLC renewed its underlying excess of loss contract that provides \$10 million aggregate coverage in excess of NLC's per event retention of \$1.0 million and aggregate retention of \$17.5 million for sub-catastrophic events. As of January 1, 2018, NLC retains 17.5% participation in this coverage, up from no participation during 2017.

#### 22. Segment and Related Information

The Company currently has four reportable business segments that are organized primarily by the core products offered to the segments' respective customers. These segments reflect the manner in which operations are managed and the criteria used by the Company's chief operating decision maker function to evaluate segment performance, develop strategy and allocate resources. The chief operating decision maker function consists of the Company's President and Co-Chief Executive Officer and the Company's Vice Chairman and Co-Chief Executive Officer.

The banking segment includes the operations of the Bank, the broker-dealer segment includes the operations of Securities Holdings, the mortgage origination segment is composed of PrimeLending, and the insurance segment is composed of NLC.

Corporate includes certain activities not allocated to specific business segments. These activities include holding company financing and investing activities, merchant banking investment opportunities and management and administrative services to support the overall operations of the Company including, but not limited to, certain executive management, corporate relations, legal, finance and acquisition costs.

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Balance sheet amounts not discussed previously and the elimination of intercompany transactions are included in "All Other and Eliminations." The following tables present certain information about reportable business segment revenues, operating results, goodwill and assets (in thousands).

Three			Mortgage			All Other and	Hilltop
Months Ended June 30, 2018 Net interest income	Banking	Broker-Deale	r Origination	Insurance	Corporate	Eliminations	Consolidated
(expense) Provision for loan	\$ 87,958	\$ 12,890	\$ 704	\$ 793	\$ (2,482)	\$ 4,985	\$ 104,848
losses Noninterest	_	340		_	_	_	340
income	10,644	73,589	162,759	36,546	1,436	(5,540)	279,434
Noninterest expense Income (loss) before	65,542	77,967	150,026	39,712	5,340	(70)	338,517
income taxes	\$ 33,060	\$ 8,172	\$ 13,437	\$ (2,373)	\$ (6,386)	\$ (485)	\$ 45,425
Six Months			Mortgage			All Other and	Hilltop
Ended June 30, 2018 Net interest	Banking	Broker-Deale	r Origination	Insurance	Corporate	Eliminations	Consolidated
income (expense) Provision (recovery) for loan	\$ 174,596	\$ 25,441	\$ 1,645	\$ 1,580	\$ (4,573)	\$ 9,579	\$ 208,268
losses Noninterest	(1,531)	64	_	_	_	_	(1,467)
income	20,823	142,135	289,862	71,564	724	(10,531)	514,577
Noninterest expense	124,913	155,743	280,729	70,725	14,743	(134)	646,719

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Income (loss) before income taxes	\$	5 72,037	\$ 11,769	\$ 10,778	\$ 2,419	\$	(18,592)	\$ (818)	\$ 77,593
Three Months				Mortgage				All Other and	Hilltop
Ended June 30, 2017 Net interest	Ва	nnking	Broker-Deale	rOrigination	Insurance	Co	orporate	Eliminations	Consolidated
income (expense) Provision	\$	102,191	\$ 10,349	\$ 996	\$ 602	\$	(2,288)	\$ 4,126	\$ 115,976
for loan losses Noninterest		5,405	448	_	_		_	_	5,853
income		25,499	92,810	179,637	38,413		12,608	(4,275)	344,692
Noninterest expense Income (loss) before		62,511	86,901	161,369	49,416		6,298	(244)	366,251
income taxes	\$	59,774	\$ 15,810	\$ 19,264	\$ (10,401)	\$	4,022	\$ 95	\$ 88,564
Six Months Ended June				Mortgage				All Other and	Hilltop
30, 2017 Net interest	Ва	nnking	Broker-Deale	r Origination	Insurance	Co	orporate	Eliminations	Consolidated
income (expense) Provision	\$	184,274	\$ 18,837	\$ (885)	\$ 1,119	\$	(4,823)	\$ 9,554	\$ 208,076
for loan losses		7,241	316	_	_		_	1	7,558
Noninterest income		37,910	175,362	323,275	76,723		12,609	(9,748)	616,131
Noninterest expense Income (loss) before		123,325	168,558	293,207	86,429		15,685	(461)	686,743
income taxes	\$	91,618	\$ 25,325	\$ 29,183	\$ (8,587)	\$	(7,899)	\$ 266	\$ 129,906

	Ва	anking	Broker-Dealer	Mortgage Origination	Insurance	C	orporate	All Other and Eliminations	Hilltop Consolidate
June 30, 2018									
Goodwill Total	\$	207,741	\$ 7,008	\$ 13,071	\$ 23,988	\$	_	\$ —	\$ 251,808
assets	\$	9,778,476	\$ 3,445,391	\$ 2,171,149	\$ 292,186	\$	2,078,735	\$ (4,076,763)	\$ 13,689,17
December 31, 2017									
Goodwill Total	\$	207,741	\$ 7,008	\$ 13,071	\$ 23,988	\$	_	\$ —	\$ 251,808
assets	\$	9,558,718	\$ 3,394,911	\$ 1,937,327	\$ 291,639	\$	2,106,978	\$ (3,923,787)	\$ 13,365,78

### 23. Earnings per Common Share

Nonvested share-based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents are participating securities and are included in the computation of earnings per share pursuant to the two-class method prescribed by the Earnings Per Share Topic of the ASC. The two-class method is an earnings allocation formula that determines earnings per share for each class of common stock and participating security according to dividends declared (or accumulated) and participation rights in undistributed earnings. Restricted Stock Awards were the only instruments issued by Hilltop which previously qualified as participating securities through August 2017 when these awards vested.

Net earnings, less any preferred dividends accumulated for the period (whether or not declared), is allocated between the common stock and participating securities pursuant to the two-class method. Basic earnings per common share is computed by dividing net earnings available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period, excluding participating nonvested restricted shares.

Diluted earnings per common share is computed in a similar manner, except that first the denominator is increased to include the number of additional common shares that would have been outstanding if potentially dilutive common

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shares, excluding the participating securities, were issued using the treasury stock method. During the three months ended June 30, 2018, RSUs were the only potentially dilutive non-participating instruments issued by Hilltop. Next, the Company determines and includes in the diluted earnings per common share calculation the more dilutive effect of the participating securities using the treasury stock method or the two-class method. Undistributed losses are not allocated to the nonvested share-based payment awards (the participating securities) under the two-class method as the holders are not contractually obligated to share in the losses of the Company.

The following table presents the computation of basic and diluted earnings per common share (in thousands, except per share data).

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months I	Ended June
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Basic earnings per share:				
Income attributable to Hilltop	\$ 33,080	\$ 62,476	\$ 57,521	\$ 88,910
Less: income applicable to participating shares		(2)		(3)
Net earnings available to Hilltop common stockholders	\$ 33,080	\$ 62,474	\$ 57,521	\$ 88,907
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic	95,270	98,154	95,625	98,295
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.90
Diluted earnings per share:				
Income attributable to Hilltop	\$ 33,080	\$ 62,476	\$ 57,521	\$ 88,910
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic	95,270	98,154	95,625	98,295
Effect of potentially dilutive securities	88	260	102	281
Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted	95,358	98,414	95,727	98,576
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.90

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SCHEDULE I – Insurance Incurred and Cumulative Paid Losses and Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses,

Net of Reinsurance

(dollars in thousands)

Incurred Losses and Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses, Net
of Reinsurance

June 30, 2018 Total of Incurred But Not Reported Reserves

June 30, 2018

Plus Cumulative DevelopmentNumber of

On

Accident	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Reported	Reported
Year	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Claims	Claims
2014	\$ 83,784	\$ 85,037	\$ 84,221	\$ 84,074	\$ 84,050	\$ 87	13,150
2015		89,646	88,477	87,262	87,205	410	15,121
2016			84,771	85,189	84,614	1,490	21,451
2017				87,899	89,107	2,659	21,308
2018					36,431	5,669	5,779
					\$ 381.407		

Cumulative Paid Losses and Allocated Loss Adjustment

Expenses, Net of Reinsurance

June 30, 2018

Accident	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018			
Year	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited			
2014	\$ 70,831	\$ 79,713	\$ 81,684	\$ 83,346	\$ 83,640			
2015		71,820	82,940	85,507	86,175			
2016			71,543	81,682	82,671			
2017				77,675	85,089			
2018					23,338			
Total					\$ 360,913			
All outstar	nding reserve	s prior to 201	4, net of rein	surance	510			
Reserve for unpaid losses and allocated loss adjustment								
expenses,	\$ 21,004							

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Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated historical financial statements and notes appearing elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (this "Quarterly Report") and the financial information set forth in the tables herein.

Unless the context otherwise indicates, all references in this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, or MD&A, to the "Company," "we," "us," "our" or "ours" or similar words are to Hilltop Holdings Inc. and its direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries, references to "Hilltop" refer solely to Hilltop Holdings Inc., references to "PCC" refer to PlainsCapital Corporation (a wholly owned subsidiary of Hilltop), references to "Securities Holdings" refer to Hilltop Securities Holdings LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary of Hilltop), references to "Hilltop Securities" refer to Hilltop Securities Inc. (a wholly owned subsidiary of Securities Holdings that was formerly known as Southwest Securities, Inc.), references to "HTS Independent Network" refer to Hilltop Securities Independent Network Inc. (a wholly owned subsidiary of Securities Holdings that was formerly known as SWS Financial Services, Inc.), references to the "Bank" refer to PlainsCapital Bank (a wholly owned subsidiary of PCC), references to "FNB" refer to First National Bank, references to "SWS" refer to the former SWS Group, Inc., references to "PrimeLending" refer to PrimeLending, a PlainsCapital Company (a wholly owned subsidiary of Hilltop) and its subsidiaries as a whole, references to "NLC" refer to National Lloyds Corporation (a wholly owned subsidiary of Hilltop) and its subsidiaries as a whole, references to "NLC" refer to National Lloyds Insurance Company (a wholly owned subsidiary of NLC) and references to "ASIC" refer to American Summit Insurance Company (a wholly owned subsidiary of NLC).

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, included in this Quarterly Report that address results or developments that we expect or anticipate will or may occur in the future, and statements that are preceded by, followed by or include, words such as "anticipates," "believes," "could," "estimates," "expects," "forecasts," "goal," "intends," "may," "might," "plan," "probable," "projects," "seeks," "shou "would" or the negative of these words and phrases or similar words or phrases, including such things as our business strategy, our financial condition, our efforts to make, and the timing of, strategic acquisitions, the costs of integration of the operations of acquired businesses, our revenue, our liquidity and sources of funding, market trends, operations and business, taxes, information technology expenses, capital levels, mortgage servicing rights ("MSR") assets, stock repurchases, dividend payments, expectations concerning mortgage loan origination volume and interest rate compression, expected losses on covered loans and related reimbursements from or to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"), anticipated amortization of the value of the receivable under our loss-share agreements with the FDIC ("FDIC Indemnification Asset"), expected levels of refinancing as a percentage of total loan origination volume, projected losses on mortgage loans originated, loss estimates related to natural disasters, the effects of government regulation applicable to our operations, the appropriateness of, and changes in, our allowance for loan losses and provision for loan losses, anticipated investment yields, our expectations regarding accretion of discount on loans in future periods, the collectability of loans, cybersecurity incidents and the outcome of litigation are forward-looking

statements.

These forward-looking statements are based on our beliefs, assumptions and expectations of our future performance taking into account all information currently available to us. These beliefs, assumptions and expectations are subject to risks and uncertainties and can change as a result of many possible events or factors, not all of which are known to us. If an event occurs, our business, business plan, financial condition, liquidity and results of operations may vary materially from those expressed in our forward-looking statements. Certain factors that could cause actual results to differ include, among others:

the credit risks of lending activities, including our ability to estimate loan losses as well as the effects of changes in the level of, and trends in, loan delinquencies and write-offs;

changes in general economic, market and business conditions in areas or markets where we compete, including changes in the price of crude oil;

changes in the interest rate environment;

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· risks associated with concentration in real estate related loans; risks associated with merger and acquisition integration;

severe catastrophic events in Texas and other areas of the southern United States;

effectiveness of our data security controls in the face of cyber attacks;

- the effects of our indebtedness on our ability to manage our business successfully, including the restrictions imposed by the indenture governing our indebtedness;
- · cost and availability of capital; changes in state and federal laws, regulations or policies affecting one or more of our business segments, including changes in regulatory fees, deposit insurance premiums, capital requirements and the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act");

changes in key management;

competition in our banking, broker-dealer, mortgage origination and insurance segments from other banks and financial institutions as well as investment banking and financial advisory firms, mortgage bankers, asset-based non-bank lenders, government agencies and insurance companies;

legal and regulatory proceedings;

our obligations under loss-share agreements with the FDIC, including the possibility that we may be required to make a "true-up" payment to the FDIC;

failure of our insurance segment reinsurers to pay obligations under reinsurance contracts; and

our ability to use excess capital in an effective manner.

For a more detailed discussion of these and other factors that may affect our business and that could cause the actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements, see "Risk Factors" in Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 ("2017 Form 10-K"), which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on February 15, 2018, this Item 2, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," Part II, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" herein and other filings we have made with the SEC. We caution that the foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive, and new factors may emerge, or changes to the foregoing factors may occur, that could impact our business. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements concerning our business attributable to us or any person acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements above. We do not undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, relating to the matters discussed in this Quarterly Report except to the extent required by federal securities laws.

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#### **OVERVIEW**

We are a financial holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956. Our primary line of business is to provide business and consumer banking services from offices located throughout Texas through the Bank. We also provide an array of financial products and services through our broker-dealer, mortgage origination and insurance segments. The following includes additional details regarding the financial products and services provided by each of our primary business units.

PCC. PCC is a financial holding company that provides, through its subsidiaries, traditional banking and wealth, investment and treasury management services primarily in Texas and residential mortgage loans throughout the United States.

Securities Holdings. Securities Holdings is a holding company that provides, through its subsidiaries, investment banking and other related financial services, including municipal advisory, sales, trading and underwriting of taxable and tax-exempt fixed income securities, equity trading, clearing, securities lending, structured finance and retail brokerage services throughout the United States.

NLC. NLC is a property and casualty insurance holding company that provides, through its subsidiaries, fire and homeowners insurance to low value dwellings and manufactured homes primarily in Texas and other areas of the southern United States.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, our net income to common stockholders was \$33.1 million, or \$0.35 per diluted share, and \$57.5 million, or \$0.60 per diluted share, respectively. We declared total common dividends of \$0.07 and \$0.14 per share during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, which resulted in a dividend payout ratios of 20.16% and 23.28%, respectively. Dividend payout ratio is defined as cash dividends declared per common share divided by basic earnings per common share. We also paid an aggregate of \$38.8 million to repurchase our common stock during the six months ended June 30, 2018.

We reported \$45.4 million and \$77.6 million of consolidated income before income taxes during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, including the following contributions from our four reportable business segments.

• The banking segment contributed \$33.1 million and \$72.0 million of income before income taxes during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively;

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The broker-dealer segment contributed \$8.2 million and \$11.8 million of income before income taxes during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively;

- The mortgage origination segment \$13.4 million and \$10.8 million of income before income taxes during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively; and
- The insurance segment incurred losses before income taxes of \$2.4 million and contributed income before income taxes of \$2.4 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively.

At June 30, 2018, on a consolidated basis, we had total assets of \$13.7 billion, total deposits of \$7.8 billion, total loans, including loans held for sale, of \$8.4 billion and stockholders' equity of \$1.9 billion.

On February 13, 2018, we entered into a definitive agreement to acquire privately-held, Houston-based The Bank of River Oaks ("BORO") in an all-cash transaction. Under the terms of the definitive agreement, we have agreed to pay cash in the aggregate amount of \$85 million to the shareholders and option holders of BORO. As of December 31, 2017, BORO had total assets, gross loans and deposits of \$454.4 million, \$343.6 million and \$406.1 million, respectively. The acquisition was approved by BORO shareholders in May 2018 and was subsequently approved by regulators. The transaction is expected to close on or about August 1, 2018. Once completed, BORO will be merged into the Bank, and all customer accounts are expected to be converted to the PlainsCapital Bank platform by December 31, 2018.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2017, our consolidated income before taxes included the recognition within corporate of a pre-tax net increase to other noninterest income of \$11.6 million related to the resolution of the appraisal proceedings from our acquisition of SWS (the "SWS Merger") as discussed in detail in Note 12, Commitments

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and Contingencies, in addition to the recognition within the Bank of an insurance receivable and related other noninterest income of \$15.0 million from coverage provided by an insurance policy for forgery.

Technology Enhancements and Corporate Initiatives

In furtherance of our goal of building a premier, diversified financial services company, we regularly evaluate strategic opportunities to invest in our business and technology platforms. Such investments are intended to support long-term technological competitiveness and improved operational efficiencies throughout our organization. During 2018, we have started making significant investment in new technological solutions, substantial core system upgrades and other technology enhancements, and are working on preliminary plans for additional investments in such solutions, upgrades and enhancements. In combination with these technology enhancements, we have begun the consolidation of common back office functions. We believe that costs incurred related to these technology investments and corporate initiatives will begin to represent an increasingly significant portion of our noninterest expenses in the near term, but are making such investments with the expectation that they will result in cost savings over the long term.

#### **Segment Information**

We have three primary business units, PCC (banking and mortgage origination), Securities Holdings (broker-dealer) and NLC (insurance). Under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"), our business units are comprised of four reportable business segments organized primarily by the core products offered to the segments' respective customers: banking, broker-dealer, mortgage origination and insurance. Consistent with our historical segment operating results, we anticipate that future revenues will be driven primarily from the banking segment, with the remainder being generated by our broker-dealer, mortgage origination and insurance segments. Operating results for the mortgage origination segment have historically been more volatile than operating results for the banking, broker-dealer and insurance segments.

The banking segment includes the operations of the Bank, which primarily provides business and consumer banking services from offices located throughout Texas and generates revenue from its portfolio of earning assets. The Bank's results of operations are primarily dependent on net interest income. The Bank also derives revenue from other sources, including service charges on customer deposit accounts and trust fees.

The broker-dealer segment includes the operations of Securities Holdings. The broker-dealer segment generates a majority of its revenues from fees and commissions earned from investment advisory and securities brokerage services. Hilltop Securities is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") and a member of the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), HTS Independent Network is an introducing broker-dealer that is also registered with the SEC and FINRA, and First

Southwest Asset Management, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Securities Holdings, is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

The mortgage origination segment includes the operations of PrimeLending, which offers a variety of loan products and generates revenue predominantly from fees charged on the origination of loans and from selling these loans in the secondary market.

The insurance segment includes the operations of NLC, which operates through its wholly owned subsidiaries, NLIC and ASIC, in Texas and other areas of the southern United States. Insurance segment income is primarily generated from revenue earned on net insurance premiums less loss and loss adjustment expenses ("LAE") and policy acquisition and other underwriting expenses.

Corporate includes certain activities not allocated to specific business segments. These activities include holding company financing and investing activities, merchant banking investment opportunities, and management and administrative services to support the overall operations of the Company including, but not limited to, certain executive management, corporate relations, legal, finance, and acquisition costs.

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The elimination of intercompany transactions are included in "All Other and Eliminations." Additional information concerning our reportable segments is presented in Note 22, Segment and Related Information, in the notes to our consolidated financial statements. The following tables present certain information about the operating results of our reportable segments (in thousands).

Three			Mortgage			All Other and	Hilltop
Months Ended June 30, 2018 Net interest	Banking	Broker-Dealer	· Origination	Insurance	Corporate	Eliminations	Consolidated
income (expense)	\$ 87,958	\$ 12,890	\$ 704	\$ 793	\$ (2,482)	\$ 4,985	\$ 104,848
Provision for loan losses	_	340	_	_	_	_	340
Noninterest income	10,644	73,589	162,759	36,546	1,436	(5,540)	279,434
Noninterest expense Income	65,542	77,967	150,026	39,712	5,340	(70)	338,517
(loss) before income taxes	\$ 33,060	\$ 8,172	\$ 13,437	\$ (2,373)	\$ (6,386)	\$ (485)	\$ 45,425
			Mortgage			All Other and	Hilltop
Six Months Ended June							
30, 2018 Net interest	Banking	Broker-Dealer	Origination	Insurance	Corporate	Eliminations	Consolidated
income (expense) Provision (recovery)	\$ 174,596	\$ 25,441	\$ 1,645	\$ 1,580	\$ (4,573)	\$ 9,579	\$ 208,268
for loan losses Noninterest	(1,531)	64	_	_	_	_	(1,467)
income	20,823	142,135	289,862	71,564	724	(10,531)	514,577
Noninterest expense Income (loss) before	124,913	155,743	280,729	70,725	14,743	(134)	646,719
income taxes	\$ 72,037	\$ 11,769	\$ 10,778	\$ 2,419	\$ (18,592)	\$ (818)	\$ 77,593

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T1			Mortgage			All Other and	Hilltop
Three Months							
Ended June 30, 2017 Net interest	Banking	Broker-Deal	er Origination	Insurance	Corporate	Eliminations	Consolidated
income (expense) Provision for loan	\$ 102,191	\$ 10,349	\$ 996	\$ 602	\$ (2,288)	\$ 4,126	\$ 115,976
losses Noninterest	5,405	448	_	_	_	_	5,853
income Noninterest	25,499	92,810	179,637	38,413	12,608	(4,275)	344,692
expense Income	62,511	86,901	161,369	49,416	6,298	(244)	366,251
(loss) before income	ф 50.77 <b>4</b>	¢ 15 010	¢ 10.264	¢ (10.401)	¢ 4.022	ф. <b>0</b> 5	¢ 00 574
taxes	\$ 59,774	\$ 15,810	\$ 19,264	\$ (10,401)	\$ 4,022	\$ 95	\$ 88,564
			Mortgage			All Other and	Hilltop
Six Months			Mortgage			7 III Other und	1
Six Months Ended June 30, 2017 Net interest income	Banking	Broker-Deal	er Origination	Insurance	Corporate	Eliminations	Consolidated
Ended June 30, 2017 Net interest income (expense) Provision	Banking \$ 184,274	Broker-Deal		Insurance \$ 1,119	Corporate \$ (4,823)		-
Ended June 30, 2017 Net interest income (expense) Provision for loan losses			er Origination		·	Eliminations	Consolidated
Ended June 30, 2017 Net interest income (expense) Provision for loan losses Noninterest income	\$ 184,274	\$ 18,837	er Origination		·	Eliminations \$ 9,554	Consolidated \$ 208,076
Ended June 30, 2017 Net interest income (expense) Provision for loan losses Noninterest	\$ 184,274 7,241	\$ 18,837 316	er Origination \$ (885)	\$ 1,119 —	\$ (4,823) —	Eliminations \$ 9,554	Consolidated \$ 208,076 7,558

How We Generate Revenue

We generate revenue from net interest income and from noninterest income. Net interest income represents the difference between the income earned on our assets, including our loans and investment securities, and our cost of

funds, including the interest paid on the deposits and borrowings that are used to support our assets. Net interest income is a significant contributor to our operating results. Fluctuations in interest rates, as well as the amounts and types of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities we hold, affect net interest income. We generated \$208.3 million and \$208.1 million in net interest income during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Changes in net interest income during the six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the six months ended June 30, 2017, primarily included a decrease within our banking segment and increases within our broker-dealer and mortgage origination segments.

The other component of our revenue is noninterest income, which is primarily comprised of the following:

- (i) Income from broker-dealer operations. Through Securities Holdings, we provide investment banking and other related financial services. We generated \$117.3 million and \$124.6 million in securities commissions and fees and investment and securities advisory fees and commissions, and \$17.2 million and \$46.2 million in gains from derivative and trading portfolio activities (included within other noninterest income) during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.
- (ii) Income from mortgage operations. Through PrimeLending, we generate noninterest income by originating and selling mortgage loans. During the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, we generated \$288.2 million and \$323.4 million, respectively, in net gains from the sale of loans, other mortgage production income (including income associated with retained mortgage servicing rights), and mortgage loan origination fees.

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(iii) Income from insurance operations. Through NLC, we provide fire and limited homeowners insurance for low value dwellings and manufactured homes. We generated \$68.4 million and \$72.2 million in net insurance premiums earned during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

In the aggregate, we generated \$514.6 million and \$616.1 million in noninterest income during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. This year-over-year decrease in noninterest income was predominantly attributable to decreases of \$39.6 million in net gains from sale of loans and other mortgage production income, \$7.4 million in investment and securities advisory fees and commissions and \$29.0 million in gains from derivative and trading portfolio activities. Additionally, the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 reflect a \$15.0 million receivable and related noninterest income within the banking segment related to coverage provided by an insurance policy for forgery, and \$11.6 million within corporate related to the resolution of the appraisal proceedings from the SWS Merger, both of which were nonrecurring.

We also incur noninterest expenses in the operation of our businesses. Our businesses engage in labor intensive activities and, consequently, employees' compensation and benefits represent the majority of our noninterest expenses.

### **Consolidated Operating Results**

Net income applicable to common stockholders during the three months ended June 30, 2018 was \$33.1 million, or \$0.35 per diluted share, compared with net income applicable to common stockholders of \$62.5 million, or \$0.63 per diluted share, during the three months ended June 30, 2017. Net income applicable to common stockholders during the six months ended June 30, 2018 was \$57.5 million, or \$0.60 per diluted share, compared with net income applicable to common stockholders of \$88.9 million, or \$0.90 per diluted share, during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

Certain items included in net income for 2018 and 2017 resulted from purchase accounting associated with the merger of PlainsCapital Corporation with and into a wholly owned subsidiary of Hilltop on November 30, 2012 (the "PlainsCapital Merger") and the FDIC-assisted transaction (the "FNB Transaction") whereby the Bank acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of FNB, and the SWS Merger (collectively, the "Bank Transactions"). Income before taxes during the three months ended June 30, 2018 included net accretion of \$0.4 million, \$6.9 million and \$0.7 million on earning assets and liabilities acquired in the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, offset by amortization of identifiable intangibles of \$1.4 million, \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million, respectively. During the three months ended June 30, 2017, income before taxes included net accretion of \$0.9 million, \$20.7 million and \$0.8 million on earning assets and liabilities acquired in the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, offset by amortization of identifiable intangibles of \$1.6 million, \$0.2 million, \$15.3 million and \$1.2 million on earning assets and liabilities acquired in the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, offset by amortization of identifiable intangibles of \$2.9 million, \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million, respectively. During the six months ended June 30, 2017, income before taxes included net accretion of \$1.9 million, \$30.4 million and \$1.8 million on earning assets and liabilities acquired in the

PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, offset by amortization of identifiable intangibles of \$3.2 million, \$0.3 million and \$0.4 million, respectively.

In addition, the Bank recorded "true-up" accruals with respect to the FNB Transaction loss-share agreements with the FDIC of \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared to \$1.1 million and \$1.7 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2017, respectively. The total true-up accrual at June 30, 2018 was \$16.6 million. This true-up accrual is based on a formula within the loss-share agreements, pursuant to which we agreed to reimburse the FDIC if the actual losses incurred and billed to the FDIC through loss sharing are below a stated threshold. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, the Bank also recorded \$1.9 million and \$5.8 million, respectively, of amortization of the FDIC Indemnification Asset due to lower projected collections from the FDIC than were originally estimated at the acquisition date.

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We consider the ratios shown in the table below to be key indicators of our performance.

	Three Months Ended June 30,	Six Months Ended June 30,
	2018 2017	2018 2017
Performance Ratios:		
Return on average stockholder's equity	6.95 % 13.24 %	6.07 % 9.53 %
Return on average assets	1.03 % 1.94 %	0.90 % 1.43 %
Net interest margin (1) (2) (4) (5)	3.46 % 3.98 %	3.49 % 3.74 %
Net interest margin (taxable equivalent) (2) (3) (4) (5)	3.47 % 3.99 %	3.50 % 3.75 %

- (1) Net interest margin is defined as net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets.
- (2) Noted measures during the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 reflect certain asset category reclassifications within the detailed calculations to conform with the current period presentation.
- (3) Net interest margin (taxable equivalent), a non-GAAP measure, is defined as taxable equivalent net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets. Annualized taxable equivalent adjustments are based on the applicable corporate federal income tax rates of 21% and 35% for the periods presented in 2018 and 2017, respectively. See footnote 2 to the following tables for the taxable equivalent adjustments to interest income.
- (4) The securities financing operations within our broker-dealer segment had the effect of lowering both the net interest margin and taxable equivalent net interest margin by 41 basis points and 53 basis points during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and 42 basis points and 51 basis points during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.
- (5) During the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, purchase accounting contributed 29 basis points and 82 basis points, respectively, to both net interest margin and taxable equivalent net interest margin. During the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, purchase accounting contributed 33 basis points and 67 basis points, respectively, to both net interest margin and taxable equivalent net interest margin.

We present net interest margin in the table above, and net interest margin and net interest income in the following discussion and tables below, on a taxable equivalent basis. The interest income earned on certain earning assets is completely or partially exempt from federal income tax. As such, these tax-exempt instruments typically yield lower returns than taxable investments. To provide more meaningful comparisons of net interest margins for all earning assets, we use net interest income on a taxable equivalent basis in calculating net interest margin by increasing the interest income earned on tax-exempt assets to make it fully equivalent to interest income earned on taxable investments.

During the three months ended June 30, 2018, purchase accounting contributed 29 basis points to our consolidated taxable equivalent net interest margin of 3.47% and primarily related to accretion of discount on loans of \$0.8 million, \$6.9 million and \$0.7 million associated with the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, and PlainsCapital Merger-related amortization of premium on acquired securities of \$0.3 million. During the three months ended June 30, 2017, purchase accounting contributed 82 basis points to our consolidated taxable equivalent net interest margin of 3.99% and primarily related to accretion of discount on loans of \$1.7 million, \$20.7 million and \$0.8 million associated with the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, and PlainsCapital Merger-related amortization of premium on acquired securities of \$0.7 million.

During the six months ended June 30, 2018, purchase accounting contributed 33 basis points to our consolidated taxable equivalent net interest margin of 3.50% and primarily related to accretion of discount on loans of \$1.7 million, \$15.3 million and \$1.2 million associated with the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, and PlainsCapital Merger-related amortization of premium on acquired securities of \$0.8 million. During the six months ended June 30, 2017, purchase accounting contributed 67 basis points to our consolidated taxable equivalent net interest margin of 3.75% and primarily related to accretion of discount on loans of \$3.2 million, \$30.4 million and \$1.7 million associated with the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, and PlainsCapital Merger-related amortization of premium on acquired securities of \$1.2 million.

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The tables below provide additional details regarding our consolidated net interest income (dollars in thousands).

	Three Months En	nded June 30,			2017			
	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned or Paid	Annualized Yield or Rate		Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned or Paid	Annualized Yield or Rate	l
Assets								
Interest-earning								
assets Loans held for sale	\$ 1,589,149	\$ 18,241	4.59	%	\$ 1,672,968	\$ 18,021	4.31	%
Loans held for	\$ 1,369,149	\$ 10,241	4.39	70	\$ 1,072,908	\$ 10,021	4.31	70
investment, gross								
(1)	6,374,873	85,683	5.34	%	6,121,332	95,772	6.22	%
Investment	, ,	,			, ,	,		
securities - taxable	1,663,257	12,486	3.00	%	1,399,402	8,811	2.52	%
Investment								
securities -								
non-taxable (2)	252,591	1,912	3.03	%	232,340	1,903	3.28	%
Federal funds sold and securities								
purchased under								
agreements to resell	228,786	859	1.51	%	147,179	242	0.66	%
Interest-bearing	220,700	037	1.51	70	147,179	212	0.00	70
deposits in other								
financial								
institutions	419,006	1,890	1.81	%	550,716	1,375	1.00	%
Securities								
borrowed	1,544,235	17,486	4.48	% ~	1,512,222	9,597	2.51	% ~
Other	69,297	1,691	9.77	%	81,230	1,113	5.49	%
Interest-earning assets, gross (2)	12,141,194	140,248	4.59	%	11,717,389	136,834	4.65	%
Allowance for loan	12,141,194	140,246	4.39	70	11,/1/,309	130,634	4.03	70
losses	(63,944)				(57,976)			
Interest-earning	(00,500)				(= 1, , , , )			
assets, net	12,077,250				11,659,413			
Noninterest-earning								
assets	1,286,608				1,359,404			
Total assets	\$ 13,363,858				\$ 13,018,817			

Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity

Interest-bearing liabilities Interest-bearing								
deposits	\$ 5,366,535	\$ 10,136	0.76	%	\$ 5,140,116	\$ 5,464	0.43	%
Securities loaned	1,382,984	15,075	4.37	%	1,388,897	7,481	2.16	%
Notes payable and	, ,	•			, ,	•		
other borrowings	1,588,132	9,981	2.51	%	1,708,241	7,385	1.72	%
Total		·						
interest-bearing								
liabilities	8,337,651	35,192	1.69	%	8,237,254	20,330	0.99	%
Noninterest-bearing								
liabilities								
Noninterest-bearing								
deposits	2,492,253				2,273,533			
Other liabilities	620,900				612,712			
Total liabilities	11,450,804				11,123,499			
Stockholders' equity	1,910,316				1,893,052			
Noncontrolling								
interest	2,738				2,266			
Total liabilities and								
stockholders' equity	\$ 13,363,858				\$ 13,018,817			
Net interest income								
(2)		\$ 105,056				\$ 116,504		
Net interest spread								
(2)			2.90	%			3.66	%
Net interest margin			a	~			2.00	~
(2)			3.47	%			3.99	%

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	Six Months Ended June 30, 2018				2017			
	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned or Paid	Annualized Yield or Rate	l	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned or Paid	Annualize Yield or Rate	d
Assets								
Interest-earning								
assets	¢ 1 442 512	¢ 22.054	156	01	¢ 1 411 064	¢ 20.742	4.21	07
Loans held for sale Loans held for	\$ 1,442,512	\$ 32,854	4.56	%	\$ 1,411,964	\$ 29,743	4.21	%
investment, gross								
(1)	6,341,997	171,014	5.38	%	6,034,582	174,041	5.75	%
Investment	, ,	,			, ,	,		
securities - taxable	1,638,570	23,414	2.86	%	1,244,567	15,389	2.47	%
Investment								
securities -	222 644	2.042	2.00	~	227.004	2 6 7 4	2.22	~
non-taxable (2)	255,644	3,942	3.08	%	225,904	3,654	3.23	%
Federal funds sold and securities								
purchased under								
agreements to resell	209,312	1,340	1.29	%	132,502	320	0.49	%
Interest-bearing	,	•			,			
deposits in other								
financial								
institutions	525,276	4,368	1.68	%	612,556	2,648	0.87	%
Securities	1 5 40 700	22.707	4.26	07	1 400 720	17.650	2.24	01
borrowed Other	1,540,790 70,071	33,786 3,143	4.36 9.02	% %	1,499,720 86,236	17,650 2,137	2.34 4.97	% %
Interest-earning	70,071	3,143	9.02	70	80,230	2,137	4.77	70
assets, gross (2)	12,024,172	273,861	4.55	%	11,248,031	245,582	4.36	%
Allowance for loan	,- , -	,			, -,	- ,		
losses	(64,569)				(56,809)			
Interest-earning								
assets, net	11,959,603				11,191,222			
Noninterest-earning assets	1,257,495				1 277 202			
Total assets	\$ 13,217,098				1,377,382 \$ 12,568,604			
Total assets	Ψ 13,217,070				Ψ 12,500,001			
Liabilities and								
Stockholders'								
Equity								
Interest-bearing								
liabilities								
Interest-bearing deposits	\$ 5,430,242	\$ 18,811	0.70	%	\$ 5,039,067	\$ 10,154	0.41	%
Securities loaned	1,374,082	28,814	4.23	%	1,375,403	13,821	2.03	%
	1,393,146	17,507	2.52	%	1,380,699	12,496	1.81	%

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Notes payable and other borrowings								
Total								
interest-bearing								
liabilities	8,197,470	65,132	1.60	%	7,795,169	36,471	0.94	%
Noninterest-bearing								
liabilities								
Noninterest-bearing	2,456,189				2 254 269			
deposits Other liabilities	650,557				2,254,268 634,661			
Total liabilities	11,304,216				10,684,098			
Stockholders' equity	1,910,736				1,881,809			
Noncontrolling								
interest	2,146				2,697			
Total liabilities and								
stockholders' equity	\$ 13,217,098				\$ 12,568,604			
Net interest income								
(2)		\$ 208,729				\$ 209,111		
Net interest spread		Ψ 200,727				Ψ 200,111		
(2)			2.95	%			3.42	%
Net interest margin								
(2)			3.50	%			3.75	%

<sup>(1)</sup> Average balance includes non-accrual loans.

The banking segment's net interest margin exceeds our consolidated net interest margin shown above. Our consolidated net interest margin includes certain items that are not reflected in the calculation of our net interest margin within our banking segment and reduce our consolidated net interest margin, such as the borrowing costs of Hilltop and the yields and costs associated with certain items within interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities in the broker-dealer segment, including items related to securities financing operations that particularly decrease net interest margin. In addition, yields and costs on certain interest-earning assets, such as warehouse lines of credit extended to subsidiaries by the banking segment, are eliminated from the consolidated financial statements.

On a consolidated basis, net interest income decreased \$11.1 million and increased \$0.2 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017. The decrease in net interest income during the three months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017, was primarily related to a decrease in accretion of discount on loans within our banking segment, partially offset by improved spreads within our broker-dealer segment. The increase in net interest income during the six months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017, was primarily related to improved spreads within our broker-dealer segment, offset by a decrease in accretion of discount on loans and changes attributable to both volumes and yields within our banking segment.

<sup>(2)</sup> Presented on a taxable equivalent basis with annualized taxable equivalent adjustments based on the applicable corporate federal income tax rates of 21% and 35% for the periods presented in 2018 and 2017, respectively. The adjustment to interest income was \$0.2 million and \$0.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$0.5 million and \$1.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017.

The provision (recovery) for loan losses is determined by management as the amount to be added to (recovered from) the allowance for loan losses after net charge-offs have been deducted to bring the allowance to a level which, in management's best estimate, is necessary to absorb probable losses within the existing loan portfolio. The consolidated provision for loan losses, substantially all of which related to the banking segment, was \$0.3 million and \$5.9 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. During the three months ended June 30, 2018, the provision for loan losses was comprised of charges relating to newly originated loans and acquired loans without credit impairment at acquisition of \$1.3 million and the recovery of charges on PCI loans of \$1.0 million, compared to charges relating to newly originated loans and acquired loans without credit impairment at acquisition of \$4.4 million and PCI loans of \$1.5 million during the three months ended June 30, 2017. During the six months ended June 30, 2018 and

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2017, the consolidated provision (recovery) for loan losses, substantially all of which related to the banking segment, was (\$1.5) million and \$7.6 million, respectively. During the six months ended June 30, 2018, the provision (recovery) for loan losses was comprised of the recovery of charges relating to newly originated loans and acquired loans without credit impairment at acquisition of \$0.2 million and the recovery of charges on PCI loans of \$1.3 million, compared to charges relating to newly originated loans and acquired loans without credit impairment at acquisition of \$6.1 million and PCI loans of \$1.5 million during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

Consolidated noninterest income decreased \$65.3 million and \$101.6 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017. Consolidated noninterest income during the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 included the previously mentioned insurance receivable and related increase to other noninterest income of \$15.0 million in our banking segment and the pre-tax net increase to other noninterest income of \$11.6 million within corporate related to the resolution of the appraisal proceedings from the SWS Merger. The year-over-year changes in noninterest income, other than the previously mentioned non-recurring items, during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, were primarily driven by decreases in noninterest income within our broker-dealer and mortgage origination segments.

Consolidated noninterest expense decreased \$27.7 million and \$40.0 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017. The year-over-year decreases in noninterest expense during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, were primarily driven by decreases in noninterest expense within our broker-dealer, mortgage origination and insurance segments, partially offset by a wire fraud loss incurred within the banking segment during the three months ended June 30, 2018 as discussed in more detail in the banking segment discussion below.

Consolidated income tax expense during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$11.0 million and \$25.8 million, respectively, reflecting effective tax rates of 24.3% and 29.1%, respectively. Consolidated income tax expense during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$18.5 million and \$40.8 million, respectively, reflecting effective tax rates of 23.9% and 31.4%, respectively. The 2018 effective tax rates approximated the applicable statutory tax rates. The effective tax rates during the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 were lower than the then applicable statutory rate due to the nontaxable increase to other noninterest income recorded in the resolution of the SWS matter as previously discussed, as the SWS Merger was a tax-free reorganization under Section 368(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The decreases in our effective tax rates from periods in 2017 to 2018 were driven by the reduction in the corporate tax rate from 35% to 21% pursuant to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 ("Tax Legislation"). As a result of the Tax Legislation, we expect income tax expense during reporting periods in 2018 to be lower than the corresponding periods in 2017. Certain deferred tax asset amounts recorded in December 2017 following enactment of the Tax Legislation are considered reasonable estimates as of June 30, 2018 and could be adjusted during the measurement period, which will end in December 2018, as a result of further refinement of our calculations, changes in interpretations and assumptions made, guidance that may be issued and actions we may take as a result of the Tax Legislation.

Segment Results

#### **Banking Segment**

Income before income taxes in our banking segment during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$33.1 million and \$59.8 million, respectively, while income before income taxes in our banking segment during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$72.0 million and \$91.6 million, respectively. In addition to the previously mentioned \$15.0 million insurance receivable and related noninterest income recognized during the three months ended June 30, 2017, the decreases in income before income taxes during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, were primarily due to a decline in accretion, increases in deposit rates and a \$4.3 million wire fraud loss and related expenses, partially offset by an increase in interest income associated with increases in both rate and volume on the loan portfolio. The wire fraud loss was a result of an unauthorized third party gaining remote access to a single employee's email account through "spear phishing" and did not involve unauthorized access to other systems or accounts, or to our network. We discovered and blocked the unauthorized access on May 14, 2018. Through such email account, we believe the unauthorized third party also obtained access to personally identifiable information of some customers, including names, account numbers, and, in certain cases, social security numbers. During the second quarter of 2018, in addition to the \$4.0 million wire fraud loss, we incurred approximately \$0.3 million in costs to investigate the incident, provide identity protection services, including credit monitoring, to customers who may have been impacted and other legal and professional services, all of which were expensed as

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incurred within the banking segment. We also may incur expenses, including legal and professional services expenses, and claims for damages related to this incident in the future. We have not recorded an accrual for future claims as we have not concluded that such a loss is probable. We have notified our insurance carriers of this incident, and we expect available insurance coverage will reduce our overall financial exposure. In addition, we continue to seek recovery of the wire fraud loss arising from this incident. Given the preliminary nature of such actions, we cannot currently estimate the amount of any future legal or insurance recoveries related to this loss.

We consider the ratios shown in the table below to be key indicators of the performance of our banking segment.

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Mo June 3		s Ended	1
	2018 2017				2018		2017	
Performance Ratios:								
Efficiency ratio (1)	66.47	%	48.96	%	63.92	%	55.51	%
Return on average assets	1.09	%	1.63	%	1.20	%	1.30	%
Net interest margin (2) (4)	4.11	%	4.80	%	4.13	%	4.53	%
Net interest margin (taxable equivalent) (3) (4)	4.12	%	4.81	%	4.14	%	4.53	%

- (1) Efficiency ratio is defined as noninterest expenses divided by the sum of total noninterest income and net interest income for the period.
- (2) Net interest margin is defined as net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets.
- (3) Net interest margin (taxable equivalent), a non-GAAP measure, is defined as taxable equivalent net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets. Annualized taxable equivalent adjustments are based on the applicable corporate federal income tax rates of 21% and 35% for the periods presented in 2018 and 2017, respectively. See footnote 2 to the following tables for the taxable equivalent adjustments to interest income.
- (4) During the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, purchase accounting contributed 42 basis points and 112 basis points, respectively, to net interest margin and taxable equivalent net interest margin. During the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, purchase accounting contributed 47 basis points and 91 basis points to net interest margin and taxable equivalent net interest margin.

The banking segment presents net interest margin in the table above, and net interest margin and net interest income in the following discussion and tables below, on a taxable equivalent basis. The interest income earned on certain earning assets is completely or partially exempt from federal income tax. As such, these tax-exempt instruments typically yield lower returns than taxable investments. To provide more meaningful comparisons of net interest margins for all earning assets, we use net interest income on a taxable equivalent basis in calculating net interest margin by increasing the interest income earned on tax-exempt assets to make it fully equivalent to interest income earned on taxable investments.

During the three months ended June 30, 2018, purchase accounting contributed 42 basis points to the banking segment's taxable equivalent net interest margin of 4.12% and primarily related to accretion of discount on loans of \$0.8 million, \$6.9 million and \$0.7 million associated with the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS

Merger, respectively, and PlainsCapital Merger-related amortization of premium on acquired securities of \$0.3 million. During the three months ended June 30, 2017, purchase accounting contributed 112 basis points to the banking segment's taxable equivalent net interest margin of 4.81% and primarily related to accretion of discount on loans of \$1.7 million, \$20.7 million and \$0.8 million associated with the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, and PlainsCapital Merger-related amortization of premium on acquired securities of \$0.7 million.

During the six months ended June 30, 2018, purchase accounting contributed 47 basis points to the banking segment's taxable equivalent net interest margin of 4.14% and primarily related to accretion of discount on loans of \$1.7 million, \$15.3 million and \$1.2 million associated with the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, and PlainsCapital Merger-related amortization of premium on acquired securities of \$0.8 million. During the six months ended June 30, 2017, purchase accounting contributed 91 basis points to the banking segment's taxable equivalent net interest margin of 4.53% and primarily related to accretion of discount on loans of \$3.2 million, \$30.4 million and \$1.7 million associated with the PlainsCapital Merger, FNB Transaction and SWS Merger, respectively, and PlainsCapital Merger-related amortization of premium on acquired securities of \$1.2 million.

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The tables below provide additional details regarding our banking segment's net interest income (dollars in thousands).

	Three Months	Ended June 30	,		2017			
	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned or Paid	Annualized Yield or Rate	l	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned or Paid	Annualize Yield or Rate	ed
Assets Interest-earning assets								
Loans, gross (1) Subsidiary warehouse lines of	\$ 5,822,978	\$ 79,173	5.40	%	\$ 5,640,067	\$ 90,471	6.37	%
credit Investment	1,462,319	15,444	4.18	%	1,545,376	14,655	3.75	%
securities - taxable Investment securities -	943,411	5,333	2.26	%	883,414	4,162	1.88	%
non-taxable (2) Federal funds sold and securities purchased under	112,148	945	3.37	%	124,495	1,179	3.79	%
agreements to resell Interest-bearing deposits in other financial	585	1	0.73	%	10,794	27	1.00	%
institutions	190,984	851	1.79	%	284,862	773	1.09	%
Other	45,529	542	4.76	%	66,127	624	3.78	%
Interest-earning								
assets, gross (2) Allowance for loan	8,577,954	102,289	4.73	%	8,555,135	111,891	5.20	%
losses Interest-earning	(63,044)				(57,738)			
assets, net Noninterest-earning	8,514,910				8,497,397			
assets	881,822				943,310			
Total assets	\$ 9,396,732				\$ 9,440,707			
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Interest-bearing liabilities Interest-bearing								
deposits	\$ 5,029,042	\$ 12,479	1.00	%	\$ 4,867,042	\$ 7,220	0.59	%
	455,002	1,660	1.45	%	914,994	2,073	0.90	%

Notes payable and other borrowings Total interest-bearing liabilities Noninterest-bearing liabilities Noninterest-bearing deposits Other liabilities Total liabilities Stockholders' equity Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	5,484,044 2,459,643 45,262 7,988,949 1,407,783 \$ 9,396,732	14,139	1.03	%	5,782,036 2,239,680 54,498 8,076,214 1,364,493 \$ 9,440,707	9,293	0.64	%
Net interest income (2)		\$ 88,150				\$ 102,598		
Net interest spread (2)			3.70	%			4.55	%
Net interest margin (2)			4.12	%			4.81	%
Assets Interest-earning	Six Months En 2018 Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned or Paid	Annuali Yield or Rate		2017 Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned or Paid	Annuali: Yield or Rate	
assets Loans, gross (1) Subsidiary warehouse lines of	\$ 5,808,832	\$ 158,364	5.43	%	\$ 5,559,920	\$ 164,248	5.89	%
credit Investment	1,338,227	27,143	4.03	%	1,301,375	24,631	3.76	%
securities - taxable Investment securities -	924,125	10,159	2.20	%	822,734	7,707	1.87	%
non-taxable (2) Federal funds sold and securities purchased under	114,839	1,925	3.35	%	125,036	2,370	3.79	%
agreements to resell Interest-bearing deposits in other financial	540	2	0.57	%	11,486	50	0.88	%
institutions	286,140	2,325	1.64	%	339,955	1,610	0.95	%
Other	45,981 8,518,684	1,048 200,966	4.56 4.70	% %	71,112 8,231,618	1,159 201,775	3.26 4.89	% %

Interest-earning assets, gross (2) Allowance for loan losses Interest-earning assets, net Noninterest-earning assets Total assets	(63,938) 8,454,746 886,028 \$ 9,340,774				(56,642) 8,174,976 965,116 \$ 9,140,092			
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Interest-bearing liabilities Interest-bearing								
deposits	\$ 5,088,835	\$ 23,655	0.94	%	\$ 4,765,219	\$ 13,657	0.58	%
Notes payable and other borrowings Total interest-bearing	368,932	2,322	1.25	%	735,228	3,024	0.82	%
liabilities (3) Noninterest-bearing liabilities Noninterest-bearing	5,457,767	25,977	0.96	%	5,500,447	16,681	0.61	%
deposits	2,436,115				2,227,775			
Other liabilities	47,580				55,112			
Total liabilities	7,941,462				7,783,334			
Stockholders' equity Total liabilities and	1,399,312				1,356,758			
stockholders' equity	\$ 9,340,774				\$ 9,140,092			
Net interest income (2) Net interest spread		\$ 174,989				\$ 185,094		
(2)			3.74	%			4.28	%
Net interest margin (2)			4.14	%			4.53	%

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- (1) Average balance includes non-accrual loans.
- (2) Presented on a taxable equivalent basis with annualized taxable equivalent adjustments based on the applicable corporate federal income tax rates of 21% and 35% for the periods presented in 2018 and 2017, respectively. The adjustment to interest income was \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$0.4 million and \$0.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017.

The banking segment's net interest margin exceeds our consolidated net interest margin. Our consolidated net interest margin includes certain items that are not reflected in the calculation of our net interest margin within our banking segment and reduce our consolidated net interest margin, such as the borrowing costs of Hilltop and the yields and costs associated with certain items within interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities in the broker-dealer segment, including items related to securities financing operations that particularly decrease net interest margin. In addition, the banking segment's interest-earning assets include warehouse lines of credit extended to other subsidiaries, which are eliminated from the consolidated financial statements.

The following table summarizes the changes in the banking segment's net interest income for the periods indicated below, including the component changes in the volume of average interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and changes in the rates earned or paid on those items (in thousands).

	Three Mont 2018 vs. 20 Change Due Volume		Change	Six Months Ended June 30, 2018 vs. 2017 Change Due To (1) Volume Yield/Rate Change			
Interest income	Volume	1 icid/Rate	Change	Volume	1 icid/Rate	Change	
Loans, gross	\$ 2,907	\$ (14,205)	\$ (11,298)	\$ 7,269	\$ (13,153)	\$ (5,884)	
Subsidiary warehouse	Ψ 2,707	Ψ (14,203)	\$ (11,270)	Ψ 7,207	Ψ (15,155)	Ψ (3,004)	
lines of credit	(777)	1,566	789	688	1,824	2,512	
Investment securities -	(111)	1,500	707	000	1,024	2,312	
taxable	282	889	1,171	942	1,510	2,452	
Investment securities -	202	007	1,171	7-12	1,510	2,732	
non-taxable (2)	(117)	(117)	(234)	(192)	(253)	(445)	
Federal funds sold and	(117)	(117)	(23.)	(1)2)	(255)	(1.13)	
securities purchased under							
agreements to resell	(25)	(1)	(26)	(48)		(48)	
Interest-bearing deposits	(23)	(1)	(20)	(10)		(10)	
in other financial							
institutions	(255)	333	78	(255)	970	715	
Other	(194)	112	(82)	(406)	295	(111)	
Total interest income (2)	1,821	(11,423)	(9,602)	7,998	(8,807)	(809)	
Interest expense							
Deposits	\$ 240	\$ 5,019	\$ 5,259	\$ 927	\$ 9,071	\$ 9,998	
Notes payable and other		•	•		•	•	
borrowings	(1,029)	616	(413)	(1,489)	787	(702)	
Total interest expense	(789)	5,635	4,846	(562)	9,858	9,296	

Net interest income (2) \$ 2,610 \$ (17,058) \$ (14,448) \$ 8,560 \$ (18,665) \$ (10,105)

(1) Changes attributable to both volume and yield/rate are included in yield/rate column.

(2) Annualized taxable equivalent.

Taxable equivalent net interest income decreased \$14.4 million and \$10.1 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2017. Changes in the yields earned on interest-earning assets decreased taxable equivalent net interest income by \$11.4 million and \$8.8 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017, primarily as a result of decreases in accretion of discount on loans of \$14.8 million and \$17.1 million, respectively, partially offset by higher loan yields due to increased market rates. Accretion of discount on loans is expected to continue to decrease in future periods as loans acquired in the Bank Transactions are repaid, refinanced or renewed. While we are seeing an increase in loan yields as a result of the rising interest rate environment, a portion of our loan portfolio remains at applicable rate floors, thereby causing yields on our interest-earning assets to rise more slowly than increases in market interest rates, which have also increased our borrowing costs. Absent a decline in interest rates, we believe this trend will continue until contractual rate resets allow our entire loan portfolio to reprice above applicable rate floors. Changes in the volume of interest-earning assets, primarily due to an increase in the loan portfolio, increased taxable equivalent net interest income by \$1.8 million and \$8.0 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017. Changes in rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities decreased taxable equivalent net interest income by \$5.6 million and \$9.9 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017, due to increases in market interest rates. Short-term interest rates have risen faster than medium and

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longer term rates, which has reduced the favorable impact of our asset-sensitive position on net interest income. Any changes in interest rates across the term structure will continue to impact net interest income and net interest margin. The impact of rate movements will change with the shape of the yield curve, including any changes in steepness or flatness and inversions at any points on the yield curve.

The banking segment's noninterest income was \$10.6 million and \$25.5 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$20.8 million and \$37.9 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The decreases in noninterest income during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, compared to the same periods in 2017, were primarily driven by the previously mentioned insurance receivable and related increase in other noninterest income of \$15.0 million recorded during the three months ended June 30, 2017 from coverage provided by an insurance policy for forgery related to a single, large loan previously charged off by the Bank. The decreases in noninterest income, other than the previously mentioned insurance receivable, for the six months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017, were primarily driven by a decrease in intercompany financing charges.

The banking segment's noninterest expenses were \$65.5 million and \$62.5 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$124.9 million and \$123.3 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The increases in noninterest expenses during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same periods in 2017, were primarily due to the wire fraud loss and related expenses of \$4.3 million previously discussed, partially offset by net decreases in expenses related to other real estate owned ("OREO"), employees' compensation and benefits and other operating expenses.

#### **Broker-Dealer Segment**

Income before income taxes in our broker-dealer segment was \$8.2 million and \$15.8 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$11.8 million and \$25.3 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017. The decreases in income before income taxes during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, were primarily the result of decreases of \$17.2 million and \$29.0 million, respectively, in trading gains earned from our derivative and trading portfolio activities, most notably in our structured finance business. These decreases during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same periods in 2017, were primarily due to market volatility, competitive pricing pressures, decreases of 26% and 31%, respectively, in the business line's to-be-announced ("TBA") mortgage-backed securities volume and decreases of \$3.6 million and \$7.4 million, respectively, in investment and securities advisory fees and commissions primarily earned on the underwriting of municipal bond transactions within our public finance business line. The decreases were partially offset by an 85-basis point increase in the federal funds rate during the twelve months preceding June 30, 2018, which led to increases of \$1.3 million and \$3.3 million, respectively, in fees earned on money market and FDIC insured bank deposits during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, increases in the net interest income earned from stock lending and margin lending and decreases in variable compensation of \$10.5 million and \$16.7 million, respectively, during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, based on less robust financial results.

The broker-dealer segment is subject to interest rate risk as a consequence of maintaining inventory positions, trading in interest rate sensitive financial instruments and maintaining a matched stock loan book. Changes in interest rates are likely to have a meaningful impact on our overall financial performance. Our broker-dealer segment has historically earned a significant portion of its revenues from advisory fees upon the successful completion of the client's transaction. Rapid or significant changes in interest rates could adversely affect the broker-dealer segment's bond trading, sales, underwriting activities and other interest spread-sensitive activities described below. The broker-dealer segment also receives administrative fees for providing money market and FDIC investment alternatives to clients, which tend to be sensitive to short term interest rates. In addition, the profitability of the broker-dealer segment depends, to an extent, on the spread between revenues earned on customer loans and excess customer cash balances, and the interest expense paid on customer cash balances, as well as the interest revenue earned on trading securities, net of financing costs.

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The following table provides additional details regarding our broker-dealer operating results (in thousands).

	Three Mon June 30,	ths Ended	Variance 2018 vs	Six Months 30,	Variance 2018 vs	
	2018	2017	2017	2018	2017	2017
Net interest income:						
Securities lending	\$ 2,411	\$ 2,116	\$ 295	\$ 4,972	\$ 3,829	\$ 1,143
Structured finance	3,324	2,307	1,017	5,232	3,443	1,789
Clearing (1)	3,107	2,605	502	6,168	4,753	1,415
Other (1)	4,048	3,321	727	9,069	6,812	2,257
Total net interest						
income	12,890	10,349	2,541	25,441	18,837	6,604
Noninterest income:						
Securities commissions						
and fees by business line (2):						
Capital markets	10,892	10,259	633	21,029	21,658	(629)
Retail	20,084	19,730	354	41,028	39,317	1,711
Clearing	8,854	8,595	259	17,859	17,110	749
Other	1,261	1,015	246	2,654	2,337	317
	41,091	39,599	1,492	82,570	80,422	2,148
Investment and securities advisory fees and						
commissions by business						
line:						
Public finance	15,088	19,816	(4,728)	27,144	36,688	(9,544)
Capital markets	800	207	593	1,750	507	1,243
Retail	4,688	4,102	586	9,050	7,847	1,203
Structured finance	1,059	1,119	(60)	1,714	2,142	(428)
Clearing	285	291	(6)	577	552	25
Other	45	2	43	84	3	81
	21,965	25,537	(3,572)	40,319	47,739	(7,420)
Other:	<b>7</b> 22 6	20 =01	(1 7 2 5 7)	0.000	24.466	(21 7 6 6)
Structured finance	5,336	20,701	(15,365)	9,900	34,466	(24,566)
Capital markets	4,863	6,625	(1,762)	7,324	11,697	(4,373)
Other	334	348	(14)	2,022	1,038	984
m . 1	10,533	27,674	(17,141)	19,246	47,201	(27,955)
Total noninterest	72.500	02.010	(10.221)	1.40.105	177.060	(22.227)
income (2)	73,589	92,810	(19,221)	142,135	175,362	(33,227)
Net revenue (3)	86,479	103,159	(16,680)	167,576	194,199	(26,623)
Noninterest expense (4):						
Employees' compensation	50 410	62 040	(10.422)	104 602	120 000	(15.207)
and benefits	52,418	62,840	(10,422)	104,683	120,080	(15,397)
Other	25,889	24,509	1,380	51,124	48,794 169 974	2,330
	78,307	87,349	(9,042)	155,807	168,874	(13,067)

Total noninterest expense

Income before income taxes \$ 8,172 \$ 15,810 \$ (7,638) \$ 11,769 \$ 25,325 \$ (13,556)

- (1) Noted balances during the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 include certain reclassifications to conform with current period presentation.
- (2) Securities commissions and fees includes income of \$2.8 million and \$1.8 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$5.6 million and \$3.6 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, that is eliminated in consolidation.
- (3) Net revenue is defined as the sum of total net interest income and total noninterest income
- (4) Noninterest expense includes provision for loan losses associated with the broker-dealer segment within other noninterest expenses.

The broker-dealer segment had net interest income of \$12.9 million and \$10.3 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$25.4 million and \$18.8 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. In the broker-dealer segment, interest is earned from securities lending activities, interest charged on customer margin loan balances and interest earned on investment securities used to support sales, underwriting and other customer activities. The increases between the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 and the comparable periods in 2017 were primarily due to improved spreads on customer balances, improved spreads on stock loan balances and an increase in net interest earned on trading securities.

Noninterest income was \$73.6 million and \$92.8 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$142.1 million and \$175.4 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The decreases in noninterest income between the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 and the comparable periods in 2017 were primarily due to decreases of \$17.1 million and \$28.0 million, respectively, in other noninterest income and \$3.6 million and \$7.4 million, respectively, in investment and securities advisory fees and commissions, which were partially offset by increases of \$1.5 million and \$2.1 million, respectively, in securities commissions and fees.

Securities commissions and fees increased \$1.5 million and \$2.1 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017. The increases were primarily attributable to fees earned on money market accounts and FDIC insured bank deposits by the clearing and retail businesses resulting from the 85-basis point increase in the federal funds rate during the twelve months preceding June 30, 2018.

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Investment and securities advisory fees and commissions decreased \$3.6 million and \$7.4 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017, primarily due to reductions in the number and the aggregate dollar amount of municipal bond transactions as a number of national municipal issuers elected to accelerate certain capital raising initiatives in the fourth quarter of 2017 before the enactment of the Tax Legislation. As a result, we have experienced lower municipal issuance volume in 2018 compared to 2017 and expect this trend to continue for the remainder of 2018.

The decreases in other noninterest income during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, were primarily the result of \$17.2 million and \$29.0 million respective decreases in trading gains earned from our derivative and trading portfolio activities, most notably in our structured finance business primarily due to market volatility, competitive pricing pressures and decreases of 26% and 31%, respectively, in the business line's TBA mortgage-backed securities volume.

Noninterest expenses were \$78.3 million and \$87.3 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$155.8 million and \$168.9 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The decreases in noninterest expenses of \$9.0 million and \$13.1 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2017, were primarily due to decreases in the variable compensation and benefits expense components that are based on performance.

Selected information concerning the broker-dealer segment follows (dollars in thousands).

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2018 2017				Six Months Ended June 30, 2018 2017			ine 30, 2017	
Compensation as a % of net revenue FDIC insured program balances at the Bank	60.6	%	60.9	%	62.5	%		61.8	%
(end of period) Other FDIC insured program balances (end					\$ 1,278,694		\$	1,301,043	
of period)					\$ 896,739		\$	1,099,965	
Customer margin balances (end of period)					\$ 355,561		\$ 3	338,514	
Customer funds on deposit, including short credits (end of period)					\$ 354,277		\$ 3	394,335	
Public finance:									
Number of issues	368		460		604		•	792	
Aggregate amount of offerings	\$ 15,066,403	\$	19,299,334		\$ 25,715,524		\$ 3	39,837,764	•
Capital markets: Total volumes Net inventory (end of period)	\$ 20,505,462	\$	20,573,899		\$ 36,376,727 \$ 376,388			34,441,862 311,395	•
of period) Customer margin balances (end of period) Customer funds on deposit, including short credits (end of period)  Public finance: Number of issues Aggregate amount of offerings  Capital markets:	\$ 15,066,403		19,299,334		\$ 355,561 \$ 354,277 604 \$ 25,715,524 \$ 36,376,727		\$ 3 \$ 3 \$ 3	338,514 394,335 792 39,837,764 34,441,862	

Retail: Retail employee representatives (end of period) Independent registered representatives (end of period)			124 218	123 224
Structured finance: Lock production/TBA volume	\$ 1,318,084	\$ 1,790,385	\$ 2,379,596	\$ 3,460,487
Clearing: Total tickets Correspondents (end of period)	373,385	315,646	779,516 153	664,785 170
Securities lending: Interest-earning assets - stock borrowed (end of period) Interest-bearing liabilities - stock loaned (end of period)	d		\$ 1,491,182 \$ 1,316,128	\$ 1,459,990 \$ 1,312,985

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Mortgage Origination Segment

Income before income taxes in our mortgage origination segment was \$13.4 million and \$19.3 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$10.8 million and \$29.2 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The decreases in income before income taxes during both the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same periods in 2017, were primarily due to decreases in noninterest income, partially offset by decreases in noninterest expense.

The mortgage lending business is subject to variables that can impact loan origination volume, including seasonal and interest rate fluctuations. Historically, the mortgage origination segment has typically experienced increased loan origination volume from purchases of homes during the spring and summer, when more people tend to move and buy or sell homes. An increase in mortgage interest rates tends to result in decreased loan origination volume from refinancings, while a decrease in mortgage interest rates tends to result in increased loan origination volume from refinancings. While mortgage interest rates have increased since the beginning of 2017, refinancing volume has remained between 12% and 16% of total loan origination volume during both the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017. We do not anticipate that any additional increases in mortgage interest rates will significantly impact home purchases volume during the remainder of 2018, as changes in mortgage interest rates have historically had a lesser impact on home purchases volume than on refinancing volume.

The mortgage origination segment primarily originates its mortgage loans through a retail channel, with limited lending through its affiliated business arrangements ("ABAs"). For the six months ended June 30, 2018, funded volume through ABAs was approximately 6% of the mortgage origination segment's total loan volume. Currently, PrimeLending owns a 51% membership interest in five ABAs. We expect production within the ABA channel to remain at approximately 6% of the total loan volume during 2018, a slight increase from 2017.

The following table provides certain details regarding our mortgage loan originations and selected information for the periods indicated below (dollars in thousands).

	Three Montl	hs Ended June	30,		Six Months I	),		
	2018		2017		2018		2017	
		% of		% of		% of		% of
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its	17,007		17,594		29,318		29,986	
	\$ 4,107,37	5	\$ 4,058,084		\$ 7,067,172	2	\$ 6,882,415	

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	•													9.50
	·				,								*	5.61
\$	4,107,375			\$	4,058,084			\$	7,067,172			\$	6,882,415	100.00
\$	3,615,991	88.04	%	\$	3,502,128	86.30	%	\$	5,974,683	84.54	%	\$	5,771,266	83.86
	491,384	11.96	%		555,956	13.70	%		1,092,489	15.46	%		1,111,149	16.14
\$	4,107,375	100.00	%	\$	4,058,084	100.00	%	\$	7,067,172	100.00	%	\$	6,882,415	100.00
\$	764,337	18.61	%	\$	889,017	21.91	%	\$	1,328,961	18.80	%	\$	1,511,576	21.96
	449,994	10.96	%		482,466	11.89	%		836,232	11.83	%		843,550	12.26
	309,413	7.53	%		239,769	5.91	%		526,721	7.45	%		414,947	6.03
	184,169	4.48	%		196,187	4.83	%		300,960	4.26	%		311,212	4.52
	164,240	4.00	%		156,183	3.85	%		291,449	4.12	%		272,682	3.96
	155,215	3.78	%		119,411	2.94	%		261,855	3.71	%		204,808	2.98
	138.012	3.36	%		126.815	3.12	%		233,635	3.31	%		226.829	3.30
	137,557	3.35	%		141,237	3.48	%		228,145				217,544	3.16
	128,157	3.12	%		137,481	3.39	%		222,105	3.14	%		225,275	3.27
	121,339	2.95	%		126,549	3.12	%		210,538				209,569	3.04
	1,554,942	37.86	%		1,442,969	35.56	%		2,626,571	37.17	%		2,444,423	35.52
\$				\$				\$				\$		100.00
ф	3,526,603			Φ	3,385,260			Φ	6,712,041			Φ	6,660,427	
	\$ \$ \$	998,786 354,275 224,478 \$ 4,107,375 \$ 3,615,991 491,384 \$ 4,107,375 \$ 764,337 449,994 309,413 184,169 164,240 155,215 138,012 137,557 128,157 121,339 1,554,942 \$ 4,107,375	998,786 24.32 354,275 8.63 224,478 5.46 \$ 4,107,375 100.00 \$ 3,615,991 88.04 491,384 11.96 \$ 4,107,375 100.00 \$ 764,337 18.61 449,994 10.96 309,413 7.53 184,169 4.48 164,240 4.00 155,215 3.78 138,012 3.36 137,557 3.35 128,157 3.12 121,339 2.95 1,554,942 37.86 \$ 4,107,375 100.00	998,786 24.32 % 354,275 8.63 % 224,478 5.46 % \$ 4,107,375 100.00 %  \$ 3,615,991 88.04 % 491,384 11.96 % \$ 4,107,375 100.00 %  \$ 764,337 18.61 % 449,994 10.96 % 309,413 7.53 % 184,169 4.48 % 164,240 4.00 % 155,215 3.78 %  138,012 3.36 % 137,557 3.35 %  128,157 3.12 % 121,339 2.95 %  1,554,942 37.86 % \$ 4,107,375 100.00 %	998,786 354,275 8.63 % 224,478 \$ 5.46 % \$ 4,107,375 \$ 100.00 % \$  \$ 3,615,991 491,384 \$ 11.96 % \$ 4,107,375 \$ 100.00 % \$  \$ 764,337 449,994 309,413 7.53 % 184,169 4.48 % 164,240 155,215 \$ 3.78 %  138,012 3.36 % 137,557 3.35 %  128,157 121,339 2.95 %  1,554,942 \$ 37.86 % \$ 4,107,375 \$ 100.00 % \$	998,786 24.32 % 1,001,799 354,275 8.63 % 378,454 224,478 5.46 % 235,130 \$ 4,107,375 100.00 % \$ 4,058,084  \$ 3,615,991 88.04 % \$ 3,502,128 491,384 11.96 % 555,956 \$ 4,107,375 100.00 % \$ 4,058,084  \$ 764,337 18.61 % \$ 889,017 449,994 10.96 % 482,466 309,413 7.53 % 239,769 184,169 4.48 % 196,187 164,240 4.00 % 156,183 155,215 3.78 % 119,411  138,012 3.36 % 126,815 137,557 3.35 % 141,237  128,157 3.12 % 137,481 121,339 2.95 % 126,549  \$ 4,107,375 100.00 % \$ 4,058,084	998,786	998,786	998,786	998,786	998,786	998,786	998,786	998,786

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Refinancing volume decreased to \$491.4 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 from \$556.0 million during the three months ended June 30, 2017 (representing 12.0% and 13.7%, respectively, of total loan origination volume), while refinancing volume was relatively unchanged at approximately \$1.1 billion during both the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 (representing 15.5% and 16.1%, respectively, of total loan origination volume). Home purchases volume increased 3.3% to \$3.6 billion during the three months ended June 30, 2018 from \$3.5 billion during the three months ended June 30, 2017, while home purchases volume increased 3.5% to \$6.0 billion during the six months ended June 30, 2018, from \$5.8 billion during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

The mortgage origination segment's total loan origination volume during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 increased 1.2% and 2.7%, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2017, while income before income taxes during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 decreased 30.2% and 63.1%, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2017. The decreases in income before taxes during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same periods in 2017, were primarily due to decreases in net gains from sale of loans, in addition to decreases in the change in net fair value and related derivative activity of interest rate lock commitments ("IRLCs") and loans held for sale. These changes were partially offset by decreases in net interest expense and segment operating costs.

Net interest income (expense) of \$0.7 million and \$1.0 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$1.6 million and (\$0.9) million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, was primarily comprised of interest incurred on a warehouse line of credit held with the Bank as well as related intercompany financing costs, partially offset by interest income earned on loans held for sale. The year-over-year improvement in net interest income for the six months ended June 30, 2018 included the effects of slightly increased average hold periods and net yields on mortgage loans held for sale.

Noninterest income was \$162.8 million and \$179.6 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$289.9 million and \$323.3 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and was comprised of the following (in thousands).

	Three Month	s Ended June				
	30,		Variance 2018 vs	30,	Variance 2018 vs 2017	
	2018	2017	2018 VS 2017	2018 2017		
Net gains from sale of loans	\$ 111,719	\$ 122,484	\$ (10,765)	\$ 217,824	\$ 242,123	\$ (24,299)
Mortgage loan origination						
fees and other related income	29,618	25,976	3,642	50,544	45,532	5,012
Other mortgage production						
income:						
Change in net fair value and						
related derivative activity:						
Interest rate lock	17,032	27,979	(10,947)	12,494	24,529	(12,035)
commitments and loans held						

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for sale						
Mortgage servicing rights						
asset	(1,688)	(1,785)	97	(2,830)	(428)	(2,402)
Servicing fees	6,078	4,983	1,095	11,830	11,519	311
	\$ 162,759	\$ 179 637	\$ (16.878)	\$ 289 862	\$ 323 275	\$ (33.413)

Net gains from sale of loans decreased 8.8% and 10.0% during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2017. Mortgage loan origination fees increased 14.0% and 11.0% during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017. The decreases in net gains from sale of loans during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, were primarily a result of decreases in average loan sales margin, partially offset by slight increases in total loan sales volume of 4.2% and 0.8% during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017. The decreases in average loan sales margin were primarily attributable to competitive pricing pressure resulting from home inventory shortages and a reduction in national refinancing volume. The increases in mortgage loan origination fees were primarily the result of increases in average mortgage loan origination fees, in addition to a slight increase in total loan origination volume, during three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017.

Noninterest income included increases of \$17.0 million and \$12.5 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with increases of \$28.0 million and \$24.5 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2017, respectively, in the net fair value of the mortgage origination segment's IRLCs and loans held for sale and the related activity associated with forward commitments used by the mortgage origination segment to mitigate interest rate risk associated with its IRLCs and mortgage loans held for sale. The increase during the three months ended June 30, 2018 was primarily the result of an increase in the volume of IRLCs and mortgage loans, in addition to an increase in the average value of individual IRLCs and mortgage loans. The increase during the six months ended June

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30, 2018 was primarily the result of an increase in the volume of IRLCs and mortgage loans, partially offset by a decrease in the average value of individual IRLCs and mortgage loans.

The mortgage origination segment sells substantially all mortgage loans it originates to various investors in the secondary market, the majority servicing released. During the three months ended June 30, 2018, the mortgage origination segment retained servicing on approximately 7% of loans sold, compared to 5% during the same period in 2017. During the six months ended June 30, 2018, the mortgage origination segment retained servicing on approximately 12% of loans sold, compared to 4% during the same period in 2017. The mortgage origination segment's determination of whether to retain or release servicing on mortgage loans it sells is impacted by, among other things, changes in mortgage interest rates, and refinancing and market activity. The related MSR asset was valued at \$58.9 million on \$4.5 billion of serviced loan volume at June 30, 2018, compared with a value of \$55.8 million on \$4.9 billion of serviced loan volume at December 31, 2017. The mortgage origination segment may, from time to time, manage its MSR asset through different strategies, including varying the percentage of mortgage loans sold servicing released and opportunistically selling MSR assets. The mortgage origination segment has also retained servicing on certain loans sold to the banking segment. Gains and losses associated with such sales to the banking segment and the related MSR asset are eliminated in consolidation. The mortgage origination segment uses derivative financial instruments, including U.S. Treasury bond futures and options, as a means to mitigate interest rate risk associated with its MSR asset. Changes in the net fair value of the MSR asset and the related derivatives associated with normal customer payments, changes in discount rates, prepayment speed assumptions and customer payoffs resulted in net losses of \$1.7 million and \$2.8 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared to net losses of \$1.8 million and \$0.4 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2017. Additionally, net servicing income was \$2.9 million and \$5.4 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with \$1.6 million and \$4.8 million during the same periods in 2017. In May 2018 and March 2017, the mortgage origination segment sold MSR assets of \$9.3 million and \$17.5 million, respectively, which represented \$834.3 million and \$1.7 billion of its serviced loan volume at the time.

Noninterest expenses were \$150.0 million and \$161.4 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$280.7 million and \$293.2 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Noninterest expenses were comprised of the items set forth in the table below (in thousands). Reclassifications of \$2.4 million and \$4.5 million from variable compensation to segment operating costs were made to the amounts presented below for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017, respectively, to conform with the current period presentation.

	Three Months Ended June								
	30,		Variance	Variance Six Months Ended June 30, 2018 vs					
			2018 vs						
	2018	2017	2017	2018	2017	2017			
Variable compensation	\$ 66,531	\$ 69,445	\$ (2,914)	\$ 112,823	\$ 114,286	\$ (1,463)			
Segment operating costs	74,189	81,056	(6,867)	150,654	159,744	(9,090)			
Lender paid closing costs	6,134	7,521	(1,387)	10,826	12,500	(1,674)			
Servicing expense	3,172	3,347	(175)	6,426	6,677	(251)			
_	\$ 150,026	\$ 161,369	\$ (11,343)	\$ 280,729	\$ 293,207	\$ (12,478)			

Employees' compensation and benefits accounted for the majority of noninterest expenses incurred during all periods presented. Variable compensation decreased \$2.9 million and \$1.5 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017, and comprised 59.6% and 60.3% of total employees' compensation and benefits expenses during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and 55.6% and 55.7% of total employees' compensation and benefits expenses during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Variable compensation, which is primarily driven by loan origination volume, tends to fluctuate to a greater degree than loan origination volume because mortgage loan originator and fulfillment staff incentive compensation plans are structured to pay at increasing rates as higher monthly volume tiers are achieved. However, certain other incentive compensation plans driven by non-mortgage production criteria may alter this trend. A decrease in the average incentive rate paid and the impact of incentive plans driven by non-mortgage production criteria were both responsible for variable compensation decreasing while origination volume increased during both the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same periods in 2017.

While total loan origination volume increased 1.2% and 2.7% for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2017, the mortgage origination segment's operating costs decreased 8.5% and 5.7%, respectively. The decrease in segment operating costs during the three months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017, was primarily due to a decrease in indemnification liability reserve expense, in addition to decreases in legal, administrative, loan delivery, and business development costs, partially offset by an increase in

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professional fees associated with software development projects. The decrease in segment operating costs during the six months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017, was primarily due to a decrease in indemnification liability reserve expense, in addition to decreases in administrative, loan origination, loan delivery, and health insurance costs, partially offset by an increase in professional fees associated with software development projects. Historically, segment operating costs tend to fluctuate with, but at a lesser magnitude than, loan origination volume, as these costs are comprised of salaries, benefits, occupancy and administrative costs, which are not normally highly sensitive to changes in loan origination volume.

In exchange for a higher interest rate, customers may opt to have PrimeLending pay certain costs associated with the origination of their mortgage loans ("lender paid closing costs"). Fluctuations in lender paid closing costs are not always aligned with fluctuations in loan origination volume. Other loan pricing conditions, including the mortgage loan interest rate, loan origination fees paid by the customer, and a customer's willingness to pay closing costs, may influence fluctuations in lender paid closing costs.

Between January 1, 2009 and June 30, 2018, the mortgage origination segment sold mortgage loans totaling \$106.0 billion. These loans were sold under sales contracts that generally include provisions that hold the mortgage origination segment responsible for errors or omissions relating to its representations and warranties that loans sold meet certain requirements, including representations as to underwriting standards and the validity of certain borrower representations in connection with the loan. In addition, the sales contracts typically require the refund of purchased servicing rights plus certain investor servicing costs if a loan experiences an early payment default. While the mortgage origination segment sold loans prior to 2009, it does not anticipate experiencing significant losses in the future on loans originated prior to 2009 as a result of investor claims under these provisions of its sales contracts.

When a claim for indemnification of a loan sold is made by an agency, investor, or other party, the mortgage origination segment evaluates the claim and determines if the claim can be satisfied through additional documentation or other deliverables. If the claim is valid and cannot be satisfied in that manner, the mortgage origination segment negotiates with the claimant to reach a settlement of the claim. Settlements typically result in either the repurchase of a loan or reimbursement to the claimant for losses incurred on the loan.

Following is a summary of the mortgage origination segment's claims resolution activity relating to loans sold between January 1, 2009 and June 30, 2018 (dollars in thousands).

	Original Loan Balance		Loss Recognized	
	_	% of		% of
		Loans		Loans
	Amount	Sold	Amount	Sold
Claims resolved with no payment	\$ 207,536	0.20%	\$ —	0.00%

Claims resolved because of a loan repurchase or payment to an investor for losses incurred (1)

208,269	0.20%	11,448	0.01%
\$ 415,805	0.40%	\$ 11,448	0.01%

(1) Losses incurred include refunded purchased servicing rights.

The mortgage origination segment has established a specific claims indemnification liability reserve for each loan it concludes its obligation to a claimant is both probable and reasonably estimable. An additional indemnification liability reserve has been established for probable agency, investor or other party losses that may have been incurred, but not yet reported to the mortgage origination segment based upon a reasonable estimate of such losses.

At June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the mortgage origination segment's indemnification liability reserve totaled \$23.9 million and \$23.5 million, respectively. The related provision for indemnification losses was \$1.0 million and \$1.1 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$1.7 million and \$2.0 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

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**Insurance Segment** 

Income (losses) before income taxes in our insurance segment were (\$2.4) million and (\$10.4) million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$2.4 million and (\$8.6) million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The improvements in income (losses) before income taxes during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, were driven primarily by decreases in loss and LAE due to fewer weather-related events, partially offset by a decline in net insurance premiums earned.

The insurance segment is subject to claims arising out of severe weather, the incidence and severity of which are inherently unpredictable. Generally, the insurance segment's insured risks exhibit higher losses in the second and third calendar quarters due to a seasonal concentration of weather-related events in its primary geographic markets. Although weather-related losses (including hail, high winds, tornadoes and hurricanes) can occur in any calendar quarter, the second calendar quarter, historically, has experienced the highest frequency of losses associated with these events. Hurricanes, however, are more likely to occur in the third calendar quarter of the year.

The insurance segment periodically reviews the pricing of its primary products in each state of operation utilizing a consulting actuarial firm to supplement normal review processes resulting in filings to adjust rates as deemed necessary. The benefit of these rate actions are not fully realized until all policies under the old rates expire, which typically occurs one year from the date of rate change implementation. Concurrently, business concentrations are reviewed and actions initiated, including cancellation of agents, non-renewal of policies and cessation of new business writing on certain products in problematic geographic areas. The insurance segment has historically utilized rate actions to reduce the rate of premium growth for targeted areas when compared with the patterns exhibited in prior quarters and years and reduced the insurance segment's exposure to volatile weather in these areas, but competition and customer response to rate increases has negatively impacted customer retention and new business. The insurance segment aims to manage and diversify its business concentrations and products to minimize the effects of future weather-related events.

We believe that current initiatives to evaluate product offerings and pricing, streamline business activities and expenses and mitigate the impact of future significant weather-related events are critical to improving the insurance segment's long-term financial condition and operating results. In the event future operating performance is below our forecasted projections, there are negative changes to long-term growth rates or discount rates increase, the fair value of the insurance reporting unit may decline and we may be required to record a goodwill impairment charge.

The insurance segment's operations resulted in combined ratios of 111.1% and 131.8% during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and 98.1% and 115.1% during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017. The decrease in the combined ratios during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, compared with the same periods in 2017, were primarily driven by decreases in the loss and LAE ratios due to fewer weather-related events. The combined ratio is a measure of overall insurance underwriting profitability, and represents the sum of loss and LAE and underwriting expenses divided by net insurance premiums earned.

Noninterest income of \$36.5 million and \$38.4 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, included net insurance premiums earned of \$34.1 million and \$36.0 million, respectively. Noninterest income of \$71.6 million and \$76.7 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, included net insurance premiums earned of \$68.4 million and \$72.2 million, respectively. The year-over-year decrease in net insurance premiums earned was due to the effect of decreases in net premiums written.

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Direct insurance premiums written by major product line are presented in the table below (in thousands).

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Variance 30, 2018 vs			Variance 2018 vs
	2018	2017	2017	2018	2017	2017
Direct Insurance Premiums						
Written:						
Homeowners	\$ 14,248	\$ 15,259	\$ (1,011)	\$ 26,721	\$ 29,158	\$ (2,437)
Fire	10,967	11,686	(719)	21,171	22,636	(1,465)
Mobile Home	9,848	10,018	(170)	19,579	20,164	(585)
Commercial	691	781	(90)	1,344	1,553	(209)
Other	47	48	(1)	71	77	(6)
	\$ 35,801	\$ 37,792	\$ (1,991)	\$ 68,886	\$ 73,588	\$ (4,702)

The total direct insurance premiums written for our three largest insurance product lines decreased by \$1.9 million and \$4.5 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2017.

Net insurance premiums earned by major product line are presented in the table below (in thousands).

	Three Mont	Three Months Ended		Six Months		
	June 30,	June 30,		Variance 30, 2018 vs		
	2018	2017	2017	2018	2017	2017
Net Insurance Premiums						
Earned:						
Homeowners	\$ 13,605	\$ 14,559	\$ (954)	\$ 26,540	\$ 28,592	\$ (2,052)
Fire	10,444	11,142	(698)	21,028	22,197	(1,169)
Mobile Home	9,353	9,529	(176)	19,446	19,773	(327)
Commercial	657	743	(86)	1,335	1,522	(187)
Other	46	47	(1)	71	76	(5)
	\$ 34,105	\$ 36,020	\$ (1,915)	\$ 68,420	\$ 72,160	\$ (3,740)

Net insurance premiums earned during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 decreased compared to the same periods in 2017, primarily due to the decrease in net premiums written noted above.

Noninterest expenses of \$39.7 million and \$49.4 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$70.7 million and \$86.4 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, include both loss and LAE expenses and policy acquisition and other underwriting expenses, as well as other noninterest expenses. Loss and LAE are recognized based on formula and case basis estimates for losses reported with respect to direct business, estimates of unreported losses based on past experience and deduction of amounts for reinsurance placed with reinsurers. Loss and LAE during the three months ended June 30, 2018 was \$24.4 million, compared with \$33.2 million during the same period in 2017, resulting in loss and LAE ratios of 71.6% and 92.1%, respectively. Loss and LAE during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$39.9 million, compared with \$54.9 million during the same period in 2017, resulting in loss and LAE ratios of 58.4% and 76.1%, respectively. The decrease in the loss and LAE ratio during the three months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017, was primarily driven by a 26.4% decrease in loss and LAE expense, compared to premiums earned decreasing by 5.3%. The decrease in the loss and LAE ratio during the six months ended June 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017, was primarily driven by a 27.2% decrease in loss and LAE expense, compared to premiums earned decreasing by 5.2%.

Policy acquisition and other underwriting expenses encompass all expenses incurred relative to NLC operations, and include elements of multiple categories of expense otherwise reported as noninterest expense in the consolidated statements of operations.

The following table details the calculation of the underwriting expense ratio for the periods presented (dollars in thousands).

	Three Month	s Ended		Six Months E	nded June	
	June 30,		Variance 2018 vs	30,		Variance 2018 vs
	2018	2017	2017	2018	2017	2017
Amortization of						
deferred policy						
acquisition costs	\$ 9,478	\$ 9,531	\$ (53)	\$ 18,568	\$ 18,627	\$ (59)
Other underwriting						
expenses	5,046	5,792	(746)	10,577	11,468	(891)
Total	14,524	15,323	(799)	29,145	30,095	(950)
Agency expenses	(1,061)	(1,039)	(22)	(1,982)	(1,925)	(57)
Total less agency						
expenses	\$ 13,463	\$ 14,284	\$ (821)	\$ 27,163	\$ 28,170	\$ (1,007)
Net insurance						
premiums earned	\$ 34,105	\$ 36,020	\$ (1,915)	\$ 68,420	\$ 72,160	\$ (3,740)
Expense ratio	39.5 %	39.7 %	(0.2) %	39.7 %	39.0 %	0.7 %

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Corporate

Corporate includes certain activities not allocated to specific business segments. These activities include holding company financing and investing activities, merchant banking investment opportunities and management and administrative services to support the overall operations of the Company including, but not limited to, certain executive management, corporate relations, legal, finance, and acquisition costs. Hilltop's merchant banking investment activities include the identification of attractive opportunities for capital deployment in companies engaged in non-financial activities through its merchant bank subsidiary, Hilltop Opportunity Partners LLC, formerly known as PlainsCapital Equity, LLC.

As a holding company, Hilltop's primary investment objectives are to support capital deployment for organic growth and to preserve capital to be deployed through acquisitions. Investment and interest income earned was \$0.4 million and \$0.1 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$0.7 million and \$0.2 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Noninterest income was \$1.4 million and \$12.6 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$0.7 million and \$12.6 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Noninterest income during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 included net noninterest income associated with activity within our merchant bank subsidiary. Noninterest income during both the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 was primarily comprised of the previously mentioned pre-tax net increase to other noninterest income of \$11.6 million related to the resolution of the appraisal proceedings from the SWS Merger.

Interest expense was \$2.8 million and \$2.4 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$5.3 million and \$5.0 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017. Interest expense during each period was primarily associated with recurring quarterly interest expense of \$1.9 million incurred on our \$150.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5% senior notes due 2025 ("Senior Notes") and quarterly interest expense of approximately \$0.9 million on junior subordinated debentures of \$67.0 million issued by PCC (the "Debentures").

Noninterest expenses of \$5.3 million and \$6.3 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$14.7 million and \$15.7 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, were primarily comprised of employees' compensation and benefits and professional fees, including corporate governance, legal and transaction costs.

**Financial Condition** 

The following discussion contains a more detailed analysis of our financial condition at June 30, 2018 as compared with December 31, 2017.

Securities Portfolio

At June 30, 2018, investment securities consisted of securities of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. government and its agencies, obligations of municipalities and other political subdivisions, primarily in the State of Texas, mortgage-backed, corporate debt, and equity securities. We may categorize investments as trading, available for sale, held to maturity and equity securities.

Trading securities are bought and held principally for the purpose of selling them in the near term and are carried at fair value, marked to market through operations and held at the Bank and the Hilltop Broker-Dealers. Securities that may be sold in response to changes in market interest rates, changes in securities' prepayment risk, increases in loan demand, general liquidity needs and other similar factors are classified as available for sale and are carried at estimated fair value, with unrealized gains and losses recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). With the adoption of Accounting Standards Update 2016-01 in January 2018, we reclassified all equity investments out of available for sale securities, with all subsequent changes in fair value recognized in net income. Securities are classified as held to maturity based on the intent and ability of our management, at the time of purchase, to hold such securities to maturity. These securities are carried at amortized cost.

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The table below summarizes our securities portfolio (in thousands).

	June 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Trading securities, at fair value		
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ 1,033	\$ —
U.S. government agencies:		
Bonds	57,996	52,078
Residential mortgage-backed securities	338,892	372,817
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	8,664	6,125
Collateralized mortgage obligations	1	5,122
Corporate debt securities	80,361	96,182
States and political subdivisions	112,646	170,413
Unit investment trusts	27,480	22,612
Private-label securitized product	3,684	1,631
Other	3,440	3,705
	634,197	730,685
Securities available for sale, at fair value	,	•
U.S. Treasury securities	34,548	24,669
U.S. government agencies:	•	,
Bonds	69,939	96,640
Residential mortgage-backed securities	302,788	243,505
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	11,578	12,023
Collateralized mortgage obligations	277,042	233,812
Corporate debt securities	56,988	68,662
States and political subdivisions	58,335	65,008
r	811,218	744,319
Securities held to maturity, at amortized cost	- , -	, ,- ,-
U.S. government agencies:	20.016	20.015
Bonds	39,016	39,015
Residential mortgage-backed securities	24,051	16,130
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	79,776	71,373
Collateralized mortgage obligations	157,000	173,928
States and political subdivisions	53,349	55,403
	353,192	355,849
Equity securities, at fair value	21,218	21,241
Total securities portfolio	\$ 1,819,825	\$ 1,852,094

We had net unrealized losses of \$15.3 million and \$3.9 million at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively, related to the available for sale investment portfolio, net unrealized losses associated with the securities held to maturity portfolio of \$13.5 million and \$5.9 million at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively, and net unrealized gains of \$1.0 million and \$1.6 million at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively, related to equity securities.

## **Banking Segment**

The banking segment's securities portfolio plays a role in the management of our interest rate sensitivity and generates additional interest income. In addition, the securities portfolio is used to meet collateral requirements for public and trust deposits, securities sold under agreements to repurchase and other purposes. The available for sale securities portfolio serves as a source of liquidity. Historically, the Bank's policy has been to invest primarily in securities of the U.S. government and its agencies, obligations of municipalities in the State of Texas and other high grade fixed income securities to minimize credit risk. At June 30, 2018, the banking segment's securities portfolio of \$1.1 billion was comprised of trading securities of \$6.2 million, available for sale securities of \$698.8 million, equity securities of \$0.2 million and held to maturity securities of \$353.2 million, in addition to \$13.9 million of other investments included in other assets within the consolidated balance sheets.

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**Broker-Dealer Segment** 

The broker-dealer segment holds securities to support sales, underwriting and other customer activities. The interest rate risk inherent in holding these securities is managed by setting and monitoring limits on the size and duration of positions and on the length of time the securities can be held. The Hilltop Broker-Dealers are required to carry their securities at fair value and record changes in the fair value of the portfolio in operations. Accordingly, the securities portfolio of the Hilltop Broker-Dealers included trading securities of \$628.0 million at June 30, 2018. In addition, the Hilltop Broker-Dealers enter into transactions that represent commitments to purchase and deliver securities at prevailing future market prices to facilitate customer transactions and satisfy such commitments. Accordingly, the Hilltop Broker-Dealers' ultimate obligations may exceed the amount recognized in the financial statements. These securities, which are carried at fair value and reported as securities sold, not yet purchased in the consolidated balance sheets, had a value of \$251.6 million at June 30, 2018. The Hilltop Broker-Dealers continue to evaluate market opportunities and from time to time will hold residential mortgage-backed securities in firm inventory which are sold to institutional clients and other counterparties.

## Insurance Segment

The insurance segment's primary investment objective is to preserve capital and manage for a total rate of return. NLC's strategy is to purchase securities in sectors that represent the most attractive relative value. The insurance segment invests the premiums it receives from policyholders until they are needed to pay policyholder claims or other expenses. At June 30, 2018, the insurance segment's securities portfolio was comprised of \$112.4 million in available for sale securities, \$21.0 million of equity securities and \$5.0 million of other investments included in other assets within the consolidated balance sheets.

#### Non-Covered Loan Portfolio

Consolidated non-covered loans held for investment are detailed in the tables below, classified by portfolio segment and segregated between those considered to be PCI loans and all other originated or acquired loans (in thousands). PCI loans showed evidence of credit deterioration on the date of acquisition that made it probable that all contractually required principal and interest payments would not be collected.

	Loans, excluding	PCI	Total
June 30, 2018	PCI Loans	Loans	Loans
Commercial and industrial	\$ 1,650,376	\$ 5,055	\$ 1,655,431
Real estate	3,121,805	20,691	3,142,496
Construction and land development	947.390	919	948,309

Consumer	38,262	_	38,262
Broker-dealer	600,162		600,162
Non-covered loans, gross	6,357,995	26,665	6,384,660
Allowance for loan losses	(58,493)	(1,503)	(59,996)
Non-covered loans, net of allowance	\$ 6,299,502	\$ 25,162	\$ 6,324,664

	Loans, excluding	PCI	Total
December 31, 2017	PCI Loans	Loans	Loans
Commercial and industrial	\$ 1,675,106	\$ 6,099	\$ 1,681,205
Real estate	2,981,984	29,540	3,011,524
Construction and land development	961,167	1,438	962,605
Consumer	40,319	127	40,446
Broker-dealer	577,889		577,889
Non-covered loans, gross	6,236,465	37,204	6,273,669
Allowance for loan losses	(58,919)	(2,038)	(60,957)
Non-covered loans, net of allowance	\$ 6,177,546	\$ 35,166	\$ 6,212,712

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**Banking Segment** 

The loan portfolio constitutes the major earning asset of the banking segment and typically offers the best alternative for obtaining the maximum interest spread above the banking segment's cost of funds. The overall economic strength of the banking segment generally parallels the quality and yield of its loan portfolio. The banking segment's loan portfolio consists of the non-covered loan portfolio and the covered loan portfolio. The covered loan portfolio consists of loans acquired in the FNB Transaction that are subject to loss-share agreements with the FDIC and is discussed below. The non-covered loan portfolio includes all other loans held by the Bank and is discussed herein.

The banking segment's total non-covered loans, net of the allowance for non-covered loan losses, were \$7.5 billion and \$7.2 billion at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. The banking segment's non-covered loan portfolio includes warehouse lines of credit extended to PrimeLending of \$2.3 billion, of which \$1.7 billion and \$1.5 billion was drawn at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. Amounts advanced against the warehouse line of credit are eliminated from net loans on our consolidated balance sheets. The banking segment does not generally participate in syndicated loan transactions and has no foreign loans in its portfolio.

At June 30, 2018, the banking segment had non-covered loan concentrations (loans to borrowers engaged in similar activities) that exceeded 10% of total non-covered loans in its real estate portfolio. The areas of concentration within our non-covered real estate portfolio were non-construction commercial real estate loans, non-construction residential real estate loans, and construction and land development loans, which represented 40.0%, 14.3% and 16.4%, respectively, of the banking segment's total non-covered loans at June 30, 2018. The banking segment's non-covered loan concentrations were within regulatory guidelines at June 30, 2018.

**Broker-Dealer Segment** 

The loan portfolio of the broker-dealer segment consists primarily of margin loans to customers and correspondents. These loans are collateralized by the securities purchased or by other securities owned by the clients and, because of collateral coverage ratios, are believed to present minimal collectability exposure. Additionally, these loans are subject to a number of regulatory requirements as well as the Hilltop Broker-Dealers' internal policies. The broker-dealer segment's total non-covered loans, net of the allowance for non-covered loan losses, were \$599.7 million and \$577.5 million at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. This increase from December 31, 2017 to June 30, 2018 was primarily attributable to increases of \$5.8 million in borrowings in margin accounts and \$17.5 million in receivables from correspondents.

Mortgage Origination Segment

The loan portfolio of the mortgage origination segment consists of loans held for sale, primarily single-family residential mortgages funded through PrimeLending, and IRLCs with customers pursuant to which we agree to originate a mortgage loan on a future date at an agreed-upon interest rate. The components of the mortgage origination segment's loans held for sale and IRLCs are as follows (in thousands).

	June 30, 2018	December 31, 2017	
Loans held for sale:			
Unpaid principal balance	\$ 1,753,620	\$ 1,528,834	
Fair value adjustment	60,494	52,770	
	\$ 1,814,114	\$ 1,581,604	
IRLCs:			
Unpaid principal balance	\$ 1,390,728	\$ 850,850	
Fair value adjustment	31,475	18,851	
	\$ 1,422,203	\$ 869,701	

The mortgage origination segment uses forward commitments to mitigate interest rate risk associated with its loans held for sale and IRLCs. The notional amounts of these forward commitments at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 were \$2.6 billion and \$2.0 billion, respectively, while the related estimated fair values were (\$6.0) million and (\$0.2) million, respectively.

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Covered Loan Portfolio

**Banking Segment** 

Loans acquired in the FNB Transaction that are subject to loss-share agreements with the FDIC are referred to as "covered loans" and reported separately in our consolidated balance sheets. Under the terms of the loss-share agreements, the FDIC has agreed to reimburse the Bank the following amounts with respect to the covered assets (including covered loans): (i) 80% of net losses on the first \$240.4 million of net losses incurred; (ii) 0% of net losses in excess of \$240.4 million up to and including \$365.7 million of net losses incurred; and (iii) 80% of net losses in excess of \$365.7 million of net losses incurred. Net losses are defined as book value losses plus certain defined expenses incurred in the resolution of assets, less subsequent recoveries. Under the loss-share agreement for commercial assets, the amount of subsequent recoveries that are reimbursable to the FDIC for a particular asset is limited to book value losses and expenses actually billed plus any book value charge-offs incurred prior to September 13, 2013 (the "Bank Closing Date"). There is no limit on the amount of subsequent recoveries reimbursable to the FDIC under the loss-share agreement for single family residential assets. The loss-share agreements for commercial and single family residential assets are in effect for five years and ten years, respectively, and the loss recovery provisions to the FDIC are in effect for eight years and ten years, respectively, from the Bank Closing Date. As part of the loss-share agreements, the Bank is subject to annual FDIC compliance audits. In accordance with the loss-share agreements, the Bank may be required to make a "true-up" payment to the FDIC approximately ten years following the Bank Closing Date if our actual net realized losses over the life of the loss-share agreements are less than the FDIC's initial estimate of losses on covered assets. The "true-up" payment is calculated using a defined formula set forth in the Purchase and Assumption Agreement by and among the FDIC (as receiver of FNB), the Bank and the FDIC (the "P&A Agreement"). As of June 30, 2018, the Bank projects that the sum of actual plus projected covered losses and reimbursable expenses subject to the loss-share agreements will be less than \$240.4 million. As a result, the Bank has recorded, and expects that it will continue to record, amortization associated with its FDIC Indemnification Asset. As of June 30, 2018, the Bank had billed \$184.7 million of covered net losses to the FDIC, of which 80%, or \$147.8 million, were reimbursable under the loss-share agreements. As of June 30, 2018, the Bank had received aggregate reimbursements of \$145.8 million from the FDIC, which represented reimbursable covered losses and expenses through September 30, 2017. While the ultimate amount of any "true-up" payment is unknown at this time and will vary based upon the amount of future losses or recoveries within our covered loan portfolio, the Bank has recorded a related "true-up" payment accrual of \$16.6 million at June 30, 2018 based on the current estimate of aggregate realized losses on covered assets over the life of the loss-share agreements. Additionally, as estimates of realized losses on covered assets change, the value of the FDIC Indemnification Asset will be adjusted and therefore may not be realized. As noted above, if the Bank continues to experience favorable resolutions within its covered assets portfolio and covered losses, the Bank will be required to increase its "true-up" payment accrual and recognize amortization on the FDIC Indemnification Asset.

In connection with the FNB Transaction, the Bank acquired loans both with and without evidence of credit quality deterioration since origination. Based on purchase date valuations, the banking segment's portfolio of acquired covered loans had a fair value of \$1.1 billion as of the Bank Closing Date, with no carryover of any allowance for loan losses. Unless the banking segment acquires additional loans subject to loss-share agreements with the FDIC, the covered portfolio will continue to decrease as covered loans are liquidated.

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Covered loans held for investment are detailed in the tables below and classified by portfolio segment (in thousands).

June 30, 2018 Commercial and industrial Real estate Construction and land development Covered loans, gross Allowance for loan losses Covered loans, net of allowance	Loans, 6 PCI Loa \$ 791 83,3 1,36 85,4 (23) \$ 85,4	\$ 147 75,3 60 — .97 75,4 (1,9)	1,360 160,970 51) (1,974)
December 31, 2017 Commercial and industrial Real estate Construction and land development Covered loans, gross Allowance for loan losses Covered loans, net of allowance	Loans, 6 PCI Loa \$ 861 92,4 1,71 95,0 (32) \$ 94,9	\$ 194 44 86,9 1 4 016 87,1 (2,6)	1,715 13 182,129 97) (2,729)

At June 30, 2018, the banking segment had covered loan concentrations (loans to borrowers engaged in similar activities) that exceeded 10% of total covered loans in its real estate portfolio. The areas of concentration within our covered real estate portfolio were non-construction residential real estate loans and non-construction commercial real estate loans, which represented 81.6% and 17.0%, respectively, of the banking segment's total covered loans at June 30, 2018. The banking segment's covered loan concentrations were within regulatory guidelines at June 30, 2018.

## Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is a reserve established through a provision for loan losses charged to expense, which represents management's best estimate of probable losses inherent in our existing non-covered and covered loan portfolios. Management has responsibility for determining the level of the allowance for loan losses, subject to review by the Loan Review Committee of the Bank's board of directors.

It is management's responsibility to, at the end of each quarter, or more frequently as deemed necessary, analyze the level of the allowance for loan losses to ensure that it is appropriate for the estimated credit losses in the portfolio. Estimated credit losses are the probable current amount of loans that we will be unable to collect given facts and circumstances as of the evaluation date. When management determines that a loan, or portion thereof, is uncollectible,

the loan, or portion thereof, is charged-off against the allowance for loan losses, or for acquired loans accounted for in pools, charged against the pool discount. Recoveries on charge-offs of loans acquired in the Bank Transactions that occurred prior to their acquisition represent contractual cash flows not expected to be collected and are recorded as accretion income. Recoveries on acquired loans charged-off subsequent to their acquisition are credited to the allowance for loan loss, except for recoveries on loans accounted for in pools, which are credited to the pool discount.

In connection with the Bank Transactions, we acquired loans both with and without evidence of credit quality deterioration since origination. PCI loans acquired in the PlainsCapital Merger are accounted for on an individual loan basis, while PCI loans acquired in each of the FNB Transaction and the SWS Merger are accounted for in pools as well as on an individual loan basis. We have established under our PCI accounting policy a framework to aggregate certain acquired loans into various loan pools based on a minimum of two layers of common risk characteristics for the purpose of determining their respective fair values as of their acquisition dates, and for applying the subsequent recognition and measurement provisions for income accretion and impairment testing. The common risk characteristics used for the pooling of the FNB and SWS PCI loans are risk grade and loan collateral type. The loans acquired in the Bank Transactions were initially recorded at fair value with no carryover of any allowance for loan losses.

Provisions for loan losses are charged to operations to record the total allowance for loan losses at a level deemed appropriate by the banking segment's management based on such factors as the volume and type of lending it conducted, the amount of non-performing loans and related collateral security, the present level of the allowance for loan losses, the results of recent regulatory examinations, generally accepted accounting principles, general economic conditions and other factors related to the ability to collect loans in its portfolio. The provision (recovery) for loan losses, primarily

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attributable to the banking segment, was \$0.3 million and \$5.9 million during the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and (\$1.5) million and \$7.6 million during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

The banking segment has reflected \$2.0 million associated with estimated hurricane loss exposures within the qualitative factors used to determine its allowance for loan losses during the three and six months ended June 30, 2018. The allowance for loan losses is subject to regulatory examination, which may take into account such factors as the methodology used to calculate the allowance and the size of the allowance. While we believe we have an appropriate allowance for our existing non-covered and covered portfolios at June 30, 2018, additional provisions for losses on existing loans may be necessary in the future.

The following tables present the activity in our allowance for loan losses within our non-covered and covered loan portfolios for the periods presented (in thousands). Substantially all of the activity shown below occurred within the banking segment.

	Three Mont	hs Ended		
	June 30,		Six Months	Ended June 30,
Non-Covered Portfolio	2018	2017	2018	2017
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 60,371	\$ 55,157	\$ 60,957	\$ 54,186
Provision (recovery) for loan losses	1,135	4,893	(763)	6,102
Recoveries of non-covered loans previously charged				
off:				
Commercial and industrial	666	620	3,140	1,060
Real estate	75	61	103	97
Construction and land development		_		
Consumer	36	22	48	40
Broker-dealer	_	_	_	
Total recoveries	777	703	3,291	1,197
Non-covered loans charged off:				
Commercial and industrial	2,233	1,200	3,416	1,805
Real estate	24	218	30	300
Construction and land development				11
Consumer	30	127	43	161
Broker-dealer	_	_	_	
Total charge-offs	2,287	1,545	3,489	2,277
Net charge-offs	(1,510)	(842)	(198)	(1,080)
Balance, end of period	\$ 59,996	\$ 59,208	\$ 59,996	\$ 59,208
Non-covered allowance for loan losses as a percentage				
of gross non-covered loans			0.94 %	0.97 %

	Three Months Ended				
	June 30,		Six Month	s Ended June 30,	
Covered Portfolio	2018	2017	2018	2017	
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 2,823	\$ 753	\$ 2,729	\$ 413	
Provision (recovery) for loan losses	(795)	960	(704)	1,456	
Recoveries of covered loans previously charged off:					
Commercial and industrial		3		6	
Real estate		1		5	
Construction and land development	3	4	6	6	
Total recoveries	3	8	6	17	
Covered loans charged off:					
Commercial and industrial		_	_	6	
Real estate	57	362	57	521	
Construction and land development		_	_	_	
Total charge-offs	57	362	57	527	
Net charge-offs	(54)	(354)	(51)	(510)	
Balance, end of period	\$ 1,974	\$ 1,359	\$ 1,974	\$ 1,359	
Covered allowance for loan losses as a percentage of gross					
covered loans			1.23 %	0.66 %	

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The distribution of the allowance for loan losses among loan types and the percentage of the loans for that type to gross loans, excluding unearned income, within our non-covered and covered loan portfolios are presented in the tables below (dollars in thousands).

	June 30, 2018			D	ecember 3	1, 2017	
		% of				% of	
		Gross				Gross	
		Non-				Non-	
		Covered				Covered	l
Non-Covered Portfolio	Reserve	Loans		R	eserve	Loans	
Commercial and industrial	\$ 23,517	25.93	%	\$	23,674	26.80	%
Real estate (including construction and land development)	35,855	64.07	%		36,619	63.35	%
Consumer	207	0.60	%		311	0.64	%
Broker-dealer	417	9.40	%		353	9.21	%
Total	\$ 59,996	100.00	%	\$	60,957	100.00	%

	June 30, 201	.8	December 3	1, 2017	
		% of		% of	
		Gross		Gross	
		Covered		Covered	
Covered Portfolio	Reserve	loans	Reserve	Loans	
Commercial and industrial	\$ 19	0.58	6 \$ 24	0.58 %	
Real estate (including construction and land development)	1,955	99.42	6 2,705	99.42 %	
Total	\$ 1,974	100.00 %	6 \$ 2,729	100.00 %	

## Potential Problem Loans

Potential problem loans consist of loans that are performing in accordance with contractual terms but for which management has concerns about the ability of an obligor to continue to comply with repayment terms because of the obligor's potential operating or financial difficulties. Management monitors these loans and reviews their performance on a regular basis. Potential problem loans contain potential weaknesses that could improve, persist or further deteriorate. If such potential weaknesses persist without improving, the loan is subject to downgrade, typically to substandard, in three to six months. Potential problem loans are assigned a grade of special mention within our risk grading matrix. Potential problem loans do not include PCI loans because PCI loans exhibited evidence of credit deterioration at acquisition that made it probable that all contractually required principal payments would not be collected. Within our non-covered loan portfolio, we had four credit relationships totaling \$11.3 million of potential problem loans at June 30, 2018, compared with five credit relationships totaling \$27.3 million of non-covered potential problem loans at December 31, 2017. Within our covered loan portfolio, we had one credit relationship totaling \$0.3 million of potential problem loans at both June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

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Non-Performing Assets

The following table presents components of our non-covered non-performing assets (dollars in thousands).

	ne 30,		31	ecember ,	
Non-covered loans accounted for on a non-accrual basis:  Commercial and industrial  Real estate  Construction and land development  Consumer  Broker-dealer	\$ 22,815 18,529 569 49		\$	20,878 18,978 611 56	
	\$ 41,962		\$	40,523	
Non-covered non-performing loans as a percentage of total non-covered loans	0.50	%		0.51	%
Non-covered other real estate owned	\$ 2,929		\$	3,883	
Other repossessed assets	\$ 168		\$	323	
Non-covered non-performing assets	\$ 45,059		\$	44,729	
Non-covered non-performing assets as a percentage of total assets	0.33	%		0.33	%
Non-covered loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing	\$ 74,060		\$	85,113	
Troubled debt restructurings included in accruing non-covered loans	\$ 1,111		\$	1,150	

At June 30, 2018, total non-covered non-performing assets increased \$0.3 million to \$45.1 million, compared with \$44.7 million at December 31, 2017. Non-covered non-performing loans totaled \$42.0 million at June 30, 2018 and \$40.5 million at December 31, 2017. At June 30, 2018, non-covered non-accrual loans included 17 commercial and industrial relationships with loans of \$22.8 million secured by accounts receivable, life insurance, oil and gas, livestock and equipment. Non-covered non-accrual loans at June 30, 2018 also included \$18.5 million characterized as real estate loans, including six commercial real estate loan relationships of \$14.2 million and \$4.3 million in loans secured by residential real estate, \$3.1 million of which were classified as loans held for sale, as well as construction and land development loans of \$0.6 million. At December 31, 2017, non-covered non-accrual loans included 19 commercial and industrial relationships with loans of \$20.9 million secured by accounts receivable, life insurance, oil and gas, livestock, and equipment. Non-covered non-accrual loans at December 31, 2017 also included \$19.0 million characterized as real estate loans, including eight commercial real estate loan relationships totaling \$14.6 million and \$4.4 million in loans secured by residential real estate, \$2.7 million of which were classified as loans held for sale, as well as construction and land development loans of \$0.6 million.

Non-covered OREO decreased \$1.0 million to \$2.9 million at June 30, 2018, from \$3.9 million at December 31, 2017 due to \$1.4 million of disposals related to three properties, offset by the addition of a \$0.4 million property. At June 30, 2018, non-covered OREO included commercial properties of \$2.7 million and other real estate properties of \$0.2 million, while at December 31, 2017, non-covered OREO included commercial properties of \$3.6 million and other real estate properties of \$0.3 million.

Non-covered non-PCI loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing were \$74.1 million and \$85.1 million at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively, substantially all of which were loans held for sale and guaranteed by U.S. Government agencies, including loans that are subject to repurchase, or have been repurchased, by PrimeLending.

At June 30, 2018, troubled debt restructurings ("TDRs") on non-covered loans totaled \$9.7 million. These TDRs were comprised of \$1.1 million of non-covered loans that are considered to be performing and non-covered non-performing loans of \$8.6 million reported in non-accrual loans. At December 31, 2017, TDRs on non-covered loans totaled \$10.7 million, of which \$1.2 million related to non-covered loans that are considered to be performing and non-covered non-performing loans of \$9.5 million reported in non-accrual loans.

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The following table presents components of our covered non-performing assets (dollars in thousands).

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Covered loans accounted for on a non-accrual basis: Commercial and industrial Real estate Construction and land development			·	5,087 17 5,104	
Covered non-performing loans as a percentage of total covered loans	3.28	%		2.80	%
Covered other real estate owned: Real estate - residential Real estate - commercial Construction and land development - residential Construction and land development - commercial	3,975 6,391 2,972 21,557 34,895			-	
Other repossessed assets	\$ _		\$	_	
Covered non-performing assets	\$ 40,172		\$	41,848	
Covered non-performing assets as a percentage of total assets	0.29	%		0.31	%
Covered loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing	\$ _		\$	283	
Troubled debt restructurings included in accruing covered loans	\$ 278		\$	283	

At June 30, 2018, covered non-performing assets decreased by \$1.7 million to \$40.2 million, compared with \$41.8 million at December 31, 2017, due to a decrease in other real estate owned of \$1.8 million, partially offset by an increase in non-accrual loans of \$0.2 million. Covered non-performing loans totaled \$5.3 million at June 30, 2018 and \$5.1 million at December 31, 2017. At June 30, 2018, covered non-performing loans included 58 residential real estate loan relationships of \$5.3 million. At December 31, 2017, covered non-performing loans included 53 residential real estate loan relationships of \$5.1 million.

OREO acquired in the FNB Transaction that is subject to the FDIC loss-share agreements is referred to as "covered OREO" and reported separately in our consolidated balance sheets. Covered OREO decreased \$1.8 million to \$34.9 million at June 30, 2018, compared with \$36.7 million at December 31, 2017. The decrease was primarily due to the disposal of 50 properties totaling \$5.0 million and fair value valuation decreases of \$1.7 million, partially offset by the addition of 33 properties totaling \$4.9 million.

There were no covered non-PCI loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing at June 30, 2018. At December 31, 2017, covered non-PCI loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing totaled \$0.3 million and included four residential real estate loans.

At June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, TDRs on covered loans totaled \$1.0 million and \$1.2 million, respectively. Of these TDRs, \$0.3 million related to covered loans that were considered to be performing at both June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, and \$0.7 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, related to covered non-performing loans included in non-accrual loans.

Current Expected Credit Loss (CECL) Standard

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13 which sets forth a "current expected credit loss" (CECL) model which requires entities to measure all credit losses expected over the life of an exposure (or pool of exposures) for financial instruments held at the reporting date based on historical experience, current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts. The standard, which will become effective on January 1, 2020, applies to most debt instruments, trade receivables, lease receivables, reinsurance receivables, financial guarantees and loan commitments. We expect the new standard to have a material impact on our allowance for loan losses as it will require financial institutions to determine

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periodic estimates of lifetime expected credit losses on loans (referred to as the current expected credit loss model) and provides for the expected credit losses as allowances for loan losses. This will change the current method of providing allowances for loan losses that are probable, which we expect to require an increase to our allowance for loan losses upon adoption, and will likely greatly increase the data we will need to collect and review to determine the appropriate level of the allowance for loan losses, which we expect will increase our expenses. Any increase in our allowance for loan losses, or expenses incurred to determine the appropriate level of the allowance for loan losses, may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Insurance Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses

At June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, our gross reserve for unpaid losses and LAE was \$28.2 million and \$30.2 million, respectively, including estimated recoveries from reinsurance of \$6.1 million and \$11.5 million, respectively. The liability for insurance losses and LAE represents estimates of the ultimate unpaid cost of all losses incurred, including losses for claims that have not yet been reported, less a reduction for reinsurance recoverables related to those liabilities. Separately for each of NLIC and ASIC and each line of business, our actuaries estimate the liability for unpaid losses and LAE by first estimating ultimate losses and LAE amounts for each year, prior to recognizing the impact of reinsurance. The amount of liabilities for reported claims is based primarily on a claim-by-claim evaluation of coverage, liability, injury severity or scope of property damage, and any other information considered relevant to estimating exposure presented by the claim.

NLC's liabilities for unpaid losses represent the best estimate at a given point in time of what it expects to pay claimants, based on facts, circumstances and historical trends then known. During the loss settlement period, additional facts regarding individual claims may become known and, consequently, it often becomes necessary to refine and adjust the estimates of liability. This process is commonly referred to as loss development. To project ultimate losses and LAE, our actuaries examine the paid and reported losses and LAE for each accident year and multiply these values by a loss development factor. The selected loss development factors are based upon a review of the loss development patterns indicated in the companies' historical loss triangles (which utilize historical trends, adjusted for changes in loss costs, underwriting standards, policy provisions, product mix and other factors) and applicable insurance industry loss development factors. Estimating the liability for unpaid losses and LAE is inherently judgmental and is influenced by factors that are subject to significant variation. Liabilities for LAE are intended to cover the ultimate cost of settling claims, including investigation and defense of lawsuits resulting from such claims.

The reserve analysis performed by our actuaries provides preliminary central estimates of the unpaid losses and LAE. At each quarter-end, the results of the reserve analysis are summarized and discussed with our senior management. The senior management group considers many factors in determining the amount of reserves to record for financial statement purposes. These factors include the extent and timing of any recent catastrophic events, historical pattern and volatility of the actuarial indications, the sensitivity of the actuarial indications to changes in paid and reported loss patterns, the consistency of claims handling processes, the consistency of case reserving practices, changes in our pricing and underwriting, and overall pricing and underwriting trends in the insurance market.

## **Deposits**

The banking segment's major source of funds and liquidity is its deposit base. Deposits provide funding for its investments in loans and securities. Interest paid for deposits must be managed carefully to control the level of interest expense and overall net interest margin. The composition of the deposit base (time deposits versus interest-bearing demand deposits and savings), as discussed in more detail within the section entitled "Liquidity and Capital Resources — Banking Segment" below, is constantly changing due to the banking segment's needs and market conditions. Average deposits totaled \$7.9 billion during the six months ended June 30, 2018, and were higher than the average deposits of \$7.3 billion during the six months ended June 30, 2017 and \$7.5 billion during the year ended December 31, 2017. For the periods presented in the table below, the average rates paid associated with time deposits include the effects of amortization of the deposit premiums booked as a part of the Bank Transactions.

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The table below presents the average balance of, and rate paid on, consolidated deposits (dollars in thousands).

	Six Months Er 2018	nded June 3	80,	2017		Year Ended December 31 2017			
	Average	Average		Average	Average	e	Average	Averag	e
	Balance	Rate Pai	d	Balance	Rate Pa	id	Balance	Rate Pa	iid
Noninterest-bearing									
demand deposits	\$ 2,456,189	0.00	%	\$ 2,254,268	0.00	%	\$ 2,309,776	0.00	%
Interest-bearing									
demand deposits	3,849,009	0.45	%	3,578,808	0.25	%	3,671,521	0.29	%
Savings deposits	216,385	0.13	%	250,009	0.11	%	234,420	0.10	%
Time deposits	1,364,848	1.30	%	1,210,250	0.94	%	1,314,418	1.05	%
-	\$ 7,886,431	0.45	%	\$ 7,293,335	0.28	%	\$ 7,530,135	0.33	%

### **Borrowings**

Our borrowings are shown in the table below (dollars in thousands).

	June 30, 2018				December 31, 2017					
			Average				Average	•		
	Ва	Balance Rate Paid			Ва	alance	Rate Paid			
Short-term borrowings	\$	1,610,735	1.90	%	\$	1,206,424	1.20	%		
Notes payable		227,736	4.85	%		208,809	3.65	%		
Junior subordinated debentures		67,012	5.24	%		67,012	4.50	%		
	\$	1,905,483	2.50	%	\$	1,482,245	1.84	%		

Short-term borrowings consisted of federal funds purchased, securities sold under agreements to repurchase, borrowings at the Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") and short-term bank loans. The \$404.3 million increase in short-term borrowings at June 30, 2018 compared with December 31, 2017 included an increase in borrowings of \$401.6 million in our banking segment primarily associated with the increased utilization of available internal funds, partially offset by a decrease of \$48.5 million in short-term bank loans and securities sold under agreements to repurchase used by the Hilltop Broker-Dealers to finance their activities. Notes payable at June 30, 2018 of \$227.7 million was comprised of \$148.5 million related to Senior Notes, net of loan origination fees, FHLB borrowings with an original maturity greater than one year within the banking segment of \$4.6 million, insurance segment line of credit and term notes of \$27.5 million, and mortgage origination segment borrowings of \$47.1 million.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

Hilltop is a financial holding company whose assets primarily consist of the stock of its subsidiaries and invested assets. Hilltop's primary investment objectives, as a holding company, are to support capital deployment for organic growth and to preserve capital to be deployed through acquisitions. At June 30, 2018, Hilltop had \$66.7 million in cash and cash equivalents, a decrease of \$30.1 million from \$96.8 million at December 31, 2017. This decrease in cash and cash equivalents was primarily due to \$13.5 million in cash dividends declared, \$38.8 million of purchases under our stock repurchase program and other general corporate expenses, partially offset by \$40.5 million of dividends from subsidiaries. Subject to regulatory restrictions, Hilltop has received, and may also continue to receive, dividends from its subsidiaries. If necessary or appropriate, we may also finance acquisitions with the proceeds from equity or debt issuances. We believe that Hilltop's liquidity is sufficient for the foreseeable future, with current short-term liquidity needs including operating expenses, interest on debt obligations, dividend payments to stockholders and potential stock repurchases.

#### **Dividend Declaration**

On July 26, 2018, our board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.07 per common share, payable on August 31, 2018 to all common stockholders of record as of the close of business on August 15, 2018.

Future dividends on our common stock are subject to the determination by the board of directors based on an evaluation of our earnings and financial condition, liquidity and capital resources, the general economic and regulatory climate, our ability to service any equity or debt obligations senior to our common stock and other factors.

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Pending Acquisition

On February 13, 2018, we entered into a definitive agreement to acquire privately-held, Houston-based BORO in an all-cash transaction. Under the terms of the definitive agreement, we have agreed to pay cash in the aggregate amount of \$85 million to the shareholders and option holders of BORO. As of December 31, 2017, BORO had total assets, gross loans and deposits of \$454.4 million, \$343.6 million and \$406.1 million, respectively. The acquisition was approved by BORO shareholders in May 2018 and was subsequently approved by regulators. The transaction, which we intend to fund through short-term borrowings made by the Bank, is expected to close on or about August 1, 2018. Once completed, BORO will be merged into the Bank, and all customer accounts are expected to be converted to the PlainsCapital Bank platform by December 31, 2018.

Senior Notes due 2025

The Senior Notes bear interest at a rate of 5% per year, payable semi-annually in arrears in cash on April 15 and October 15 of each year, commencing on October 15, 2015. The Senior Notes will mature on April 15, 2025, unless we redeem the Senior Notes, in whole at any time or in part from time to time, on or after January 15, 2025 (three months prior to the maturity date of the Senior Notes) at our election at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Senior Notes to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date. At June 30, 2018, \$150.0 million of our Senior Notes was outstanding.

Junior Subordinated Debentures

The Debentures have a stated term of 30 years with maturities ranging from July 2031 to February 2038 with interest payable quarterly. The rate on the Debentures, which resets quarterly, is 3-month LIBOR plus an average spread of 3.22%. The total average interest rate at June 30, 2018 was 5.57%. The Debentures are callable at PCC's discretion with a minimum of a 45 to 60 day notice. At June 30, 2018, \$67.0 million of PCC's Debentures were outstanding.

Stock Repurchase Program

In January 2018, our board of directors authorized a new stock repurchase program through January 2019 pursuant to which we were originally authorized to repurchase, in the aggregate, up to \$50.0 million of our outstanding common stock. In July 2018, our board of directors authorized an increase to the aggregate amount of common stock that we may repurchase under this program to \$100.0 million, which is inclusive of repurchases to offset dilution related to grants of stock-based compensation. Under the stock repurchase program authorized, we may repurchase shares in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions as permitted under Rule 10b-18 promulgated under the

Exchange Act. The extent to which we repurchase our shares and the timing of such repurchases depends upon market conditions and other corporate considerations, as determined by Hilltop's management team. Repurchased shares will be returned to our pool of authorized but unissued shares of common stock.

During the six months ended June 30, 2018, we paid \$38.8 million to repurchase an aggregate of 1,702,696 shares of common stock at an average price of \$22.81 per share. The purchases were funded from available cash balances.

Loss-Share Agreements

In connection with the FNB Transaction, the Bank entered into two loss-share agreements with the FDIC that collectively cover \$1.2 billion of loans and OREO acquired in the FNB Transaction, which we refer to as "covered assets". Pursuant to the loss-share agreements, the FDIC has agreed to reimburse the Bank the following amounts with respect to the covered assets: (i) 80% of net losses on the first \$240.4 million of net losses incurred; (ii) 0% of net losses in excess of \$240.4 million up to and including \$365.7 million of net losses incurred; and (iii) 80% of net losses in excess of \$365.7 million of net losses incurred. Net losses are defined as book value losses plus certain defined expenses incurred in the resolution of assets, less subsequent recoveries. Under the loss-share agreement for commercial assets, the amount of subsequent recoveries that are reimbursable to the FDIC for a particular asset is limited to book value losses and expenses actually billed plus any book value charge-offs incurred prior to the Bank Closing Date. There is no limit on the amount of subsequent recoveries reimbursable to the FDIC under the loss-share agreement for single family assets. The loss-share agreements for commercial and single family residential loans are in effect for 5 years and 10 years, respectively, from the Bank Closing Date and the loss recovery provisions to the FDIC are in effect for 8 years and 10 years, respectively, from the Bank Closing Date. As part of the loss-share agreements, the Bank is subject to

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annual FDIC compliance audits. In accordance with the loss-share agreements, the Bank may be required to make a "true-up" payment to the FDIC approximately ten years following the Bank Closing Date if our actual net realized losses over the life of the loss-share agreements are less than the FDIC's initial estimate of losses on covered assets. The "true-up" payment is calculated using a defined formula set forth in the P&A Agreement. While the ultimate amount of any "true-up" payment is unknown at this time and will vary based upon the amount of future losses or recoveries within our covered loan portfolio, the Bank has recorded a related "true-up" payment accrual of \$16.6 million at June 30, 2018 based on the current estimate of aggregate realized losses on covered assets over the life of the loss-share agreements.

# Regulatory Capital

We are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements may prompt certain actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. Under capital adequacy and regulatory requirements, we must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of our assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. Our capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings and other factors.

In order to avoid limitations on capital distributions, including dividend payments, stock repurchases and certain discretionary bonus payments to executive officers, Basel III also implemented a capital conservation buffer, which requires a banking organization to hold a buffer above its minimum risk-based capital requirements. This buffer helps to ensure that banking organizations conserve capital when it is most needed, allowing them to better weather periods of economic stress. The buffer is measured relative to risk-weighted assets. The phase-in of the capital conservation buffer requirements began on January 1, 2016 for Hilltop and PlainsCapital. Based on the actual ratios as noted above, Hilltop and PlainsCapital exceed each of the capital conservation buffer requirements in effect as of June 30, 2018, as well as the fully phased-in requirements through 2019.

In addition, under the final rules, bank holding companies with less than \$15 billion in assets as of December 31, 2009 are allowed to continue to include junior subordinated debentures in Tier 1 capital, subject to certain restrictions. However, if an institution grows to above \$15 billion in assets as a result of an acquisition, or organically grows to above \$15 billion in assets and then makes an acquisition, the combined trust preferred issuances must be phased out of Tier 1 and into Tier 2 capital. All of the debentures issued to the PCC Statutory Trusts I, II, III and IV (the "Trusts"), less the common stock of the Trusts, qualified as Tier 1 capital as of June 30, 2018, under guidance issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

At June 30, 2018, Hilltop had a total capital to risk weighted assets ratio of 18.58%, Tier 1 capital to risk weighted assets ratio of 18.10%, common equity Tier 1 capital to risk weighted assets ratio of 17.61% and a Tier 1 capital to average assets, or leverage, ratio of 12.90%. Accordingly, Hilltop's actual capital amounts and ratios in accordance

with Basel III exceeded the regulatory capital requirements including conservation buffer in effect at the end of the period and on a fully phased-in basis as if such requirements were currently in effect.

At June 30, 2018, PlainsCapital had a total capital to risk weighted assets ratio of 15.38%, Tier 1 capital to risk weighted assets ratio of 14.59%, common equity Tier 1 capital to risk weighted assets ratio of 14.59% and a Tier 1 capital to average assets, or leverage, ratio of 12.80%. Accordingly, PlainsCapital's actual capital amounts and ratios in accordance with Basel III resulted in it being considered "well-capitalized" and exceeded the regulatory capital requirements including conservation buffer in effect at the end of the period and on a fully phased-in basis as if such requirements were currently in effect.

We discuss regulatory capital requirements in more detail in Note 15 to our consolidated financial statements, as well as under the caption "Government Supervision and Regulation — Corporate — Capital Adequacy Requirements and BASEL III" set forth in Part I, Item I. of our 2017 Form 10-K.

**Banking Segment** 

Within our banking segment, our primary uses of cash are for customer withdrawals and extensions of credit as well as our borrowing costs and other operating expenses. Our asset and liability group is responsible for continuously monitoring our liquidity position to ensure that our assets and liabilities are managed in a manner that will meet our short-term and long-term cash requirements. Our goal is to manage our liquidity position in a manner such that we can

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meet our customers' short-term and long-term deposit withdrawals and anticipated and unanticipated increases in loan demand without penalizing earnings. Funds invested in short-term marketable instruments, the continuous maturing of other interest-earning assets, cash flows from self-liquidating investments such as mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations, the possible sale of available for sale securities and the ability to securitize certain types of loans provide sources of liquidity from an asset perspective. The liability base provides sources of liquidity through deposits and the maturity structure of short-term borrowed funds. For short-term liquidity needs, we utilize federal fund lines of credit with correspondent banks, securities sold under agreements to repurchase, borrowings from the Federal Reserve and borrowings under lines of credit with other financial institutions. For intermediate liquidity needs, we utilize advances from the FHLB. To supply liquidity over the longer term, we have access to brokered time deposits, term loans at the FHLB and borrowings under lines of credit with other financial institutions.

We had deposits of \$7.8 billion at June 30, 2018, a decrease of \$164.5 million from \$8.0 billion at December 31, 2017. Deposit flows are affected by the level of market interest rates, the interest rates and products offered by competitors, the volatility of equity markets and other factors. The Bank regularly evaluates its deposit products and pricing structures relative to the market to maintain competitiveness over time. At June 30, 2018, money market deposits, including brokered deposits, were \$2.2 billion; time deposits, including brokered deposits, were \$1.3 billion; and noninterest bearing demand deposits were \$2.5 billion. Money market deposits, including brokered deposits, decreased by \$104.5 million from \$2.3 billion and time deposits, including brokered deposits, decreased \$110.1 million from \$1.4 billion at December 31, 2017.

The Bank's 15 largest depositors, excluding Hilltop and Hilltop Securities, accounted for 7.77% of the Bank's total deposits, and the Bank's five largest depositors, excluding Hilltop and Hilltop Securities, accounted for 3.97% of the Bank's total deposits at June 30, 2018. The loss of one or more of our largest Bank customers, or a significant decline in our deposit balances due to ordinary course fluctuations related to these customers' businesses, could adversely affect our liquidity and might require us to raise deposit rates to attract new deposits, purchase federal funds or borrow funds on a short-term basis to replace such deposits.

## **Broker-Dealer Segment**

The Hilltop Broker-Dealers rely on their equity capital, short-term bank borrowings, interest-bearing and non-interest-bearing client credit balances, correspondent deposits, securities lending arrangements, repurchase agreement financings and other payables to finance their assets and operations, subject to their respective compliance with broker-dealer net capital and customer protection rules. At June 30, 2018, Hilltop Securities had credit arrangements with five unaffiliated banks with maximum aggregate commitments of up to \$725.0 million. These credit arrangements are used to finance securities owned, securities held for correspondent accounts, receivables in customer margin accounts and underwriting activities. These credit arrangements are provided on an "as offered" basis and are not committed lines of credit. In addition, Hilltop Securities has a committed revolving credit facility with an unaffiliated bank of up to \$50.0 million. At June 30, 2018, Hilltop Securities had borrowed \$354.5 million under its credit arrangements and had no borrowings under its credit facility.

Mortgage Origination Segment

PrimeLending fund the mortgage loans it originates through warehouse lines of credit maintained with the Bank which have an aggregate commitment of \$2.3 billion, of which \$1.7 billion was drawn at June 30, 2018. PrimeLending sells substantially all mortgage loans it originates to various investors in the secondary market, the majority with servicing released. As these mortgage loans are sold in the secondary market, PrimeLending pays down its warehouse line of credit with the Bank. In addition, PrimeLending has an available line of credit with an unaffiliated bank of up to \$1.0 million, of which no borrowings were outstanding at June 30, 2018.

PrimeLending owns a 100% membership interest in PrimeLending Ventures Management, LLC ("Ventures Management") which holds an ownership interest in and is the managing member of certain ABAs. At June 30, 2018, these ABAs have combined available lines of credit totaling \$100.0 million, \$50.0 million of which was with a single unaffiliated bank, and the remaining \$50.0 million of which was with the Bank. At June 30, 2018, Ventures Management had outstanding borrowings of \$49.8 million, \$2.7 million of which was with the Bank.

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**Insurance Segment** 

Our insurance operating subsidiary's primary investment objectives are to preserve capital and manage for a total rate of return. NLC's strategy is to purchase securities in sectors that represent the most attractive relative value. Bonds, cash and short-term investments of \$173.2 million, or 86.9%, equity investments of \$21.0 million and other investments of \$5.0 million comprised NLC's \$199.2 million in total cash and investments at June 30, 2018. NLC does not currently have any significant concentration in both direct and indirect guarantor exposure or any investments in subprime mortgages. NLC has custodial agreements with an unaffiliated bank and an investment management agreement with DTF Holdings, LLC.

Impact of Inflation and Changing Prices

Our consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared in accordance with GAAP, which presently require us to measure financial position and operating results primarily in terms of historic dollars. Changes in the relative value of money due to inflation or recession are generally not considered. The primary effect of inflation on our operations is reflected in increased operating costs. In management's opinion, changes in interest rates affect the financial condition of a financial institution to a far greater degree than changes in the inflation rate. While interest rates are greatly influenced by changes in the inflation rate, they do not necessarily change at the same rate or in the same magnitude as the inflation rate. Interest rates are highly sensitive to many factors that are beyond our control, including changes in the expected rate of inflation, the influence of general and local economic conditions and the monetary and fiscal policies of the U.S. government, its agencies and various other governmental regulatory authorities.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements; Commitments; Guarantees

In the normal course of business, we enter into various transactions, which, in accordance with GAAP, are not included in our consolidated balance sheets. We enter into these transactions to meet the financing needs of our customers. These transactions include commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit, which involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk and interest rate risk in excess of the amounts recognized in our consolidated balance sheets.

We enter into contractual loan commitments to extend credit, normally with fixed expiration dates or termination clauses, at specified rates and for specific purposes. Substantially all of our commitments to extend credit are contingent upon customers maintaining specific credit standards until the time of loan funding. We minimize our exposure to loss under these commitments by subjecting them to credit approval and monitoring procedures. We assess the credit risk associated with certain commitments to extend credit and have recorded a liability related to such credit risk in our consolidated financial statements.

Standby letters of credit are written conditional commitments issued by us to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. In the event the customer does not perform in accordance with the terms of the agreement with the third party, we would be required to fund the commitment. The maximum potential amount of future payments we could be required to make is represented by the contractual amount of the commitment. If the commitment is funded, we would be entitled to seek recovery from the customer. Our policies generally require that standby letter of credit arrangements contain security and debt covenants similar to those contained in loan agreements.

In the aggregate, the Bank had outstanding unused commitments to extend credit of \$2.0 billion at June 30, 2018 and outstanding financial and performance standby letters of credit of \$25.1 million at June 30, 2018.

In the normal course of business, the Hilltop Broker-Dealers execute, settle and finance various securities transactions that may expose the Hilltop Broker-Dealers to off-balance sheet risk in the event that a customer or counterparty does not fulfill its contractual obligations. Examples of such transactions include the sale of securities not yet purchased by customers or for the account of the Hilltop Broker-Dealers, use of derivatives to support certain non-profit housing organization clients, clearing agreements between the Hilltop Broker-Dealers and various clearinghouses and broker-dealers, secured financing arrangements that involve pledged securities, and when-issued underwriting and purchase commitments.

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Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our accounting policies are fundamental to understanding our management's discussion and analysis of our results of operations and financial condition. We have identified certain significant accounting policies which involve a higher degree of judgment and complexity in making certain estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported in our consolidated financial statements. The significant accounting policies which we believe to be the most critical in preparing our consolidated financial statements relate to allowance for loan losses, FDIC Indemnification Asset, reserve for losses and LAE, goodwill and identifiable intangible assets, mortgage loan indemnification liability, mortgage servicing rights asset and acquisition accounting. Since December 31, 2017, there have been no changes in critical accounting policies as further described under "Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates" and Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our 2017 Form 10-K

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Our assessment of market risk as of June 30, 2018 indicates there are no material changes in the quantitative and qualitative disclosures from those previously reported in our 2017 Form 10-K, except as discussed below.

The primary objective of the following information is to provide forward-looking quantitative and qualitative information about our potential exposure to market risks. Market risk represents the risk of loss that may result from changes in value of a financial instrument as a result of changes in interest rates, market prices and the credit perception of an issuer. The disclosure is not meant to be a precise indicator of expected future losses, but rather an indicator of reasonably possible losses, and therefore our actual results may differ from any of the following projections. This forward-looking information provides an indicator of how we view and manage our ongoing market risk exposures.

**Banking Segment** 

The banking segment is engaged primarily in the business of investing funds obtained from deposits and borrowings in interest-earning loans and investments, and our primary component of market risk is sensitivity to changes in interest rates. Consequently, our earnings depend to a significant extent on our net interest income, which is the difference between interest income on loans and investments and our interest expense on deposits and borrowings. To the extent that our interest-bearing liabilities do not reprice or mature at the same time as our interest-bearing assets, we are subject to interest rate risk and corresponding fluctuations in net interest income.

There are several common sources of interest rate risk that must be effectively managed if there is to be minimal impact on our earnings and capital. Repricing risk arises largely from timing differences in the pricing of assets and liabilities. Reinvestment risk refers to the reinvestment of cash flows from interest payments and maturing assets at lower or higher rates. Basis risk exists when different yield curves or pricing indices do not change at precisely the same time or in the same magnitude such that assets and liabilities with the same maturity are not all affected equally. Yield curve risk refers to unequal movements in interest rates across a full range of maturities.

We have employed asset/liability management policies that attempt to manage our interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, thereby attempting to control the volatility of net interest income, without having to incur unacceptable levels of risk. We employ procedures which include interest rate shock analysis, repricing gap analysis and balance sheet decomposition techniques to help mitigate interest rate risk in the ordinary course of business. In addition, the asset/liability management policies permit the use of various derivative instruments to manage interest rate risk or hedge specified assets and liabilities.

An interest rate sensitive asset or liability is one that, within a defined time period, either matures or experiences an interest rate change in line with general market interest rates. The management of interest rate risk is performed by analyzing the maturity and repricing relationships between interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities at specific points in time ("GAP") and by analyzing the effects of interest rate changes on net interest income over specific periods of time by projecting the performance of the mix of assets and liabilities in varied interest rate environments. Interest rate sensitivity reflects the potential effect on net interest income resulting from a movement in interest rates. A company is considered to be asset sensitive, or have a positive GAP, when the amount of its interest-earning assets maturing or repricing within a given period exceeds the amount of its interest-bearing liabilities also maturing or repricing within that time period. Conversely, a company is considered to be liability sensitive, or have a negative GAP, when the amount of its interest-bearing liabilities maturing or repricing within a given period exceeds the amount of its

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interest-earning assets also maturing or repricing within that time period. During a period of rising interest rates, a negative GAP would tend to affect net interest income adversely, while a positive GAP would tend to result in an increase in net interest income. During a period of falling interest rates, a negative GAP would tend to result in an increase in net interest income, while a positive GAP would tend to affect net interest income adversely. However, it is our intent to remain relatively balanced so that changes in rates do not have a significant impact on earnings.

As illustrated in the table below, the banking segment is asset sensitive overall. Loans that adjust daily or monthly to the Wall Street Journal Prime rate comprise a large percentage of interest sensitive assets and are the primary cause of the banking segment's asset sensitivity. To help neutralize interest rate sensitivity, the banking segment has kept the terms of most of its borrowings under one year as shown in the following table (dollars in thousands).

	June 30, 2018 3 Months or Less	> 3 Months to 1 Year	> 1 Year to 3 Years	> 3 Years to 5 Years	> 5 Years	Total
Interest sensitive assets:						
Loans Securities Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements	\$ 4,638,052 165,682	\$ 1,129,354 114,577	\$ 1,448,373 230,625	\$ 293,292 106,947	\$ 181,530 443,462	\$ 7,690,601 1,061,293
to resell Other interest sensitive	403	_	_	_	_	403
assets Total interest sensitive	191,753	_	_	_	29,175	220,928
assets	4,995,890	1,243,931	1,678,998	400,239	654,167	8,973,225
Interest sensitive liabilities: Interest bearing						
checking Savings	\$ 3,549,753 200,643 153,159	\$ — — 472,259	\$ — 652,364	\$ — — 13,983	\$ — — 6,860	\$ 3,549,753 200,643 1,298,625

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Time deposits Notes payable and other											
borrowings Total interest sensitive	838,113		569		3,620		1,001		5,430		848,733
liabilities	4,741,668	3	472,828		655,984		14,984		12,290		5,897,754
Interest sensitivity gap	\$ 254,222		\$ 771,103		\$ 1,023,014	ļ	\$ 385,255		\$ 641,877		\$ 3,075,471
Cumulative interest sensitivity gap	\$ 254,222		\$ 1,025,325		\$ 2,048,339	)	\$ 2,433,594	ļ	\$ 3,075,47	1	
Percentage of cumulative gap to total interest sensitive											
assets	2.83	%	11.43	%	22.83	%	27.12	%	34.27	%	

The positive GAP in the interest rate analysis indicates that banking segment net interest income would generally rise if rates increase. Because of inherent limitations in interest rate GAP analysis, the banking segment uses multiple interest rate risk measurement techniques. Simulation analysis is used to subject the current repricing conditions to rising and falling interest rates in increments and decrements of 1%, 2% and 3% to determine the effect on net interest income changes for the next twelve months. The banking segment also measures the effects of changes in interest rates on economic value of equity by discounting projected cash flows of deposits and loans. Economic value changes in the investment portfolio are estimated by discounting future cash flows and using duration analysis. Investment security prepayments are estimated using current market information. We believe the simulation analysis presents a more accurate picture than the GAP analysis. Simulation analysis recognizes that deposit products may not react to changes in interest rates as quickly or with the same magnitude as earning assets contractually tied to a market rate index. The sensitivity to changes in market rates varies across deposit products. Also, unlike GAP analysis, simulation analysis takes into account the effect of embedded options in the securities and loan portfolios as well as any off-balance-sheet derivatives.

The table below shows the estimated impact of increases of 1%, 2% and 3% and a decrease of 0.5% in interest rates on net interest income and on economic value of equity for the banking segment at June 30, 2018 (dollars in thousands).

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Change in	Changes in			Changes in		
Interest Rates	Net Interest In	come		Economic Value	of Equity	
(basis points)	Amount	Percent		Amount	Percent	
+300	\$ 70,118	20.81	%	\$ 270,762	14.21	%
+200	\$ 48,049	14.26	%	\$ 191,880	10.07	%
+100	\$ 22,732	6.75	%	\$ 94,841	4.98	%
-50	\$ (10,294)	(3.05)	%	\$ (32,942)	(1.73)	%

The projected changes in net interest income and economic value of equity to changes in interest rates at June 30, 2018 were in compliance with established internal policy guidelines. These projected changes are based on numerous assumptions of growth and changes in the mix of assets or liabilities.

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While we are seeing an increase in loan yields as a result of the rising interest rate environment, a portion of our loan portfolio remains at applicable rate floors, thereby causing yields on our interest-earning assets to rise more slowly than increases in market interest rates, which have also increased our borrowing costs. Absent a decline in interest rates, we believe this trend will continue until contractual rate resets allow our entire loan portfolio to reprice above applicable rate floors. Short-term interest rates have risen faster than medium and longer term rates, which has reduced the favorable impact of our asset-sensitive position on net interest income. Any changes in interest rates across the term structure will continue to impact net interest income and net interest margin. The impact of rate movements will change with the shape of the yield curve, including any changes in steepness or flatness and inversions at any points on the yield curve.

### **Broker-Dealer Segment**

Our broker-dealer segment is exposed to market risk primarily due to its role as a financial intermediary in customer transactions, which may include purchases and sales of securities, use of derivatives and securities lending activities, and in our trading activities, which are used to support sales, underwriting and other customer activities. We are subject to the risk of loss that may result from the potential change in value of a financial instrument as a result of fluctuations in interest rates, market prices, investor expectations and changes in credit ratings of the issuer.

Our broker-dealer segment is exposed to interest rate risk as a result of maintaining inventories of interest rate sensitive financial instruments and other interest earning assets including customer and correspondent margin loans and securities borrowing activities. Our exposure to interest rate risk is also from our funding sources including customer and correspondent cash balances, bank borrowings, repurchase agreements and securities lending activities. Interest rates on customer and correspondent balances and securities produce a positive spread with rates generally fluctuating in parallel.

With respect to securities held, our interest rate risk is managed by setting and monitoring limits on the size and duration of positions and on the length of time securities can be held. Much of the interest rates on customer and correspondent margin loans are indexed and can vary daily. Our funding sources are generally short term with interest rates that can vary daily.

The following table categorizes the broker-dealer segment's net trading securities which are subject to interest rate and market price risk (dollars in thousands).

June 30, 2018

1 Year > 1 Year > 5 Years or Less to 5 Years to 10 Years > 10 Years

Total

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Trading securities, at fair value										
Municipal obligations	\$ -		\$ 4,148		\$ 26,892		\$ 81,	606	\$ 112,646	)
U.S. government and government										
agency obligations	(17,048)		(37,369)	)	(59,553)	)	330	),743	216,773	i
Corporate obligations	2,105		(5,999)		10,231		20,	368	26,705	
Total debt securities	(14,943)		(39,220)	)	(22,430)	)	432	2,717	356,124	
Corporate equity securities	(10,650)		-		-		-		(10,650)	)
Other	30,914		-		-		-		30,914	
	\$ 5,321		\$ (39,220)	)	\$ (22,430)	)	\$ 432	2,717	\$ 376,388	I
Weighted average yield										
Municipal obligations	0.00	%	2.27	%	2.64	%	3.7	4 %	3.42	%
U.S. government and government										
agency obligations	2.28	%	2.58	%	2.83	%	4.5	1 %	3.73	%
Corporate obligations	2.90	%	3.63	%	4.52	%	5.4	1 %	4.37	%

Derivatives are used to support certain customer programs and hedge our related exposure to interest rate risks.

Our broker-dealer segment is engaged in various brokerage and trading activities that expose us to credit risk arising from potential non-performance from counterparties, customers or issuers of securities. This risk is managed by setting and monitoring position limits for each counterparty, conducting periodic credit reviews of counterparties, reviewing concentrations of securities and conducting business through central clearing organizations.

Collateral underlying margin loans to customers and correspondents and with respect to securities lending activities is marked to market daily and additional collateral is required as necessary.

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Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

**Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures** 

Our management, with the supervision and participation of our Co-Principal Executive Officers and Principal Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this report.

Based upon that evaluation, our Co-Principal Executive Officers and Principal Financial Officer concluded that, as of the end of such period, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective in recording, processing, summarizing and reporting, on a timely basis, information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act and are effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including our Co-Principal Executive Officers and Principal Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

For a description of material pending legal proceedings, see the discussion set forth under the heading "Legal Matters" in Note 12 to our Consolidated Financial Statements, which is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

Except as follows, there have been no material changes to the risk factors disclosed under "Item 1A. Risk Factors" of our 2017 Form 10-K. For additional information concerning our risk factors, please refer to "Item 1A. Risk Factors" of our 2017 Form 10-K.

We are heavily reliant on technology, and a failure to effectively implement new technological solutions or enhancements to existing systems or platforms could adversely affect our business operations and the financial results of our operations.

Like most financial services companies, we significantly depend on technology to deliver our products and services and to otherwise conduct business. To remain technologically competitive and operationally efficient, we have either begun the significant investment in or have plans to invest in new technological solutions, substantial core system upgrades and other technology enhancements within each of our operating segments and corporate. Many of these solutions and enhancements have a significant duration, include phased implementation schedules, are tied to critical systems, and require substantial internal and external resources for design and implementation. Such external resources may be relied upon to provide expertise and support to help implement, maintain and/or service certain of our core technology solutions.

Although we take steps to mitigate the risks and uncertainties associated with these solutions and initiatives, we may encounter significant adverse developments in the completion and implementation of these initiatives. These may include significant time delays, cost overruns, loss of key personnel, technological problems, processing failures, distraction of management and other adverse developments. Further, our ability to maintain an adequate control environment may be impacted.

The ultimate effect of any adverse development could damage our reputation, result in a loss of customer business, subject us to additional regulatory scrutiny, or expose us to civil litigation and possible financial liability, any of which could materially affect us, including our control environment, operating efficiency, and results of operations.

Our operational systems and networks have been, and will continue to be, subject to an increasing risk of continually evolving cybersecurity or other technological risks, which could result in a loss of customer business, financial liability, regulatory penalties, damage to our reputation or the disclosure of confidential information.

We rely heavily on communications and information systems to conduct our business and maintain the security of confidential information and complex transactions, which subjects us to an increasing risk of cyber incidents from these activities due to a combination of new technologies and the increasing use of the Internet to conduct financial transactions, as well as a potential failure, interruption or breach in the security of these systems, including those that could result from attacks or planned changes, upgrades and maintenance of these systems. Such cyber incidents could result in failures or disruptions in our customer relationship management, securities trading, general ledger, deposits, computer systems, electronic underwriting servicing or loan origination systems. We also utilize relationships with third parties to aid in, and intend to engage a third party to host, a significant portion of our information systems, communications, data management and transaction processing. These third parties with which we do business may also be sources of cybersecurity or other technological risks, including operational errors, system interruptions or breaches, unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and misuse of intellectual property. If our third-party service providers encounter any of these issues, we could be exposed to disruption of service, reputation damages, and litigation risk that could be material to our business.

Although we devote significant resources to maintain and regularly upgrade our systems and networks to safeguard critical business applications, there is no guarantee that these measures or any other measures can provide absolute security. Our computer systems, software and networks may be adversely affected by cyber incidents such as

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unauthorized access; loss or destruction of data (including confidential client information); account takeovers; unavailability of service; computer viruses or other malicious code; cyber-attacks; and other events. In addition, we cannot provide assurance that these measures will promptly detect intrusions, and that we will not experience losses or incur costs or other damage related to intrusions that go undetected or go undetected for significant periods of time, at levels that adversely affect our financial results or reputation. These threats may derive from human error, fraud or malice on the part of employees or third parties, or may result from accidental technological failure. For example, we recently became the victim of a "spear phishing" attack on one of our employees in which we suffered a \$4.0 million wire fraud loss and sensitive customer information was stolen. As a result of this attack, we incurred costs to provide identity protections services, including credit monitoring, to customers who may have been impacted and other legal and professional services, and may also incur expenses in the future including legal and professional expenses and claims for damages. Additional challenges are posed by external extremist parties, including foreign state actors, in some circumstances, as a means to promote political ends. If one or more of these events occurs, it could result in the disclosure of confidential client or customer information, damage to our reputation with our clients, customers and the market, customer dissatisfaction, additional costs such as repairing systems or adding new personnel or protection technologies, regulatory penalties, fines, remediation costs, exposure to litigation and other financial losses to both us and our clients and customers. Such events could also cause interruptions or malfunctions in our operations. We maintain cyber risk insurance, but this insurance may not be sufficient to cover all of our losses from any future breaches of our systems.

FINRA and the SEC's Office of Compliance Inspections and Examinations have issued guidance, including risk alerts, relating to principles, effective practices, summary examination findings and compliance issues with respect to cybersecurity policies and procedures and preparedness. In 2017, Securities Holdings evaluated its cybersecurity program by participating in various internal and external, independent information security assessments based on the Critical Security Controls (CSCs) standards established by the Center for Internet Security. Nonetheless, these assessments may be insufficient and may fail to identify particular vulnerabilities and risks associated with our cybersecurity policies, procedures and preparedness.

We continue to evaluate our cybersecurity program and will consider incorporating new practices as necessary to meet the expectations of such regulatory agencies in light of such cybersecurity guidance and regulatory actions and settlements for cybersecurity-related failures and violations by other industry participants. Such procedures include management-level engagement and corporate governance, risk management and assessment, technical controls, incident response planning, vendor management and staff training. Even if we implement these procedures, however, we cannot assure you that we will be fully protected from a cybersecurity incident, the occurrence of which could adversely affect our reputation and financial condition.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

On April 12, 2018, we issued an aggregate of 5,103 shares of common stock under the Hilltop Holdings Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan to certain non-employee directors as compensation for their service on our board of directors during the first quarter of 2018. The shares were issued pursuant to the exemption from registration under Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act.

The following table details our repurchases of shares of common stock during the three months ended June 30, 2018.

	Total Number of	Average Price Paid per	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or
Damiad				
Period April 1 - April	Shares Purchased	Share	of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Programs (1)
30, 2018	_	\$ —	_	\$ 48,296,643
May 1 - May				. , ,
31, 2018	1,634,389	22.72	1,634,389	11,169,111
June 1 - June				
30, 2018	_		_	11,169,111
Total	1,634,389	\$ 22.72	1,634,389	

<sup>(1)</sup> On January 25, 2018, we announced that our board of directors authorized a new stock repurchase program under which we may repurchase, in the aggregate, up to \$50.0 million of our outstanding common stock through January 2019. As of June 30, 2018, we had repurchased an aggregate of \$38.8 million of our outstanding common stock under this stock repurchase program. In July 2018, our board of directors increased the aggregate amount of common stock that we may repurchase under this program to \$100.0 million, which is inclusive of repurchases to offset dilution related to grants of stock-based compensation.

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Item 6. Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among SWS Group, Inc., Hilltop Holdings Inc. and Peruna LLC, dated as of March 31, 2014 (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 1, 2014 (File No. 001-31987) and incorporated herein by reference).
2.2	Purchase and Assumption Agreement—Whole Bank, All Deposits, dated as of September 13, 2013, by and among the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, receiver of First National Bank, Edinburg, Texas, PlainsCapital Bank and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 19, 2013 (File No. 001-31987) and incorporated herein by reference).
31.1*	Certification of Co-Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
31.2*	Certification of Co-Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
31.3*	Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
32.1*	Certification of Co-Principal Executive Officers and Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS*	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
101.CAL*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase

<sup>\*</sup>Filed herewith.

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# **SIGNATURES**

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

# HILLTOP HOLDINGS INC.

Date: July 26, 2018 By: /s/ William B. Furr

William B. Furr

Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer and duly authorized

officer)