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#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE

#### **COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

### **FORM 10-Q**

# QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

#### SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2014

Commission file number 000-50448

### MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania (State of incorporation)

38-3686388

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

300 Fellowship Road, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip code)

(888) 479-9111

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 b No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that registrant was required to submit and post such files.)

Yes b No"

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

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer b Non-accelerated filer " Smaller reporting company "

(Do not check if a smaller

reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934).

Yes" No þ

At April 24, 2014, 12,926,579 shares of Registrant s common stock, \$.01 par value, were outstanding.

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# **Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q**

# for the Quarter Ended March 31, 2014

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## **PART I. Financial Information**

## **Item 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements**

## MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.

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## **Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(Unaudited)

	M	arch 31, 2014	December 31 2013				
	(Dollar	llars in thousands, except per- data)					
ASSETS							
Cash and due from banks	\$	3,145	\$	3,534			
Interest-earning deposits with banks		115,450		82,119			
Total cash and cash equivalents		118,595		85,653			
Restricted interest-earning deposits with banks		1,190		1,273			
Securities available for sale (original cost of \$5.8 million and \$5.8 million a	at						
March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively)		5,480		5,387			
Net investment in leases and loans		600,516		597,075			
Property and equipment, net		2,141		2,265			
Property tax receivables		5,682		377			
Other assets		7,432		10,177			
Total assets	\$	741,036	\$	702,207			
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY							
Deposits	\$	538,209	\$	503,038			
Other liabilities:							
Sales and property taxes payable		7,229		4,035			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		12,575		14,220			
Net deferred income tax liability		16,872		17,876			
Total liabilities		574,885		539,169			
Commitments and contingencies (Note 6)							

Stockholders equity:

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Common Stock, \$0.01 par value; 75,000,000 shares authorized; 12,929,617		
and 12,994,758 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2014 and		
December 31, 2013, respectively	129	130
Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized; none issued		
Additional paid-in capital	91,569	91,730
Stock subscription receivable	(2)	(2)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(191)	(257)
Retained earnings	74,646	71,437
Total stockholders equity	166,151	163,038
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 741,036	\$ 702,207

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

# MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.

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# **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations**

(Unaudited)

Three Months Ended March 31,

	2014			2013
	(Dollar	rs in thousand da	cept per-share	
Interest income	\$	16,737	\$	15,057
Fee income		3,685		3,175
Interest and fee income		20,422		18,232
Interest expense		1,181		1,256
Net interest and fee income		19,241		16,976
Provision for credit losses		1,732		2,164
Net interest and fee income after provision for credit losses		17,509		14,812
Other income:				
Insurance income, net		1,317		1,140
Other income		382		414
Other income		1,699		1,554
Other expense:				
Salaries and benefits		7,186		6,587
General and administrative		4,189		3,543
Financing related costs		290		239
Other expense		11,665		10,369
Income before income taxes		7,543		5,997
Income tax expense		2,900		2,346
Net income	\$	4,643	\$	3,651
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.36	\$	0.29

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Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.36	\$	0.28
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Cash dividends declared and paid per share	\$	0.11	\$	0.10

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

## MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.

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# **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income**

(Unaudited)

	Three	Three Months Ended March 31				
	2	014		2013		
	(I	(Dollars in thousands)				
Net income	\$	4,643	\$	3,651		
Other comprehensive income (loss):						
Increase (decrease) in fair value of securities available for sale		107		(23)		
Tax effect		(41)		9		
Total other comprehensive income (loss)		66		(14)		
Comprehensive income	\$	4,709	\$	3,637		

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# Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders Equity

(Unaudited)

	Common Shares	S	mmon tock nount	]	•	StockCo	On OmpronIncole (L	come oss)	ve F	Retained Carnings	Total Stockholders Equity
Balance, December 31, 2012	12,774,829	\$	128	\$	87,494	\$ (2)	\$	55	\$	86,575	\$ 174,250
Issuance of common stock	14,727				270						270
Repurchase of common stock	(53,988)		(1)		(1,167)						(1,168)
Exercise of stock options	127,957		1		1,523						1,524
Excess tax benefits from stock-based payment arrangements					1,052						1,052
Stock option compensation recognized					188						188
Restricted stock grant Restricted stock	131,233		2		(2)						100
compensation recognized Net change in unrealized gain/loss					2,372						2,372
on securities available for sale, net of tax								(312)			(312)
Net income Cash dividends paid										16,231 (31,369)	16,231 (31,369)
Balance, December 31, 2013	12,994,758	\$	130	\$	91,730	\$ (2)	\$ (	(257)	\$	71,437	\$ 163,038

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Repurchase of	(65.075)	(1)	(1.405)				(1.406)
common stock	(65,075)	(1)	(1,495)				(1,496)
Exercise of stock							
options	1,284		26				26
Excess tax benefits							
from stock-based							
payment							
arrangements			311				311
Stock option							
compensation							
recognized			4				4
Restricted stock grant							
(cancelation)	(1,350)						
Restricted stock	, , ,						
compensation							
recognized			993				993
Net change in			,,,,				
unrealized gain/loss							
on securities							
available for sale, net					((		66
of tax					66	4.640	66
Net income						4,643	4,643
Cash dividends paid						(1,434)	(1,434)
2014	12,929,617	\$ 129	\$ 91,569	\$ (2)	\$ (191)	\$ 74,646	\$ 166,151
Balance, March 31, 2014	12,929,617	\$ 129	\$ 91,569	\$ (2)	\$ (191)	\$ 74,646	\$ 166,151

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

# MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.

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# **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

(Unaudited)

Three Months Ended March 31, 2014 2013

## (Dollars in thousands)

Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 4,643	\$ 3,651
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating		
activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	396	549
Stock-based compensation	997	841
Excess tax benefits from stock-based payment arrangements	(311)	(703)
Provision for credit losses	1,732	2,164
Net deferred income taxes	(1,060)	574
Amortization of deferred initial direct costs and fees	1,801	1,592
Deferred initial direct costs and fees	(1,597)	(1,799)
Loss on equipment disposed	554	651
Effect of changes in other operating items:		
Other assets	(2,397)	(3,932)
Other liabilities	1,569	2,227
Net cash provided by operating activities	6,327	5,815
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of equipment for direct financing lease contracts and funds used to		
originate loans	(74,255)	(80,944)
Principal collections on leases and loans	67,428	54,744
Security deposits collected, net of refunds	(88)	(140)
Proceeds from the sale of equipment	984	848
Acquisitions of property and equipment	(129)	(114)
Change in restricted interest-earning deposits with banks	83	1,359
Purchases of securities available for sale, net	14	(1,017)
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Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(5,963)	(25,264)
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Cash flows from financing activities:		
Increase in deposits	35,171	41,410

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Bank facility repayments		(10,101)
Repurchases of common stock	(1,496)	(911)
Dividends paid	(1,434)	(1,273)
Exercise of stock options	26	188
Excess tax benefits from stock-based payment arrangements	311	703
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	32,578	30,016
Net increase in total cash and cash equivalents	32,942	10,567
Total cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	85,653	64,970
Total cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 118,595	\$ 75,537
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Cash paid for interest on deposits and borrowings	\$ 1,038	\$ 891
Net cash paid (received) for income taxes	\$ 1,709	\$ 1,459

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

### MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES

### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **NOTE 1** The Company

### Description

Marlin Business Services Corp. (Company) is a bank holding company and a financial holding company regulated by the Federal Reserve Board under the Bank Holding Company Act. The Company was incorporated in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on August 5, 2003. Through its principal operating subsidiary, Marlin Leasing Corporation, the Company provides equipment financing solutions nationwide, primarily to small and mid-sized businesses in a segment of the equipment leasing market commonly referred to in the industry as the small-ticket segment. The Company finances over 100 categories of commercial equipment important to its end user customers, including copiers, security systems, computers, telecommunications equipment and certain commercial and industrial equipment. In May 2000, we established AssuranceOne, Ltd., a Bermuda-based, wholly-owned captive insurance subsidiary, which offers property insurance coverage for our lessees equipment. Effective March 12, 2008, the Company opened Marlin Business Bank (MBB), a commercial bank chartered by the State of Utah and a member of the Federal Reserve System. MBB serves as the Company s primary funding source through its issuance of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)-insured deposits. Marlin Business Services Corp. is a bank holding company and a financial holding company regulated by the Federal Reserve Board under the Bank Holding Company Act.

References to the Company, Marlin, Registrant, we, us and our herein refer to Marlin Business Services Co wholly-owned subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires.

# **NOTE 2** Summary of Critical Accounting Policies

Basis of financial statement presentation. The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. Marlin Leasing Corporation and MBB are managed together as a single business segment and are aggregated for financial reporting purposes as they exhibit similar economic characteristics, share the same leasing portfolio and have one product offering. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring items) necessary to present fairly the Company s financial position at March 31, 2014 and the results of operations for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and 2013, and cash flows for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and 2013. These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and note disclosures included in the Company s Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on March 10, 2013. The consolidated results of operations for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and 2013 and the consolidated statements of cash flows for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations or cash flows for the respective full years or any other period.

Use of estimates. The preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (U.S. GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates are used when accounting for income recognition, the residual values of leased equipment, the allowance for credit losses, deferred

initial direct costs and fees, late fee receivables, the fair value of financial instruments and income taxes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

*Interest income*. Interest income is recognized under the effective interest method. The effective interest method of income recognition applies a constant rate of interest equal to the internal rate of return on each lease.

The Company s lease portfolio consists of homogenous small balance accounts with an average balance less than \$10,000 across a large cross section of credit variables such as state, equipment type, obligor, vendor and industry category. These leases generally have similar credit risk characteristics and as a result the Company evaluates the impairment of the lease portfolio on a pooled basis. The Company s key credit quality indicator is delinquency status. Based on the historical payment behavior of the Company s lease portfolio as a whole, payments are considered reasonably assured when a lease s delinquency status is less than 90 days. Therefore,

when a lease or loan is 90 days or more delinquent, the contract is classified as non-accrual and interest income recognition is discontinued. Interest income recognition resumes on a contract when the lessee makes payments sufficient to bring the contract status to less than 90 days delinquent.

Modifications to leases are accounted for in accordance with Topic 840 of the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification (FASB ASC). Modifications resulting in renegotiated leases may include reductions in payment and extensions in term. However, such renegotiated leases are not granted concessions regarding implicit rates or reductions in total amounts due. Modifications may be granted on a one-time basis in situations that indicate the lessee is experiencing a temporary, timing issue and has a high likelihood of success with a revised payment plan. After a modification, a lease s accrual status is based on compliance with the modified terms.

**Fee income.** Fee income consists of fees for delinquent lease and loan payments, cash collected on early termination of leases and net residual income. Net residual income includes income from lease renewals and gains and losses on the realization of residual values of leased equipment disposed at the end of a lease s term. Residual income is recognized as earned.

Fee income from delinquent lease payments is recognized on an accrual basis based on anticipated collection rates. At a minimum of every quarter, an analysis of anticipated collection rates is performed based on updates to collection history. Adjustments in the anticipated collection rate assumptions are made as needed based on this analysis. Other fees are recognized when received.

*Insurance income*. Insurance income is recognized on an accrual basis as earned over the term of each lease. Generally, insurance payments that are 120 days or more past due are charged against income. Ceding commissions, losses and loss adjustment expenses are recorded in the period incurred and netted against insurance income.

*Other income*. Other income includes various administrative transaction fees and fees received from lease syndications, recognized as earned.

Securities available for sale. Securities available for sale consist of mutual funds and municipal bonds that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. Unrealized holding gains or losses of all securities available for sale, net of related deferred income taxes, are reported in accumulated other comprehensive income. Fair value measurement is based upon quoted prices in active markets, if available. If quoted prices in active markets are not available, fair values are based on prices obtained from third-party pricing vendors. See Note 8 for more information on fair value measurement of securities.

Initial direct costs and fees. We defer initial direct costs incurred and fees received to originate our leases and loans in accordance with the Receivables Topic and the Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs Subtopic of the FASB ASC. The initial direct costs and fees we defer are part of the net investment in leases and loans and are amortized to interest income using the effective interest method. We defer third-party commission costs, as well as certain internal costs directly related to the origination activity. Costs subject to deferral include evaluating each prospective customer s financial condition, evaluating and recording guarantees and other security arrangements, negotiating terms, preparing and processing documents and closing each transaction. The fees we defer are documentation fees collected at inception. The realization of the initial direct costs, net of fees deferred, is predicated on the net future cash flows generated by our lease and loan portfolios.

*Net investment in leases and loans.* As required by U.S. GAAP, the Company uses the direct finance method of accounting to record its direct financing leases and related interest income. At the inception of a lease, the Company records as an asset the aggregate future minimum lease payments receivable, plus the estimated residual value of the

leased equipment, less unearned lease income. Residual values are established at lease inception based on our estimate of the expected fair value of the equipment at the end of the lease term. Residual values may be realized at lease termination from lease extensions, sales or other dispositions of leased equipment. Estimates are based on industry data and management s experience.

The Company records an estimated residual value at lease inception for all fair market value and fixed purchase option leases based on a percentage of the equipment cost of the asset being leased. The percentages used depend on equipment type and term. In setting estimated residual values, the Company focuses its analysis primarily on the Company s total historical and expected realization statistics pertaining to sales of equipment. In subsequent evaluations for the impairment of the booked residual values, the Company reviews historical realization statistics including lease renewals and equipment sales. Anticipated renewal income is not included in the determination of fair value. However, it is one of the ways that fair value may be realized at the end of the lease term.

At the end of an original lease term, lessees may choose to purchase the equipment, renew the lease or return the equipment to the Company. The Company receives income from lease renewals when the lessee elects to retain the equipment longer than the original term of the lease. This income, net of appropriate periodic reductions in the estimated residual values of the related equipment, is included in fee income as net residual income.

When a lessee elects to return equipment at lease termination, the equipment is transferred to other assets at the lower of its basis or fair market value. The Company generally sells returned equipment to independent third parties, rather than leasing the equipment a second time. The Company does not maintain equipment in other assets for longer than 120 days. Any loss recognized on transferring equipment to other assets and any gain or loss realized on the sale or disposal of equipment to a lessee or to others is included in fee income as net residual income.

Based on the Company s experience, the amount of ultimate realization of the residual value tends to relate more to the customer s election at the end of the lease term to enter into a renewal period, to purchase the leased equipment or to return the leased equipment than it does to the equipment type. Management performs reviews of the estimated residual values and historic realization statistics no less frequently than quarterly and any impairment, if other than temporary, is recognized in the current period.

Initial direct costs and fees related to lease originations are deferred as part of the investment and amortized over the lease term. Unearned lease income is the amount by which the total lease receivable plus the estimated residual value exceeds the cost of the equipment. Unearned lease income, net of initial direct costs and fees, is recognized as revenue over the lease term using the effective interest method.

**Allowance for credit losses.** In accordance with the Contingencies Topic of the FASB ASC, we maintain an allowance for credit losses at an amount sufficient to absorb losses inherent in our existing lease and loan portfolios as of the reporting dates based on our projection of probable net credit losses.

We generally evaluate our portfolios on a pooled basis, due to their composition of small balance, homogenous accounts with similar general credit risk characteristics, diversified among a large cross-section of variables, including industry, geography, equipment type, obligor and vendor. We consider both quantitative and qualitative factors in determining the allowance for credit losses. Quantitative factors considered include a migration analysis stratified by industry classification, historic delinquencies and charge-offs, and a static pool analysis of historic recoveries. A migration analysis is a technique used to estimate the likelihood that an account will progress through the various delinquency stages and ultimately charge off. As part of our quantitative analysis we may also consider specifically identified pools of leases separately from the migration analysis, whenever certain identified pools are not expected to perform consistently with their credit characteristics or the portfolio as a whole. These lease pools may be analyzed for impairment separately from the migration analysis and a specific reserve established.

Qualitative factors that may result in further adjustments to the quantitative analysis include items such as forecasting uncertainties, changes in the composition of our lease and loan portfolios (including geography, industry, equipment type and vendor source), seasonality, economic or business conditions and emerging trends, business practices or policies at the reporting date that are different from the periods used in the quantitative analysis.

The various factors used in the analysis are reviewed periodically, and no less frequently than quarterly. We then establish an allowance for credit losses for the projected probable net credit losses inherent in the portfolio based on this analysis. A provision is charged against earnings to maintain the allowance for credit losses at the appropriate level. Our policy is to charge-off against the allowance the estimated unrecoverable portion of accounts once they reach 121 days delinquent.

Our projections of probable net credit losses are inherently uncertain, and as a result we cannot predict with certainty the amount of such losses. Changes in economic conditions, the risk characteristics and composition of the portfolio, bankruptcy laws, and other factors could impact our actual and projected net credit losses and the related allowance for credit losses. To the extent we add new leases and loans to our portfolios, or to the degree credit quality is worse than expected, we record expense to increase the allowance for credit losses to reflect the estimated net losses inherent in our portfolios. Actual losses may vary from current estimates.

**Common stock and equity.** On November 2, 2007, the Company s Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase plan. Under the stock repurchase plan, the Company is authorized to repurchase its common stock on the open market. The par value of the shares repurchased is charged to common stock with the excess of the purchase price over par charged against any available additional paid-in capital.

**Stock-based compensation.** The Compensation Stock Compensation Topic of the FASB ASC establishes fair value as the measurement objective in accounting for share-based payment arrangements and requires all entities to apply a fair-value-based measurement method in accounting for share-based payment transactions with employees and non-employees, except for equity instruments held by employee share ownership plans.

The Company measures stock-based compensation cost at grant date, based on the fair value of the awards ultimately expected to vest. Stock-based compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the service period. We generally use the Black-Scholes valuation model to measure the fair value of our stock options utilizing various assumptions with respect to expected holding period, risk-free interest rates, stock price volatility and dividend yield. The assumptions are based on management s judgment concerning future events.

As required by U.S. GAAP, the Company uses its judgment in estimating the amount of awards that are expected to be forfeited, with subsequent revisions to the assumptions if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. The vesting of certain restricted shares may be accelerated to a minimum of three years based on achievement of various individual performance measures. Acceleration of expense for awards based on individual performance factors occurs when the achievement of the performance criteria is determined.

Non-forfeitable dividends paid on shares of restricted stock are recorded to retained earnings for shares that are expected to vest and to compensation expense for shares that are not expected to vest.

Income taxes. The Income Taxes Topic of the FASB ASC requires the use of the asset and liability method under which deferred taxes are determined based on the estimated future tax effects of differences between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities, given the provisions of the enacted tax laws. In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. Management considers the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities and projected future taxable income in making this assessment. Based upon the level of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods which the deferred tax assets are deductible, management believes it is more likely than not the Company will realize the benefits of these deductible differences.

Significant management judgment is required in determining the provision for income taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities and any necessary valuation allowance recorded against net deferred tax assets. The process involves summarizing temporary differences resulting from the different treatment of items, such as leases, for tax and accounting purposes. These differences result in deferred tax assets and liabilities which are included within the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Management then assesses the likelihood that deferred tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income or tax carry-back availability and, to the extent our management believes recovery is not likely, a valuation allowance is established. To the extent that we establish a valuation allowance in a period, an expense is recorded within the tax provision in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

In accordance with U.S. GAAP, uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return are subject to potential financial statement recognition based on prescribed recognition and measurement criteria. Based on our evaluation, we concluded that there are no significant uncertain tax positions requiring recognition in our financial statements. At March 31, 2014, there have been no material changes to the liability for uncertain tax positions and there are no significant unrecognized tax benefits.

The periods subject to examination for the Company s federal return include the 2006 tax year to the present. The Company files state income tax returns in various states which may have different statutes of limitations. Generally,

state income tax returns for the years 2006 through the present are subject to examination. The Company has amended its previously filed income tax returns for the years 2006 through 2009, which resulted in the recognition of a net tax receivable of approximately \$15.4 million as originally discussed in Note 13 to the Company s Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010. During 2013, the examination of the federal amended returns was completed. Due to the receipt of federal and state amended tax refunds, the Company has a net tax payable of \$ 0.6 million primarily for the interest earned on these refunds.

The Company records penalties and accrued interest related to taxes, including penalties and interest related to uncertain tax positions, in income tax expense. Such adjustments have historically been minimal and immaterial to our financial results.

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Earnings per share. The Company s restricted stock awards are paid non-forfeitable common stock dividends and thus meet the criteria of participating securities. Accordingly, earnings per share ( EPS ) is calculated using the two-class method, under which earnings are allocated to both common shares and participating securities. All shares of restricted stock are deducted from the weighted average shares outstanding for the computation of basic EPS.

Diluted EPS is computed based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period including the dilutive impact of the exercise or conversion of common stock equivalents, such as stock options, into shares of common stock as if those securities were exercised or converted.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements. In April 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update 2014-08, Presentation of Financial Statements (Topic 205) and Property, Plant, and Equipment (Topic 360): Reporting Discontinued Operations and Disclosures of Disposals of Components of an Entity. Under the new guidance, a disposal of a component of an entity or a group of components of an entity is required to be reported in discontinued operations only if the disposal represents a strategic shift that has (or will have) a major effect on an entity s operations and financial results. This guidance also changes an entity s requirements when presenting, for each comparative period, the assets and liabilities of a disposal group that includes a discontinued operation. A discontinued operation may include a component of an entity, or a business or nonprofit activity. The guidance is effective interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2014. The adoption of the new requirements is not expected to have a material impact on the consolidated earnings, financial position or cash flows of the Company.

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### **NOTE 3** Net Investment in Leases and Loans

Net investment in leases and loans consists of the following:

	N	March 31, 2014		ecember 31, 2013		
		(Dollars in thousands)				
Minimum lease payments receivable	\$	682,852	\$	682,081		
Estimated residual value of equipment		27,710		28,396		
Unearned lease income, net of initial direct costs and fees deferred		(100,553)		(103,258)		
Security deposits		(2,543)		(2,631)		
Loans, including unamortized deferred fees and costs		1,209		954		
Allowance for credit losses		(8,159)		(8,467)		
	\$	600,516	\$	597,075		

At March 31, 2014, a total of \$11.8 million of minimum lease payments receivable is assigned as collateral for the borrowing facility. At March 31, 2014, there is no amount outstanding under this borrowing facility and the unused borrowing capacity is \$75.0 million. In addition, \$28.9 million in net investment in leases is pledged as collateral for the secured borrowing capacity at the Federal Reserve Discount Window.

Initial direct costs net of fees deferred were \$10.1 million and \$10.3 million as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively, are netted in unearned income and will be amortized to income using the effective interest method. At March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, \$22.2 million and \$22.7 million, respectively, of the estimated residual value of equipment retained on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets was related to copiers.

Minimum lease payments receivable under lease contracts and the amortization of unearned lease income, including initial direct costs and fees deferred, are as follows as of March 31, 2014:

	Pa	Minimum Lease Payments Receivable		Income nortization
		(Dollars in	thous	sands)
Period Ending December 31,				
2014	\$	221,040	\$	42,115
2015		219,208		33,904
2016		137,892		16,504
2017		72,357		6,470
2018		29,610		1,489
Thereafter		2,745		71

\$ 682,852 \$ 100,553

As of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, the Company maintained total finance receivables which were on a non-accrual basis of \$1.7 million. As of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, the Company had total finance receivables in which the terms of the original agreements had been renegotiated in the amount of \$1.2 million and \$0.8 million, respectively. (See Note 4 for income recognition on leases and loans and additional asset quality information.)

## **NOTE 4** Allowance for Credit Losses

In accordance with the Contingencies Topic of the FASB ASC, we maintain an allowance for credit losses at an amount sufficient to absorb losses inherent in our existing lease and loan portfolios as of the reporting dates based on our estimate of probable net credit losses.

The table which follows provides activity in the allowance for credit losses and asset quality statistics.

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2014 2013			Year Ended December 31, 2013		
	(Dollars in thousand					
Allowance for credit losses, beginning of period	\$ 8,467	\$	6,488	\$	6,488	
Charge-offs	(2,635)		(1,947)		(9,499)	
Recoveries	595		379		1,861	
Net charge-offs	(2,040)		(1,568)		(7,638)	
Provision for credit losses	1,732		2,164		9,617	
Allowance for credit losses, end of period <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 8,159	\$	7,084	\$	8,467	
Annualized net charge-offs to average total finance receivables (2)	1.38%		1.25%		1.41%	
Allowance for credit losses to total finance receivables, end of period (2)	1.36%		1.35%		1.42%	
Average total finance receivables (2)	\$ 589,922	\$	502,850	\$	540,717	
Total finance receivables, end of period (2)	\$ 598,590	\$	523,475	\$	595,253	
Delinquencies greater than 60 days past due	\$ 3,404	\$	3,415	\$	3,204	
Delinquencies greater than 60 days past due (3)	0.50%		0.57%		0.47%	
Allowance for credit losses to delinquent accounts greater than 60 days past due (3)	239.69%		207.44%		264.26%	

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Non-accrual leases and loans, end of period	\$ 1,686	\$ 1,628	\$ 1,665
Renegotiated leases and loans, end of period	\$ 1,239	\$ 917	\$ 815

- (1) At March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013, there was no allowance for credit losses allocated to loans.
- (2) Total finance receivables include net investment in direct financing leases and loans. For purposes of asset quality and allowance calculations, the effects of (i) the allowance for credit losses and (ii) initial direct costs and fees deferred are excluded.
- (3) Calculated as a percent of total minimum lease payments receivable for leases and as a percent of principal outstanding for loans.

Net investments in finance receivables are generally charged-off when they are contractually past due for 121 days. Income recognition is discontinued on leases or loans when a default on monthly payment exists for a period of 90 days or more. Income recognition resumes when a lease or loan becomes less than 90 days delinquent. At March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013, there were no finance receivables past due 90 days or more and still accruing.

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Net charge-offs for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 were \$2.0 million (1.38% of average total finance receivables on an annualized basis), compared to \$1.9 million (1.30% of average total finance receivables on an annualized basis) for the three-month period ended December 31, 2013 and \$1.6 million (1.25% of average total finance receivables on an annualized basis) for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. The increase in net charge-offs during the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 compared to 2013 is primarily due to the growth in average total finance receivables, the ongoing seasoning of the portfolio as reflected in the mix of origination vintages and the mix of credit profiles. Our key credit quality indicator is delinquency status.

#### NOTE 5 Other Assets

Other assets are comprised of the following:

	March 31 2014	, D	ecember 31, 2013	
	(Dolla	(Dollars in thousands)		
Accrued fees receivable	\$ 1,80	5 \$	2,062	
Deferred transaction costs	9	3	110	
Prepaid expenses	1,84	4	2,011	
Income taxes receivable	65	5	2,580	
Other	3,03	5	3,414	
	\$ 7,43	32 \$	10,177	

During the fourth quarter of 2010, the Company completed an analysis of its deferred tax assets and liabilities. As a result of that analysis, the Company determined that it had over-reported lease revenues in its previously filed federal and state income tax returns. As a result of the planned amendments for the years 2006 through 2009 to claim appropriate refunds, during the fourth quarter of 2010 the Company increased its current income taxes receivable by \$15.4 million and recognized a current tax benefit of approximately \$0.5 million to reflect interest receivable on such amended returns. During 2011, the Company filed the amended income tax returns for the expected refunds. During 2013, the examination of the federal amended returns was completed. Due to the receipt of federal and state amended tax return refunds and interest, the Company has a net payable of \$0.6 million for the interest earned on these refunds.

# NOTE 6 Commitments and Contingencies

MBB is a member bank in a non-profit, multi-financial institution consortium serving as a catalyst for community development by offering flexible financing for affordable, quality housing to low- and moderate-income residents of Utah and surrounding states. Currently, MBB receives approximately 1.2% participation in each funded loan under the program. MBB records loans in its financial statements when they have been funded or become payable. Such loans help MBB satisfy its obligations under the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977. At March 31, 2014, MBB had an unfunded commitment of \$0.9 million for this activity. Unless renewed prior to termination, MBB s one-year commitment to the consortium will expire in September 2014.

The Company is involved in legal proceedings, which include claims, litigation and suits arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, these actions will not have a material effect on the Company s consolidated

financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

As of March 31, 2014, the Company leases all five of its office locations including its executive offices in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey, and its offices in or near Atlanta, Georgia; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Salt Lake City, Utah; and Sherwood, Oregon. These lease commitments are accounted for as operating leases. The Company has entered into several capital leases to finance corporate property and equipment.

The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments for capital and operating leases as of March 31, 2014:

### **Future Minimum Lease Payment Obligations**

Period Ending December 31,		pital ases	-	erating eases	Т	otal
	(Dollars in thousands)					
2014	\$	76	\$	1,077	\$	1,153
2015		102		1,234		1,336
2016		102		1,246		1,348
2017		77		1,263		1,340
2018				1,279		1,279
Thereafter				1,755		1,755
Total minimum lease payments	\$	357	\$	7,854	\$	8,211
Less: amount representing interest		(33)		·		
Present value of minimum lease payments	\$	324				

In February 2013, the Company extended its lease agreement on its executive offices in Mount Laurel, New Jersey. The original expiration date of May 2013 was extended to May 2020, with an expected obligation of approximately \$1.1 million per year. Concurrently, the Company also entered into a lease agreement for an additional 9,700 square feet at the same location, which commences in June 2014 and expires in May 2020. The expected annual obligation under such lease is approximately \$0.2 million per year. These obligations are included in the table above.

### NOTE 7 Deposits

MBB serves as the Company s primary funding source. MBB issues fixed-rate FDIC-insured certificates of deposit raised nationally through various brokered deposit relationships and fixed-rate FDIC-insured deposits received from direct sources. On February 23, 2014, MBB began offering FDIC-insured money market deposit accounts (the MMDA Product) through participation in a partner bank s insured savings account product. This brokered deposit product has a variable rate, no maturity date, and is offered to the clients of the partner bank and recorded as a single deposit account at MBB. As of March 31, 2014, money market deposit accounts totaled \$37.1 million.

As of March 31, 2014, the remaining scheduled maturities of deposits are as follows:

Scheduled Maturities (Dollars in thousands)

### Period Ending December 31,

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2014	\$ 164,865
2015	164,884
2016	94,867
2017	52,371
2018	14,984
Thereafter	9,090
Total	\$ 501,061

Certificates of deposits are time deposits issued in denominations of \$250,000 or less. The MMDA Product is also issued to customers in amounts less than \$250,000. The FDIC insures deposits up to \$250,000 per depositor. The weighted average all-in interest rate of deposits at March 31, 2014 was 0.86%.

### NOTE 8 Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures about the Fair Value of Financial Instruments

#### Fair Value Measurements

The Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures Topic of the FASB ASC establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires certain disclosures about fair value measurements. Its provisions do not apply to fair value measurements for purposes of lease classification and measurement, which is addressed in the Leases Topic of the FASB ASC.

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability at the measurement date (exit price). A three-level valuation hierarchy is required for disclosure of fair value measurements based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the measurement in its entirety.

The three levels are defined as follows:

Level 1 Inputs to the valuation are unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation may include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active or inactive markets, and inputs other than quoted prices, such as interest rates and yield curves, which are observable for the asset or liability for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

Level 3 Inputs to the valuation are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. Level 3 inputs shall be used to measure fair value only to the extent that observable inputs are not available.

The Company characterizes active markets as those where transaction volumes are sufficient to provide objective pricing information, such as an exchange traded price. Inactive markets are typically characterized by low transaction volumes, and price quotations that vary substantially among market participants or are not based on current information.

The Company s balances measured at fair value on a recurring basis include the following as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013:

March 31, 2014 December 31, 2013
Fair Value Measurements Hasing alue Measurements Using
Level 1 Level 2 Level 1 Level 2

(Dollars in thousands)

Assets

Securities available for sale

\$ 3,167 \$ 2,313 \$ 3,140 \$

2,247

At this time, the Company has not elected to report any assets and liabilities using the fair value option available under the Financial Instruments Topic of the FASB ASC. There have been no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

### Disclosures about the Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Financial Instruments Topic of the FASB ASC requires the disclosure of the estimated fair value of financial instruments including those financial instruments not measured at fair value on a recurring basis. This requirement excludes certain instruments, such as the net investment in leases and all nonfinancial instruments.

The fair values shown below have been derived, in part, by management s assumptions, the estimated amount and timing of future cash flows and estimated discount rates. Valuation techniques involve uncertainties and require assumptions and judgments regarding prepayments, credit risk and discount rates. Changes in these assumptions will result in different valuation estimates. The fair values presented would not necessarily be realized in an immediate sale. Derived fair value estimates cannot necessarily be substantiated by comparison to independent markets or to other companies fair value information.

The following summarizes the carrying amount and estimated fair value of the Company s financial instruments:

	March 31, 2014		Decemb	er 3	31, 2013			
	Carrying Amount		Fair Value			• 0		Fair Value
	(Dollars in thousands)							
Financial Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 118,595	\$	118,595	\$ 85,653	\$	85,653		
Restricted interest-earning deposits with banks	1,190		1,190	1,273		1,273		
Securities available for sale	5,480		5,480	5,387		5,387		
Loans	1,209		1,209	954		954		
	,		,					
Financial Liabilities								
Deposits	538,209		538,431	503,038		502,937		

The paragraphs which follow describe the methods and assumptions used in estimating the fair values of financial instruments.

### (a) Cash and Cash Equivalents

The carrying amounts of the Company s cash and cash equivalents approximate fair value as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, because they bear interest at market rates and had maturities of less than 90 days at the time of purchase. This fair value measurement is classified as Level 1.

### (b) Restricted Interest-Earning Deposits with Banks

The Company maintains interest-earning trust accounts related to our secured debt facility. The book value of such accounts is included in restricted interest-earning deposits with banks on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheet. These accounts earn a floating market rate of interest which results in a fair value approximating the carrying amount at March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013. This fair value measurement is classified as Level 1.

### (c) Securities Available for Sale

Securities available for sale are recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. Fair value measurement is based upon various sources of market pricing. Securities are classified within the fair value hierarchy after giving consideration to the activity level in the market for the security type and the observability of the inputs used to determine the fair value. When available, the Company uses quoted prices in active markets and classifies such instruments within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. Level 1 securities include mutual funds. When instruments are traded in secondary markets and quoted market prices do not exist for such securities, the Company relies on prices obtained from third-party pricing vendors and classifies these instruments within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. The third-party vendors use a variety of methods when pricing securities that incorporate relevant market data to arrive at an estimate of what a buyer in the marketplace would pay for a security under current market conditions. Level 2 securities include municipal bonds.

### (d) Loans

Loans are primarily comprised of participating interests acquired through membership in a non-profit, multi-financial institution consortium serving as a catalyst for community development by offering financing for affordable, quality housing to low- and moderate-income residents of Utah and surrounding states. Such loans help MBB satisfy its obligations under the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977. The fair value of the Company s loans approximates the carrying amount at March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013. This estimate was based on recent comparable sales transactions with consideration of current market rates. This fair value measurement is classified as Level 2.

### (e) Deposits

Deposit liabilities with no defined maturity such as MMDA deposits have a fair value equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting date (i.e., their carrying amount). Fair value for certificates of deposits is estimated by discounting cash flows at current rates paid by the Company for similar certificates of deposit of the same or similar remaining maturities. This fair value measurement is classified as Level 2.

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## **NOTE 9** Earnings Per Common Share

The Company s restricted stock awards are paid non-forfeitable common stock dividends and thus meet the criteria of participating securities. Accordingly, EPS has been calculated using the two-class method, under which earnings are allocated to both common stock and participating securities.

Basic EPS has been computed by dividing net income allocated to common stock by the weighted average common shares used in computing basic EPS. For the computation of basic EPS, all shares of restricted stock have been deducted from the weighted average shares outstanding.

Diluted EPS has been computed by dividing net income allocated to common stock by the weighted average number of common shares used in computing basic EPS, further adjusted by including the dilutive impact of the exercise or conversion of common stock equivalents, such as stock options, into shares of common stock as if those securities were exercised or converted.

The following table provides net income and shares used in computing basic and diluted EPS:

<b>Three Months</b>	Ended March 31,
2014	2013

(Dollars in thousands, except pershare data)

D · EDG		
Basic EPS		
Net income	\$ 4,643	\$ 3,651
Less: net income allocated to participating securities	(158)	(135)
Net income allocated to common stock	\$ 4,485	\$ 3,516
Weighted average common shares outstanding	12,968,323	12,799,915
Less: Unvested restricted stock awards considered participating securities	(421,643)	(497,917)
Adjusted weighted average common shares used in computing basic EPS	12,546,680	12,301,998
Basic EPS	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.29
Diluted EPS		
Net income allocated to common stock	\$ 4,485	\$ 3,516
Adjusted weighted average common shares used in computing basic EPS	12,546,680	12,301,998
Add: Effect of dilutive stock options	66,317	92,961

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Adjusted weighted average common shares used in computing diluted				
EPS	12	,612,997	12	2,394,95
Diluted EPS	\$	0.36	\$	0.28

For the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, options to purchase 15,698 and 34,138 shares of common stock were not considered in the computation of potential common shares for purposes of diluted EPS, since the exercise prices of the options were greater than the average market price of the Company s common stock for the respective periods.

#### NOTE 10 Stockholders Equity

#### Stockholders Equity

On November 2, 2007, the Company s Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase plan. Under this program, the Company is authorized to repurchase up to \$15 million in value of its outstanding shares of common stock. This authority may be exercised from time to time and in such amounts as market conditions warrant. Any shares purchased under this plan are returned to the status of authorized but unissued shares of common stock. The repurchases may be made on the open market, in block trades or otherwise. The program may be suspended or discontinued at any time. The repurchases are funded using the Company s working capital.

During the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, the Company did not purchase any shares of its common stock in the open market. The Company purchased 231 shares of its common stock at an average cost of \$18.52 per share during the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. At March 31, 2014, the Company had \$5.1 million remaining in its stock repurchase plan authorized by the Board of Directors.

In addition to the repurchases described above, pursuant to the 2003 Plan, participants may have shares withheld to cover income taxes. There were 65,075 shares repurchased to cover income tax withholding pursuant to the 2003 Plan during the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, at an average cost of \$22.99 per share. There were 42,667 shares repurchased to cover income tax withholding during the three-month period ended March 31, 2013, at an average cost of \$21.24 per share.

#### Regulatory Capital Requirements

Through its issuance of FDIC-insured deposits, MBB serves as the Company s primary funding source. Over time, MBB may offer other products and services to the Company s customer base. MBB operates as a Utah state-chartered, Federal Reserve member commercial bank, insured by the FDIC. As a state-chartered Federal Reserve member bank, MBB is supervised by both the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and the Utah Department of Financial Institutions.

MBB is subject to capital adequacy guidelines issued by the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (the FFIEC ). These risk-based capital and leverage guidelines make regulatory capital requirements more sensitive to differences in risk profiles among banking organizations and consider off-balance sheet exposures in determining capital adequacy. The FFIEC and/or the U.S. Congress may determine to increase capital requirements in the future due to the current economic environment. Under the rules and regulations of the FFIEC, at least half of a bank s total capital is required to be Tier 1 Capital as defined in the regulations, comprised of common equity, retained earnings and a limited amount of non-cumulative perpetual preferred stock. The remaining capital, Tier 2 Capital, as defined in the regulations, may consist of other preferred stock, a limited amount of term subordinated debt or a limited amount of the reserve for possible credit losses. The FFIEC has also adopted minimum leverage ratios for banks, which are calculated by dividing Tier 1 Capital by total quarterly average assets. Recognizing that the risk-based capital standards principally address credit risk rather than interest rate, liquidity, operational or other risks, many banks are expected to maintain capital in excess of the minimum standards. The Company plans to provide the necessary capital to maintain MBB at well-capitalized status as defined by banking regulations. MBB s Tier 1 Capital balance at March 31, 2014 was \$101.2 million, which met all capital requirements to which MBB is subject and qualified MBB for well-capitalized status. Bank holding companies are required to comply with the Federal Reserve Board s risk-based capital guidelines that require a minimum ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets of 8%. At least half

of the total capital is required to be Tier 1 Capital. In addition to the risk-based capital guidelines, the Federal Reserve Board has adopted a minimum leverage capital ratio under which a bank holding company must maintain a ratio of Tier 1 Capital to average total consolidated assets of at least 3% in the case of a bank holding company which has the highest regulatory examination rating and is not contemplating significant growth or expansion. All other bank holding companies are expected to maintain a leverage capital ratio of at least 4%. At March 31, 2014, Marlin Business Services Corp. also exceeded its regulatory capital requirements and was considered well-capitalized as defined by federal banking regulations.

The following table sets forth the Tier 1 leverage ratio, Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio and total risk-based capital ratio for Marlin Business Services Corp. and MBB at March 31, 2014.

	A Ratio	Actual o Amount		Minimum Capital Requirement nt Ratio (1) Amount		Well-Capitaliz Required Ratio		_	
Tier 1 Leverage Capital				(Dollars	in the	ousands)			
Marlin Business Services Corp.	22.94%	\$	166,272	4%	\$	28,991	5%	\$	36,239
Marlin Business Bank	15.68%	\$	101,189	5%	\$	32,275	5%	\$	32,275
Tier 1 Risk-based Capital									
Marlin Business Services Corp.	26.07%	\$	166,272	4%	\$	25,514	6%	\$	38,272
Marlin Business Bank	17.08%	\$	101,189	6%	\$	35,546	6%	\$	35,546
Total Risk-based Capital	27.32%	\$	174,248	8%	\$	51,029	10%	\$	63,786
	21.3270	Ф	1 /4,240	070	Ф	31,029	1070	Ф	05,700

Marlin Business Services Corp.

(1) MBB is required to maintain well-capitalized status and must also maintain a total risk-based capital ratio greater than 15% pursuant to an agreement entered into by and among MBB, the Company, Marlin Leasing Corporation and the FDIC in conjunction with the opening of MBB (the FDIC Agreement).

Prompt Corrective Action. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (FDICIA) requires the federal regulators to take prompt corrective action against any undercapitalized institution. Five capital categories have been established under federal banking regulations: well-capitalized, adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized and critically undercapitalized. Well-capitalized institutions significantly exceed the required minimum level for each relevant capital measure. Adequately capitalized institutions include depository institutions that meet but do not significantly exceed the required minimum level for each relevant capital measure. Undercapitalized institutions consist of those that fail to meet the required minimum level for one or more relevant capital measures. Significantly undercapitalized characterizes depository institutions with capital levels significantly below the minimum requirements for any relevant capital measure. Critically undercapitalized refers to depository institutions with minimal capital and at serious risk for government seizure.

Under certain circumstances, a well-capitalized, adequately capitalized or undercapitalized institution may be treated as if the institution were in the next lower capital category. A depository institution is generally prohibited from making capital distributions, including paying dividends, or paying management fees to a holding company if the institution would thereafter be undercapitalized. Institutions that are adequately capitalized but not well-capitalized cannot accept, renew or roll over brokered deposits except with a waiver from the FDIC and are subject to restrictions on the interest rates that can be paid on such deposits. Undercapitalized institutions may not accept, renew or roll over brokered deposits.

The federal bank regulatory agencies are permitted or, in certain cases, required to take certain actions with respect to institutions falling within one of the three undercapitalized categories. Depending on the level of an institution s capital, the agency s corrective powers include, among other things:

prohibiting the payment of principal and interest on subordinated debt;

prohibiting the holding company from making distributions without prior regulatory approval;

placing limits on asset growth and restrictions on activities;

placing additional restrictions on transactions with affiliates;

restricting the interest rate the institution may pay on deposits;

prohibiting the institution from accepting deposits from correspondent banks; and

in the most severe cases, appointing a conservator or receiver for the institution.

A banking institution that is undercapitalized is required to submit a capital restoration plan, and such a plan will not be accepted unless, among other things, the banking institution s holding company guarantees the plan up to a certain specified amount. Any such guarantee from a depository institution s holding company is entitled to a priority of payment in bankruptcy.

Pursuant to the FDIC Agreement entered into in conjunction with the opening of MBB, MBB must keep its total risk-based capital ratio above 15%. MBB s total risk-based capital ratio of 18.33% at March 31, 2014 exceeded the threshold for well capitalized status under the applicable laws and regulations, and also exceeded the 15% minimum total risk-based capital ratio required in the FDIC Agreement.

*Dividends*. The Federal Reserve Board has issued policy statements requiring insured banks and bank holding companies to have an established assessment process for maintaining capital commensurate with their overall risk profile. Such assessment process may affect the ability of the organizations to pay dividends. Although generally organizations may pay dividends only out of current operating earnings, dividends may be paid if the distribution is prudent relative to the organization s financial position and risk profile, after consideration of current and prospective economic conditions.

In addition to the Company s regular quarterly dividend, the Company s Board of Directors declared a special cash dividend of \$2.00 per share on September 4, 2013. The special dividend was paid on September 26, 2013 to shareholders of record on the close of business on September 16, 2013, which resulted in a dividend payment of approximately \$26.0 million.

# NOTE 11 Stock-Based Compensation

Under the terms of the 2003 Plan, employees, certain consultants and advisors and non-employee members of the Company's Board of Directors, prior to its expiration in October 2013, had the opportunity to receive incentive and nonqualified grants of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock and other equity-based awards as approved by the Company's Board of Directors. In April 2014, the Company's Board of Directors approved the Company's 2014 Equity Compensation Plan (the 2014 Plan), see Note 12 for additional 2014 Plan information. These award programs are used to attract, retain and motivate employees and to encourage individuals in key management roles to retain stock. The Company has a policy of issuing new shares to satisfy awards under its equity compensation plans. Prior to its termination, the aggregate number of shares under the 2003 Plan that were available to be issued pursuant to stock options or restricted stock grants was 4,150,000 with not more than 2,500,000 of such shares available for issuance as restricted stock grants. There were no shares available for future grants under the 2003 Plan as of March 31, 2014, as a result of the 2003 Plan's October 2013 termination.

Total stock-based compensation expense was \$1.0 million and \$0.8 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, respectively. Excess tax benefits from stock-based payment arrangements decreased cash provided by operating activities and increased cash provided by financing activities by \$0.3 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014. Excess tax benefits from stock-based payment arrangements decreased cash provided by operating activities and increased cash provided by financing activities by \$0.7 million for the

three-month period ended March 31, 2013.

# **Stock Options**

Option awards are generally granted with an exercise price equal to the market price of the Company s stock at the date of the grant and have 7- to 10-year contractual terms. All options issued contain service conditions based on the participant s continued service with the Company and provide for accelerated vesting if there is a change in control as defined in the 2003 Plan. Employee stock options generally vest over four years.

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The Company also issues stock options to non-employee independent directors. These options generally vest in one year.

There were no stock options granted during either of the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013.

A summary of option activity for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 follows:

Options	Number of Shares	A <sup>s</sup> Exer	eighted verage cise Price r Share
Outstanding, December 31, 2013	218,917	\$	10.40
Granted			
Exercised	(1,284)		20.35
Forfeited			
Expired	(7,029)		9.84
Outstanding, March 31, 2014	210,604		10.36

During each of the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, the Company recognized total compensation expense related to options of less than \$0.1 million.

There were 1,284 stock options exercised during the three-month period ended March 31, 2014. There were 15,734 stock options exercised during the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. The total pretax intrinsic values of stock options exercised were less than \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, respectively.

The following table summarizes information about the stock options outstanding and exercisable as of March 31, 2014.

	Optio	ons Outstanding	<i>;</i>	Options Exercisable				
		Weighted	Weighted	Aggregate		Weighted	Weighted	Aggregate
		Average	Average	Intrinsic		Average	Average	Intrinsic
lange of	Number	Remaining	Exercise	Value	Number	Remaining	Exercise	Value
rcise Prices	Outstanding	Life (Years)	Price	(In thousands)	Exercisable	Life (Years)	Price	(In thousa
17 - 9.52	136,905	1.1	\$ 9.03	\$ 1,613	59,373	1.3	\$ 8.38	\$ 7

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2.08 - 12.41	67,784	3.1	12.39	571	31,145	3.1	12.37	
4.00 - 16.01	3,347	0.2	15.80	17	3,347	0.2	15.80	
0.35	2,568	0.2	20.35	2	2,568	0.2	20.35	
	210,604	1.7	10.36	\$ 2,203	96,433	1.8	10.24	\$ 1,

The aggregate intrinsic value in the preceding table represents the total pretax intrinsic value, based on the Company s closing stock price of \$20.81 as of March 31, 2014, which would have been received by the option holders had all option holders exercised their options as of that date.

As of March 31, 2014, the total future compensation cost related to non-vested stock options not yet recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations was less than \$0.1 million and the weighted average period over which these awards are expected to be recognized was 0.1 years. As of March 31, 2014, \$0.5 million of additional potential compensation cost related to non-vested stock options has not been recognized due to performance targets not being achieved. However, in certain circumstances, these options may be subject to vesting prior to their expiration dates. The weighted average remaining term of these options is approximately 1.9 years.

#### **Restricted Stock Awards**

Restricted stock awards provide that, during the applicable vesting periods, the shares awarded may not be sold or transferred by the participant. The vesting period for restricted stock awards generally ranges from three to 10 years. All awards issued contain service conditions based on the participant s continued service with the Company and provide for accelerated vesting if there is a change in control as defined in the 2003 Plan. The 2014 Plan, if approved by the Company s shareholders, will contain similar provisions.

The vesting of certain restricted shares may be accelerated to a minimum of three years based on achievement of various individual performance measures. Acceleration of expense for awards based on individual performance factors occurs when the achievement of the performance criteria is determined.

In addition, the Company has issued certain shares under a Management Stock Ownership Program. Under this program, restrictions on the shares lapse at the end of 10 years but may lapse (vest) in a minimum of three years if the employee continues in service at the Company and owns a matching number of other common shares in addition to the restricted shares.

There were no restricted stock awards granted during the three-month period ended March 31, 2014. Vesting was accelerated in 2013 and 2014 on certain awards based on the achievement of certain performance criteria determined annually, as described below.

The Company also issues restricted stock to non-employee independent directors. These shares generally vest in seven years from the grant date or six months following the director s termination from Board of Directors service.

The following table summarizes the activity of the non-vested restricted stock during the three months ended March 31, 2014:

Weighted

Average

**Grant-Date** 

Non-vested restricted stock	Shares	Fair	Value
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	494,462	\$	14.67
Granted			
Vested	(183,474)		14.97
Forfeited	(1,350)		18.78

#### Outstanding at March 31, 2014

309,638

14.47

There were no restricted stock awards granted during the three-month period ended March 31, 2014. During the three-month period ended March 31, 2013, the Company granted restricted stock awards with a grant date fair value totaling \$2.2 million.

As vesting occurs, or is deemed likely to occur, compensation expense is recognized over the requisite service period and additional paid-in capital is increased. The Company recognized \$1.0 million and \$0.8 million of compensation expense related to restricted stock for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, respectively.

Of the \$1.0 million total compensation expense related to restricted stock for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, approximately \$0.7 million related to accelerated vesting based on achievement of certain performance criteria determined annually. Of the \$0.8 million total compensation expense related to restricted stock for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013, approximately \$0.5 million related to accelerated vesting, which was also based on the achievement of certain performance criteria determined annually.

As of March 31, 2014, there was \$2.7 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested restricted stock compensation scheduled to be recognized over a weighted average period of 3.9 years. In the event individual performance targets are achieved, \$0.9 million of the unrecognized compensation cost would accelerate to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.4 years. In addition, certain of the awards granted may result in the issuance of 24,882 additional shares of stock if achievement of certain targets is greater than 100%. The expense related to the additional shares awarded will be dependent on the Company s stock price when the achievement level is determined.

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The fair value of shares that vested during the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013 was \$4.2 million and \$1.2 million, respectively.

#### **NOTE 12** Subsequent Events

The Company declared a dividend of \$0.11 per share on April 30, 2014. The quarterly dividend, which is expected to result in a dividend payment of approximately \$1.4 million, is scheduled to be paid on May 22, 2014 to shareholders of record on the close of business on May 12, 2014. It represents the Company s eleventh consecutive quarterly cash dividend. The payment of future dividends will be subject to approval by the Company s Board of Directors.

In April 2014, the Company s Board of Directors approved the Company s 2014 Equity Compensation Plan (the 2014 Plan ) as defined below, subject to shareholder approval, which provides for the same types of awards as the Company s 2003 Equity Compensation Plan, as amended (the 2003 Plan ) which expired in October 2013. Conditional upon its approval by shareholders, the 2014 Plan would have 1,200,000 shares available to be issued pursuant to stock options or restricted stock grants, with not more than 1,000,000 of such shares available for issuance as restricted stock grants.

# Item 2. Management s Discussion And Analysis Of Financial Condition And Results Of Operations

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and the related notes thereto in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 filed with the SEC. This discussion contains certain statements of a forward-looking nature that involve risks and uncertainties.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements in this document may include the words or phrases can be, expects, may affect. depend, estimate, intend, could, should, would, if and similar words and phrases th forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the 1933) Act ), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the 1934 Act ). Forward-looking statements are subject to various known and unknown risks and uncertainties and the Company cautions that any forward-looking information provided by or on its behalf is not a guarantee of future performance. Statements regarding the following subjects are forward-looking by their nature: (a) our business strategy; (b) our projected operating results; (c) our ability to obtain external deposits or financing; (d) our understanding of our competition; and (e) industry and market trends. The Company s actual results could differ materially from those anticipated by such forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, some of which are beyond the Company s control, including, without limitation:

- § availability, terms and deployment of funding and capital;
- § changes in our industry, interest rates, the regulatory environment or the general economy resulting in changes to our business strategy;
- § the degree and nature of our competition;
- § availability and retention of qualified personnel;
- § general volatility of the capital markets; and
- § the factors set forth in the section captioned Risk Factors in Item 1 of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 filed with the SEC.

Forward-looking statements apply only as of the date made and the Company is not required to update forward-looking statements for subsequent or unanticipated events or circumstances.

#### Overview

Founded in 1997, we are a nationwide provider of equipment financing solutions, primarily to small and mid-sized businesses. We were founded in 1997. We finance over 100 categories of commercial equipment important to the typical small and mid-sized business customer, including copiers, computers and software, security systems, telecommunications equipment and certain commercial and industrial equipment. We access our end user customers through origination sources comprised of our existing network of independent equipment dealers and national account programs, as well as through direct solicitation of our end user customers and through relationships with select lease brokers.

Our leases are fixed-rate transactions with terms generally ranging from 36 to 60 months. At March 31, 2014, our lease portfolio consisted of approximately 75,017 accounts with an average original term of 46 months and average original transaction size of approximately \$13,100.

At March 31, 2014, we had \$741.0 million in total assets. Our assets are substantially comprised of our net investment in leases and loans which totaled \$600.5 million at March 31, 2014.

We generally reach our lessees through a network of independent equipment dealers, equipment manufacturers and, to a much lesser extent, lease brokers. The number of dealers and brokers with whom we conduct business depends on, among other things, the number of sales account executives we have. Sales account executive staffing levels and the activity of our origination sources are shown below.

#### As of or For the

#### **Three Months**

#### **Ended**

	March 31,	As of o	or For the Y	ear Ended	l Decembe	r 31,
	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Number of sales account executives	117	124	114	93	87	38
Number of originating sources <sup>(1)</sup>	1,001	1,173	1,117	827	604	465

Our revenue consists of interest and fees from our leases and loans and, to a lesser extent, income from our property insurance program and other fee income. Our expenses consist of interest expense and operating expenses, which

<sup>(1)</sup> Monthly average of origination sources generating lease volume

include salaries and benefits and other general and administrative expenses. As a credit lender, our earnings are also impacted by credit losses. For the quarter ended March 31, 2014, our annualized net credit losses were 1.38% of our average total finance receivables. We establish reserves for credit losses which require us to estimate inherent losses in our portfolio as of the reporting date.

Our leases are classified under U.S. GAAP as direct financing leases, and we recognize interest income over the term of the lease. Direct financing leases transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership to the equipment lessee. Our net investment in direct finance leases is included in our consolidated financial statements in net investment in leases and loans. Net investment in direct financing leases consists of the sum of total minimum lease payments receivable and the estimated residual value of leased equipment, less unearned lease income. Unearned lease income consists of the excess of the total future minimum lease payments receivable plus the estimated residual value expected to be realized at the end of the lease term plus deferred net initial direct costs and fees less the cost of the related equipment. Approximately 68% of our lease portfolio at March 31, 2014 amortizes over the lease term to a \$1 residual value. For the remainder of the portfolio, we must estimate end of term residual values for the leased assets. Failure to correctly estimate residual values could result in losses being realized on the disposition of the equipment at the end of the lease term.

We fund our business primarily through the issuance of fixed-rate FDIC-insured deposits, raised nationally by MBB. The Company also maintains a variable-rate long-term loan facility. As of March 31, 2014 the variable-rate long term loan facility did not have a balance. Historically, leases were funded through variable-rate facilities until they were refinanced through term note securitizations at fixed rates. All of our term note securitizations were accounted for as on-balance sheet transactions and, therefore, we did not recognize gains or losses from these transactions.

Since its opening in 2008, MBB has served as a funding source for a portion of the Company s new originations primarily through the issuance of FDIC-insured deposits. We anticipate that FDIC-insured deposits issued by MBB will continue to represent our primary source of funds for the foreseeable future. As of March 31, 2014, total MBB deposits were \$538.2 million, compared to \$503.0 million at December 31, 2013. We had no outstanding secured borrowings as of both March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013.

Fixed rate leases not funded with deposits are financed with variable-rate debt. Therefore, our earnings may be exposed to interest rate risk should interest rates rise. We generally benefit in times of falling and low interest rates. In contrast to previous facilities, our current long-term loan facility does not require annual refinancing.

From time to time we use derivative financial instruments to manage exposure to the effects of changes in market interest rates and to fulfill certain covenants in our borrowing arrangements. All derivatives are recorded on the Consolidated Balance Sheets at their fair value as either assets or liabilities. The Company was not a party to any active derivative agreements at March 31, 2014.

Although MBB primarily issues FDIC-insured deposits to fulfill its current role as the Company s primary funding source, in the future MBB may elect to offer other products and services to the Company s customer base. As a Utah state-chartered Federal Reserve member bank, MBB is supervised by both the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and the Utah Department of Financial Institutions.

On January 13, 2009, Marlin Business Services Corp. became a bank holding company and is subject to the Bank Holding Company Act and supervised by the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. On September 15, 2010, the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia confirmed the effectiveness of Marlin Business Services Corp. s election to become a financial holding company (while remaining a bank holding company) pursuant to Sections 4(k) and (l) of the Bank Holding Company Act and Section 225.82 of the Federal Reserve Board s Regulation Y. Such election permits Marlin Business Services Corp. to engage in activities that are financial in nature or incidental to a financial activity, including the maintenance and expansion of our reinsurance activities conducted through its wholly-owned subsidiary, AssuranceOne, Ltd. (AssuranceOne).

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and affect related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of our financial statements. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates, including credit losses, residuals, initial direct costs and fees, other fees, the fair value of financial instruments and the realization of deferred tax assets. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Critical accounting policies are defined as those that are reflective of significant judgments and uncertainties. Our consolidated financial statements are based on the selection and application of critical accounting policies, the most significant of which are described below.

*Income recognition.* Interest income is recognized under the effective interest method. The effective interest method of income recognition applies a constant rate of interest equal to the internal rate of return on the lease.

The Company s lease portfolio consists of homogenous small balance accounts with an average balance less than \$10,000 across a large cross section of credit variables such as state, equipment type, obligor, vendor and industry

category. These leases generally have similar credit risk characteristics and as a result the Company evaluates the impairment of the lease portfolio on a pooled basis. The Company s key credit quality indicator is delinquency status. Based on the historical payment behavior of the Company s lease portfolio as a whole, payments are considered reasonably assured when a lease s delinquency status is less than 90 days. Therefore, when a lease or loan is 90 days or more delinquent, the contract is classified as non-accrual and interest income recognition is discontinued. Interest income recognition resumes on a contract when the lessee makes payments sufficient to bring the contract s status to less than 90 days delinquent.

Fee income consists of fees for delinquent lease and loan payments, cash collected on early termination of leases and net residual income. Net residual income includes income from lease renewals and gains and losses on the realization of residual values of leased equipment disposed at the end of a lease s term. Residual income is recognized as earned.

Fee income from delinquent lease payments is recognized on an accrual basis based on anticipated collection rates. At a minimum of every quarter, an analysis of anticipated collection rates is performed based on updates to collection experience. Adjustments in anticipated collection rate assumptions are made as needed based on this analysis. Other fees are recognized when received.

Insurance income is recognized on an accrual basis as earned over the term of a lease. Generally, insurance payments that are 120 days or more past due are charged against income. Ceding commissions, losses and loss adjustment expenses are recorded in the period incurred and netted against insurance income.

Initial direct costs and fees. We defer initial direct costs incurred and fees received to originate our leases and loans in accordance with the Receivables Topic and the Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs Subtopic of the FASB ASC. The initial direct costs and fees we defer are part of the net investment in leases and loans and are amortized to interest income using the effective interest method. We defer third-party commission costs as well as certain internal costs directly related to the origination activity. Costs subject to deferral include evaluating each prospective customer s financial condition, evaluating and recording guarantees and other security arrangements, negotiating terms, preparing and processing documents and closing each transaction. Estimates of costs subject to deferral are updated periodically, and no less frequently than each year. The fees we defer are documentation fees collected at inception. The realization of the deferred initial direct costs, net of fees deferred, is predicated on the net future cash flows generated by our lease and loan portfolios.

Lease residual values. A direct financing lease is recorded at the aggregate future minimum lease payments plus the estimated residual value less unearned income. Residual values are established at lease inception based on our estimate of the expected fair value of the equipment at the end of the lease term. Residual values may be realized at lease termination from lease extensions, sales or other dispositions of leased equipment. These estimates are based on industry data and management s experience.

The Company records an estimated residual value at lease inception for all fair market value and fixed purchase option leases based on a percentage of the equipment cost of the asset being leased. The percentages used depend on equipment type and term. In setting estimated residual values, the Company focuses its analysis primarily on the Company s total historical and expected realization statistics pertaining to sales of equipment. In subsequent evaluations for the impairment of the booked residual values, the Company reviews historical realization statistics including lease renewals and equipment sales. Anticipated renewal income is not included in the determination of fair value. However, it is one of the ways that fair value may be realized at the end of the lease term.

At the end of an original lease term, lessees may choose to purchase the equipment, renew the lease or return the equipment to the Company. The Company receives income from lease renewals when the lessee elects to retain the equipment longer than the original term of the lease. This income, net of appropriate periodic reductions in the estimated residual values of the related equipment, is included in fee income as net residual income.

When a lessee elects to return equipment at lease termination, the equipment is transferred to other assets at the lower of its basis or fair market value. The Company generally sells returned equipment to independent third parties, rather than leasing the equipment a second time. The Company does not maintain equipment in other assets for longer than 120 days. Any loss recognized on transferring equipment to other assets, and any gain or loss realized on the sale or disposal of equipment to a lessee or to others is included in fee income as net residual income.

Based on the Company s experience, the amount of ultimate realization of the residual value tends to relate more to the customer s election at the end of the lease term to enter into a renewal period, to purchase the leased equipment or to return the leased equipment than it does to the equipment type. Management performs reviews of the estimated residual values and historic realization statistics no less frequently than quarterly and any impairment, if other than temporary, is recognized in the current period.

Allowance for credit losses. In accordance with the Contingencies Topic of the FASB ASC, we maintain an allowance for credit losses at an amount sufficient to absorb losses inherent in our existing lease and loan portfolios as of the reporting dates based on our projection of probable net credit losses.

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We generally evaluate our portfolios on a pooled basis, due to their composition of small balance, homogenous accounts with similar general credit risk characteristics, diversified among a large cross-section of variables including industry, geography, equipment type, obligor and vendor. We consider both quantitative and qualitative factors in determining the allowance for credit losses. Quantitative factors considered include a migration analysis stratified by industry classification, historic delinquencies and charge-offs, and a static pool analysis of historic recoveries. A migration analysis is a technique used to estimate the likelihood that an account will progress through the various delinquency stages and ultimately charge off. As part of our quantitative analysis we may also consider specifically identified pools of leases separately from the migration analysis, whenever certain identified pools are not expected to perform consistently with their credit characteristics or the portfolio as a whole. These lease pools may be analyzed for impairment separately from the migration analysis and a specific reserve established.

Qualitative factors that may result in further adjustments to the quantitative analysis include items such as forecasting uncertainties, changes in the composition of our lease and loan portfolios, seasonality, economic or business conditions and emerging trends, business practices or policies at the reporting date that are different from the periods used in the quantitative analysis. For example, underwriting guidelines may be adjusted from time to time in response to current economic conditions and/or portfolio performance trends. Such underwriting adjustments may be made to a variety of credit attributes, such as transaction size, asset type, industry (SIC code), geographic location, time in business and commercial credit scores. The impact of these underwriting adjustments is considered as one of the components in calculating the qualitative component of the allowance for credit losses. The total adjustments due to all qualitative factors increased the allowance for credit losses by approximately \$0.1 million at March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively.

The various factors used in the analysis are reviewed periodically, and no less frequently than quarterly. We then establish an allowance for credit losses for the projected probable net credit losses inherent in the portfolio based on this analysis. A provision is charged against earnings to maintain the allowance for credit losses at the appropriate level. Our policy is to charge-off against the allowance the estimated unrecoverable portion of accounts once they reach 121 days delinquent.

Our projections of probable net credit losses are inherently uncertain, and as a result we cannot predict with certainty the amount of such losses. Changes in economic conditions, the risk characteristics and composition of the portfolios, bankruptcy laws and other factors could impact our actual and projected net credit losses and the related allowance for credit losses. To the extent we add new leases and loans to our portfolios, or to the degree credit quality is worse than expected, we record expense to increase the allowance for credit losses for the estimated net losses inherent in our portfolios. Actual losses may vary from current estimates.

Stock-based compensation. We issue restricted shares to certain employees and directors as part of our overall compensation strategy. In previous years, we also issued options as part of our compensation strategy. The Compensation Stock Compensation Topic of the FASB ASC establishes fair value as the measurement objective in accounting for share-based payment arrangements and requires all entities to apply a fair-value-based measurement method in accounting for share-based payment transactions with employees, except for equity instruments held by employee share ownership plans.

The Company measures stock-based compensation cost at grant date, based on the fair value of the awards ultimately expected to vest. Stock-based compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the service period. We generally use the Black-Scholes valuation model to measure the fair value of our stock options utilizing various assumptions with respect to expected holding period, risk-free interest rates, stock price volatility and dividend yield. The assumptions are based on subjective future expectations combined with management judgment.

As required by U.S. GAAP, the Company uses its judgment in estimating the amount of awards that are expected to be forfeited, with subsequent revisions to the assumptions if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. The vesting of certain restricted shares may be accelerated to a minimum of three years based on achievement of various individual performance measures. Acceleration of expense for awards based on individual performance factors occurs when the achievement of the performance criteria is determined.

Nonforfeitable dividends paid on shares of restricted stock are recorded to retained earnings for shares that are expected to vest and to compensation expense for shares that are not expected to vest.

Income taxes. The Income Taxes Topic of the FASB ASC requires the use of the asset and liability method under which deferred taxes are determined based on the estimated future tax effects of differences between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities, given the provisions of the enacted tax laws. In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. Management considers the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities and projected future taxable income in making this assessment. Based upon the level of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods which the deferred tax assets are deductible, management believes it is more likely than not that the Company will realize the benefits of these deductible differences.

Significant management judgment is required in determining the provision for income taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities and any necessary valuation allowance recorded against net deferred tax assets. The process involves summarizing temporary differences resulting from the different treatment of items such as leases for tax and accounting purposes. These differences result in deferred tax assets and liabilities, which are included within the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Our management then assesses the likelihood that deferred tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income or tax carry-back availability and, to the extent our management believes recovery is not likely, a valuation allowance is established. To the extent that we establish a valuation allowance in a period, an expense is recorded within the tax provision in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

At March 31, 2014, there have been no material changes to the liability for uncertain tax positions and there are no significant unrecognized tax benefits. The periods subject to general examination for the Company s federal return include the 2006 tax year to the present. The Company files state income tax returns in various states which may have different statutes of limitations. Generally, state income tax returns for years 2006 through the present are subject to examination. The Company has amended its previously filed income tax returns for the years 2006 through 2009, which resulted in the recognition of a net tax receivable of approximately \$15.4 million as originally discussed in Note 13 to the Company s Form 10-K for December 31, 2010. During 2013, the examination of the federal amended returns was completed. Due to the receipt of federal and state amended tax return refunds, the Company has a net tax payable of \$0.6 million primarily for the interest earned on these refunds.

The Company records penalties and accrued interest related to taxes, including penalties and interest related to uncertain tax positions, in income tax expense. Such adjustments have historically been minimal and immaterial to our financial results.

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

# Comparison of the Three-Month Periods Ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013

*Net income.* Net income of \$4.6 million was reported for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, resulting in diluted EPS of \$0.36, compared to net income of \$3.7 million and diluted EPS of \$0.28 for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013.

Return on average assets was 2.58% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to a return of 2.38% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. Return on average equity was 11.31% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to a return of 8.35% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013.

Overall, our average net investment in total finance receivables for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 increased 17.3% to \$589.9 million, compared to \$502.9 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013.

This change was primarily due to the increasing origination volume continuing to exceed lease repayments. The end-of-period net investment in total finance receivables at March 31, 2014 was \$600.5 million, an increase of \$3.4 million, or 0.6%, from \$597.1 million at December 31, 2013.

During the three months ended March 31, 2014, we generated 5,385 new leases with a cost of \$74.0 million, compared to 6,293 new leases with a cost of \$80.9 million generated for the three months ended March 31, 2013. Sales staffing levels decreased from 118 sales account executives at March 31, 2013 to 117 sales account executives at March 31, 2014. Approval rates remained stable at 65% for the quarter ended March 31, 2014, compared to 67% for the quarter ended March 31, 2013.

For the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 compared to the three-month period ended March 31, 2013, net interest and fee income increased \$2.2 million, or 12.9%, primarily due to a 17.3% increase in average total finance receivables, combined with a lower cost of funds on liabilities. The provision for credit losses decreased \$0.5 million, or 22.7%, to \$1.7 million for the three-month

period ended March 31, 2014 from \$2.2 million for the same period in 2013, primarily due to declining lease delinquency balances in the 31 day delinquency category partially offset by increases in both net charge-offs and the allowance for credit losses resulting from portfolio growth, the ongoing seasoning of the portfolio and the mix of credit profiles.

Average balances and net interest margin. The following table summarizes the Company s average balances, interest income, interest expense and average yields and rates on major categories of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013.

# Three Months Ended March 31, 2014

2013

# (Dollars in thousands)

	Average			Average Yields/		Average			Average Yields/
	Bala	ance <sup>(1)</sup>		Interest	Rates(2)	Balance <sup>(1)</sup>	]	<b>Interest</b>	Rates <sup>(2)</sup>
Interest-earning assets:									
Interest-earning deposits									
with banks	\$	109,721	\$	32	0.12%	\$ 71,428	\$	18	0.10%
Restricted interest-earning									
deposits with banks		1,295		-	0.01	7,631		-	0.01
Securities available for		5 455		60	4.20	4.0.47		21	1.70
sale		5,455		60	4.38	4,847		21	1.72
Net investment in leases <sup>(3)</sup>		588,730		16,634	11.30	502,330		15,011	11.95
Loans receivable <sup>(3)</sup>		1,192		11	3.58	520		7	5.02
Total interest comping									
Total interest-earning assets		706,393		16,737	9.48	586,756		15,057	10.26
assets		100,373		10,737	<b>7.</b> 70	300,730		13,037	10.20
Non-interest-earning									
assets:									
Cash and due from banks		640				171			
Property and equipment,		010				1/1			
net		2,247				1,943			
Property tax receivables		118				203			
Other assets <sup>(4)</sup>		11,397				25,173			
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Total									
non-interest-earning									
assets		14,402				27,490			
Total assets	\$	720,795				\$ 614,246			
T / / 1 ·									
Interest-bearing									
liabilities: Certificate of Deposits <sup>(5)</sup>	\$	511,931	\$	1,155	0.90%	401,337	\$	950	0.95%
Money Market Deposits <sup>(5)</sup>	Ф	13,993	Ф	1,133	0.90%	401,337	Ф	930	0.93%
Long-term borrowings <sup>(5)</sup>		13,773		17	0.23	9,441		306	12.97
Long-term borrowings				1 /		ノ <b>,</b> ヸヸ1		300	12.71
Total interest-bearing									
liabilities		525,924		1,181	0.90	410,778		1,256	1.23
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# liabilities: Sales and property taxes payable 2,853 3,887 Accounts payable and accrued expenses 9,231 6,048

Net deferred income tax liability 18,535 18,533

**Total** non-interest-bearing

liabilities

**Non-interest-bearing** 

30,619 28,468

Total liabilities	556,543	439,246	
Stockholders equity	164,252	175,000	

Total liabilities and stockholders equity \$ 720,795 \$ 614,246

Net interest income	\$ 15,556	\$ 13,801	
Interest rate spread <sup>(6)</sup>	8.58%		9.03%
Net interest margin <sup>(7)</sup>	8.81%		9.41%
Ratio of average			
interest-earning assets to			
average interest-bearing			
liabilities	134.31%		142.84%

<sup>(1)</sup> Average balances were calculated using average daily balances.

- (2) Annualized.
- (3) Average balances of leases and loans include non-accrual leases and loans, and are presented net of unearned income. The average balances of leases and loans do not include the effects of (i) the allowance for credit losses and (ii) initial direct costs and fees deferred.
- (4) Includes operating leases.
- (5) Includes effect of transaction costs. Amortization of transaction costs is on a straight-line basis, resulting in an increased average rate whenever average portfolio balances are at reduced levels.
- (6) Interest rate spread represents the difference between the average yield on interest-earning assets and the average rate on interest-bearing liabilities.
- (7) Net interest margin represents net interest income as an annualized percentage of average interest-earning assets.

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The following table presents the components of the changes in net interest income by volume and rate.

# Three Months Ended March 31, 2014 Compared To Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 Increase (Decrease) Due To:

	Volume <sup>(1)</sup>	Rate <sup>(1)</sup>	Total
		s)	
Interest income:			
Interest-earning deposits with banks	\$ 11	\$ 3	\$ 14
Restricted interest-earning deposits with banks			
Securities available for sale	3	36	39
Net investment in leases	2,475	(852)	1,623
Loans receivable	7	(3)	4
Total interest income	2,899	(1,219)	1,680
Interest expense:			
Certificate of Deposits	251	(46)	205
Money Market Deposits	9		9
Long-term borrowings	(289)		(289)
Total interest expense	304	(379)	(75)
Net interest income	2,678	(923)	1,755

<sup>(1)</sup> Changes due to volume and rate are calculated independently for each line item presented rather than presenting vertical subtotals for the individual volume and rate columns. Changes attributable to changes in volume represent changes in average balances multiplied by the prior period s average rates. Changes attributable to changes in rate represent changes in average rates multiplied by the prior year s average balances. Changes attributable to the combined impact of volume and rate have been allocated proportionately to the change due to volume and the change due to rate.

*Net interest and fee margin.* The following table summarizes the Company s net interest and fee income as an annualized percentage of average total finance receivables for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013.

	T	Three Months 2014	March 31, 2013			
		(Dollars in thousands)				
Interest income						
	\$	16,737	\$	15,057		
Fee income		,		,		
		3,685		3,175		
Interest and fee income						
		20,422		18,232		
Interest expense						
		1,181		1,256		
Net interest and fee income						
	\$	19,241	\$	16,976		
		·		·		
Average total finance receivables <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	589,922	\$	502,850		
Annualized percent of average total finance receivables:						
Interest income						
		11.35 %		11.98 %		
Fee income		11.33 70		11.70 %		
		2.50		2.52		
		2.30		2.32		
Interest and fee income						
		13.85		14.50		
Interest expense		0.80		1.00		

Net interest and fee margin

13.05 %

13.50 %

(1) Total finance receivables include net investment in direct financing leases and loans. For the calculations above, the effects of (i) the allowance for credit losses and (ii) initial direct costs and fees deferred are excluded.
Net interest and fee income increased \$2.2 million, or 12.9%, to \$19.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2014 from \$17.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013. The annualized net interest and fee margin decreased 45 basis points to 13.05% in the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 from 13.50% for the same period in 2013.

Interest income, net of amortized initial direct costs and fees, increased \$1.6 million, or 10.6%, to \$16.7 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 from \$15.1 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. The increase in interest income was principally due to the 17.3% increase in average total finance receivables, which increased \$87.0 million to \$589.9 million at March 31, 2014 from \$502.9 million at March 31, 2013, partially offset by a decrease in average yield of 63 basis points. The increase in average total finance receivables was primarily due to the increasing origination volume continuing to exceed lease repayments. The average yield on the portfolio decreased, due to lower yields on the new leases compared to the yields on the leases repaying, primarily due to a change in mix of new origination types toward larger program opportunities. The weighted average implicit interest rate on new finance receivables originated decreased 102 basis points to 11.27% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to 12.29% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013.

Fee income increased \$0.5 million to \$3.7 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to \$3.2 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. Fee income included approximately \$0.7 million of net residual income for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, respectively.

Fee income also included approximately \$2.6 million in late fee income for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, which increased 23.8% from \$2.1 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. The increase in late fee income was primarily due to the increase in average total finance receivables.

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Fee income, as an annualized percentage of average total finance receivables, decreased 2 basis points to 2.50% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 from 2.52% for the same period in 2013. Late fees remained the largest component of fee income at 1.75% as an annualized percentage of average total finance receivables for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to 1.70% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. As an annualized percentage of average total finance receivables, net residual income was 0.47% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to 0.59% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013.

Interest expense decreased \$0.1 million to \$1.2 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 from \$1.3 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. The decrease was primarily due to a shift in our funding mix from borrowings toward lower-cost deposits. Interest expense, as an annualized percentage of average total finance receivables, decreased 20 basis points to 0.80% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, from 1.00% for the same period in 2013.

For the three months ended March 31, 2014, there were no borrowings outstanding, compared to an average of \$9.4 million at weighted average interest rate of 3.28% for the same period in 2013.

Our wholly-owned subsidiary, MBB, serves as our primary funding source. MBB raises fixed-rate FDIC-insured deposits via the brokered certificates of deposit market, on a direct basis, and through the MMDA Product. At March 31, 2014, brokered certificates of deposit represented approximately 62% of total deposits, while approximately 31% of total deposits were obtained from direct channels, and 7% were in the MMDA Product. Interest expense on deposits was \$1.2 million, or 0.89% as an annualized percentage of average deposits, for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014. The average balance of deposits was \$525.9 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014. Interest expense on deposits was \$1.0 million, or 0.95% as an annualized percentage of average deposits, for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. The average balance of deposits was \$401.3 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013.

*Insurance income.* Insurance income increased \$0.2 million to \$1.3 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 from \$1.1 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013, primarily due to higher billings from higher total finance receivables.

*Other income.* Other income was \$0.4 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, respectively. Other income includes various administrative transaction fees and fees received from lease syndications.

*Salaries and benefits expense.* Salaries and benefits expense increased \$0.6 million, or 9.1%, to \$7.2 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 from \$6.6 million for the same period in 2013. The increase was primarily due to increased headcount. Salaries and benefits expense, as an annualized percentage of average total finance receivables, was 4.87% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 compared with 5.24% for the same period in 2013. Total personnel increased to 283 at March 31, 2014 from 272 at March 31, 2013, primarily due to increased staffing levels in the credit, marketing and collection teams.

General and administrative expense. General and administrative expense increased \$0.7 million, or 20.0%, to \$4.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2014 from \$3.5 million for the same period in 2013. General and administrative expense as an annualized percentage of average total finance receivables was 2.84% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to 2.82% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. Selected major components of general and administrative expense for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014 included \$0.7 million of premises and occupancy expense, \$0.3 million of audit and tax compliance expense, \$0.4 million of data processing expense and \$0.3 million of marketing expense. In comparison, selected major components

of general and administrative expense for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013 included \$0.7 million of premises and occupancy expense, \$0.3 million of audit and tax compliance expense, \$0.4 million of data processing expense and \$0.2 million of marketing expense. Expenses related to recruiting and temporary staffing increased \$0.3 million to \$0.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2014 from \$0.1 million for the same period in 2013.

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*Financing related costs.* Financing related costs primarily represent bank commitment fees paid to our financing sources on the unused portion of loan facilities. Financing related costs were \$0.3 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to \$0.2 million for the same period in 2013.

**Provision for credit losses.** The provision for credit losses decreased \$0.5 million, or 22.7%, to \$1.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2014 from \$2.2 million for the same period in 2013, primarily due to declining lease delinquency balances in the 31 day delinquency category partially offset by the impact of portfolio growth, the ongoing seasoning of the portfolio as reflected in the mix of origination vintages and the mix of credit profiles. These factors affect the provision for credit losses because they impact both net charge-offs and the allowance for credit losses. Lease portfolio losses tend to follow patterns based on the mix of origination vintages comprising the portfolio. The anticipated credit losses from the inception of a particular lease origination vintage to charge-off generally follow a pattern of lower losses for the first few months, followed by increased losses in subsequent months, then lower losses during the later periods of the lease term. Therefore, the seasoning, or mix of origination vintages, of the portfolio affects the timing and amount of anticipated probable and estimable credit losses.

Net charge-offs were \$2.0 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to \$1.6 million for the same period in 2013. The increase in net charge-offs was primarily due to portfolio growth, the ongoing seasoning of the portfolio as reflected in the mix of origination vintages and the mix of credit profiles. Net charge-offs as an annualized percentage of average total finance receivables increased to 1.38% during the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, from 1.25% for the same period in 2013. The allowance for credit losses decreased to approximately \$8.2 million at March 31, 2014, a decrease of \$0.3 million from \$8.5 million at December 31, 2013.

Additional information regarding asset quality is included herein in the subsequent section, Finance Receivables and Asset Quality.

**Provision for income taxes.** Income tax expense of \$2.9 million was recorded for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to an expense of \$2.3 million for the same period in 2013. The change is primarily attributable to the change in pretax income recorded for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014. Our effective tax rate, which is a combination of federal and state income tax rates, was approximately 38.4% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to 39.1% for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. The change in the effective tax rate is primarily due to an increase in tax exempt interest on municipal leases and changes in the mix of projected pretax book income across the jurisdictions and entities.

#### FINANCE RECEIVABLES AND ASSET QUALITY

Our net investment in leases and loans increased \$3.4 million, or 0.6%, to \$600.5 million at March 31, 2014 from \$597.1 million at December 31, 2013. We continue to adjust our credit underwriting guidelines in response to current economic conditions, and we continue to develop our sales organization to increase originations. A portion of the Company s lease portfolio is generally assigned as collateral for the borrowing facility as described below in Liquidity and Capital Resources.

The chart which follows provides our asset quality statistics for each of the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, and the year ended December 31, 2013:

	Three Months Ended March 31,			Year Ended December 31,	
	2014	2013		2013	
	(Dollars in thousands)				
Allowance for credit losses, beginning of period	\$ 8,467	\$	6,488	\$	6,488
Classic of C	(2 (25)		(1.047)		(0.400)
Charge-offs	(2,635)		(1,947)		(9,499)
Recoveries	595		379		1,861
Net charge-offs	(2,040)		(1,568)		(7,638)
Provision for credit losses	1,732		2,164		9,617
Allowance for credit losses, end of period <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 8,159	\$	7,084	\$	8,467
Annualized net charge-offs to average total finance receivables (2)	1.38%		1.25%		1.41%
Allowance for credit losses to total finance receivables, end of period (2)	1.36%		1.35%		1.42%
Average total finance receivables (2)	\$ 589,922	\$	502,850	\$	540,717
Total finance receivables, end of period (2)	\$ 598,590	\$	523,475	\$	595,253
Delinquencies greater than 60 days past due	\$ 3,404	\$	3,415	\$	3,204
Delinquencies greater than 60 days past due (3)	0.50%		0.57%		0.47%

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Allowance for credit losses to delinquent accounts greater than 60 days past due (3)	239.69%	207.44%	264.26%		
Non-accrual leases and loans, end of period	\$ 1,686	\$ 1,628	\$ 1,665		
Renegotiated leases and loans, end of period	\$ 1,239	\$ 917	\$ 815		
Accruing leases and loans past due 90 days or more	\$	\$	\$		
Interest income included on non-accrual leases and loans <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 24	\$ 23	\$ 178		
Interest income excluded on non-accrual leases and loans <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 21	\$ 19	\$ 20		

<sup>(1)</sup> At March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013, there was no allowance for credit losses allocated to loans.

<sup>(2)</sup> Total finance receivables include net investment in direct financing leases and loans. For purposes of asset quality and allowance calculations, the effects of (i) the allowance for credit losses and (ii) initial direct costs and fees deferred are excluded.

- (3) Calculated as a percent of total minimum lease payments receivable for leases and as a percent of principal outstanding for loans.
- (4) Represents interest which was recognized during the period on non-accrual loans and leases, prior to non-accrual status.
- (5) Represents interest which would have been recorded on non-accrual loans and leases had they performed in accordance with their contractual terms during the period.

Net investments in finance receivables are generally charged-off when they are contractually past due for 121 days. Income recognition is discontinued on leases or loans when a default on monthly payment exists for a period of 90 days or more. Income recognition resumes when a lease or loan becomes less than 90 days delinquent.

Net charge-offs for the three months ended March 31, 2014 were \$2.0 million (1.38% of average total finance receivables on an annualized basis), compared to \$1.9 million (1.30% of average total finance receivables on an annualized basis) for the three months ended December 31, 2013 and \$1.6 million (1.25% of average total finance receivables on an annualized basis) for the three months ended March 31, 2013. Approximately 39% of the increase from the first quarter of 2013 was due to a higher charge-off rate as a percentage of average total finance receivables, and approximately 61% of the increase was related to the growth in average total finance receivables. The increase in charge-off rate is partially due to the ongoing seasoning of the portfolio as reflected in the mix of origination vintages and the mix of credit profiles. Lease portfolio losses tend to follow patterns based on the mix of origination vintages comprising the portfolio. The timing of credit losses from the inception of a particular lease origination vintage to charge-off generally follows a pattern of lower losses for the first few months, followed by increased losses in subsequent months, then lower losses during the later periods of the lease term. Therefore, the seasoning, or mix of origination vintages, of the portfolio affects the timing and amount of charge-offs.

Delinquent accounts 60 days or more past due (as a percentage of minimum lease payments receivable for leases and as a percentage of principal outstanding for loans) were 0.50% at March 31, 2014 and 0.47% at December 31, 2013, compared to 0.57% at March 31, 2013. Supplemental information regarding loss statistics and delinquencies is available on the investor relations section of Marlin s website at www.marlincorp.com.

In accordance with the Contingencies Topic of the FASB ASC, we maintain an allowance for credit losses at an amount sufficient to absorb losses inherent in our existing lease and loan portfolios as of the reporting dates based on our projection of probable net credit losses. The factors and trends discussed above were included in the Company s analysis to determine its allowance for credit losses. (See Critical Accounting Policies.)

### RESIDUAL PERFORMANCE

Our leases offer our end user customers the option to own the equipment at lease expiration. As of March 31, 2014, approximately 68% of our leases were one dollar purchase option leases, 31% were fair market value leases and 1% were fixed purchase option leases, the latter of which typically contain an end-of-term purchase option equal to 10% of the original equipment cost. As of March 31, 2014, there were \$27.7 million of residual assets retained on our Consolidated Balance Sheet, of which \$22.2 million, or 80.1%, were related to copiers. As of December 31, 2013, there were \$28.4 million of residual assets retained on our Consolidated Balance Sheet, of which \$22.7 million, or 79.8%, were related to copiers. No other group of equipment represented more than 10% of equipment residuals as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. Improvements in technology and other market changes, particularly in copiers, could adversely impact our ability to realize the recorded residual values of this equipment.

Fee income included approximately \$0.7 million of net residual income for both three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013. Net residual income includes income from lease renewals and gains and losses on the realization of residual values of leased equipment disposed at the end of term as further described below.

Our leases generally include renewal provisions and many leases continue beyond their initial contractual term. Based on the Company's experience, the amount of ultimate realization of the residual value tends to relate more to the customer's election at the end of the lease term to enter into a renewal period, purchase the leased equipment or return the leased equipment than it does to the equipment type. We consider renewal income a component of residual performance. Renewal income net of depreciation totaled approximately \$1.2 million and \$1.4 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, respectively. The decline in residual income was primarily due to fewer leases reaching the end of their original contractual terms, as a result of the lower originations during the 2008 to 2010 timeframe.

The net loss on residual values disposed at end of term totaled approximately \$0.6 million and \$0.7 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, respectively. Historically, our net residual income has exceeded 100% of the residual recorded on such leases. Management performs reviews of the estimated residual values and historical realization statistics no less frequently than quarterly. There was no impairment recognized on estimated residual values during the three-month periods ended March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2013, respectively.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our business requires a substantial amount of cash to operate and grow. Our primary liquidity need is to fund new originations. In addition, we need liquidity to pay interest and principal on our deposits and borrowings, to pay fees and expenses incurred in connection with our financing transactions, to fund infrastructure and technology investment, to pay dividends and to pay administrative and other operating expenses.

We are dependent upon the availability of financing from a variety of funding sources to satisfy these liquidity needs. Historically, we have relied upon four principal types of external funding sources for our operations:

FDIC-insured deposits issued by our wholly-owned subsidiary, MBB;

borrowings under various bank facilities;

financing of leases and loans in various warehouse facilities (all of which have since been repaid in full); and financing of leases through term note securitizations (all of which have been repaid in full).

Through the issuance of FDIC-insured deposits, MBB serves as the Company s primary funding source. On February 23, 2014, MBB added the FDIC-insured MMDA Product as another source of deposit funding. This product is offered through participation in a partner bank s insured savings account product to clients of that bank. It is a brokered account with a variable interest rate, recorded as a single deposit account at MBB. Over time, MBB may offer other products and services to the Company s customer base. MBB is a Utah state-chartered, Federal Reserve member commercial bank. As such, MBB is supervised by both the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and the Utah Department of Financial Institutions.

On January 13, 2009, Marlin Business Services Corp. became a bank holding company and is subject to the Bank Holding Company Act and supervised by the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. On September 15, 2010, the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia confirmed the effectiveness of Marlin Business Services Corp. s election to become a financial holding company (while remaining a bank holding company) pursuant to Sections 4(k) and (l) of the Bank Holding Company Act and Section 225.82 of the Federal Reserve Board s Regulation Y. Such election permits Marlin Business Services Corp. to engage in activities that are financial in nature or incidental to a financial activity, including the maintenance and expansion of our reinsurance activities conducted through our wholly-owned subsidiary, AssuranceOne.

Our strategy has generally included funding new originations, other than those funded by MBB, in the short-term with cash from operations or through borrowings under various loan facilities. Through 2010, we executed term note securitizations periodically to refinance and relieve the loan facilities. With the opening of MBB in 2008, we began to fund increasing amounts of new originations through the issuance of FDIC-insured deposits. Deposits issued by MBB represent our primary funding source for new originations.

On October 9, 2009, Marlin Business Services Corp. s wholly-owned subsidiary, Marlin Receivables Corp. (MRC), closed on a \$75.0 million, three-year committed loan facility with the Lender Finance division of Wells Fargo Capital Finance. The facility is secured by a lien on MRC s assets and is supported by guaranties from Marlin Business

Services Corp. and Marlin Leasing Corporation. Advances under the facility are made pursuant to a borrowing base formula, and the proceeds are used to fund lease originations. On June 26, 2012, the facility was amended to extend the maturity date to October 9, 2015.

On September 24, 2010, the Company s subsidiary, Marlin Leasing Receivables XIII LLC (MLR XIII), closed on a \$50.0 million three-year committed loan facility with Key Equipment Finance Inc. The facility was secured by a lien on MLR XIII s assets. Advances under the facility were made pursuant to a borrowing base formula, and the proceeds were used to fund lease originations. The maturity date of the facility was September 23, 2013. On March 15, 2013, the Company elected to exercise its option to repay the remaining \$1.3 million of the facility.

As previously disclosed, the Company declared a dividend of \$0.11 per share on February 5, 2014. The quarterly dividend was paid on February 27, 2014 to shareholders of record on the close of business on February 17, 2014, which resulted in a dividend payment of approximately \$1.4 million. It represented the Company s tenth consecutive quarterly cash dividend.

As previously disclosed, in addition to the Company s regular quarterly dividend, the Company s Board of Directors declared a special cash dividend of \$2.00 per share on September 4, 2013. The special dividend was paid on September 26, 2013 to shareholders of record on the close of business on September 16, 2013, which resulted in a dividend payment of approximately \$26.0 million. The Company s Board of Directors does not expect the special dividend to affect the payment of the regular quarterly dividends, which remain subject to Board approval.

At March 31, 2014, we had approximately \$85.0 million of available borrowing capacity in addition to available cash and cash equivalents of \$118.6 million. This amount excludes additional liquidity that may be provided by the issuance of insured deposits through MBB. Our debt to equity ratio was 3.24 to 1 at March 31, 2014 and 3.09 to 1 at December 31, 2013.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$6.0 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to net cash used in investing activities of \$25.3 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. Investing activities primarily relate to leasing activities.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$32.6 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to net cash provided by financing activities of \$30.0 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013. Financing activities include net advances and repayments on our various deposit and borrowing sources and transactions related to the Company s common stock, such as repurchasing common stock and paying dividends.

Additional liquidity is provided by or used by our cash flow from operations. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$6.3 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, compared to net cash provided by operating activities of \$5.8 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013.

We expect cash from operations, additional borrowings on existing and future credit facilities and funds from deposits issued through brokers, direct deposit sources, and the MMDA Product to be adequate to support our operations and projected growth for the next 12 months and the foreseeable future.

**Total Cash and Cash Equivalents.** Our objective is to maintain an adequate level of cash, investing any free cash in leases. We primarily fund our originations and growth using FDIC- insured deposits issued through MBB and, to a much lesser extent, advances under our long-term bank facility. Total cash and cash equivalents available as of March 31, 2014 totaled \$118.6 million, compared to \$85.7 million at December 31, 2013.

**Restricted Interest-earning Deposits with Banks**. As of March 31, 2014, we also had \$1.2 million of cash that was classified as restricted interest-earning deposits with banks, compared to \$1.3 million at December 31, 2013. Restricted interest-earning deposits with banks consist primarily of trust accounts related to our secured debt facility. The decline in these balances in 2013 was generally due to the repayment of our borrowings.

**Borrowings.** Our primary borrowing relationship requires the pledging of eligible lease and loan receivables to secure amounts advanced. We had no outstanding secured borrowings at March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013. Information pertaining to our borrowing facilities is as follows:

As of March 31, 2014

For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2014

		Maximum					
	Maximum	Month End	Average	Weighted	V	Veighted	
	Facility	Amount	Amount	Average	Amount	Average Amount	
	Amount	Outstanding	Outstanding	Rate (2)	Outstanding	Rate (2)	Capacity <sup>(1)</sup>
			(Dollars i	in thousan	ds)		
Federal funds purchased  Long-term loan facilities	\$ 10,000 75,000	\$	\$	% %	\$	% %	\$ 10,000 75,000
Zong term roun memules	\$ 85,000		\$	%	\$	%	\$ 85,000

### Federal Funds Line of Credit with Correspondent Bank

MBB has established a federal funds line of credit with a correspondent bank. This line allows for both selling and purchasing of federal funds. The amount that can be drawn against the line is limited to \$10.0 million.

#### Federal Reserve Discount Window

<sup>(1)</sup> Does not include MBB s access to the Federal Reserve Discount Window, which is based on the amount of assets MBB chooses to pledge. Based on assets pledged at March 31, 2014, MBB had \$24.2 million in unused, secured borrowing capacity at the Federal Reserve Discount Window. Additional liquidity that may be provided by the issuance of insured deposits is also excluded from this table.

<sup>(2)</sup> Does not include transaction costs.

In addition, MBB has received approval to borrow from the Federal Reserve Discount Window based on the amount of assets MBB chooses to pledge. MBB had \$24.2 million in unused, secured borrowing capacity at the Federal Reserve Discount Window, based on \$28.9 million of net investment in leases pledged at March 31, 2014.

## Long-term Loan Facilities

On October 9, 2009, Marlin Business Services Corp. s wholly-owned subsidiary, MRC, closed on a \$75.0 million, three-year committed loan facility with the Lender Finance division of Wells Fargo Capital Finance. The facility is secured by a lien on MRC s assets and is supported by guaranties from Marlin Business Services Corp. and Marlin Leasing Corporation. Advances under the facility are made pursuant to a borrowing base formula, and the proceeds are used to fund lease originations. In contrast to previous facilities, this long-term loan facility does not require annual refinancing. As previously disclosed, on June 26, 2012, certain provisions of the facility were amended and its maturity date was extended from October 9, 2012 to October 9, 2015. An event of default, such as non-payment of amounts when due under the loan agreement or a breach of covenants, may accelerate the maturity date of the facility. However, there is no amount outstanding under the facility at March 31, 2014.

On September 24, 2010, the Company s subsidiary, MLR XIII, closed on a \$50.0 million three-year committed loan facility with Key Equipment Finance Inc. The facility was secured by a lien on MLR XIII s assets. Advances under the facility were made pursuant to a borrowing base formula, and the proceeds were used to fund lease originations. The maturity date of the facility was September 23, 2013. On March 15, 2013, the Company elected to exercise its option to repay the remaining \$1.3 million of the facility.

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#### Financial Covenants

Our secured borrowing arrangements contain numerous covenants, restrictions and default provisions that we must comply with in order to obtain funding through the facility and to avoid an event of default. On November 6, 2013, the Company announced the retirement of George D. Pelose from his role as Chief Operating Officer, effective between January 15, 2014 and March 31, 2014, and announced that Mr. Pelose s duties would be split between Daniel P. Dyer, the Company s Chief Executive Officer, and Edward R. Dietz, the Company s Senior Vice President of Administration and General Counsel. Mr. Pelose retired on March 5, 2014. We do not expect the change to have any material adverse effect on our financing arrangement with Wells Fargo Capital Finance, because, as noted above, Mr. Pelose, has been replaced by persons with skills and experience appropriate for performing his former duties. A change in the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer or Chief Financial Officer is an event of default under our long-term loan facility with Wells Fargo Capital Finance, unless we hire a replacement with skills and experience appropriate for performing the duties of the applicable positions within 120 days.

A merger or consolidation with another company in which the Company is not the surviving entity is also an event of default under the financing facility. The Company s long-term loan facility contains acceleration clauses allowing the creditor to accelerate the scheduled maturities of the obligation under certain conditions that may not be objectively determinable (for example, if a material adverse change occurs). An event of default under our facility could result in an acceleration of amounts outstanding under the facility, foreclosure on all or a portion of the leases financed by the facility and/or the removal of the Company as servicer of the leases financed by the facility.

Some of the critical financial and credit quality covenants under our borrowing arrangement as of March 31, 2014 include:

	Actual <sup>(1)</sup>	Requirement		
Debt-to-equity ratio maximum	3.24 to 1	5.5 to 1		
Maximum servicer senior leverage ratio	0 to 1	5.0 to 1		
Maximum portfolio delinquency ratio	0.50%	3.50%		
Maximum gross charge-off ratio	1.79%	7.00%		

As of March 31, 2014, the Company was in compliance with the provisions of its secured borrowing arrangement.

<sup>(1)</sup> Calculations are based on specific contractual definitions and subsidiaries per the debt agreement, which may differ from ratios or amounts presented elsewhere in this document.

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#### Bank Capital and Regulatory Oversight

On January 13, 2009, we became a bank holding company by order of the Federal Reserve Board and are subject to regulation under the Bank Holding Company Act. All of our subsidiaries may be subject to examination by the Federal Reserve Board even if not otherwise regulated by the Federal Reserve Board. On September 15, 2010, the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia confirmed the effectiveness of our election to become a financial holding company (while remaining a bank holding company) pursuant to Sections 4(k) and (l) of the Bank Holding Company Act and Section 225.82 of the Federal Reserve Board s Regulation Y. Such election permits us to engage in activities that are financial in nature or incidental to a financial activity, including the maintenance and expansion of our reinsurance activities conducted through our wholly-owned subsidiary, AssuranceOne.

MBB is also subject to comprehensive federal and state regulations dealing with a wide variety of subjects, including minimum capital standards, reserve requirements, terms on which a bank may engage in transactions with its affiliates, restrictions as to dividend payments and numerous other aspects of its operations. These regulations generally have been adopted to protect depositors and creditors rather than shareholders.

There are a number of restrictions on bank holding companies that are designed to minimize potential loss to depositors and the FDIC insurance funds. If an FDIC-insured depository subsidiary is undercapitalized, the bank holding company is required to ensure (subject to certain limits) the subsidiary s compliance with the terms of any capital restoration plan filed with its appropriate banking agency. Also, a bank holding company is required to serve as a source of financial strength to its depository institution subsidiaries and to commit resources to support such institutions in circumstances where it might not do so absent such policy. Under the Bank Holding Company Act, the Federal Reserve Board has the authority to require a bank holding company to terminate any activity or to relinquish control of a non-bank subsidiary upon the Federal Reserve Board s determination that such activity or control constitutes a serious risk to the financial soundness and stability of a depository institution subsidiary of the bank holding company.

Capital Adequacy. Under the risk-based capital requirements applicable to them, bank holding companies must maintain a ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets (including the asset equivalent of certain off-balance sheet activities such as acceptances and letters of credit) of not less than 8% (10% in order to be considered well-capitalized). At least 4% of the total capital (6% to be well-capitalized) must be composed of common stock, related surplus, retained earnings, qualifying perpetual preferred stock and minority interests in the equity accounts of certain consolidated subsidiaries, after deducting goodwill and certain other intangibles ( Tier 1 Capital ). The remainder of total capital ( Tier 2 Capital ) may consist of certain perpetual debt securities, mandatory convertible debt securities, hybrid capital instruments and limited amounts of subordinated debt, qualifying preferred stock, allowance for credit losses on loans and leases, allowance for credit losses on off-balance-sheet credit exposures and unrealized gains on equity securities.

These guidelines mandate a minimum leverage ratio of Tier 1 Capital to adjusted quarterly average total assets less certain amounts (leverage amounts) equal to 3% for bank holding companies meeting certain criteria (including those having the highest regulatory rating). All other banking organizations are generally required to maintain a leverage ratio of at least 3% plus an additional cushion of at least 100 basis points and in some cases more. The Federal Reserve Board siguidelines also provide that bank holding companies experiencing internal growth or making acquisitions are expected to maintain capital positions substantially above the minimum supervisory levels without significant reliance on intangible assets. Furthermore, the guidelines indicate that the Federal Reserve Board will continue to consider a tangible tier 1 leverage ratio (i.e., after deducting all intangibles) in evaluating proposals for expansion or new activities. MBB is subject to similar capital standards promulgated by the Federal Reserve Board.

Bank holding companies are required to comply with the Federal Reserve Board s risk-based capital guidelines that require a minimum ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets of 8%. At least half of the total capital is required to be Tier 1 Capital. In addition to the risk-based capital guidelines, the Federal Reserve Board has adopted a minimum leverage capital ratio under which a bank holding company must maintain a level of Tier 1 Capital to average total consolidated assets of at least 3% in the case of a bank holding company which has the highest regulatory examination rating and is not contemplating significant growth or expansion. All other bank holding companies are expected to maintain a leverage capital ratio of at least 4%.

At March 31, 2014, MBB s Tier 1 leverage ratio, Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio and total risk-based capital ratio were 15.68%, 17.08% and 18.33%, respectively, which exceeds requirements for well-capitalized status of 5%, 6% and 10%, respectively. At March 31, 2014, Marlin Business Services Corp. s Tier 1 leverage ratio, Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio and total risk-based capital ratio were 22.94%, 26.07% and 27.32%, respectively, which exceeds requirements for well-capitalized status of 5%, 6% and 10%, respectively.

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Pursuant to the FDIC Agreement entered into in conjunction with the opening of MBB, MBB is required to keep its total risk-based capital ratio above 15%. MBB s Tier 1 Capital balance at March 31, 2014 was \$101.2 million, which exceeds the regulatory threshold for well capitalized status. Until March 12, 2011, MBB operated in accordance with its original de novo three-year business plan as required by the original order issued by the FDIC when the Company opened MBB. Following the expiration of MBB s three-year de novo period, the Company has provided MBB with additional capital to support future growth of \$25 million in 2011, \$10 million in 2012, and \$10 million in 2013.

### Information on Stock Repurchases

Information on Stock Repurchases is provided in Part II. Other Information, Item 2, Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds herein.

### Items Subsequent to March 31, 2014

The Company declared a dividend of \$0.11 per share on April 30, 2014. The quarterly dividend, which is expected to result in a dividend payment of approximately \$1.4 million, is scheduled to be paid on May 22, 2014 to shareholders of record on the close of business on May 12, 2014. It represents the Company s eleventh consecutive quarterly cash dividend. The payment of future dividends will be subject to approval by the Company s Board of Directors.

In April 2014, the Company s Board of Directors approved the Company s 2014 Plan, subject to shareholder approval, which provides for the same types of equity compensation awards as the 2003 Plan. Conditional upon its approval by shareholders, the 2014 Plan would have 1,200,000 shares available to be issued pursuant to stock options or restricted stock grants, with not more than 1,000,000 of such shares available for issuance as restricted stock grants.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

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In addition to scheduled maturities on our deposits and credit facilities, we have future cash obligations under various types of contracts. We lease office space and office equipment under long-term operating leases. The contractual obligations under our deposits, credit facilities, operating leases, agreements and commitments under non-cancelable contracts as of March 31, 2014 were as follows:

		Contractua	l Obligations	as of March 31,	2014	
		Contractual				
		Interest	Operating	Leased	Capital	
iod Ending December 31,	Deposits	Payments <sup>(1)</sup>	Leases	Facilities	Leases	Total
			(Dollars in th	ousands)		

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014	\$ 164,865	\$ 2,649	\$ 3	\$ 1,074	\$ 76	\$ 168,667
015	164,884	2,464		1,234	102	168,684
016	94,867	1,448		1,246	102	97,663
017	52,371	724		1,263	77	54,435
018	14,984	318		1,279		16,581
'hereafter	9,090	17		1,755		10,862
'otal	\$ 501,061	\$ 7,620	\$ 3	\$ 7,851	\$ 357	\$ 516,892

There were no off-balance sheet arrangements requiring disclosure at March 31, 2014.

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes interest on deposits and borrowings.

### MARKET INTEREST RATE RISK AND SENSITIVITY

Market risk is the risk of losses arising from changes in values of financial instruments. We engage in transactions in the normal course of business that expose us to market risks. We attempt to mitigate such risks through prudent management practices and strategies such as attempting to match the expected cash flows of our assets and liabilities.

We are exposed to market risks associated with changes in interest rates and our earnings may fluctuate with changes in interest rates. The lease assets we originate are almost entirely fixed-rate. Accordingly, we generally seek to finance these assets primarily with fixed interest certificates of deposit issued by MBB, and to a lesser extent through the variable rate MMDA Product at MBB.

# RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In April 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update 2014-08, *Presentation of Financial Statements (Topic 205) and Property, Plant, and Equipment (Topic 360): Reporting Discontinued Operations and Disclosures of Disposals of Components of an Entity.* Under the new guidance, a disposal of a component of an entity or a group of components of an entity is required to be reported in discontinued operations only if the disposal represents a strategic shift that has (or will have) a major effect on an entity s operations and financial results. This guidance also changes an entity s requirements when presenting, for each comparative period, the assets and liabilities of a disposal group that includes a discontinued operation. A discontinued operation may include a component of an entity, or a business or nonprofit activity. The guidance is effective interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2014. The adoption of the new requirements is not expected to have a material impact on the consolidated earnings, financial position or cash flows of the Company.

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### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The information appearing in the section captioned Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Market Interest Rate Risk and Sensitivity under Item 2 of Part I of this Form 10-Q is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

#### Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer ( CEO ) and Chief Financial Officer ( CFO ), evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report.

Based on that evaluation, the CEO and CFO concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report are designed and operating effectively to provide reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed under the 1934 Act is (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC s rules and forms and (ii) accumulated and communicated to our management, including the CEO and CFO, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding disclosure.

#### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in the Company s internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with management s evaluation that occurred during the Company s first fiscal quarter of 2014 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

#### **PART II. Other Information**

#### **Item 1.** Legal Proceedings

We are party to various legal proceedings, which include claims and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, these actions will not have a material impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes in the risk factors disclosed in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013.

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

# Information on Stock Repurchases

On November 2, 2007, the Company s Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase plan. Under this program, the Company is authorized to repurchase up to \$15 million in value of its outstanding shares of common stock. This authority may be exercised from time to time and in such amounts as market conditions warrant. Any shares purchased under this plan are returned to the status of authorized but unissued shares of common stock. The repurchases may be made on the open market, in block trades or otherwise. The program may be suspended or discontinued at any time. The repurchases are funded using the Company s working capital. During the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, the Company did not repurchase any shares of its common stock in the open market.

In addition to the repurchases described above, pursuant to the 2003 Equity Plan, participants may have shares withheld to cover income taxes. There were 65,075 shares repurchased to cover income tax withholding pursuant to the 2003 Plan during the three-month period ended March 31, 2014, at an average cost of \$22.99 per share. At March 31, 2014, the Company had \$5.1 million remaining in its stock repurchase plan authorized by the Board of Directors.

### Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

None.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

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### Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation (1)
3.2	Bylaws (2)
31.1	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer of Marlin Business Services Corp. required by Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. (Filed herewith)
31.2	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer of Marlin Business Services Corp. required by Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. (Filed herewith)
32.1	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of Marlin Business Services Corp. required by Rule 13a-14(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. (This exhibit shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. Further, this exhibit shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Exchange Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.) (Furnished herewith)
101	Financial statements from the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the period ended March 31, 2014, formatted in XBRL: (i) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iv) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders Equity, (v) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (vi) the Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. (Submitted electronically with this report)

Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

<sup>(1)</sup> Previously filed with the SEC as an exhibit to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007 filed on March 5, 2008, and incorporated by reference herein.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> Previously filed with the SEC as an exhibit to the Company s Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-108530), filed on October 14, 2003 and incorporated by reference herein.

# **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.

### MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Daniel P. Dyer Chief Executive Officer
Daniel P. Dyer (Chief Executive Officer)

By: /s/ Lynne C. Wilson

Lynne C. Wilson Chief Financial Officer & Senior Vice President

(Principal Financial Officer)

Date: May 2, 2014

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