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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 10-Q**

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

**For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2016**

**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: 001-15375**

**CITIZENS HOLDING COMPANY**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

<b>Mississippi</b> <b>(State or other jurisdiction of</b>	<b>64-0666512</b> <b>(IRS Employer</b>
<b>incorporation or organization)</b>	<b>Identification No.)</b>
<b>521 Main Street, Philadelphia, MS</b> <b>(Address of principal executive offices)</b>	<b>39350</b> <b>(Zip Code)</b>
<b>601-656-4692</b> <b>(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)</b>	

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 during the preceding 12 months (or 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 definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer	Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer	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

Number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of November 5, 2016:

Title	Outstanding
Common Stock, \$0.20 par value	4,875,079

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

## CITIZENS HOLDING COMPANY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CONDITION

	September 30, 2016 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2015 (Audited)
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 22,727,843	\$ 14,947,690
Interest bearing deposits with other banks	79,169,722	42,267,777
Investment securities held to maturity, at amortized cost		161,043,404
Investment securities available for sale, at fair value	456,651,317	267,264,403
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$4,113,442 in 2016 and \$6,473,703 in 2015	405,905,192	423,108,391
Premises and equipment, net	18,256,915	18,655,691
Other real estate owned, net	4,897,928	3,572,744
Accrued interest receivable	4,333,839	3,928,106
Cash surrender value of life insurance	23,658,376	23,133,644
Deferred tax assets, net	3,140,049	9,165,417
Other assets	6,385,016	6,417,275
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,025,126,197</b>	<b>\$ 973,504,542</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Deposits:		
Noninterest-bearing demand	\$ 153,457,624	\$ 148,724,257
Interest-bearing NOW and money market accounts	353,925,816	323,381,170
Savings deposits	73,122,905	70,534,886
Certificates of deposit	199,957,109	210,764,475
<b>Total deposits</b>	<b>780,463,454</b>	<b>753,404,788</b>
Securities sold under agreement to repurchase	118,054,055	104,298,182
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	20,000,000	20,000,000
Accrued interest payable	167,601	179,995
Deferred compensation payable	8,085,306	7,718,624
Other liabilities	1,284,407	1,477,617
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>928,054,823</b>	<b>887,079,206</b>
<b>SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>	<b>976,516</b>	<b>975,016</b>

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Common stock; \$0.20 par value, 22,500,000 shares authorized, 4,882,579 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2016 and 4,875,079 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2015		
Additional paid-in capital	3,761,873	3,617,279
Retained earnings	90,492,527	88,949,360
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax (expense) benefit of (\$1,094,882) in 2016 and \$4,233,473 in 2015	1,840,458	(7,116,319)
Total shareholders equity	97,071,374	86,425,336
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	\$ 1,025,126,197	\$ 973,504,542

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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## CITIZENS HOLDING COMPANY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

	For the Three Months		For the Nine Months	
	Ended September 30, 2016	2015	Ended September 30, 2016	2015
<b>INTEREST INCOME</b>				
Loans, including fees	\$ 4,825,800	\$ 5,037,766	\$ 14,344,314	\$ 15,033,778
Investment securities	2,719,014	2,736,657	8,286,600	8,095,751
Other interest	28,813	14,038	147,781	61,322
<b>Total interest income</b>	<b>7,573,627</b>	<b>7,788,461</b>	<b>22,778,695</b>	<b>23,190,851</b>
<b>INTEREST EXPENSE</b>				
Deposits	447,554	468,565	1,366,412	1,350,490
Other borrowed funds	305,934	297,060	911,213	901,993
<b>Total interest expense</b>	<b>753,488</b>	<b>765,625</b>	<b>2,277,625</b>	<b>2,252,483</b>
<b>NET INTEREST INCOME</b>	<b>6,820,139</b>	<b>7,022,836</b>	<b>20,501,070</b>	<b>20,938,368</b>
<b>PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES</b>	<b>184,018</b>	<b>141,704</b>	<b>97,468</b>	<b>407,698</b>
<b>NET INTEREST INCOME AFTER PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES</b>	<b>6,636,121</b>	<b>6,881,132</b>	<b>20,403,602</b>	<b>20,530,670</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>				
Service charges on deposit accounts	1,009,486	1,036,964	2,794,790	2,877,841
Other service charges and fees	658,644	626,283	1,852,141	1,721,297
Other operating income	411,528	354,366	1,156,554	1,022,071
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>2,079,658</b>	<b>2,017,613</b>	<b>5,803,485</b>	<b>5,621,209</b>
<b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>				
Salaries and employee benefits	3,460,948	3,341,356	10,341,493	10,038,040
Occupancy expense	1,329,796	1,356,655	3,867,043	3,952,914
Other operating expense	1,766,669	1,776,868	5,648,661	5,292,049
<b>Total other expenses</b>	<b>6,557,413</b>	<b>6,474,879</b>	<b>19,857,197</b>	<b>19,283,003</b>
<b>INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES</b>	<b>2,158,366</b>	<b>2,423,866</b>	<b>6,349,890</b>	<b>6,868,876</b>
<b>PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES</b>	<b>406,076</b>	<b>587,405</b>	<b>1,292,427</b>	<b>1,610,282</b>

NET INCOME	\$ 1,752,290	\$ 1,836,461	\$ 5,057,463	\$ 5,258,594
NET INCOME PER SHARE -Basic	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.04	\$ 1.08
-Diluted	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.04	\$ 1.08
DIVIDENDS PAID PER SHARE	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.72	\$ 0.69

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## CITIZENS HOLDING COMPANY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited)

	For the Three Months		For the Nine Months	
	Ended September 30, 2016	2015	Ended September 30, 2016	2015
Net income	\$ 1,752,290	\$ 1,836,461	\$ 5,057,463	\$ 5,258,594
Other comprehensive income				
Securities available-for-sale				
Unrealized holding gains	(556,424)	2,226,566	2,882,502	(781,509)
Income tax effect	207,546	(830,509)	(1,075,174)	291,503
	(348,878)	1,396,057	1,807,328	(490,006)
Securities transferred from available-for-sale to held-to-maturity				
Amortization of net unrealized losses during the period	6,183,648	539,239	11,305,439	2,013,183
Income tax effect	(2,306,501)	(201,136)	(4,216,929)	(750,917)
	3,877,147	338,103	7,088,510	1,262,266
Reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income	60,053	13,699	97,191	13,699
Income tax effect	(22,400)	(5,110)	(36,252)	(5,110)
	37,653	8,589	60,939	8,589
Total other comprehensive income	3,565,922	1,742,749	8,956,777	780,849
Comprehensive income	\$ 5,318,212	\$ 3,579,210	\$ 14,014,240	\$ 6,039,443

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

	For the Nine Months	
	Ended September 30,	
	2016	2015
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 18,157,449	\$ 6,514,046
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Proceeds from maturities and calls of securities available for sale	112,497,410	26,701,814
Proceeds from maturities and calls of securities held to maturity	161,829,797	10,000,000
Purchases of investment securities available for sale	(301,273,861)	(103,451,898)
Proceeds from sales of investment securities available for sale	764,023	5,754,991
Purchases of bank premises and equipment	(335,501)	(271,777)
(Increase) decrease in interest bearing deposits with other banks	(36,901,945)	60,406,710
Proceeds from sale of other real estate	790,032	1,102,141
Purchase of Federal Home Loan Bank Stock	(3,600)	
Redemption of Federal Home Loan Bank Stock		150,700
Net decrease (increase) in loans	14,956,106	(41,787,893)
Net cash used by investing activities	(47,677,539)	(41,395,212)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net increase in deposits	27,058,666	52,547,618
Net change in securities sold under agreement to repurchase	13,755,873	(24,856,601)
Increase in Federal Funds Purchased		8,600,000
Repurchase of stock		(123,292)
Exercise of stock options		27,000
Excess tax benefits on stock options exercised		1,001
Payment of dividends	(3,514,296)	(3,370,751)
Net cash provided by financing activities	37,300,243	32,824,975
Net increase (decrease) in cash and due from banks	7,780,153	(2,056,191)
Cash and due from banks, beginning of period	14,947,690	22,405,730
Cash and due from banks, end of period	\$ 22,727,843	\$ 20,349,539

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As of and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016

(Unaudited)

**Note 1. Basis of Presentation**

These interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ( GAAP ). However, these interim consolidated financial statements do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. The interim consolidated financial statements are unaudited and reflect all adjustments and reclassifications, which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for a fair presentation of the results of operations and financial condition as of and for the interim periods presented. All adjustments and reclassifications are of a normal and recurring nature. Results for the period ended September 30, 2016 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any other interim period or for the year as a whole.

The interim consolidated financial statements of Citizens Holding Company include the accounts of its wholly-owned subsidiary, The Citizens Bank of Philadelphia (the Bank and collectively with Citizens Holding Company, the Corporation ). All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

For further information and significant accounting policies of the Corporation, see the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of Citizens Holding Company included in the Corporation s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2016.

**Note 2. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities**

In the ordinary course of business, the Corporation enters into commitments to extend credit to its customers. The unused portion of these commitments is not reflected in the accompanying financial statements. As of September 30, 2016, the Corporation had entered into loan commitments with certain customers with an aggregate unused balance of \$39,951,717 compared to an aggregate unused balance of \$44,358,972 at December 31, 2015. There were \$3,358,480 of letters of credit outstanding at September 30, 2016 and \$2,860,480 at December 31, 2015. The fair value of such commitments is not considered material because letters of credit and loan commitments often are not used in their entirety, if at all, before they expire. The balances of such letters and commitments should not be used to project actual future liquidity requirements. However, the Corporation does incorporate expectations about the utilization under its credit-related commitments and into its asset and liability management program.

The Corporation is a party to lawsuits and other claims that arise in the ordinary course of business, all of which are being vigorously contested. In the regular course of business, management evaluates estimated losses or costs related to litigation, and provisions are made for anticipated losses whenever management believes that such losses are probable and can be reasonably estimated. At the present time, management believes, based on the advice of legal counsel, that the final resolution of pending legal proceedings will not likely have a material impact on the Corporation s consolidated financial condition or results of operations.



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Net income per share - basic has been computed based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding during each period. Net income per share - diluted has been computed based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding during each period plus the dilutive effect of outstanding stock options using the treasury stock method. Net income per share was computed as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	4,869,079	4,877,614	4,864,924	4,872,092
Dilutive effect of granted options	8,614	1,170	8,316	904
<b>Diluted weighted average shares outstanding</b>	<b>4,877,693</b>	<b>4,878,784</b>	<b>4,873,240</b>	<b>4,872,996</b>
Net income	\$ 1,752,290	\$ 1,836,461	\$ 5,057,463	\$ 5,258,594
Net income per share-basic	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.04	\$ 1.08
Net income per share-diluted	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.04	\$ 1.08

**Note 4. Equity Compensation Plans**

The Corporation has adopted the 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan (the 2013 Plan ), which the Corporation intends to use for all future equity grants to employees, directors or consultants until the termination or expiration of the 2013 Plan.

Prior to the adoption of the 2013 Plan, the Corporation utilized two stock-based compensation plans, the 1999 Directors Stock Compensation Plan (the Directors Plan ) for directors, and the 1999 Employees Long-Term Incentive Plan (the Employees Plan ) for employees, both of which have expired.

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The following table is a summary of the stock option activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2016.

	Directors Plan		Employees Plan		2013 Plan	
	Number	Weighted	Number	Weighted	Number	Weighted
	of	Average	of	Average	of	Average
	Shares	Exercise	Shares	Exercise	Shares	Exercise
		Price		Price		Price
Outstanding at December 31, 2015	87,000	\$ 21.35	23,000	\$ 23.46		\$
Granted						
Exercised						
Expired	(9,000)	23.70	(23,000)	23.46		
Outstanding at September 30, 2016	78,000	\$ 21.08		\$		\$

The intrinsic value of options previously granted under the Directors Plan at September 30, 2016, was \$203,175, the intrinsic value of options previously granted under the Employees Plan at September 30, 2016, was \$0, and since there were no options granted under the 2013 Plan during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016, the current intrinsic value for the 2013 Plan at September 30, 2016 is \$0, for an aggregate intrinsic value at September 30, 2016, of \$203,175.

During the quarter ended June 30, 2016, the Corporation's directors received restricted stock grants totaling 7,500 shares of common stock under the 2013 Plan. These grants vest over a one-year period ending April 27, 2017 during which time the recipients have rights to vote the shares and to receive dividends. The grant date fair value of these shares was \$161,325 and will be recognized over the one-year vesting period at a cost of \$13,444 per month less deferred taxes of \$5,016 per month. Also during the quarter ended June 30, 2016, there were 1,500 shares of restricted stock that vested pursuant to an incentive plan for senior management.

**Note 5. Income Taxes**

The income tax topic of the Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) defines the threshold for recognizing the benefits of tax return positions in the financial statements as more-likely-than-not to be sustained by the taxing authority. This topic also provides guidance on the de-recognition, measurement and classification of income tax uncertainties, along with any related interest and penalties, and includes guidance concerning accounting for income tax uncertainties in interim periods. As of September 30, 2016, the Corporation had no unrecognized tax benefits related to federal and state income tax matters. Therefore, the Corporation does not anticipate any material increase or decrease in the effective tax rate during 2016 relative to any tax positions taken. It is the Corporation's policy to recognize interest or penalties related to income tax matters in income tax expense.

The Corporation files a consolidated United States federal income tax return. The Corporation is currently open to audit under the statute of limitations by the Internal Revenue Service for all tax years after 2013. The Corporation's consolidated state income tax returns are also open to audit under the statute of limitations for the same period.



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The amortized cost and estimated fair value of securities available-for-sale and the corresponding amounts of gross unrealized gains and losses recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income were as follows:

September 30, 2016	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
<b>Securities available-for-sale</b>				
Obligations of U.S. Government agencies	\$ 169,085,427	\$ 840,946	\$ 139,652	\$ 169,786,721
Mortgage backed securities	129,312,239	976,404	436,597	129,852,046
State, County, Municipals	152,433,503	3,076,906	1,438,818	154,071,591
Other investments	2,884,808	56,151		2,940,959
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 453,715,977</b>	<b>\$ 4,950,407</b>	<b>\$ 2,015,067</b>	<b>\$ 456,651,317</b>

December 31, 2015	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
<b>Securities available-for-sale</b>				
Obligations of U.S. Government agencies	\$ 83,826,411	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,577,145	\$ 82,250,366
Mortgage backed securities	92,602,875	467,693	1,348,603	91,721,965
State, County, Municipals	87,948,336	2,609,469	181,442	90,376,363
Other investments	2,931,134		15,425	2,915,709
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 267,308,756</b>	<b>\$ 3,078,262</b>	<b>\$ 3,122,615</b>	<b>\$ 267,264,403</b>

During the nine months ended September 30, 2016 all of the securities that were classified as held-to-maturity were called or matured and the Corporation does not intend to purchase other securities to be classified as held-to-maturity at this time. This decision to not invest in securities classified held-to-maturity is the main reason for the increase in available-for-sale securities during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016.

In conjunction with the call and maturity of all held-to-maturity securities, the remaining associated balance of unrealized losses in other comprehensive income was fully amortized in the third quarter of 2016.



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At December 31, 2015, the amortized cost and estimated fair value of securities held-to-maturity and the corresponding amounts of gross unrecognized gains and losses were as follows:

December 31, 2015	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
<b>Securities held-to-maturity</b>				
Obligations of U.S. Government agencies	\$ 161,043,404	\$ 8,002,431	\$	\$ 169,045,835
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 161,043,404</b>	<b>\$ 8,002,431</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 169,045,835</b>

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of securities by contractual maturity at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 are shown below. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities because issuers have the right to call or prepay certain obligations.

	September 30, 2016		December 31, 2015	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
<b>Available-for-sale</b>				
Due in one year or less	\$ 7,477,707	\$ 7,546,148	\$ 3,008,448	\$ 3,028,887
Due after one year through five years	19,439,088	20,255,518	13,587,885	13,985,525
Due after five years through ten years	107,939,900	108,841,086	80,749,532	80,346,720
Due after ten years	318,859,282	320,008,565	169,962,891	169,903,271
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 453,715,977</b>	<b>\$ 456,651,317</b>	<b>\$ 267,308,756</b>	<b>\$ 267,264,403</b>
<b>Held-to-maturity</b>				
Due in one year or less	\$	\$	\$	\$
Due after five years through ten years			37,052,187	38,528,059
Due after ten years			123,991,217	130,517,776
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 161,043,404</b>	<b>\$ 169,045,835</b>

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The tables below show the Corporation's gross unrealized losses and fair value of available-for-sale and held-to-maturity investments, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual investments were in a continuous loss position at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

A summary of unrealized loss information for securities available-for-sale, categorized by security type follows (in thousands):

September 30, 2016	Less than 12 months		12 months or more		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
Description of Securities						
Obligations of U.S. government agencies	\$ 50,356	\$ 80	\$ 4,905	\$ 60	\$ 55,261	\$ 140
Mortgage backed securities	30,835	291	27,143	145	57,978	436
State, County, Municipal	60,869	1,412	3,260	27	64,129	1,439
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 142,060</b>	<b>\$ 1,783</b>	<b>\$ 35,308</b>	<b>\$ 232</b>	<b>\$ 177,368</b>	<b>\$ 2,015</b>

December 31, 2015	Less than 12 months		12 months or more		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
Description of Securities						
Obligations of U.S. government agencies	\$ 50,915	\$ 716	\$ 26,335	\$ 861	\$ 77,250	\$ 1,577
Mortgage backed securities	83,001	1,349			83,001	1,349
State, County, Municipal	2,393	10	12,623	172	15,016	182
Other investments			2,916	15	2,916	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 136,309</b>	<b>\$ 2,075</b>	<b>\$ 41,874</b>	<b>\$ 1,048</b>	<b>\$ 178,183</b>	<b>\$ 3,123</b>

The Corporation's unrealized losses on its obligations of United States government agencies, mortgage backed securities and state, county and municipal bonds are the result of an upward trend in interest rates, mainly in the mid-term sector. None of the unrealized losses disclosed in the previous table are related to credit deterioration. The Corporation has determined that none of the securities in this classification were other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2016 nor at December 31, 2015.

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The composition of net loans (in thousands) at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 was as follows:

	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
<b>Real Estate:</b>		
Land Development and Construction	\$ 23,346	\$ 33,133
Farmland	19,902	23,293
1-4 Family Mortgages	100,301	104,046
Commercial Real Estate	191,956	180,691
<b>Total Real Estate Loans</b>	<b>335,505</b>	<b>341,163</b>
<b>Business Loans:</b>		
Commercial and Industrial Loans	54,208	61,425
Farm Production and Other Farm Loans	887	1,055
<b>Total Business Loans</b>	<b>55,095</b>	<b>62,480</b>
<b>Consumer Loans:</b>		
Credit Cards	1,003	1,061
Other Consumer Loans	19,102	25,564
<b>Total Consumer Loans</b>	<b>20,105</b>	<b>26,625</b>
<b>Total Gross Loans</b>	<b>410,705</b>	<b>430,268</b>
Unearned Income	(687)	(686)
Allowance for Loan Losses	(4,113)	(6,474)
<b>Loans, net</b>	<b>\$ 405,905</b>	<b>\$ 423,108</b>

Loans are considered to be past due if the required principal and interest payments have not been received as of the date such payments were due. Loans are placed on non-accrual status, when, in management's opinion, the borrower may be unable to meet payment obligations as they become due, as well as when required by regulatory provisions. Loans may be placed on non-accrual status regardless of whether such loans are considered past due. When interest accruals are discontinued, all unpaid accrued interest is reversed. Interest income is subsequently recognized only to the extent cash payments are received in excess of principal due. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

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Period-end, non-accrual loans (in thousands), segregated by class, were as follows:

	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
<b>Real Estate:</b>		
Land Development and Construction	\$ 139	\$ 75
Farmland	537	158
1-4 Family Mortgages	2,145	2,464
Commercial Real Estate	6,827	11,662
<b>Total Real Estate Loans</b>	<b>9,648</b>	<b>14,359</b>
<b>Business Loans:</b>		
Commercial and Industrial Loans	55	28
<b>Total Business Loans</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Consumer Loans:</b>		
Other Consumer Loans	31	36
<b>Total Consumer Loans</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Total Nonaccrual Loans</b>	<b>\$ 9,734</b>	<b>\$ 14,423</b>

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An aging analysis of past due loans (in thousands), segregated by class, as of September 30, 2016, was as follows:

	Loans 30-89 Days Past Due	Loans 90 or more Days Past Due	Total Past Due Loans	Current Loans	Total Loans	Accruing Loans 90 or more Days Past Due
<b>Real Estate:</b>						
Land Development and Construction	\$ 199	\$ 78	\$ 277	\$ 23,069	\$ 23,346	\$
Farmland	233	407	640	19,262	19,902	
1-4 Family Mortgages	6,326	1,720	8,046	92,255	100,301	1,067
Commercial Real Estate	1,022	1,923	2,945	189,011	191,956	
<b>Total Real Estate Loans</b>	<b>7,780</b>	<b>4,128</b>	<b>11,908</b>	<b>323,597</b>	<b>335,505</b>	<b>1,067</b>
<b>Business Loans:</b>						
Commercial and Industrial Loans	292	77	369	53,839	54,208	22
Farm Production and Other Farm Loans	11		11	876	887	
<b>Total Business Loans</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>54,715</b>	<b>55,095</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Consumer Loans:</b>						
Credit Cards	9	2	11	992	1,003	2
Other Consumer Loans	751		751	18,351	19,102	
<b>Total Consumer Loans</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>19,343</b>	<b>20,105</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Total Loans</b>	<b>\$ 8,843</b>	<b>\$ 4,207</b>	<b>\$ 13,050</b>	<b>\$ 397,655</b>	<b>\$ 410,705</b>	<b>\$ 1,091</b>

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An aging analysis of past due loans (in thousands), segregated by class, as of December 31, 2015 was as follows:

	Loans 30-89 Days Past Due	Loans 90 or more Days Past Due	Total Past Due Loans	Current Loans	Total Loans	Accruing Loans 90 or more Days Past Due
<b>Real Estate:</b>						
Land Development and Construction	\$ 1,126	\$ 21	\$ 1,147	\$ 31,986	\$ 33,133	\$ 21
Farmland	947	4	951	22,342	23,293	4
1-4 Family Mortgages	5,131	573	5,704	98,342	104,046	
Commercial Real Estate	4,015	6,748	10,763	169,928	180,691	
<b>Total Real Estate Loans</b>	<b>11,219</b>	<b>7,346</b>	<b>18,565</b>	<b>322,598</b>	<b>341,163</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Business Loans:</b>						
Commercial and Industrial Loans	245	12	257	61,168	61,425	12
Farm Production and Other Farm Loans	12		12	1,043	1,055	
<b>Total Business Loans</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>62,211</b>	<b>62,480</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Consumer Loans:</b>						
Credit Cards	12	9	21	1,040	1,061	9
Other Consumer Loans	1,017	30	1,047	24,517	25,564	30
<b>Total Consumer Loans</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1,068</b>	<b>25,557</b>	<b>26,625</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Total Loans</b>	<b>\$ 12,505</b>	<b>\$ 7,397</b>	<b>\$ 19,902</b>	<b>\$ 410,366</b>	<b>\$ 430,268</b>	<b>\$ 76</b>

Loans are considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable the Corporation will be unable to collect all amounts due in accordance with the original contractual terms of the loan agreement, including scheduled principal and interest payments. In determining which loans to evaluate for impairment, management looks at all loans over \$100,000 that are past due loans, bankruptcy filings and any situation that might lend itself to cause a borrower to be unable to repay the loan according to the original agreement terms. If a loan is determined to be impaired and the collateral is deemed to be insufficient to fully repay the loan, a specific reserve will be established. Interest payments on impaired loans are typically applied to principal unless collectability of the principal amount is reasonably assured, in which case interest is recognized on a cash basis. Impaired loans or portions thereof, are charged-off when deemed uncollectible.

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Impaired loans (in thousands) as of September 30, 2016, segregated by class, were as follows:

	Unpaid Principal Balance	Recorded Investment With No Allowance	Recorded Investment With Allowance	Total Recorded Investment	Related Allowance	Average Recorded Allowance
<b>Real Estate:</b>						
Land Development and Construction	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Farmland	163		163	163	28	14
1-4 Family Mortgages	2,587		2,587	2,587	354	2,764
Commercial Real Estate	5,771		5,771	5,771	466	7,383
<b>Total Real Estate Loans</b>	<b>8,521</b>		<b>8,521</b>	<b>8,521</b>	<b>848</b>	<b>10,161</b>
<b>Business Loans:</b>						
Commercial and Industrial Loans						
Farm Production and Other Farm Loans						
<b>Total Business Loans</b>						
<b>Consumer Loans:</b>						
Credit Cards						
Other Consumer Loans						
<b>Total Consumer Loans</b>						
<b>Total Loans</b>	<b>\$ 8,521</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 8,521</b>	<b>\$ 8,521</b>	<b>\$ 848</b>	<b>\$ 10,161</b>

During the first quarter of 2016, management and the Board of Directors reviewed the impaired loan listing according to the Corporation's policy of reviewing individual loans for impairment over \$100,000. During this review, 97 loans under that threshold in the amount of \$2,731,121 and 6 loans in the amount of \$1,651,023 that were over the threshold but were determined to not be impaired at March 31, 2016, were removed from the impaired loan listing. Management believes this more accurately reflects the amount of impaired loans evaluated for impairment as part of the computation of the allowance for loan losses.

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Impaired loans (in thousands) as of December 31, 2015, segregated by class, were as follows:

	Unpaid Principal Balance	Recorded Investment With No Allowance	Recorded Investment With Allowance	Total Recorded Investment	Related Allowance	Average Recorded Allowance
<b>Real Estate:</b>						
Land Development and Construction	\$ 75	\$	\$ 75	\$ 75	\$ 75	\$ 85
Farmland	679	69	610	679	54	739
1-4 Family Mortgages	3,103	1,754	1,349	3,103	183	2,829
Commercial Real Estate	11,662	1,409	10,253	11,662	2,685	10,552
<b>Total Real Estate Loans</b>	<b>15,519</b>	<b>3,232</b>	<b>12,287</b>	<b>15,519</b>	<b>2,997</b>	<b>14,205</b>
<b>Business Loans:</b>						
Commercial and Industrial Loans	28	28		28		49
Farm Production and Other Farm Loans						
<b>Total Business Loans</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b>		<b>28</b>		<b>49</b>
<b>Consumer Loans:</b>						
Credit Cards						
Other Consumer Loans	36	36		36		78
<b>Total Consumer Loans</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36</b>		<b>36</b>		<b>78</b>
<b>Total Loans</b>	<b>\$ 15,583</b>	<b>\$ 3,296</b>	<b>\$ 12,287</b>	<b>\$ 15,583</b>	<b>\$ 2,997</b>	<b>\$ 14,332</b>



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The following table presents troubled debt restructurings (in thousands, except for number of loans), segregated by class:

September 30, 2016	Number of Loans	Pre-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Post-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment
Commercial real estate	3	\$ 4,871	\$ 3,467
Total	3	\$ 4,871	\$ 3,467

  

December 31, 2015	Number of Loans	Pre-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Post-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment
Commercial real estate	3	\$ 4,871	\$ 3,858
Total	3	\$ 4,871	\$ 3,858

Changes in the Corporation's troubled debt restructurings (in thousands, except for number of loans) are set forth in the table below:

	Number of Loans	Recorded Investment
Totals at January 1, 2016	3	\$ 3,858
Reductions due to:		
Principal paydowns		(391)
Total at September 30, 2016	3	\$ 3,467

The allocated allowance for loan losses attributable to restructured loans was \$174,274 at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015. The Corporation had no remaining availability under commitments to lend additional funds on these troubled debt restructurings as of September 30, 2016.

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The Corporation utilizes a risk grading matrix to assign a risk grade to each of its loans when originated and is updated as factors related to the strength of the loan changes. Loans are graded on a scale of 1 to 9. A description of the general characteristics of the 9 risk grades follows.

Grade 1. MINIMAL RISK - These loans are without loss exposure to the Corporation. This classification is reserved for only the best, well secured loans to borrowers with significant capital strength, low leverage, stable earnings and growth and other readily available financing alternatives. This type of loan would also include loans secured by a program of the government.

Grade 2. MODEST RISK - These loans include borrowers with solid credit quality and moderate risk of loss. These loans may be fully secured by certificates of deposit with another reputable financial institution, or secured by readily marketable securities with acceptable margins.

Grade 3. AVERAGE RISK - This is the rating assigned to the majority of the loans held by the Corporation. This includes loans with average loss exposure and average overall quality. These loans should liquidate through possessing adequate collateral and adequate earnings of the borrower. In addition, these loans are properly documented and are in accordance with all aspects of the current loan policy.

Grade 4. ACCEPTABLE RISK - Borrower generates sufficient cash flow to fund debt service but most working asset and capital expansion needs are provided from external sources. Profitability and key balance sheet ratios are usually close to peers but one or more may be higher than peers.

Grade 5. MANAGEMENT ATTENTION - Borrower has significant weaknesses resulting from performance trends or management concerns. The financial condition of the borrower has taken a negative turn and may be temporarily strained. Cash flow is weak but cash reserves remain adequate to meet debt service. Management weakness is evident.

Grade 6. OTHER LOANS ESPECIALLY MENTIONED ( OLEM ) - Loans in this category are fundamentally sound but possess some weaknesses. OLEM loans have potential weaknesses which may, if not checked or corrected, weaken the asset or inadequately protect the bank's credit position at some future date. These loans have an identifiable weakness in credit, collateral, or repayment ability but there is no expectation of loss.

Grade 7. SUBSTANDARD ASSETS - Assets classified as substandard are inadequately protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. Assets classified as substandard must have a well-defined weakness based upon objective evidence. Assets classified as substandard are characterized by the distinct possibility that the insured institution will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected. The possibility that liquidation would not be timely requires a substandard classification even if there is little likelihood of total loss.

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Grade 8. DOUBTFUL - A loan classified as doubtful has all the weaknesses of a substandard classification and the added characteristic that the weakness makes collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions, and values, highly questionable or improbable. The possibility of loss is extremely high, but because of certain important and reasonable specific pending factors which may work to the advantage and strengthening of the asset, its classification as an estimated loss is deferred until its more exact status may be determined. A doubtful classification could reflect the fact that the primary source of repayment is gone and serious doubt exists as to the quality of a secondary source of repayment.

Grade 9. LOSS - Loans classified as loss are considered uncollectible and of such little value that their continuance as bankable assets is not warranted. This classification does not mean that the asset has absolutely no recovery or salvage value, but rather it is not practical or desirable to defer writing off this basically worthless asset even though partial recovery may occur in the future. Also included in this classification is the defined loss portion of loans rated substandard assets and doubtful assets.

These internally assigned grades are updated on a continual basis throughout the course of the year and represent management's most updated judgment regarding grades at September 30, 2016.

The following table details the amount of gross loans (in thousands), segregated by loan grade and class, as of September 30, 2016:

	Satisfactory 1,2,3,4	Special Mention 5,6	Substandard 7	Doubtful 8	Loss 9	Total Loans
<b>Real Estate:</b>						
Land Development and Construction	\$ 22,402	\$ 190	\$ 754	\$	\$	\$ 23,346
Farmland	17,732	925	1,245			19,902
1-4 Family Mortgages	86,404	2,964	10,933			100,301
Commercial Real Estate	180,676	2,619	8,661			191,956
<b>Total Real Estate Loans</b>	<b>307,214</b>	<b>6,698</b>	<b>21,593</b>			<b>335,505</b>
<b>Business Loans:</b>						
Commercial and Industrial Loans	53,260	767	181			54,208
Farm Production and Other Farm Loans	887					887
<b>Total Business Loans</b>	<b>54,147</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>181</b>			<b>55,095</b>
<b>Consumer Loans:</b>						
Credit Cards	1,001		2			1,003
Other Consumer Loans	18,859	106	137			19,102
<b>Total Consumer Loans</b>	<b>19,860</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>139</b>			<b>20,105</b>
<b>Total Loans</b>	<b>\$ 381,221</b>	<b>\$ 7,571</b>	<b>\$ 21,913</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 410,705</b>



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The following table details the amount of gross loans (in thousands) segregated by loan grade and class, as of December 31, 2015:

	Satisfactory 1,2,3,4	Special Mention 5,6	Substandard 7	Doubtful 8	Loss 9	Total Loans
<b>Real Estate:</b>						
Land Development and Construction	\$ 31,889	\$ 202	\$ 1,042	\$	\$	\$ 33,133
Farmland	21,084	989	1,220			23,293
1-4 Family Mortgages	88,425	4,874	10,747			104,046
Commercial Real Estate	155,898	12,286	12,507			180,691
<b>Total Real Estate Loans</b>	<b>297,296</b>	<b>18,351</b>	<b>25,516</b>			<b>341,163</b>
<b>Business Loans:</b>						
Commercial and Industrial Loans	60,918	377	130			61,425
Farm Production and Other Farm Loans	1,055					1,055
<b>Total Business Loans</b>	<b>61,973</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>130</b>			<b>62,480</b>
<b>Consumer Loans:</b>						
Credit Cards	1,052		9			1,061
Other Consumer Loans	24,666	111	777	7	3	25,564
<b>Total Consumer Loans</b>	<b>25,718</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26,625</b>
<b>Total Loans</b>	<b>\$ 384,987</b>	<b>\$ 18,839</b>	<b>\$ 26,432</b>	<b>\$ 7</b>	<b>\$ 3</b>	<b>\$ 430,268</b>

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 within the existing portfolio of loans. The allowance, in the judgment of management, is necessary to reserve for estimated loan losses and risks inherent in the loan portfolio.

The allowance on the majority of the loan portfolio is calculated using a historical chargeoff percentage applied to the current loan balances by loan segment. This historical period is the average of the previous twenty quarters with the most current quarters weighted more heavily to show the effect of the most recent chargeoff activity. This percentage is also adjusted for economic factors such as local unemployment and general business conditions, both local and nationwide.

The group of loans that are considered to be impaired are individually evaluated for possible loss and a specific reserve is established to cover any loss contingency. Loans that are determined to be a loss with no benefit of remaining in the portfolio are charged off to the allowance. These specific reserves are reviewed periodically for continued impairment and adequacy of the specific reserve and are adjusted when necessary.

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The following table details activity in the allowance for loan losses by portfolio segment for the nine months ended September 30, 2016:

<b>September 30, 2016</b>	Real Estate	Business Loans	Consumer	Total
Beginning Balance, January 1, 2016	\$ 5,238,895	\$ 643,248	\$ 591,560	\$ 6,473,703
Provision for possible loan losses	214,491	(93,733)	(23,290)	97,468
Chargeoffs	2,508,459	5,428	49,317	2,563,204
Recoveries	32,424	14,381	58,670	105,475
<b>Net chargeoffs</b>	<b>2,476,035</b>	<b>(8,953)</b>	<b>(9,353)</b>	<b>2,457,729</b>
Ending Balance	\$ 2,977,351	\$ 558,468	\$ 577,623	\$ 4,113,442
Period end allowance allocated to:				
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 848,091	\$	\$	\$ 848,091
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment	2,129,260	558,468	577,623	3,265,351
Ending Balance, September 30, 2016	\$ 2,977,351	\$ 558,468	\$ 577,623	\$ 4,113,442

The following table details activity in the allowance for loan losses by portfolio segment for the nine months ended September 30, 2015:

<b>September 30, 2015</b>	Real Estate	Business Loans	Consumer	Total
Beginning Balance, January 1, 2015	\$ 5,202,151	\$ 873,815	\$ 466,360	\$ 6,542,326
Provision for possible loan losses	338,668	(81,216)	150,246	407,698
Chargeoffs	152,503		111,897	264,400
Recoveries	67,843	11,545	63,770	143,158
<b>Net chargeoffs</b>	<b>84,660</b>	<b>(11,545)</b>	<b>48,127</b>	<b>121,242</b>
Ending Balance	\$ 5,456,159	\$ 804,144	\$ 568,479	\$ 6,828,782
Period end allowance allocated to:				
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 2,767,962	\$ 25,000	\$	\$ 2,792,962
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment	2,688,197	779,144	568,479	4,035,820
Ending Balance, September 30, 2015	\$ 5,456,159	\$ 804,144	\$ 568,479	\$ 6,828,782

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The Corporation's recorded investment in loans as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 related to each balance in the allowance for possible loan losses by portfolio segment and disaggregated on the basis of the Corporation's impairment methodology was as follows (in thousands):

	Real Estate	Business Loans	Consumer	Total
<b>September 30, 2016</b>				
Loans individually evaluated for specific impairment	\$ 8,521	\$	\$	\$ 8,521
Loans collectively evaluated for general impairment	326,984	55,095	20,105	402,184
	\$ 335,505	\$ 55,095	\$ 20,105	\$ 410,705

	Real Estate	Business Loans	Consumer	Total
<b>December 31, 2015</b>				
Loans individually evaluated for specific impairment	\$ 15,519	\$ 28	\$ 36	\$ 15,583
Loans collectively evaluated for general impairment	325,644	62,452	26,589	414,685
	\$ 341,163	\$ 62,480	\$ 26,625	\$ 430,268

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The fair value topic of the ASC establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements. This topic clarifies that fair value is an exit price, representing the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. This topic also requires disclosure about how fair value was determined for assets and liabilities and establishes a hierarchy for which these assets and liabilities must be grouped, based on significant levels of inputs as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; or
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs for an asset or liability, such as discounted cash flow models or valuations.

The determination of where assets and liabilities fall within this hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following table presents assets and liabilities that were measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2016:

	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Totals
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
Securities available for sale				
Obligations of U.S. Government Agencies	\$	\$ 169,786,721	\$	\$ 169,786,721
Mortgage-backed securities		129,852,046		129,852,046
State, county and municipal obligations		154,071,591		154,071,591
Other investments			2,940,959	2,940,959
Total	\$	\$ 453,710,358	\$ 2,940,959	\$ 456,651,317



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The following table presents assets and liabilities that were measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2015:

	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Totals
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
Securities available for sale				
Obligations of U.S. Government Agencies	\$	\$ 82,250,366	\$	\$ 82,250,366
Mortgage-backed securities		91,721,965		91,721,965
State, county and municipal obligations		90,376,363		90,376,363
Other investments			2,915,709	2,915,709
Total	\$	\$ 264,348,694	\$ 2,915,709	\$ 267,264,403

The following table reports the activity for 2016 in assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs:

	Fair Value Measurements Using: Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) Structured Financial Product
Balance at January 1, 2016	\$ 2,915,709
Principal payments received	(46,326)
Unrealized gains included in other comprehensive income	71,576
Balance at September 30, 2016	\$ 2,940,959

The Corporation recorded no gains or losses in earnings for the period ended September 30, 2016 or December 31, 2015 that were attributable to the change in unrealized gains or losses relating to assets still held at the reporting date.

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For assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis during 2016 that were still held on the Corporation's balance sheet at September 30, 2016, the following table provides the hierarchy level and the fair value of the related assets:

	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Totals		
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)			
Impaired loans	\$	\$	\$ 7,672,821	\$ 7,672,821		
Other real estate owned			1,964,750	1,964,750		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 9,637,571</b>	<b>\$ 9,637,571</b>		

For assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis during 2015 that were still held on the Corporation's balance sheet at December 31, 2015, the following table provides the hierarchy level and the fair value of the related assets:

	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Totals		
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)			
Impaired loans	\$	\$	\$ 8,926,364	\$ 8,926,364		
Other real estate owned			538,262	538,262		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 9,464,626</b>	<b>\$ 9,464,626</b>		

Impaired loans with a carrying value of \$8,520,912 and \$12,286,822 had an allocated allowance for loan losses of \$848,091 and \$2,996,708 at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. The allocated allowance is based on the carrying value of the impaired loan and the fair value of the underlying collateral less estimated costs to sell.

Real estate acquired through foreclosure or deed in lien, sometimes referred to as other real estate owned ( OREO ) acquired during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016, and recorded at fair value, less costs to sell, was \$2,149,625, of which \$65,257 was acquired and sold during this period. There were no writedowns during the period on properties owned. OREO acquired during 2015 and recorded at fair value, less costs to sell, was \$869,564. There were no additional writedowns during 2015 on OREO acquired in previous years.

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The financial instruments topic of the ASC requires disclosure of financial instruments fair values, as well as the methodology and significant assumptions used in estimating fair values. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. Those techniques are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. In that regard, the derived fair value estimates cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent markets and, in many cases, could not be realized in immediate settlement of the instrument. The financial instruments topic of the ASC excludes certain financial instruments from its disclosure requirements. Accordingly, the aggregate fair value amounts presented do not represent the underlying value of the Corporation and may not be indicative of amounts that might ultimately be realized upon disposition or settlement of those assets and liabilities.

The following represents the carrying value and estimated fair value of the Corporation's financial instruments at September 30, 2016:

September 30, 2016	Carrying Value	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Total Fair Value
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
<b>Financial assets</b>					
Cash and due from banks	\$ 22,727,843	\$ 22,727,843	\$	\$	\$ 22,727,843
Interest bearing deposits with banks	79,169,722	79,169,722			79,169,722
<b>Securities held-to-maturity</b>					
Securities available-for-sale	456,651,317		453,710,358	2,940,959	456,651,317
Net loans	405,905,192			407,167,494	407,167,494
<b>Financial liabilities</b>					
Deposits	\$ 780,463,454	\$ 580,506,344	\$	\$ 200,105,330	\$ 780,611,674
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	20,000,000			20,420,353	20,420,353
Securities Sold under Agreement to Repurchase	118,054,055	118,054,055			118,054,055

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The following represents the carrying value and estimated fair value of the Corporation's financial instruments at December 31, 2015:

December 31, 2015	Carrying Value	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Total Fair Value
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
<b>Financial assets</b>					
Cash and due from banks	\$ 14,947,690	\$ 14,947,690	\$	\$	\$ 14,947,690
Interest bearing deposits with banks	42,267,777	42,267,777			42,267,777
Securities available-for-sale	267,264,403		264,348,694	2,915,709	267,264,403
Securities held-to-maturity	161,043,404		169,045,835		169,045,835
Net loans	423,108,391			425,096,569	425,096,569
<b>Financial liabilities</b>					
Deposits	\$ 753,404,788	\$ 542,640,313	\$	\$ 210,890,430	\$ 753,530,743
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	20,000,000			20,534,935	20,534,935
Securities Sold under Agreement to Repurchase	104,298,182	104,298,182			104,298,182

The fair value estimates, methods and assumptions used by the Corporation in estimating its fair value disclosures for financial statements were as follows:

**Cash and Due from Banks and Interest Bearing Deposits with Banks**

The carrying amounts reported in the balance sheet for these instruments approximate fair value because of their immediate and shorter-term maturities, which are considered to be three months or less when purchased.

**Securities Held-to-Maturity**

Securities held-to-maturity consist of debt securities such as obligations of states and other political subdivisions. Where quoted market prices in active markets are available, securities are classified within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. If quoted prices from active markets are not available, fair values are based on quoted market prices for similar instruments traded in active markets, quoted market prices for identical or similar instruments traded in markets that are not active, or model-based valuation techniques where all significant assumptions are observable in the market. Such instruments are classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. When assumptions used in model-based valuation techniques are not observable in the market, the assumptions used by management reflect estimates of assumptions used by other market participants in determining fair value. When there is limited transparency around the inputs to the valuation, the instruments are classified within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.



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### Securities Available-for-Sale

Fair values for investment securities are based on quoted market prices, when available (Level 1). If quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on quoted market prices of comparable instruments (Level 2). When neither quoted prices nor comparable instruments are available, unobservable inputs are needed to form an expected future cash flow analysis to establish fair values (Level 3).

The Corporation owns certain beneficial interests in one collateralized debt obligation secured by community bank trust preferred securities. These interests do not trade in a liquid market, and therefore, market quotes are not a reliable indicator of their ultimate realizability. The Corporation utilizes a discounted cash flow model using inputs of (1) market yields of trust-preferred securities as the discount rate and (2) expected cash flows which are estimated using assumptions related to defaults, deferrals and prepayments to determine the fair values of these beneficial interests. Many of the factors that adjust the timing and extent of cash flows are based on judgment and not directly observable in the markets. Therefore, these fair values are classified as Level 3 valuations for accounting and disclosure purposes. Since observable transactions in these securities are extremely rare, the Corporation uses assumptions that a market participant would use in valuing these instruments. These assumptions primarily include cash flow estimates and market discount rates. The cash flow estimates are sensitive to the assumptions related to the ability of the issuers to pay the underlying trust preferred securities according to their terms. The market discount rates depend on transactions, which are rare given the lack of interest of investors in these types of beneficial interests.

### Net Loans

For variable-rate loans that reprice frequently and with no significant change in credit risk, fair values are based on carrying values. The fair values for other loans, including impaired loans, (i.e., commercial real estate and rental property mortgage loans, commercial and industrial loans, financial institution loans, and agricultural loans) are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses, using interest rates currently being offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality.

### Deposits

The fair values for demand deposits, NOW and money market accounts and savings accounts are, by definition, equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting date (i.e., their carrying amounts). The carrying amounts for variable-rate, fixed-term money market accounts and time deposits approximate their fair values at the reporting date. Fair values for fixed-rate time deposits are estimated using a discounted cash flow calculation that applies interest rates currently being offered on certificates to a schedule of aggregated expected monthly maturities on time deposits.

### Federal Home Loan Bank ( FHLB ) Borrowings

The fair value of FHLB advances is based on a discounted cash flow analysis.

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### Securities Sold Under Agreement to Repurchase

Due to the short term nature of these instruments, which is generally three months or less, the carrying amount is equal to the fair value.

### Off-Balance Sheet Instruments

The fair value of commitments to extend credit and letters of credit are estimated using fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements. The fees associated with these financial instruments are not material.

### **Note 9. Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-09, *Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting* ( ASU 2016-09 ). ASU 2016-09 is intended to reduce complexity in accounting standards by simplifying several aspects of the accounting for share-based payment transactions, including (1) accounting for income taxes; (2) classification of excess tax benefits on the statement of cash flow; (3) forfeitures; (4) minimum statutory tax withholding requirements; and (5) classification of employee taxes paid on the statement of cash flows when an employer withholds shares for tax withholding purposes. The amendments of ASU 2016-09 are effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016. Management is currently evaluating the impact this ASU will have on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

On June 16, 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Accounting Standards Update ( ASU ) No. 2016-13, *Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments* ( ASU 2016-13 ). The update will significantly change the way entities recognize impairment on many financial assets by requiring immediate recognition of estimated credit losses expected to occur over the asset's remaining life. The FASB describes this impairment recognition model as the current expected credit loss ( CECL ) model and believes the CECL model will result in more timely recognition of credit losses since the CECL model incorporates expected credit losses versus incurred credit losses. The scope of FASB's CECL model would include loans, held-to-maturity debt instruments, lease receivables, loan commitments and financial guarantees that are not accounted for at fair value. For public companies, this update becomes effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Management is currently evaluating the impact this ASU will have on the Company's consolidated financial statements and will continue to monitor FASB's progress on this topic.



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**ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.**

**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

In addition to historical information, this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (the "Quarterly Report") contains statements that constitute forward-looking statements and information within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which are based on management's beliefs, plans, expectations and assumptions and on information currently available to management. The words may, should, expect, anticipate, intend, plan, continue, believe, seek, estimate and similar words used in this Quarterly Report that do not relate to historical facts are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements appear in a number of places in this Quarterly Report. The Corporation notes that a variety of factors could cause the actual results or experience to differ materially from the anticipated results or other expectations described or implied by such forward-looking statements. The risks and uncertainties that may affect the operation, performance, development and results of the Corporation's business include, but are not limited to, the following: (a) the risk of adverse changes in business conditions in the banking industry generally and in the specific markets in which the Corporation operates; (b) changes in the legislative and regulatory environment that negatively impact the Corporation through increased operating expenses; (c) increased competition from other financial institutions; (d) the impact of technological advances; (e) expectations about the movement of interest rates, including actions that may be taken by the Federal Reserve Board in response to changing economic conditions; (f) changes in asset quality and loan demand; (g) expectations about overall economic strength and the performance of the economies in the Corporation's market area; and (h) other risks detailed from time to time in the Corporation's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Corporation does not undertake any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements subsequent to the date of this Quarterly Report, or if earlier, the date on which such statements were made.

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Management's discussion and analysis is intended to provide greater insight into the results of operations and the financial condition of Citizens Holding Company and its wholly owned subsidiary, The Citizens Bank of Philadelphia (the Bank, and collectively with Citizens Holding Company, the Corporation). The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes appearing elsewhere in this Quarterly Report.

### **OVERVIEW**

The Company is a one-bank holding company incorporated under the laws of the State of Mississippi on February 16, 1982. The Company is the sole shareholder of The Citizens Bank of Philadelphia (Bank). The Company does not have any subsidiaries other than the Bank.

The Bank was opened on February 8, 1908 as The First National Bank of Philadelphia. In 1917, the Bank surrendered its national charter and obtained a state charter, at which time the name of the Bank was changed to The Citizens Bank of Philadelphia, Mississippi. At September, 2016, the Bank was the largest bank headquartered in Neshoba County, Mississippi, with total assets of \$1.025 billion and total deposits of \$780.5 million

The principal executive offices of both the Company and the Bank are located at 521 Main Street, Philadelphia, Mississippi 39350, and the main telephone number is (601) 656-4692. All references hereinafter to the activities or operations of the Company reflect the Company's activities or operations through the Bank.

### **LIQUIDITY**

The Corporation has an asset and liability management program that assists management in maintaining net interest margins during times of both rising and falling interest rates and in maintaining sufficient liquidity. A measurement of liquidity is the ratio of net deposits and short-term liabilities divided by the sum of net cash, short-term investments and marketable assets. This measurement for liquidity of the Corporation at September 30, 2016, was 40.40% and at December 31, 2015, was 32.73%. The increase was due to an increase in short term marketable assets at September 30, 2016. Management believes it maintains adequate liquidity for the Corporation's current needs.

The Corporation's primary source of liquidity is customer deposits, which were \$780,463,454 at September 30, 2016, and \$753,404,788 at December 31, 2015. Other sources of liquidity include investment securities, the Corporation's line of credit with the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) and federal funds lines with correspondent banks. The Corporation had \$456,651,317 invested in available-for-sale investment securities at September 30, 2016, and \$267,264,403 at December 31, 2015. This increase is due to the Corporation investing matured or called funds in the held-to-maturity classification to the available-for-sale classification. The Corporation also had \$79,169,722 in interest bearing deposits at other banks at September 30, 2016 and \$42,267,777 at December 31, 2015. The increase in interest bearing deposits was the result of long term investments being called or matured. The Corporation had secured and unsecured federal funds lines with correspondent banks in the amount of \$45,000,000 at both

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September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015. In addition, the Corporation has the ability to draw on its line of credit with the FHLB. At September 30, 2016, the Corporation had unused and available \$99,873,547 of its line of credit with the FHLB and at December 31, 2015, the Corporation had unused and available \$146,840,812 of its line of credit with the FHLB. The decrease in the amount available under the Corporation's line of credit with the FHLB from the end of 2015 to September 30, 2016, was the result of a decrease in the amount of loans eligible for the collateral pool securing the Corporation's line of credit with the FHLB. The Corporation had no federal funds purchased as of both September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015. The Corporation may purchase federal funds from correspondent banks on a temporary basis to meet short term funding needs.

When the Corporation has more funds than it needs for its reserve requirements or short-term liquidity needs, the Corporation increases its investment portfolio, increases the balances in interest bearing due from bank accounts or sells federal funds. It is management's policy to maintain an adequate portion of its portfolio of assets and liabilities on a short-term basis to insure rate flexibility and to meet loan funding and liquidity needs. When deposits decline or do not grow sufficiently to fund loan demand, management will seek funding either through federal funds purchased or advances from the FHLB.

**CAPITAL RESOURCES**

Total shareholders' equity was \$97,071,374 at September 30, 2016, as compared to \$86,425,336 at December 31, 2015. The increase in shareholders' equity was the result of a decrease in the accumulated other comprehensive loss brought about by the investment securities market value adjustment as well as the increase in the amount of earnings in excess of dividends paid. The market value adjustment, which was an increase was due to general market conditions, specifically the decrease in medium term interest rates, which caused an increase in the market price of the Corporation's investment portfolio.

The Corporation paid aggregate cash dividends in the amount of \$3,514,296, or \$0.72 per share, during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$0.69 per share for the same period in 2015.

Quantitative measures established by federal regulations to ensure capital adequacy require the Corporation to maintain minimum amounts and ratios of Total and Tier 1 capital (primarily common stock and retained earnings, less goodwill) to risk weighted assets, and of Tier 1 capital to average assets. Management believes that as of September 30, 2016, the Corporation meets all capital adequacy requirements to which it is subject and according to these requirements the Corporation is considered to be well capitalized.

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	Actual		Minimum Capital Requirement to be Well Capitalized		Minimum Capital Requirement to be Adequately Capitalized	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
<b>September 30, 2016</b>						
Citizens Holding Company						
Tier 1 leverage ratio	\$ 92,081	9.25%	\$ 49,796	5.00%	\$ 39,837	4.00%
Common Equity tier 1 capital ratio	92,081	9.25%	64,735	6.50%	44,817	4.50%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	92,081	17.51%	42,080	8.00%	31,560	6.00%
Total risk-based capital ratio	96,195	18.29%	52,599	10.00%	42,080	8.00%

**December 31, 2015**

Citizens Holding Company						
Tier 1 leverage ratio	\$ 90,392	9.26%	\$ 48,822	5.00%	\$ 39,058	4.00%
Common Equity tier 1 capital ratio	90,392	9.26%	63,469	6.50%	43,940	4.50%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	90,392	16.37%	44,175	8.00%	33,131	6.00%
Total risk-based capital ratio	96,866	17.54%	55,219	10.00%	44,175	8.00%

The Dodd-Frank Act requires the Federal Reserve Bank ( FRB ), the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency ( OCC ) and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ( FDIC ) to adopt regulations imposing a continuing floor on the risk based capital requirements. In December 2010, the Basel Committee released a final framework for a strengthened set of capital requirements, known as Basel III . In early July 2013, each of the U.S. federal banking agencies adopted final rules relevant to us: (1) the Basel III regulatory capital reforms; and (2) the standardized approach of Basel II for non-core banks and bank holding companies , such as the Bank and the Corporation. The capital framework under Basel III will replace the existing regulatory capital rules for all banks, savings associations and U.S. bank holding companies with greater than \$500 million in total assets, and all savings and loan holding companies.

Beginning January 1, 2015, the Corporation and the Bank were required to comply with the final Basel III rules, although the rules will not be fully phased-in until January 1, 2019. Among other things, the final Basel III rules will impact regulatory capital ratios of banking organizations in the following manner, when fully phased-in:

Create a new requirement to maintain a ratio of common equity Tier 1 capital to total risk-weighted assets of not less than 4.5%;

Increase the minimum leverage capital ratio to 4% for all banking organizations (currently 3% for certain banking organizations);

Increase the minimum Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio from 4% to 6%; and

Maintain the minimum total risk-based capital ratio at 8%.

In addition, the final Basel III rules, when fully phased-in, will subject a banking organization to certain limitations on capital distributions and discretionary bonus payments to executive officers if the organization did not maintain a capital conservation buffer of common equity Tier 1 capital in an amount greater than 2.5% of its total risk-weighted assets. The effect of the capital conservation buffer, when fully phased-in, will be to increase the minimum common

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equity Tier 1 capital ratio to 7%, the minimum Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio to 8.5% and the minimum total risk-based capital ratio to 10.5% for banking organizations seeking to avoid the limitations on capital distributions and discretionary bonus payments to executive officers.

The final Basel III rules also changed the capital categories for insured depository institutions for purposes of prompt corrective action. Under the final rules, to be well capitalized, an insured depository institution must maintain a minimum common equity Tier 1 capital ratio of at least 6.5%, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of at least 8%, a total risk-based capital ratio of at least 10.0%, and a leverage capital ratio of at least 5%. In addition, the final Basel III rules established more conservative standards for including an instrument in regulatory capital and imposed certain deductions from and adjustments to the measure of common equity Tier 1 capital.

Management believes that, as of September 30, 2016, the Corporation and the Bank would meet all capital adequacy requirements under Basel III and the banking agencies' proposals on a fully phased-in basis, if such requirements were currently effective. The changes to the calculation of risk-weighted assets required by Basel III did not have a material impact on the Corporation's capital ratios as presented. Management will continue to monitor these and any future proposals submitted by the Corporation's and Bank's regulators.

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The following table sets forth for the periods indicated, certain items in the consolidated statements of income of the Corporation and the related changes between those periods:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Interest Income, including fees	\$ 7,573,627	\$ 7,788,461	\$ 22,778,695	\$ 23,190,851
Interest Expense	753,488	765,625	2,277,625	2,252,483
Net Interest Income	6,820,139	7,022,836	20,501,070	20,938,368
Provision for Loan Losses	184,018	141,704	97,468	407,698
Net Interest Income after Provision for Loan Losses	6,636,121	6,881,132	20,403,602	20,530,670
Other Income	2,079,658	2,017,613	5,803,485	5,621,209
Other Expense	6,557,413	6,474,879	19,857,197	19,283,003
Income Before Provision For Income Taxes	2,158,366	2,423,866	6,349,890	6,868,876
Provision for Income Taxes	406,076	587,405	1,292,427	1,610,282
Net Income	\$ 1,752,290	\$ 1,836,461	\$ 5,057,463	\$ 5,258,594
Net Income Per share - Basic	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.04	\$ 1.08
Net Income Per Share-Diluted	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.04	\$ 1.08

See Note 3 to the Corporation's Consolidated Financial Statements for an explanation regarding the Corporation's calculation of Net Income Per Share - basic and - diluted.

Annualized return on average equity ( ROE ) was 7.64% for the three months ended September 30, 2016, and 8.78% for the corresponding period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, ROE was 7.40% compared to 8.39% for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. In both instances, the decrease in ROE was caused by the increase in equity balances for both periods.

Book value per share increased to \$19.88 at September 30, 2016, compared to \$17.73 at December 31, 2015. The increase in book value per share reflects the amount of earnings in excess of dividends and a decrease in other comprehensive loss due to the increase in fair value of the Corporation's investment securities. Average assets for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, were \$992,221,236 compared to \$945,269,885 for the year ended December 31, 2015. This increase was due mainly to an increase in available-for-sale securities offset by a decrease in

held-to-maturity securities.



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One component of the Corporation's earnings is net interest income, which is the difference between the interest and fees earned on loans and investments and the interest paid for deposits and borrowed funds. The net interest margin is net interest income expressed as a percentage of average earning assets.

The annualized net interest margin was 3.10% for the quarter ended September 30, 2016 compared to 3.34% for the corresponding period of 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, annualized net interest margin was 3.11% compared to 3.39% for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. The decrease in net interest margin for both periods ended September 30, 2016, when compared to the same periods in 2015, was the result of the decrease in yields on earning assets exceeding the decrease in rates paid on deposits and borrowed funds, as detailed below. Earning assets averaged \$923,004,291 for the three months ended September 30, 2016. This represents an increase of \$58,458,503, or 6.8%, over average earning assets of \$864,545,788 for the three months ended September 30, 2015. Earning assets averaged \$913,503,971 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. This represents an increase of \$61,016,940, or 7.2%, over average earning assets of \$852,487,031 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. The increase in average earning assets for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, is the result of an increase in investment securities.

Interest bearing deposits averaged \$621,412,181 for the three months ended September 30, 2016. This represents an increase of \$31,901,186, or 5.4%, from the average of interest bearing deposits of \$589,510,995 for the three months ended September 30, 2015. This was due, in large part, to an increase in interest-bearing NOW, money market accounts and savings accounts partially offset by a decrease in certificates of deposit.

Other borrowed funds averaged \$123,728,720 for the three months ended September 30, 2016. This represents an increase of \$4,528,796, or 3.8%, over the other borrowed funds of \$119,199,924 for the three months ended September 30, 2015. This increase in other borrowed funds was due to a \$4,603,514 increase in the securities sold under agreements to repurchase, a \$14,935 decrease in the Agribusiness Enterprise Loan Liability and a \$59,783 decrease in Federal Funds Purchased for the three months ended September 30, 2016, when compared to the three months ended September 30, 2015.

Interest bearing deposits averaged \$622,267,850 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. This represents an increase of \$45,328,422, or 7.9%, from the average of interest bearing deposits of \$576,939,428 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. This was due, in large part, to an increase in interest-bearing NOW, money market accounts and savings accounts, partially offset by a decrease in certificates of deposit.

Other borrowed funds averaged \$123,768,381 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. This represents an increase of \$675,112, or 0.5%, over the other borrowed funds of \$123,093,269 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. This increase in other borrowed

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funds was due to a \$706,942 increase in the securities sold under agreements to repurchase, a \$14,383 decrease in the Agribusiness Enterprise Loan Liability and a \$17,447 decrease in Federal Funds Purchased for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, when compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

Net interest income was \$6,820,139 for the three months ended September 30, 2016, a decrease of \$202,697 from \$7,022,836 for the three months ended September 30, 2015, primarily due to a decrease in interest rates partially offset by an increase in earning assets. The changes in volume in earning assets and in deposits and in borrowed funds are discussed above. As for changes in interest rates in the three months ended September 30, 2016, the yields on earning assets decreased more than the rates paid on deposits and borrowed funds decreased from the same period in 2015. The yield on all interest bearing assets decreased 26 basis points to 3.43% in the three months ended September 30, 2016 from 3.69% for the same period in 2015. At the same time, the rate paid on all interest bearing liabilities for the three months ended September 30, 2016 dropped 3 basis points to 0.40% from 0.43% in the same period in 2015. As longer term interest bearing assets and liabilities mature and reprice, management believes that the yields on interest bearing assets and rates on interest bearing liabilities will both increase.

Net interest income was \$20,501,070 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, a decrease of \$437,298 from \$20,938,368 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, primarily due to a decrease in interest rates partially offset by an increase in earning assets. The changes in volume in earning assets and in deposits and in borrowed funds are discussed above. As for changes in interest rates in the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the yields on earning assets decreased more than the rates paid on deposits and borrowed funds decreased from the same period in 2015. The yield on all interest bearing assets decreased 29 basis points to 3.44% in the nine months ended September 30, 2016 from 3.73% for the same period in 2015. At the same time, the rate paid on all interest bearing liabilities for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 dropped 3 basis points to 0.40% from 0.43% in the same period in 2015. As longer term interest bearing assets and liabilities mature and reprice, management believes that the yields on interest bearing assets and rates on interest bearing liabilities will both increase.

The following table shows the interest and fees and corresponding yields for loans only.

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Interest and Fees	\$ 4,825,800	\$ 5,037,766	\$ 14,344,314	\$ 15,033,778
Average Gross Loans	409,041,715	417,299,195	412,566,347	408,254,701
Annualized Yield	4.72%	4.83%	4.64%	4.91%

The decrease in interest rates in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, reflects the decrease in all loan interest rates for both new and refinanced loans in the period.

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**CREDIT LOSS EXPERIENCE**

As a natural corollary to the Corporation's lending activities, some loan losses are to be expected. The risk of loss varies with the type of loan being made and the overall creditworthiness of the borrower over the term of the loan. The degree of perceived risk is taken into account in establishing the structure of, and interest rates and security for, specific loans and for various types of loans. The Corporation attempts to minimize its credit risk exposure by use of thorough loan application and approval procedures.

The Corporation maintains a program of systematic review of its existing loans. Loans are graded for their overall quality. Those loans, which management determines require further monitoring and supervision, are segregated and reviewed on a regular basis. Significant problem loans are reviewed monthly by the Corporation's management and Board of Directors.

The Corporation charges off that portion of any loan that the Corporation's management and Board of Directors has determined to be a loss. A loan is generally considered by management to represent a loss, in whole or in part, when exposure beyond the collateral value is apparent, servicing of the unsecured portion has been discontinued or collection is not anticipated based on the borrower's financial condition. The general economic conditions in the borrower's industry influence this determination. The principal amount of any loan that is declared a loss is charged against the Corporation's allowance for loan losses.

The Corporation's allowance for loan losses is designed to provide for loan losses that can be reasonably anticipated. The allowance for loan losses is established through charges to operating expenses in the form of provisions for loan losses. Actual loan losses or recoveries are charged or credited to the allowance for loan losses. The Board of Directors determines the amount of the allowance. Among the factors considered in determining the allowance for loan losses are the current financial condition of the Corporation's borrowers and the value of security, if any, for their loans. Estimates of future economic conditions and their impact on various industries and individual borrowers are also taken into consideration, as are the Corporation's historical loan loss experience and reports of banking regulatory authorities. As these estimates, factors and evaluations are primarily judgmental, no assurance can be given as to whether the Corporation will sustain loan losses in excess or below its allowance or that subsequent evaluation of the loan portfolio may not require material increases or decreases in such allowance.

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The following table summarizes the Corporation's allowance for loan losses for the dates indicated:

	Quarter Ended September 30, 2016	Year Ended December 31, 2015	Amount of Increase (Decrease)	Percent of Increase (Decrease)
<b>BALANCES:</b>				
Gross Loans	\$ 410,705,641	\$ 430,267,746	\$ (19,562,105)	-4.55%
Allowance for Loan Losses	4,113,442	6,473,703	(2,360,261)	-36.46%
Nonaccrual Loans	9,733,846	14,422,613	(4,688,767)	-32.51%
<b>Ratios:</b>				
Allowance for loan losses to gross loans	1.00%	1.50%		
Net loans charged off to allowance for loan losses	59.75%	9.66%		

The provision for loan losses for the three months ended September 30, 2016 was \$184,018, an increase of \$42,314 from the \$141,704 provision for the same period in 2015. The provision for loan losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was \$97,468, a decrease of \$310,230 from the \$407,698 provision for the same period in 2015. The change in the Corporation's loan loss provisions for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 is a result of management's assessment of inherent loss in the loan portfolio, including the impact caused by current local, national and international economic conditions. The Corporation's model used to calculate the provision is based on the percentage of historical charge-offs applied to the current loan balances by loan segment and specific reserves applied to certain impaired loans. Nonaccrual loans decreased during this period due to the amount of payments received and loans charged off in excess of new loans being added to the nonaccrual loan list.

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, net loan losses charged to the allowance for loan losses totaled \$879,571, an increase of \$873,735 from the \$5,836 charged off in the same period in 2015. The increase was mainly due to a charge off on single loan in the amount of \$815,907 on commercial real estate. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, net loan losses charged to the allowance for loan losses totaled \$2,457,729, an increase of \$2,336,487 from the \$121,242 charged off in the same period in 2015. The net loan losses for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 contained \$2,339,308 in losses on two long-term commercial real estate loan for which the Corporation had previously provided a specific reserve against this loss through the provision for loan loss.

Management reviews quarterly with the Corporation's Board of Directors the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses. The loan loss provision is adjusted when specific items reflect a need for such an adjustment. Management believes that there were no material loan losses during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 that have not been charged off. Management also believes that the Corporation's allowance will be adequate to absorb probable losses inherent in the Corporation's loan portfolio. However, it remains possible that additional provisions for loan loss may be required.

**Table of Contents****OTHER INCOME**

Other income includes service charges on deposit accounts, wire transfer fees, safe deposit box rentals and other revenue not derived from interest on earning assets. Other income for the three months ended September 30, 2016 was \$2,079,658, an increase of \$62,045, or 3.1%, from \$2,017,613 the same period in 2015. Service charges on deposit accounts were \$1,009,486 in the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$1,036,964 for the same period in 2015. Other service charges and fees increased by \$32,361, or 5.2%, to \$658,644 in the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$626,283 for the same period in 2015. Other operating income not derived from service charges or fees increased \$57,162, or 16.1% to \$411,528 in the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$354,366 for the same period in 2015. This increase was due mainly to an increase in mortgage loan origination income from long-term mortgage loans originated for sale to the secondary market.

Other income for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was \$5,803,485, an increase of \$182,276, or 3.2%, from \$5,621,209 for the same period in 2015. Service charges on deposit accounts were \$2,794,790 in the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$2,877,841 for the same period in 2015. Other service charges and fees increased by \$130,844, or 7.6%, to \$1,852,141 in the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$1,721,297 for the same period in 2015. Other operating income not derived from service charges or fees increased \$134,483, or 13.2% to \$1,156,554 in the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$1,022,071 for the same period in 2015. This increase was due mainly to an increase in mortgage loan origination income from long-term mortgage loans originated for sale to the secondary market.

The following is a detail of the other major income classifications that were included in other operation income on the income statement:

	Three months		Nine months	
	Ended September 30, 2016	2015	Ended September 30, 2016	2015
Other operating income				
BOLI Insurance	\$ 144,000	\$ 144,000	\$ 424,000	\$ 432,000
Mortgage Loan Origination Income	117,186	87,025	359,815	269,413
Income from security sales, net	60,053	13,699	97,191	13,699
Other Income	90,289	109,642	275,548	306,959
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$ 411,528</b>	<b>\$ 354,366</b>	<b>\$ 1,156,554</b>	<b>\$ 1,022,071</b>

**OTHER EXPENSES**

Other expenses include salaries and employee benefits, occupancy and equipment, and other operating expenses. Aggregate non-interest expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 were \$6,557,413 and \$6,474,879, respectively, an increase of \$82,534, or 1.3%. Salaries and benefits increased to \$3,460,948 for the three months ended September 30, 2016, from \$3,341,356 for the same period in 2015. Occupancy expense decreased by \$26,859, or 2.0%, to \$1,329,796 for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$1,356,655 for the same period of 2015. Other operating expenses decreased by \$10,199 to \$1,766,669 for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$1,776,868 for the same period of 2015. A detail of the major expense classifications is set forth below.



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Total non-interest expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 were \$19,857,197 and \$19,283,003, respectively, an increase of \$574,194, or 3.0% from 2015 to 2016. Salaries and benefits were \$10,341,493 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, and \$10,038,040 for the same period in 2015, an increase of \$303,453, or 2.9%. Occupancy expense decreased by \$85,871, or 2.2%, to \$3,867,043 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, when compared to \$3,952,914 for the same period in 2015. Other operating expenses increased by \$356,612 to \$5,648,661 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, when compared to \$5,292,049 for the same period in 2015. A detail of the major expense classifications is set forth below.

The following is a detail of the major expense classifications that make up the other operating expense line item in the income statement:

Other Operating Expense	Three months		Nine months	
	ended September 30, 2016	2015	ended September 30, 2016	2015
Advertising	161,329	213,644	597,711	603,051
Office Supplies	215,304	124,615	500,176	399,168
Legal and Audit Fees	143,828	97,274	371,005	311,334
Telephone expense	119,070	118,891	337,127	330,992
Postage and Freight	128,086	117,253	365,463	349,389
Loan Collection Expense	42,496	57,282	332,342	148,628
Other Losses	7,871	47,262	219,005	229,010
Regulatory and related expense	200,887	188,348	620,087	569,326
Debit Card/ATM expense	160,526	55,957	348,253	253,801
Travel and Convention	60,909	68,152	199,224	209,391
Other expenses	526,363	688,190	1,758,268	1,887,959
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>\$ 1,766,669</b>	<b>\$ 1,776,868</b>	<b>\$ 5,648,661</b>	<b>\$ 5,292,049</b>

The Corporation's efficiency ratio for the three months ended September 30, 2016 was 65.70%, compared to 68.30% for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, the Corporation's efficiency ratio was 71.26% and 70.19%, respectively. The efficiency ratio is the ratio of non-interest expenses divided by the sum of net interest income (on a fully tax equivalent basis) and non-interest income.

**Table of Contents****BALANCE SHEET ANALYSIS**

	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015	Amount of Increase (Decrease)	Percent of Increase (Decrease)
Cash and Due From Banks	\$ 22,727,843	\$ 14,947,690	\$ 7,780,153	52.05%
Interest Bearing deposits with Other Banks	79,169,722	42,267,777	36,901,945	87.31%
Investment Securities	456,651,317	428,307,807	28,343,510	6.62%
Loans, net	405,905,192	423,108,391	(17,203,199)	-4.07%
Premises and Equipment	18,256,915	18,655,691	(398,776)	-2.14%
Total Assets	1,025,126,197	973,504,542	51,621,655	5.30%
Total Deposits	780,463,454	753,404,788	27,058,666	3.59%
Total Shareholders' Equity	97,071,374	86,425,336	10,646,038	12.32%

**CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

Cash and cash equivalents, which consist of cash, balances at correspondent banks and items in process of collection, balance at September 30, 2016 was \$22,727,843, which was an increase of \$7,780,153 from the balance of \$14,947,690 at December 31, 2015. The increase was due to an increase in the balances at correspondent banks due to an increase in the amount of checks drawn on other banks in the normal process of clearing funds between these banks.

**INVESTMENT SECURITIES**

The Corporation's investment securities portfolio primarily consists of United States agency debentures, mortgage-backed securities and obligations of states, counties and municipalities. The Corporation's investment securities portfolio at September 30, 2016, increased by \$28,343,510, or 6.6%, to \$456,651,317 from \$428,307,807 at December 31, 2015. This increase was due to additional purchases of mortgage backed securities, agency and state county and municipal securities, which was partially funded by increases in deposits, a decrease in loan balances and by changes in the market value of the Corporation's investment securities portfolio.

**LOANS**

The Corporation's loan balance decreased by \$17,203,199 during the nine months ended September 30, 2016, to \$405,905,192 from \$423,108,391 at December 31, 2015. Loan demand weakened, especially in business loan and consumer loan categories, and competition for available loans continued to be strong during the nine months ended September 30, 2016. No material changes were made to the loan products offered by the Corporation during this period.



**Table of Contents****PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT**

During the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Corporation's premises and equipment decreased by \$398,776, or 2.1%, to \$18,256,915 from \$18,655,691 at December 31, 2015. The decrease was due to depreciation expense exceeding the amount of property and equipment added for the period.

**DEPOSITS**

The following table shows the balance and percentage change in the various deposits:

**DEPOSITS**

	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015	Amount of Increase (Decrease)	Percent of Increase (Decrease)
Noninterest-Bearing Deposits	\$ 153,457,624	\$ 148,724,257	\$ 4,733,367	3.18%
Interest-Bearing Deposits	353,925,816	323,381,170	30,544,646	9.45%
Savings Deposits	73,122,905	70,534,886	2,588,019	3.67%
Certificates of Deposit	199,957,109	210,764,475	(10,807,366)	-5.13%
<b>Total deposits</b>	<b>\$ 780,463,454</b>	<b>\$ 753,404,788</b>	<b>\$ 27,058,666</b>	<b>3.59%</b>

Interest-bearing and noninterest-bearing deposits and savings increased while certificates of deposit decreased during the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Management continually monitors the interest rates on loan and deposit products to ensure that the Corporation is in line with the rates dictated by the market and our asset and liability management objectives. These rate adjustments impact deposit balances.

**OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

Please refer to Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report for a discussion of the nature and extent of the Corporation's off-balance sheet arrangements, which consist solely of commitments to fund loans and letters of credit.

**CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS**

There have been no material changes outside of the ordinary course of the Corporation's business to the contractual obligations set forth in Note 12 to the Corporation's financial statements contained in the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

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**ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.**

The following discussion of operations outlines specific risks that could affect the Corporation's ability to compete, change the Corporation's risk profile or eventually impact the Corporation's financial condition or results. The risks the Corporation faces generally are similar to those experienced, to varying degrees, by all financial services companies.

The Corporation's strategies and its management's ability to react to changing competitive and economic environments have historically enabled the Corporation to compete effectively and manage risks to acceptable levels. The Corporation has outlined potential risks below that it presently believes could be important; however, other risks may prove to be important in the future. New risks may emerge at any time and the Corporation cannot predict with certainty all potential developments that could affect the Corporation's financial condition or results of operation. The following discussion highlights potential risks, which could intensify over time or shift dynamically in a way that might change the Corporation's risk profile.

**Competition Risks**

The market in which the Corporation competes is saturated with community banks seeking to provide a service-oriented banking experience to individuals and businesses compared with what the Corporation believes is the more rigid and less friendly environment found in larger banks. This requires the Corporation to offer most, if not all, of the products and conveniences that are offered by the larger banks, but with a service differentiation. In doing so, it is imperative that the Corporation identify the lines of business that the Corporation can excel in, prudently utilize the Corporation's available capital to acquire the people and platforms required thereof, and execute on these strategies.

**Credit Risks**

Like all lenders, the Corporation faces the risk that the Corporation's customers may not repay their loans and that the realizable value of collateral may be insufficient to avoid a loss of principal. In the Corporation's business, some level of credit loss is unavoidable and overall levels of credit loss can vary over time. The Corporation's ability to manage credit risk depends primarily upon the Corporation's ability to assess the creditworthiness of customers and the value of collateral, including real estate. The Corporation controls credit risk by diversifying the Corporation's loan portfolio and managing its composition, and by recording and managing an allowance for expected loan losses in accordance with applicable accounting rules. At the end of September 30, 2016, the Corporation had approximately \$4.1 million of available reserves to cover such losses. The models and approaches the Corporation uses to originate and manage loans are regularly reviewed, if necessary or advisable, updated to take into account changes in the competitive environment, in real estate prices and other collateral values, and in the economy, among other things, based on the Corporation's experience originating loans and servicing loan portfolios.

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### Financing, Funding and Liquidity Risks

One of the most important aspects of management's efforts to sustain long-term profitability for the Corporation is the management of interest rate risk. Management's goal is to maximize net interest income within acceptable levels of interest-rate risk and liquidity.

The Corporation's assets and liabilities are principally financial in nature and the resulting earnings thereon are subject to significant variability due to the timing and extent to which the Corporation can reprice the yields on interest-earning assets and the costs of interest bearing liabilities as a result of changes in market interest rates. Interest rates in the financial markets affect the Corporation's decisions on pricing its assets and liabilities, which impacts net interest income, an important cash flow stream for the Corporation. As a result, a substantial part of the Corporation's risk-management activities are devoted to managing interest-rate risk. Currently, the Corporation does not have any significant risks related to foreign currency exchange, commodities or equity risk exposures.

### Interest Rate and Yield Curve Risks

A significant portion of the Corporation's business involves borrowing and lending money. Accordingly, changes in interest rates directly impact the Corporation's revenues and expenses, and potentially could compress the Corporation's net interest margin. The Corporation actively manages its balance sheet to control the risks of a reduction in net interest margin brought about by ordinary fluctuations in rates.

Like all financial services companies, the Corporation faces the risk of abnormalities in the yield curve. The yield curve shows the interest rates applicable to short and long term debt. The curve is steep when short-term rates are much lower than long-term rates, it is flat when short-term rates are equal, or nearly equal, to long-term rates, and it is inverted when short-term rates exceed long-term rates. Historically, the yield curve has been positively sloped. A flat or inverted yield curve tends to decrease net interest margin, as funding costs increase relative to the yield on assets. Currently, the yield curve is positively sloped.

### Regulatory and Legal Risks

The Corporation operates in a heavily regulated industry and therefore is subject to many banking, deposit, and consumer lending laws as well as the rules and regulations promulgated by the FDIC, FRB, Securities and Exchange Commission and the NASDAQ stock market. Failure to comply with applicable regulations could result in financial or operational penalties. In addition, efforts to comply with applicable regulations may increase the Corporation's costs and/or limit the Corporation's ability to pursue certain business opportunities. Federal and state regulations significantly limit the types of activities in which the Corporation, as a financial institution, may engage. In addition, the Corporation is subject to a wide array of other regulations that govern other aspects of how the Corporation conducts business, such as in the areas of employment and intellectual property. Federal and state legislative and regulatory authorities occasionally consider changing these regulations or adopting new ones. Such actions could limit the amount of interest or fees the Corporation can charge, could restrict the Corporation's ability to collect loans or realize on collateral or could materially affect us in other

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ways. Additional federal and state consumer protection regulations could also expand the privacy protections afforded to customers of financial institutions, restricting the Corporation's ability to share or receive customer information and increasing the Corporation's costs. In addition, changes in accounting rules can significantly affect how the Corporation records and reports assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and earnings.

The Corporation also faces litigation risks from customers (individually or in class actions) and from federal or state regulators. Litigation is an unavoidable part of doing business, and the Corporation manages those risks through internal controls, personnel training, insurance, litigation management, the Corporation's compliance and ethics processes and other means. However, the commencement, outcome and magnitude of litigation cannot be predicted or controlled with any certainty.

## Accounting Estimate Risks

The preparation of the Corporation's consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make significant estimates that affect the financial statements. The Corporation's most critical estimate is the level of the allowance for credit losses. However, other estimates occasionally become highly significant, especially in volatile situations such as litigation and other loss contingency matters. Estimates are made at specific points in time as actual events unfold, estimates are adjusted accordingly. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, it is possible that, at some time in the future, the Corporation may significantly increase the allowance for credit losses or sustain credit losses that are significantly higher than the provided allowance, or the Corporation may make some other adjustment that will differ materially from the estimates that the Corporation previously made.

## Expense Control

Expenses and other costs directly affect the Corporation's earnings. The Corporation's ability to successfully manage expenses is important to its long-term profitability. Many factors can influence the amount of the Corporation's expenses, as well as how quickly they grow. As the Corporation's businesses change or expand, additional expenses can arise from asset purchases, structural reorganization, evolving business strategies, and changing regulations, among other things. The Corporation manages expense growth and risk through a variety of means, including actual versus budget management, imposition of expense authorization, and procurement coordination and processes.

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**ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.**

The management of the Corporation, with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures in ensuring that the information required to be disclosed in our filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, including ensuring that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Corporation's management as appropriate to allow timely decision regarding required disclosure. Based on such evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that such disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2016 (the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report).

There were no changes to the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting that occurred in the nine months ended September 30, 2016, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting.

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**PART II. OTHER INFORMATION**

**ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.**

The Corporation is a party to lawsuits and other claims that arise in the ordinary course of business, all of which are being vigorously contested. In the regular course of business, management evaluates estimated losses or costs related to litigation, and provisions are made for anticipated losses whenever management believes that such losses are probable and can be reasonably estimated. At the present time, management believes, based on the advice of legal counsel, that the final resolution of pending legal proceedings will not likely have a material impact on the Corporation's consolidated financial condition or results of operations.

**ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS.**

The Corporation's business, future financial condition and results of operations are subject to a number of factors, risks and uncertainties, which are disclosed in Item 1A, Risk Factors, in Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, which the Corporation filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2016. Additional information regarding some of those risks and uncertainties is contained in the notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements appearing in Part I, Item 1 of this Quarterly Report, in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations appearing in Part I, Item 2 of this Quarterly Report and in Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk appearing in Part I, Item 3 of this Quarterly Report. The risks and uncertainties disclosed in the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, the Corporation's quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and other reports filed with the SEC are not necessarily all of the risks and uncertainties that may affect the Corporation's business, financial condition and results of operations in the future.

There have been no material changes to the risk factors as disclosed in the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the Corporation's year ended December 31, 2015.

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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.

CITIZENS HOLDING COMPANY

BY: /s/ Greg L. McKee  
Greg L. McKee  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

BY: /s/ Robert T. Smith  
Robert T. Smith  
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer and Chief  
Accounting Officer)

DATE: November 9, 2016



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