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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

Quarterly report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the quarterly period ended JULY 31, 2018

OR

Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Commission file number 1-8551

Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

22-1851059 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

90 Matawan Road, 5th Floor, Matawan, NJ 07747 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

732-747-7800 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A (Former Name, Former Address and Former Fiscal Year, if Changed Since Last Report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

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

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

Large Accelerated Filer Accelerated Filer

Non-Accelerated Filer Smaller Reporting Company Emerging Growth Company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date. 132,834,798 shares of Class A Common Stock and 15,551,023 shares of Class B Common Stock were outstanding as of September 4, 2018.

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HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In Thousands)

	July 31, 2018 (Unaudited)	October 31, 2017
ASSETS		
Homebuilding:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$216,707	\$463,697
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	25,345	2,077
Inventories:		
Sold and unsold homes and lots under development	913,469	744,119
Land and land options held for future development or sale	98,585	140,924
Consolidated inventory not owned	96,989	124,784
Total inventories	1,109,043	1,009,827
Investments in and advances to unconsolidated joint ventures	104,752	115,090
Receivables, deposits and notes, net	37,911	58,149
Property, plant and equipment, net	20,138	52,919
Prepaid expenses and other assets	41,470	37,026
Total homebuilding	1,555,366	1,738,785
Financial services cash and cash equivalents	5,232	5,623
Financial services other assets	107,890	156,490
Total assets	\$1,668,488	\$1,900,898
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Homebuilding:		
Nonrecourse mortgages secured by inventory, net of debt issuance costs	\$95,368	\$64,512
Accounts payable and other liabilities	311,230	335,057
Customers' deposits	38,052	33,772
Nonrecourse mortgages secured by operating properties	-	13,012
Liabilities from inventory not owned, net of debt issuance costs	72,416	91,101
Revolving and term loan credit facilities, net of debt issuance costs	301,460	124,987
Notes payable (net of discount, premium and debt issuance costs) and accrued interest	1,255,158	1,554,687
Total homebuilding	2,073,684	2,217,128
Financial services	93,195	141,914
Income taxes payable	2,240	2,227
Total liabilities	2,169,119	2,361,269

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Stockholders' equity deficit:

Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value - authorized 100,000 shares; issued and outstanding 5,600 shares with a liquidation preference of \$140,000 at July 31, 2018 and at October 31, 2017	135,299	135,299
Common stock, Class A, \$0.01 par value - authorized 400,000,000 shares; issued 144,523,768 shares at July 31, 2018 and 144,046,073 shares at October 31, 2017	1,445	1,440
Common stock, Class B, \$0.01 par value (convertible to Class A at time of sale) - authorized 60,000,000 shares; issued 16,243,454 shares at July 31, 2018 and 15,999,355 shares at October 31, 2017	162	160
Paid in capital - common stock	707,857	706,466
Accumulated deficit	(1,230,034)	(1,188,376)
Treasury stock - at cost – 11,760,763 shares of Class A common stock and 691,748 shares of Class B common stock at July 31, 2018 and October 31, 2017	(115,360)	(115,360)
Total stockholders' equity deficit	(500,631)	(460,371)
Total liabilities and equity	\$1,668,488	\$1,900,898

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(In Thousands Except Per Share Data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	July 31,		July 31,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Revenues:				
Homebuilding:				
Sale of homes	\$442,859	\$574,282	\$1,312,553	\$1,673,250
Land sales and other revenues	844	2,760	26,918	14,393
Total homebuilding	443,703	577,042	1,339,471	1,687,643
Financial services	13,009	14,993	36,951	42,336
Total revenues	456,712	592,035	1,376,422	1,729,979
Expenses:				
Homebuilding:				
Cost of sales, excluding interest	361,303	478,886	1,083,842	1,399,353
Cost of sales interest	13,424	19,371	45,080	58,030
Inventory impairment loss and land option write-offs	96	4,197	3,183	9,334
Total cost of sales	374,823	502,454	1,132,105	1,466,717
Selling, general and administrative	37,544	45,517	126,319	135,392
Total homebuilding expenses	412,367	547,971	1,258,424	1,602,109
Financial services	8,986	8,867	26,125	23,082
Corporate general and administrative	16,393	15,698	51,672	47,425
Other interest	24,859	23,559	80,078	68,483
Other operations	495	(26)	1,287	1,466
Total expenses	463,100	596,069	1,417,586	1,742,565
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(4,266)	(42,258)	(5,706)	(34,854)
Income (loss) from unconsolidated joint ventures	10,732	(3,881)	6,899	(10,109)
Income (loss) before income taxes	78	(50,173)	(39,971)	(57,549)
State and federal income tax provision:				
State	1,104	8,523	1,687	10,797
Federal	-	278,513	-	275,688
Total income taxes	1,104	287,036	1,687	286,485
Net (loss)	\$(1,026)	\$(337,209)	\$(41,658)	\$(344,034)

Per share data:

Basic:

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Net (loss) per common share	<i>\$(0.01)</i>	<i>\$(2.28)</i>	<i>\$(0.28)</i>	<i>\$(2.33)</i>
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding	<i>148,669</i>	<i>147,748</i>	<i>148,377</i>	<i>147,628</i>
Assuming dilution:				
Net (loss) per common share	<i>\$(0.01)</i>	<i>\$(2.28)</i>	<i>\$(0.28)</i>	<i>\$(2.33)</i>
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding	<i>148,669</i>	<i>147,748</i>	<i>148,377</i>	<i>147,628</i>

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

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HOVNIANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EQUITY

(In Thousands Except Share Amounts)

(Unaudited)

	A Common Stock		B Common Stock		Preferred Stock		Paid-In	Accumulated	Treasury
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount			
	Issued and		Issued and		Issued and		Capital	Deficit	Stock
	Outstanding		Outstanding		Outstanding				
Balance, October 31, 2017	132,285,310	\$1,440	15,307,607	\$160	5,600	\$135,299	\$706,466	\$(1,188,376)	\$(115,360)
Stock options, amortization and issuances	30,250						1,169		
Restricted stock amortization, issuances and forfeitures	445,704	5	245,840	2			222		
Conversion of Class B to class A common stock	1,741		(1,741)						
Net (loss)								(41,658)	
Balance, July 31, 2018	132,763,005	\$1,445	15,551,706	\$162	5,600	\$135,299	\$707,857	\$(1,230,034)	\$(115,360)

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

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HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In Thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended July 31,	
	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net (loss)	\$(41,658)	\$(344,034)
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	2,320	3,212
Compensation from stock options and awards	2,706	1,606
Amortization of bond discounts, premiums and deferred financing costs	5,900	11,385
Gain on sale and retirement of property and assets	(3,620)	(123)
(Income) loss from unconsolidated joint ventures	(6,899)	10,109
Distributions of earnings from unconsolidated joint ventures	-	1,260
Loss on extinguishment of debt	5,706	34,854
Inventory impairment and land option write-offs	3,183	9,334
Deferred income tax provision	-	285,579
(Increase) decrease in assets:		
Origination of mortgage loans	(716,954)	(743,467)
Sale of mortgage loans	766,925	831,079
Restricted cash, receivables, prepaids, deposits and other assets	14,558	14,235
Inventories	(89,361)	84,901
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:		
State income tax payable	13	(149)
Customers' deposits	4,280	424
Accounts payable, accrued interest and other accrued liabilities	(44,670)	(54,753)
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(97,571)	145,452
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Proceeds from sale of property and assets	38,302	209
Purchase of property, equipment and other fixed assets and acquisitions	(4,211)	(5,034)
Decrease in restricted cash related to mortgage company	139	1,686
Increase in restricted cash related to letters of credit and bonds	(23,553)	(2)
Investments in and advances to unconsolidated joint ventures	(24,337)	(33,403)
Distributions of capital from unconsolidated joint ventures	28,536	13,976
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	14,876	(22,568)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from mortgages and notes	129,411	153,517
Payments related to mortgages and notes	(110,570)	(165,935)
Proceeds from model sale leaseback financing programs	22,244	10,177

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Payments related to model sale leaseback financing programs	(26,835)	(17,544)
Proceeds from land bank financing programs	16,957	10,663
Payments related to land bank financing programs	(30,577)	(56,683)
Net payments related to mortgage warehouse lines of credit	(49,758)	(83,525)
Payments related to unsecured revolving credit facility	(26,000)	-
Proceeds from senior unsecured term loan facility	202,547	-
Proceeds from senior secured notes	-	840,000
Payments related to senior secured, senior, senior amortizing and senior exchangeable notes	(285,095)	(861,976)
Deferred financing costs from land bank financing programs and note issuances	(7,010)	(12,611)
Net cash used in financing activities	(164,686)	(183,917)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(247,381)	(61,033)
Cash and cash equivalents balance, beginning of period	469,320	346,765
Cash and cash equivalents balance, end of period	\$221,939	\$285,732

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 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In Thousands - Unaudited)

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	Nine Months Ended July 31,	
	2018	2017
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow:		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest, net of capitalized interest (see Note 3 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements)	\$105,854	\$88,914
Income taxes	\$1,674	\$1,055

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing activities:

In the first quarter of fiscal 2018, we acquired the remaining assets of one of our joint ventures, resulting in a \$13.6 million reduction in our investment in the joint venture and a corresponding increase to inventory.

Supplemental disclosure of noncash financing activities:

In the second quarter of fiscal 2018, we completed a debt for debt exchange of existing 8.0% Senior Notes due November 1, 2019 for newly issued 13.5% Senior Notes due 2026 and 5.0% Senior Notes due 2040. See Note 11 for further information.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - UNAUDITED

1. Basis of Presentation

Hovnianian Enterprises, Inc. (“HEI”) conducts all of its homebuilding and financial services operations through its subsidiaries (references herein to the “Company,” “we,” “us” or “our” refer to HEI and its consolidated subsidiaries and should be understood to reflect the consolidated business of HEI’s subsidiaries). HEI has reportable segments consisting of *six* Homebuilding segments (Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Midwest, Southeast, Southwest and West) and the Financial Services segment (see Note 16).

The accompanying unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include HEI's accounts and those of all of its wholly-owned subsidiaries after elimination of all of its significant intercompany balances and transactions.

The accompanying unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (“GAAP”) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X and accordingly, they do *not* include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. These Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended *October 31, 2017*. In the opinion of management, all adjustments for interim periods presented have been made, which include normal recurring accruals and deferrals necessary for a fair presentation of our condensed consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows. The preparation of Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates, and these differences could have a significant impact on the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. Results for interim periods are *not* necessarily indicative of the results which might be expected for a full year.

Reclassifications - In fiscal 2018, we reclassified our Senior Secured Term Loan due 2019 on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets from the line item “Notes payable (net of discount, premium and debt issuance costs) and accrued interest” to “Revolving and term loan credit facilities, net of debt issuance costs”, resulting in a reclassification of the *October 31, 2017* balance of \$73.0 million.

2. Stock Compensation

The Company's total stock-based compensation expense was \$0.6 million and \$2.7 million for the *three* and *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018*, respectively, and \$0.1 million and \$1.6 million for the *three* and *nine* months ended *July 31, 2017*, respectively. Included in this total stock-based compensation expense was the vesting of stock options of \$0.9 million and \$1.1 million for the *three* and *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018*, respectively, and \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million for the *three* and *nine* months ended *July 31, 2017*, respectively.

3. Interest

Interest costs incurred, expensed and capitalized were:

(In thousands)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	July 31,		July 31,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Interest capitalized at beginning of period	\$65,355	\$90,960	\$71,051	\$96,688
Plus interest incurred (1)	40,438	39,089	121,617	116,944
Less cost of sales interest expensed	13,424	19,371	45,080	58,030
Less other interest expensed (2)(3)	24,859	23,559	80,078	68,483
Interest capitalized at end of period (4)	\$67,510	\$87,119	\$67,510	\$87,119

(1) Data does *not* include interest incurred by our mortgage and finance subsidiaries.

Other interest expensed includes interest that does *not* qualify for interest capitalization because our assets that qualify for interest capitalization (inventory under development) do *not* exceed our debt, which amounted to \$20.2 million and \$17.2 million for the *three* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively, and \$59.7 million and \$46.5 million for the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively. Other interest also includes interest

(2) on completed homes, land in planning and fully developed lots without homes under construction, which does *not* qualify for capitalization, and therefore, is expensed. This component of other interest was \$4.6 million and \$6.4 million for the *three* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively, and \$20.4 million and \$22.0 million for the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively.

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Cash paid for interest, net of capitalized interest, is the sum of other interest expensed, as defined above, and (3) interest paid by our mortgage and finance subsidiaries adjusted for the change in accrued interest on notes payable, which is calculated as follows:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
(In thousands)	July 31, 2018	2017	July 31, 2018	2017
Other interest expensed	\$24,859	\$23,559	\$80,078	\$68,483
Interest paid by our mortgage and finance subsidiaries	616	465	1,802	1,549
Decrease in accrued interest	20,672	17,528	23,974	18,882
Cash paid for interest, net of capitalized interest	\$46,147	\$41,552	\$105,854	\$88,914

(4) Capitalized interest amounts are shown gross before allocating any portion of impairments, if any, to capitalized interest.

4. Reduction of Inventory to Fair Value

We record impairment losses on inventories related to communities under development and held for future development when events and circumstances indicate that they *may* be impaired and the undiscounted cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets are less than their related carrying amounts. If the expected undiscounted cash flows are less than the carrying amount, then the community is written down to its fair value. We estimate the fair value of each impaired community by determining the present value of the estimated future cash flows at a discount rate commensurate with the risk of the respective community. For the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018*, our discount rate used for the impairments recorded ranged from *16.8%* to *19.8%*. For the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2017*, our discount rate used for the impairments recorded ranged from *18.3%* to *19.8%*. Should the estimates or expectations used in determining cash flows or fair value decrease or differ from current estimates in the future, we *may* need to recognize additional impairments.

During the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, we evaluated inventories of all *405* and *380* communities under development and held for future development or sale, respectively, for impairment indicators through preparation and review of detailed budgets or other market indicators of impairment. We performed detailed impairment calculations during the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017* for *five* and *ten* of those communities (i.e., those with a projected operating loss or other impairment indicators), respectively, with an aggregate carrying value of *\$11.2* million and *\$82.7* million, respectively. As a result of our impairment analysis, we recorded aggregate impairment losses of *\$2.1* million for all *five* communities that we tested for impairment (which had an aggregate pre-impairment value of *\$11.2* million) for the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018*. We did *not* record impairment losses for the *three* months ended *July 31, 2018*. We also recorded aggregate impairment losses of *\$3.2* million and *\$7.4* million, in *one* and *seven* communities, respectively, (which had aggregate pre-impairment values of *\$15.9* million and *\$37.0* million, respectively) for the *three* and *nine* months ended *July 31, 2017*, respectively. These impairment

losses are included in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations on the line entitled “Homebuilding: Inventory impairment loss and land option write-offs” and deducted from inventory. The pre-impairment value represents the carrying value, net of prior period impairments, if any, at the time of recording the impairment. Of those communities tested for impairment during the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2017*, *three* communities with an aggregate carrying value of \$45.8 million had undiscounted future cash flows that exceeded the carrying amount by less than 20%.

The Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations line entitled “Homebuilding: Inventory impairment loss and land option write-offs” also includes write-offs of options and approval, engineering and capitalized interest costs that we record when we redesign communities and/or abandon certain engineering costs and we do *not* exercise options in various locations because the communities' pro forma profitability is *not* projected to produce adequate returns on investment commensurate with the risk. Total aggregate write-offs related to these items were \$0.1 million and \$1.0 million for the *three* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively, and \$1.1 million and \$1.9 million for the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively. Occasionally, these write-offs are offset by recovered deposits (sometimes through legal action) that had been written off in a prior period as walk-away costs. Historically, these recoveries have *not* been significant in comparison to the total costs written off. The number of lots walked away from during the *three* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017* were 76 and 1,200, respectively, and 1,417 and 2,739 during the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively.

We decide to mothball (or stop development on) certain communities when we determine that the current performance does *not* justify further investment at the time. When we decide to mothball a community, the inventory is reclassified on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets from “Sold and unsold homes and lots under development” to “Land and land options held for future development or sale.” During the *first three* quarters of fiscal 2018, we did *not* mothball any additional communities, but we sold *two* previously mothballed communities and re-activated *one* previously mothballed community. As of *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, the net book value associated with our 19 and 22 total mothballed communities was \$24.5 million and \$36.7 million, respectively, which was net of impairment charges recorded in prior periods of \$186.1 million and \$214.1 million, respectively.

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From time to time we enter into option agreements that include specific performance requirements, whereby we are required to purchase a minimum number of lots. Because of our obligation to purchase these lots, for accounting purposes in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 360-20-40-38, we are required to record this inventory on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. As of *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, we had *no* specific performance options.

We sell and lease back certain of our model homes with the right to participate in the potential profit when each home is sold to a *third* party at the end of the respective lease. As a result of our continued involvement, for accounting purposes in accordance with ASC 360-20-40-38, these sale and leaseback transactions are considered a financing rather than a sale. Therefore, for purposes of our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, at *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, inventory of \$53.3 million and \$58.5 million, respectively, was recorded to “Consolidated inventory *not* owned,” with a corresponding amount of \$46.5 million and \$51.8 million (net of debt issuance costs), respectively, recorded to “Liabilities from inventory *not* owned” for the amount of net cash received from the transactions.

We have land banking arrangements, whereby we sell our land parcels to the land bankers and they provide us an option to purchase back finished lots on a predetermined schedule. Because of our options to repurchase these parcels, for accounting purposes, in accordance with ASC 360-20-40-38, these transactions are considered a financing rather than a sale. For purposes of our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, at *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, inventory of \$43.7 million and \$66.3 million, respectively, was recorded as “Consolidated inventory *not* owned,” with a corresponding amount of \$25.9 million and \$39.3 million (net of debt issuance costs), respectively, recorded to “Liabilities from inventory *not* owned” for the amount of net cash received from the transactions.

5. Variable Interest Entities

The Company enters into land and lot option purchase contracts to procure land or lots for the construction of homes. Under these contracts, the Company will fund a stated deposit in consideration for the right, but *not* the obligation, to purchase land or lots at a future point in time with predetermined terms. Under the terms of the option purchase contracts, many of the option deposits are *not* refundable at the Company's discretion. Under the requirements of ASC 810, certain option purchase contracts *may* result in the creation of a variable interest in the entity (“VIE”) that owns the land parcel under option.

In compliance with ASC 810, the Company analyzes its option purchase contracts to determine whether the corresponding land sellers are VIEs and, if so, whether the Company is the primary beneficiary. Although the Company does *not* have legal title to the underlying land, ASC 810 requires the Company to consolidate a VIE if the Company is determined to be the primary beneficiary. In determining whether it is the primary beneficiary, the Company considers, among other things, whether it has the power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly impact the VIE's economic performance. Such activities would include, among other things, determining or limiting the scope or purpose of the VIE, selling or transferring property owned or controlled by the VIE, or

arranging financing for the VIE. The Company also considers whether it has the obligation to absorb losses of the VIE or the right to receive benefits from the VIE. As a result of its analyses, the Company determined that as of *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, it was *not* the primary beneficiary of any VIEs from which it is purchasing land under option purchase contracts.

We will continue to secure land and lots using options, some of which are with VIEs. Including deposits on our unconsolidated VIEs, at *July 31, 2018*, we had total cash deposits amounting to \$57.3 million to purchase land and lots with a total purchase price of \$1.2 billion. The maximum exposure to loss with respect to our land and lot options is limited to the deposits plus any pre-development costs invested in the property, although some deposits are refundable at our request or refundable if certain conditions are *not* met.

6. Warranty Costs

General liability insurance for homebuilding companies and their suppliers and subcontractors is very difficult to obtain. The availability of general liability insurance is limited due to a decreased number of insurance companies willing to underwrite for the industry. In addition, those few insurers willing to underwrite liability insurance have significantly increased the premium costs. To date, we have been able to obtain general liability insurance but at higher premium costs with higher deductibles. Our subcontractors and suppliers have advised us that they have also had difficulty obtaining insurance that also provides us coverage. As a result, we have an owner controlled insurance program for certain of our subcontractors whereby the subcontractors pay us an insurance premium (through a reduction of amounts we would otherwise owe such subcontractors for their work on our homes) based on the risk type of the trade. We absorb the liability associated with their work on our homes as part of our overall general liability insurance at *no* additional cost to us because our existing general liability and construction defect insurance policy and related reserves for amounts under our deductible covers construction defects regardless of whether we or our subcontractors are responsible for the defect. For the *three* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, we received \$1.3 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, and for the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, we received \$3.3 million and \$3.0 million, respectively, from subcontractors related to the owner controlled insurance program, which we accounted for as reductions to inventory.

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We accrue for warranty costs that are covered under our existing general liability and construction defect policy as part of our general liability insurance deductible. This accrual is expensed as selling, general and administrative costs. For homes delivered in fiscal 2018 and 2017, our deductible under our general liability insurance is a \$20 million aggregate for construction defect and warranty claims. For bodily injury claims, our deductible per occurrence in fiscal 2018 and 2017 is \$0.25 million, up to a \$5 million limit. Our aggregate retention for construction defect, warranty and bodily injury claims is \$20 million for fiscal 2018 and \$21 million for fiscal 2017. In addition, we establish a warranty accrual for lower cost related issues to cover home repairs, community amenities and land development infrastructure that are *not* covered under our general liability and construction defect policy. We accrue an estimate for these warranty costs as part of cost of sales at the time each home is closed and title and possession have been transferred to the homebuyer. Additions and charges in the warranty reserve and general liability reserve for the *three* and *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017* were as follows:

(In thousands)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	July 31, 2018	2017	July 31, 2018	2017
Balance, beginning of period	\$115,775	\$117,207	\$127,702	\$121,144
Additions - Selling, general and administrative	2,346	2,639	6,684	8,403
Additions - Cost of sales	3,386	4,434	13,285	11,436
Charges incurred during the period	(3,765)	(5,489)	(29,929)	(22,192)
Changes to pre-existing reserves	(2,314)	-	(2,314)	-
Balance, end of period	\$115,428	\$118,791	\$115,428	\$118,791

Warranty accruals are based upon historical experience. We engage a *third-party* actuary that uses our historical warranty and construction defect data to assist our management in estimating our unpaid claims, claim adjustment expenses and incurred but *not* reported claims reserves for the risks that we are assuming under the general liability and construction defect programs. The estimates include provisions for inflation, claims handling and legal fees. The charges incurred during the *first nine* months of fiscal 2018 are higher than those for the *first nine* months of 2017 due to the payment for construction defect reserves related to the settlement of a litigation matter in the *second* quarter of fiscal 2018.

Insurance claims paid by our insurance carriers, excluding insurance deductibles paid, for prior year deliveries were less than \$0.1 million and \$0.5 million for the *three* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively, and \$0.1 million and \$0.7 million for the *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively.

7. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

We are involved in litigation arising in the ordinary course of business, *none* of which is expected to have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows, and we are subject to extensive and complex laws and regulations that affect the development of land and home building, sales and customer financing processes, including zoning, density, building standards and mortgage financing. These laws and regulations often provide broad discretion to the administering governmental authorities. This can delay or increase the cost of development or homebuilding. Our estimated losses from litigation matters, if any, are included in our legal or construction defect reserves.

We also are subject to a variety of local, state, federal and foreign laws and regulations concerning protection of health and the environment, including those regulating the emission or discharge of materials into the environment, the management of storm water runoff at construction sites, the handling, use, storage and disposal of hazardous substances, impacts to wetlands and other sensitive environments, and the remediation of contamination at properties that we have owned or developed or currently own or are developing (“environmental laws”). The particular environmental laws that apply to a site *may* vary greatly according to the community site, for example, due to the community, the environmental conditions at or near the site, and the present and former uses of the site. These environmental laws *may* result in delays, *may* cause us to incur substantial compliance, remediation and/or other costs, and can prohibit or severely restrict development and homebuilding activity. In addition, noncompliance with these laws and regulations could result in fines and penalties, obligations to remediate, permit revocations or other sanctions; and contamination or other environmental conditions at or in the vicinity of our developments *may* result in claims against us for personal injury, property damage or other losses.

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We anticipate that increasingly stringent requirements will be imposed on developers and homebuilders in the future. For example, for a number of years, the EPA and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have been engaged in rulemakings to clarify the scope of federally regulated wetlands, which included a *June 2015* rule many affected businesses contend impermissibly expanded the scope of such wetlands that was challenged in court, stayed, and remains in litigation; a proposal in *June 2017* to formally rescind the *June 2015* rule and reinstate the rule scheme previously in place while the agencies initiate a new substantive rulemaking on the issue; and a *February 2018* rule delaying the effective date of the *June 2015* rule until *February 2020*, which was enjoined nationwide in *August 2018* by a federal district court in South Carolina in response to a lawsuit by a coalition of environmental advocacy groups (the result of which, according to some commentators, is that the *June 2015* rule applies in 26 states and the pre-*June 2015* regime applies in the rest). It is unclear how these and related developments, including at the state or local level, ultimately *may* affect the scope of regulated wetlands where we operate. Although we cannot reliably predict the extent of any effect these developments regarding wetlands, or any other requirements that *may* take effect *may* have on us, they could result in time-consuming and expensive compliance programs and in substantial expenditures, which could cause delays and increase our cost of operations. In addition, our ability to obtain or renew permits or approvals and the continued effectiveness of permits already granted or approvals already obtained is dependent upon many factors, some of which are beyond our control, such as changes in policies, rules and regulations and their interpretations and application.

In *March 2013*, we received a letter from the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) requesting information about our involvement in a housing redevelopment project in Newark, New Jersey that a Company entity undertook during the *1990s*. We understand that the development is in the vicinity of a former lead smelter and that tests on soil samples from properties within the development conducted by the EPA showed elevated levels of lead. We also understand that the smelter ceased operations many years before the Company entity involved acquired the properties in the area and carried out the re-development project. We responded to the EPA’s request. In *August 2013*, we were notified that the EPA considers us a potentially responsible party (or “PRP”) with respect to the site, that the EPA will clean up the site, and that the EPA is proposing that we fund and/or contribute towards the cleanup of the contamination at the site. We began preliminary discussions with the EPA concerning a possible resolution but do *not* know the scope or extent of the Company’s obligations, if any, that *may* arise from the site and therefore cannot provide any assurance that this matter will *not* have a material impact on the Company. The EPA requested additional information in *April 2014* and again in *March 2017* and the Company responded to the information requests. On *May 2, 2018* the EPA sent a letter to the Company entity demanding reimbursement for *100%* of the EPA’s costs to clean-up the site in the amount of *\$2.7* million. The Company responded to the EPA’s demand letter on *June 15, 2018* setting forth the Company’s defenses and expressing its willingness to enter into settlement negotiations. We believe that we have adequate reserves for this matter.

The Grandview at Riverwalk Port Imperial Condominium Association, Inc. (the “Grandview Plaintiff”) filed a construction defect lawsuit against Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. and several of its affiliates, including K. Hovnanian at Port Imperial Urban Renewal II, LLC, K. Hovnanian Construction Management, Inc., K. Hovnanian Companies, LLC, K. Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc., K. Hovnanian North East, Inc. aka and/or dba K. Hovnanian Companies North East, Inc., K. Hovnanian Construction II, Inc., K. Hovnanian Cooperative, Inc., K. Hovnanian Developments of New Jersey, Inc., and K. Hovnanian Holdings NJ, LLC, as well as the project architect, the geotechnical engineers and various construction contractors for the project alleging various construction defects, design defects and geotechnical issues totaling approximately *\$41.3* million. The lawsuit included claims against the geotechnical engineers for

differential soil settlement under the building, against the architects for failing to design the correct type of structure allowable under the New Jersey Building Code, and against the Hovnanian-affiliated developer entity (K. Hovnanian at Port Imperial Urban Renewal II, LLC) alleging that it: (1) had knowledge of and failed to disclose the improper building classification to unit purchasers and was therefore liable for treble damages under the New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act; and (2) breached an express warranty set forth in the Public Offering Statements that the common elements at the building were fit for their intended purpose. The Grandview Plaintiff further alleged that Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc., K. Hovnanian Holdings NJ, LLC, K. Hovnanian Developments of New Jersey, Inc., and K. Hovnanian Developments of New Jersey II, Inc. were jointly liable for any damages owed by the Hovnanian development entity under a veil piercing theory.

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After the parties reached a pre-trial settlement on the construction defect issues, trial commenced on *April 17, 2017* in Hudson County, New Jersey. The Hovnanian-affiliated defendants resolved the geotechnical claims mid-trial for an amount immaterial to the Company, but the balance of the case continued to be tried before the jury. On *June 1, 2017*, the jury rendered a verdict against K. Hovnanian at Port Imperial Urban Renewal II, LLC on the breach of warranty and New Jersey Consumer Fraud claims in the total amount of \$3 million, which resulted in a total verdict of \$9 million against that entity due to statutory trebling, plus a portion of Grandview Plaintiff's attorneys' fees and costs. The Court subsequently awarded \$1.4 million in attorneys' fees and costs. The jury also found in favor of Grandview Plaintiff on its veil piercing theory. After the Court denied the Hovnanian-affiliated defendants' filed post-trial motions, including a motion for contractual indemnification against the project architect, the Court entered final judgment in the amount of approximately \$10.4 million on *January 12, 2018*.

On *January 24, 2018*, the relevant Hovnanian-affiliated defendants appealed all aspects of the verdict against them. On *February 16, 2018*, the Court entered an order staying execution of the judgment provided that the Hovnanian-affiliated defendants post a bond in the amount of approximately \$11.1 million. On *March 9, 2018*, the Hovnanian-affiliated defendants filed the Court-approved bond. On *July 30, 2018*, during the pendency of the appeal, the Hovnanian-affiliated defendants settled the Grandview Plaintiff's claims for an amount less than the bond, which amount is scheduled to be paid in *September 2018*. As part of the settlement, all appeals are to be dismissed other than the appeal of the Court's denial of the Hovnanian-affiliated defendant's contractual indemnification claim against the project architect. As of *October 31, 2017*, the Company had reserved in excess of the settlement amount. Therefore, during the *three* months ended *July 31, 2018*, the reserve was reduced to the agreed settlement amount.

On *December 21, 2016*, the members of the Company's Board were named as defendants in a derivative and class action lawsuit filed in the Delaware Court of Chancery by Plaintiff Joseph Hong ("Plaintiff Hong"). Plaintiff Hong had previously made a demand for inspection of the books and records of the Company pursuant to Delaware law. The Company had provided certain company documents in response to Plaintiff Hong's demand. The complaint related to the Board of Directors' decisions to grant Ara K. Hovnanian equity awards in the form of Class B Common Stock, alleging that the defendants breached their fiduciary duties to the Company and its stockholders; that the equity awards granted in Class B Common Stock amounted to corporate waste; and that Ara. K Hovnanian was unjustly enriched by equity awards granted to him in Class B Common Stock. The complaint sought a declaration that the equity awards granted to Ara K. Hovnanian in Class B Common Stock between *June 13, 2014* and *June 10, 2016* were ultra vires, invalidation or rescission of those awards, injunctive relief, and unspecified damages.

On *December 18, 2017*, the parties finalized a settlement agreement to resolve the litigation. Pursuant to the settlement agreement, the Company submitted for stockholder approval a resolution to amend the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to affirm that in the event of a merger, consolidation, acquisition, tender offer, recapitalization, reorganization or other business combination, the same consideration will be provided for shares of Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock unless different treatment of the shares of each such class is approved separately by a majority of each class. The amendment was approved by the Company's shareholders at its Annual Meeting held on *March 13, 2018*. The Company has also agreed to implement certain operational and corporate governance measures regarding the granting of equity awards in Class B Common Stock. The Court approved the settlement on *May 4, 2018* and the Company paid the Plaintiff's attorney fees in the amount of \$275,000 on *May 10, 2018*.

On *January 11, 2018*, Solus Alternative Asset Management LP (“Solus”) filed a complaint in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against GSO Capital Partners L.P., Hovnianian Enterprises, Inc. (“Hovnianian”), K. Hovnianian Enterprises, Inc. (“K. Hovnianian”), K. Hovnianian at Sunrise Trail III, LLC (“Sunrise Trail”), Ara K. Hovnianian and J. Larry Sorsby. The complaint related to K. Hovnianian’s offer to exchange up to \$185.0 million aggregate principal amount of its 8.0% Senior Notes due 2019 for a combination of (i) cash, (ii) K. Hovnianian’s newly issued 13.5% Senior Notes due 2026 and (iii) K. Hovnianian’s newly issued 5.0% Senior Notes due 2040 and related transactions that were previously disclosed in Hovnianian’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on *December 28, 2017*. The complaint alleged, among other things, inadequate disclosure in the exchange offer documents, improper and fraudulent structuring of the transactions to impact the credit default swap market, violations of Sections 10(b), 14(e) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and tortious interference with prospective economic advantage. Solus sought, among other things, additional disclosures regarding the transactions, compensatory and punitive damages, and a preliminary and permanent injunction to stop the transactions from going forward. On *January 29, 2018*, the court denied the motion for preliminary injunction, finding that Solus failed to show that it would be irreparably harmed in the absence of an injunction.

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Solus filed an amended complaint on *February 1, 2018*, against the same defendants. The defendants moved to dismiss the amended complaint on *March 2, 2018*. On *May 30, 2018*, the parties signed a stipulation of dismissal of all claims with prejudice. As part of the case resolution, on *May 30, 2018*, K. Hovnanian paid the overdue interest on the *8.0%* Senior Notes due *2019* held by Sunrise Trail that was originally due on *May 1, 2018*. The case resolution does *not* involve any settlement payment or admission of wrongdoing by any of the Hovnanian-related parties. On *May 31, 2018*, the Court so-ordered the stipulation and closed the case.

Hovnanian received insurance coverage, less the deductible, for the litigation costs related to the Solus claims.

In *2015*, the condominium association of the Four Seasons at Great Notch condominium community (the “Great Notch Plaintiff”) filed a lawsuit in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Passaic County (the “Court”) alleging various construction defects, design defects, and geotechnical issues relating to the community. The operative complaint (“Complaint”) asserts claims against Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. and several of its affiliates, including K. Hovnanian at Great Notch, LLC, K. Hovnanian Construction Management, Inc., and K. Hovnanian Companies, LLC. The Complaint also asserts claims against various other design professionals and contractors. The Great Notch Plaintiff has also filed a motion, which remains pending, to permit it to pursue a claim to pierce the corporate veil of K. Hovnanian at Great Notch, LLC to hold its alleged parent entities liable for any damages awarded against it. To date, the Hovnanian-affiliated defendants have reached a partial settlement with the Great Notch Plaintiff as to a portion of the Great Notch Plaintiff’s claims against them for an amount immaterial to the Company. On its remaining claims against the Hovnanian-affiliated defendants, the Great Notch Plaintiff recently asserted damages of approximately *\$119.5* million, which amount is potentially subject to treble damages pursuant to the Great Notch Plaintiff’s claim under the New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act. On *August 17, 2018*, the Hovnanian-affiliated defendants filed a motion for summary judgment seeking dismissal of all of the Great Notch Plaintiff’s remaining claims against them, which has a return date of *September 14, 2018*. Trial is currently scheduled for *October 15, 2018*. The Hovnanian-affiliated defendants intend to defend these claims vigorously.

8. Cash and Cash Equivalents, Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents and Customer’s Deposits

Cash represents cash deposited in checking accounts. Cash equivalents include certificates of deposit, Treasury bills and government money–market funds with maturities of *90* days or less when purchased. Our cash balances are held at a few financial institutions and *may*, at times, exceed insurable amounts. We believe we help to mitigate this risk by depositing our cash in major financial institutions. At *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, *\$11.1* million and *\$13.3* million, respectively, of the total cash and cash equivalents was in cash equivalents, the book value of which approximates fair value.

Homebuilding - Restricted cash and cash equivalents on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets totaled *\$25.3* million and *\$2.1* million as of *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, respectively, which included cash collateralizing our letter of credit agreements and facilities as discussed in Note *11*. Also included in these balances were

homebuilding customers' deposits of \$0.1 million and \$0.4 million at *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, respectively, which are subject to restrictions on our use. The *July 31, 2018* balance also included cash collateral of \$11.1 million for a bond related to the Grandview litigation as discussed in Note 7.

Financial services restricted cash and cash equivalents, which are included in Financial services other assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, totaled \$23.5 million and \$22.3 million as of *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, respectively. Included in these balances were (1) financial services customers' deposits of \$21.5 million at *July 31, 2018* and \$20.0 million as of *October 31, 2017*, which are subject to restrictions on our use, and (2) \$2.0 million at *July 31, 2018* and \$2.3 million at *October 31, 2017*, respectively, of restricted cash under the terms of our mortgage warehouse lines of credit.

Total Homebuilding Customers' deposits are shown as a liability on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. These liabilities are significantly more than the applicable periods' restricted cash balances because in some states the deposits are *not* restricted from use and, in other states, we are able to release the majority of these customer deposits to cash by pledging letters of credit and surety bonds.

9. Mortgage Loans Held for Sale

Our wholly owned mortgage banking subsidiary, K. Hovnanian American Mortgage, LLC ("K. Hovnanian Mortgage") originates mortgage loans, primarily from the sale of our homes. Such mortgage loans are sold in the secondary mortgage market within a short period of time of origination. Mortgage loans held for sale consist primarily of single-family residential loans collateralized by the underlying property. We have elected the fair value option to record loans held for sale and therefore these loans are recorded at fair value with the changes in the value recognized in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations in "Revenues: Financial services." We currently use forward sales of mortgage-backed securities ("MBS"), interest rate commitments from borrowers and mandatory and/or best efforts forward commitments to sell loans to *third-party* purchasers to protect us from interest rate fluctuations. These short-term instruments, which do *not* require any payments to be made to the counterparty or purchaser in connection with the execution of the commitments, are recorded at fair value. Gains and losses on changes in the fair value are recognized in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations in "Revenues: Financial services."

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At *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, \$66.5 million and \$119.6 million, respectively, of mortgages held for sale were pledged against our mortgage warehouse lines of credit (see Note 10). We may incur losses with respect to mortgages that were previously sold that are delinquent and which had underwriting defects, but only to the extent the losses are *not* covered by mortgage insurance or resale value of the home. The reserves for these estimated losses are included in the “Financial services” liability balances on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. As of *July 31, 2018* and *2017*, we had reserves specifically for 45 and 94 identified mortgage loans, respectively, as well as reserves for an estimate for future losses on mortgages sold but *not* yet identified to us. In fiscal 2017, the adjustment to pre-existing provisions for losses from changes in estimates was primarily due to the settlement of a dispute for significantly less than the amount that had been previously reserved.

The activity in our loan origination reserves during the *three* and *nine* months ended *July 31, 2018* and *2017* was as follows:

(In thousands)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	July 31, 2018	2017	July 31, 2018	2017
Loan origination reserves, beginning of period	\$3,271	\$3,782	\$3,158	\$8,137
Provisions for losses during the period	39	41	107	120
Adjustments to pre-existing provisions for losses from changes in estimates	-	(51)	45	(4,485)
Payments/settlements	-	-	-	-
Loan origination reserves, end of period	\$3,310	\$3,772	\$3,310	\$3,772

10. Mortgages

We have nonrecourse mortgage loans for certain communities totaling \$95.4 million and \$64.5 million (net of debt issuance costs) at *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, respectively, which are secured by the related real property, including any improvements, with an aggregate book value of \$218.1 million and \$157.8 million, respectively. The weighted-average interest rate on these obligations was 6.4% and 5.3% at *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, respectively, and the mortgage loan payments on each community primarily correspond to home deliveries. We also had nonrecourse mortgage loans on our former corporate headquarters totaling \$13.0 million at *October 31, 2017*. On *November 1, 2017*, these loans were paid in full in connection with the sale of this corporate headquarters building.

K. Hovnanian Mortgage originates mortgage loans primarily from the sale of our homes. Such mortgage loans and related servicing rights are sold in the secondary mortgage market within a short period of time. In certain instances, we retain the servicing rights for a small amount of loans. K. Hovnanian Mortgage finances the origination of mortgage loans through various master repurchase agreements, which are recorded in financial services liabilities on

the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Our secured Master Repurchase Agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (“Chase Master Repurchase Agreement”), which was amended on *July 31, 2018*, is a short-term borrowing facility that provides up to \$50.0 million through its maturity on *July 31, 2019*. The loan is secured by the mortgages held for sale and is repaid when we sell the underlying mortgage loans to permanent investors. Interest is payable monthly on outstanding advances at an adjusted LIBOR rate, which was 2.08% at *July 31, 2018*, plus the applicable margin of 2.5% or 2.63% based upon type of loan. As of *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, the aggregate principal amount of all borrowings outstanding under the Chase Master Repurchase Agreement was \$26.1 million and \$41.5 million, respectively.

K. Hovnanian Mortgage has another secured Master Repurchase Agreement with Customers Bank (“Customers Master Repurchase Agreement”) which is a short-term borrowing facility that provides up to \$50.0 million through its maturity on *February 15, 2019*. The loan is secured by the mortgages held for sale and is repaid when we sell the underlying mortgage loans to permanent investors. Interest is payable daily or as loans are sold to permanent investors on outstanding advances at the current LIBOR rate, plus the applicable margin ranging from 2.38% to 5.13% based on the type of loan and the number of days outstanding on the warehouse line. As of *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, the aggregate principal amount of all borrowings outstanding under the Customers Master Repurchase Agreement was \$26.4 million and \$40.7 million, respectively.

K. Hovnanian Mortgage also has a secured Master Repurchase Agreement with Comerica Bank (“Comerica Master Repurchase Agreement”), which was amended on *July 3, 2018*. The Comerica Master Repurchase Agreement is a short-term borrowing facility that provides up to \$50.0 million through *June 10, 2019*. The loan is secured by the mortgages held for sale and is repaid when we sell the underlying mortgage loans to permanent investors. Interest is payable monthly at the current LIBOR rate, subject to a floor of 0.25%, plus the applicable margin of 2.25% or 3.25% based upon the type of loan. As of *July 31, 2018* and *October 31, 2017*, the aggregate principal amount of all borrowings outstanding under the Comerica Master Repurchase Agreement was \$12.3 million and \$32.4 million, respectively.

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The Chase Master Repurchase Agreement, Customers Master Repurchase Agreement and Comerica Master Repurchase Agreement (together, the “Master Repurchase Agreements”) require K. Hovnanian Mortgage to satisfy and maintain specified financial ratios and other financial condition tests. Because of the extremely short period of time mortgages are held by K. Hovnanian Mortgage before the mortgages are sold to investors (generally a period of a few weeks), the immateriality to us on a consolidated basis of the size of the Master Repurchase Agreements, the levels required by these financial covenants, our ability based on our immediately available resources to contribute sufficient capital to cure any default, were such conditions to occur, and our right to cure any cond