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UNITED STATES  
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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2013

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File Number 000-20202  
CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MICHIGAN  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or  
organization)

38-1999511  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

25505 WEST TWELVE MILE ROAD  
SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN  
(Address of principal executive offices)

48034-8339  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 248-353-2700

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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Large accelerated  
filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer   
(Do not check if a smaller  
reporting company)

Smaller reporting  
company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  
 No

The number of shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01, outstanding on October 18, 2013 was 22,965,163.

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## PART I. - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION  
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In millions, except share and per share data)

	As of	
	September 30, 2013 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2012
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3.6	\$ 9.0
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	116.2	92.4
Restricted securities available for sale	51.9	46.1
Loans receivable (including \$7.5 and \$5.9 from affiliates as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively)	2,354.3	2,109.9
Allowance for credit losses	(190.9)	(176.4)
Loans receivable, net	2,163.4	1,933.5
Property and equipment, net	22.3	22.2
Income taxes receivable	1.2	1.1
Other assets	26.6	28.9
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,385.2</b>	<b>\$ 2,133.2</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:</b>		
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 109.9	\$ 105.8
Revolving secured line of credit	87.6	43.5
Secured financing	992.4	853.0
Mortgage note	3.8	4.0
Senior notes	350.2	350.3
Deferred income taxes, net	145.8	148.4
Income taxes payable	5.7	6.3
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>1,695.4</b>	<b>1,511.3</b>
Commitments and Contingencies - See Note 14		
<b>Shareholders' Equity:</b>		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized, none issued	-	-
Common stock, \$.01 par value, 80,000,000 shares authorized, 23,013,392 and 24,114,896 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	0.2	0.2
Paid-in capital	60.8	53.4
Retained earnings	629.0	568.4

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Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(0.2)	(0.1)
Total Shareholders' Equity	689.8	621.9
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$ 2,385.2	\$ 2,133.2

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME  
(UNAUDITED)

(In millions, except share and per share data)	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
<b>Revenue:</b>				
Finance charges	\$ 148.7	\$ 137.5	\$ 439.1	\$ 397.6
Premiums earned	13.1	12.2	38.0	35.0
Other income	10.9	6.0	29.7	17.3
Total revenue	172.7	155.7	506.8	449.9
<b>Costs and expenses:</b>				
Salaries and wages	20.1	21.7	65.1	61.5
General and administrative	8.7	6.8	24.9	21.5
Sales and marketing	8.5	8.2	26.0	23.5
Provision for credit losses	6.1	9.8	17.3	17.8
Interest	16.1	16.3	48.3	47.1
Provision for claims	11.0	9.1	30.5	26.7
Total costs and expenses	70.5	71.9	212.1	198.1
Income before provision for income taxes	102.2	83.8	294.7	251.8
Provision for income taxes	37.1	30.9	107.5	92.0
Net income	\$ 65.1	\$ 52.9	\$ 187.2	\$ 159.8
<b>Net income per share:</b>				
Basic	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.13	\$ 7.80	\$ 6.24
Diluted	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.12	\$ 7.78	\$ 6.22
<b>Weighted average shares outstanding:</b>				
Basic	23,672,635	24,908,247	23,989,845	25,629,034
Diluted	23,708,043	24,962,054	24,047,443	25,706,147

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
(UNAUDITED)

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Net income	\$ 65.1	\$ 52.9
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	—	—
Comprehensive income	\$ 65.1	\$ 52.9

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Net income	\$ 187.2	\$ 159.8
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:		
Unrealized loss on securities, net of tax of \$0.0 for 2013	(0.1)	—
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(0.1)	—
Comprehensive income	\$ 187.1	\$ 159.8



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CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
(UNAUDITED)

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 187.2	\$ 159.8
Adjustments to reconcile cash provided by operating activities:		
Provision for credit losses	17.3	17.8
Depreciation	4.1	3.7
Amortization	5.5	5.1
Loss on retirement of property and equipment	0.1	–
(Benefit) provision for deferred income taxes	(2.6)	11.9
Stock-based compensation	6.0	8.6
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	4.1	2.3
(Increase) decrease in income taxes receivable	(0.1)	0.5
(Decrease) increase in income taxes payable	(0.6)	8.5
Decrease in other assets	0.4	0.3
Net cash provided by operating activities	221.4	218.5
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</b>		
Increase in restricted cash and cash equivalents	(23.8)	(63.0)
Purchases of restricted securities available for sale	(75.4)	(0.1)
Proceeds from sale of restricted securities available for sale	9.6	0.9
Maturities of restricted securities available for sale	59.7	–
Principal collected on Loans receivable	1,008.4	882.6
Advances to Dealers	(1,048.0)	(968.7)
Purchases of Consumer Loans	(90.2)	(86.0)
Accelerated payments of Dealer Holdback	(30.8)	(34.1)
Payments of Dealer Holdback	(86.3)	(89.7)
Net increase in other loans	(0.3)	–
Purchases of property and equipment	(4.3)	(7.1)
Net cash used in investing activities	(281.4)	(365.2)
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities:</b>		
Borrowings under revolving secured line of credit	2,068.1	1,969.7
Repayments under revolving secured line of credit	(2,024.0)	(1,897.8)
Proceeds from secured financing	806.9	1,426.7
Repayments of secured financing	(667.5)	(1,234.1)
Principal payments under mortgage note	(0.2)	(0.2)
Payments of debt issuance costs	(3.5)	(6.0)
Repurchase of common stock	(127.2)	(113.0)
Proceeds from stock options exercised	0.6	0.5
Tax benefits from stock-based compensation plans	1.4	1.9

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Net cash provided by financing activities	54.6	147.7
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(5.4)	1.0
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	9.0	4.7
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 3.6	\$ 5.7
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:</b>		
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$ 51.0	\$ 49.8
Cash paid during the period for income taxes	\$ 108.3	\$ 68.9

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
(UNAUDITED)

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“generally accepted accounting principles” or “GAAP”) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of actual results achieved for full fiscal years. The consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2012 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 for Credit Acceptance Corporation (the “Company”, “Credit Acceptance”, “we”, “our” or “us”).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

We have evaluated events and transactions occurring subsequent to the consolidated balance sheet date of September 30, 2013 for items that could potentially be recognized or disclosed in these financial statements. We did not identify any items which would require disclosure in or adjustment to the financial statements.

2. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

Since 1972, Credit Acceptance has offered automobile dealers financing programs that enable them to sell vehicles to consumers, regardless of their credit history. Our financing programs are offered through a nationwide network of automobile dealers who benefit from sales of vehicles to consumers who otherwise could not obtain financing; from repeat and referral sales generated by these same customers; and from sales to customers responding to advertisements for our product, but who actually end up qualifying for traditional financing.

We refer to automobile dealers who participate in our programs and who share our commitment to changing consumers’ lives as “Dealers”. Upon enrollment in our financing programs, the Dealer enters into a Dealer servicing agreement with us that defines the legal relationship between Credit Acceptance and the Dealer. The Dealer servicing agreement assigns the responsibilities for administering, servicing, and collecting the amounts due on retail installment contracts (referred to as “Consumer Loans”) from the Dealers to us. We are an indirect lender from a legal perspective, meaning the Consumer Loan is originated by the Dealer and assigned to us.

We have two programs: the Portfolio Program and the Purchase Program. Under the Portfolio Program, we advance money to Dealers (referred to as a “Dealer Loan”) in exchange for the right to service the underlying Consumer Loans. Under the Purchase Program, we buy the Consumer Loans from the Dealers (referred to as a “Purchased Loan”) and keep all amounts collected from the consumer. Dealer Loans and Purchased Loans are collectively referred to as “Loans”. The following table shows the percentage of Consumer Loans assigned to us based on unit volumes under each of the programs for each of the last seven quarters:

Quarter Ended	Portfolio Program	Purchase Program
March 31, 2012	93.3%	6.7%
June 30, 2012	93.6%	6.4%
September 30, 2012	93.8%	6.2%
December 31, 2012	94.0%	6.0%
March 31, 2013	94.4%	5.6%
June 30, 2013	93.9%	6.1%
September 30, 2013	92.9%	7.1%

#### Portfolio Program

As payment for the vehicle, the Dealer generally receives the following:

- a down payment from the consumer;
  - a non-recourse cash payment (“advance”) from us; and
- after the advance has been recovered by us, the cash from payments made on the Consumer Loan, net of certain collection costs and our servicing fee (“Dealer Holdback”).

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2. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS – (Concluded)

We record the amount advanced to the Dealer as a Dealer Loan, which is classified within Loans receivable in our consolidated balance sheets. Cash advanced to the Dealer is automatically assigned to the Dealer's open pool of advances. We generally require Dealers to group advances into pools of at least 100 Consumer Loans. At the Dealer's option, a pool containing at least 100 Consumer Loans can be closed and subsequent advances assigned to a new pool. All advances within a Dealer's pool are secured by the future collections on the related Consumer Loans assigned to the pool. For Dealers with more than one pool, the pools are cross-collateralized so the performance of other pools is considered in determining eligibility for Dealer Holdback. We perfect our security interest in the Dealer Loans by taking possession of the Consumer Loans, which list us as lien holder on the vehicle title.

The Dealer servicing agreement provides that collections received by us during a calendar month on Consumer Loans assigned by a Dealer are applied on a pool-by-pool basis as follows:

- First, to reimburse us for certain collection costs;
- Second, to pay us our servicing fee, which generally equals 20% of collections;
- Third, to reduce the aggregate advance balance and to pay any other amounts due from the Dealer to us; and
- Fourth, to the Dealer as payment of Dealer Holdback.

If the collections on Consumer Loans from a Dealer's pool are not sufficient to repay the advance balance and any other amounts due to us, the Dealer will not receive Dealer Holdback.

Dealers have an opportunity to receive an accelerated Dealer Holdback payment each time 100 Consumer Loans have been assigned to us. The amount paid to the Dealer is calculated using a formula that considers the forecasted collections and the advance balance on the related Consumer Loans.

Since typically the combination of the advance and the consumer's down payment provides the Dealer with a cash profit at the time of sale, the Dealer's risk in the Consumer Loan is limited. We cannot demand repayment of the advance from the Dealer except in the event the Dealer is in default of the Dealer servicing agreement. Advances are made only after the consumer and Dealer have signed a Consumer Loan contract, we have received the original Consumer Loan contract and supporting documentation, and we have approved all of the related stipulations for funding. The Dealer can also opt to repurchase Consumer Loans that have been assigned to us under the Portfolio Program, at their discretion, for a fee.

For accounting purposes, the transactions described under the Portfolio Program are not considered to be loans to consumers. Instead, our accounting reflects that of a lender to the Dealer. The classification as a Dealer Loan for accounting purposes is primarily a result of (1) the Dealer's financial interest in the Consumer Loan and (2) certain elements of our legal relationship with the Dealer.

Purchase Program

The Purchase Program differs from our Portfolio Program in that the Dealer receives a one-time payment from us at the time of assignment to purchase the Consumer Loan instead of a cash advance at the time of assignment and future Dealer Holdback payments. For accounting purposes, the transactions described under the Purchase Program are considered to be originated by the Dealer and then purchased by us.

### Program Enrollment

Dealers may enroll in our program by (1) paying an up-front, one-time fee of \$9,850, or (2) agreeing to allow us to retain 50% of their first accelerated Dealer Holdback payment. Dealers are granted access to the Portfolio Program upon enrollment. Access to the Purchase Program is limited and is typically only granted to Dealers that either have received their first accelerated Dealer Holdback payment under the Portfolio Program or are franchise dealerships.

### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Business Segment Information

We currently operate in one reportable segment which represents our core business of offering Dealers financing programs and related products and services that enable them to sell vehicles to consumers, regardless of their credit history. The consolidated financial statements reflect the financial results of our one reportable operating segment.

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3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (Continued)

Loans Receivable and Allowance for Credit Losses

Consumer Loan Assignment. For accounting and financial reporting purposes, a Consumer Loan is considered to have been assigned to us after all of the following has occurred:

- the consumer and Dealer have signed a Consumer Loan contract;
- we have received the original Consumer Loan contract and supporting documentation;
  - we have approved all of the related stipulations for funding; and
- we have provided funding to the Dealer in the form of either an advance under the Portfolio Program or one-time purchase payment under the Purchase Program.

Portfolio Segments and Classes. We are considered to be a lender to our Dealers for Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program and a purchaser of Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program. As a result, our Loan portfolio consists of two portfolio segments: Dealer Loans and Purchased Loans. Each portfolio segment is comprised of one class of Consumer Loan assignments, which is Consumer Loans with deteriorated credit quality that were originated by Dealers to finance consumer purchases of vehicles and related ancillary products.

Dealer Loans. Amounts advanced to Dealers for Consumer Loans assigned under the Portfolio Program are recorded as Dealer Loans and are aggregated by Dealer for purposes of recognizing revenue and evaluating impairment. We account for Dealer Loans in a manner consistent with loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality. The outstanding balance of each Dealer Loan included in Loans receivable is comprised of the following:

- the aggregate amount of all cash advances paid;
  - finance charges;
  - Dealer Holdback payments;
- accelerated Dealer Holdback payments; and
  - recoveries.

Less:

- collections (net of certain collection costs); and
  - write-offs.

An allowance for credit losses is maintained at an amount that reduces the net asset value (Dealer Loan balance less the allowance) to the value of forecasted future cash flows discounted at the yield established at the time of assignment. This allowance calculation is completed for each individual Dealer. The discounted value of future cash flows is comprised of estimated future collections on the Consumer Loans, less any estimated Dealer Holdback payments. We write off Dealer Loans once there are no forecasted future cash flows on any of the associated Consumer Loans, which generally occurs 120 months after the last Consumer Loan assignment.

Future collections on Dealer Loans are forecasted based on the historical performance of Consumer Loans with similar characteristics, adjusted for recent trends in payment patterns. Dealer Holdback is forecasted based on the expected future collections and current advance balance of each Dealer Loan. Cash flows from any individual Dealer Loan are often different than estimated cash flows at the time of assignment. If such difference is favorable, the



difference is recognized prospectively into income over the remaining life of the Dealer Loan through a yield adjustment. If such difference is unfavorable, a provision for credit losses is recorded immediately as a current period expense and a corresponding allowance for credit losses is established. Because differences between estimated cash flows at the time of assignment and actual cash flows occur often, an allowance is required for a significant portion of our Dealer Loan portfolio. An allowance for credit losses does not necessarily indicate that a Dealer Loan is unprofitable, and seldom are cash flows from a Dealer Loan insufficient to repay the initial amounts advanced to the Dealer.

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3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (Continued)

Purchased Loans. Amounts paid to Dealers for Consumer Loans assigned under the Purchase Program are recorded as Purchased Loans and are aggregated into pools based on the month of purchase for purposes of recognizing revenue and evaluating impairment. We account for Purchased Loans as loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality. The outstanding balance of each Purchased Loan pool included in Loans receivable is comprised of the following:

- the aggregate amount of all amounts paid during the month of purchase to purchase Consumer Loans from Dealers;
  - finance charges; and
  - recoveries.

Less:

- collections (net of certain collection costs); and
- write-offs.

An allowance for credit losses is maintained at an amount that reduces the net asset value (Purchased Loan pool balance less the allowance) to the value of forecasted future cash flows discounted at the yield established at the time of assignment. This allowance calculation is completed for each individual monthly pool of Purchased Loans. The discounted value of future cash flows is comprised of estimated future collections on the pool of Purchased Loans. We write off pools of Purchased Loans once there are no forecasted future cash flows on any of the Purchased Loans included in the pool, which generally occurs 120 months after the month of purchase.

Future collections on Purchased Loans are forecasted based on the historical performance of Consumer Loans with similar characteristics, adjusted for recent trends in payment patterns. Cash flows from any individual pool of Purchased Loans are often different than estimated cash flows at the time of assignment. If such difference is favorable, the difference is recognized prospectively into income over the remaining life of the pool of Purchased Loans through a yield adjustment. If such difference is unfavorable, a provision for credit losses is recorded immediately as a current period expense and a corresponding allowance for credit losses is established.

Credit Quality. Substantially all of the Consumer Loans assigned to us are made to individuals with impaired or limited credit histories or higher debt-to-income ratios than are permitted by traditional lenders. Consumer Loans made to these individuals generally entail a higher risk of delinquency, default and repossession and higher losses than loans made to consumers with better credit. Since most of our revenue and cash flows are generated from these Consumer Loans, our ability to accurately forecast Consumer Loan performance is critical to our business and financial results. At the time the Consumer Loan is submitted to us for assignment, we forecast future expected cash flows from the Consumer Loan. Based on these forecasts, an advance or one-time purchase payment is made to the related Dealer at a price designed to achieve an acceptable return on capital.

We monitor and evaluate the credit quality of Consumer Loans on a monthly basis by comparing our current forecasted collection rates to our initial expectations. We use a statistical model that considers a number of credit quality indicators to estimate the expected collection rate for each Consumer Loan at the time of assignment. The credit quality indicators considered in our model include attributes contained in the consumer's credit bureau report, data contained in the consumer's credit application, the structure of the proposed transaction, vehicle information and other factors. We continue to evaluate the expected collection rate of each Consumer Loan subsequent to assignment primarily through the monitoring of consumer payment behavior. Our evaluation becomes more accurate as the

Consumer Loans age, as we use actual performance data in our forecast. Since all known, significant credit quality indicators have already been factored into our forecasts and pricing, we are not able to use any specific credit quality indicators to predict or explain variances in actual performance from our initial expectations. Any variances in performance from our initial expectations are the result of Consumer Loans performing differently than historical Consumer Loans with similar characteristics. We periodically adjust our statistical pricing model for new trends that we identify through our evaluation of these forecasted collection rate variances.

When overall forecasted collection rates underperform our initial expectations, the decline in forecasted collections has a more adverse impact on the profitability of the Purchased Loans than on the profitability of the Dealer Loans. For Purchased Loans, the decline in forecasted collections is absorbed entirely by us. For Dealer Loans, the decline in the forecasted collections is substantially offset by a decline in forecasted payments of Dealer Holdback.

Methodology Changes. During the second quarter of 2013, we enhanced our methodology for forecasting future collections on Loans, which is described more fully in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, we did not make any other methodology changes for Loans that had a material impact on our financial results.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (Continued)

## Reinsurance

VSC Re Company (“VSC Re”), our wholly-owned subsidiary, is engaged in the business of reinsuring coverage under vehicle service contracts sold to consumers by Dealers on vehicles financed by us. VSC Re currently reinsures vehicle service contracts that are underwritten by one of our third party insurers. Vehicle service contract premiums, which represent the selling price of the vehicle service contract to the consumer, less fees and certain administrative costs, are contributed to trust accounts controlled by VSC Re. These premiums are used to fund claims covered under the vehicle service contracts. VSC Re is a bankruptcy remote entity. As such, our exposure to fund claims is limited to the trust assets controlled by VSC Re and our net investment in VSC Re.

Premiums from the reinsurance of vehicle service contracts are recognized over the life of the policy in proportion to expected costs of servicing those contracts. Expected costs are determined based on our historical claims experience. Claims are expensed through a provision for claims in the period the claim was incurred. Capitalized acquisition costs are comprised of premium taxes and are amortized as general and administrative expense over the life of the contracts in proportion to premiums earned. A summary of reinsurance activity is as follows:

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Net assumed written premiums	\$ 13.7	\$ 11.5	\$ 44.1	\$ 39.8
Net premiums earned	13.1	12.2	38.0	35.0
Provision for claims	11.0	9.1	30.5	26.7
Amortization of capitalized acquisition costs	0.3	0.3	0.9	0.9

We are considered the primary beneficiary of the trusts and as a result, the trusts have been consolidated on our balance sheet. The trust assets and related reinsurance liabilities are as follows:

(In millions)	Balance Sheet location	As of	
		September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Trust assets	Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1.2	\$ 2.2
Trust assets	Restricted securities available for sale	51.9	46.1
Unearned premium	Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	41.8	35.7
Claims reserve (1)	Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1.8	1.4

(1) The claims reserve is estimated based on historical claims experience.

Our determination to consolidate the VSC Re trusts was based on the following:

- First, we determined that the trusts qualified as variable interest entities. The trusts have insufficient equity at risk as no parties to the trusts were required to contribute assets that provide them with any ownership interest.
- Next, we determined that we have variable interests in the trusts. We have a residual interest in the assets of the trusts, which is variable in nature, given that it increases or decreases based upon the actual loss experience of the

related service contracts. In addition, VSC Re is required to absorb any losses in excess of the trusts' assets.

- Next, we evaluated the purpose and design of the trusts. The primary purpose of the trusts is to provide third party product providers ("TPPPs") with funds to pay claims on vehicle service contracts and to accumulate and provide us with proceeds from investment income and residual funds.
- Finally, we determined that we are the primary beneficiary of the trusts. We control the amount of premium written and placed in the trusts through Consumer Loan assignments under our Programs, which is the activity that most significantly impacts the economic performance of the trusts. We have the right to receive benefits from the trusts that could potentially be significant. In addition, VSC Re has the obligation to absorb losses of the trusts that could potentially be significant.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of readily marketable securities with original maturities at the date of acquisition of three months or less. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, we had \$2.8 million and \$4.8 million, respectively, in cash and cash equivalents that were not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). As of January 1, 2013, the temporary unlimited coverage for noninterest-bearing transaction accounts expired, which increased the amount of cash and cash equivalents not insured by the FDIC.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (Concluded)

## Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents

Restricted cash and cash equivalents increased to \$116.2 million as of September 30, 2013 from \$92.4 million as of December 31, 2012. The following table summarizes restricted cash and cash equivalents:

(In millions)	September 30, 2013	As of December 31, 2012
Cash related to secured financings	\$ 115.0	\$ 90.2
Cash held in VSC Re trusts for future vehicle service contract claims (1)	1.2	2.2
Total restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$ 116.2	\$ 92.4

(1) The unearned premium and claims reserve associated with the trusts are included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets.

As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, we had \$114.5 million and \$82.0 million, respectively, in restricted cash and cash equivalents that was not insured by the FDIC. As of January 1, 2013, the temporary unlimited coverage for noninterest-bearing transaction accounts expired, which increased the amount of restricted cash and cash equivalents not insured by the FDIC.

## New Accounting Updates

**Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists.** In July 2013, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) No. 2013-11 which requires an entity to net its liability for unrecognized tax positions against a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss or a tax credit carryforward when settlement in this manner is available under the tax law. ASU 2013-11 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods, beginning after December 15, 2013, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of ASU No. 2013-11 is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

**Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income.** In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-2 which requires an entity to provide information about the amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component. The new guidance requires an entity to disaggregate the total change of each component of other comprehensive income either on the face of the income statement or as a separate disclosure in the notes to the financial statements. The amendments in ASU 2013-02 do not change the current requirements for reporting net income or other comprehensive income in financial statements. ASU 2013-02 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2012. The adoption of ASU No. 2013-2 on January 1, 2013 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting for Costs Associated with Acquiring or Renewing Insurance Contracts.** In October 2010, the FASB issued ASU No. 2010-26, which amends Topic 944 (Financial Services – Insurance). ASU No. 2010-26 is intended to address diversity in practice regarding the interpretation of which costs relating to the acquisition of new or renewal insurance contracts qualify for deferral. The amendments specify which costs incurred in the acquisition of new and

renewal contracts should be capitalized. ASU No. 2010-26 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011. While the guidance in this ASU is required to be applied prospectively upon adoption, retrospective application is also permitted (to all prior periods presented). Early adoption is also permitted, but only at the beginning of an entity's annual reporting period. The adoption of ASU No. 2010-26 on January 1, 2012 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs. In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-04 which amends Topic 820 (Fair Value Measurement). ASU No. 2011-04 is intended to provide a consistent definition of fair value and common requirements for measurement of and disclosure about fair value between U.S. GAAP and IFRS. The amendments in ASU No. 2011-04 include changes regarding how and when the valuation premise of highest and best use applies, the application of premiums and discounts, and new required disclosures. ASU No. 2011-04 is to be applied prospectively upon adoption and is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption prohibited. The adoption of ASU No. 2011-04 on January 1, 2012 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements, but expanded our disclosures related to fair value measurements.

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## 4. RESTRICTED SECURITIES AVAILABLE FOR SALE

Restricted securities available for sale consist of amounts held in trusts related to VSC Re. We determine the appropriate classification of our investments in debt securities at the time of purchase and reevaluate such determinations at each balance sheet date. Debt securities for which we do not have the intent or ability to hold to maturity are classified as available for sale, and stated at fair value with unrealized gains and losses, net of income taxes included in the determination of comprehensive income and reported as a component of shareholders' equity.

Restricted securities available for sale consist of the following:

(In millions)	Cost	As of September 30, 2013		Estimated Fair Value
		Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	
US Government and agency securities	\$ 25.5	\$ –	\$ (0.2 )	\$ 25.3
Commercial paper	19.7	–	–	19.7
Corporate bonds	3.0	–	(0.1 )	2.9
Certificates of deposit	4.0	–	–	4.0
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$ 52.2	\$ –	\$ (0.3 )	\$ 51.9

(In millions)	Cost	As of December 31, 2012		Estimated Fair Value
		Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	
US Government and agency securities	\$ 20.6	\$ –	\$ (0.1 )	\$ 20.5
Commercial paper	18.9	–	(0.1 )	18.8
Corporate bonds	3.3	–	–	3.3
Certificates of deposit	3.3	–	–	3.3
Foreign Government bonds	0.2	–	–	0.2
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$ 46.3	\$ –	\$ (0.2 )	\$ 46.1

The fair value and gross unrealized losses for restricted securities available for sale, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, are as follows:

(In millions)	Securities Available for Sale with Gross Unrealized Losses as of September 30, 2013					
	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total	
	Estimated Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Total Estimated Fair Value	Total Gross Unrealized Losses



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US Government and agency securities	\$	8.7	\$	(0.2)	\$	–	\$	–	\$	8.7	\$	(0.2)
Commercial paper		9.5		–		–		–		9.5		–
Corporate bonds		2.9		(0.1)		–		–		2.9		(0.1)
Certificates of deposit		0.5		–		–		–		0.5		–
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$	21.6	\$	(0.3)	\$	–	\$	–	\$	21.6	\$	(0.3)

Securities Available for Sale with Gross Unrealized Losses as of December 31, 2012

(In millions)

	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total							
	Estimated	Gross	Estimated	Gross	Estimated	Total						
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses						
US Government and agency securities	\$	16.7	\$	(0.1)	\$	–	\$	–	\$	16.7	\$	(0.1)
Commercial paper		2.8		(0.1)		–		–		2.8		(0.1)
Corporate bonds		2.3		–		–		–		2.3		–
Certificates of deposit		1.5		–		–		–		1.5		–
Foreign Government bonds		0.1		–		–		–		0.1		–
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$	23.4	\$	(0.2)	\$	–	\$	–	\$	23.4	\$	(0.2)

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## 4. RESTRICTED SECURITIES AVAILABLE FOR SALE – (Concluded)

The cost and estimated fair values of debt securities by contractual maturity were as follows (securities with multiple maturity dates are classified in the period of final maturity). Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

(In millions)	As of			
	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Contractual Maturity				
Within one year	\$ 39.0	\$ 39.0	\$ 33.8	\$ 33.7
Over one year to five years	9.1	9.0	8.6	8.6
Over five years to ten years	4.1	3.9	3.9	3.8
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$ 52.2	\$ 51.9	\$ 46.3	\$ 46.1

## 5. LOANS RECEIVABLE

Loans receivable consists of the following:

(In millions)	As of September 30, 2013		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Loans receivable	\$ 2,110.0	\$ 244.3	\$ 2,354.3
Allowance for credit losses	(180.8)	(10.1)	(190.9)
Loans receivable, net	\$ 1,929.2	\$ 234.2	\$ 2,163.4

(In millions)	As of December 31, 2012		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Loans receivable	\$ 1,869.4	\$ 240.5	\$ 2,109.9
Allowance for credit losses	(167.4)	(9.0)	(176.4)
Loans receivable, net	\$ 1,702.0	\$ 231.5	\$ 1,933.5

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## 5. LOANS RECEIVABLE – (Continued)

A summary of changes in Loans receivable is as follows:

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2013		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 2,041.4	\$ 237.1	\$ 2,278.5
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	335.3	33.9	369.2
Principal collected on Loans receivable	(299.1 )	(31.4 )	(330.5 )
Accelerated Dealer Holdback payments	10.4	–	10.4
Dealer Holdback payments	27.8	–	27.8
Transfers (2)	(4.6 )	4.6	–
Write-offs	(1.6 )	–	–