UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 10-Q

x Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the Quarterly Period Ended 9/30/2013

o Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Commission File No. 0-15950

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

37-1078406 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

100 W. University Ave., Champaign, Illinois (Address of principal executive offices)

61820

(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (217) 365-4516

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 x No o

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 for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No o

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

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

Accelerated filer x Smaller reporting company o

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class Outstanding at November 7, 2013
Common Stock, \$.001 par value 86,764,130

PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (Unaudited)

September 30, 2013 December 31, 2012

Gan and due from banks (interest-bearing 2013 880,209; 2012 \$235,428) \$ 907,422 1,004,99 Securities welld to maturity, at amortized cost 83 — Loans led for sale 17,50 40,005 Loans (net of allowance for loan losses 2013 \$47,964; 2012 \$48,012) 2,185,141 1,985,005 Premises and equipment 20,666 20,666 20,666 Goodwill 40,00 3,948 30,805 Other intangible assets 40,400 39,385 Other real estate owned (OREO) 2,15 3,532 Other asset, net 40,407 30,373 Other assets 40,407 3,343 Other assets 40,407 3,343 Total assets 4,403 3,548 Total assets 4,403 3,548 Total assets 5,352,020 3,618,056 Estilities 2,352,002 3,618,056 Total assets 5,353,202 3,518,056 Februsities 2,352,002 3,512,002 Total deposits 5,353,202 3,502,002 Total deposits <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th>					
Securities held to maturity, at amortized cost 838 — Loans held for sale 17,500 40,003 Loans (net of allowance for loan losses 2013 \$47,964; 2012 \$48,012) 2,185,141 1,985,095 Premises and equipment 67,148 71,067 Goodwill 20,686 20,686 Other intangible assets 10,354 12,703 Cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance 40,400 39,485 Other real estate owned (OREC) 2,156 3,450 Other real estate owned (OREC) 3,7674 39,373 Other asset, net 30,353,2024 3,361,805 Total assets \$3,353,2024 \$3,618,055 Total assets \$3,353,2024 \$3,618,055 Liabilities Total deposits \$3,4374 \$6,11,043 Total deposits \$5,43745 \$6,11,043 Total deposits \$5,43745 \$6,11,043 Total deposits \$5,500 \$5,500 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase \$5,500 \$5,000 <tr< td=""><td>, ,</td><td>\$</td><td></td><td>\$</td><td>,</td></tr<>	, ,	\$		\$,
Loans held for sale 17,500 40,003 Loans (net of allowance for loan losses 2013 \$47,964; 2012 \$48,012) 2,185,141 1,985,095 Fremises and equipment 67,148 7,107 Goodwill 20,686 20,686 Other intangible assets 10,354 12,705 Other real estate owned (DREO) 2,156 3,480 Deferred tax asset, net 37,674 39,373 Other assets 440,37 53,442 Total assets 3,532,242 \$3,480 Total assets 8,353,204 \$3,480 Total assets 8,353,204 \$3,480 Eabilities 5 3,537 \$3,480 Peposits 5 2,547,46 \$11,043 Interest-bearing \$2,351,06 \$2,369,249 Total deposits \$2,879,852 \$2,809,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase \$156,510 \$13,042 Long-term debt \$2,879,852 \$2,809,292 Total liabilities \$2,317,645 \$3,209,295 Total liabilities \$3,117,	·				1,001,497
Domnis (net of allowance for loan losses 2013 \$47,964; 2012 \$48,012) 2,185,141 1,985,095 Premises and equipment 67,148 71,067 Goodwill 20,686 20,686 Other intangible assets 10,354 12,703 Cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance 40,400 39,485 Other real estate owned (OREO) 2,156 3,450 Defered tax asset, net 37,674 39,373 Other assets 440,37 35,442 Total assets 5,353,024 3,618,056 Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Variable of the colspan="2">Variable					_
Premises and equipment 67.148 71.067 Goodwill 20.686 20,686 Cohder intangible assets 10,334 12,703 Cash surender value of bank owned life insurance 2,156 3,450 Other real estate owned (OREO) 2,156 3,352 Other real estate owned (OREO) 37,674 39,373 Other assets 44,037 53,442 Total assets 5,353,024 \$3,610,655 Libilities and Stockholders' Equity Boposites Securities and Stockholders' Equity Non-interest-bearing \$13,476 \$1,000,000 Interest-bearing \$1,551 \$1,000,000 Interest-bearing \$2,879,852 \$2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase \$156,510 \$3,000,200 Councile faction of the flabilities \$2,879,852 \$2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase \$5,000 \$5,000 Colspan="2">Colspan="2">Colspan="2">Colspan="2">Colspan="2">Colspan="2">Colspan="2">Colspan="2">Colspan="2">Colspan="2">Cols					
Godwill 20.686 20.686 Other intangible assets 10,354 12,703 Cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance 40,400 39,485 Other real estate owned (OREO) 2,156 3,450 Deferred tax asset, net 37,674 39,373 Other assets 44,037 53,442 Total assets 8,353,2024 3,618,056 Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity 8 543,746 6,611,043 Interest-bearing \$ 543,746 6,611,043 1,618 Interest-bearing \$ 2,369,052 \$ 2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase \$ 2,369,166 2,369,249 Long-term debt — — — 7,000 7,000 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts \$ 5,000 5,000 Other liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity \$ 3,11					
Other intangible assets 10,354 12,703 Cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance 40,400 39,485 Other real estate owned (OREO) 2,156 3,500 Deferred tax asset, net 37,674 39,373 Other assets 44,037 3,618,056 Total assets 5,352,024 3,618,056 Liabilities Exposits: Non-interest-bearing 5,43,746 5,611,043 Interest-bearing 2,336,106 2,369,249 Total deposits 5,287,9852 5,2890,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase 156,510 139,024 Long-term debt					,
Cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance 40,400 39,485 Other real estate owned (OREO) 2,156 3,503 Deferred tax asset, net 37,674 39,373 Other assets 44,037 53,442 Total assets 53,532,024 \$ 3,618,056 Läbilities 8 353,2024 \$ 3,618,056 Estabilities Non-interest-bearing \$ 543,746 \$ 611,043 Interest-bearing \$ 3,679,852 \$ 2,890,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase \$ 156,510 139,024 Long-term debt \$ 2,879,852 \$ 3,209,259 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts 5 5,000 55,000 Other liabilities \$ 3,17,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity \$ 3,17,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$,001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$ 1,000,001 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$,001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued = 88,287,132 8 8					
Other real estate owned (OREO) 2,156 3,450 Deferred tax asset, net 37,674 39,373 Other assets 4,037 53,442 Total assets \$3,532,024 \$3,618,056 Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Liabilities Poposits: Non-interest-bearing \$34,746 \$611,043 Interest-bearing 2,336,106 2,369,249 Total deposits \$2,879,852 \$2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase 156,510 139,024 Long-term debt 9 7,000 Loing-term debt 9 2,289 Other liabilities 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities 3,317,645 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000 \$7,000 \$7,000 Si,000.00 liquidation value per share \$72,664 \$8 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 </td <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>					
Deferred tax asset, net 37,674 39,373 Other assets 44,037 53,442 Total assets 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056 Laibilities Brought Stockholders' Equity Deposits Non-interest-bearing \$ 543,746 \$ 611,043 Interest-bearing 2,336,106 2,369,249 Total deposits \$ 2,879,852 \$ 2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase 156,510 139,024 Long-term debt - 7,000 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts 55,000 55,000 Other liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$,001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$ 1,000,001 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$,001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 8 8 Additional paid-in capital \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Accumulated deficit \$ 228,222 \$ 24,0321 Accumulated other comprehensive incom					
Other assets 44,037 53,424 Total assets 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056 Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Example of Stockholders' Equity Liabilities Deposits: Non-interest-bearing \$ 43,746 \$ 611,043 Interest-bearing 2,336,106 2,369,249 Total deposits \$ 2,879,852 \$ 2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase \$ 156,510 \$ 139,024 Long-term debt \$ - 7,000 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts \$ 5,000 \$ 5,000 Other liabilities \$ 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$ 1,000,001 (juidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued—88,287,132 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 <th< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>,</td></th<>					,
Total assets S 3,532,024 S 3,618,056 Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity S S S S S S S S S					
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Liabilities Poposities Non-interest-bearing \$ 543,746 \$ 611,043 Interest-bearing 2,336,106 2,369,249 Total deposits \$ 2,879,852 \$ 2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase 156,510 139,024 Long-term debt — 7000 7000 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts 55,000 55,000 Other liabilities 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity \$ 72,664 72,664 Stock Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000,00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 8 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock 4	Other assets				
Peposits:		\$	3,532,024	\$	3,618,056
Non-interest-bearing \$ 543,746 \$ 611,043 Interest-bearing 2,336,106 2,369,249 Total deposits \$ 2,879,852 \$ 2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase 156,510 139,024 Long-term debt -	Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Non-interest-bearing \$ 543,746 \$ 611,043 Interest-bearing 2,336,106 2,369,249 Total deposits \$ 2,879,852 \$ 2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase 156,510 139,024 Long-term debt — 7,000 7,000 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts 55,000 55,000 Other liabilities 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587)	Liabilities				
Interest-bearing					
Total deposits \$ 2,879,852 \$ 2,980,292 Securities sold under agreements to repurchase 156,510 139,024 Long-term debt — 7,000 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts 55,000 55,000 Other liabilities 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Non-interest-bearing	\$	543,746	\$	611,043
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase 156,510 139,024 Long-term debt — 7,000 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts 55,000 55,000 Other liabilities 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$,001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$,001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock 444,349 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total liabilities and stockholders' equity 3,532,024 3,618,056	Interest-bearing		2,336,106		2,369,249
Long-term debt — 7,000 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts 55,000 55,000 Other liabilities 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued—88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost—2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 3,618,056	Total deposits	\$	2,879,852	\$	2,980,292
Long-term debt — 7,000 Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts 55,000 55,000 Other liabilities 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued—88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost—2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 3,618,056					
Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts 55,000 55,000 Other liabilities 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$ 12,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued—88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost—2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		156,510		139,024
Other liabilities 26,283 27,943 Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Long-term debt		_		7,000
Total liabilities \$ 3,117,645 \$ 3,209,259 Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 3,618,056	Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts		55,000		55,000
Stockholders' Equity Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Other liabilities		26,283		27,943
Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, \$ 72,664 \$ 72,664 \$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$ 72,664 \$ 88 88 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Total liabilities	\$	3,117,645	\$	3,209,259
\$1,000.00 liquidation value per share \$72,664 \$72,664 Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$444,349 \$440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$414,379 \$408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$3,532,024 \$3,618,056	Stockholders' Equity				
Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Series C Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 72,664 shares authorized, issued and outstanding,				
Common stock, \$.001 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares; shares issued — 88,287,132 88 88 Additional paid-in capital 593,458 594,411 Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	\$1,000.00 liquidation value per share	\$	72,664	\$	72,664
Accumulated deficit (228,222) (240,321) Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056			88		88
Accumulated other comprehensive income 6,361 13,542 Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Additional paid-in capital		593,458		594,411
Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock \$ 444,349 \$ 440,384 \$ Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282	Accumulated deficit		(228,222)		(240,321)
Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1,523,002; 2012 1,616,282 (29,970) (31,587) Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Accumulated other comprehensive income		6,361		13,542
Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock	\$	444,349	\$	440,384
Total stockholders' equity \$ 414,379 \$ 408,797 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	Common stock shares held in treasury at cost — 2013 1 523 002: 2012 1 616 282		(29 970)		(31 587)
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 3,532,024 \$ 3,618,056	•	\$		\$	
Common shares outstanding at period end 86,764,130 86,670,850	Total navinues and stockholders equity	D	3,332,024	Ф	3,010,030
	Common shares outstanding at period end		86,764,130		86,670,850

Other service charges and fees

3

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (Unaudited)

	<u> </u>	2013		2012
		(dollars in thousands, ex	cept per	share amounts)
Interest income:				
Interest and fees on loans	\$	69,257	\$	74,450
Interest and dividends on investment securities:				
Taxable interest income		9,616		11,215
Non-taxable interest income		2,938		2,667
Total interest income	\$	81,811	\$	88,332
Interest expense:				
Deposits	\$	5,577	\$	10,026
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		128		217
Short-term borrowings		15		26
Long-term debt		125		552
Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts		905		994
Total interest expense	\$	6,750	\$	11,815
Net interest income	\$	75,061	\$	76,517
Provision for loan losses		6,000		13,000
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	\$	69,061	\$	63,517
Other income:				
Trust fees	\$	13,956	\$	13,245
Commissions and brokers' fees, net		1,819		1,578
Remittance processing		6,288		6,346
Service charges on deposit accounts		8,876		8,646

4,246

4,452

Gain on sales of loans	8,944	8,924
Security gains, net	82	575
Other	3,637	5,679
Total other income	\$ 48,054	\$ 49,239
Other expense:		
Salaries and wages	\$ 39,342	\$ 38,966
Employee benefits	8,754	8,791
Net occupancy expense of premises	6,340	6,598
Furniture and equipment expense	3,687	3,858
Data processing	7,813	8,366
Amortization of intangible assets	2,349	2,481
Regulatory expense	1,808	1,869
OREO expense	394	788
Other	14,239	15,658
Total other expense	\$ 84,726	\$ 87,375
Income before income taxes	\$ 32,389	\$ 25,381
Income taxes	10,583	7,941
Net income	\$ 21,806	\$ 17,440
Preferred stock dividends	2,725	2,725
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 19,081	\$ 14,715
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.17
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.17
Dividends declared per share of common stock	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.12

4

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (Unaudited)

		2013		2012
Interest in come		(dollars in thousands, ex	cept per	share amounts)
Interest income: Interest and fees on loans	¢	22.006	¢	24.412
	\$	23,096	\$	24,412
Interest and dividends on investment securities:		2.162		2.010
Taxable interest income		3,162		3,610
Non-taxable interest income		978		989
Total interest income	\$	27,236	\$	29,011
Interest expense:			_	
Deposits	\$	1,656	\$	2,960
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		44		63
Short-term borrowings		_		8
Long-term debt		_		106
Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts		303		329
Total interest expense	\$	2,003	\$	3,466
Net interest income	\$	25,233	\$	25,545
Provision for loan losses		2,000		3,500
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	\$	23,233	\$	22,045
Other income:				
Trust fees	\$	4,035	\$	3,960
Commissions and brokers' fees, net		710		508
Remittance processing		2,105		2,068
Service charges on deposit accounts		3,126		2,962
Other service charges and fees		1,486		1,422
Gain on sales of loans		2,684		3,255
Security gains, net		82		511
Other		1,402		903
Total other income	\$	15,630	\$	15,589
Other expense:	<u>*</u>	15,050		15,565
Salaries and wages	\$	13,001	\$	13,707
Employee benefits		2,580	•	2,773
Net occupancy expense of premises		2,055		2,237
Furniture and equipment expense		1,211		1,276
Data processing		2,606		3,568
Amortization of intangible assets		783		827
Regulatory expense		545		623
OREO expense (income)		(207)		273
Other		4,784		5,110
Total other expense	\$	27,358	\$	30,394
Income before income taxes	\$ \$	11,505	\$	7,240
Income before income taxes	Ф	11,303	Ψ	7,240

Income taxes	 3,572	 2,331
Net income	\$ 7,933	\$ 4,909
Preferred stock dividends	909	909
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 7,024	\$ 4,000
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.05
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.05
Dividends declared per share of common stock	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.04

5

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME For the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (Unaudited)

	Three Mon Septem	ded		Nine Mon Septem	ed
	2013	2012		2013	2012
		(dollars in t	housan		
Net income	\$ 7,933	\$ 4,909	\$	21,806	\$ 17,440
Other comprehensive income, before tax:					
Securities available for sale:					
Unrealized net (losses) gains on securities:					
Unrealized net holding gains (losses) arising during					
period	\$ 1,092	\$ 3,285	\$	(12,125)	\$ 5,554
Reclassification adjustment for (gains) included in net					
income	(82)	(511)		(82)	(575)
Other comprehensive (loss) income, before tax	\$ 1,010	\$ 2,774	\$	(12,207)	\$ 4,979
Income tax (benefit) expense related to items of other					
comprehensive income	416	1,142		(5,026)	2,050
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax	\$ 594	\$ 1,632	\$	(7,181)	\$ 2,929
Comprehensive income	\$ 8,527	\$ 6,541	\$	14,625	\$ 20,369

See accompanying notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements.

6

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (Unaudited)

(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	referred Stock	ommon Stock	Surplus	Retained Earnings (Deficit)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	٦	Freasury Stock]	nearned ESOP Shares	Total
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$ 72,664	\$ 88	\$ 594,009	\$ (238,085)	\$ 13,124	\$	(32,116)	\$	(417)	\$ 409,267
Net income	_	_	_	17,440	_		_		_	17,440
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	2,929		_		_	2,929
Issuance of treasury stock for										
employee stock purchase plan	_	_	(219)	_	_		299		_	80
Net issuance of treasury stock for restricted stock unit vesting and										
related tax benefit	_		(115)	_	_		118		_	3
Cash dividends common stock at \$0.12 per share	_	_	_	(10,395)	_		_		_	(10,395)
Stock dividend equivalents restricted stock units at \$0.12 per share	_	_	73	(73)	_		_		_	_
Stock based employee compensation	_	_	722	_	_		_		_	722
Preferred stock dividends	_	_	_	(2,725)	_		_		_	(2,725)
	,		<u> </u>						,	
Balance, September 30, 2012	\$ 72,664	\$ 88	\$ 594,470	\$ (233,838)	\$ 16,053	\$	(31,699)	\$	(417)	\$ 417,321
Balance, December 31, 2012	\$ 72,664	\$ 88	\$ 594,411	\$ (240,321)	\$ 13,542	\$	(31,587)	\$	_	\$ 408,797
Net income	_	_	_	21,806	_		_		_	21,806
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_	(7,181)		_		_	(7,181)

Issuance of treasury stock for employee stock purchase plan	_	_	(234)	_	_	316	_	82
Net issuance of treasury stock for restricted stock unit vesting and								
related tax benefit	_	_	(1,414)	_	_	1,301	_	(113)
Cash dividends common stock at \$0.08 per share	_	_	_	(6,937)	_	_	_	(6,937)
Stock dividend equivalents restricted stock units at \$0.08 per				,				
share	_	_	45	(45)	_	_	_	_
Stock based employee				, ,				
compensation	_	_	650	_	_	_	_	650
Preferred stock dividends	_	_	_	(2,725)	_	_	_	(2,725)
						,	,	
Balance, September 30, 2013	\$ 72,664	\$ 88	\$ 593,458	\$ (228,222)	\$ 6,361	\$ (29.970)	\$ _	\$ 414,379

7

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (Unaudited)

		2013		2012
		(dollars in	housan	ds)
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	_			
Net income	\$	21,806	\$	17,440
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Stock-based and non-cash compensation		650		722
Depreciation and amortization		6,494		6,507
Provision for loan losses		6,000		13,000
Provision for deferred income taxes		6,725		7,205
Amortization of security premiums and discounts, net		6,821		7,166
Net security gains		(82)		(575)
Gain on sales of loans, net		(8,944)		(8,924)
Net (gains) losses on disposition of premises and equipment		(796)		72
Net gains on sales of OREO properties		(1)		(248)
Increase in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance		(915)		(1,399)
Change in assets and liabilities:				
Decrease in other assets		9,177		2,830
Decrease in other liabilities		(1,192)		(796)
Decrease in interest payable		(386)		(592)
Decrease in income taxes receivable		228		1,105
Net cash provided by operating activities before activities for loans originated for sale	\$	45,585	\$	43,513
Loans originated for sale		(390,125)		(419,249)
Proceeds from sales of loans		421,572		419,007
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	77,032	\$	43,271
Cash Flows from Investing Activities				
Proceeds from sales of securities classified available for sale		10,229		55,599
Proceeds from maturities of securities classified available for sale		143,258		140,785
Purchase of securities classified available for sale		(78,358)		(330,434)
Purchase of securities held to maturity		(838)		(556, 151)
Net increase in loans		(207,063)		(6,117)
Proceeds from disposition of premises and equipment		2,849		5
Proceeds from sale of OREO properties		2,312		9,229
Purchases of premises and equipment		(2,279)		(6,919)
Net cash used in investing activities	\$	(129,890)	\$	(137,852)

(continued on next page)

8

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (continued) For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (Unaudited)

(dollars in thousands)

Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Net decrease in certificates of deposit	\$ (82,944)	\$ (87,513)
Net (decrease) increase in demand, money market and savings deposits	(17,496)	216,583
Cash dividends paid	(9,662)	(13,120)
Shares surrendered upon vesting of restricted stock units to cover tax obligations	(113)	_
Principal payments on long-term debt	(7,000)	(12,000)
Net increase in securities sold under agreements to repurchase	17,486	3,886
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	\$ (99,729)	\$ 107,836
Net (decrease) increase in cash and due from banks	\$ (152,587)	\$ 13,255
Cash and due from banks, beginning	\$ 351,255	\$ 315,053
Cash and due from banks, ending	\$ 198,668	\$ 328,308
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Cash payments for:		
Interest	\$ 7,136	\$ 12,408
Income taxes	\$ 3,406	\$ 630
Non-cash investing and financing activities:		
Other real estate acquired in settlement of loans	\$ 1,017	\$ 9,015
Dividends accrued	\$ 926	\$ 924

9

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION and Subsidiaries NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1: Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of First Busey Corporation (the "Company"), a Nevada corporation, have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") for Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and do not include certain information and footnote disclosures required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP") for complete annual financial statements. Accordingly, these financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

The accompanying consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2012, which has been derived from audited financial statements, and the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and reflect all adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for the fair presentation of the financial position and results of operations for the periods presented. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2013.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation with no effect on net income or stockholders' equity.

In preparing the accompanying consolidated financial statements, the Company's management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses for the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Material estimates which are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term relate to the fair value of investment securities, the determination of the allowance for loan losses, and the valuation allowance on the deferred tax asset.

The Company has evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition and/or disclosure through the date the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q were issued. There were no significant subsequent events for the quarter ended September 30, 2013 through the issuance date of these financial statements that warranted adjustment to or disclosure in the consolidated financial statements.

Note 2: Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The Company reviews new accounting standards as issued. Information relating to accounting pronouncements issued and applicable to the Company in 2012 appear in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. The Company has not identified any guidance that will have a material effect on our financial reporting that merits discussion.

10

Note 3: Securities

Securities are classified as held to maturity when First Busey has the ability and management has the positive intent to hold those securities to maturity. Accordingly, they are stated at cost, adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts. Securities are classified as available for sale when First Busey may decide to sell those securities due to changes in market interest rates, liquidity needs, changes in yields on alternative investments, and for other reasons. They are carried at fair value with unrealized gains and losses, net of taxes, reported in other comprehensive income.

The amortized cost, unrealized gains and losses and fair values of securities classified available for sale and held to maturity are summarized as follows:

September 30, 2013:		Amortized Cost		Gross Unrealized Gains (dollars in	thous	Gross Unrealized Losses		Fair Value
Available for sale				(donars in	tiious	dilus)		
U.S. Treasury securities	\$	103,024	\$	385	\$	(71)	\$	103,338
Obligations of U.S. government corporations and agencies		285,452	_	3,258		(341)		288,369
Obligations of states and political subdivisions		292,492		3,258		(2,463)		293,287
Residential mortgage-backed securities		185,584		4,802		(253)		190,133
Corporate debt securities		25,407		115		(32)		25,490
Total debt securities		891,959		11,818		(3,160)		900,617
Mutual funds and other equity securities		4,650		2,155				6,805
Total	\$	896,609	\$	13,973	\$	(3,160)	\$	907,422
September 30, 2013:		Amortized Cost		Gross Unrealized Gains		Gross Unrealized Losses		Fair Value
TT 11.				(dollars in	thous	sands)		
Held to maturity	ф	020	ф		ф		ф	0.4.4
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	\$	838	\$	6	\$		\$	844
Total	\$	838	\$	6	\$	_	\$	844
December 31, 2012:	_	Amortized Cost		Gross Unrealized Gains		Gross Unrealized Losses		Fair Value
Available for sale				(dollars in	thous	sands)		
U.S. Treasury securities	\$	103,353	\$	1,303	\$		\$	104,656
Obligations of U.S. government corporations and agencies	φ	363,583	Ф	6,616	Ф	(5)	Ф	370,194
Obligations of c.s. government corporations and agencies Obligations of states and political subdivisions		274,350		6,176		(238)		280,288
Residential mortgage-backed securities		210,139		7,576		(230)		217,715
Corporate debt securities		24,601		139		(26)		24,714
Total debt securities	_	976,026		21,810	_	(269)		997,567
Mutual funds and other equity securities		2,451		1,479		(209)		3,930
with the securities		2,431		1,4/3		<u> </u>		5,350

There were no held to maturity securities at December 31, 2012.

Total

11

978,477

23,289

1,001,497

The amortized cost and fair value of debt securities available for sale and held to maturity as of September 30, 2013, by contractual maturity, are shown below. Mutual funds and other equity securities do not have stated maturity dates and therefore are not included in the following maturity summary. Mortgages underlying the residential mortgage-backed securities may be called or prepaid without penalties; therefore, actual maturities could differ from the contractual maturities. All residential mortgage-backed securities were issued by U.S. government agencies and corporations.

	Availabl	e for sale	Held to maturity				
A			Fair				air
							alue
	(dollars in		(dollars in thousands)				
\$	151,701	\$	152,776	\$	_	\$	_
	478,362		481,436		234		235
	182,805		185,574		496		499
	79,091		80,831		108		110
\$	891,959	\$	900,617	\$	838	\$	844
	\$ \$	Amortized Cost (dollars in \$ 151,701 478,362 182,805 79,091	Amortized Cost (dollars in thousand) \$ 151,701 \$ 478,362 182,805 79,091	Cost Value (dollars in thousands) \$ 151,701 \$ 152,776 478,362 481,436 182,805 185,574 79,091 80,831	Amortized Cost Fair Value (dollars in thousands) \$ 151,701 \$ 152,776 \$ 478,362 478,362 481,436 182,805 185,574 79,091 80,831	Amortized Cost Fair Value Amortized Cost (dollars in thousands) (dollars in to 151,701 \$ 152,776 \$ — 478,362 481,436 234 182,805 185,574 496 79,091 80,831 108	Amortized Cost Fair Value Amortized Cost I V (dollars in thousands) (dollars in thousands) \$ 151,701 \$ 152,776 \$ — \$ 478,362 481,436 234 34 182,805 185,574 496 496 79,091 80,831 108 34

Realized gains and losses related to sales of securities available for sale are summarized as follows:

Thre	Three Months Ended September 30,						
20	13	2	012				
· ·	(dollars in	thousands)					
\$	82	\$	511				
	_						
\$	82	\$	511				
<u> </u>							
Nin	e Months End	ed Septemb	er 30,				
20	13	- 2	2012				
'-	(dollars in	thousands)					
\$	82	\$	576				
	_		(1)				
\$	82	\$	575				
		2013 (dollars in the second secon	2013 2 (dollars in thousands) \$ 82 \$				

The tax provision for the net realized gains was insignificant for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and \$0.2 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Investment securities with carrying amounts of \$428.7 million and \$489.1 million on September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, were pledged as collateral for public deposits, securities sold under agreements to repurchase and for other purposes as required or permitted by law.

Information pertaining to securities with gross unrealized losses at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous loss position follows:

12

	Less than 12 months Greater than 12 months			nonths								
September 30, 2013:		Fair Value		Unrealized Losses		Fair Value		Unrealized Losses	Fair Value			Unrealized Losses
						(dollars in	thous	ınds)				
Available for sale												
U.S. Treasury securities	\$	36,520	\$	71	\$	_	\$	_	\$	36,520	\$	71
Obligations of U.S. government												
corporations and agencies		25,264		341		_		_		25,264		341
Obligations of states and political												
subdivisions		116,930		2,399		4,582		64		121,512		2,463
Residential mortgage-backed securities		15,183		253		_		_		15,183		253
Corporate debt securities		9,354		32		_		_		9,354		32
Total temporarily impaired securities	\$	203,251	\$	3,096	\$	4,582	\$	64	\$	207,833	\$	3,160
											_	
		Less than	12 m			Greater tha	n 12 r				tal	
C		Fair		Unrealized		Fair		Unrealized		Fair		Unrealized

		Less than	<u>12 mo</u>	nths	Greater than 12 months				 Total		
	F	'air		Unrealized		Fair	Unre	alized	Fair		Unrealized
September 30, 2013:	V	alue		Losses		Value	Los	sses	Value		Losses
						(dollars in					
Held to maturity											
Obligations of states and political											
subdivisions (1)	\$	183	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 183	\$	_
Total temporarily impaired securities	\$	183	\$	_	\$		\$		\$ 183	\$	

⁽¹⁾ Unrealized loss was less than one thousand dollars.

	Less than	12 m	onths	Greater than 12 months				Total			
December 31, 2012:	Fair Unrealized Value Losses		'-	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses		Fair Value			Unrealized Losses	
				(dollars in thousands)							
Available for sale											
Obligations of U.S. government											
corporations and agencies	\$ 10,155	\$	5	\$	_	\$	_	\$	10,155	\$	5
Obligations of states and political											
subdivisions	37,958		189		3,311		49		41,269		238
Corporate debt securities	15,207		26		_		_		15,207		26
Total temporarily impaired securities	\$ 63,320	\$	220	\$	3,311	\$	49	\$	66,631	\$	269

Management evaluates securities available for sale for other-than-temporary impairment at least on a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market concerns warrant such evaluation. Consideration is given to the length of time and extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, and whether the Company has the intent to sell the security and it is more-likely-than-not we will have to sell the security before recovery of its cost basis.

The total number of securities in the investment portfolio in an unrealized loss position as of September 30, 2013 was 312, and represented a loss of 1.5% of the aggregate carrying value. Based upon a review of unrealized loss circumstances, the unrealized losses resulted from changes in market interest rates and liquidity, not from changes in the probability of receiving the contractual cash flows. The Company does not intend to sell the securities and it is more-likely-than-not that the Company will recover the amortized cost prior to being required to sell the securities. Full collection of the amounts due according to the contractual terms of the securities is expected; therefore, the Company does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2013.

13

Note 4: Loans

Geographic distributions of loans were as follows:

		September 30, 2013									
	_	Illinois			Florida		Indiana		Total		
					(dollars in						
Commercial	\$	5	511,567	\$	21,544	\$	26,444	\$	559,555		
Commercial real estate			808,708		170,205		86,067		1,064,980		
Real estate construction			56,590		11,828		2,630		71,048		
Retail real estate			429,497		104,100		11,618		545,215		
Retail other			9,195		514		98		9,807		
Total	\$	5	1,815,557	\$	308,191	\$	126,857	\$	2,250,605		

Less held for sale(1)	17,500
	\$ 2,233,105
Less allowance for loan losses	47,964
Net loans	\$ 2,185,141

(1)Loans held for sale are included in retail real estate.

	 December 31, 2012							
	Illinois		Florida		Indiana		Total	
			(dollars in	thousan				
Commercial	\$ 399,300	\$	10,861	\$	23,527	\$	433,688	
Commercial real estate	777,752		138,170		65,210		981,132	
Real estate construction	67,152		15,972		2,977		86,101	
Retail real estate	435,911		112,052		11,873		559,836	
Retail other	11,831		409		113		12,353	
Total	\$ 1,691,946	\$	277,464	\$	103,700	\$	2,073,110	
Less held for sale(1)							40,003	
						\$	2,033,107	
Less allowance for loan losses							48,012	
Net loans						\$	1,985,095	

(1) Loans held for sale are included in retail real estate.

Net deferred loan origination costs included in the tables above were \$0.4 million and \$0.8 million as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

The Company believes that sound loans are a necessary and desirable means of employing funds available for investment. Recognizing the Company's obligations to its stockholders, depositors, and to the communities it serves, authorized personnel are expected to seek to develop and make sound, profitable loans that resources permit and that opportunity affords. The Company maintains lending policies and procedures designed to focus lending efforts on the types, locations and duration of loans most appropriate for its business model and markets. While not specifically limited, the Company attempts to focus its lending on short to intermediate-term (0-7 years) loans in geographies within 125 miles of its lending offices. The Company attempts to utilize government assisted lending programs, such as the Small Business Administration and United States Department of Agriculture lending programs, when prudent. Generally, loans are collateralized by assets, primarily real estate, of the borrowers and guaranteed by individuals. The loans are expected to be repaid primarily from cash flows of the borrowers, or from proceeds from the sale of selected assets of the borrowers.

14

Management reviews and approves the Company's lending policies and procedures on a routine basis. Management routinely (at least quarterly) reviews the Company's allowance for loan losses and reports related to loan production, loan quality, concentrations of credit, loan delinquencies and non-performing and potential problem loans. The Company's underwriting standards are designed to encourage relationship banking rather than transactional banking. Relationship banking implies a primary banking relationship with the borrower that includes, at a minimum, an active deposit banking relationship in addition to the lending relationship. The integrity and character of the borrower are significant factors in the Company's loan underwriting. As a part of underwriting, tangible positive or negative evidence of the borrower's integrity and character are sought out. Additional significant underwriting factors beyond location, duration, a sound and profitable cash flow basis and the borrower's character are the quality of the borrower's financial history, the liquidity of the underlying collateral and the reliability of the valuation of the underlying collateral.

Total borrowing relationships, including direct and indirect debt, are generally limited to \$20 million, which is significantly less than the Company's regulatory lending limit. Borrowing relationships exceeding \$20 million are reviewed by the Company's board of directors at least annually and more frequently by management. At no time is a borrower's total borrowing relationship permitted to exceed the Company's regulatory lending limit. Loans to related parties, including executive officers and the Company's various directorates, are reviewed for compliance with regulatory guidelines and by the Company's board of directors at least annually.

The Company maintains an independent loan review department that reviews the loans for compliance with the Company's loan policy on a periodic basis. In addition to compliance with this policy, the loan review process reviews the risk assessments made by the Company's credit department, lenders and loan committees. Results of these reviews are presented to management and the audit committee at least quarterly.

The Company's lending can be summarized into five primary areas: commercial loans, commercial real estate loans, real estate construction loans, retail real estate loans, and other retail loans. A description of each of the lending areas can be found in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. The significant majority of the lending activity occurs in the Company's Illinois and Indiana markets, with the remainder in the Florida market. Due to the small scale of the Indiana loan portfolio and its geographical proximity to the Illinois portfolio, the Company believes that quantitative or qualitative segregation between Illinois and Indiana is not material or warranted.

The Company utilizes a loan grading scale to assign a risk grade to all of its loans. Loans are graded on a scale of 1 through 10 with grades 2, 4 & 5 unused. A description of the general characteristics of the grades is as follows:

· *Grades 1, 3, 6* — These grades include loans which are all considered strong credits, with grade 1 being investment or near investment grade. A grade 3 loan is comprised of borrowers that exhibit credit fundamentals that exceed industry standards and loan policy guidelines. A grade 6 loan is comprised of borrowers that exhibit acceptable credit fundamentals.

- · *Grade 7-* This grade includes loans on management's "Watch List" and is intended to be utilized on a temporary basis for a pass grade borrower where a significant risk-modifying action is anticipated in the near future.
- · *Grade 8-* This grade is for "Other Assets Especially Mentioned" loans that have potential weaknesses which may, if not checked or corrected, weaken the asset or inadequately protect the Company's credit position at some future date.
- · *Grade 9-* This grade includes "Substandard" loans, in accordance with regulatory guidelines, for which the accrual of interest has not been stopped. Assets so classified must have well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the Company will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.

15

• *Grade 10*- This grade includes "Doubtful" loans that have all the characteristics of a substandard loan with additional factors that make collection in full highly questionable and improbable. Such loans are placed on non-accrual status and may be dependent on collateral having a value that is difficult to determine.

All loans are graded at the inception of the loan. All commercial and commercial real estate loans above \$0.5 million with a grading of 7 are reviewed annually and grade changes are made as necessary. All real estate construction loans above \$0.5 million, regardless of the grade, are reviewed annually and grade changes are made as necessary. Interim grade reviews may take place if circumstances of the borrower warrant a more timely review. All loans above \$0.5 million which are graded 8 are reviewed quarterly. Further, all loans graded 9 or 10 are reviewed at least quarterly.

Loans in the highest grades, represented by grades 1, 3, 6 and 7, totaled \$2.1 billion at September 30, 2013 which increased from \$1.8 billion at December 31, 2012. Loans in the lowest grades, represented by grades 8, 9 and 10, totaled \$177.1 million at September 30, 2013, a decline from \$228.1 million at December 31, 2012. The positive change in mix of loan grades began in 2012 and suggests a declining level of overall risk in the total loan portfolio.

The following table presents weighted average risk grades segregated by class of loans (excluding held for sale, non-posted and clearings) and geography:

		September 30, 2013										
	Weighted Avg. Risk Grade		Grades 1,3,6		Grade 7		Grade o		Grade		Grade 10	
	KISK GI due		1,3,0		(dollars in t	housa	ands)		<u> </u>			
Illinois/Indiana					(11111111111111111111111111111111111111		,					
Commercial	4.70	\$	466,334	\$	46,901	\$	14,199	\$	9,073	\$	1,504	
Commercial real estate	5.53		746,360		85,757		29,436		26,779		6,443	
Real estate construction	7.24		17,759		16,365		12,420		10,166		2,510	
Retail real estate	3.55		399,303		5,717		5,402		6,130		3,795	
Retail other	2.98		9,134		154		_		5		_	
Total Illinois/Indiana		\$	1,638,890	\$	154,894	\$	61,457	\$	52,153	\$	14,252	
Florida												
Commercial	5.85	\$	17,311	\$	244	\$	3,301	\$	688	\$	_	
Commercial real estate	6.19		119,046		21,299		11,531		15,179		3,150	
Real estate construction	7.04		2,026		8,097		767		938		_	
Retail real estate	3.84		78,082		11,380		9,500		3,070		1,087	
Retail other	1.75		514		_		_		_		_	
Total Florida		\$	216,979	\$	41,020	\$	25,099	\$	19,875	\$	4,237	
Total		\$	1,855,869	\$	195,914	\$	86,556	\$	72,028	\$	18,489	

16

		December 31, 2012											
	Weighted Avg. Risk Grade		Grades 1,3,6		Grade 7		Grade 8		Grade 9		Grade 10		
					(dollars in t	hous	ands)				-		
Illinois/Indiana													
Commercial	4.68	\$	346,536	\$	46,201	\$	12,374	\$	15,677	\$	2,039		
Commercial real estate	5.53		644,695		110,012		50,305		28,655		9,295		
Real estate construction	7.21		30,710		7,809		14,162		14,084		3,364		
Retail real estate	3.62		385,949		6,729		7,806		5,874		2,855		
Retail other	3.34		11,563		372		_		9		_		
Total Illinois/Indiana		\$	1,419,453	\$	171,123	\$	84,647	\$	64,299	\$	17,553		
Florida													
Commercial	5.91	\$	6,359	\$	3,544	\$	162	\$	796	\$	_		
Commercial real estate	6.36		80,232		20,667		13,238		19,279		4,754		
Real estate construction	6.97		4,137		7,721		3,172		942		_		
Retail real estate	3.98		83,578		6,369		13,225		3,265		2,797		
Retail other	2.80		391		_		18		_		_		
Total Florida		\$	174,697	\$	38,301	\$	29,815	\$	24,282	\$	7,551		
Total		\$	1,594,150	\$	209,424	\$	114,462	\$	88,581	\$	25,104		

Loans are considered 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 or not such loans are considered past due. When interest accrual is discontinued, all unpaid accrued interest is reversed. Interest income is subsequently recognized only to the extent cash payments are received in excess of the 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.

An age analysis of past due loans still accruing and non-accrual loans is as follows:

		September 30, 2013										
	_]	Loans j	past due, still accruin	g		Non-accrual					
		30-59 Days		60-89 Days		90+Days		Loans				
				(dollars in t	housa	ınds)						
Illinois/Indiana												
Commercial	\$	337	\$	281	\$	88	\$	1,504				
Commercial real estate		77		_		65		6,443				
Real estate construction		_		_		_		2,510				
Retail real estate		983		272		46		3,795				
Retail other		18		1		_		_				
Total Illinois/Indiana	\$	1,415	\$	554	\$	199	\$	14,252				
	_											
Florida												
Commercial	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_				
Commercial real estate		_		_		_		3,150				
Real estate construction		_		_				_				
Retail real estate		314		_		_		1,087				
Retail other		_		_		_		_				
Total Florida	\$	314	\$	_	\$		\$	4,237				
Total	\$	1,729	\$	554	\$	199	\$	18,489				
		17										

	_	I	Non-accrual			
		30-59 Days	60-89 Days		90+Days	Loans
			(dollars in t	housa	nds)	
Illinois/Indiana						
Commercial	\$	111	\$ 80	\$	19	\$ 2,039
Commercial real estate		216	59		139	9,295
Real estate construction		_	_		_	3,364
Retail real estate		1,154	294		46	2,855
Retail other		2	2		_	_
Total Illinois/Indiana	\$	1,483	\$ 435	\$	204	\$ 17,553
Florida						
Commercial	\$	_	\$ _	\$	_	\$ _
Commercial real estate		_	_		_	4,754
Real estate construction		_	_		_	_
Retail real estate		364	_		52	2,797
Retail other		_	3		_	_
Total Florida	\$	364	\$ 3	\$	52	\$ 7,551
Total	\$	1,847	\$ 438	\$	256	\$ 25,104

A loan is impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable the Company will be unable to collect scheduled principal and interest payments when due according to the terms of the loan agreement. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status, collateral value, and the probability of collecting scheduled principal and interest payments when due. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired. Management determines the significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of the delay, the reasons for the delay, the borrower's prior payment record, and the amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed. The following loans are assessed for impairment by the Company: loans 60 days or more past due and over \$0.25 million, loans graded 8 over \$0.5 million and loans graded 9 or below.

Impairment is measured on a loan-by-loan basis for commercial and construction loans by either the present value of the expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, the loan's observable market price, or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. Large groups of smaller balance homogenous loans are collectively evaluated for impairment. Accordingly, the Company does not separately identify individual consumer and residential loans for impairment disclosures unless such loans are the subject of a restructuring agreement.

The gross interest income that would have been recorded in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 if impaired loans had been current in accordance with their original terms was \$0.4 million and \$1.1 million, respectively. The amount of interest collected on those loans and recognized on a cash basis that was included in interest income was insignificant for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013.

The Company's loan portfolio includes certain loans that have been modified in a troubled debt restructuring ("TDR"), where concessions have been granted to borrowers who have experienced financial difficulties. The Company will restructure loans for its customers who appear to be able to meet the terms of their loan over the long term, but who may be unable to meet the terms of the loan in the near term due to individual circumstances.

The Company considers the customer's past performance, previous and current credit history, the individual circumstances surrounding the current difficulties and the customer's plan to meet the terms of the loan in the future prior to restructuring the terms of the loan. Generally, all five primary areas of lending are restructured through short-term interest rate relief, short-term principal payment relief, short-term principal and interest payment relief, or forbearance (debt

	Sep	tember 30, 2013 (dollars in	December 31, 2012 nds)
Restructured loans:			
In compliance with modified terms	\$	12,452	\$ 22,023
30 — 89 days past due		_	28
Included in non-performing loans		7,431	6,458
Total	\$	19,883	\$ 28,509

All TDRs are considered to be impaired for purposes of assessing the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses and for financial reporting purposes. When the Company modifies a loan in a TDR, it evaluates any possible impairment similar to other impaired loans based on present value of the expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, the loan's observable market price, or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. If the Company determines that the value of the TDR is less than the recorded investment in the loan, impairment is recognized through an allowance estimate in the period of the modification and in periods subsequent to the modification.

The following table shows performing loans, segregated by class and geography, modified as TDRs that occurred during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

Nine Months Ended

Three Months Ended

		er 30, 2013		Septembe		
	Number of		Recorded	Number of		Recorded
	contracts	i	nvestment (dollars in tho	contracts	i	nvestment
Illinois/Indiana			(donars in the	Jusanusj		
Commercial	_	\$	_	_	\$	_
Commercial real estate	1		218	1	_	218
Real estate construction	_		_	_		_
Retail real estate	_		_	_		_
Retail other	_		_	_		_
Total Illinois/Indiana	1	\$	218	1	\$	218
		-	<u></u>			
Florida						
Commercial	_	\$	_	_	\$	_
Commercial real estate	_	,	_	1	•	90
Real estate construction	_		_	_		_
Retail real estate	_		_	_		_
Retail other	_		_	_		_
Total Florida		\$	_	1	\$	90
Total	1	\$	218	2	\$	308
		<u> </u>			-	
	Three Mo	onths Ende	ed.	Nine Mon	ths Ende	d
	Septemb	er 30, 2012	2	Septembe	r 30, 201	2
	Number of contracts		Recorded nvestment	Number of contracts		Recorded nvestment
	contracto	-	(dollars in the		-	- Council
Illinois/Indiana						
Commercial	_	\$	_	4	\$	1,455
Commercial real estate	1		2,069	1		2,069
Real estate construction	_		_	4		3,170
Retail real estate	1		53	11		1,875
Retail other						
Total Illinois/Indiana	2	\$	2,122	20	\$	8,569
Florida						
Commercial	_	\$	_	_	\$	_
Commercial real estate	_		_	_		_
Real estate construction	_		_	_		_
Retail real estate	_		_	2		704
Retail other						
Total Florida		\$		2	\$	704
Total	2	\$	2,122	22	\$	9,273
				_		

The commercial real estate TDR for the three months ended September 30, 2012 consisted of a short-term interest rate relief modification. The retail real estate TDR for the three months ended September 30, 2012 consisted of a short-term principal payment relief modification. The commercial TDRs for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 consisted of four modifications for short-term principal payment relief. The commercial real estate TDR for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 consisted of a modification for short-term interest rate relief. The real estate construction TDRs for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 consisted of three modifications for short-term principal payment relief totaling \$0.3 million and one modification of a forbearance agreement totaling \$2.9 million. The retail real estate TDRs for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 consisted of four modifications for short-term interest rate relief totaling \$1.0 million and nine modifications for short-term principal payment relief totaling \$1.6 million.

The gross interest income that would have been recorded in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 if performing TDRs had been in accordance with their original terms instead of modified terms was insignificant.

TDRs that were classified as non-performing and had payment defaults (a default occurs when a loan is 90 days or more past due or transferred to non-accrual), segregated by class and geography, are shown below:

		nths Ended er 30, 2013		Nine Mon Septembe				
	Number of contracts		corded stment	Number of contracts	Recorded investment			
			(dollars in thou	sands)				
Illinois/Indiana								
Commercial	_	\$	_	_	\$ _			
Commercial real estate	_		_	1	1,650			
Real estate construction	_		_	1	267			
Retail real estate	_		_	4	1,091			
Retail other	_		_	_	_			
Total Illinois/Indiana	_	\$		6	\$ 3,008			
Florida								
Commercial	_	\$	_	_	\$ _			
Commercial real estate	_		_	_	_			
Real estate construction	_		_	_	_			
Retail real estate	1		114	2	234			
Retail other	_		_	_	_			
Total Florida	1	\$	114	2	\$ 234			
Total	1	\$	114	8	\$ 3,242			
		20						

	Three Mo Septembe			onths Ended ber 30, 2012				
	Number of contracts	Recorded investment	Number of contracts		Recorded investment			
		(dollars in th	ousands)					
Illinois/Indiana								
Commercial	5	\$ 519	5	\$	519			
Commercial real estate	_	_	_		_			
Real estate construction	_	_	1		1,475			
Retail real estate	_	_	_		_			
Retail other	_	_	_		_			
Total Illinois/Indiana	5	\$ 519	6	\$	1,994			
Florida								
Commercial	_	\$ _	_	\$	_			
Commercial real estate	3	1,451	3		1,451			
Real estate construction	_	_	_		_			
Retail real estate	2	189	5		1,085			
Retail other	_	_	_		_			
Total Florida	5	\$ 1,640	8	\$	2,536			
Total	10	\$ 2,159	14	\$	4,530			

The following tables provide details of impaired loans, segregated by category and geography. The unpaid contractual principal balance represents the recorded balance prior to any partial charge-offs. The recorded investment represents customer balances net of any partial charge-offs recognized on the loan. The average recorded investment is calculated using the most recent four quarters.

	September 30, 2013											
	Con Pri	npaid tractual ncipal llance	Recorded Investment with No Allowance			Recorded Investment with Allowance		Total Recorded Investment	Related Allowance			Average Recorded Investment
						(dollars in t	thousa	ınds)				
Illinois/Indiana												
Commercial	\$	3,188	\$	1,585	\$	1,227	\$	2,812	\$	847	\$	5,255
Commercial real estate		11,131		6,674		2,429		9,103		954		10,937
Real estate construction		6,065		4,037		618		4,655		218		6,815
Retail real estate		5,882		3,786		1,294		5,080		754		5,231
Retail other		_		_		_		_		_		_
Total Illinois/Indiana	\$	26,266	\$	16,082	\$	5,568	\$	21,650	\$	2,773	\$	28,238

Florida						
Commercial	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$ 38
Commercial real estate	7,202	4,344	1,016	5,360	123	6,877
Real estate construction	430	430	_	430	_	1,733
Retail real estate	11,037	9,599	366	9,965	91	12,073
Retail other	_	_	_	_		_
Total Florida	\$ 18,669	\$ 14,373	\$ 1,382	\$ 15,755	\$ 214	\$ 20,721
Total	\$ 44,935	\$ 30,455	\$ 6,950	\$ 37,405	\$ 2,987	\$ 48,959

21

			December	31, 2	2012		
	Unpaid ontractual Principal Balance	Recorded Investment with No Allowance	Recorded Investment with Allowance (dollars in	thous	Total Recorded Investment	Related Allowance	Average Recorded Investment
Illinois/Indiana			(11111111111111111111111111111111111111		,		
Commercial	\$ 11,557	\$ 7,214	\$ 265	\$	7,479	\$ 265	\$ 10,109
Commercial real estate	17,656	12,020	1,288		13,308	634	14,607
Real estate construction	6,851	6,394	_		6,394	_	8,625
Retail real estate	6,251	4,666	530		5,196	140	5,206
Retail other	_	_	_		_	_	24
Total Illinois/Indiana	\$ 42,315	\$ 30,294	\$ 2,083	\$	32,377	\$ 1,039	\$ 38,571
Florida							
Commercial	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$	_	\$ _	\$ 271
Commercial real estate	9,533	5,988	585		6,573	235	6,506
Real estate construction	2,597	2,597	_		2,597	_	3,989
Retail real estate	16,518	12,673	1,373		14,046	483	15,254
Retail other	_	_	_		_	_	_
Total Florida	\$ 28,648	\$ 21,258	\$ 1,958	\$	23,216	\$ 718	\$ 26,020
Total	\$ 70,963	\$ 51,552	\$ 4,041	\$	55,593	\$ 1,757	\$ 64,591

Management's opinion as to the ultimate collectability of loans is subject to estimates regarding future cash flows from operations and the value of property, real and personal, pledged as collateral. These estimates are affected by changing economic conditions and the economic prospects of borrowers.

Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses represents an estimate of the amount of losses believed inherent in the Company's loan portfolio at the balance sheet date. The allowance for loan losses is evaluated geographically, by class of loans. The allowance calculation involves a high degree of estimation that management attempts to mitigate through the use of objective historical data where available. Loan losses are charged against the allowance for loan losses when management believes the uncollectibility of the loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance. Overall, the Company believes the allowance methodology is consistent with prior periods and the balance was adequate to cover the estimated losses in the Company's loan portfolio at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

The general portion of the Company's allowance contains two components: (i) a component for historical loss ratios, and (ii) a component for adversely graded loans. The historical loss ratio component is an annualized loss rate calculated using a sum-of-years digits weighted 20 quarter historical average.

The Company's component for adversely graded loans attempts to quantify the additional risk of loss inherent in the grade 8 and grade 9 portfolios. The grade 9 portfolio has an additional allocation placed on those loans determined by a one-year charge-off percentage for the respective loan type/geography. The minimum additional reserve on a grade 9 loan was 3.00% as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, which is an estimate of the additional loss inherent in these loan grades based upon a review of overall historical charge-offs. As of September 30, 2013, the Company believed this minimum reserve remained adequate.

Grade 8 loans have an additional allocation placed on them determined by the trend difference of the respective loan type/geography's rolling 12 and 20 quarter historical loss trends. If the rolling 12 quarter average is higher (more current information) than the rolling 20 quarter average, the Company adds the additional amount to the allocation. The minimum additional amount for grade 8 loans was 1.00% as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, based upon a review of the differences between the rolling 12 and 20 quarter historical loss averages by region. As of September 30, 2013, the Company believed this minimum additional amount remained adequate.

22

The specific portion of the Company's allowance relates to loans that are impaired, which includes non-performing loans, TDRs and other loans determined to be impaired. The impaired loans are subtracted from the general loans and are allocated specific reserves as discussed above.

Impaired loans are reported at the fair value of the underlying collateral, less estimated costs to sell, if repayment is expected solely from the collateral. Collateral values are estimated using a combination of observable inputs, including recent appraisals discounted for collateral specific changes and current market conditions, and unobservable inputs based on customized discounting criteria.

The general quantitative allocation based upon historical charge off rates is adjusted for qualitative factors based on current general economic conditions and other qualitative risk factors both internal and external to the Company. In general, such valuation allowances are determined by evaluating, among other things: (i) Management & Staff; (ii) Loan Underwriting, Policy and Procedures; (iii) Internal/External Audit & Loan Review; (iv) Valuation of Underlying

Collateral; (v) Macro and Local Economic Factor; (vi) Impact of Competition, Legal & Regulatory Issues; (vii) Nature and Volume of Loan Portfolio; (viii) Concentrations of Credit; (ix) Net Charge-Off Trend; and (x) Non-Accrual, Past Due and Classified Trend. Management evaluates the degree of risk that each one of these components has on the quality of the loan portfolio on a quarterly basis. Based on each component's risk factor, a qualitative adjustment to the reserve may be applied to the appropriate loan categories.

During the third quarter of 2013, the Company did not adjust any qualitative factors. The Company bases its assessment on several sources and will continue to monitor its qualitative factors on a quarterly basis.

The following table details activity on the allowance for loan losses. Allocation of a portion of the allowance to one category does not preclude its availability to absorb losses in other categories.

	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2013											
	ommercial	Commercial			Real Estate Construction		Retail Real Estate	,	Retail Other		Total	
	 ommerciai		Real Estate		(dollars in t				Retail Other		10tai	
Illinois/Indiana					(donars in t	11043	anus)					
Beginning balance	\$ 7,514	\$	13,723	\$	2,514	\$	8,256	\$	240	\$	32,247	
Provision for loan loss	363		316		(241)		1,024		49		1,511	
Charged-off	(241)		(44)		_		(446)		(117)		(848)	
Recoveries	37		145		21		112		59		374	
Ending Balance	\$ 7,673	\$	14,140	\$	2,294	\$	8,946	\$	231	\$	33,284	
								_				
Florida												
Beginning balance	\$ 1,505	\$	7,656	\$	2,693	\$	4,387	\$	3	\$	16,244	
Provision for loan loss	687		1,504		(1,690)		(9)		(3)		489	
Charged-off	_		(2,298)		2		(56)		(2)		(2,354)	
Recoveries	22		2		225		47		5		301	
Ending Balance	\$ 2,214	\$	6,864	\$	1,230	\$	4,369	\$	3	\$	14,680	
						_		_				

_	J

		For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013												
	Commercial		Commercial Real Estate	(Real Estate Construction		Retail Real Estate]	Retail Other		Total			
					(dollars in t	hous	ands)							
Illinois/Indiana														
Beginning balance	\$ 6,59	97 \$	15,023	\$	2,527	\$	8,110	\$	322	\$	32,579			
Provision for loan loss	1,6	17	(371)		558		1,592		14		3,410			
Charged-off	(60	53)	(954)		(1,071)		(1,068)		(404)		(4,160)			
Recoveries	12	22	442		280		312		299		1,455			
Ending Balance	\$ 7,67	73 \$	14,140	\$	2,294	\$	8,946	\$	231	\$	33,284			
Florida														
Beginning balance	\$ 1,43	37 \$	6,062	\$	2,315	\$	5,614	\$	5	\$	15,433			
Provision for loan loss	72	22	3,356		(1,332)		(143)		(13)		2,590			
Charged-off	-	_	(2,543)		(55)		(1,615)		(7)		(4,220)			
Recoveries	Į	55	(11)		302		513		18		877			
Ending Balance	\$ 2,2	14 \$	6,864	\$	1,230	\$	4,369	\$	3	\$	14,680			

		For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2012											
	<u> </u>			Commercial		Real Estate		Retail Real					
	(Commercial		Real Estate		Construction		Estate		Retail Other		Total	
						(dollars in t	hou	sands)					
Illinois/Indiana													
Beginning balance	\$	6,131	\$	15,373	\$	4,304	\$	7,320	\$	328	\$	33,456	
Provision for loan loss		1,209		1,403		324		(358)		59		2,637	
Charged-off		(1,194)		(1,716)		(538)		(463)		(128)		(4,039)	
Recoveries		15		6		_		130		43		194	
Ending Balance	\$	6,161	\$	15,066	\$	4,090	\$	6,629	\$	302	\$	32,248	
							_						
Florida													
Beginning balance	\$	1,871	\$	7,426	\$	2,348	\$	5,756	\$	9	\$	17,410	
Provision for loan loss		(125)		35		(64)		1,021		(4)		863	
Charged-off		(6)		(229)		(176)		(1,162)		_		(1,573)	
Recoveries		110		3		109		40		3		265	
Ending Balance	\$	1,850	\$	7,235	\$	2,217	\$	5,655	\$	8	\$	16,965	

			For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012												
					Commercial		Real Estate		Retail Real						
		C	ommercial		Real Estate	- 1	Construction		Estate		Retail Other		Total		
							(dollars in t	hou	sands)						
Ι	llinois/Indiana														
	Beginning balance	\$	9,143	\$	18,605	\$	4,352	\$	6,473	\$	464	\$	39,037		
	Provision for loan loss		(281)		8,485		856		2,130		67		11,257		
	Charged-off		(2,880)		(12,332)		(1,280)		(2,517)		(405)		(19,414)		
	Recoveries		179		308		162		543		176		1,368		
	Ending Balance	\$	6,161	\$	15,066	\$	4,090	\$	6,629	\$	302	\$	32,248		

Florida							
Beginning balance	\$ 1,939	\$ 8,413	\$ 2,936	\$ 6,160	\$ 21 5	19,469	9
Provision for loan loss	(522)	428	(644)	2,506	(25)	1,743	3
Charged-off	(90)	(1,649)	(336)	(3,247)	(1)	(5,323	3)
Recoveries	523	43	261	236	13	1,070	6
Ending Balance	\$ 1,850	\$ 7,235	\$ 2,217	\$ 5,655	\$ 8	16,96	5

24

The following table presents the allowance for loan losses and recorded investments in loans by category and geography:

						As of Septem						
	————	mmercial		Commercial Real Estate		Real Estate Construction		Retail Real Estate		Retail Other		Total
						(dollars in t	thousa					
Illinois/Indiana												
Amount allocated to:												
Loans individually evaluated for												
impairment	\$	847	\$	954	\$	218	\$	754	\$	_	\$	2,773
Loans collectively evaluated for												
impairment		6,826		13,186		2,076		8,192		231		30,511
Ending Balance	\$	7,673	\$	14,140	\$	2,294	\$	8,946	\$	231	\$	33,284
Loans:												
Loans individually evaluated for												
impairment	\$	2,812	\$	9,103	\$	4,655	\$	5,080	\$	_	\$	21,650
Loans collectively evaluated for												
impairment		535,199		885,672		54,565		419,517		9,293		1,904,246
Ending Balance	\$	538,011	\$	894,775	\$	59,220	\$	424,597	\$	9,293	\$	1,925,896
							-	· ·	_			
Florida												
Amount allocated to:												
Loans individually evaluated for												
impairment	\$	_	\$	123	\$	_	\$	91	\$	_	\$	214
Loans collectively evaluated for												
impairment		2,214		6,741		1,230		4,278		3		14,466
Ending Balance	\$	2,214	\$	6,864	\$	1,230	\$	4,369	\$	3	\$	14,680
	<u> </u>		÷		Ė		÷		÷		Ė	
Loans:												
Loans individually evaluated for												
impairment	\$		\$	5,360	\$	430	\$	9,965	\$	_	\$	15,755
Loans collectively evaluated for	Ψ		Ψ	3,500	Ψ	450	Ψ	3,303	Ψ		Ψ	15,755
impairment		21,544		164,845		11,398		93,153		514		291,454
Ending Balance	\$	21,544	\$	170,205	\$	11,828	\$	103,118	\$	514	\$	307,209
Zname Buttinee	Ψ	21,0-1-1	Ψ	170,200	Ψ	11,020	Ψ	105,110	Ψ	514	Ψ	307,203
				25								
				25								

						As of Decem						
	Co	mmercial		Commercial Real Estate	Real Estate Construction		Retail Real Estate					Total
		- Innier eiter		Teur Loute		(dollars in	thousa			Other		10111
Illinois/Indiana												
Amount allocated to:												
Loans individually evaluated for												
impairment	\$	265	\$	634	\$	_	\$	140	\$	_	\$	1,039
Loans collectively evaluated for												
impairment		6,332		14,389		2,527		7,970		322		31,540
Ending Balance	\$	6,597	\$	15,023	\$	2,527	\$	8,110	\$	322	\$	32,579
					_						_	
Loans:												
Loans individually evaluated for												
impairment	\$	7,479	\$	13,308	\$	6,394	\$	5,196	\$	_	\$	32,377
Loans collectively evaluated for												
impairment		415,348		829,654		63,735		404,867		11,944		1,725,548
Ending Balance	\$	422,827	\$	842,962	\$	70,129	\$	410,063	\$	11,944	\$	1,757,925
			_		_		_		_			
Florida												
Amount allocated to:												
Loans individually evaluated for												
impairment	\$	_	\$	235	\$	_	\$	483	\$	_	\$	718
Loans collectively evaluated for		1,437		5,827		2,315		5,131		5		14,715
g .				•		•						

impairment							
Ending Balance	\$ 1,437	\$ 6,062	\$	2,315	\$ 5,614	\$ 5	\$ 15,433
	 		_		 		
Loans:							
Loans individually evaluated for							
impairment	\$ _	\$ 6,573	\$	2,597	\$ 14,046	\$ _	\$ 23,216
Loans collectively evaluated for							
impairment	10,861	131,597		13,375	95,724	409	251,966
Ending Balance	\$ 10,861	\$ 138,170	\$	15,972	\$ 109,770	\$ 409	\$ 275,182

Note 5: Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase, which are classified as secured borrowings, generally mature either daily or within one year from the transaction date. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase are reflected at the amount of cash received in connection with the transaction. The underlying securities are held by the Company's safekeeping agent. The Company may be required to provide additional collateral based on the fair value of the underlying securities. The following table sets forth the distribution of securities sold under agreements to repurchase and weighted average interest rates:

	Sept	ember 30, 2013		December 31, 2012
		(dollars in	thousan	ds)
Balance	\$	156,510	\$	139,024
Weighted average interest rate at end of period		0.15%		0.15%
Maximum outstanding at any month end	\$	156,510	\$	146,710
Average daily balance	\$	131,093	\$	132,150
Weighted average interest rate during period (1)		0.13%		0.21%

⁽¹⁾ The weighted average interest rate is computed by dividing total interest for the year-to-date period by the average daily balance outstanding.

26

Note 6: Earnings Per Common Share

Earnings per common share have been computed as follows:

		Three Moi Septen	nths End iber 30,	ed	Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	2013 2012 (in thousands, except					2013		2012	
Net income available to common stockholders	\$	7,024	\$	4,000	\$	19,081	\$	14,715	
Shares:									
Weighted average common shares outstanding		86,801		86,654		86,745		86,634	
Dilutive effect of outstanding options, warrants and restricted stock units as determined by the application of the treasury									
stock method		275		8		299		9	
Weighted average common shares outstanding, as adjusted for diluted earnings per share calculation		87,076		86,662		87,044		86,643	
Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.08	\$	0.05	\$	0.22	\$	0.17	
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.08	\$	0.05	\$	0.22	\$	0.17	

Basic earnings per share are computed by dividing net income available to common stockholders for the period by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding.

Diluted earnings per share are determined by dividing net income available to common stockholders for the period by the weighted average number of shares of common stock and common stock equivalents outstanding. Common stock equivalents assume exercise of stock options, warrants and vesting of restricted stock units and use of proceeds to purchase treasury stock at the average market price for the period. If the average market price for the period is less than the strike price of a stock option or warrant, that option or warrant is considered anti-dilutive and is excluded from the calculation of common stock equivalents. If the total employee proceeds of a restricted stock unit exceed the average market price for the period, that restricted stock unit is considered anti-dilutive and is excluded from the calculation of common stock equivalents. At September 30, 2013, 648,529 outstanding options, 573,833 warrants, and 380,252 restricted stock units were anti-dilutive and excluded from the calculation of common stock equivalents. At September 30, 2012, 804,968 outstanding options, 573,833 warrants, and 752,209 restricted stock units were anti-dilutive and excluded from the calculation of common stock equivalents.

Note 7: Stock-based Compensation

Under the terms of the Company's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan, the Company is allowed, but not required, to source stock option exercises from its inventory of treasury stock. As of September 30, 2013, the Company held 1,523,002 shares in treasury, with 895,655 additional shares authorized for repurchase under its stock repurchase plan. The repurchase plan has no expiration date and expires when the Company has repurchased all of the remaining authorized shares.

A description of the 2010 Equity Incentive Plan can be found in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. The Company's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan is designed to encourage ownership of its common stock by its employees and directors, to provide additional

A summary of the status of and changes in the Company's stock option awards for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 follows:

	Shares		Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term
Outstanding at beginning of year	857,468	\$	17.01	
Granted	_		_	
Exercised	_		_	
Forfeited	156,439		16.00	
Outstanding at end of period	701,029	\$	17.24	2.32
Exercisable at end of period	701,029	\$	17.24	2.32

The Company did not recognize any compensation expense related to stock options for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 or 2012.

A summary of the changes in the Company's stock unit awards for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, is as follows:

	Restricted Stock Units	Director Deferred Stock Units	Total	A Gr	eighted- verage ant Date ir Value
Non-vested at beginning of year	736,412	32,991	769,403	\$	4.92
Granted	351,452	28,800	380,252		5.02
Dividend Equivalents Earned	9,903	946	10,849		4.59
Vested	(102,530)	(33,937)	(136,467)		4.70
Forfeited	(20,014)	_	(20,014)		5.23
Non-vested at end of period	975,223	28,800	1,004,023	\$	4.98
Outstanding at end of period	975,223	86,666	1,061,889	\$	4.98

All recipients earn quarterly dividend equivalents on their respective units. These dividend equivalents are not paid out during the vesting period, but instead entitle the recipients to additional units. Therefore, dividends earned each quarter will compound based upon the updated unit balances. Upon vesting/delivery, shares are expected to be issued from treasury.

On August 1, 2013, under the terms of the 2010 Equity Incentive Plan, the Company granted 367,094 restricted stock units ("RSUs") to members of management and directors. As the stock price on the grant date of August 1, 2013 was \$5.04, total compensation cost to be recognized is \$1,850,154. This cost will be recognized over a period of one to five years. Per the respective agreements, 28,800 RSUs vest over a requisite service period of one year, 14,881 RSUs vest over a requisite service period of two years, and the remaining 323,413 RSUs vest over a requisite service period of five years. Subsequent to each requisite service period, the awards will vest 100%.

On March 26, 2013, under the terms of the 2010 Equity Incentive Plan, the Company granted 13,158 RSUs to a certain member of management. As the stock price on the grant date of March 26, 2013 was \$4.56, total compensation cost to be recognized is \$60,000. This cost will be recognized over a period of one to three years. Per the respective agreements, 4,386 RSUs vest over a requisite service period of one year, 4,386 RSUs vest over a requisite service period of three years. Subsequent to each requisite service period, the awards will vest 100%.

A listing of RSUs granted in 2012 under the terms of the 2010 Equity Incentive Plan can be found in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

28

The Company recognized \$0.3 million of compensation expense related to non-vested stock units for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012. The Company recognized \$0.7 million of compensation expense related to non-vested stock units for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012. As of September 30, 2013, there was \$3.4 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to these non-vested stock units. This cost is expected to be recognized over a period of 3.4 years.

Note 8: Income Taxes

At September 30, 2013, the Company was not under examination by any tax authority.

Note 9: Outstanding Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

Legal Matters

The Company and its subsidiaries are parties to legal actions which arise in the normal course of their business activities. In the opinion of management, the ultimate resolution of these matters is not expected to have a material effect on the financial position or the results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries.

The Company and its subsidiary are parties to credit related financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of their customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. Those instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheets.

The Company and its subsidiary's exposure to credit loss are represented by the contractual amount of those commitments. The Company and its subsidiary use the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as they do for on-balance-sheet instruments. A summary of the contractual amount of the Company and its subsidiary's exposure to off-balance-sheet risk relating to the Company and its subsidiary's commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit follows:

	Septemb	er 30, 2013	D	ecember 31, 2012			
		(dollars in thousands)					
Financial instruments whose contract amounts represent credit risk:							
Commitments to extend credit	\$	560,234	\$	483,373			
Standby letters of credit		10,035		12,305			

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as no condition established in the contract has been violated. These commitments are generally at variable interest rates and generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. The commitments for equity lines of credit may expire without being drawn upon. Therefore, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. The amount of collateral obtained, if it is deemed necessary by the Company and its subsidiary upon extension of credit, is based on management's credit evaluation of the customer.

Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments issued by the Company and its subsidiary to guarantee the performance of a customer's obligation to a third party. Those guarantees are primarily issued to support public and private borrowing arrangements, including bond financing and similar transactions and primarily have terms of one year or less. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending loan facilities to customers. The Company and its subsidiary hold collateral, which may include accounts receivable, inventory, property and equipment, and income producing properties, supporting those commitments if deemed necessary. In the event the customer does not perform in accordance with the terms of the agreement with the third party, the Company and its subsidiary would be required to fund the commitment. The maximum potential amount of future payments the Company and its subsidiary could be required to make is represented by the contractual amount shown in the summary above. If the commitment is funded, the Company and its subsidiary would be entitled to seek recovery from the customer. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, no amounts were recorded as liabilities for the Company and its subsidiary's potential obligations under these guarantees.

As of September 30, 2013, the Company had no futures, forwards, swaps or option contracts, or other financial instruments with similar characteristics with the exception of rate lock commitments on mortgage loans to be held for sale.

29

Note 10: Reportable Segments and Related Information

FirsTech

The Company has three reportable segments, Busey Bank, FirsTech and Busey Wealth Management. Busey Bank provides a full range of banking services to individual and corporate customers through its branch network in downstate Illinois, through its branch in Indianapolis, Indiana, and through its branch network in southwest Florida. FirsTech provides remittance processing for online bill payments, lockbox and walk-in payments. Busey Wealth Management is the parent company of Busey Trust Company, which provides a full range of asset management, investment and fiduciary services to individuals, businesses and foundations, tax preparation and philanthropic advisory services.

The Company's three reportable segments are strategic business units that are separately managed as they offer different products and services and have different marketing strategies.

The segment financial information provided below has been derived from the internal accounting system used by management to monitor and manage the financial performance of the Company. The accounting policies of the three segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

30

Following is a summary of selected financial information for the Company's business segments:

		Good				Total			
	Sep	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012		September 30, 2013	E	ecember 31, 2012	
		(dollars in thousands)				(dollars in thousands)			
Goodwill & Total Assets:		·		ŕ		,			
Busey Bank	\$	_	\$	_	\$	3,448,907	\$	3,567,637	
FirsTech		8,992		8,992		26,946		26,401	
Busey Wealth Management		11,694		11,694		27,855		26,653	
All Other		_		_		28,316		(2,635)	
Total	\$	20,686	\$	20,686	\$	3,532,024	\$	3,618,056	
	Т	hree Months End	led Sep	tember 30,		Nine Months End	led Sept	ember 30,	
		2013		2012		2013		2012	
		(dollars in	ids)		(dollars in	thousan	ids)		
Interest Income:									
Busey Bank	\$	27,167	\$	28,935	\$	81,597	\$	88,093	

Busey Wealth Management	62	62	179		192
All Other	(6)	(1)	(4)		(1)
Total interest income	\$ 27,236	\$ 29,011	\$ 81,811	\$	88,332
Interest Expense:					
Busey Bank	\$ 1,709	\$ 3,138	\$ 5,858	\$	10,828
FirsTech	_		_		_
Busey Wealth Management	_	_	_		_
All Other	294	328	892		987
Total interest expense	\$ 2,003	\$ 3,466	\$ 6,750	\$	11,815
Other Income:					
Busey Bank	\$ 9,447	\$ 9,850	\$ 29,542	\$	29,592
FirsTech	2,167	2,094	6,445		6,418
Busey Wealth Management	4,540	4,061	13,286		12,332
All Other	(524)	(416)	(1,219)		897
Total other income	\$ 15,630	\$ 15,589	\$ 48,054	\$	49,239
Net Income:					
Busey Bank	\$ 6,963	\$ 4,642	\$ 19,243	\$	14,859
FirsTech	259	237	807		746
Busey Wealth Management	1,173	780	3,126		2,647
All Other	(462)	(750)	(1,370)		(812)
Total net income	\$ 7,933	\$ 4,909	\$ 21,806	\$	17,440
	 			-	

Note 11: Fair Value Measurements

The fair value of an asset or liability is the price that would be received to sell that asset or paid to transfer that liability in an orderly transaction occurring in the principal market (or most advantageous market in the absence of a principal market) for such asset or liability. In estimating fair value, the Company utilizes valuation techniques that are consistent with the market approach, the income approach and/or the cost approach. Such valuation techniques are consistently applied. Inputs to valuation techniques include the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. FASB ASC Topic 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy for valuation inputs that gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs. The fair value hierarchy is as follows:

31

Level 1 Inputs - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2 Inputs - Inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These might include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (such as interest rates, volatilities, prepayment speeds, credit risks, etc.) or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by market data by correlation or other means.

Level 3 Inputs - Unobservable inputs for determining the fair values of assets or liabilities that reflect the Company's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the assets or liabilities.

A description of the valuation methodologies used for instruments measured at fair value, as well as the general classification of such instruments pursuant to the valuation hierarchy, is set forth below. These valuation methodologies were applied to those Company assets and liabilities that are carried at fair value.

There were no transfers between levels during the quarter ended September 30, 2013. Corporate debt securities were transferred to level 2 as of March 31, 2013 because the Company could no longer obtain evidence of unadjusted quoted prices.

In general, fair value is based upon quoted market prices, when available. If such quoted market prices are not available, fair values are measured utilizing independent valuation techniques of identical or similar securities for which significant assumptions are derived primarily from or corroborated by observable data. Valuation adjustments may be made to ensure that financial instruments are recorded at fair value. These adjustments may include amounts to reflect, among other things, counterparty credit quality and the company's creditworthiness as well as unobservable parameters. Any such valuation adjustments are applied consistently over time. The Company's valuation methodologies may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. While management believes the Company's valuation methodologies are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different estimate of fair value at the reporting date. Furthermore, the reported fair value amounts have not been comprehensively revalued since the presentation dates and, therefore, estimates of fair value after the balance sheet date may differ significantly from the amounts presented herein.

Securities Available for Sale. Securities classified as available for sale are reported at fair value utilizing level 1 and level 2 measurements. For mutual funds and other equity securities, unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets are utilized to determine fair value at the measurement date and have been classified as level 1 in the ASC 820 fair value hierarchy. For all other securities, the Company obtains fair value measurements from an independent pricing service. The independent pricing service evaluations are based on market data. The independent pricing service utilizes evaluated pricing models that vary by asset class and incorporate available trade, bid and other market information. Because many fixed income securities do not trade on a daily basis, the independent pricing service evaluated pricing applications apply available information as applicable through processes such as benchmark curves, benchmarking of like securities, sector groupings, and matrix pricing, to prepare evaluations. In addition, the independent pricing service uses model processes, such as the Option Adjusted Spread model to assess interest rate impact and develop prepayment scenarios. The models and processes take into account market convention. For each asset class, a team of evaluators gathers information from market sources and integrates relevant credit information, perceived market movements and sector news into the evaluated pricing applications and models.

32

The following table summarizes financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, segregated by the level of the valuation inputs within the fair value hierarchy utilized to measure fair value:

	 Level 1 Inputs	Level 2 Inputs (dollars in	thousa	Level 3 Inputs	Total Fair Value
<u>September 30, 2013</u>		(donars in	mousu	iiday	
Available for sale					
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ _	\$ 103,338	\$	_	\$ 103,338
Obligations of U.S. government corporations and agencies	_	288,369		_	288,369
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	_	293,287		_	293,287
Residential mortgage-backed securities		190,133		_	190,133
Corporate debt securities	_	25,490		_	25,490
Mutual funds and other equity securities	6,805	_		_	6,805
	\$ 6,805	\$ 900,617	\$		\$ 907,422
<u>December 31, 2012</u>					
Available for sale					
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ _	\$ 104,656	\$	_	\$ 104,656
Obligations of U.S. government corporations and agencies		370,194		_	370,194
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	_	280,288		_	280,288
Residential mortgage-backed securities		217,715		_	217,715
Corporate debt securities	24,714	_		_	24,714
Mutual funds and other equity securities	3,930				3,930
	\$ 28,644	\$ 972,853	\$		\$ 1,001,497

Certain financial assets and financial liabilities are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis; that is, the instruments are not measured at fair value on an ongoing basis but are subject to fair value adjustments in certain circumstances (for example, when there is evidence of impairment).

Impaired Loans. The Company does not record loans at fair value on a recurring basis. However, periodically, a loan is considered impaired and is reported at the fair value of the underlying collateral, less estimated costs to sell, if repayment is expected solely from the collateral. Impaired loans measured at fair value typically consist of loans on non-accrual status and restructured loans in compliance with modified terms. Collateral values are estimated using a combination of observable inputs, including recent appraisals and unobservable inputs based on customized discounting criteria. Due to the significance of the unobservable inputs, all impaired loan fair values have been classified as level 3 in the ASC 820 fair value hierarchy.

OREO. Non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities measured at fair value include OREO (upon initial recognition or subsequent impairment). OREO properties are measured using a combination of observable inputs, including recent appraisals, and unobservable inputs based on customized discounting criteria. Due to the significance of the unobservable inputs, all OREO fair values have been classified as level 3 in the ASC 820 fair value hierarchy.

33

The following table summarizes assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, segregated by the level of the valuation inputs within the fair value hierarchy utilized to measure fair value:

Level 1 Inputs			Level 2 Inputs		Level 3 Inputs		Total Fair Value
			(dollars in t	housand	s)		
\$	_	\$	_	\$	3,963	\$	3,963
	_		_		1,192		1,192
\$	_	\$	_	\$	2,284	\$	2,284
	_		_		511		511
		Inputs	Inputs	Inputs Inputs (dollars in to see the second	Inputs Inputs (dollars in thousands see See See See See See See See See Se	Inputs I	Inputs I

The following table presents additional quantitative information about assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis for which the Company has utilized level 3 inputs to determine fair value:

_	Quantitative Information about Level 3 Fair Value Measurements													
	Fair Value Valuation Unobservable Range													
	Estimate	Techniques	Input	(Weighted Äverage)										
	(dollars in thousands)		· <u> </u>											

Impaired loans	\$ 3,963	Appraisal of collateral	Appraisal adjustments	-0.8% to -100.0% (-34.9%)
OREO		Appraisal of	Appraisal	-6.1% to -100.0%
	1.192	collateral	adjustments	(-48.7%)

FASB ASC Topic 825 requires disclosure of the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities, including those financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured and reported at fair value on a recurring basis or non-recurring basis. A detailed description of the valuation methodologies used in estimating the fair value of financial instruments is set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

The estimated fair values of financial instruments that are reported at amortized cost in the Company's consolidated balance sheets, segregated by the level of the valuation inputs within the fair value hierarchy utilized to measure fair value, were as follows:

	 Septembe	r 30, 20)13	December 31, 2012						
	Carrying Amount		Fair Value		Carrying Amount		Fair Value			
	 Ainount		(dollars in	thousa			value			
Financial assets:			(11111111111111111111111111111111111111		,					
Level 2 inputs:										
Cash and due from banks	\$ 198,668	\$	198,668	\$	351,255	\$	351,255			
Securities held to maturity	838		844		_		_			
Loans held for sale	17,500		17,828		40,003		40,971			
Accrued interest receivable	12,371		12,371		12,275		12,275			
Level 3 inputs:										
Loans, net	2,185,141		2,189,051		1,985,095		2,006,588			
Financial liabilities:										
Level 2 inputs:										
Deposits	\$ 2,879,852	\$	2,882,254	\$	2,980,292	\$	2,987,524			
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	156,510		156,510		139,024		139,024			
Long-term debt	_				7,000		7,120			
Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts	55,000		55,000		55,000		55,000			
Accrued interest payable	742		742		1,128		1,128			
	34									

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

The following is management's discussion and analysis of the financial condition of First Busey Corporation and subsidiaries (referred to herein as "First Busey," "Company," "we," or "our") at September 30, 2013 (unaudited), as compared with June 30, 2013 (unaudited), December 31, 2012 and September 30, 2012 (unaudited), and the results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (unaudited), and the three months ended June 30, 2013 (unaudited) when applicable. Management's discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Company's consolidated financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this quarterly report, as well as the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Operating Results

Net income for the third quarter of 2013 was \$7.9 million and net income available to common stockholders was \$7.0 million, or \$0.08 per fully-diluted common share, as compared to net income of \$7.4 million and \$6.5 million of net income available to common stockholders for the second quarter of 2013, or \$0.08 per fully-diluted common share. Net income was \$3.0 million higher than the third quarter of 2012, when the Company reported net income of \$4.9 million and net income available to common stockholders of \$4.0 million, or \$0.05 per fully-diluted common share. The Company's 2013 year-to-date net income through September 30 was \$21.8 million and net income available to common stockholders was \$19.1 million, or \$0.22 per fully-diluted common share, compared to net income of \$17.4 million and net income available to common stockholders of \$14.7 million, or \$0.17 per fully-diluted common share, for the comparable period of 2012.

Net income growth relative to the prior year was driven by positive trends in credit quality, which reduced our provision for loan loss in 2013 to levels resembling historical Company norms prior to the economic downturn. The \$2.0 million loan loss provision in the third quarter of 2013 was consistent with the prior two quarters, marking four-year lows in quarterly credit costs as our market areas show signs of strengthening and credit quality continued to improve. In addition, actions taken in recent quarters to reduce operating expenses favorably impacted third quarter results and are expected to continue positively affecting future earnings. As cost management measures have been implemented, we maintain our priority of exceptional customer service.

Net interest margin rose to 3.20% for the third quarter of 2013 as compared to 3.17% for the second quarter of 2013 but decreased from 3.25% for the third quarter of 2012. The net interest margin for the first nine months of 2013 decreased to 3.16% compared to 3.26% for the same period of 2012. Since the first quarter of 2013, our net interest margin has improved due to the development of a more profitable asset mix from increased loan balances, while we actively continued to bring down interest expense and optimize funding costs.

Busey Wealth Management's net income of \$1.2 million for the third quarter of 2013 rose 3.5% from the second quarter of 2013 and 50.4% from the third quarter of 2012. Busey Wealth Management's net income for the first nine months of 2013 was \$3.1 million as compared to \$2.6 million for the first nine months of 2012. Growth in assets under care accompanied by market trends positively impacted the quarter-over-quarter and year-over-year results. FirsTech's net income of \$0.3 million for the third quarter of 2013 was comparable to the second quarter of 2013, and slightly higher than the \$0.2 million recorded for the third quarter of 2012. FirsTech's year-to-date net income of \$0.8 million was slightly higher than the \$0.7 million recorded for the comparable period of 2012.

While much internal focus has been directed toward organic growth, our commitment to credit quality remains strong, as evidenced by another quarter of meaningful progress across a range of credit indicators. At September 30, 2013, various asset quality measures were at their best quarter-end levels in recent years. We continue to expect gradual improvement in our overall asset quality during 2013; however, this remains dependent upon market-specific economic conditions, and specific measures may fluctuate from quarter to quarter. The key metrics are as follows:

35

SELECTED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(dollars in thousands)

	As of and for the Three Months Ended								
	Se	ptember 30, 2013		June 30, 2013	D	ecember 31, 2012	Se	ptember 30, 2012	
ASSET QUALITY									
Gross loans(1)	\$	2,250,605	\$	2,159,098	\$	2,073,110	\$	2,035,319	
Commercial loans(2)		1,695,583		1,580,351		1,500,921		1,473,450	
Allowance for loan losses		47,964		48,491		48,012		49,213	
Non-performing loans									
Non-accrual loans		18,489		20,274		25,104		25,129	
Loans 90+ days past due		199		771		256		59	
Non-performing loans, segregated by geography									
Illinois/ Indiana		14,451		16,030		17,757		17,377	
Florida		4,237		5,015		7,603		7,811	
Loans 30-89 days past due		2,283		3,683		2,285		7,895	
Other non-performing assets		2,156		2,617		3,450		8,486	
Non-performing assets to total loans and non-performing assets		0.9%	Ď	1.1%)	1.4%)	1.6%	
Allowance as a percentage of non-performing loans		256.7%	Ď	230.4%)	189.3%)	195.4%	
Allowance for loan losses to loans		2.1%	Ď	2.3%)	2.3%)	2.4%	

⁽¹⁾ Includes loans held for sale.

As a result of the Company's strategic investment in loan growth, the total loan portfolio as of September 30, 2013 increased \$91.5 million from June 30, 2013 and increased \$215.3 million from September 30, 2012. Loan growth was driven by the \$115.2 million increase in commercial balances from June 30, and \$222.1 million increase from September 30, 2012. In addition to overall loan growth, the Company experienced loan growth in the highest credit grades, while the volume of the lowest credit grades decreased.

Net charge-offs for the third quarter increased \$1.2 million from the second quarter of 2013 but decreased by \$2.6 million from the third quarter of 2012. The linked quarter net charge-off activity represents normal fluctuations, while longer-term trends reflect the significantly improved quality of the loan portfolio.

Overview and Strategy

Our emphasis on maximizing stockholder value is evidenced this period by the upward momentum in earnings per share on a quarterly and year-over-year basis. We are inspired by the positive traction in earnings and loan growth during the quarter, powered by the strategic investments of prior periods and the outstanding commitment of our talented associates. Loan growth from the prior year has been well-balanced across our footprint, as we service the funding needs of our local businesses which support our communities.

Our third quarter was highlighted by meaningful progress in commercial loan growth which increased our net interest margin and propelled us to the successful attainment of targets under the SBLF program. The achievement of this important milestone under SBLF will be highly impactful to growth in earnings in future periods.

With the confidence that our hard-won efforts are drivers of true change, we move ahead from a stronger base that enhances further growth opportunities through organic and external channels, and serves as a solid foundation for continued success going forward. We understand there is still great work to be done and embrace the resolve to drive our business in a continually positive direction for the success of our Pillars - our customers, associates, communities and shareholders.

36

Economic Conditions of Markets

Our primary markets in stable micro-urban communities of downstate Illinois are distinct from the dense competitive landscapes of Chicago and the smaller rural populations of southern Illinois and they have strong industrial, academic and healthcare employment bases. Our primary downstate Illinois markets of Champaign, Macon, McLean and Peoria counties are anchored by several strong, familiar and stable organizations. Although our downstate Illinois and Indiana markets experienced economic distress in recent years, they did not experience it to the level of many other areas, including our southwest Florida market. While future economic conditions remain uncertain, we believe our markets have generally stabilized following a few years of economic downturn and, as a whole, continue to show signs of improvement.

Champaign County is home to the University of Illinois — Urbana/Champaign ("U of I"), the University's primary campus. U of I has in excess of 44,000 students. Additionally, Champaign County healthcare providers serve a significant area of downstate Illinois and western Indiana. Macon County is

⁽²⁾ Includes loans categorized as commercial, commercial real estate and real estate construction.

currently home to Archer Daniels Midland ("ADM"), a Fortune 100 company and one of the largest agricultural processors in the world. ADM's presence in Macon County supports many derivative businesses in the agricultural processing arena. During the third quarter of 2013, ADM announced its intent to move corporate headquarters from the Decatur area. While the exact number of job relocations hasn't been disclosed, the move could impact our customers and we will continue to monitor the situation. Additionally, Macon County is home to Millikin University, and its healthcare providers serve a significant role in the market. McLean County is home to State Farm, Country Financial, Illinois State University and Illinois Wesleyan University. State Farm, a Fortune 100 company, is the largest employer in McLean County, and Country Financial and the universities provide additional stability to a growing area of downstate Illinois. Peoria County is home to Caterpillar, a Fortune 100 company, and Bradley University, in addition to a large healthcare presence serving much of the western portion of downstate Illinois. The institutions noted above, coupled with a large agricultural sector, anchor the communities in which they are located, and have provided a comparatively stable foundation for housing, employment and small business.

Southwest Florida has shown continuing signs of improvement in areas such as unemployment and home sales since 2011. In addition, median sales prices in Florida continue to be on the rise. As southwest Florida's economy is based primarily on tourism and the secondary/retirement residential market, declines in discretionary spending brought on by uncertain economic conditions caused damage to that economy and, the recent improvement in certain economic indicators notwithstanding, we expect it will take southwest Florida a number of years to return to peak economic strength.

The largest portion of the Company's customer base is within the State of Illinois, the financial condition of which is among the most troubled of any state in the United States with credit downgrade concerns, severe pension under-funding, recurring bill payment delays, and budget deficits. Additionally, the Company is located in markets with significant universities and healthcare companies, which rely heavily on state funding and contracts. The State of Illinois continues to be behind on payments to its vendors and government sponsored entities. Further and continued payment lapses by the State of Illinois to its vendors and government sponsored entities may have significant, negative effects on our primary market areas.

37

OPERATING PERFORMANCE

NET INTEREST INCOME

Interest-bearing transaction

deposits

Savings deposits

48,595 \$

203.836

Net interest income is the difference between interest income and fees earned on earning assets and interest expense incurred on interest-bearing liabilities. Interest rate levels and volume fluctuations within earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities impact net interest income. Net interest margin is taxequivalent net interest income as a percent of average earning assets.

Certain assets with tax favorable treatment are evaluated on a tax-equivalent basis. Tax-equivalent basis assumes a federal income tax rate of 35%. Tax favorable assets generally have lower contractual pre-tax yields than fully taxable assets. A tax-equivalent analysis is performed by adding the tax savings to the earnings on tax favorable assets. After factoring in the tax favorable effects of these assets, the yields may be more appropriately evaluated against alternative earning assets. In addition to yield, various other risks are factored into the evaluation process.

The following tables show the consolidated average balance sheets, detailing the major categories of assets and liabilities, the interest income earned on interest-earning assets, the interest expense paid for the interest-bearing liabilities, and the related interest rates for the periods, or as of the dates, shown. The tables also show, for the periods indicated, a summary of the changes in interest earned and interest expense resulting from changes in volume and rates for the major components of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. All average information is provided on a daily average basis.

38

AVERAGE BALANCE SHEETS AND INTEREST RATES THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 AND 2012

			2013			20:	12		Change in income/ expense due to(1)					
		Average Balance	Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rate(3)	Average Balance	I F	ncome/ Expense	Yield/ Rate(3)	Average	Average Yield/Rate	Total Change			
-					(dollars i	n tho	usands)							
Assets														
Interest-bearing bank deposits	\$	114,012	\$ 74	0.26% \$	203,650	\$	132	0.26% \$	(58) \$	— \$	(58)			
Investment securities														
U.S. Government obligations		405,316	1,339	1.31%	470,912		1,943	1.64%	(247)	(357)	(604)			
Obligations of states and														
political subdivisions(1)		295,024	1,975	2.66%	246,494		1,804	2.91%	338	(167)	171			
Other securities		224,293	1,278	2.26%	268,527		1,254	1.86%	(225)	249	24			
Loans(1) (2)		2,162,138	23,162	4.25%	2,014,586		24,488	4.84%	1,742	(3,068)	(1,326)			
Total interest-earning assets(1)	\$	3,200,783	\$ 27,828	3.45% \$	3,204,169	\$	29,621	3.68% \$	1,550 \$	(3,343) \$	(1,793)			
		=												
Cash and due from banks		111,168			78,974									
Premises and equipment		68,230			71,172									
Allowance for loan losses		(48,393)			(50,199))								
Other assets		160,572			184,313									
					,-									
Total Assets	\$	3,492,360		\$	3,488,429									
	_			_										
iabilities and Stockholders'														
Equity														

0.06% \$

0.02%

11

41,083 \$

195.542

0.15% \$

0.09%

46

(11)\$

(35)

(37)

Money market deposits		1,468,892		420	0.11%	1,390,501		717	0.21%	39	(336)	(297)
Time deposits		618,181		1,218	0.78%	731,571		2,181	1.19%	(301)	(662)	(963)
Short-term borrowings:												
Repurchase agreements		129,485		44	0.13%	116,141		63	0.22%	7	(26)	(19)
Other		_		_	—%	_		8	—%	_	(8)	(8)
Long-term debt		_		_	—%	8,330		106	5.06%	(53)	(53)	(106)
Junior subordinated debt owed to												
unconsolidated trusts		55,000		303	2.19%	55,000		329	2.38%		(26)	(26)
Total interest-bearing liabilities	\$	2,523,989	\$	2,003	0.31% \$	2,538,168	\$	3,466	0.54% \$	(304) \$	(1,159) \$	(1,463)
		, ,	_			, ,	_			() .		
Net interest spread(1)					3.14%				3.14%			
rvet interest spread(1)					3.1170				<u> </u>			
Noninterest-bearing deposits		529,480				508,030						
Other liabilities		29,299				26,734						
Stockholders' equity		409,592				415,497						
Total Liabilities and Stockholders'	_				_							
Equity	\$	3,492,360			<u>\$</u>	3,488,429						
Interest income / earning assets(1)	\$	3,200,783	\$	27,828	3.45% \$	3,204,169	\$	29,621	3.68%			
Interest expense / earning assets	\$	3,200,783	\$	2,003	0.25% \$	3,204,169	\$	3,466	0.43%			
-												
Net interest margin(1)			\$	25,825	3.20%		\$	26,155	3.25% \$	1,854 \$	(2,184) \$	(330)
0 ()			Ψ	20,020	5,20		Ψ	20,100		Ξ,00-	(2,10π/ ψ	(550)

⁽¹⁾ On a tax-equivalent basis assuming a federal income tax rate of 35% for 2013 and 2012.

39

AVERAGE BALANCE SHEETS AND INTEREST RATES NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 AND 2012

			20	13			20:	12		Change in income/ expense due to(1)				
		Average Balance		Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rate(3)	Average Balance	1	Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rate(3)	Average Volume	Average Yield/Rate	Total Change		
Assets						(dollars	in tl	housands)						
Interest-bearing bank deposits	\$	208,275	¢	387	0.25% \$	265,126	¢	503	0.25% \$	(106) 5	(10) \$	(116)		
Investment securities	Ф	200,273	Ф	307	0.2370 \$	203,120	Φ	303	U.2370 \$	(100)) (10) \$	(110)		
U.S. Government obligations		434,160		4,456	1.37%	451,808		6,053	1.79%	(229)	(1,368)	(1,597)		
Obligations of states and political		454,100		4,450	1.57 /0	451,000		0,033	1.7570	(223)	(1,500)	(1,557)		
subdivisions(1)		288,273		5,786	2.68%	206,667		4,848	3.13%	1,708	(770)	938		
Other securities		227,662		3,507	2.06%	275,950		3,915	1.90%	(727)	319	(408)		
Loans(1) (2)		2,094,640		69,457	4.43%	2,009,358		74,728	4.97%	3,053	(8,324)	(5,271)		
Total interest-earning assets(1)	\$	3,253,010	\$	83,593	3.44% \$	3,208,909	\$	90,047	3.75% \$					
rotar microst carming assets(1)	Ψ	5,255,010	Ψ	05,555	3.44 /0 ψ	3,200,303	Ψ	30,047	5.7570 φ	3,033	(10,155) ψ	(0,454)		
Cash and due from banks		90,865				77,787								
Premises and equipment		69,783				70,227								
Allowance for loan losses		(48,455)				(53,307)								
Other assets		166,487				188,247	,							
Other assets		100,407			<u></u>	100,247								
Total Assets	\$	3,531,690			\$	3,491,863								
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity														
Interest-bearing transaction deposits	\$	49,274	\$	24	0.07% \$	41,440	\$	54	0.17% \$	9 9	(39) \$	(30)		
Savings deposits		208,722		46	0.03%	196,422		194	0.13%	11	(159)	(148)		
Money market deposits		1,469,850		1,348	0.12%	1,352,144		2,417	0.24%	194	(1,263)	(1,069)		
Time deposits		646,666		4,159	0.86%	752,886		7,361	1.31%	(936)	(2,266)	(3,202)		
Short-term borrowings:														
Repurchase agreements		131,093		128	0.13%	127,905		217	0.23%	5	(94)	(89)		
Other				15	—%			26	%		(11)	(11)		
Long-term debt		3,062		125	5.46%	15,585		552	4.73%	(501)	74	(427)		
Junior subordinated debt owed to														
unconsolidated trusts		55,000		905	2.20%	55,000		994	2.41%	_	(89)	(89)		
Total interest-bearing liabilities	\$	2,563,667	\$	6,750	0.35% \$	2,541,382	\$	11,815	0.62% \$	(1,218)	(3,847)	(5,065)		
Net interest spread(1)					3.09%				3.13%					
Noninterest-bearing deposits		528,544				510,718								
Other liabilities		28,562				26,732								
		-,				-,								

⁽²⁾ Non-accrual loans have been included in average loans.

⁽³⁾ Annualized.

Stockholders' equity	410,917			413,031					
Total Liabilities and Stockholders'									
Equity	\$ 3,531,690		\$	3,491,863					
Interest income / earning assets(1)	\$ 3,253,010 \$	83,593	3.44% \$	3,208,909 \$	90,047	3.75%			
Interest expense / earning assets	\$ 3,253,010 \$	6,750	0.28% \$	3,208,909 \$	11,815	0.49%			
				_					
Net interest margin(1)	\$	76,843	3.16%	\$	78,232	3.26% \$	4,917 \$	(6,306) \$	(1,389)

- (1) On a tax-equivalent basis assuming a federal income tax rate of 35% for 2013 and 2012.
- (2) Non-accrual loans have been included in average loans.
- (3) Annualized.

40

Average earning assets decreased nominally by \$3.4 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period of 2012. Average earning assets increased \$44.1 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period of 2012. Average loans increased \$147.6 million and \$85.3 million for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 compared to the same periods of 2012, respectively; however, at a lower yield than 2012. Our previously discussed loan pipeline and continued emphasis on commercial loan growth has translated into increased loans during 2013. Loans generally have notably higher yields compared to interest-bearing bank deposits and securities, leading to a positive effect on net interest margin.

Our average interest-bearing bank deposits decreased \$89.6 million and \$56.9 million for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 compared to the same periods of 2012, respectively. Average securities balances decreased by \$61.3 million for the three month period and increased \$15.7 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 compared to the same periods of 2012, respectively.

Average interest-bearing liability balances decreased \$14.2 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period of 2012. Average interest-bearing liability balances increased \$22.3 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period of 2012. Core deposits are an important low cost source of funding and maintaining adequate levels has allowed the Company to reduce more expensive non-core funding.

Interest income, on a tax-equivalent basis, decreased \$1.8 million and \$6.5 million for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same periods of 2012, respectively. The interest income decline related to lower yields earned on assets in a low interest rate environment. Interest expense decreased \$1.5 million and \$5.1 million for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same periods of 2012, respectively. The interest expense declines were primarily a result of decreases in interest rates offered by the Company on certain deposit products as the interest rate environment remains low.

Net interest margin

Net interest margin, our net interest income expressed as a percentage of average earning assets stated on a tax-equivalent basis, decreased to 3.20% for the three month period ended September 30, 2013 from 3.25% for the same period in 2012 and decreased to 3.16% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 from 3.26% for the same period in 2012.

Quarterly net interest margins for 2013 and 2012 are as follows:

	2013	2012
First Quarter	3.10%	3.31%
Second Quarter	3.17%	3.21%
Third Quarter	3.20%	3.25%
Fourth Quarter	_	3.20%

The net interest spread, which represents the difference between the average rate earned on earning assets and the average rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities, also on a tax-equivalent basis, was 3.14% for the three month period ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 and was 3.09% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 compared to 3.13% for the same period in 2012.

Since the first quarter of 2013, net interest margin has improved and the Company is encouraged by a growing loan-to-deposit ratio. The 2013 improvement is due to the development of a stronger asset mix from increased loan balances, while we actively continued to bring down interest expense and optimize funding costs. We have limited ability to improve margin through funding rate decreases due to the historically low interest rate environment. We believe further improvements in margin will be achieved through continued deployment of our liquid funds at higher yields as we expect to redeploy cash and securities into our loan portfolio at improved yields.

Management attempts to mitigate the effects of an unpredictable interest-rate environment through effective portfolio management, prudent loan underwriting and operational efficiencies. Please refer to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 for accounting policies underlying the recognition of interest income and expense.

41

			Se	ptember 30,		September 30,						
		2013		2012	% Change	2013		2012	% Change			
_	_		_	•		thousands)						
Trust fees	\$	4,035	\$	3,960	1.9% 5	\$ 13,956	\$	13,245	5.4%			
Commissions and brokers' fees, net		710		508	39.8%	1,819		1,578	15.3%			
Remittance processing		2,105		2,068	1.8%	6,288		6,346	(0.9)%			
Service charges on deposit accounts		3,126		2,962	5.5%	8,876		8,646	2.7%			
Other service charges and fees		1,486		1,422	4.5%	4,452		4,246	4.9%			
Gain on sales of loans		2,684		3,255	(17.5)%	8,944		8,924	0.2%			
Security gains, net		82		511	(84.0)%	82		575	(85.7)%			
Other		1,402		903	55.3%	3,637		5,679	(36.0)%			
Total other income	\$	15,630	\$	15,589	0.3%	\$ 48,054	\$	49,239	(2.4)%			

Combined wealth management revenue, trust and commissions and brokers' fees, net, increased for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increase was led by organic growth, which increased assets under care ("AUC"), and positive market trends. AUC averaged \$4.5 billion as of September 30, 2013 compared to \$4.0 billion at September 30, 2012. Continued growth in new AUC driven by our wealth management teams during 2013 suggest future income will also be positively impacted as wealth management revenues are typically highly correlated to AUC.

Remittance processing revenue relates to our payment processing company, FirsTech. FirsTech's revenue increased for the three month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012 and decreased slightly for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period of 2012. FirsTech adds important diversity to our revenue stream while widening our array of service offerings to larger commercial clients within our footprint and beyond.

Overall, service charges on deposit accounts combined with other service charges and fees increased for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same periods in 2012. Evolving regulation and changing behaviors by our client base may impact the revenue derived from charges on deposit accounts going forward.

Gain on sales of loans decreased for the three month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. Refinance activity declined starting in the second quarter of 2013 relative to the 2012 period due to increased market interest rates; although, with generally robust production activity for the first six months of 2013, gain on sales of loans increased slightly for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. While we expect total production volume to decrease during the remainder of 2013 due to increased interest rates, these fee revenues will continue to provide a good balance to our revenue stream and represent a valued service to our clients and communities to refinance and purchase homes.

Security gains, net decreased for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same periods in 2012. Approximately \$35 million of U.S. Treasuries were sold in September 2012 to offset a portion of the costs of the core processing conversion which was completed during that same period. Please see "*Note 3 — Securities*" in the Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements for a full discussion of securities.

Other income increased for the three month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012, primarily due to a fixed asset loss in 2012 compared to a gain in 2013. Other income decreased for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. The nine month decrease was primarily due to the income fluctuation in the Company's private equity investment funds. The 2012 gain related to income earned from an investment in a local, community-focused fund. The gain was non-recurring; therefore, the Company did and does not expect other income to show significant increases in future periods.

42

OTHER EXPENSE

	 Tl		Ionths Ended ember 30	_	Nine Months Ended September 30						
	2013		2012	% Change	2013		2012	% Change			
				(dollars in thous	ands)						
Compensation expense:											
Salaries and wages	\$ 13,001	\$	13,707	(5.2)% \$	39,342	\$	38,996	1.0%			
Employee benefits	2,580		2,773	(7.0)%	8,754		8,791	(0.4)%			
Total compensation expense	\$ 15,581	\$	16,480	(5.5)% \$	48,096	\$	47,757	0.7%			
Net occupancy expense of premises	2,055		2,237	(8.1)%	6,340		6,598	(3.9)%			
Furniture and equipment expenses	1,211		1,276	(5.1)%	3,687		3,858	(4.4)%			
Data processing	2,606		3,568	(27.0)%	7,813		8,366	(6.6)%			
Amortization of intangible assets	783		827	(5.3)%	2,349		2,481	(5.3)%			
Regulatory expense	545		623	(12.5)%	1,808		1,869	(3.3)%			
OREO expense	(207)		273	(175.8)%	394		788	(50.0)%			
Other	4,784		5,110	(6.4)%	14,239		15,658	(9.1)%			
Total other expense	\$ 27,358	\$	30,394	(10.0)% \$	84,726	\$	87,375	(3.0)%			
Income taxes	\$ 3,572	\$	2,331	53.2% \$	10,583	\$	7,941	33.3%			
Effective rate on income taxes	31.0%	ó	32.2%		32.79	6	31.3%				
Efficiency ratio	64.23%	ó	71.71%		66.00%	6	66.90%				

Total compensation expense decreased for the three months ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012 but increased slightly for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period of 2012. Full-time equivalent employees decreased to 857 at September 30,

2013 from 928 at September 30, 2012 and 948 at December 31, 2012. During 2012, we engaged in a strategic investment in talent to build out targeted areas of our business to support growth initiatives. We also committed to a careful examination of all areas of the Company, seeking sensible opportunities to reduce cost and enhance efficiency. That evaluation resulted in personnel reductions and other cost containment efforts in early 2013 which contributed to a decrease in total compensation expense starting in the second quarter of 2013. In addition, as disclosed in the proxy statement for the annual meeting of stockholders held on May 22, 2013, our senior management also proposed a reduction in the compensation of our named executive officers to the appropriate oversight committee of the board of directors. The reduction was approved and became effective in April of 2013. Senior management sought to emphasize their individual commitments to the discipline required to support efficiency initiatives and the future long-term success of the Company.

Combined occupancy expenses and furniture and equipment expenses decreased for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. We continue to evaluate our operations for appropriate cost control measures while seeking improvements in service delivery to our customers.

Data processing expense decreased for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012, largely due to a core system conversion in the third quarter of 2012. We continue to enhance measures for data safety and risk containment, while supporting the developing product needs of our customers including online banking and mobile capabilities.

Amortization of intangible assets expense decreased as we are now in the sixth year of amortization arising from our merger with Main Street Trust, Inc. The amortization is on an accelerated basis; thus, exclusive of any further acquisitions in the future, we expect amortization expense to continue to gradually decline.

Regulatory expense decreased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same periods in 2012. We anticipate that our regulatory expenses will remain at current levels for the near future.

43

Our costs associated with OREO, such as collateral preservation and legal fees, decreased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. This expense fluctuates based on the management of commercial properties and the operating activity associated with the properties that we hold throughout the year.

Other expense decreased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same periods in 2012 primarily as a result of a widespread reduction in expenses due to an enhanced emphasis on cost control.

The effective rate on income taxes, or income taxes divided by income before taxes, of 31.0% and 32.7% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, was lower than the combined federal and state statutory rate of approximately 41% due to fairly stable amounts of tax preferred interest income, such as municipal bond interest and bank owned life insurance income, accounting for a portion of our taxable income. As taxable income increases, we expect our effective tax rate to increase.

The efficiency ratio represents total other expense, less amortization charges, as a percentage of tax equivalent net interest income plus other income, excluding the effects of security gains and losses. The efficiency ratio, which is a non-GAAP financial measure commonly used by management and the investment community in the banking industry, measures the amount of expense that is incurred to generate a dollar of revenue. The efficiency ratio of 64.23% for the three month period ended September 30, 2013 improved from 71.71% in the comparable period in 2012. The efficiency ratio for the first nine months of 2013 was 66.00%, as compared to 66.90% for the same period of 2012. Efficiency ratios have been influenced throughout the past two years by a number of events, such as our 2012 core conversion and branch closures. The process of examining appropriate avenues to improve efficiency is expected to continue as a focus in future periods.

FINANCIAL CONDITION

SIGNIFICANT BALANCE SHEET ITEMS

	 September 30, 2013	(dol	December 31, 2012 llars in thousands)	% Change
Assets		(40.	in tiousunus,	
Securities available for sale	\$ 907,422	\$	1,001,497	(9.4)%
Securities held to maturity	838		_	100.0%
Loans, net, including loans held for sale	2,202,641		2,025,098	8.8%
Total assets	\$ 3,532,024	\$	3,618,056	(2.4)%
Liabilities				
Deposits:				
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 543,746	\$	611,043	(11.0)%
Interest-bearing	 2,336,106		2,369,249	(1.4)%
Total deposits	\$ 2,879,852	\$	2,980,292	(3.4)%
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$ 156,510	\$	139,024	12.6%
Long-term debt	_		7,000	(100.0)%
Total liabilities	\$ 3,117,645	\$	3,209,259	(2.9)%
Stockholders' equity	\$ 414,379	\$	408,797	1.4%

First Busey's balance sheet at September 30, 2013 decreased as compared with its balance sheet at December 31, 2012.

Securities available for sale decreased by \$94.1 million, or 9.4%, at September 30, 2013 compared to December 31, 2012, while net loans, including loans held for sale, increased by \$177.5 million, or 8.8% during the same period, as the Company's strategic investment and continued emphasis on loan growth took shape in the second and third quarters of 2013. In addition to overall loan growth, the Company experienced loan growth in the highest credit grades, while the volume of the lowest credit grades decreased.

Liabilities decreased by \$91.6 million, or 2.9%, at September 30, 2013 compared to December 31, 2012. Total deposits decreased \$100.4 million, or 3.4%, at September 30, 2013 compared to December 31, 2012 due to seasonality and typical balance fluctuations in large commercial deposits. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase increased \$17.5 million, or 12.6%, due to changing customer preferences and fluctuations in balances, while long-term debt decreased \$7.0 million, at September 30, 2013 compared to December 31, 2012 due to payment at maturity. We remain strongly core deposit funded at 76.6% of total assets — with ample liquidity and significant market share in the communities we serve.

Stockholders' equity increased to \$414.4 million at September 30, 2013 as compared to \$408.8 million at December 31, 2012. This increase was the result of earnings during the first nine months of 2013, partially offset by dividends paid in the second and third quarter and decreases in the market value of our securities portfolio. No dividends on common stock were paid in the first quarter, as the Company had accelerated its 2013 first quarter dividend of \$0.04 per common share into the fourth quarter of 2012 due to uncertainty surrounding U.S. tax policy and our desire to maximize stockholder value and return while potentially reducing stockholder dividend income tax burden.

ASSET QUALITY

Loan Portfolio

Geographic distributions of loans by category were as follows:

			Septembe	r 30, 20	13		
	 Illinois		Florida		Indiana		Total
			(dollars in	thousaı	nds)		
		_		_		_	
Commercial	\$ 511,567	\$	21,544	\$	26,444	\$	559,555
Commercial real estate	808,708		170,205		86,067		1,064,980
Real estate construction	56,590		11,828		2,630		71,048
Retail real estate	429,497		104,100		11,618		545,215
Retail other	9,195		514		98		9,807
Total	\$ 1,815,557	\$	308,191	\$	126,857	\$	2,250,605
Less held for sale(1)							17,500
						\$	2,233,105
Less allowance for loan losses							47,964
Net loans						\$	2,185,141

(1) Loans held for sale are included in retail real estate.

		December	31, 201	2	
	Illinois	Florida		Indiana	Total
		(dollars in	thousan	ds)	
	200 200				122.600
Commercial	\$ 399,300	\$ 10,861	\$	23,527	\$ 433,688
Commercial real estate	777,752	138,170		65,210	981,132
Real estate construction	67,152	15,972		2,977	86,101
Retail real estate	435,911	112,052		11,873	559,836
Retail other	11,831	409		113	12,353
Total	\$ 1,691,946	\$ 277,464	\$	103,700	\$ 2,073,110
Less held for sale(1)					40,003
					\$ 2,033,107
Less allowance for loan losses					48,012
Net loans					\$ 1,985,095

(1) Loans held for sale are included in retail real estate.

45

We are encouraged by the positive momentum occurring in our loan portfolio. The total loan portfolio as of September 30, 2013 increased \$177.5 million from December 31, 2012; gross commercial balances (consisting of commercial, commercial real estate and real estate construction loans) increased \$194.7 million from December 31, 2012. The September 30, 2013 retail real estate portfolio decreased slightly from December 31, 2012, mainly due to a decrease in loans held for sale. In the second quarter of 2013, the Company purchased \$25.4 million in performing home equity lines of credit at a floating rate to support an optimal mix of earning asset growth, which helped offset the decrease in loans held for sale. Achieving meaningful organic growth has been a significant

focus for us and our commitment to credit quality remains strong, as evidenced by another quarter of meaningful progress across a range of credit indicators as discussed further below.

Allowance for loan losses

Our allowance for loan losses was \$48.0 million, or 2.1% of loans, at September 30, 2013, compared to \$48.0 million, or 2.3% of loans, at December 31, 2012.

Typically, when we move loans into nonaccrual status, the loans are collateral dependent and charged down to the fair value of our interest in the underlying collateral less estimated costs to sell. Our loan portfolio is collateralized primarily by real estate.

We continue to attempt to identify problem loan situations on a proactive basis. Once problem loans are identified, adjustments to the provision for loan losses are made based upon all information available at that time. The provision reflects management's analysis of additional allowance for loan losses necessary to cover probable losses in our loan portfolio.

As of September 30, 2013, management believed the level of the allowance and coverage of non-performing loans to be appropriate based upon the information available. However, additional losses may be identified in our loan portfolio as new information is obtained. We may need to provide for additional loan losses in the future as management continues to identify potential problem loans and gains further information concerning existing problem loans.

First Busey does not originate or hold any Alt-A or subprime loans or investments.

Provision for Loan Losses

The provision for loan losses is a current charge against income and represents an amount which management believes is sufficient to maintain an appropriate allowance for known and probable losses in the loan portfolio. In assessing the appropriateness of the allowance for loan losses, management considers the size and quality of the loan portfolio measured against prevailing economic conditions, regulatory guidelines, historical loan loss experience and credit quality of the portfolio. When a determination is made by management to charge-off a loan balance, such write-off is charged against the allowance for loan losses.

Our provision for loan losses was \$2.0 million during the third quarter of 2013 compared to \$3.5 million in the same period of 2012. Our provision for loan losses was \$6.0 million during the first nine months of 2013 compared to \$13.0 million in the same period of 2012. The relative provision expenses during 2013 and 2012 were reflective of management's assessment of the lower level of risk in the portfolio in 2013.

Sensitive assets include non-accrual loans, loans on our classified loan reports and other loans identified as having more than reasonable potential for loss. Management reviews sensitive assets on at least a quarterly basis for changes in the customers' ability to pay and changes in valuation of underlying collateral in order to estimate probable losses. The majority of these loans are being repaid in conformance with their contracts.

Non-performing Loans

Loans are considered 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 or not such loans are considered past 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.

46

The following table sets forth information concerning non-performing loans as of each of the dates indicated:

	Sej	otember 30, 2013	June 30, 2013 (dollars in	housa	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Non-accrual loans	\$	18,489	\$ 20,274	\$	23,001	\$ 25,104
Loans 90+ days past due and still accruing		199	771		204	256
Total non-performing loans	\$	18,688	\$ 21,045	\$	23,205	\$ 25,360
OREO	\$	2,156	\$ 2,617	\$	2,632	\$ 3,450
		_	_		_	
Total non-performing assets	\$	20,844	\$ 23,662	\$	25,837	\$ 28,810
		_			_	 _
Allowance for loan losses	\$	47,964	\$ 48,491	\$	47,773	\$ 48,012
Allowance for loan losses to loans		2.1%	2.3%		2.3%	2.3%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans		256.7%	230.4%		205.9%	189.3%
Non-performing loans to loans, before allowance for loan losses		0.8%	1.0%		1.1%	1.2%
Non-performing loans and OREO to loans, before allowance for						
loan losses		0.9%	1.1%		1.3%	1.4%

We continue to drive positive trends across a range of credit indicators and expect to see further improvements in non-performing assets in the future, but at a more moderate pace of change than in recent years as the economic recovery process matures. Total non-performing assets were \$20.8 million at September 30, 2013, compared to \$28.8 million at December 31, 2012.

As of September 30, 2013, the Bank had charged-off \$7.5 million of principal balance on loans that were on non-accrual status at September 30, 2013. Partial charge-offs reduce the reported principal of the balance of the loan, whereas, a specific allocation of allowance for loan losses does not reduce the reported

principal balance of the loan. Non-accrual loans are reported net of charge-offs, but include related specific allocations of the allowance for loan losses. In summary, if we had not charged-off \$7.5 million in loans, our non-accrual loans would have been that amount greater than the \$18.5 million reported.

Potential Problem Loans

Potential problem loans are those loans which are not categorized as impaired, restructured, non-accrual or 90+ days past due, but where current information indicates that the borrower may not be able to comply with present loan repayment terms. Management assesses the potential for loss on such loans as it would with other problem loans and has considered the effect of any potential loss in determining its provision for probable loan losses. Potential problem loans of \$53.1 million at September 30, 2013 were less than the \$58.1 million reported at December 31, 2012. The balance of potential problem loans is a reflection of continued economic challenges, however we do not believe the potential losses will be as great as seen in the past. Management continues to monitor these credits and anticipates that restructurings, guarantees, additional collateral or other planned actions will result in full repayment of the debts. As of September 30, 2013, management identified no other loans that represent or result from trends or uncertainties which management reasonably expected to materially impact future operating results, liquidity or capital resources. As of September 30, 2013, management was not aware of any information about any other credits which caused management to have serious doubts as to the ability of such borrower(s) to comply with the loan repayment terms.

47

LIQUIDITY

Liquidity management is the process by which we ensure that adequate liquid funds are available to meet the present and future cash flow obligations arising in the daily operations of our business. These financial obligations consist of needs for funds to meet commitments to borrowers for extensions of credit, fund capital expenditures, honor withdrawals by customers, pay dividends to stockholders and pay operating expenses. Our most liquid assets are cash and due from banks, interest-bearing bank deposits, and federal funds sold. The balances of these assets are dependent on the Company's operating, investing, lending and financing activities during any given period.

First Busey's primary sources of funds consist of deposits, investment maturities and sales, loan principal repayments, and capital funds. Additional liquidity is provided by repurchase agreements, the ability to borrow from the Federal Reserve Bank and the Federal Home Loan Bank, and brokered deposits. Management intends to satisfy long-term liquidity needs primarily through retention of capital funds.

Based upon the level of investment securities that reprice within 30 days and 90 days, as of September 30, 2013, management believed that adequate liquidity existed to meet all projected cash flow obligations. We seek to achieve a satisfactory degree of liquidity through actively managing both assets and liabilities. Asset management guides the proportion of liquid assets to total assets, while liability management monitors future funding requirements and prices liabilities accordingly.

OFF-BALANCE-SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

At September 30, 2013, the Company had outstanding standby letters of credit of \$10.0 million and commitments to extend credit of \$560.2 million. Since these commitments generally have fixed expiration dates and many will expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment level does not necessarily represent future cash requirements. These commitments are made in the ordinary course of business.

CAPITAL RESOURCES

The ability of the Company to pay cash dividends to its stockholders and to service its debt historically was dependent on the receipt of cash dividends from its subsidiaries. However, Busey Bank sustained significant losses during 2008 and 2009 resulting in pressure on capital, which has been enhanced through injections by the Company. State chartered banks have certain statutory and regulatory restrictions on the amount of cash dividends they may pay. Due to the significant retained earnings deficit and the Company's desire to maintain a strong capital position at Busey Bank, dividends were not paid out of Busey Bank in 2011 or 2012. Until such time as retained earnings have been restored, Busey Bank will not be permitted to pay dividends and we will need to request permission from Busey Bank's primary regulator to receive any capital out of Busey Bank. On January 22, 2013, with the approval of its primary regulator, Busey Bank transferred \$50.0 million to the Company representing a return of capital and associated surplus as a result of an amendment to Busey Bank's charter.

The Company and Busey Bank are subject to regulatory capital requirements administered by federal and state banking agencies that involve the quantitative measure of their assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance-sheet items, as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the Company and Busey Bank to maintain minimum amounts and ratios (set forth in the table below) of total and Tier I capital (as defined in the regulations) to risk-weighted assets (as defined in the regulations), and, for the Bank, Tier 1 capital (as defined) to average assets (as defined in the regulations). Failure to meet minimum capital requirements may cause regulatory bodies to initiate certain discretionary and/or mandatory actions that, if undertaken, may have a direct material effect on our financial statements. The Company, as a financial holding company, is required to be "well capitalized" in the two capital categories based on risk-weighted assets, as shown in the table below. We believe, as of September 30, 2013, that the Company and Busey Bank met all capital adequacy requirements to which they were subject, including the guidelines to be considered "well capitalized".

48

	 Actual		Minimuı Capital Requi		Minimum To Be Well Capitalized	
	 Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
			(dollars in tho	usands)		
As of September 30, 2013:						
Total Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets)						
Consolidated	\$ 442,590	18,19% \$	194,619	8.00% \$	243,274	10.00%
Busey Bank	\$ 387,647	16.04% \$	193,348	8.00% \$	241,685	10.00%

Tier I Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets)						
Consolidated	\$ 410,994	16,89% \$	97,310	4.00% \$	145,965	6.00%
Busey Bank	\$ 356,247	14.74% \$	96,674	4.00% \$	145,011	6.00%
<u>Tier I Capital (to Average Assets)</u>						
Consolidated	\$ 410,994	11.98% \$	137,202	4.00%	N/A	N/A
Busey Bank	\$ 356,247	10.56% \$	134,955	4.00% \$	168,694	5.00%

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (the "Dodd-Frank Act") mandates the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to establish minimum capital levels for bank holding companies on a consolidated basis that are as stringent as those required for insured depository institutions. The components of Tier 1 capital will be restricted to capital instruments that are currently considered to be Tier 1 capital for insured depository institutions. As a result, the proceeds of trust preferred securities will be excluded from Tier 1 capital unless such securities were issued prior to May 19, 2010 by bank holding companies with less than \$15 billion of assets. As First Busey has assets of less than \$15 billion, it will be able to maintain its trust preferred proceeds as Tier 1 capital but it will have to comply with new capital mandates in other respects, and it will not be able to raise Tier 1 capital in the future through the issuance of trust preferred securities.

In July 2013, the U.S. federal banking authorities approved the implementation of the Basel III regulatory capital reforms and issued rules effecting certain changes required by the Dodd-Frank Act (the "Basel III Rules"). The Basel III Rules are applicable to all U.S. banks that are subject to minimum capital requirements, as well as to bank and savings and loan holding companies other than "small bank holding companies" (generally bank holding companies with consolidated assets of less than \$500 million). The Basel III Rules not only increase most of the required minimum regulatory capital ratios, but they introduce a new Common Equity Tier 1 Capital ratio and the concept of a capital conservation buffer. The Basel III Rules also expand the definition of capital as in effect currently by establishing criteria that instruments must meet to be considered Additional Tier 1 Capital (Tier 1 Capital in addition to Common Equity) and Tier 2 Capital. A number of instruments that now generally qualify as Tier 1 Capital will not qualify, or their qualifications will change when the Basel III Rules are fully implemented. The Basel III Rules also permit banking organizations with less than \$15.0 billion in assets to retain, through a one-time election, the existing treatment for accumulated other comprehensive income, which currently does not affect regulatory capital. The Basel III Rules have maintained the general structure of the current prompt corrective action framework, while incorporating the increased requirements. The prompt corrective action guidelines were also revised to add the Common Equity Tier 1 Capital ratio. In order to be a "well-capitalized" depository institution under the new regime, a bank and holding company must maintain a Common Equity Tier 1 Capital ratio of 6.5% or more; a Tier 1 Capital ratio of 8% or more; a Total Capital ratio of 10% or more; and a leverage ratio of 5% or more. Generally, financial institutions become subject to the new Basel III Rules on January 1, 2015, with phase-in perio

49

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements made in this report, other than those concerning historical financial information, may be considered forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 with respect to the financial condition, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance and business of First Busey. Forward-looking statements, which may be based upon beliefs, expectations and assumptions of First Busey's management and on information currently available to management, are generally identifiable by the use of words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "plan," "intend," "estimate," "may," "will," "would," "could," "should" or other similar expressions. Additionally, all statements in this document, including forward-looking statements, speak only as of the date they are made, and we undertake no obligation to update any statement in light of new information or future events. A number of factors, many of which are beyond our ability to control or predict, could cause actual results to differ materially from those in our forward-looking statements. These factors include, among others, the following: (i) the strength of the local and national economy; (ii) the economic impact of any future terrorist threats or attacks; (iii) changes in state and federal laws, regulations and governmental policies concerning First Busey's general business (including the impact of the Dodd-Frank Act and the extensive regulations to be promulgated thereunder, as well as the rules recently adopted by the federal bank regulatory agencies to implement Basel III); (iv) changes in interest rates and prepayment rates of First Busey's assets; (v) increased competition in the financial services sector and the inability to attract new customers; (vi) changes in technology and the ability to develop and maintain secure and reliable electronic systems; (vii) the loss of key executives or employees; (viii) changes in consumer spending; (ix) unexpected results of acquisitions; (x) unexpected outcomes of existing or new litigation involving First Busey; and (xi) changes in accounting policies and practices. These risks and uncertainties should be considered in evaluating forward-looking statements and undue reliance should not be placed on such statements. Additional information concerning First Busey and its business, including additional factors that could materially affect its financial results, is included in First Busey's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Critical Accounting Estimates

Critical accounting estimates are those that are critical to the portrayal and understanding of First Busey's financial condition and results of operations and require management to make assumptions that are difficult, subjective or complex. These estimates involve judgments, estimates and uncertainties that are susceptible to change. In the event that different assumptions or conditions were to prevail, and depending on the severity of such changes, the possibility of a materially different financial condition or materially different results of operations is a reasonable likelihood.

Our significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. The majority of these accounting policies do not require management to make difficult, subjective or complex judgments or estimates or the variability of the estimates is not material. However, the following policies could be deemed critical:

Fair Value of Investment Securities. Securities are classified as held to maturity when First Busey has the ability and management has the positive intent to hold those securities to maturity. Accordingly, they are stated at cost, adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts. First Busey had \$0.8 million securities classified as held to maturity at September 30, 2013. First Busey had no securities classified as trading at September 30, 2013. Securities are classified as available for sale when First Busey may decide to sell those securities due to changes in market interest rates, liquidity needs, changes in yields on alternative investments, and for other reasons. They are carried at fair value with unrealized gains and losses, net of taxes, reported in other comprehensive income. As of September 30, 2013, First Busey had \$907.4 million securities classified as available for sale. For equity securities, unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets are utilized to determine fair value at the measurement date. For all other securities, we obtain fair value measurements from an independent pricing service. The fair value measurements consider observable data that may include dealer quotes, market spreads, cash flows, the U.S. Treasury yield curve, live trading levels, trade execution data, market consensus prepayment speeds, credit information and the security's

Realized securities gains or losses are reported in securities gains, net in the consolidated statements of income. The cost of securities sold is based on the specific identification method. Declines in the fair value of available for sale securities below their amortized cost are evaluated to determine whether the loss is temporary or other-than-temporary. If the Company (a) has the intent to sell a debt security or (b) will more-likely-than-not be required to sell the debt security before its anticipated recovery, then the Company recognizes the entire unrealized loss in earnings as an other-than-temporary loss. If neither of these conditions are met, the Company evaluates whether a credit loss exists. The impairment is separated into the amount of the total impairment related to the credit loss and the amount of total impairment related to all other factors. The amount of the total other-than-temporary impairment related to the credit loss is recognized in earnings and the amount related to all other factors is recognized in other comprehensive income.

The Company also evaluates whether the decline in fair value of an equity security is temporary or other-than-temporary. In determining whether an unrealized loss on an equity security is temporary or other-than-temporary, management considers various factors including the magnitude and duration of the impairment, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, and the intent and ability of the Company to hold the equity security to forecasted recovery.

Allowance for Loan Losses. First Busey has established an allowance for loan losses which represents its estimate of the probable losses inherent in the loan portfolio as of the date of the financial statements and reduces the total loans outstanding by an estimate of uncollectible loans. Loans deemed uncollectible are charged against and reduce the allowance. A provision for loan losses is charged to current expense. This provision acts to replenish the allowance for loan losses and to maintain the allowance at a level that management deems adequate.

To determine the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses, a formal analysis is completed quarterly to assess the risk within the loan portfolio. This assessment is reviewed by senior management of Busey Bank and the Company. The analysis includes a review of historical performance, dollar amount and trends of past due loans, dollar amount and trends in non-performing loans, certain impaired loans, and loans identified as sensitive assets. Sensitive assets include non-accrual loans, past-due loans, loans on First Busey's watch loan reports and other loans identified as having probable potential for loss.

The allowance consists of specific and general components. The specific component considers loans that are classified as impaired. For such loans that are classified as impaired, an allowance is established when the discounted cash flows (or collateral value or observable market price) of the impaired loan is lower than the carrying amount of that loan. The general component covers non-classified loans and classified loans not considered impaired, and is based on historical loss experience adjusted for qualitative factors. Other adjustments may be made to the allowance for pools of loans after an assessment of internal or external influences on credit quality that are not fully reflected in the historical loss experience.

A loan is considered to be impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable First Busey will not be able to collect all principal and interest amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. When a loan becomes impaired, management generally calculates the impairment based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate. If the loan is collateral dependent, the fair value of the collateral is used to measure the amount of impairment. The amount of impairment and any subsequent changes are recorded through a charge to earnings as an adjustment to the allowance for loan losses. Because a significant majority of First Busey's loans are collateral dependent, First Busey has determined the required allowance on these loans based upon the estimated fair value, net of selling costs, of the respective collateral. The required allowance or actual losses on these impaired loans could differ significantly if the ultimate fair value of the collateral is significantly different from the fair value estimates used by First Busey in estimating such potential losses.

51

Deferred Taxes. We have maintained significant net deferred tax assets for deductible temporary differences, the largest of which relates to the net operating loss carryforward and the allowance for loan losses. For income tax return purposes, only actual charge-offs are deductible, not the provision for loan losses. Under generally accepted accounting principles, a valuation allowance is required to be recognized if it is "more-likely-than-not" that the deferred tax asset will not be realized. The determination of the recoverability of the deferred tax assets is highly subjective and dependent upon judgment concerning management's evaluation of both positive and negative evidence, the forecasts of future income, applicable tax planning strategies, and assessments of the current and future economic and business conditions. We consider both positive and negative evidence regarding the ultimate recoverability of our deferred tax assets. Positive evidence includes available tax planning strategies and the probability that taxable income will continue to be generated in future periods, as it was in periods since March 31, 2010, while negative evidence includes a cumulative loss in 2009 and 2008 and certain business and economic trends. We evaluated the recoverability of our net deferred tax assets and established a valuation allowance for certain state net operating loss and credit carryforwards that are not expected to be fully realized. Management believes that it is more-likely-than-not that the other deferred tax assets included in the accompanying consolidated financial statements will be fully realized. We determined that no valuation allowance was required for any other deferred tax assets as of September 30, 2013, although there is no guarantee that those assets will be recognizable in future periods.

We must assess the likelihood that any deferred tax assets will be realized through the reduction of taxes in future periods and establish a valuation allowance for those assets for which recovery is not more-likely-than-not. In making this assessment, we must make judgments and estimates regarding the ability to realize the asset through the future reversal of existing taxable temporary differences, future taxable income, and the possible application of future tax planning strategies. The Company's evaluation gave consideration to the fact that all net operating loss carrybacks have been utilized. Therefore, utilization of net operating loss carryforwards are dependent on implementation of tax strategies and continued profitability.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risk is the risk of change in asset values due to movements in underlying market rates and prices. Interest rate risk is the risk to earnings and capital arising from movements in interest rates. Interest rate risk is the most significant market risk affecting First Busey as other types of market risk, such as foreign currency exchange rate risk and commodity price risk, do not arise in the normal course of First Busey's business activities.

The Bank has an asset-liability committee which meets at least quarterly to review current market conditions and attempts to structure the Bank's balance sheet to ensure stable net interest income despite potential changes in interest rates with all other variables constant.

As interest rate changes do not impact all categories of assets and liabilities equally or simultaneously, the asset-liability committee primarily relies on balance sheet and income simulation analysis to determine the potential impact of changes in market interest rates on net interest income. In these standard simulation models, the balance sheet is projected over a one-year period and net interest income is calculated under current market rates, and then assuming permanent instantaneous shifts of +/-100, +/-200, +/-300 and +/-400 basis points. Management measures such changes assuming immediate and sustained shifts in the federal funds rate and other market rate indices and the corresponding shifts in other non-market rate indices based on their historical changes relative to changes in the federal funds rate and other market indices. The model assumes assets and liabilities remain constant at September 30, 2013 balances. The model uses repricing frequency on all variable-rate assets and liabilities. Prepayment speeds on loans have been adjusted to incorporate expected prepayment speeds in both a declining and rising rate environment. As of September 30, 2013, due to the current low interest rate environment, a downward adjustment in federal fund rates was not possible.

52

Utilizing this measurement concept, the interest-rate risk of First Busey due to an immediate and sustained change in interest rates, expressed as a change in net interest income as a percentage of the net interest income calculated in the constant base model, was as follows:

		Basis Point Changes						
	-400	-300	-200	-100	+100	+200	+300	+400
September 30, 2013	NA	NA	NA	NA	(4.41)%	(8.64)%	(13.18)%	(18.04)%
December 31, 2012	NA	NA	NA	NA	(2.64)%	(5.48)%	(9.15)%	(13.22)%

First Busey's Asset, Liability and Liquidity Management Policy defines a targeted range of:

Change in						
Basis points		Net interest income				
	+/-100	+/-10.0%				
	+/-200	+/-15.0%				
	+/-300	+/-22.5%				
	+/-400	+/-30.0%				

As indicated in the table above, First Busey was within each of the targeted ranges on a consolidated basis. The calculation of potential effects of hypothetical interest rate changes was based on numerous assumptions and should not be relied upon as indicative of actual results.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

An evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) was carried out as of September 30, 2013, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and several other members of our senior management. Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of September 30, 2013, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective in ensuring that the information we are required to disclose in the reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is (i) accumulated and communicated to our management (including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer) to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure, and (ii) recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms.

Changes in Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

During the quarter ended September 30, 2013, First Busey did not make any changes in its internal control over financial reporting or other factors that could materially affect, or were reasonably likely to materially affect, its internal control over financial reporting.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings

As part of the ordinary course of business, First Busey and its subsidiaries are parties to litigation that is incidental to their regular business activities.

There is no material pending litigation in which First Busey or any of its subsidiaries is involved or of which any of their property is the subject. Furthermore, there is no pending legal proceeding that is adverse to First Busey in which any director, officer or affiliate of First Busey, or any associate of any such director or officer, is a party, or has a material interest.

53

ITEM 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in Item 1A of Part I of the Company's 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Repurchases

There were no purchases made by or on behalf of First Busey of shares of its common stock during the quarter ended September 30, 2013.

On January 22, 2008, First Busey announced that its board of directors had authorized the repurchase of 1,000,000 shares of common stock. First Busey's repurchase plan has no expiration date and is active until all the shares are repurchased or action is taken by the board of directors to discontinue the plan. As of September 30, 2013, under the Company's stock repurchase plan, 895,655 shares remained authorized for repurchase.

ITEM 3. Defaults upon Senior Securities

None

ITEM 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not Applicable

ITEM 5. Other Information

- (a) None
- (b) None

ITEM 6. Exhibits

- 31.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer, pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a).
- 31.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer, pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a).
- 32.1 Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, from the Company's Chief Executive Officer.
- 32.2 Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, from the Company's Chief Financial Officer.
- 101 Interactive Data File

Interactive data files pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T: (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012; (ii) Consolidated Statements of Income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and September 30, 2012; (iii) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and September 30, 2012; (iv) Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and September 30, 2012; (v) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and September 30, 2012; and (vi) Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

54

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.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ VAN A. DUKEMAN

Van A. Dukeman President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal executive officer)

By: /s/ DAVID B. WHITE

David B. White Chief Financial Officer (Principal financial and accounting officer)

CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER

- I, Van A. Dukeman, President and Chief Executive Officer of First Busey Corporation, certify that:
- 1) I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of First Busey Corporation;
- 2) Based on my knowledge, this Quarterly Report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this Quarterly Report;
- 3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this Quarterly Report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this Quarterly Report;
- 4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this Quarterly Report is being prepared;
 - designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this Quarterly Report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) disclosed in this Quarterly Report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an Annual Report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ VAN A. DUKEMAN

Van A. Dukeman President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER

- I, David B. White, Chief Financial Officer of First Busey Corporation, certify that:
- 1) I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of First Busey Corporation;
- 2) Based on my knowledge, this Quarterly Report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this Quarterly Report;
- 3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this Quarterly Report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this Quarterly Report;
- 4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this Quarterly Report is being prepared;
 - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this Quarterly Report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) disclosed in this Quarterly Report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an Annual Report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ DAVID B. WHITE

David B. White Chief Financial Officer

The following certification is provided by the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of First Busey Corporation on the basis of such officer's knowledge and belief for the sole purpose of complying with 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the accompanying Quarterly Report of First Busey Corporation on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2013, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and that the information contained in such Quarterly Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of First Busey Corporation as of and for the periods covered by the Quarterly Report.

/s/ VAN A. DUKEMAN

Van A. Dukeman President and Chief Executive Officer

The following certification is provided by the undersigned Chief Financial Officer of First Busey Corporation on the basis of such officer's knowledge and belief for the sole purpose of complying with 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the accompanying Quarterly Report of First Busey Corporation on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2013, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and that the information contained in such Quarterly Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of First Busey Corporation as of and for the periods covered by the Quarterly Report.

/s/ DAVID B. WHITE

David B. White Chief Financial Officer