

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 10-K

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

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2005 OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number 000-25391

CAPITOL FEDERAL FINANCIAL

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

United States
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation
or organization)

700 Kansas Avenue, Topeka, Kansas
(Address of principal executive offices)

48-1212142
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

66603
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (785) 235-1341

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

None

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share
(Title of class)

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

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. ☒

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). YES ☒ NO ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). YES ☐ NO ☒

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant, computed by reference to the average of the closing bid and asked price of such stock on the NASDAQ National Market as of March 31, 2005, was \$770.6 million. The exclusion from such amount of the market value of the shares owned by any person shall not be deemed an admission by the Registrant that such person is an affiliate of the registrant.

As of December 2, 2005, there were issued and outstanding 74,290,789 shares of the Registrant's common stock.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Parts II and IV of Form 10-K - Portions of the Annual Report to Stockholders for the year ended September 30, 2005.

Part III of Form 10-K - Portions of the proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders for the year ended September 30, 2005.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Capitol Federal Financial (the “Company”), and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Capitol Federal Savings Bank (“Capitol Federal Savings” or the “Bank”), may from time to time make written or oral “forward-looking statements”, including statements contained in the Company’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). These forward-looking statements may be included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K and the exhibits attached to it, in the Company’s reports to stockholders and in other communications by the Company, which are made in good faith by us pursuant to the “safe harbor” provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

These forward-looking statements include statements about our beliefs, plans, objectives, goals, expectations, anticipations, estimates and intentions, that are subject to significant risks and uncertainties, and are subject to change based on various factors, some of which are beyond our control. The words “may”, “could”, “should”, “would”, “believe”, “anticipate”, “estimate”, “expect”, “intend”, “plan” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. The following factors, among others, could cause our future results to differ materially from the plans, objectives, goals, expectations, anticipations, estimates and intentions expressed in the forward-looking statements:

- our ability to continue to maintain overhead costs at reasonable levels;
- our ability to continue to originate a significant volume of one- to four-family mortgage loans in our market area;
- our ability to acquire funds from or invest funds in wholesale or secondary markets;
- the future earnings and capital levels of the Bank, which could affect the ability of the Company to pay dividends in accordance with its dividend policies;
- the credit risks of lending and investing activities, including changes in the level and direction of loan delinquencies and write-offs and changes in estimates of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses;
- the strength of the U.S. economy in general and the strength of the local economies in which we conduct operations;
- the effects of, and changes in, trade, monetary and fiscal policies and laws, including interest rate policies of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System;
- the effects of, and changes in, foreign and military policies of the United States Government;
- inflation, interest rate, market and monetary fluctuations;
- the timely development of and acceptance of our new products and services and the perceived overall value of these products and services by users, including the features, pricing and quality compared to competitors’ products and services;
- the willingness of users to substitute competitors’ products and services for our products and services;
- our success in gaining regulatory approval of our products and services, when required;
- the impact of changes in financial services laws and regulations, including laws concerning taxes, banking, securities and insurance;
- technological changes;
- acquisitions and dispositions;
- changes in consumer spending and saving habits; and
- our success at managing the risks involved in our business.

This list of important factors is not all inclusive. We do not undertake to update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time by or on behalf of the Company or the Bank.

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PART I

Item 1. Business

General

The Company is a federally chartered mid-tier mutual holding company incorporated in March 1999. The Bank is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, which is majority owned by Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC ("MHC"), a federally chartered mutual holding company. The Company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "CFFN."

The Bank is the only operating subsidiary of the Company. The Bank is a federally-chartered and insured savings bank headquartered in Topeka, Kansas and is examined and regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision ("OTS"), its primary regulator. It is also regulated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). We primarily serve the entire metropolitan areas of Topeka, Wichita, Lawrence, Manhattan, Emporia and Salina, Kansas and a portion of the metropolitan area of greater Kansas City through 29 traditional and eight in-store banking offices. At September 30, 2005, we had total assets of \$8.41 billion, deposits of \$3.96 billion and total equity of \$865.1 million.

We have been, and intend to continue to be, a community-oriented financial institution offering a variety of financial services to meet the needs of the communities we serve. We attract retail deposits from the general public and invest those funds primarily in permanent loans secured by first mortgages on owner-occupied, one- to four-family ("single-family") residences. We also originate a limited amount of loans secured by first mortgages on nonowner-occupied one- to four-family residences, consumer loans, permanent and construction loans secured by commercial real estate and multi-family real estate loans. While our primary business is the origination of one- to four-family mortgage loans funded through retail deposits, we also purchase one- to four-family mortgage loans from nationwide lenders and correspondent lenders located within our Kansas City and Wichita market areas and market areas within our geographic region, and invest in certain investment and mortgage-related securities funded through retail deposits and advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka ("FHLB"). We may originate loans outside our market area on occasion, and most of the whole loans we purchase are secured by properties located outside of our market area.

Our revenues are derived principally from interest on loans and mortgage-related securities and interest and dividends on investment securities. Our primary sources of funds are customer deposits, borrowings, scheduled amortization and prepayments of mortgage loan principal and mortgage-backed securities and calls and maturities of investment securities and funds provided by operations.

We offer a variety of deposit accounts having a wide range of interest rates and terms, which generally include passbook and statement savings accounts, money market accounts, interest bearing and non-interest bearing checking accounts and certificates of deposit with terms ranging from 91 days to 96 months.

Our executive offices are located at 700 South Kansas Avenue, Topeka, Kansas 66603, and our telephone number at that address is (785) 235-1341.

Available Information

Our Internet website address is www.capfed.com. Financial information, including our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and all amendments to those reports can be obtained free of charge from our website. The above reports are available on our website as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with or furnished to the SEC. These reports are also available on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>.

Market Area and Competition

Our corporate office is located in Topeka, Kansas. We have a network of 37 branches located in 7 counties throughout the State of Kansas. We operate in three primary market areas: Johnson County, Kansas, the city of Wichita, Kansas and the cities of Topeka and Lawrence, Kansas. In addition to providing full service banking offices, we also provide our customers telephone and Internet banking capabilities. Management considers our strong retail banking network, together with our reputation for financial strength and customer service, as our major strengths in attracting and retaining customers in our market areas.

Johnson County, Kansas is located in the south central area of the Kansas City metropolitan area. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Johnson County's estimated population was expected to increase approximately 10% from 2000 to 2004. The County's economy is well diversified. The 2004 inflation-adjusted local median household income in Johnson County was estimated to be \$62,155 compared to the estimated national average of \$44,684 and the estimated Kansas average of \$41,638 as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau. The Johnson County market represents the greatest concentration of the Bank's retail operations, both lending and deposit gathering. Approximately half of the Bank's branches are located in the Johnson County market. The Bank ranked first in deposit market share in Johnson County, with 13.2% market share based on the FDIC "Summary of Deposits - Market Share Report" dated June 30, 2005. The Bank's market share percentage in Johnson County has been decreasing over the past 5 years, but we have continued to rank first in total deposit market share each of those years. The decrease in market share percentage has been a result of aggressive pricing in the market by other financial institutions and the entrance of new competitors such as credit unions, de novo institutions and increased banking locations. We believe Johnson County's highly diversified economy reduces our potential to a downturn in one or a handful of economic sectors.

Wichita is the largest city in Kansas. Approximately 70% of the U.S. general aviation aircraft is produced in Wichita. The Bank's second greatest concentration in retail operations is in Wichita. The Bank has six branches located in Wichita. The Bank ranked seventh in deposit market share in Wichita, with 7.0% market share based on the FDIC "Summary of Deposits - Market Share Report" dated June 30, 2005. The Bank's market share percentage and overall market ranking in Wichita has decreased over the past 5 years as a result of aggressive pricing by competitors and an increased number of financial institutions and banking locations. Since September 11, 2001, there has been a downturn in the U.S. general aviation market. We have not felt the impact of that downturn in the credit quality of our loan portfolio in Wichita. We believe this is a result of the majority of families having dual incomes and the gradual appreciation in the value of homes in Wichita.

Topeka is the Kansas state capital and therefore houses numerous state agencies. The University of Kansas is located in Lawrence. Topeka and Lawrence represent the third greatest concentration of the Bank's retail operations. The Bank has seven branches, including the home office, located in Topeka and four branches located in Lawrence. The Bank ranked first in deposit market share in Topeka and Lawrence combined, with 35.3% market share based on the FDIC "Summary of Deposits - Market Share Report" dated June 30, 2005. The Bank's market share percentage has been decreasing over the past 5 years, but we have continued to rank first in total deposit market share each of those years. The reason for the decrease in market share is the same as in our other major market areas.

We are one of the largest originators of one- to four-family mortgage loans in the state of Kansas. We attract customers through our strong relationships with real estate agents, our reputation, pricing, existing and walk-in customers and customers that apply on the Internet. Competition in originating one- to four-family mortgage loans primarily comes from other savings institutions, commercial banks, credit unions and mortgage bankers. Other savings institutions, commercial banks, credit unions and finance companies provide vigorous competition in consumer lending.

We purchase one- to four-family mortgage loans from nationwide lenders and correspondent lenders located generally within our Kansas City and Wichita market areas. Purchasing loans from nationwide lenders provides geographic diversification, reducing our exposure to concentrations of credit risk. At September 30, 2005 all of such purchased loans were secured by properties located in 48 states other than Kansas. The states where we had a greater than 5% concentration of our total purchased loans held in our portfolio at September 30, 2005 were comprised of: Illinois 12.9%; Florida 7.0%; Arizona 6.6%; Virginia 5.4%; Texas 5.1%; and Colorado 5.0%.

Lending Activities

General. Our primary lending activity is the origination of loans secured by first mortgages on one- to four-family residential properties. We also make consumer loans, construction loans secured by residential properties, commercial properties and multi-family real estate and loans secured by multi-family dwellings or commercial properties. Our mortgage loans carry either a fixed or an adjustable-rate of interest. Mortgage loans are generally long-term and amortize on a monthly basis with principal and interest due each month. At September 30, 2005, our net loan portfolio totaled \$5.46 billion, which constituted 65.0% of our total assets. For a discussion of our market risk associated with loans, see "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Quantitative

and Qualitative Disclosure about Market Risk” in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

All originated loans are generated by our own employees or loan agents. Loans over \$450 thousand must be underwritten by two senior level underwriters. Any mortgage loan over \$750 thousand must be approved by the Asset and Liability Management Committee (“ALCO”) and loans over \$1.5 million must be approved by the board of directors. For loans requiring ALCO and/or board of directors’ approval, management is responsible for presenting to the ALCO and/or board of directors information about the creditworthiness of the borrower and the estimated value of the subject property. Information pertaining to the creditworthiness of the borrower generally consists of a summary of the borrower’s credit history, employment, employment stability, net worth and income. The estimated value of the property must be supported by an independent appraisal report prepared in accordance with our appraisal policy.

At September 30, 2005, the maximum amount which we could have loaned to any one borrower and the borrower’s related entities was approximately \$115.4 million. Our largest lending relationship to a single borrower or a group of related borrowers on that date consisted of 13 multi-family real estate projects, three single-family homes and four commercial real estate projects located in Kansas and Texas, totaling \$32.3 million. No single loan in this group exceeded \$3.7 million at that date. With our largest lending relationship, the Bank had an additional commitment outstanding at September 30, 2005 to originate a loan of \$3.5 million for a multi-family real estate project. Most of the multi-family real estate loans qualify for the low income housing tax credit program. We have over 20 years experience with this group of borrowers, who usually build and manage their own properties. All of these loans were current and performing in accordance with their terms at September 30, 2005.

The second largest lending relationship at September 30, 2005, consisted of six loans totaling \$8.7 million. Three loans are secured by multi-family real estate units and three are secured by single-family homes. We have over 20 years of experience with the borrowers. All units were built and are presently being managed by the borrowers. Each of the loans to this group of borrowers were current and performing in accordance with its terms at September 30, 2005.

Loan Portfolio. The following table presents information concerning the composition of our loan portfolio in dollar amounts and in percentages (before deductions for loans in process, net deferred fees and discounts and allowances for losses) as of the dates indicated.

	September 30,									
	2005		2004		2003		2002		2001	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)									
<u>Real Estate Loans:</u>										
One- to four-family	\$5,189,006	94.44%	\$4,492,205	93.70%	\$4,069,197	93.43%	\$4,612,543	93.94%	\$5,166,660	94.66%
Multi-family	40,636	0.74	35,421	0.74	38,464	0.88	45,985	0.94	48,991	0.90
Commercial	8,927	0.16	8,698	0.18	7,881	0.18	5,514	0.11	7,966	0.15
Construction and development ⁽¹⁾	45,312	0.83	54,782	1.14	48,537	1.11	48,023	0.98	44,712	0.82
Total real estate loans	5,283,881	96.17	4,591,106	95.76	4,164,079	95.60	4,712,065	95.97	5,268,329	96.53
<u>Other Loans:</u>										
Consumer Loans:										
Savings	8,377	0.15	9,141	0.19	10,963	0.25	11,931	0.24	14,466	0.26
Automobile	2,555	0.05	2,274	0.05	3,798	0.09	6,913	0.14	10,346	0.19
Home equity	197,626	3.60	189,861	3.96	173,656	3.99	175,551	3.58	161,239	2.95
Other	1,878	0.03	1,931	0.04	2,484	0.07	3,474	0.07	3,773	0.07
Total consumer loans	210,436	3.83	203,207	4.24	190,901	4.40	197,869	4.03	189,824	3.47
Commercial business loans	70	--	129	--	201	--	151	--	25	--
Total other loans	210,506	3.83	203,336	4.24	191,102	4.40	198,020	4.03	189,849	3.47
Total loans receivable	5,494,387	<u>100.00%</u>	4,794,442	<u>100.00%</u>	4,355,181	<u>100.00%</u>	4,910,085	<u>100.00%</u>	5,458,178	<u>100.00%</u>
<u>Less:</u>										
Loans in process	14,803		23,623		27,039		21,764		20,057	
Net deferred fees and discounts	10,856		18,794		15,896		15,678		16,652	
Allowance for losses	4,598		4,495		4,550		4,825		4,837	
Total loans receivable, net	\$5,464,130		\$4,747,530		\$4,307,696		\$4,867,818		\$5,416,632	

⁽¹⁾ At September 30, 2005, there were no development loans in the loan portfolio.

The following table shows the composition of our loan portfolio by fixed and adjustable-rate loans at the dates indicated.

	September 30,									
	2005		2004		2003		2002		2001	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
(Dollars in thousands)										
<u>Fixed-Rate Loans:</u>										
Real estate:										
One- to four-family	\$3,273,627	59.58%	\$3,118,912	65.06%	\$3,005,475	69.01%	\$3,418,360	69.62%	\$3,325,203	60.92%
Multi-family	40,100	0.73	34,828	0.73	37,819	0.87	44,494	0.91	47,411	0.87
Commercial	8,887	0.16	8,654	0.18	7,834	0.18	4,996	0.10	5,146	0.10
Construction and development ⁽¹⁾	26,418	0.49	38,058	0.79	36,588	0.84	31,944	0.65	30,936	0.57
Total real estate loans	3,349,032	60.96	3,200,452	66.76	3,087,716	70.90	3,499,794	71.28	3,408,696	62.46
Consumer	39,617	0.72	26,439	0.55	26,817	0.62	38,828	0.79	46,971	0.85
Commercial business	70	--	129	--	201	--	151	--	25	--
Total fixed-rate loans	3,388,719	61.68	3,227,020	67.31	3,114,734	71.52	3,538,773	72.07	3,455,692	63.31
<u>Adjustable-Rate Loans:</u>										
Real estate:										
One- to four-family	1,915,379	34.86	1,373,293	28.64	1,063,722	24.42	1,194,183	24.32	1,841,457	33.74
Multi-family	536	0.01	593	0.01	645	0.01	1,491	0.03	1,580	0.03
Commercial	40	--	44	--	47	--	518	0.01	2,820	0.05
Construction and development ⁽¹⁾	18,894	0.34	16,724	0.35	11,949	0.28	16,079	0.33	13,776	0.25
Total real estate loans	1,934,849	35.21	1,390,654	29.00	1,076,363	24.71	1,212,271	24.69	1,859,633	34.07
Consumer	170,819	3.11	176,768	3.69	164,084	3.77	159,041	3.24	142,853	2.62
Total adjustable-rate loans	2,105,668	38.32	1,567,422	32.69	1,240,447	28.48	1,371,312	27.93	2,002,486	36.69
Total loans	5,494,387	<u>100.00%</u>	4,794,442	<u>100.00%</u>	4,355,181	<u>100.00%</u>	4,910,085	<u>100.00%</u>	5,458,178	<u>100.00%</u>
<u>Less:</u>										
Loans in process	14,803		23,623		27,039		21,764		20,057	
Net deferred fees and discounts	10,856		18,794		15,896		15,678		16,652	
Allowance for loan losses	4,598		4,495		4,550		4,825		4,837	
Total loans receivable, net	<u>\$5,464,130</u>		<u>\$4,747,530</u>		<u>\$4,307,696</u>		<u>\$4,867,818</u>		<u>\$5,416,632</u>	

⁽¹⁾ At September 30, 2005, there were no development loans in the loan portfolio.

The following table presents the contractual maturity of our loan portfolio at September 30, 2005, net of loans in process. Mortgage loans which have adjustable or renegotiable interest rates are shown as maturing in the period during which the contract is due. The table does not reflect the effects of possible prepayments or enforcement of due on sale clauses.

	One- to Four-Family		Multi-family and Commercial		Construction ⁽²⁾		Consumer		Commercial Business		Total	
	Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average	
	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate
(Dollars in thousands)												
Amounts due:												
Within one year ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,546	5.57%	\$ 91	6.25%	\$28,985	5.09%	\$ 6,061	5.11%	\$ --	--%	\$ 36,683	5.12%
After one year:												
One through five years	27,600	6.25	745	7.50	1,524	5.23	8,878	7.09	--	--	38,747	6.43
After five years	5,159,860	5.29	48,727	6.48	--	--	195,497	7.57	70	6.73	5,404,154	5.38
Total due after one year	<u>5,187,460</u>	<u>5.30</u>	<u>49,472</u>	<u>6.50</u>	<u>1,524</u>	<u>5.23</u>	<u>204,375</u>	<u>7.55</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>6.73</u>	<u>5,442,901</u>	<u>5.39</u>
Totals loans	<u>\$5,189,006</u>	5.30%	<u>\$49,563</u>	6.49%	<u>\$30,509</u>	5.10%	<u>\$210,436</u>	7.48%	<u>\$ 70</u>	6.73%	5,479,584	5.39%
Less:												
Deferred loan fees											10,856	
Allowance for loan losses											<u>4,598</u>	
Total loans receivable, net											<u>\$5,464,130</u>	

⁽¹⁾ Includes demand loans, loans having no stated maturity and overdraft loans.

⁽²⁾ Construction loans are presented based upon the term to complete construction.

The following table presents, as of September 30, 2005, the amount of loans due after September 30, 2006, and whether these loans have fixed or adjustable interest rates.

	Maturing After September 30, 2006		
	Fixed	Adjustable	Total
Real Estate Loans:			
One- to four-family	\$3,272,184	\$1,915,276	\$5,187,460
Multi-family and Commercial	48,896	576	49,472
Construction	1,187	337	1,524
Consumer	34,716	169,659	204,375
Commercial Business	70	--	70
Total	<u>\$3,357,053</u>	<u>\$2,085,848</u>	<u>\$5,442,901</u>

One- to Four-Family Residential Real Estate Lending. We focus our lending efforts primarily on the origination and purchase of loans secured by first mortgages on owner-occupied one- to four-family residences in our market areas. We generate additional lending volume by purchasing whole one- to four-family mortgage loans from nationwide lenders. These purchases allow us to attain geographic diversification and manage credit concentration risks in our loan portfolio. At September 30, 2005, one- to four-family mortgage loans totaled \$5.19 billion, or 94.4% of our total loan portfolio.

We generally underwrite our loans using an automated underwriting system developed by a third party, which closely resembles our manual underwriting standards, with emphasis on the applicant's credit history, employment and income history, asset reserves and loan-to-value ratio. All information used for an automated decision is validated with supporting documentation. Loans that do not meet our automated underwriting standards are referred to a staff underwriter for manual underwriting. Presently, we lend up to 103% of the lesser of the appraised value or purchase price for one- to four-family mortgage loans. At September 30, 2005, less than 1% of our loan portfolio had a loan-to-value ratio greater than 100%. For loans with a loan-to-value ratio in excess of 80%, we require private mortgage insurance in order to reduce our loss exposure. Properties securing our one- to four-family loans are appraised by either staff appraisers or independent fee appraisers approved by the board of directors. We generally require our borrowers to obtain title, hazard insurance and flood insurance, if necessary, in an amount not less than the value of the property and improvements. We require borrowers to maintain escrow accounts for property taxes with the Bank if their loan-to-value ratio exceeds 80%.

We originate one- to four-family mortgage loans on either a fixed or adjustable-rate basis, as consumer demand dictates. We primarily originate fixed-rate one- to four-family mortgage loans in our market areas. We purchase both fixed and adjustable-rate one- to four-family loans, but we primarily purchase one- to four-family adjustable-rate mortgage ("ARM") loans to supplement our ARM portfolio. At September 30, 2005, our fixed-rate one- to four-family mortgage loan portfolio totaled \$3.27 billion, or 59.6% of our total loan portfolio. At that date the ARM loan portfolio totaled \$1.92 billion, or 34.9% of our total loan portfolio.

Our pricing strategy for mortgage loans includes setting interest rates that are competitive with Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and local financial institutions, and consistent with our internal needs. ARM loans are offered with either a one-year, three-year, five-year or seven-year term to the initial repricing date. After the initial period, the interest rate for each ARM loan generally adjusts annually for the remainder of the term of the loan. We use a number of different indices to reprice our ARM loans.

Fixed-rate loans secured by one- to four-family residences have contractual maturities of up to 30 years, and are fully amortizing, with payments due monthly. However, these loans normally remain outstanding for a substantially shorter period of time because of refinancing and other prepayments. A significant change in the current level of interest rates could alter the average life of a mortgage loan in our portfolio considerably. Our one- to four-family mortgage loans are generally not assumable and do not contain prepayment penalties. Our real estate loans generally contain a "due on sale" clause allowing us to declare the unpaid principal balance due and payable upon the sale of the security property.

Our one- to four-family ARM loans are fully amortizing loans with contractual maturities of up to 30 years, with payments due monthly. Our current ARM loans generally provide for specified minimum and maximum interest rates, with a lifetime cap and floor, a periodic adjustment on the interest rate over the rate in effect on the date of origination and do not permit negative amortization of principal. As a consequence of using caps, the interest rates on these loans may not be as rate sensitive as our cost of funds. We also offer interest-only ARM loans that do not require principal payments for a period of up to ten years. At September 30, 2005, 8.1% of our loan portfolio consisted of interest-only ARM loans. At September 30, 2005, approximately 90% of our interest-only ARM loans were purchased from nationwide lenders. Loan repayment schedules are determined at the repricing date for the remaining term of the ARM loan. Our ARM loans are not automatically convertible into fixed-rate loans. We do allow borrowers to pay a modification fee to convert an ARM loan to a fixed-rate loan. See “Loan Originations, Purchases, Sales and Repayments.”

In order to remain competitive in our market areas, we currently originate ARM loans at initial rates below the fully indexed rate. We qualify borrowers based on this initial discounted rate for our three, five and seven year ARM loans.

ARM loans can pose different credit risks than fixed-rate loans, primarily because as interest rates rise the borrower’s payment also rises, increasing the potential for default. Historically, we have not experienced increased delinquencies with these loans in a rising rate environment. See “Asset Quality - Non-performing Assets” and “Asset Quality - Classified Assets.”

Multi-family and Commercial Real Estate Lending. We offer a variety of multi-family and commercial real estate loans. These loans are secured primarily by multi-family dwellings and small office buildings located in our market areas. At September 30, 2005, multi-family and commercial real estate loans totaled \$49.6 million, or 0.9% of our total loan portfolio.

Our loans secured by multi-family and commercial real estate are originated with either a fixed or adjustable interest rate. The interest rate on ARM loans is based on a variety of indices, generally determined through negotiation with the borrower. Loan-to-value ratios on our multi-family and commercial real estate loans usually do not exceed 80% of the appraised value of the property securing the loan. While maximum maturities may extend to 30 years, loans frequently have shorter maturities and may not be fully amortizing, requiring balloon payments of unamortized principal at maturity.

Loans secured by multi-family and commercial real estate are granted based on the income producing potential of the property and the financial strength of the borrower. The net operating income, which is the income derived from the operation of the property less all operating expenses, must be sufficient to cover the payments related to the outstanding debt. We generally require personal guarantees of the borrowers covering a portion of the debt in addition to the security property as collateral for such loans. We generally require an assignment of rents or leases in order to be assured that the cash flow from the project will be used to repay the debt. Appraisals on properties securing multi-family and commercial real estate loans are performed by independent state certified fee appraisers approved by the board of directors. See “Loan Originations, Purchases, Sales and Repayments.”

We generally do not maintain a tax or insurance escrow account for loans secured by multi-family or commercial real estate. In order to monitor the adequacy of cash flows on income-producing properties of \$1.5 million or more, the borrower is notified annually to provide financial information including rental rates and income, maintenance costs and an update of real estate property tax payments, as well as personal financial information.

Loans secured by multi-family and commercial real estate properties generally are larger and involve a greater degree of credit risk than one- to four-family mortgage loans. Such loans typically involve large balances to single borrowers or groups of related borrowers. Because payments on loans secured by multi-family and commercial real estate properties are often dependent on the successful operation or management of the properties, repayment of such loans may be subject to adverse conditions in the real estate market or the economy. If the cash flow from the project is reduced, or if leases are not obtained or renewed, the borrower’s ability to repay the loan may be impaired. See “Asset Quality - Non-performing Loans.”

Construction Lending. At September 30, 2005, we had \$45.3 million in construction permanent loans outstanding, representing 0.8% of our total loan portfolio. We originate construction loans primarily secured by one- to four-family residential real estate. Presently, all of the loans are secured by property located within our market areas. None of

these loans were made to builders for speculative purposes. Construction loans are obtained principally by homeowners who will occupy the property when construction is complete. The application process includes submission of complete plans, specifications and costs of the project to be constructed. These items are used as a basis to determine the appraised value of the subject property. Loans are based on the lesser of current appraised value and/or the cost of construction, including the land and the building. We also conduct regular inspections of the construction project being financed.

Consumer Lending. Consumer loans generally have shorter terms to maturity or reprice more frequently, which reduces our exposure to changes in interest rates, and usually carry higher rates of interest than do one- to four-family mortgage loans. In addition, management believes that offering consumer loan products helps to expand and create stronger ties to our existing customer base by increasing the number of customer relationships and providing cross-marketing opportunities. At September 30, 2005, our consumer loan portfolio totaled \$210.4 million, or 3.8% of our total loan portfolio.

We offer a variety of secured consumer loans, including home equity loans and lines of credit, home improvement loans, auto loans, student loans and loans secured by savings deposits. We also offer a very limited amount of unsecured loans. We currently originate all of our consumer loans in our market areas. Our home equity loans, including lines of credit and home improvement loans, comprised 3.6% of our total loan portfolio, or \$197.6 million at September 30, 2005. These loans may be originated in amounts, together with the amount of the existing first mortgage, of up to 100% of the value of the property securing the loan. In order to minimize risk of loss, home equity loans in excess of 80% of the value of the property require private mortgage insurance. The term-to-maturity on our home equity and home improvement loans may be up to 20 years. Home equity lines of credit have no stated term-to-maturity and require the payment of 1 1/2% of the outstanding loan balance per month, which may be reborrowed at any time. Other consumer loan terms vary according to the type of collateral and the length of contract. The majority of our consumer loan portfolio is comprised of home equity lines of credit, which have interest rates that can adjust monthly based upon changes in the prime rate.

We do not originate any consumer loans on an indirect basis. Indirect loans are contracts purchased from retailers of goods or services which have extended credit to their customers.

Our underwriting standards for consumer loans include a determination of the applicant's payment history on other debts and an assessment of their ability to meet existing obligations and payments on the proposed loan. Although creditworthiness of the applicant is a primary consideration, the underwriting process also includes a comparison of the value of the security in relation to the proposed loan amount.

Consumer loans may entail greater risk than do one- to four-family mortgage loans, particularly in the case of consumer loans that are secured by rapidly depreciable assets, such as automobiles.

Loan Originations, Purchases, Sales and Repayments. We originate loans through referrals from real estate brokers and builders, our marketing efforts, and our existing and walk-in customers. While we originate both adjustable and fixed-rate loans, our ability to originate loans is dependent upon customer demand for loans in our market areas. Demand is affected by the local housing market, competition and the interest rate environment. During the 2005 and 2004 fiscal years, we originated and refinanced \$194.8 million and \$248.0 million of one- to four-family ARM loans, and \$514.0 million and \$491.0 million of one- to four-family fixed-rate mortgage loans, respectively.

In an effort to offset the impact of repayments and to retain our customers, we offer existing loan customers the opportunity to modify their original loan terms to terms generally consistent with those currently being offered in our market areas. This program helps ensure that we maintain the relationship with the customer and significantly reduces the amount of time it takes for borrowers to obtain current market pricing and terms without having to refinance their loan. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Financial Condition" in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We purchase one- to four-family mortgage loans from nationwide lenders to reduce our risk of geographic concentration and to supplement our one- to four-family ARM loan origination volume as ARM loans are not considered as attractive to borrowers as fixed-rate mortgage loans in our local markets. The seller retains the servicing of these loans. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Financial Condition" in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

At September 30, 2005, our purchased loan portfolio from nationwide lenders totaled \$1.20 billion, or 21.8% of our total loan portfolio. Management intends to continue purchasing one- to four-family mortgage loans in fiscal year 2006, to the extent necessary, with the majority of these purchased loans being ARM loans. If ARM loans are not available, we may purchase adjustable-rate mortgage-related securities.

Before committing to purchase a pool of loans from a nationwide lender, the Chief Lending Officer or Secondary Marketing Manager reviews specific criteria of each loan in the pool. The specific criteria includes such items as loan amount, credit scores, loan-to-value ratio, debt ratios, liquid assets, property type and loan purpose. If the specific criteria do not meet our underwriting standards, then the loan may be removed from the pool, depending on compensating factors. Once the review of the specific criteria is complete and loans not meeting our standards are removed from the pool, changes are sent back to the seller for acceptance and pricing. If the pricing is accepted by our Chief Financial Officer or Chief Lending Officer, we will commit to purchase the pool of loans. Before the pool is funded, an approved loan underwriter reviews 25% of the loan files in the pool. If a loan does not meet our underwriting standards for these loans, it is removed from the pool prior to funding.

During the 2005 and 2004 fiscal years, we purchased \$671.4 million and \$363.3 million of one- to four-family ARM loans and \$75.7 million and \$146.3 million of one- to four-family fixed-rate loans, respectively, from nationwide lenders. Included in the fiscal year 2005 ARM loan volume is \$397.0 million of interest-only loans. These loans do not typically require principal payments during their initial term. Of the interest-only loans purchased during fiscal year 2005, approximately 43% of these loans do not require principal payments for five years and the other 57% do not require principal payments for ten years. Loans of this type generally are considered to be of greater risk to the lender because of the possibility that the borrower may default once principal payments are required. We attempt to mitigate the risk of interest-only loans by using prudent underwriting criteria. The interest-only loans we purchase have an average credit score of greater than 733 and an average loan-to-value ratio of less than 80% at the time of purchase.

We also purchase one- to four-family mortgage loans through local correspondent lenders under contractual agreement. We purchase approved loans and the servicing rights, on a loan by loan basis. The loan product is originated for us to our specifications including interest rates, product description and underwriting standards. The loan products include fixed-rate and ARM loans. We set prices for loan products at least once each week. The underwriting generally is performed by a third party underwriter who is under contract with us to use our internal underwriting standards, which generally are in accordance with Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac's underwriting guidelines. During the 2005 and 2004 fiscal years, we purchased \$56.6 million and \$19.3 million of one- to four-family ARM loans and \$53.5 million and \$8.1 million of one- to four-family fixed-rate mortgage loans, respectively, from local correspondent lenders.

The ability of financial institutions, including us, to originate or purchase large dollar volumes of real estate loans may be substantially reduced or restricted under certain economic conditions, with a resultant decrease in interest income from these assets. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure about Market Risk" in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The following table shows our loan originations, loan purchases, mortgage-related securities purchases, loan sales and repayment activity for the periods indicated.

	Year Ended September 30,		
	2005	2004	2003
	(Dollars in thousands)		
<u>Originations by type:</u>			
Adjustable-rate:			
Real estate - one- to four-family	\$ 194,802	\$ 248,024	\$ 400,055
- multi-family	--	--	--
- commercial	--	--	--
Non-real estate - consumer	119,527	131,639	143,175
- commercial business	--	--	45
Total adjustable-rate loans originated	<u>314,329</u>	<u>379,663</u>	<u>543,275</u>
Fixed-rate:			
Real estate - one- to four-family	514,023	490,963	1,069,101
- multi-family	4,418	4,233	1,349
- commercial	4,950	1,200	5,773
Non-real estate - consumer	29,802	17,761	16,211
- commercial business	--	12	47
Total fixed-rate loans originated	<u>553,193</u>	<u>514,169</u>	<u>1,092,481</u>
Total loans originated	<u>867,522</u>	<u>893,832</u>	<u>1,635,756</u>
<u>Purchases:</u>			
Real estate - one- to four-family	857,207	537,065	182,017
- multi-family	--	--	--
- commercial	--	--	--
Non-real estate - consumer	--	--	--
Total loans purchased	<u>857,207</u>	<u>537,065</u>	<u>182,017</u>
Mortgage-related securities available for sale (excluding REMICs and CMOs)	--	1,050	2,340,718
Mortgage-related securities held to maturity (excluding REMICs and CMOs)	309,506	885,739	717,558
REMICs and CMOs	--	--	--
Total loans and mortgage-related securities purchased	<u>1,166,713</u>	<u>1,423,854</u>	<u>3,240,293</u>
<u>Sales and Repayments:</u>			
Real estate - one- to four-family	--	--	591,562
Total sales	--	--	591,562
Principal repayments	<u>1,824,104</u>	<u>2,152,596</u>	<u>4,527,687</u>
Total reductions	<u>1,824,104</u>	<u>2,152,596</u>	<u>5,119,249</u>
(Decrease) increase in other items, net	<u>(3,015)</u>	<u>20,722</u>	<u>(52,372)</u>
Net increase (decrease)	\$ 213,146	\$ 144,368	\$ (190,828)

Asset Quality

When a borrower fails to make a loan payment 15 days after the due date, a late charge is assessed and a late charge notice is mailed. All delinquent accounts are reviewed by collection personnel, who attempt to cure the delinquency by contacting the borrower. If the loan becomes 60 days delinquent, the collection personnel generally will send a personal letter to the borrower requesting payment of the delinquent amount in full, or the establishment of an acceptable repayment plan to bring the loan current within the next 90 days. If the account becomes 90 days delinquent, and an acceptable repayment plan has not been agreed upon, the collection personnel generally will refer the account to legal counsel, with instructions to prepare a notice of intent to foreclose. The notice of intent to foreclose allows the borrower up to 30 days to bring the account current. During this 30 day period a written repayment plan from the borrower which would bring the account current within the next 90 days may be approved by a designated Bank officer. Once the loan becomes 120 days delinquent, and an acceptable repayment plan has not been agreed upon, the collection officer, after receiving approval from the appropriate Bank officer as designated by our board of directors, will turn over the account to our legal counsel with instructions to initiate foreclosure.

At September 30, 2005, the asset quality of our portfolio of loans purchased from nationwide lenders is essentially the same asset quality as loans originated locally.

Delinquent Loans. The following tables set forth our loans 30 - 89 delinquent days by type, number and amount as of the periods presented.

	Loans Delinquent for 30-89 Days					
	2005		2004		2003	
	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
	(Dollars in thousands)					
Real Estate Loans:						
One- to four-family	267	\$25,111	310	\$22,252	303	\$25,627
Multi-family	--	--	--	--	--	--
Commercial	--	--	--	--	--	--
Construction and development ⁽¹⁾	--	--	--	--	--	--
Consumer	35	407	49	349	52	396
Commercial business	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total	<u>302</u>	<u>\$25,518</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>\$22,601</u>	<u>355</u>	<u>\$26,023</u>
Loans 30-89 days delinquent to total loans		0.47%		0.48%		0.60%

⁽¹⁾ At September 30, 2005 there were no development loans in the loan portfolio.

Non-performing Assets. The table below sets forth the amounts and categories of non-performing assets. Loans are placed on non-accrual status when the loan is greater than 90 days delinquent. At all dates presented, we had no troubled debt restructurings which involve forgiving a portion of interest or principal on any loans or making loans at a rate materially less than prevailing market rates, and no accruing loans more than 90 days delinquent. Real estate owned includes assets acquired in settlement of loans. The balance of one- to four-family real estate owned is represented by 31 properties totaling \$1.6 million, or an average balance of less than \$53 thousand per property.

	September 30,				
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
	(Dollars in thousands)				
Non-accruing loans:					
One- to four-family	\$5,034	\$5,761	\$8,686	\$7,701	\$6,384
Multi-family	--	--	--	--	--
Commercial real estate	--	--	--	--	--
Construction and development ⁽¹⁾	--	--	--	--	--
Consumer	124	310	258	273	276
Commercial business	--	--	--	--	--
Total non-accruing loans	<u>5,158</u>	<u>6,071</u>	<u>8,944</u>	<u>7,974</u>	<u>6,660</u>
Real estate owned:					
One- to four-family	1,613	3,976	3,773	2,886	1,031
Multi-family	--	--	--	--	--
Commercial real estate	--	--	--	--	--
Construction and development ⁽¹⁾	--	273	273	--	--
Consumer	40	--	--	--	--
Commercial business	--	--	--	--	--
Total real estate owned	<u>1,653</u>	<u>4,249</u>	<u>4,046</u>	<u>2,886</u>	<u>1,031</u>
Total non-performing assets	<u>\$6,811</u>	<u>\$10,320</u>	<u>\$12,990</u>	<u>\$10,860</u>	<u>\$7,691</u>
Non-performing assets as a percentage of total assets	<u>0.08%</u>	<u>0.12%</u>	<u>0.15%</u>	<u>0.12%</u>	<u>0.09%</u>
Non-performing loans as a percentage of total loans	<u>0.09%</u>	<u>0.13%</u>	<u>0.21%</u>	<u>0.16%</u>	<u>0.12%</u>

⁽¹⁾ At September 30, 2005 there were no development loans in the loan portfolio.

At September 30, 2005, we had \$5.2 million in non-accruing loans (these loans also may be referred to as “non-performing”), which constituted 0.09% of our total loan portfolio. At that date, there were no non-accruing loans to any one borrower or group of related borrowers that exceeded \$1.0 million, either individually or in the aggregate. For the year ended September 30, 2005, gross interest income which would have been recorded had the non-accruing loans been current in accordance with their original terms amounted to \$85 thousand. The amount that was included in interest income on these loans, before non-accruing status, was \$72 thousand for the year ended September 30, 2005.

Classified Assets. Federal regulations provide for the classification of loans and other assets, such as debt and equity securities considered by the OTS to be of lesser quality, as “special mention”, “substandard”, “doubtful” or “loss”. Assets classified as “special mention” are performing loans on which known information about the collateral pledged or the possible credit problems of the borrowers have caused management to have doubts as to the ability of the borrowers to comply with present loan repayment terms and which may result in the future inclusion of such assets in the non-performing asset categories. An asset is considered “substandard” if it is inadequately protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. “Substandard” assets include those characterized by the “distinct possibility” that the insured institution will sustain “some loss” if the deficiencies are not corrected. Assets classified as “doubtful” have all of the weaknesses inherent as those classified “substandard,” with the added characteristic that the weaknesses present make “collection or liquidation in full,” on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions and values “highly questionable and improbable.” Assets classified as “loss” are those

considered “uncollectible” and of such little value that their continuance as assets without the establishment of a specific loss reserve is not warranted.

When an insured institution classifies problem assets as either special mention, substandard or doubtful, it may establish allowances for loan losses in an amount deemed prudent by management and approved by the board of directors. General allowances may be established to recognize the inherent risk associated with lending activities, but unlike specific allowances, have not been allocated to specific problem assets within a portfolio of similar assets. When an insured institution classifies problem assets as “loss,” it is required either to establish a specific allowance for losses equal to 100% of that portion of the asset so classified or to charge off such amount. An institution’s determination as to the classification of its assets and the amount of its valuation allowances is subject to review by the OTS and the FDIC, which may order the establishment of additional loss allowances.

In connection with the filing of the Bank’s periodic reports with the OTS and in accordance with our asset classification policy, we regularly review the problem assets in our portfolio to determine whether any assets require classification in accordance with applicable regulations. The following table sets forth the carrying amount of our assets, exclusive of general valuation allowances, classified as special mention, substandard or doubtful at September 30, 2005. At September 30, 2005, we classified nine loans affected by Hurricane Katrina as special mention. The carrying amount of these loans at September 30, 2005 was \$4.5 million. We may not collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreements, however, based upon management’s analysis at September 30, 2005, the underlying collateral of these loans was in excess of the carrying amounts. As such, no specific valuation allowance was recognized at September 30, 2005. There were \$9 thousand of assets classified as loss at September 30, 2005, with specific reserves of \$9 thousand.

	Special Mention		Substandard		Doubtful	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
			(Dollars in thousands)			
Real Estate:						
One- to four-family	15	\$4,986	82	\$5,266	--	\$--
Multi-family	--	--	--	--	--	--
Commercial	--	--	--	--	--	--
Construction	--	--	--	--	--	--
Consumer	--	--	15	124	--	--
Commercial business	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total loans	15	4,986	97	5,390	--	--
Real estate owned	--	--	32	1,653	--	--
Total classified assets	15	\$4,986	129	\$7,043	--	\$--

Provision for Loan Losses. We recorded a provision for loan losses in fiscal years 2005 and 2004 of \$215 thousand and \$64 thousand, respectively. We did not record a provision for loan losses in fiscal year 2003. The provision for loan losses is charged to income to bring our allowance for loan losses to a level deemed appropriate by management based on the factors discussed below under “Allowance for Loan Losses.” The provision for loan losses in fiscal year 2005 was based on management’s review of such factors which indicated that the allowance for loan losses was adequate to cover losses inherent in the loan portfolio as of September 30, 2005.

Allowance for Loan Losses. We maintain an allowance for loan losses to absorb losses known and inherent in the loan portfolio based upon ongoing, quarterly assessments of the loan portfolio. Our methodology for assessing the appropriateness of the allowance consists of several key elements, which include a formula allowance, specific allowances for identified problem loans and portfolio segments and economic conditions that may lead to credit risk concerns about the loan portfolio or segments of the loan portfolio. In addition, the allowance incorporates the results of measuring impaired loans as provided in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (“SFAS”) No. 114, “Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of a Loan” and SFAS No. 118, “Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of

a Loan - Income Recognition and Disclosures.” These accounting standards prescribe the measurement methods, income recognition and disclosures related to impaired loans.

One- to four-family mortgage loans and consumer loans that are not impaired as defined in SFAS 114 and 118 are collectively evaluated for impairment using a formula allowance as permitted by SFAS 5, “Accounting for Contingencies”. Loans on residential properties with greater than four units, loans on construction properties and commercial properties that are delinquent, or where the borrower’s total loan concentration balance is greater than \$1.5 million (excluding one- to four-family mortgage loans) are evaluated for impairment on a loan by loan basis. If no impairment exists, these loans are included in the formula allowance. The formula allowance is calculated by applying loss factors to outstanding loans based on the internal risk evaluation of such loans or pools of loans. Changes in risk evaluations of both performing and non-performing loans affect the amount of the formula allowance. Loss factors are based both on our historical loss experience and on significant factors that, in management’s judgment, affect the collectibility of the portfolio as of the evaluation date. Loan loss factors for portfolio segments are representative of the credit risks associated with loans in those segments. The greater the credit risks associated with a particular segment, the greater the loss factor. Loss factors increase as individual loans become classified, delinquent, the foreclosure process begins or as economic conditions warrant.

The appropriateness of the allowance for loan losses is reviewed by management based upon its evaluation of then-existing economic and business conditions affecting our key lending areas. Other conditions that management considers in determining the appropriateness of the allowance include, but are not limited to, changes to our underwriting standards, credit quality trends (including changes in the balance and characteristics of non-performing loans expected to result from existing economic conditions), trends in collateral values, loan volumes and concentrations, and recent loss experience in particular segments of the portfolio that existed as of the balance sheet date and the impact that such conditions were believed to have had on the collectibility of those loans.

Senior management reviews these conditions quarterly. To the extent that any of these conditions are evidenced by a specifically identifiable problem loan or portfolio segment as of the evaluation date, management’s estimate of the effect of such condition may be reflected as a specific allowance applicable to such loan. Where any of these conditions are not evidenced by a specifically identifiable problem loan or portfolio segment as of the evaluation date, management’s evaluation of the loss related to these conditions is reflected in the unallocated allowance associated with our homogeneous population of mortgage loans. The evaluation of the inherent loss with respect to these conditions is subject to a higher degree of uncertainty because they are not identified with specific problem loans or portfolio segments.

The amounts actually observed in respect to these losses can vary significantly from the estimated amounts. Our methodology permits adjustments to any loss factor used in the computation of the formula allowance in the event that, in management’s judgment, significant factors which affect the collectibility of the portfolio, as of the evaluation date, are not reflected in the current loss factors. By assessing the estimated losses inherent in our loan portfolios on a quarterly basis, we can adjust specific and inherent loss estimates based upon more current information.

At September 30, 2005, our allowance for loan losses was \$4.6 million or 0.08% of the total loan portfolio and approximately 89% of total non-accruing loans. This compares with an allowance for loan losses of \$4.5 million or 0.09% of the total loan portfolio and approximately 74% of total non-accruing loans as of September 30, 2004.

During fiscal year 2005, our net one- to four-family loan portfolio increased by \$706.9 million from fiscal year 2004. Non-accruing one- to four-family loans decreased by \$727 thousand, or 12.6%, to \$5.0 million at September 30, 2005. See “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Results of Operations” in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The allowance increased on this portfolio of loans as a result of an increase in the inherent risks of this loan portfolio due primarily to the increased size of the portfolio resulting from purchased mortgage loans.

Assessing the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is inherently subjective as it requires making material estimates, including the amount and timing of future cash flows expected to be received on impaired loans or changes in the market value of collateral securing loans that may be susceptible to significant change. In the opinion of management, the allowance when taken as a whole, is adequate to absorb reasonable estimated loan losses inherent in our loan portfolios.

Based upon the foregoing analysis of our reserving methodology, it is management's belief that the current balance provided by the formula allowance provides adequate reserves for the estimated losses inherent in the portfolio. Historical net charge-offs are not necessarily indicative of the amount of net charge-offs that the Bank will realize in the future resulting from an increase in the one- to four-family mortgage loan portfolio. The following table sets forth an analysis of our allowance for loan losses.

	Year Ended September 30,				
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
	(Dollars in thousands)				
Balance at beginning of period	\$4,495	\$4,550	\$4,825	\$4,837	\$4,596
Charge-offs:					
One- to four-family	91	84	153	114	49
Multi-family	--	--	--	--	--
Commercial real estate	--	--	--	--	--
Construction and development ⁽¹⁾	--	--	--	--	--
Consumer	56	77	144	85	42
Commercial business	--	--	--	--	--
Total charge-offs	<u>147</u>	<u>161</u>	<u>297</u>	<u>199</u>	<u>91</u>
Recoveries	<u>35</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>257</u>
Net charge-offs (recoveries)	<u>112</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>(166)</u>
Provisions charged to operations	<u>215</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>184</u>	<u>75</u>
Balance at end of period	<u><u>\$4,598</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,495</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,550</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,825</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,837</u></u>
Ratio of net charge-offs (recoveries) during the period to average loans outstanding during the period	<u><u>--%</u></u>	<u><u>--%</u></u>	<u><u>--%</u></u>	<u><u>--%</u></u>	<u><u>--%</u></u>
Ratio of net charge-offs (recoveries) during the period to average non-performing assets	<u><u>1.31%</u></u>	<u><u>1.02%</u></u>	<u><u>2.31%</u></u>	<u><u>2.11%</u></u>	<u><u>(2.71)%</u></u>
Allowance as a percentage of non-accruing loans	<u><u>89.14%</u></u>	<u><u>74.04%</u></u>	<u><u>50.87%</u></u>	<u><u>60.51%</u></u>	<u><u>72.63%</u></u>
Allowance as a percentage of total loans (end of period)	<u><u>0.08%</u></u>	<u><u>0.09%</u></u>	<u><u>0.11%</u></u>	<u><u>0.10%</u></u>	<u><u>0.09%</u></u>

⁽¹⁾ At September 30, 2005 there were no development loans in the loan portfolio.

The distribution of our allowance for loan losses at the dates indicated is summarized as follows:

	September 30,									
	2005		2004		2003		2002		2001	
	Amount of	Percent	Amount of	Percent	Amount of	Percent	Amount of	Percent	Amount of	Percent
	Loan Loss	of Loans	Loan Loss	of Loans	Loan Loss	of Loans	Loan Loss	of Loans	Loan Loss	of Loans
	Category	in Each	Category	in Each	Category	in Each	Category	in Each	Category	in Each
	to Total		to Total		to Total		to Total		to Total	
	<u>Loans</u>		<u>Loans</u>		<u>Loans</u>		<u>Loans</u>		<u>Loans</u>	
	<u>Allowance</u>		<u>Allowance</u>		<u>Allowance</u>		<u>Allowance</u>		<u>Allowance</u>	
	(Dollars in thousands)									
One- to four-family	\$3,866	94.78%	\$3,561	94.19%	\$3,468	93.99%	\$3,792	94.13%	\$3,970	95.00%
Multi-family	203	0.74	177	0.74	272	0.89	322	0.91	267	0.90
Commercial real estate	67	0.16	65	0.18	59	0.18	38	0.11	36	0.14
Construction and development ⁽¹⁾	129	0.47	197	0.60	143	0.52	177	0.53	319	0.46
Consumer	333	3.85	488	4.29	412	4.42	467	4.32	223	3.50
Commercial business	--	--	7	--	11	--	8	--	--	--
Unallocated	--	--	--	--	185	--	21	--	22	--
Total	<u>\$4,598</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$4,495</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$4,550</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$4,825</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$4,837</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

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Investment Activities

Federally chartered savings institutions have the authority to invest in various types of liquid assets, including U.S. Treasury obligations, securities of various federal agencies, government-sponsored enterprises, including callable agency securities, certain certificates of deposit of insured banks and savings institutions, certain bankers' acceptances, repurchase agreements and federal funds. Subject to various restrictions, federally chartered savings institutions also may invest their assets in investment grade commercial paper and corporate debt securities and mutual funds whose assets conform to the investments that a federally chartered savings institution is otherwise authorized to make directly. See "Regulation - Capitol Federal Savings Bank" and "Qualified Thrift Lender Test" for a discussion of additional restrictions on our investment activities.

The Chief Financial Officer has the primary responsibility for the management of the Bank's investment portfolio, subject to the direction and guidance of the ALCO. The Chief Financial Officer considers various factors when making decisions, including the marketability, maturity and tax consequences of the proposed investment. The maturity structure of investments will be affected by various market conditions, including the current and anticipated slope of the yield curve, the level of interest rates, the trend of net deposit flows, the volume of loan sales and the anticipated demand for funds via deposits, withdrawals and loan originations and purchases.

The general objectives of our investment portfolio are to provide liquidity when loan demand is high, to assist in maintaining earnings when loan demand is low and to maximize earnings while satisfactorily managing risk, including credit risk, reinvestment risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk. Liquidity may increase or decrease depending upon the availability of funds and comparative yields on investments in relation to the return on loans. Cash flow projections are reviewed regularly and updated to assure that adequate liquidity is maintained. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure about Market Risk" in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We classify securities as trading, available-for-sale or held-to-maturity at the date of purchase. We currently have no securities classified as trading. Available-for-sale securities are reported at fair market value. Held-to-maturity securities are reported at cost, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discount. We have both the ability and intent to hold the held-to-maturity securities to maturity.

Investment Securities. Our investment securities portfolio consists of U.S. Government and agency notes including those issued by government-sponsored enterprises such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. At September 30, 2005, our investment securities portfolio totaled \$430.5 million. The entire portfolio is classified as held to maturity. See "Note 2 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Mortgage-Related Securities. Our mortgage-related securities portfolio consists of securities issued by government-sponsored enterprises. At September 30, 2005, our mortgage-related securities portfolio totaled \$2.15 billion. A portion of the mortgage-related securities portfolio consists of collateralized mortgage obligations ("CMOs"). CMOs are special types of pass-through debt securities in which the stream of principal and interest payments on the underlying mortgages or mortgage-related securities are used to create investment classes with different maturities and, in some cases, different amortization schedules, as well as a residual interest, with each such class possessing different risk characteristics. At September 30, 2005, we held CMOs totaling \$3.4 million, all of which were secured by underlying collateral issued under government-sponsored enterprises. All of our CMOs are currently classified as held to maturity. At September 30, 2005, none of our CMOs qualified as high risk mortgage securities as defined under OTS regulations. We do not purchase any residual interest bonds.

During fiscal year 2005, our portfolio of mortgage-related securities decreased \$503.5 million which was primarily a result of management's emphasis on purchasing mortgage loans rather than mortgage-related securities. Maturities and repayments totaled \$797.9 million during fiscal year 2005 which were partially offset by \$309.5 million of securities purchased. Of the securities purchased, \$118.9 million were fixed-rate with a weighted average life of 4.74 years and a weighted average yield of 4.53% and \$190.6 million were adjustable-rate with a weighted average yield of 4.50% and an average of 4.86 years until their first repricing opportunity. See "Note 3 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Mortgage-related securities generally yield less than the loans that underlie such securities because of the cost of payment guarantees or credit enhancements that reduce credit risk. However, mortgage-related securities are more liquid than individual mortgage loans and may be used to collateralize certain borrowings and public unit depositors of the Bank. In general, mortgage-related securities issued or guaranteed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac are weighted at no more than 20% for risk-based capital purposes, compared to the 50% risk-weighting assigned to most non-securitized mortgage loans.

We generally pay a premium over par value for the mortgage-related securities we purchase. When securities are purchased for a price other than par, the difference between the price paid and par is accreted to or amortized against the interest earned over the life of the security, depending on whether a discount or premium to par is paid. Movements in interest rates affect prepayment rates which, in turn, affect the average lives of mortgage-related securities and the speed at which the discount or premium is accreted to or amortized against earnings.

While mortgage-related securities, such as CMOs and Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduits (“REMICs”), carry a reduced credit risk compared to whole loans, these securities remain subject to the risk that a fluctuating interest rate environment, along with other factors such as the geographic distribution of the underlying mortgage loans, may alter the prepayment rate of the underlying mortgage loans and so affect both the prepayment speed, and value, of the securities. As noted above, the Bank, on some transactions, pays a premium over par value for mortgage-related securities purchased. These premiums may be significant and may cause significant negative yield adjustments due to accelerated prepayments on the underlying mortgages.

The following table sets forth the composition of our investment and mortgage-related securities portfolio, excluding FHLB stock, at the dates indicated. Our investment securities portfolio at September 30, 2005 contained neither tax-exempt securities nor securities of any issuer with an aggregate book value in excess of 10% of our stockholders' equity, excluding those issued by the government or its agencies. The carrying value of our investment in FHLB stock approximates its fair value. At September 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, the carrying value of FHLB stock was \$182.3 million, \$174.1 million and \$169.3 million, respectively, which was in excess of 10% of our stockholders' equity.

	September 30,								
	2005			2004			2003		
	Carrying Value	% of Total	Fair Value	Carrying Value	% of Total	Fair Value	Carrying Value	% of Total	Fair Value
(Dollars in thousands)									
Securities available-for-sale:									
Mortgage-related securities	\$ 737,638	100.00%	\$ 737,638	\$1,201,800	100.00%	\$1,201,800	\$2,128,721	100.00%	\$2,128,721
Total securities available-for-sale	<u>\$ 737,638</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 737,638</u>	<u>\$1,201,800</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$1,201,800</u>	<u>\$2,128,721</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$2,128,721</u>
Securities held-to-maturity:									
Mortgage-related securities	\$1,407,616	76.58%	\$1,383,268	\$1,446,908	69.40%	\$1,443,168	\$ 815,453	44.37%	\$ 821,603
U.S. government and agency securities	430,499	23.42	424,952	638,079	30.60	645,601	1,022,412	55.63	1,046,693
Total securities held-to-maturity	<u>\$1,838,115</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$1,808,220</u>	<u>\$2,084,987</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$2,088,769</u>	<u>\$1,837,865</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$1,868,296</u>
Total securities	<u>\$2,575,753</u>		<u>\$2,545,858</u>	<u>\$3,286,787</u>		<u>\$3,290,569</u>	<u>\$3,966,586</u>		<u>\$3,997,017</u>

The composition and maturities of the investment and mortgage-related securities portfolio, excluding FHLB stock, are indicated in the following table.

	September 30, 2005									
	Less than 1 year		1 to 5 years		5 to 10 years		Over 10 years		Total Securities	
	Carrying	Weighted	Carrying	Weighted	Carrying	Weighted	Carrying	Weighted	Carrying	Fair
	Value	Yield	Value	Yield	Value	Yield	Value	Yield	Value	Value
(Dollars in thousands)										
Securities available-for-sale:										
Mortgage-related securities	\$ 9	8.50%	\$ 23,776	6.39%	\$ --	--%	\$ 713,853	4.53%	\$ 737,638	\$ 737,638
Total securities available-for-sale	9	8.50	23,776	6.39	--	--	713,853	4.53	737,638	737,638
Securities held-to-maturity:										
Mortgage-related securities	--	--	72,403	3.50	--	--	1,335,213	4.21	1,407,616	1,383,268
U.S. government and agency securities	190,499	5.49	190,000	3.23	--	--	50,000	5.83	430,499	424,952
Total securities held-to-maturity	190,499	5.49	262,403	3.30	--	--	1,385,213	4.27	1,838,115	1,808,220
Total securities	<u>\$190,508</u>	5.49%	<u>\$286,179</u>	3.56%	<u>\$ --</u>	--%	<u>\$2,099,066</u>	4.36%	<u>\$2,575,753</u>	<u>\$2,545,858</u>

Sources of Funds

General. Our sources of funds are deposits, borrowings, repayment of principal and interest on loans and mortgage-related securities, interest earned on or maturities of other investment securities and funds provided from operations.

Deposits. We offer a variety of deposit accounts having a wide range of interest rates and terms. Our deposits consist of passbook and passcard savings accounts, money market accounts, interest bearing accounts, non-interest bearing checking accounts and certificates of deposit. We rely primarily upon competitive pricing policies, marketing and customer service to attract and retain deposits. The flow of deposits is influenced significantly by general economic conditions, changes in money market and prevailing interest rates and competition.

The variety of deposit accounts we offer has allowed us to be competitive in obtaining funds and to respond with flexibility to changes in consumer demand. We endeavor to manage the pricing of our deposits in keeping with our asset and liability management, liquidity and profitability objectives. Based on our experience, we believe that our deposits are relatively stable sources of funds. Despite this stability, our ability to attract and maintain these deposits and the rates paid on them has been, and will continue to be, significantly affected by market conditions. See “Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure about Market Risk” in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The following table sets forth our deposit flows during the periods indicated. Included in the table are brokered and public unit deposits which totaled \$213.6 million, \$194.6 million and \$130.0 million at September 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively. The growth in non-retail deposits from September 30, 2003 to September 30, 2005 partially offset the decrease in retail deposits for each year presented. During the years presented, the Bank experienced aggressive pricing by other financial institutions in the Bank’s local markets. The decrease in retail deposits is a result of the Bank not matching top competitors’ rates because of the likely adverse impact on earnings.

	Year Ended September 30,		
	2005	2004	2003
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Opening balance	\$4,127,774	\$4,238,145	\$4,392,123
Deposits	6,935,934	6,507,746	6,315,243
Withdrawals	7,190,694	6,700,409	6,578,828
Interest credited	87,283	82,292	109,607
Ending balance	<u>\$3,960,297</u>	<u>\$4,127,774</u>	<u>\$4,238,145</u>
Net decrease	<u>\$ (167,477)</u>	<u>\$ (110,371)</u>	<u>\$ (153,978)</u>
Percent decrease	<u>(4.06) %</u>	<u>(2.60) %</u>	<u>(3.51) %</u>

The following table sets forth the dollar amount of deposits in the various types of deposit programs we offered for the periods indicated.

	Year Ended September 30,					
	2005		2004		2003	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>
	(Dollars in thousands)					
<u>Transactions and Savings</u>						
<u>Deposits:</u>						
Demand deposits	\$ 398,490	10.06%	\$ 380,765	9.22%	\$ 374,762	8.84%
Passbook and Passcard	121,133	3.06	125,992	3.05	119,532	2.82
Money market	<u>873,570</u>	<u>22.06</u>	<u>929,862</u>	<u>22.53</u>	<u>928,260</u>	<u>21.90</u>
Total non-certificates	<u>1,393,193</u>	<u>35.18</u>	<u>1,436,619</u>	<u>34.80</u>	<u>1,422,554</u>	<u>33.56</u>
<u>Certificates (by rate):</u>						
0.00 - 0.99%	123	---	5,109	0.12	104	---
1.00 - 1.99%	137,442	3.47	636,282	15.41	709,092	16.73
2.00 - 2.99%	863,948	21.82	1,236,086	29.95	708,644	16.72
3.00 - 3.99%	905,058	22.85	449,464	10.89	747,269	17.64
4.00 - 4.99%	600,367	15.16	228,475	5.54	251,367	5.93
5.00 - 5.99%	2,611	0.07	22,221	0.54	216,106	5.10
6.00 - 6.99%	<u>57,555</u>	<u>1.45</u>	<u>113,518</u>	<u>2.75</u>	<u>183,009</u>	<u>4.32</u>
Total certificates	<u>2,567,104</u>	<u>64.82</u>	<u>2,691,155</u>	<u>65.20</u>	<u>2,815,591</u>	<u>66.44</u>
Total deposits	<u>\$3,960,297</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$4,127,774</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$4,238,145</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

The following table sets forth the rate and maturity information for our certificate of deposit portfolio as of September 30, 2005.

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Certificates maturing:		
Within three months	\$ 495,367	3.04%
Over three to six months	398,471	3.15
Over six months to one year	604,548	3.19
Over one to two years	681,637	3.74
Over two to three years	243,987	3.48
Over three to four years	107,628	3.48
Over four to five years	31,374	4.07
Thereafter	<u>4,092</u>	<u>3.79</u>
	<u>\$2,567,104</u>	<u>3.35%</u>

The following table sets forth the maturity periods of our certificates of deposit in amounts of \$100 thousand or more at September 30, 2005.

	Amount	Rate
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Certificates maturing:		
Three months or less	\$174,155	3.47%
Over three months through six months	80,340	3.52
Over six months through twelve months	107,893	3.35
Over twelve months	<u>173,518</u>	<u>3.73</u>
	<u>\$535,906</u>	3.54%

The board of directors has authorized the utilization of brokers to obtain deposits as a source of funds. The Bank has entered into several relationships with nationally recognized wholesale deposit brokerage firms to accept deposits from these firms. All fees to the brokers are paid by the depositor. Depending on market conditions, the Bank may use brokered deposits from time to time to fund asset growth and gather deposits that may help to manage interest rate risk. The Bank's policies limit the amount of brokered deposits that it may have at any time to 15% of total deposits. The rates paid on brokered deposits have historically been the same rates offered on our retail deposits. At September 30, 2005 and 2004, the balance of brokered deposits was \$44.3 million and \$82.3 million, respectively.

The board of directors also has authorized the utilization of public unit deposits as a source of funds. The Bank's policies limit the amount of public unit deposits that it may have at any time to 10% of total deposits. The Bank is required by the State of Kansas to offer, at a minimum, the weekly rate published by the State of Kansas, as defined in Kansas statutes. In order to qualify to obtain such deposits, the Bank must have a branch in each county in which it collects public unit deposits. At September 30, 2005 and 2004, the balance of public unit deposits was \$169.3 million and \$112.3 million, respectively. The Bank intends to continue to maintain or grow the balance of public unit deposits as long as the rates published by the State of Kansas and competitors rates are within an acceptable range.

Borrowings. Although deposits are our main source of funds, we may utilize borrowings when, at the time of the borrowing, they can be invested at a positive rate spread, when we desire additional capacity to fund loan demand or when they help us meet our asset and liability management objectives. Historically, our borrowings primarily have consisted of advances from FHLB and occasionally securities sold under agreement to repurchase. During the year, from time to time, we utilized our line-of-credit that we maintain at FHLB. At September 30, 2005, we did not have any borrowings on our line-of-credit. See "Note 8 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the Annual Report to Stockholders" attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The Bank has interest rate swaps with a notional amount of \$800.0 million to hedge an equal amount of FHLB advances. The interest rate swaps are designated as fair value hedges and the Bank accounts for the hedges using the shortcut method. Unrealized gains (losses) in the fair value of the interest rate swaps are offset by an unrealized gain (loss) on the hedged FHLB advances. At September 30, 2005, the net negative fair value adjustment on the interest rate swaps was an unrealized loss of \$23.5 million. The carrying amount of the FHLB advances was reduced by an identical amount.

We may obtain advances from FHLB upon the security of our blanket pledge agreement. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Liquidity and Commitments" in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Such advances may be made pursuant to several different credit programs, each of which has its own interest rate, maturity and convertible features, if any. At September 30, 2005, we had \$3.45 billion in FHLB advances outstanding.

In 2004, the Company formed Capitol Federal Financial Trust I (the "Trust"), which issued \$52.0 million of variable rate cumulative trust preferred securities in a private transaction exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933. The Trust used the proceeds from the sale of its trust preferred securities and from the sale of \$1.6 million of its common securities to the Company to purchase \$53.6 million of Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures (the "Debentures") which are the sole assets of the Trust. See "Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" in the Annual Report to Stockholders attached as Exhibit 13 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Interest on the Debentures is due quarterly in January, April, July and October until the maturity date of April 7, 2034. The interest rate on the Debentures, which is identical to the distribution rate paid on the trust securities and resets at each

interest payment, is based upon the three month LIBOR rate plus 275 basis points. Principal is due at maturity. The Debentures are callable, in part or whole, beginning on April 7, 2009, at par, at the option of the Company. Redemption of the Debentures by the Company will result in redemption of a like amount of trust preferred securities by the Trust. There are certain covenants that the Company is required to comply with regarding the Debentures. These covenants include a prohibition on cash dividends in the event of default or deferral of interest on the Debentures, annual certifications to the Trust and other covenants related to the payment of interest and principal and maintenance of the Trust. The Company was in compliance with all the covenants at September 30, 2005.

Subsidiary and Other Activities

As a federally chartered savings bank, we are permitted by OTS regulations to invest up to 2% of our assets, or \$168.2 million at September 30, 2005, in the stock of, or as unsecured loans to, service corporation subsidiaries. We may invest an additional 1% of our assets in service corporations where such additional funds are used for inner-city or community development purposes. At September 30, 2005, the Bank had one subsidiary, Capitol Funds, Inc. As of September 30, 2005, our total investment in this subsidiary was \$2.6 million. Capitol Funds, Inc. has a wholly owned subsidiary, Capitol Federal Mortgage Reinsurance Corporation ("CFMRC"). CFMRC serves as a reinsurance company for the private mortgage insurance companies the Bank uses in its normal course of operations. CFMRC assumes the risk of default on loans exceeding a five percent loss and less than a ten percent loss. During fiscal 2005, Capitol Funds, Inc. reported net income of \$425 thousand which consisted of interest funded from loan proceeds and net income of \$322 thousand from CFMRC.

REGULATION

General

The Bank, as a federally chartered savings institution, is subject to federal regulation and oversight by the OTS extending to all aspects of its operations. The Bank also is subject to regulation by the FDIC, which insures the deposits of the Bank to the maximum extent permitted by law, and to requirements established by the Federal Reserve Board. Such regulation and supervision primarily is intended for the protection of depositors and not for the purpose of protecting stockholders. The investment and lending authority of savings institutions are prescribed by federal laws and regulations, and such institutions are prohibited from engaging in any activities not permitted by such laws and regulations.

The OTS regularly examines the Bank and prepares reports for the consideration of the Bank's board of directors on any deficiencies that it may find in the Bank's operations. The FDIC also has the authority to examine the Bank in its role as the administrator of the Savings Association Insurance Fund ("SAIF"). The Bank's relationship with its depositors and borrowers also is regulated to a great extent by both Federal and state laws, especially in such matters as the ownership of savings accounts and the form and content of the Bank's mortgage requirements. Any change in such regulations, whether by the FDIC, the OTS, the Federal Reserve Board, Congress or states in which we do business, could have a material adverse impact on MHC, the Company and the Bank and their operations.

Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC

MHC is a federal mutual holding company within the meaning of Section 10(o) of the Home Owners' Loan Act. As such, MHC is required to register with and be subject to OTS examination and supervision as well as certain reporting requirements. In addition, the OTS has enforcement authority over MHC and its non-savings institution subsidiaries, if any. Among other things, this authority permits the OTS to restrict or prohibit activities that are determined to be a serious risk to the financial safety, soundness or stability of a subsidiary savings bank.

A mutual holding company is permitted to, among other things:

- invest in the stock of a savings institution;
- acquire a mutual institution through the merger of such institution into a savings institution subsidiary of such mutual holding company;
- merge with or acquire another mutual holding company of a savings institution;
- acquire non-controlling amounts of the stock of savings institutions and savings institution holding companies, subject to certain restrictions;
- invest in a corporation the capital stock of which is available for purchase by a savings institution under Federal law or under the law of any state where the subsidiary savings institution or institutions have their home offices;
- furnish or perform management services for a savings institution subsidiary of such company;
- hold, manage or liquidate assets owned or acquired from a savings institution subsidiary of such company;
- hold or manage properties used or occupied by a savings institution subsidiary of such company; and
- act as a trustee under deed or trust.

In addition, a mutual holding company may engage in the activities of a multiple savings and loan holding company which are permissible by statute and the OTS and the activities of financial holding companies under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, subject to prior approval by the OTS.

Capitol Federal Financial

Pursuant to regulations of the OTS and the terms of the Company's federal stock charter, the purpose and powers of the Company are to pursue any or all of the lawful objectives of a federal mutual holding company and to exercise any of the powers accorded to a mutual holding company.

If the Bank fails the qualified thrift lender test, within one year of such failure MHC and the Company must register as, and will become subject to, the restrictions applicable to bank holding companies. The activities authorized for a bank holding company are more limited than are the activities authorized for a savings and loan holding company. If the Bank fails the test a second time, MHC and the Company must immediately register as, and become subject to, the

restrictions applicable to a bank holding company. See “Qualified Thrift Lender Test.”

MHC and the Company must obtain approval from the OTS before acquiring control of any other savings institution. Interstate acquisitions are permitted based on specific state authorization or in a supervisory acquisition of a failing savings institution.

Capitol Federal Savings Bank

The OTS has extensive authority over the operations of savings institutions. As part of this authority, the Bank is required to file periodic reports with the OTS and is subject to periodic examinations by the OTS and also may be examined by the FDIC. The last regular OTS examination of the Bank was as of September 30, 2004. All savings institutions are subject to a semi-annual assessment, based upon the savings institution’s total assets, to fund the operations of the OTS. The Bank’s OTS assessment for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2005 was \$1.2 million.

The OTS also has extensive enforcement authority over all savings institutions and their holding companies, including the Bank, the Company and MHC. This enforcement authority includes, among other things, the ability to assess civil money penalties, to issue cease-and-desist or removal orders and to initiate injunctive actions. In general, these enforcement actions may be initiated for violations of laws and regulations and unsafe or unsound practices. Other actions or inactions may provide the basis for enforcement action, including misleading or untimely reports filed with the OTS. Except under certain circumstances, public disclosure of final enforcement actions by the OTS is required.

In addition, the investment, lending and branching authority of the Bank is prescribed by federal laws and the Bank is prohibited from engaging in any activities not permitted by such laws. For instance, no savings institution may invest in non-investment grade corporate debt securities. In addition, the permissible level of investment by federal institutions in loans secured by non-residential real property may not exceed 400% of total capital, except with approval of the OTS. Federal savings institutions also generally are authorized to branch nationwide. The Bank is in compliance with the noted restrictions.

The Bank’s general permissible lending limit for loans-to-one-borrower is equal to the greater of \$500 thousand or 15% of unimpaired capital and surplus (except for loans fully secured by certain readily marketable collateral, in which case this limit is increased to 25% of unimpaired capital and surplus). At September 30, 2005, the Bank’s lending limit under this restriction was \$115.4 million. The Bank is in compliance with the loans-to-one-borrower limitation.

The OTS, as well as the other federal banking agencies, has adopted guidelines establishing safety and soundness standards on such matters as loan underwriting and documentation, asset quality, earnings standards, internal controls and audit systems, interest rate risk exposure and compensation and other employee benefits. Any institution that fails to comply with these standards must submit a compliance plan.

Insurance of Accounts and Regulation by the FDIC

The Bank is a member of the SAIF, which is administered by the FDIC. Deposits are insured up to the applicable limits by the FDIC and such insurance is backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government. As insurer, the FDIC imposes deposit insurance premiums and is authorized to conduct examinations of and to require reporting by FDIC-insured institutions. It also may prohibit any FDIC-insured institution from engaging in any activity the FDIC determines by regulation or order to pose a serious risk to the SAIF or the Bank Insurance Fund (“BIF”). The FDIC also has the authority to initiate enforcement actions against savings institutions, after giving the OTS an opportunity to take such action, and may terminate the deposit insurance if it determines that the institution has engaged in unsafe or unsound practices or is in an unsafe or unsound condition.

The FDIC’s deposit insurance premiums are assessed through a risk-based system under which all insured depository institutions are placed into one of nine categories and assessed insurance premiums based upon their level of capital and supervisory evaluation. Under the system, institutions classified as well capitalized (i.e., a core capital ratio of at least 5%, a ratio of Tier 1, or core capital, to risk-weighted assets (“Tier 1 risk-based capital”) of at least 6% and a risk-based capital ratio of at least 10%) and considered healthy pay the lowest premium while institutions that are less than adequately capitalized (i.e., core or Tier 1 risk-based capital ratios of less than 4% or a risk-based capital ratio of less than 8%) and considered of substantial supervisory concern pay the highest premium. Risk classification of all insured institutions is made by the FDIC for each semi-annual assessment period.

The FDIC is authorized to increase assessment rates, on a semi-annual basis, if it determines that the reserve ratio of the SAIF will be less than the designated reserve ratio of 1.25% of SAIF insured deposits. In setting these increased assessments, the FDIC must seek to restore the reserve ratio to that designated reserve level, or such higher reserve

ratio as established by the FDIC. The FDIC may also impose special assessments on SAIF members to repay amounts borrowed from the United States Treasury or for any other reason deemed necessary by the FDIC.

The premium schedule for BIF and SAIF insured institutions ranges from 0 to 27 basis points. However, SAIF insured institutions and BIF insured institutions are required to pay a Financing Corporation ("FICO") assessment in order to fund the interest on bonds issued to resolve thrift failures in the 1980s. The amount of the FICO premium is included in the total deposit insurance premium paid by the Bank. For the first quarter of fiscal year 2006, this amount will be 1.34 basis points for each \$100 in domestic deposits for SAIF and BIF insured institutions. These assessments, which may be revised based upon the level of BIF and SAIF deposits, will continue until the bonds mature in 2017 through 2019.

Regulatory Capital Requirements

Federally insured savings institutions, such as the Bank, are required to maintain a minimum level of regulatory capital. The OTS has established capital standards, including a tangible capital requirement, a leverage ratio or core capital requirement and a risk-based capital requirement applicable to such savings institutions. These capital requirements must be generally as stringent as the comparable capital requirements for national banks. The OTS is also authorized to impose capital requirements in excess of these standards on individual institutions on a case-by-case basis.

On September 30, 2005, the Bank had core capital of \$764.8 million, total risk-based capital of \$762.4 million and risk-weighted assets of \$3.59 billion. It had a core capital ratio of 9.1%, a core capital to risk-weighted assets ratio of 21.3% and a total risk weighted capital ratio of 21.3%. These ratios exceed the ratios required to be well capitalized.

The OTS capital regulations require tangible capital of at least 1.5% of adjusted total assets, as defined by regulation. Tangible capital generally includes common stockholders' equity and retained income, and certain noncumulative perpetual preferred stock and related income. In addition, all intangible assets, other than a limited amount of mortgage servicing rights, must be deducted from tangible capital for calculating compliance with the requirement. At September 30, 2005, the Bank had tangible capital of \$764.8 million, or 9.1% of adjusted total assets, which is approximately \$638.2 million above the minimum requirement of 1.5% of adjusted total assets in effect on that date.

As a result of the prompt corrective action regulations, to be adequately capitalized, a savings institution must have a ratio of core capital to total assets of at least 4% (unless its supervisory condition permits 3%), a ratio of core capital to risk-weighted assets of at least 4% and a ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets of at least 8%. To be well capitalized, these ratios must be at least 5%, 6% and 10%, respectively.

Core capital generally consists of tangible capital plus certain intangible assets, including a limited amount of purchased credit card relationships. At September 30, 2005, the Bank had no intangibles which were subject to these tests.

Total capital consists of core capital, as defined above, and supplementary capital. Supplementary capital consists of certain permanent and maturing capital instruments that do not qualify as core capital and general valuation loan loss allowances up to a maximum of 1.25% of risk-weighted assets. Supplementary capital may be used to satisfy the risk-based requirement only to the extent of core capital. The OTS is also authorized to require a savings institution to maintain an additional amount of total capital to account for concentration of credit risk and the risk of non-traditional activities. At September 30, 2005, the Bank had \$4.6 million of loan loss allowances, which was less than 1.25% of risk-weighted assets.

In determining the amount of risk-weighted assets, all assets, including certain off-balance sheet items, will be multiplied by a risk weight, ranging from 0% to 100%, based on the risk inherent in the type of asset. For example, the OTS has assigned a risk weight of 50% for prudently underwritten permanent one- to four-family first lien mortgage loans not more than 90 days delinquent and having a loan-to-value ratio of not more than 80% at origination unless insured to such ratio by an insurer approved by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac.

Under the prompt corrective action regulations, the OTS and the FDIC are authorized and, under certain circumstances required, to take certain actions against savings institutions that fail to meet their capital requirements. The OTS generally is required to take action to restrict the activities of an "undercapitalized institution," which is an institution with less than a 4% core capital ratio, a 4% Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio or an 8% risk-based capital ratio. Any such institution must submit a capital restoration plan and until such plan is approved by the OTS may not increase its assets, acquire another institution, establish a branch or engage in any new activities, and generally may not make capital distributions. The OTS is authorized to impose the additional restrictions that are applicable to significantly

undercapitalized institutions.

As a condition to the approval of the capital restoration plan, any company controlling an undercapitalized institution must agree that it will enter into a limited capital maintenance guarantee with respect to the institution's achievement of its capital requirements.

Any savings institution that fails to comply with its capital plan or has Tier 1 risk-based or core capital ratios of less than 3% or a risk-based capital ratio of less than 6% and is considered "significantly undercapitalized" must be made subject to one or more additional specified actions and operating restrictions which may cover all aspects of its operations and may include a forced merger or acquisition of the institution. An institution that becomes "critically undercapitalized" because it has a tangible capital ratio of 2% or less is subject to further mandatory restrictions on its activities in addition to those applicable to significantly undercapitalized institutions. In addition, the OTS must appoint a receiver, or conservator with the concurrence of the FDIC, for a savings institution, with certain limited exceptions, within 90 days after it becomes critically undercapitalized. Any undercapitalized institution is also subject to the general enforcement authority of the OTS and the FDIC, including the appointment of a conservator or a receiver.

The OTS also generally is authorized to reclassify an institution into a lower capital category and impose the restrictions applicable to such category if the institution is engaged in unsafe or unsound practices or is in an unsafe or unsound condition.

The imposition by the OTS or the FDIC of any of these measures on the Bank may have a substantial adverse effect on its operations and profitability.

Limitations on Dividends and Other Capital Distributions

OTS regulations impose various restrictions on savings institutions with respect to their ability to make distributions of capital, which include dividends, stock redemptions or repurchases, cash-out mergers and other transactions charged to the capital account.

Generally under OTS regulations, savings institutions, such as the Bank, may make capital distributions during any calendar year equal to earnings of the previous two calendar years and current year-to-date earnings. It is generally required under OTS safe harbor regulations that the Bank remains well-capitalized before and after the proposed distribution. However, an institution deemed to be in need of more than normal supervision by the OTS may have its dividend authority restricted by the OTS. Savings institutions proposing to make any capital distribution within these limits need only submit written notice to the OTS 30 days prior to such distribution. The OTS may object to the distribution during that 30-day period based on safety and soundness concerns. Savings institutions that desire to make a larger capital distribution, or are under special restrictions, or do not, or would not meet their current minimum capital requirements following a proposed capital distribution, however, must obtain OTS approval prior to making such distribution. See "Regulatory Capital Requirements."

After refinancing the FHLB advances in July 2004 and incurring a prepayment penalty that resulted in a net loss for fiscal year 2004, the Bank will be required to obtain waivers from the OTS for capital distributions to the Company at least through December 31, 2006. The Bank cannot distribute capital to the Company unless it continues to receive waivers from the OTS during the current waiver period. Currently, the Bank has authorization from the OTS to distribute capital from the Bank to the Company through the quarter ending June 30, 2006. So long as the Bank continues to maintain excess capital, operate in a safe and sound manner and comply with the interest rate risk management guidelines of the OTS, it is management's belief that we will be able to continue to receive waivers to distribute, from the Bank to the Company, capital equal to the earnings of the Bank.

Anti-Money Laundering and Customer Identification

The Bank is subject to OTS regulations implementing the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001, or the USA PATRIOT Act. The USA PATRIOT Act gives the federal government powers to address terrorist threats through enhanced domestic security measures, expanded surveillance powers, increased information sharing, and broadened anti-money laundering requirements. By way of amendments to the Bank Secrecy Act, Title III of the USA PATRIOT Act takes measures intended to encourage information sharing among bank regulatory agencies and law enforcement bodies. Further, certain provisions of Title III impose affirmative obligations on a broad range of financial institutions, including banks, thrifts, brokers, dealers, credit unions, money transfer agents and parties registered under the Commodity Exchange Act. Title III of the USA PATRIOT Act and the related OTS regulations impose the following requirements with respect to financial institutions:

- establishment of anti-money laundering programs;
- establishment of a program specifying procedures for obtaining identifying information from customers seeking to open new accounts, including verifying the identity of customers within a reasonable period of time;
- establishment of enhanced due diligence policies, procedures and controls designed to detect and report money laundering;
- prohibitions on correspondent accounts for foreign shelled banks and compliance with record keeping obligations with respect to correspondent accounts of foreign banks.

Privacy Standards

The Bank is subject to OTS regulations implementing the privacy protection provisions of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act. These regulations require the Bank to disclose its privacy policy, including identifying with whom it shares “non-public personal information,” to customers at the time of establishing the customer relationship and annually thereafter.

The regulations also require the Bank to provide its customers with initial and annual notices that accurately reflect its privacy policies and practices. In addition, the Bank is required to provide its customers with the ability to “opt-out” of having the Bank share their non-public personal information with unaffiliated third parties before they can disclose such information, subject to certain exceptions.

The Bank is subject to regulatory guidelines establishing standards for safeguarding customer information. These regulations implement certain provisions of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act. The guidelines describe the agencies’ expectations for the creation, implementation and maintenance of an information security program, which would include administrative, technical and physical safeguards appropriate to the size and complexity of the institution and the nature and scope of its activities. The standards set forth in the guidelines are intended to insure the security and confidentiality of customer records and information, protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of such records and protect against unauthorized access to or use of such records or information that could result in substantial harm or inconvenience to any customer.

Qualified Thrift Lender Test

All savings institutions, including the Bank, are required to meet a qualified thrift lender test to avoid certain restrictions on their operations. This test requires a savings institution to have at least 65% of its portfolio assets in qualified thrift investments on a monthly average for nine out of every 12 months on a rolling basis. As an alternative, the savings institution may maintain 60% of its assets in those assets specified in Section 7701(a)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code. Under either test, such assets consist primarily of residential housing related loans and investments. At September 30, 2005, the Bank met the test and has always met the test.

Any savings institution that fails to meet the qualified thrift lender test must convert to a national bank charter, unless it requalifies as a qualified thrift lender and thereafter remains a qualified thrift lender. If an institution does not requalify and converts to a national bank charter, it must remain SAIF insured until the FDIC permits it to transfer to the BIF. If such an institution has not yet requalified or converted to a national bank, its new investments and activities are limited to those permissible for both a savings institution and a national bank. The institution is limited to national bank branching and it is subject to national bank limits for payment of dividends. If such an institution has not requalified or converted to a national bank within three years after the failure, it must divest of all investments and cease all activities not permissible for a national bank. If any institution that fails the qualified thrift lender test is controlled by a holding company, then within one year after the failure, the holding company must register as a bank holding company and

become subject to all restrictions on bank holding companies. See “Capitol Federal Financial.”

Community Reinvestment Act

Under the Community Reinvestment Act (“CRA”), as implemented by OTS regulations, any federally chartered savings bank, including the Bank, has a continuing and affirmative obligation consistent with its safe and sound operation to help meet the credit needs of its entire community, including low and moderate income neighborhoods. The CRA does not establish specific lending requirements or programs for financial institutions nor does it limit an institution’s discretion to develop the types of products and services that it believes are best suited to its particular community. The CRA requires the OTS, in connection with its examination of a federally chartered savings bank, to assess the depository institution’s record of meeting the credit needs of its community and to take such record into account in its evaluation of certain applications by such institution.

Current CRA regulations rate an institution based on its actual performance in meeting community needs. In particular, the evaluation system focuses on three tests:

- a lending test, to evaluate the institution’s record of making loans in its service areas;
- an investment test, to evaluate the institution’s record of investing in community development projects, affordable housing, and programs benefiting low or moderate income individuals and businesses; and
- a service test, to evaluate the institution’s delivery of services through its branches, ATMs and other offices.

The CRA also requires all institutions to make public disclosure of their CRA ratings. The Bank has received a “satisfactory” rating in its most recent CRA examination. The federal banking agencies adopted regulations implementing the requirements under the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act that insured depository institutions publicly disclose certain agreements that are in fulfillment of the CRA. The Bank has no such agreements in place at this time.

Transactions with Affiliates

Generally, transactions between a savings institution or its subsidiaries and its affiliates are required to be on terms as favorable to the institution as transactions with non-affiliates. In addition, certain of these transactions, such as loans to an affiliate, are restricted to a percentage of the institution’s capital. Affiliates of the Bank include the Company and any company which is under common control with the Bank. In addition, a savings institution may not lend to any affiliate engaged in activities not permissible for a bank holding company or acquire the securities of most affiliates. The OTS has the discretion to treat subsidiaries of savings institutions as affiliates on a case-by-case basis.

Certain transactions with directors, officers or controlling persons are also subject to restrictions under regulations enforced by the OTS. These regulations also impose restrictions on loans to such persons and their related interests. Among other things, such loans must generally be made on terms and conditions substantially the same as for loans to unaffiliated individuals. As of September 30, 2005 management believes such loans were made under terms and conditions substantially the same as loans made to unaffiliated individuals and otherwise complied with applicable regulations.

Federal Securities Law

The common stock of the Company is registered with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The Company is subject to the information, proxy solicitation, insider trading restrictions and other requirements of the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

The Company stock held by persons who are affiliates of the Company may not be resold without registration or unless sold in accordance with certain resale restrictions. Affiliates are generally considered to be officers, directors and principal stockholders. If the Company meets specified current public information requirements, each affiliate of the Company will be able to sell in the public market, without registration, a limited number of shares in any three-month period.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (“Sarbanes-Oxley”), which was signed into law in July 2002, impacts all companies with securities registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including the Company. Sarbanes-Oxley created new requirements in the areas of corporate governance and financial disclosure including, among other things:

- increased responsibility for Chief Executive Officers and Chief Financial Officers with respect to the content of filings with the SEC;
- enhanced requirements for audit committees, including independence and disclosure of expertise;

- enhanced requirements for auditor independence and the types of non-audit services that auditors can provide;
- enhanced requirements for controls and procedures;
- accelerated filing requirements for SEC reports;
- disclosure of a code of ethics; and
- increased disclosure and reporting obligations for companies, their directors and their executive officers.

Certifications of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer as required by Sarbanes-Oxley and the resulting SEC rules can be found in the “Exhibits” section of this Form 10-K.

Federal Reserve System

The Federal Reserve Board requires all depository institutions to maintain non-interest bearing reserves at specified levels against their transaction accounts, primarily checking accounts. At September 30, 2005, the Bank was in compliance with these reserve requirements.

Savings institutions are authorized to borrow from the Federal Reserve Bank “discount window,” but Federal Reserve Board regulations require institutions to exhaust other reasonable alternative sources of funds, including FHLB borrowings, before borrowing from the Federal Reserve Bank. The Bank has not established the required relationship with the Federal Reserve Bank to borrow from the discount window.

Federal Home Loan Bank System

The Bank is a member of FHLB of Topeka, which is one of 12 regional Federal Home Loan Banks that administers the home financing credit function of savings institutions. Each FHLB serves as a reserve or central bank for its members within its assigned region and is funded primarily from proceeds derived from the sale of consolidated obligations of the FHLB System. It makes loans or advances to members in accordance with policies and procedures, established by the board of directors of FHLB, which are subject to the oversight of the Federal Housing Finance Board. All advances from FHLB are required to be fully secured by sufficient collateral as determined by FHLB. In addition, all long-term advances are required to provide funds for residential home financing.

As a member, the Bank is required to purchase and maintain stock in FHLB. For the year ended September 30, 2005, the Bank had an average outstanding balance of \$177.1 million in FHLB stock, which was in compliance with this requirement. In past years, the Bank has received substantial dividends on its FHLB stock. Over the past three fiscal years such dividends have averaged 3.92% and averaged 4.59% for fiscal year 2005. For the year ended September 30, 2005, stock dividends paid by FHLB to the Bank totaled \$8.1 million.

Under federal law FHLBs are required to provide funds for the resolution of troubled savings institutions and to contribute to low- and moderately-priced housing programs through direct loans or interest subsidies on advances targeted for community investment and low- and moderate-income housing projects. These contributions have affected adversely the level of FHLB dividends paid and could continue to do so in the future. A reduction in value of the Bank’s FHLB stock may result in a corresponding reduction in the Bank’s capital.

Federal Savings and Loan Holding Company Regulation

MHC and the Company are unitary savings and loan holding companies within the meaning of the Home Owners’ Loan Act (“HOLA”). As such, MHC and the Company are registered with the OTS and are subject to the OTS regulations, examinations, supervision and reporting requirements. In addition, the OTS has enforcement authority over MHC, the Company and the Bank. Among other things, this authority permits the OTS to restrict or prohibit activities that are determined to be a serious risk to the Bank.

The HOLA prohibits a savings and loan holding company (directly or indirectly, or through one or more subsidiaries) from acquiring another savings association or holding company thereof without prior written approval of the OTS; acquiring or retaining, with certain exceptions, more than 5% of a non-subsidiary savings association, a non-subsidiary holding company, or a non-subsidiary company engaged in activities other than those permitted by the HOLA; or acquiring or retaining control of a depository institution that is not federally insured. In evaluating applications by holding companies to acquire savings associations, the OTS must consider the financial and managerial resources and future prospects of the company and institution involved, the effect of the acquisition on the risk to the insurance funds, the convenience and needs of the community and competitive factors.

TAXATION

Federal Taxation

General. We are subject to federal income taxation in the same general manner as other corporations with some exceptions discussed below. The following discussion of federal taxation is intended only to summarize certain pertinent federal income tax matters and is not a comprehensive description of the tax rules applicable to the Company or the Bank. Our federal income tax returns have been closed without audit as of the close of business on December 15, 2004 by the IRS through its fiscal year ended September 30, 2001.

We file a consolidated federal income tax return using the accrual method of accounting. To the extent of the Company's accumulated earnings and profits, any cash distributions made by the Company to its stockholders is considered to be taxable dividends and not as a non-taxable return of capital to stockholders for federal and state tax purposes. The Bank maintains a tax-sharing agreement with the Company and its subsidiary to provide for the payment of taxes based upon the taxable earnings of each company.

Bad Debt Reserves. Prior to the Small Business Job Protection Act, the Bank was permitted to establish a reserve for bad debts and to make annual additions to the reserve. These additions could, within specified formula limits, be deducted in arriving at taxable income. As a result of the Small Business Job Protection Act, savings associations must now use the specific charge-off method in computing bad debt deductions beginning with their 1996 federal tax return. In addition, federal legislation required the Bank to recapture, over a six-year period, the excess of tax bad debt reserves at September 30, 1997 over those established as of the base year reserve balance as of September 30, 1989. The full amount of such reserve has been recaptured for the Bank. The Bank continues to utilize the reserve method in determining its privilege tax obligations to the State of Kansas. Prior to the Small Business Job Protection Act, bad debt reserves created prior to the year ended September 30, 1997 were subject to recapture into taxable income should the Bank fail to meet certain thrift asset and definitional tests. New federal legislation eliminated these thrift related recapture rules. However, under current law, pre-1988 reserves remain subject to recapture should the Bank make certain non-dividend distributions or cease to qualify as a Bank as defined in Code section 581.

State Taxation

The earnings of the Company may be combined with the Bank and its subsidiary for purposes of the Kansas privilege tax if certain principles of unitary relationships are maintained. Certain principles of unitary relationships are currently maintained so the Company files a consolidated Kansas privilege tax return. For Kansas privilege tax purposes, for taxable years beginning after 1997, the minimum tax rate is 4.5% of earnings, which is calculated based on federal taxable income, subject to certain adjustments.

As of September 30, 2005, the State of Kansas is auditing the Company's 2002, 2003 and 2004 consolidated Kansas privilege tax returns.

Employees

At September 30, 2005, we had a total of 761 employees, including 159 part-time employees. Our employees are not represented by any collective bargaining group. Management considers its employee relations to be good.

Executive Officers of the Registrant

John C. Dicus. Age 72 years. Mr. Dicus is Chairman of the Board of Directors. He has served in this capacity with the Bank since 1989 and with the Company since its inception in March 1999. He has served the Bank in various capacities since 1959. He also served as Chief Executive Officer of the Bank and the Company until January 2003 and President of the Bank from 1969 until 1996. He is the father of Mr. John B. Dicus.

John B. Dicus. Age 44 years. Mr. Dicus is Chief Executive Officer and President of the Bank and the Company. He took over the responsibilities of Chief Executive Officer effective January 1, 2003. He has served as President of the Bank since 1996 and of the Company since its inception in March 1999. Prior to accepting the responsibilities of CEO he served as Chief Operating Officer of the Bank and the Company. Prior to that, he served as the Executive Vice President of Corporate Services for the Bank for four years. He has been with the Bank in various other positions since 1985. He is the son of Mr. John C. Dicus.

M. Jack Huey. Age 56 years. Mr. Huey has served as Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer of the Bank since June 2002. Since June 2002 he has also served as President of Capitol Funds Inc., a subsidiary of the Bank. Since August 2002, he has served as President of CFMRC. Prior to that, he served as the Central Region Lending officer since joining the Bank in 1991.

Neil F.M. McKay. Age 64 years. Mr. McKay serves as Executive Vice President assisting with investments and corporate strategy, having assumed this position effective September 1, 2005 in anticipation of his retirement from the Company on March 31, 2006. Mr. McKay previously served as the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Bank and the Company since joining the Bank in 1994 and the Company since its inception in March 1999. Prior to that, he served as the Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer of another savings institution for five years.

Larry K. Brubaker. Age 58 years. Mr. Brubaker has been employed with the Bank since 1971 and currently serves as Executive Vice President for Corporate Services of Capitol Federal Savings, a position he has held since 1997. Prior to that, he was employed by the Bank as the Eastern Region Manager for seven years.

R. Joe Aleshire. Age 58 years. Mr. Aleshire has been employed with the Bank since 1973 and currently serves as Executive Vice President for Retail Operations of Capitol Federal Savings, a position he has held since 1997. Prior to that, he was employed by the Bank as the Wichita Area Manager for 17 years.

Kent G. Townsend. Age 44 years. Mr. Townsend serves as Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Bank and the Company. Mr. Townsend was promoted to Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer on September 1, 2005. Prior to that, he served as Senior Vice President, a position he held since April 1999, and Controller of the Company, a position he held since March 1999. He has served in similar positions with the Bank since September 1995. He served as the Financial Planning and Analysis Officer with the Bank for three years and other financial related positions since joining the Bank in 1984.

Tara D. Van Houweling. Age 32 years. Ms. Van Houweling has been employed with the Bank and Company since May 2003 and currently serves as First Vice President, Principal Accounting Officer and Reporting Director. She has held the position of Reporting Director since May 2003. Prior to being employed by the Bank and Company, Ms. Van Houweling was the Assistant Controller for First Specialty Insurance Corporation, a subsidiary of Employers Reinsurance Corporation from August 2002 to May 2003. Prior to that, Ms. Van Houweling was employed by Deloitte & Touche, LLP in the Audit Services Department as an Audit Senior and then Audit Manager from June 1999 to August 2002.

Item 2. Properties

At September 30, 2005, we had 29 traditional offices and eight in-store offices. The Bank owns the office building in which its home office and executive offices are located. At September 30, 2005, the Bank owned 24 of its other branch offices and the remaining 12 branch offices, including eight in-store locations, were leased.

For additional information regarding our lease obligations, see “Note 6 of the Consolidated Financial Statements” of the attached Annual Report to Stockholders for the year ended September 30, 2005.

Management believes that our current facilities are adequate to meet the present and immediately foreseeable needs of the Bank and the Company.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

The Company and the Bank are involved as plaintiff or defendant in various legal actions arising in the normal course of business. In our opinion, after consultation with legal counsel, we believe it unlikely that such pending legal actions will have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

No matter was submitted to a vote of security holders, through the solicitation of proxies or otherwise, during the quarter ended September 30, 2005.

PART II

Item 5. Market for the Registrant's Common Stock, Related Security Holder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

The section entitled "Stockholder Information" of the attached Annual Report to Stockholders for the year ended September 30, 2005 is incorporated herein by reference.

See "Note 1 of the Consolidated Financial Statements" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Capital" of the attached Annual Report to Stockholders for the year ended September 30, 2005 regarding the OTS restrictions on dividends from the Bank to the Company.

The following table summarizes our share repurchase activity during the three months ended September 30, 2005 and additional information regarding our share repurchase program. There were 1,211 shares purchased during the month of August that were received in exchange for the exercise of options. The additional 67,712 shares purchased during the month of August were purchased in the open market. The average price paid represents the shares purchased in the open market. Our current repurchase plan of 1,536,102 shares was announced on November 7, 2002. The plan has no expiration date.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share ⁽¹⁾	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans	Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plan
July 1, 2005 through July 31, 2005	1,700	\$34.39	1,700	615,105
August 1, 2005 through August 31, 2005	68,923	34.19	68,923	546,182
September 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005	37,970	34.34	37,970	508,212
Total	108,593	\$34.25	108,593	508,212

⁽¹⁾ Average price based upon shares purchased in the open market.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The section entitled "Selected Consolidated Financial Data" of the attached Annual Report to Stockholders for year ended September 30, 2005 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The section entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of the attached Annual Report to Stockholders for year ended September 30, 2005 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk

The section entitled "Management Discussion of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure about Market Risk" of the attached Annual Report to Stockholders for year ended September 30, 2005 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The section entitled "Consolidated Financial Statements" of the attached Annual Report to Stockholders for year ended September 30, 2005 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements With Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

John B. Dicus, the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer, and Kent G. Townsend, the Company's Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, have evaluated the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-14(c) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the "Act") as of September 30, 2005. Based upon their evaluation, they have concluded that as of September 30, 2005, such disclosure controls and procedures were sufficiently effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports it files under the Act was recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms.

Management's report on our internal control over financial reporting and the report thereon of our independent registered public accounting firm are contained in the attached Annual Report to Stockholders for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by Rule 13a-15(d) of the Act that occurred during the Company's last fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2005 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information

On December 12, 2005, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors approved a new short-term performance cash bonus plan. The new plan is essentially a continuation of the Company's existing short-term performance plan, which will expire following the payment of bonuses earned for fiscal 2005. The new plan will expire following the payment of bonuses for fiscal 2011. Under the new plan, bonuses will be determined and calculated in the same manner as under the expiring plan. A copy of the new short-term performance plan is attached to this Form 10-K as Exhibit 10.10.

The short-term performance plan provides for annual bonus awards, as a percentage of base salary, to selected management personnel based on the achievement of pre-established corporate and individual performance criteria. Awards, if any, are typically made in January for the fiscal year ended the preceding September 30th. A portion of any bonus awarded under the short-term performance plan (from \$2,000 to as much as 50% of the award, up to a maximum of \$100,000) to an officer eligible to participate in the Company's Deferred Incentive Bonus Plan (the "DFIB") may be deferred under the DFIB for a three-year period. The total of the amount deferred, plus a 50% Company match, is deemed to be invested in the Company's common stock at the closing price as of the December 31st immediately preceding the deferral date. If the participant is still employed at the end of the deferral period, the participant will receive a cash payment equal to the sum of: (1) the deferred amount, (2) the Company match, (3) the value of all dividend equivalents paid during the deferral period on the Company common stock in which the participant is deemed to have invested and (4) the appreciation, if any, during the deferral period on the Company common stock in which the participant is deemed to have invested.

As under the expiring short-term performance plan, the corporate performance criteria under the new short-term performance plan are comprised of targeted levels of the Company's return on average equity, basic earnings per share and efficiency ratio. For each executive officer named below, 90% of his award will continue to be based on the attainment of corporate performance goals, with the remainder based on his achievement of individual performance objectives. On December 12, 2005, the Compensation Committee established the targets for fiscal 2006 for each of the performance criteria.

Under the new short-term performance plan, as under the expiring plan, the maximum potential annual bonus awards for the executive officers whom the Company believes are likely to be named in the summary compensation table in the Company's proxy statement for its annual meeting of stockholders following the end of fiscal year 2006 are as follows: John C. Dicus, Chairman, 60% of base salary; John B. Dicus, President and Chief Executive Officer, 60% of base salary; Larry K. Brubaker, Executive Vice President for Corporate Services, 40% of base salary; M. Jack Huey, Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer, 40% of base salary; and Richard J. Aleshire, Executive Vice President for Retail Operations, 40% of base salary.

PART III

Item 10. Directors and Executive Officers of the Registrant

Information required by this item concerning the Company's directors and compliance with section 16(a) of the Act is incorporated herein by reference from the definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held in January 2006, except for information contained under the heading "Compensation Committee Report on Executive Compensation", "Report of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors" and "Stockholder Return Performance Presentation", a copy of which will be filed not later than 120 days after the close of the fiscal year.

Pursuant to General Instruction G(3), information concerning executive officers of the Company is included in Part I, under the caption "Executive Officers" of this Form 10-K.

Audit Committee Financial Expert

Information required by this item regarding the audit committee of the Company's board of directors, including information regarding the audit committee financial expert serving on the audit committee, is incorporated herein by reference from the definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held in January 2006, a copy of which will be filed not later than 120 days after the close of the fiscal year.

Code of Ethics

We have adopted a written code of ethics within the meaning of Item 406 of SEC Regulation S-K that applies to our principal executive officer and senior financial officers, and to all of our other employees and our directors, a copy of which is available free of charge by contacting Jim Wempe, our Investor Relations Officer, at (785) 270-6055 or from our Internet website (www.capfed.com).

Item 11. Executive Compensation

Information required by this item concerning compensation is incorporated herein by reference from the definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held in January 2006, except for information contained under the heading "Compensation Committee Report on Executive Compensation", "Report of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors" and "Stockholder Return Performance Presentation", a copy of which will be filed not later than 120 days after the close of the fiscal year.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

Information required by this item concerning security ownership of certain beneficial owners and management is incorporated herein by reference from the definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held in January 2006, except for information contained under the heading "Compensation Committee Report on Executive Compensation", "Report of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors" and "Stockholder Return Performance Presentation", a copy of which will be filed not later than 120 days after the close of the fiscal year.

The following table sets forth information as of September 30, 2005 with respect to compensation plans under which shares of our common stock may be issued:

Equity Compensation Plan Information			Number of Shares Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Shares Reflected in the First Column)
<u>Plan Category</u>	<u>Number of Shares to be issued upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights</u>	<u>Weighted Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights</u>	
Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders	789,749	\$15.61	695,605 ⁽¹⁾
Equity compensation plans not approved by stockholders	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Total	<u>789,749</u>	<u>\$15.61</u>	<u>695,605</u>

⁽¹⁾ This amount includes 203,087 shares issuable under the Company's Recognition and Retention Plan.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

Information required by this item concerning certain relationships and related transactions is incorporated herein by reference from the definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held in January 2006, except for information contained under the heading "Compensation Committee Report on Executive Compensation", "Report of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors" and "Stockholder Return Performance Presentation", a copy of which will be filed not later than 120 days after the close of the fiscal year.

Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

Information required by this item concerning principal accountant fees and services is incorporated herein by reference from the definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held in January 2006, a copy of which will be filed not later than 120 days after the close of the fiscal year.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) The following is a list of documents filed as part of this report:

(1) Financial Statements:

The following financial statements are included under Part II, Item 8 of this Form 10-K:

1. Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
2. Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2005 and 2004.
3. Consolidated Statements of Income for the Years Ended September 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003.
4. Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity for the Years Ended September 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003.
5. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the Years Ended September 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003.
6. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for the Years Ended September 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003.

(2) Financial Statement Schedules:

All financial statement schedules have been omitted as the information is not required under the related instructions or is not applicable.

(3) Exhibits:

See Index to Exhibits.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

CAPITOL FEDERAL FINANCIAL

Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ John B. Dicus
John B. Dicus, President and
Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the date indicated.

By: /s/ John B. Dicus
John B. Dicus, President
and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)
Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ B. B. Andersen
B. B. Andersen, Director
Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ John C. Dicus
John C. Dicus, Chairman of the Board
Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ Michael T. McCoy, M.D.
Michael T. McCoy, M.D., Director
Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ Kent G. Townsend
Kent G. Townsend, Executive Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer)
Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ Marilyn S. Ward
Marilyn S. Ward, Director
Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ Jeffrey R. Thompson
Jeffrey R. Thompson, Director
Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ Tara D. Van Houweling
Tara D. Van Houweling, First Vice President
and Reporting Director
(Principal Accounting Officer)
Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ Jeffrey M. Johnson
Jeffrey M. Johnson, Director
Date: December 14, 2005

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Exhibit <u>Number</u>	<u>Document</u>
2.0	Plan of Reorganization and Stock Issuance Plan*
3(i)	Federal Stock Charter of Capitol Federal Financial*
3(ii)	Bylaws of Capitol Federal Financial filed on August 4, 2004 as Exhibit 3(ii) to the June 30, 2004 Form 10-Q
4(i)	Form of Stock Certificate of Capitol Federal Financial*
4(ii)	The Registrant agrees to furnish to the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, the instruments defining the rights of the holders of the Registrant's long-term debt.
10.1	Registrant's Thrift and Stock Ownership Plan
10.2	Registrant's 2000 Stock Option and Incentive Plan (the "Stock Option Plan") filed on April 13, 2000 as Appendix A to Registrant's Revised Proxy Statement (File No. 000-25391)
10.3	Registrant's 2000 Recognition and Retention Plan (the "RRP" filed on April 13, 2000 as Appendix B to Registrant's Revised Proxy Statement (File No. 000-25391)
10.4	Deferred Incentive Bonus Plan filed on December 31, 2001 as Exhibit 10.4 to the Annual Report on Form 10K.
10.5	Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement under the Stock Option Plan filed on February 4, 2005 as Exhibit 10.5 to the December 31, 2004 Form 10-Q
10.6	Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement under the Stock Option Plan filed on February 4, 2005 as Exhibit 10.6 to the December 31, 2004 Form 10-Q
10.7	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement under the RRP filed on February 4, 2005 as Exhibit 10.7 to the December 31, 2004 Form 10-Q
10.8	Description of Named Executive Officer Salary and Bonus Arrangements
10.9	Description of Director Fee Arrangements filed on August 4, 2005 as Exhibit 10.9 to the June 30, 2005 Form 10-Q
10.10	Short-term Performance Plan
11	Statement re: computation of earnings per share**
13	Annual Report to Stockholders
14	Code of Ethics***
21	Subsidiaries of the Registrant
23	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
31.1	Certification pursuant to section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 made by John B. Dicus, President and Chief Executive Officer
31.2	Certification pursuant to section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 made by Kent G. Townsend, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
32.1	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. section 1350, as adopted pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 made by John B. Dicus, Chief Executive Officer, and Kent G. Townsend, Chief Financial Officer.

*Incorporated by reference from Capitol Federal Financial's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-68363) filed on February 11, 2000, as amended and declared effective on the same date.

**No statement is provided because the computation of per share earnings on both a basic and fully diluted basis can be clearly determined from the Financial Statements included in the 2005 Annual Report to Stockholders, filed herewith.

***May be obtained free of charge from the Registrant's Investor Relations Officer by calling (785) 270-6055 or from the Registrant's internet website at www.capfed.com.

Exhibit 10.1

CAPITOL FEDERAL FINANCIAL THRIFT AND STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

Defined Contribution Plan 8.0

Restated October 1, 2005

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PLAN EXECUTION

INTRODUCTION

Capitol Federal Financial previously established a thrift and profit sharing plan effective October 1, 1969, most recently known as Partners in Thrift. Capitol Federal Financial also previously established an employee stock ownership plan effective October 1, 1998 known as Capitol Federal Financial Employee Stock Ownership Plan. Both plans have been amended at various times to comply with applicable changes in laws related to such plans and to change various provisions of each plan.

Capitol Federal Financial is of the opinion that the plans should be changed. It believes that the best means to accomplish these changes is to merge both plans and completely restate the merged plans' terms, provisions and conditions. The restatement, effective October 1, 2005, is set forth in this document and is substituted in lieu of the prior document.

The restated plan continues to be for the exclusive benefit of employees of Capitol Federal Financial. All persons covered under both plans on September 30, 2005, shall continue to be covered under the restated plan with no loss of benefits.

It is intended that the plan, as restated, shall consist of two components. One component is intended to qualify as a qualified stock bonus plan under Code Section 401(a), as an employee stock ownership plan under Code Section 4975(e)(7). This component includes employer contributions invested in company stock. The other component is intended to qualify as a profit sharing plan under Code Section 401(a). The profit sharing component includes a participant thrift and voluntary contribution component in addition to employer discretionary matching and profit sharing contributions. The underlying Trust is intended to be exempt from taxation under Code Section 501.

The purpose of this Plan is to offer Participants a systematic program for accumulation of retirement and savings income, as well as a means to obtaining beneficial interest of ownership in company stock. The ESOP component of the Plan is intended to primarily invest in common stock of the Capitol Federal Financial.

ARTICLE I

FORMAT AND DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.01--FORMAT.

Words and phrases defined in the DEFINITIONS SECTION of Article I shall have that defined meaning when used in this Plan, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

These words and phrases have an initial capital letter to aid in identifying them as defined terms.

SECTION 1.02--DEFINITIONS.

Account means, for a Participant, his share of the Plan Fund. Separate accounting records are kept for those parts of his Account that result from:

- (a) Thrift Contributions
- (b) Voluntary Contributions
- (c) Matching Contributions
- (d) Profit Sharing Contributions
- (e) ESOP Contributions (other than cash dividends paid on Qualifying Employer Securities and initially reinvested in Qualifying Employer Securities at the election of the Participant.)
- (f) ESOP Diversification Amounts
- (g) Rollovers from Capitol Federal Savings Employee's Pension Plan
- (h) ESOP 404(k) Stock (which means cash dividends that the Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee elects to have reinvested in Qualifying Employer Securities pursuant to Section 4.02(c)(3)).

If the Participant's Vesting Percentage is less than 100% as to any of the portion of the Account attributable to Employer Contributions, a separate accounting record will be kept for any part of his Account resulting from such Employer Contributions and, if there has been a prior Forfeiture Date, from such Contributions made before a prior Forfeiture Date.

A Participant's Account shall be reduced by any distribution of his Vested Account and by any Forfeitures. A Participant's Account shall participate in the earnings credited, expenses charged, and any appreciation or depreciation of the Investment Fund. His Account is subject to any minimum guarantees applicable under the Annuity Contract or other investment arrangement and to any expenses associated therewith.

If a Participant makes a diversification election under Section 4.02(b), such amount shall be credited to a Diversification Account, which is maintained under the non-ESOP component of the Plan.

Accounts and subaccounts, in addition to those specified above, may also be maintained if considered appropriate in the administration of the Plan.

ACP Test means the nondiscrimination test described in Code Section 401(m)(2) as provided for in subparagraph (d) of the EXCESS AMOUNTS SECTION of Article III.

Active Participant means an Eligible Employee who is actively participating in the Plan according to the provisions in the ACTIVE PARTICIPANT SECTION of Article II.

Adopting Employer means an employer which is a Controlled Group member and which has adopted this Plan.

Affiliated Service Group means any group of corporations, partnerships or other organizations of which the Employer is a part and which is affiliated within the meaning of Code Section 414(m) and regulations thereunder. Such a group includes at least two organizations one of which is either a service organization (that is, an organization the principal business of which is performing services), or an organization the principal business of which is performing management functions on a regular and continuing basis. Such service is of a type historically performed by employees. In the case of a management organization, the Affiliated Service Group shall include organizations related, within the meaning of Code Section 144(a)(3), to either the management organization or the organization for which it performs management functions. The term Controlled Group, as it is used in this Plan, shall include the term Affiliated Service Group.

Alternate Payee means any spouse, former spouse, child, or other dependent of a Participant who is recognized by a qualified domestic relations order as having a right to receive all, or a portion of, the benefits payable under the Plan with respect to such Participant.

Annual Compensation means, for a Plan Year, the Employee's Compensation for the Compensation Year ending with or within the consecutive 12-month period ending on the last day of the Plan Year.

Annual Compensation shall only include Compensation received while an Active Participant.

Annuity Contract means the annuity contract or contracts into which the Trustee enters with the Insurer for the investment of Contributions in separate accounts under this Plan. The term Annuity Contract as it is used in this Plan shall include the plural unless the context clearly indicates the singular is meant.

Beneficiary means the person or persons named by a Participant to receive any benefits under the Plan when the Participant dies. See the BENEFICIARY SECTION of Article X.

Benefit Commencement Date means, for a Participant, the first day of the first period for which an amount is payable.

Claimant means any person who makes a claim for benefits under this Plan. See the CLAIM AND APPEAL PROCEDURES SECTION of Article IX.

Code means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Compensation means, except for purposes of the CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION SECTION of Article III and Article XI, the total earnings, except as modified in this definition, paid or made available to an Employee by the Employer during any specified period.

"Earnings" in this definition means wages, salaries, and fees for professional services and other amounts received (without regard to whether or not an amount is paid in cash) for personal services actually rendered in the course of employment with the Employer maintaining the plan to the extent that the amounts are includible

in gross income (including, but not limited to, commissions, paid sick leave, vacation and personal days), and excluding the following:

- (a) employer contributions to a plan of deferred compensation which are not included in the Employee's gross income for the taxable year in which contributed, or employer contributions under a simplified employee pension plan, or any distributions from a plan of deferred compensation;
- (b) amounts realized from the exercise of a non-qualified stock option, or when restricted stock (or property) held by the Employee either becomes freely transferable or is no longer subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture;
- (c) amounts realized from the sale, exchange or other disposition of stock acquired under a qualified stock option; and
- (d) other amounts which receive special tax benefits, or contributions made by the Employer (whether or not under a salary reduction agreement) towards the purchase of an annuity contract described in Code Section 403(b) (whether or not the contributions are actually excludible from the gross income of the Employee).

Compensation shall exclude reimbursements or other expense allowances, fringe benefits (cash and noncash), moving expenses, deferred compensation (other than elective contributions), and welfare benefits.

Compensation shall exclude the following:

- bonuses
- excess commissions as described in certain employment contracts
- overtime pay
- incentive pay
- employee referral payments

Compensation shall also include elective contributions. For this purpose, elective contributions are amounts contributed by the Employer pursuant to a salary reduction agreement and which are not includible in the gross income of the Employee under Code Section 125, 132(f)(4), 402(e)(3), 402(h)(1)(B), or 403(b).

For purposes of the EXCESS AMOUNTS SECTION of Article III, the Employer may elect to use an alternative nondiscriminatory definition of Compensation in accordance with the regulations under Code Section 414(s).

For Plan Years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, the annual Compensation of each Participant taken into account for determining all benefits provided under the Plan for any determination period shall not exceed \$200,000, as adjusted for increases in the cost-of-living in accordance with Code Section 401(a)(17)(B). The cost-of-living adjustment in effect for a calendar year applies to any determination period beginning in such calendar year.

If a determination period consists of fewer than 12 months, the annual limit is an amount equal to the otherwise applicable annual limit multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the number of months in the short determination period, and the denominator of the fraction is 12.

If Compensation for any prior determination period is taken into account in determining a Participant's contributions or benefits for the current Plan Year, the Compensation for such prior determination period is subject to the applicable annual compensation limit in effect for that determination period. For this purpose, in

determining contributions or benefits in Plan Years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, the annual compensation limit in effect for determination periods beginning before that date is \$200,000.

Compensation Year means the consecutive 12-month period ending on the last day of each Plan Year, including corresponding periods before October 1, 2005.

Contributions means

- Thrift Contributions
- Voluntary Contributions
- Matching Contributions
- Profit Sharing Contributions
- ESOP Contributions

as set out in Article III, unless the context clearly indicates only specific contributions are meant.

Controlled Group means any group of corporations, trades, or businesses of which the Employer is a part that are under common control. A Controlled Group includes any group of corporations, trades, or businesses, whether or not incorporated, which is either a parent-subsidary group, a brother-sister group, or a combined group within the meaning of Code Section 414(b), Code Section 414(c) and regulations thereunder and, for purposes of determining contribution limitations under the CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION SECTION of Article III, as modified by Code Section 415(h) and, for the purpose of identifying Leased Employees, as modified by Code Section 144(a)(3). The term Controlled Group, as it is used in this Plan, shall include the term Affiliated Service Group and any other employer required to be aggregated with the Employer under Code Section 414(o) and the regulations thereunder.

Direct Rollover means a payment by the Plan to the Eligible Retirement Plan specified by the Distributee.

Distributee means an Employee or former Employee. In addition, the Employee's (or former Employee's) surviving spouse and the Employee's (or former Employee's) spouse or former spouse who is the alternate payee under a qualified domestic relations order, as defined in Code Section 414(p), are Distributees with regard to the interest of the spouse or former spouse.

Eligibility Break in Service means an Eligibility Computation Period in which an Employee is credited with 500 or fewer Hours-of-Service. An Employee incurs an Eligibility Break in Service on the last day of an Eligibility Computation Period in which he has an Eligibility Break in Service.

Eligibility Computation Period means a consecutive 12-month period. The first Eligibility Computation Period begins on an Employee's Employment Commencement Date. Later Eligibility Computation Periods shall be consecutive 12-month periods ending on the last day of each Plan Year that begins after his Employment Commencement Date.

To determine an Eligibility Computation Period after an Eligibility Break in Service, the Plan shall use the consecutive 12-month period beginning on an Employee's Reemployment Commencement Date as if his Reemployment Commencement Date were his Employment Commencement Date.

Eligibility Service means one year of service for each Eligibility Computation Period that has ended and in which an Employee is credited with at least 1,000 Hours-of-Service.

However, Eligibility Service is modified as follows:

Service with a Predecessor Employer which did not maintain this Plan included:

An Employee's service with a Predecessor Employer which did not maintain this Plan shall be included as service with the Employer. An Employee's service with such Predecessor Employer shall be counted only if service continued with the Employer without interruption. This service includes service performed while a proprietor or partner.

Period of Military Duty included:

A Period of Military Duty shall be included as service with the Employer to the extent it has not already been credited. For purposes of crediting Hours-of-Service during the Period of Military Duty, an Hour-of-Service shall be credited (without regard to the 501-Hour-of-Service limitation) for each hour an Employee would normally have been scheduled to work for the Employer during such period.

Controlled Group service included:

An Employee's service with a member firm of a Controlled Group while both that firm and the Employer were members of the Controlled Group shall be included as service with the Employer.

Eligible Employee means any Employee of the Employer who meets the following requirement. His employment classification with the Employer is all of the following:

Nonbargaining class. Not represented for collective bargaining purposes by any collective bargaining agreement between the Employer and employee representatives, if retirement benefits were the subject of good faith bargaining and if two percent or less of the Employees who are covered pursuant to the agreement are professionals as defined in section 1.410(b)-9 of the regulations. For this purpose, the term "employee representatives" does not include any organization more than half of whose members are Employees who are owners, officers, or executives of the Employer.

Not a nonresident alien, within the meaning of Code Section 7701(b)(1)(B), who receives no earned income, within the meaning of Code Section 911(d)(2), from the Employer which constitutes income from sources within the United States, within the meaning of Code Section 861(a)(3), or who receives such earned income but it is all exempt from income tax in the United States under the terms of an income tax convention.

Not a Leased Employee.

Not an Employee who is regularly employed outside the Employer's own offices in connection with the operation and maintenance of buildings or other properties acquired through foreclosure or deed.

Not an Employee considered by the Employer to be an independent contractor, or the employee of an independent contractor, who is later determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be an Employee. In the event an individual described in the previous sentence is reclassified or deemed to be reclassified as a common-law Employee of the Employer who meets the definition of Eligible Employee, the individual shall be eligible to participate in the Plan as of the actual date of such reclassification (to the extent the individual has met the requirements in the ACTIVE PARTICIPANT SECTION of Article II). If the effective date of such reclassification is prior to the actual date of such reclassification, in no event shall the reclassified individual be eligible to participate in the Plan retroactively to the effective date of such reclassification.

Not a Director of the Employer unless the individual is otherwise an Employee of the Employer.

Not an Employee who became an Employee as a result of a Code Section 410(b)(6)(C) transaction. These Employees will be excluded during the period beginning on the date of the transaction and ending on the last day of the first Plan Year after the date of the transaction. A Code Section 410(b)(6)(C) transaction is an asset or stock acquisition, merger, or similar transaction involving a change in the employer of the employees of a trade or business.

Eligible Retirement Plan means an individual retirement account described in Code Section 408(a), an individual retirement annuity described in Code Section 408(b), an annuity plan described in Code Section 403(a) or a qualified trust described in Code Section 401(a), that accepts the Distributee's Eligible Rollover Distribution. Eligible Retirement Plan also means an annuity contract described in Code Section 403(b) and an eligible plan under Code Section 457(b) which is maintained by a state, political subdivision of a state, or any agency or instrumentality of a state or political subdivision of a state and which agrees to separately account for amounts transferred into such plan from this Plan. However, in the case of an Eligible Rollover Distribution to the surviving spouse, an Eligible Retirement Plan is an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity.

Eligible Rollover Distribution means any distribution of all or any portion of the balance to the credit of the Distributee, except that an Eligible Rollover Distribution does not include: (i) any distribution that is one of a series of substantially equal periodic payments (not less frequently than annually) made for the life (or life expectancy) of the Distributee or the joint lives (or joint life expectancies) of the Distributee and the Distributee's designated Beneficiary, or for a specified period of ten years or more; (ii) any distribution to the extent such distribution is required under Code Section 401(a)(9); (iii) any hardship distribution; (iv) the portion of any other distribution(s) that is not includible in gross income (determined without regard to the exclusion for net unrealized appreciation with respect to employer securities); and (v) any other distribution(s) that is reasonably expected to total less than \$200 during a year.

A portion of a distribution shall not fail to be an Eligible Rollover Distribution merely because the portion consists of after-tax employee contributions which are not includible in gross income. However, such portion may be transferred only to an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity described in Code Section 408(a) or (b), or to a qualified defined contribution plan described in Code Section 401(a) or 403(a) that agrees to separately account for amounts so transferred, including separately accounting for the portion of such distribution which is includible in gross income and the portion of such distribution which is not so includible.

Employee means an individual who is employed by the Employer or any other employer required to be aggregated with the Employer under Code Sections 414(b), (c), (m), or (o). A Controlled Group member is required to be aggregated with the Employer.

The term Employee shall include any Self-employed Individual treated as an employee of any employer described in the preceding paragraph as provided in Code Section 401(c)(1). The term Employee shall also include any Leased Employee deemed to be an employee of any employer described in the preceding paragraph as provided in Code Section 414(n) or (o).

Employer means, except for purposes of the CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION SECTION of Article III, the Primary Employer. This will also include any successor corporation or firm of the Employer which shall, by written agreement, assume the obligations of this Plan or any Predecessor Employer which maintained this Plan.

Employer Contributions means

Matching Contributions
Profit Sharing Contributions
ESOP Contributions

as set out in Article III and contributions made by the Employer to fund this Plan in accordance with the provisions of the MODIFICATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS SECTION of Article XI, unless the context clearly indicates only specific contributions are meant.

Employment Commencement Date means the date an Employee first performs an Hour-of-Service.

Entry Date means the date an Employee first enters the Plan as an Active Participant. See the ACTIVE PARTICIPANT SECTION of Article II.

ERISA means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

ESOP Contributions means contributions made by the Employer or a Controlled Group Member in the form of Qualifying Employer Securities under the ESOP Portion of the Plan, or in cash designated by the Employer to be invested in Qualifying Employer Securities or designated to repay any outstanding Exempt Loan. See the EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS SECTION of Article III.

ESOP Portion of the Plan means the aggregate of the Participant Accounts attributable to ESOP Contributions, the Diversification Accounts, the ESOP 404(k) Stock and the Unallocated Reserve.

Exempt Loan means a loan or other extension of credit to the Plan to enable the Plan to acquire shares of Qualifying Employer Securities, or to refinance a prior Exempt Loan.

Fiscal Year means the Primary Employer's taxable year. The last day of the Fiscal Year is September 30.

Forfeiture means the part, if any, of a Participant's Account that is forfeited. See the FORFEITURES SECTION of Article III.

Forfeiture Date means, as to a Participant, the date the Participant ceases employment with the Employer or any Controlled Group member.

Highly Compensated Employee means any Employee who:

- (a) was a 5-percent owner at any time during the year or the preceding year, or
- (b) for the preceding year had compensation from the Employer in excess of \$80,000 and was in the top-paid group for the preceding year. The \$80,000 amount is adjusted at the same time and in the same manner as under Code Section 415(d), except that the base period is the calendar quarter ending September 30, 1996.

For this purpose the applicable year of the plan for which a determination is being made is called a determination year and the preceding 12-month period is called a look-back year. If the Employer makes a calendar year data election, the look-back year shall be the calendar year beginning with or within the look-back year. The Plan may not use such election to determine whether Employees are Highly Compensated Employees on account of being a 5-percent owner.

In determining who is a Highly Compensated Employee, the Employer makes a top-paid group election. The effect of this election is that an Employee (who is not a 5-percent owner at any time during the determination year or the look-back year) with compensation in excess of \$80,000 (as adjusted) for the look-back year is a Highly Compensated Employee only if the Employee was in the top-paid group for the look-back year. In determining who is a Highly Compensated Employee, the Employer does not make a calendar year data election.

Calendar year data elections and top-paid group elections, once made, apply for all subsequent years unless changed by the Employer. If the Employer makes one election, the Employer is not required to make the other. If both elections are made, the look-back year in determining the top-paid group must be the calendar year beginning with or within the look-back year. These elections must apply consistently to the determination years of all plans maintained by the Employer which reference the highly compensated employee definition in Code Section 414(q), except as provided in Internal Revenue Service Notice 97-45 (or superseding guidance).

The determination of who is a highly compensated former Employee is based on the rules applicable to determining Highly Compensated Employee status as in effect for that determination year, in accordance with section 1.414(q)-1T, A-4 of the temporary Income Tax Regulations and Internal Revenue Service Notice 97-45 (or superseding guidance).

The determination of who is a Highly Compensated Employee, including the determinations of the number and identity of Employees in the top-paid group, the compensation that is considered, and the identity of the 5-percent owners, shall be made in accordance with Code Section 414(q) and the regulations thereunder.

Hour-of-Service means, for the elapsed time method of crediting service in this Plan, each hour for which an Employee is paid, or entitled to payment, for performing duties for the Employer. Hour-of-Service means, for the hours method of crediting service in this Plan, the following:

- (a) Each hour for which an Employee is paid, or entitled to payment, for performing duties for the Employer during the applicable computation period.
- (b) Each hour for which an Employee is paid, or entitled to payment, by the Employer because of a period of time in which no duties are performed (irrespective of whether the employment relationship has terminated) due to vacation, holiday, illness, incapacity (including disability), layoff, jury duty, military duty or leave of absence. Notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this subparagraph (b), no credit will be given to the Employee:
 - (1) for more than 501 Hours-of-Service under this subparagraph (b) because of any single continuous period in which the Employee performs no duties (whether or not such period occurs in a single computation period); or
 - (2) for an Hour-of-Service for which the Employee is directly or indirectly paid, or entitled to payment, because of a period in which no duties are performed if such payment is made or due under a plan maintained solely for the purpose of complying with applicable worker's or workmen's compensation, or unemployment compensation, or disability insurance laws; or
 - (3) for an Hour-of-Service for a payment which solely reimburses the Employee for medical or medically related expenses incurred by him.

For purposes of this subparagraph (b), a payment shall be deemed to be made by, or due from the Employer, regardless of whether such payment is made by, or due from the Employer, directly or

indirectly through, among others, a trust fund or insurer, to which the Employer contributes and regardless of whether contributions made or due to the trust fund, insurer or other entity are for the benefit of particular employees or are on behalf of a group of employees in the aggregate.

- (c) Each hour for which back pay, irrespective of mitigation of damages, is either awarded or agreed to by the Employer. The same Hours-of-Service shall not be credited both under subparagraph (a) or subparagraph (b) above (as the case may be) and under this subparagraph (c). Crediting of Hours-of-Service for back pay awarded or agreed to with respect to periods described in subparagraph (b) above will be subject to the limitations set forth in that subparagraph.

The crediting of Hours-of-Service above shall be applied under the rules of paragraphs (b) and (c) of the Department of Labor Regulation 2530.200b-2 (including any interpretations or opinions implementing such rules); which rules, by this reference, are specifically incorporated in full within this Plan. The reference to paragraph (b) applies to the special rule for determining hours of service for reasons other than the performance of duties such as payments calculated (or not calculated) on the basis of units of time and the rule against double credit. The reference to paragraph (c) applies to the crediting of hours of service to computation periods.

Actual hours shall be tracked for purposes of crediting Hours-of-Service. In the event actual hours are not tracked, an Employee will be credited with 45 hours for each portion of a week worked.

Hours-of-Service shall be credited for employment with any other employer required to be aggregated with the Employer under Code Sections 414(b), (c), (m), or (o) and the regulations thereunder for purposes of eligibility and vesting. Hours-of-Service shall also be credited for any individual who is considered an employee for purposes of this Plan pursuant to Code Section 414(n) or (o) and the regulations thereunder.

Solely for purposes of determining whether a one-year break in service has occurred for eligibility or vesting purposes, during a Parental Absence an Employee shall be credited with the Hours-of-Service which otherwise would normally have been credited to the Employee but for such absence, or in any case in which such hours cannot be determined, eight Hours-of-Service per day of such absence. The Hours-of-Service credited under this paragraph shall be credited in the computation period in which the absence begins if the crediting is necessary to prevent a break in service in that period; or in all other cases, in the following computation period.

Inactive Participant means a former Active Participant who has an Account. See the INACTIVE PARTICIPANT SECTION of Article II.

Insurer means Principal Life Insurance Company and any other insurance company or companies named by the Trustee or Primary Employer.

Investment Fund means the total of Plan assets. All or a portion of these assets may be held under the Trust Agreement.

The Investment Fund shall be valued at current fair market value as of the Valuation Date. The valuation shall take into consideration investment earnings credited, expenses charged, payments made, and changes in the values of the assets held in the Investment Fund.

The Investment Fund shall be allocated at all times to Participants, except as otherwise expressly provided in the Plan. The Account of a Participant shall be credited with its share of the gains and losses of the Investment Fund. That part of a Participant's Account invested in a funding arrangement which establishes one or more accounts or investment vehicles for such Participant thereunder shall be credited with the gain or loss from such accounts or investment vehicles. The part of a Participant's Account which is invested in other funding

arrangements shall be credited with a proportionate share of the gain or loss of such investments. The share shall be determined by multiplying the gain or loss of the investment by the ratio of the part of the Participant's Account invested in such funding arrangement to the total of the Investment Fund invested in such funding arrangement.

Investment Manager means any fiduciary (other than a trustee or Named Fiduciary)

- (a) who has the power to manage, acquire, or dispose of any assets of the Plan;
- (b) who (i) is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; (ii) is not registered as an investment adviser under such Act by reason of paragraph (1) of section 203A(a) of such Act, is registered as an investment adviser under the laws of the state (referred to in such paragraph (1)) in which it maintains its principal office and place of business, and, at the time it last filed the registration form most recently filed by it with such state in order to maintain its registration under the laws of such state, also filed a copy of such form with the Secretary of Labor, (iii) is a bank, as defined in that Act; or (iv) is an insurance company qualified to perform services described in subparagraph (a) above under the laws of more than one state; and
- (c) who has acknowledged in writing being a fiduciary with respect to the Plan.

Late Retirement Date means the first day of any month which is after a Participant's Normal Retirement Date and on which retirement benefits begin. If a Participant continues to work for the Employer after his Normal Retirement Date, his Late Retirement Date shall be the earliest first day of the month on or after the date he ceases to be an Employee. An earlier or a later Retirement Date may apply if the Participant so elects. An earlier Retirement Date may apply if the Participant is age 70 1/2. See the WHEN BENEFITS START SECTION of Article V.

Leased Employee means any person (other than an employee of the recipient) who, pursuant to an agreement between the recipient and any other person ("leasing organization"), has performed services for the recipient (or for the recipient and related persons determined in accordance with Code Section 414(n)(6)) on a substantially full time basis for a period of at least one year, and such services are performed under primary direction or control by the recipient. Contributions or benefits provided by the leasing organization to a Leased Employee, which are attributable to service performed for the recipient employer, shall be treated as provided by the recipient employer.

A Leased Employee shall not be considered an employee of the recipient if:

- (a) such employee is covered by a money purchase pension plan providing (i) a nonintegrated employer contribution rate of at least 10 percent of compensation, as defined in Code Section 415(c)(3), (ii) immediate participation, and (iii) full and immediate vesting, and
- (b) Leased Employees do not constitute more than 20 percent of the recipient's nonhighly compensated work force.

Loan Administrator means the person(s) or position(s) authorized to administer the Participant loan program.

The Loan Administrator is the Director of Human Resources.

Matching Contributions means contributions made by the Employer to fund this Plan which are contingent on a Participant's Thrift Contributions. See the EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS SECTION of Article III.

Monthly Date means each Yearly Date and the same day of each following month during the Plan Year beginning on such Yearly Date.

Named Fiduciary means the person or persons who have authority to control and manage the operation and administration of the Plan.

The Named Fiduciaries are the Employer, the Trustee and the Investment Manager.

Nonhighly Compensated Employee means an Employee of the Employer who is not a Highly Compensated Employee.

Nonvested Account means the excess, if any, of a Participant's Account over his Vested Account.

Normal Retirement Age means the age at which the Participant's normal retirement benefit becomes nonforfeitable if he is an Employee. A Participant's Normal Retirement Age is 65.

Normal Retirement Date means the earliest first day of the month on or after the date the Participant reaches his Normal Retirement Age. Unless otherwise provided in this Plan, a Participant's retirement benefits shall begin on a Participant's Normal Retirement Date if he has ceased to be an Employee on such date and has a Vested Account. See the WHEN BENEFITS START SECTION of Article V.

Parental Absence means an Employee's absence from work:

- (a) by reason of pregnancy of the Employee,
- (b) by reason of birth of a child of the Employee,
- (c) by reason of the placement of a child with the Employee in connection with adoption of such child by such Employee, or
- (d) for purposes of caring for such child for a period beginning immediately following such birth or placement.

Participant means either an Active Participant or an Inactive Participant.

Participant Contributions means Thrift and Voluntary Contributions as set out in Article III.

Period of Military Duty means, for an Employee

- (a) who served as a member of the armed forces of the United States, and
- (b) who was reemployed by the Employer at a time when the Employee had a right to reemployment in accordance with seniority rights as protected under Chapter 43 of Title 38 of the U. S. Code,

the period of time from the date the Employee was first absent from active work for the Employer because of such military duty to the date the Employee was reemployed.

Plan means the employee stock ownership and thrift and profit sharing plan of the Employer set forth in this document, including any later amendments to it. The portion of the Plan that consists of the Qualifying Employer Securities Fund is a stock bonus and employee stock ownership plan within the meaning of Code Section 4975(e)(7). The remaining portion of the Plan is a thrift and profit sharing plan.

Plan Administrator means the person or persons who administer the Plan.

The Plan Administrator is the Employer.

Plan Fund means the total of the Investment Fund. The Investment Fund shall be valued as stated in its definition. The total value of all amounts held under the Plan Fund shall equal the value of the aggregate Participants' Accounts under the Plan.

Plan Year means a period beginning on a Yearly Date and ending on the day before the next Yearly Date.

Plan-year Quarter means a period beginning on a Quarterly Date and ending on the day before the next Quarterly Date.

Predecessor Employer means a firm of which the Employer was once a part (e.g., due to a spinoff or change of corporate status) or a firm absorbed by the Employer because of a merger or acquisition (stock or asset, including a division or an operation of such company) which maintained this Plan or which maintained another qualified pension or profit sharing plan. Capitol Federal Savings & Loan Association shall be considered a Predecessor Employer.

Primary Employer means Capitol Federal Financial.

Profit Sharing Contributions means discretionary contributions made by the Employer or a Controlled Group Member in cash designated to fund the Profit Sharing Portion of the Plan. See the EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS SECTION of Article III.

Profit Sharing Portion of the Plan means that portion of the Plan other than the ESOP Portion of the Plan.

Qualified Nonelective Contributions means contributions made by the Employer to fund the Plan (other than Matching Contributions) which are 100% vested and subject to the distribution restrictions as contained in this Plan. See the EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION SECTION of Article III and the WHEN BENEFITS START SECTION of Article V.

Qualifying Employer Securities means any security which is issued by the Employer or any Controlled Group member and which meets the requirements of Code Section 409(l) and ERISA Section 407(d)(5). This shall also include any securities that satisfied the requirements of the definition when these securities were assigned to the Plan.

Qualifying Employer Securities Fund means that part of the assets of the Trust Fund that are designated to be held primarily or exclusively in Qualifying Employer Securities for the purpose of providing benefits for Participants.

Quarterly Date means each Yearly Date and the third, sixth, and ninth Monthly Date after each Yearly Date which is within the same Plan Year.

Reemployment Commencement Date means the date an Employee first performs an Hour-of-Service following an Eligibility or Vesting Break in Service.

Reentry Date means the date a former Active Participant reenters the Plan. See the ACTIVE PARTICIPANT SECTION of Article II.

Retirement Date means the date a retirement benefit will begin and is a Participant's Early, Normal, or Late Retirement Date, as the case may be.

Semi-yearly Date means each Yearly Date and the sixth Monthly Date after each Yearly Date which is within the same Plan Year.

Thrift Contributions means contributions by a Participant that are not required as a condition of employment, of participation, but are required for obtaining additional benefits from the Employer Matching Contributions. See the THRIFT CONTRIBUTIONS BY PARTICIPANTS SECTION of Article III.

Totally and Permanently Disabled means that a Participant is disabled, as a result of a physical or mental condition resulting from bodily injury, disease, or mental disorder which renders him incapable of continuing his employment with the Employer and is eligible for and receives a disability benefit under Title II of the Federal Social Security Act. The determination shall be applied uniformly to all Participants.

Trust Agreement means an agreement or agreements of trust between the Primary Employer and Trustee established for the purpose of holding and distributing the Trust Fund under the provisions of the Plan. The Trust Agreement may provide for the investment of all or any portion of the Trust Fund in the Annuity Contract or any other investment arrangement.

Trust Fund means the total funds held under an applicable Trust Agreement. The term Trust Fund when used within a Trust Agreement shall mean only the funds held under that Trust Agreement.

Trustee means the party or parties named in the applicable Trust Agreement. The term Trustee as it is used in this Plan is deemed to include the plural unless the context clearly indicates the singular is meant.

Unallocated Reserve means the portion of the ESOP Portion of the Plan that holds the unallocated Qualifying Employer Securities that are held as collateral on the Exempt Loan and have not yet been released and allocated to Participants.

Valuation Date means the date on which the value of the assets of the Investment Fund is determined. The value of each Account which is maintained under this Plan shall be determined on the Valuation Date. In each Plan Year, the Valuation Date shall be the last day of the Plan Year. At the discretion of the Plan Administrator, Trustee, or Insurer (whichever applies), assets of the Investment Fund may be valued more frequently. These dates shall also be Valuation Dates.

Vested Account means the vested part of a Participant's Account. The Participant's Vested Account is determined as follows.

If the Participant's Vesting Percentage is 100%, his Vested Account equals his Account.

If the Participant's Vesting Percentage is less than 100%, his Vested Account equals the sum of (a) and (b) below:

- (a) The part of the Participant's Account that results from Employer Contributions made before a prior Forfeiture Date and all other Contributions which were 100% vested when made.
- (b) The balance of the Participant's Account in excess of the amount in (a) above multiplied by his Vesting Percentage.

The Participant's Vested Account is nonforfeitable.

Vesting Break in Service means a Vesting Computation Period in which an Employee is credited with 500 or fewer Hours-of-Service. An Employee incurs a Vesting Break in Service on the last day of a Vesting Computation Period in which he has a Vesting Break in Service.

Vesting Computation Period means a consecutive 12-month period ending on the last day of each Plan Year.

Vesting Percentage means the percentage used to determine the nonforfeitable portion of a Participant's Account attributable to Employer Contributions which were not 100% vested when made.

A Participant's Vesting Percentage is shown in the following schedule opposite the number of whole years of his Vesting Service.

VESTING SERVICE (whole years)	VESTING PERCENTAGE
Less than 5	0
5 or more	100

The Vesting Percentage for a Participant who is an active Employee on or after the date he reaches Normal Retirement Age shall be 100%. The Vesting Percentage for a Participant who is an active Employee on the date he becomes Totally and Permanently Disabled or dies shall be 100%. The Vesting Percentage of a Participant's Account attributable to his ESOP 404(k) Stock shall always be 100%.

If the schedule used to determine a Participant's Vesting Percentage is changed, the new schedule shall not apply to a Participant unless he is credited with an Hour-of-Service on or after the date of the change and the Participant's nonforfeitable percentage on the day before the date of the change is not reduced under this Plan. The amendment provisions of the AMENDMENTS SECTION of Article X regarding changes in the computation of the Vesting Percentage shall apply.

Vesting Service means one year of service for each Vesting Computation Period in which an Employee is credited with at least 1,000 Hours-of-Service.

However, Vesting Service is modified as follows:

Rule of parity service excluded:

An Employee's Vesting Service, accumulated before a Vesting Break in Service, shall be excluded if:

- (a) his Vesting Percentage is zero, and
- (b) his latest period of consecutive Vesting Breaks in Service equals or exceeds the greater of (i) five years, or (ii) his prior Vesting Service (disregarding any Vesting Service that was excluded because of a previous period of Vesting Breaks in Service).

Service with a Predecessor Employer which did not maintain this Plan included:

An Employee's service with a Predecessor Employer which did not maintain this Plan shall be included as service with the Employer. An Employee's service with such Predecessor Employer shall be counted

only if service continued with the Employer without interruption. This service includes service performed while a proprietor or partner.

Period of Military Duty included:

A Period of Military Duty shall be included as service with the Employer to the extent it has not already been credited. For purposes of crediting Hours-of-Service during the Period of Military Duty, an Hour-of-Service shall be credited (without regard to the 501 Hour-of-Service limitation) for each hour an Employee would normally have been scheduled to work for the Employer during such period.

Controlled Group service included:

An Employee's service with a member firm of a Controlled Group while both that firm and the Employer were members of the Controlled Group shall be included as service with the Employer.

An Employee's service with Capitol Federal Savings Bank shall be included as service with the Employer.

Voluntary Contributions means contributions by a Participant that are not required as a condition of employment, of participation, or for obtaining additional benefits from the Employer Contributions. See the VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS BY PARTICIPANTS SECTION of Article III.

Yearly Date means October 1, 1969, and each following October 1.

Years of Service means an Employee's Vesting Service disregarding any modifications which exclude service.

ARTICLE II

PARTICIPATION

SECTION 2.01--ACTIVE PARTICIPANT.

- (a) An Employee shall first become an Active Participant (begin active participation in the Plan) on the earliest Semi-yearly Date on which he is an Eligible Employee and has met the eligibility requirement set forth below. This date is his Entry Date.

(1) He has completed one year of Eligibility Service before his Entry Date.

(2) He is age 21 or older.

Each Employee who was an Active Participant under the Plan on September 30, 2005, shall continue to be an Active Participant if he is still an Eligible Employee on October 1, 2005, and his Entry Date shall not change.

With respect to the Profit Sharing Portion of the Plan only, each Employee who was hired by the Employer before October 1, 2005 shall first become an Active Participant (begin active participation in the Plan) on the earliest Semi-yearly Date on which he is an Eligible Employee and has met the earlier of 1) the eligibility requirement described above, or 2) completion of two years of Eligibility Service before his Entry Date (regardless of whether the Employee has attained age 21).

If service with a Predecessor Employer is counted for purposes of Eligibility Service, an Employee shall be credited with such service on the date he becomes an Employee and shall become an Active Participant on the earliest Semi-yearly Date on which he is an Eligible Employee and has met all of the eligibility requirements above. This date is his Entry Date.

If a person has been an Eligible Employee who has met all of the eligibility requirements above, but is not an Eligible Employee on the date which would have been his Entry Date, he shall become an Active Participant on the date he again becomes an Eligible Employee. This date is his Entry Date.

In the event an Employee who is not an Eligible Employee subsequently becomes an Eligible Employee, such Employee shall become an Active Participant immediately if such Employee has satisfied the eligibility requirements above and would have otherwise previously become an Active Participant had he met the definition of Eligible Employee. This date is his Entry Date.

- (b) An Inactive Participant shall again become an Active Participant (resume active participation in the Plan) on the date he again performs an Hour-of-Service as an Eligible Employee. This date is his Reentry Date.

Upon again becoming an Active Participant, he shall cease to be an Inactive Participant.

- (c) A former Participant shall again become an Active Participant (resume active participation in the Plan) on the date he again performs an Hour-of-Service as an Eligible Employee. This date is his Reentry Date.

There shall be no duplication of benefits for a Participant under this Plan because of more than one period as an Active Participant.

SECTION 2.02--INACTIVE PARTICIPANT.

An Active Participant shall become an Inactive Participant (stop accruing benefits under the Plan) on the earlier of the following:

- (a) the date the Participant ceases to be an Eligible Employee, or
- (b) the effective date of complete termination of the Plan under Article VIII.

An Employee or former Employee who was an Inactive Participant under the Plan on September 30, 2005, shall continue to be an Inactive Participant on October 1, 2005. Eligibility for any benefits payable to the Participant or on his behalf and the amount of the benefits shall be determined according to the provisions of the prior documents, unless otherwise stated in this document.

SECTION 2.03--CESSATION OF PARTICIPATION.

A Participant shall cease to be a Participant on the date he is no longer an Eligible Employee and his Vested Account is zero.

ARTICLE III

CONTRIBUTIONS

SECTION 3.01--EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS.

Employer Contributions shall be made without regard to current or accumulated net income, earnings or profits of the Employer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Profit Sharing Portion of the Plan shall continue to be designed to qualify as a thrift and profit sharing plan for purposes of Code Sections 401(a), 402, 412, and 417. Such Contributions shall be equal to the Employer Contributions as described below:

- (a) The Employer may make discretionary Matching Contributions in an amount up to 200% of Thrift Contributions. The percentage of Thrift Contributions matched shall be a percentage as determined by the Employer.

Matching Contributions are calculated based on Thrift Contributions and Compensation for the Plan Year. Matching Contributions are made for all persons who meet the allocation requirements of the ALLOCATION SECTION of this article.

Matching Contributions are fully (100%) vested and nonforfeitable.

- (b) The Employer may make discretionary Profit Sharing Contributions in an amount as determined by the Employer.

Profit Sharing Contributions may be made for the Plan Year for persons who satisfy the allocation requirements of the ALLOCATION SECTION of this Article.

Profit Sharing Contributions shall be fully (100%) vested and nonforfeitable

- (c) ESOP Contributions will be made for each Plan Year for which a payment is due on an Exempt Loan. The amount of the ESOP Contribution for the Plan Year will be determined at the sole discretion of the Primary Employer, but will not be less than the minimum amount sufficient to enable the Trustee to make the current payment due on the Exempt Loan to the extent that such payment cannot be satisfied from cash dividends paid on shares of Qualifying Employer Securities held in the ESOP Accounts counts (if the Primary Employer directs that such dividends be applied to the Exempt Loan), or cash dividends paid on shares of Qualifying Employer Securities held in the Unallocated Reserve or other investment earnings of the Unallocated Reserve.

Additional ESOP Contributions may be made for each Plan Year in an amount determined by the Employer which could be used for future Exempt Loan payments.

The ESOP Contribution Account is subject to the Vesting Percentage. However, the separate account maintained to reflect the cash dividends paid on shares of Qualifying Employer Securities attributable to ESOP Contributions (and earnings thereon) that are initially reinvested in Qualifying Employer Securities under the Plan at the election of the Participant is fully (100%) vested and nonforfeitable.

Employer Contributions are allocated according to the provisions of the ALLOCATION SECTION of this article.

A portion of the Plan assets resulting from Employer Contributions (but not more than the original amount of those Contributions) may be returned if the Employer Contributions are made because of a mistake of fact or are

more than the amount deductible under Code Section 404 (excluding any amount which is not deductible because the Plan is disqualified). The amount involved must be returned to the Employer within one year after the date the Employer Contributions are made by mistake of fact or the date the deduction is disallowed, whichever applies. Except as provided under this paragraph and Article VIII, the assets of the Plan shall never be used for the benefit of the Employer and are held for the exclusive purpose of providing benefits to Participants and their Beneficiaries and for defraying reasonable expenses of administering the Plan.

SECTION 3.01A-- THRIFT CONTRIBUTIONS BY PARTICIPANTS.

An Active Participant may make Thrift Contributions in accordance with nondiscriminatory procedures set up by the Plan Administrator. Thrift Contributions must be a percentage of Compensation.

A Participant's participation in the Plan, other than Matching Contributions, is not affected by stopping or changing Thrift Contributions. An Active Participant's request to start, change or stop his Thrift Contributions must be made in a manner and in accordance with such rules as the Employer may prescribe (including by means of voice response or other electronic system under circumstances the Employer permits).

Thrift Contributions shall be credited to the Participant's Account as of the end of the Plan Year for which the Thrift Contribution is made, as that is the time it may be determined that the Participant is eligible to be make Thrift Contributions to the Plan in accordance with Section 3.03. Until that time, the amounts set aside for the purpose of ultimately being contributed to the Plan (pending satisfaction of the allocation conditions) shall be treated as an asset of the Participant and not the Plan, and available for use by the Participant in accordance with procedures set forth by the Employer. Such assets shall not be treated as assets of the Plan until such time as the allocation conditions are satisfied), at which time the withheld amounts shall be contributed to the Plan as soon as reasonably practicable, subject to the requirements of ERISA and the applicable regulations thereunder.

The part of the Participant's Account resulting from Thrift Contributions is fully (100%) vested and nonforfeitable at all times.

SECTION 3.01B-- VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS BY PARTICIPANTS.

An Active Participant may make Voluntary Contributions in accordance with nondiscriminatory procedures set up by the Plan Administrator. Voluntary Contributions must be a percentage of Compensation.

A Participant's participation in the Plan is not affected by stopping or changing Voluntary Contributions. An Active Participant's request to start, change or stop his Voluntary Contributions must be made in a manner and in accordance with such rules as the Employer may prescribe (including by means of voice response or other electronic system under circumstances the Employer permits).

Voluntary Contributions shall be credited to the Participant's Account as of the end of the Plan Year for which the Voluntary Contribution is made, as that is the time it may be determined that the Participant is eligible to be make Voluntary Contributions to the Plan in accordance with Section 3.03. Until that time, the amounts set aside for the purpose of ultimately being contributed to the Plan (pending satisfaction of the allocation conditions) shall be treated as an asset of the Participant and not the Plan, and available for use by the Participant in accordance with procedures set forth by the Employer. Such assets shall not be treated as assets of the Plan until such time as the allocation conditions are satisfied), at which time the withheld amounts shall be contributed to the Plan as soon as reasonably practicable, subject to the requirements of ERISA and the applicable regulations thereunder.

The part of the Participant's Account resulting from Voluntary Contributions is fully (100%) vested and nonforfeitable at all times.

SECTION 3.02--FORFEITURES.

The Nonvested Account of a Participant shall be forfeited as of the Participant's Forfeiture Date.

A Forfeiture shall also occur as provided in the EXCESS AMOUNTS SECTION of this article.

With respect to the ESOP Portion of the Plan, any portion of a Participant's Nonvested Account balance attributable to Qualifying Employer Securities will become a Forfeiture only after the other portion of a Participant's Nonvested Account balance that is not invested in Qualifying Employer Securities is forfeited.

Forfeitures attributable to the ESOP Contributions Account occurring during the Plan Year may, at the discretion of the Plan Administrator, be used to pay or reimburse expenses of the Plan, to the extent such payment or reimbursement is consistent with the applicable fiduciary requirements of ERISA. As of the last day of each Plan Year, all forfeitures which have not been applied in accordance with the preceding sentence and are then available for reallocation shall be, as appropriate, added to the ESOP Contribution (if any) for such year and allocated among the Participant ESOP Contributions Accounts in the manner provided in Section 3.03. Notwithstanding the foregoing, dividends on forfeited Qualifying Employer Securities shall be treated in the same manner as dividends attributable Qualifying Employer Securities held in the Unallocated Suspense Account and applied in the same manner as provided in Section 4.02(c)(2).

Forfeitures shall be determined at least once during each Plan Year. Forfeitures shall be deemed to be Employer Contributions and allocated as ESOP Contributions.

SECTION 3.03--ALLOCATION.

A person meets the allocation requirements of this section if he is an Active Participant on the last day of the Plan Year and has at least 1,000 Hours-of-Service during the Plan Year. If a Participant is on an approved leave of absence on the last day of the Plan Year, such Participant shall be considered as Active Participant on the last day of the Plan Year.

Thrift and Voluntary Contributions shall be allocated to Participants who meet the allocation requirements of this section and for whom such Contributions are made under the THRIFT AND VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS BY PARTICIPANT SECTIONS of this article. Such Contributions shall be allocated when made and credited to the Participant's Account, no later than required by ERISA or the Department of Labor regulations thereunder..

Matching Contributions shall be allocated to the persons who meet the allocation requirements of this section and for whom such Contributions are made under the EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS SECTION of this article. Such Contributions shall be based on the Thrift Contributions and Compensation for the Plan Year and shall be allocated as of the last day of the Plan Year and credited to the person's Account attributable to Matching Contributions

Profit Sharing Contributions for the Plan Year (if any) shall be allocated as of the last day of the Plan Year to each person who meets the allocation requirements of this section, using Annual Compensation for the Plan Year. The amount allocated to such person shall be equal to the Profit Sharing Contributions multiplied by the ratio of such person's Annual Compensation to the total Annual Compensation of all such persons. The amount shall be credited to the person's Account attributable to Profit Sharing Contributions..

The ESOP Contribution for the Plan Year (if any), plus any allocable Forfeitures, shall be allocated as of the last day of the Plan Year to each person who meets the allocation requirements of this section, together with the cash dividends paid on Qualifying Employer Securities held in the ESOP Contribution Accounts (if the Primary Employer directs that such dividends be applied to the Exempt Loan), cash dividends paid on Qualifying Employer Securities

held in the Unallocated Reserve and other investment earnings of the Unallocated Reserve (if any), shall be applied to make the payment due on any Exempt Loan for the Plan Year. The Qualifying Employer Securities released from the Unallocated Reserve as a result of that payment shall be allocated as of the last day of the Plan Year as follows:

STEP ONE: This step one shall apply only if the cash dividends paid on Qualifying Employer Securities held in the ESOP Contribution Accounts are applied to the Exempt Loan.

The allocation in this step one shall be made to each person who received a cash dividend on Qualifying Employer Securities held in his/her ESOP Contribution Account that was applied to the Exempt Loan.

The number of shares of Qualifying Employer Securities allocated under this step one shall equal the number of shares with a value equal to the total cash dividends paid on Qualifying Employer Securities held in the ESOP Contribution Accounts and applied to the Exempt Loan. The number of shares of Qualifying Employer Securities allocated to each such person shall be determined by multiplying the number of shares of Qualifying Employer Securities to be allocated under this step one by a fraction, the numerator of which is the cash dividends paid on Qualifying Employer Securities held in the ESOP Account of such person and applied to the Exempt Loan, and the denominator of which is the total cash dividends paid on Qualifying Employer Securities held in the ESOP Accounts of all such persons and applied to the Exempt Loan.

STEP TWO: The allocation in this step two shall be made among those persons who meet the allocation requirements of this section, but subject to the PROHIBITED ALLOCATION OF QUALIFYING EMPLOYER SECURITIES SECTION of this article.

The number of shares of Qualifying Employer Securities allocated to each such person shall be determined by multiplying the number of shares of Qualifying Employer Securities released from the Unallocated Reserve (and not allocated under step one) by a fraction, the numerator of which is the Annual Compensation of such person for the Plan Year, and the denominator of which is the aggregate Annual Compensation of all such persons for the Plan Year. However, if the aggregate amount of Qualifying Employer Securities that would be allocated under this paragraph to Highly Compensated Employees with respect to that Plan Year exceeds one-third of the total Qualifying Employer Securities allocated with respect to that Plan Year, then the amount of Qualifying Employer Securities in excess of one-third shall be reallocated to the Nonhighly Compensated Employees in proportion to each Nonhighly Compensated Employee's Annual Compensation to the total Annual Compensation of all such Nonhighly Compensated Employees.

If the ESOP Contributions exceed the amount needed to make the payment for the Exempt Loan for the Plan Year, or if there is no Exempt Loan for the Plan Year in which the ESOP Contribution is made, the ESOP Contribution shall be allocated in the same manner as STEP TWO above.

This amount shall be credited to the person's ESOP Contribution Account.

SECTION 3.04--CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION.

- (a) Definitions. For the purpose of determining the contribution limitation set forth in this section, the following terms are defined.

Annual Additions means the sum of the following amounts credited to a Participant's account for the Limitation Year:

- (1) employer contributions; provided that, ESOP Contributions under this Plan that are applied to pay interest on an Exempt Loan and/or Forfeitures of Qualifying Employer Securities purchased

with an Exempt Loan will not be an Annual Addition if no more than one-third (1/3) of the ESOP Contribution that is applied to pay principal and interest on an exempt Loan for the Plan Year is allocated to Highly Compensated Employees. To the extent Qualifying Employer Securities are allocated to Participant ESOP Contribution Accounts, the lesser of fair market value of the Qualifying Employer Security allocated or the employer contribution used to release such share in the case of repayment of an Exempt Loan, shall be used for purposes of measuring Annual Additions.

- (2) employee contributions (including Thrift Contributions and Voluntary Contributions); and
- (3) forfeitures.

Annual Additions to a defined contribution plan shall also include the following:

- (4) amounts allocated, after March 31, 1984, to an individual medical account, as defined in Code Section 415(l)(2), which are part of a pension or annuity plan maintained by the Employer,
- (5) amounts derived from contributions paid or accrued after December 31, 1985, in taxable years ending after such date, which are attributable to post-retirement medical benefits, allocated to the separate account of a key employee, as defined in Code Section 419A(d)(3), under a welfare benefit fund, as defined in Code Section 419(e), maintained by the Employer; and
- (6) allocations under a simplified employee pension.

For this purpose, any Excess Amount applied under (e) and (k) below in the Limitation Year to reduce Employer Contributions shall be considered Annual Additions for such Limitation Year.

Compensation means wages, salaries, and fees for professional services and other amounts received (without regard to whether or not an amount is paid in cash) for personal services actually rendered in the course of employment with the Employer maintaining the plan to the extent that the amounts are includible in gross income (including, but not limited to, commissions paid to salesmen, compensation for services on the basis of a percentage of profits, commissions on insurance premiums, tips, bonuses, fringe benefits, and reimbursements or other expense allowances under a nonaccountable plan (as described in section 1.62-2(c) of the regulations)), and excluding the following:

- (1) employer contributions to a plan of deferred compensation which are not included in the Employee's gross income for the taxable year in which contributed, or employer contributions under a simplified employee pension plan, or any distributions from a plan of deferred compensation;
- (2) amounts realized from the exercise of a non-qualified stock option, or when restricted stock (or property) held by the Employee either becomes freely transferable or is no longer subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture;
- (3) amounts realized from the sale, exchange or other disposition of stock acquired under a qualified stock option; and
- (4) other amounts which received special tax benefits, or contributions made by the Employer (whether or not under a salary reduction agreement) towards the purchase of an annuity contract described in Code Section 403(b) (whether or not the contributions are actually excludible from the gross income of the Employee).

For purposes of applying the limitations of this section, Compensation for a Limitation Year is the Compensation actually paid or made available in gross income during such Limitation Year.

For purposes of applying the limitations of this section, Compensation paid or made available during such Limitation Year shall include any elective deferral (as defined in Code Section 402(g)(3)), and any amount which is contributed or deferred by the Employer at the election of the Employee and which is not includible in the gross income of the Employee by reason of Code Section 125, 132(f)(4), or 457.

Defined Contribution Dollar Limitation means, for Limitation Years beginning after December 31, 2001, \$40,000, as adjusted under Code Section 415(d).

Employer means the employer that adopts this Plan, and all members of a controlled group of corporations (as defined in Code Section 414(b) as modified by Code Section 415(h)), all commonly controlled trades or businesses (as defined in Code Section 415(c) as modified by Code Section 415(h)) or affiliated service groups (as defined in Code Section 414(m)) of which the adopting employer is a part, and any other entity required to be aggregated with the employer pursuant to regulations under Code Section 414(o).

Excess Amount means the excess of the Participant's Annual Additions for the Limitation Year over the Maximum Permissible Amount.

Limitation Year means the consecutive 12-month period ending on the last day of each Plan Year. If the Limitation Year is other than the calendar year, execution of this Plan (or any amendment to this Plan changing the Limitation Year) constitutes the Employer's adoption of a written resolution electing the Limitation Year. If the Limitation Year is amended to a different consecutive 12-month period, the new Limitation Year must begin on a date within the Limitation Year in which the amendment is made.

Maximum Permissible Amount means the maximum Annual Addition that may be contributed or allocated to a Participant's Account under the Plan for any Limitation Year. This amount shall not exceed the lesser of:

- (1) The Defined Contribution Dollar Limitation, or
- (2) 100 percent of the Participant's Compensation for the Limitation Year.

The compensation limitation referred to in (2) shall not apply to any contribution for medical benefits (within the meaning of Code Section 401(h) or 419A(f)(2)) which is otherwise treated as an Annual Addition under Code Section 415(l)(1) or 419A(d)(2).

If a short Limitation Year is created because of an amendment changing the Limitation Year to a different consecutive 12-month period, the Maximum Permissible Amount will not exceed the Defined Contribution Dollar Limitation multiplied by the following fraction:

$$\frac{\text{Number of months in the short Limitation Year}}{12}$$

- (b) If the Participant does not participate in, and has never participated in, another qualified plan maintained by the Employer or a welfare benefit fund, as defined in Code Section 419(e), maintained by the Employer, or an individual medical account, as defined in Code Section 415(l)(2), maintained by the Employer, or a simplified employee pension, as defined in Code Section 408(k), maintained by the Employer, which provides an Annual Addition, the amount of Annual Additions which may be credited to

the Participant's Account for any Limitation Year shall not exceed the lesser of the Maximum Permissible Amount or any other limitation contained in this Plan. If the Employer Contribution that would otherwise be contributed or allocated to the Participant's Account would cause the Annual Additions for the Limitation Year to exceed the Maximum Permissible Amount, the amount contributed or allocated shall be reduced so that the Annual Additions for the Limitation Year will equal the Maximum Permissible Amount.

- (e) If a reasonable error in estimating a Participant's Compensation for the Limitation Year, a reasonable error in determining the amount of elective deferrals (within the meaning of Code Section 402(g)(3)) that may be made with respect to any individual under the limits of Code Section 415, or under other facts and circumstances allowed by the Internal Revenue Service, there is an Excess Amount, the excess will be disposed of as follows:
- (1) Any nondeductible Voluntary Contributions (plus attributable earnings), to the extent they would reduce the Excess Amount, will be returned (distributed, in the case of earnings) to the Participant.
 - (2) If after the application of (1) above an Excess Amount still exists, any Profit Sharing Contribution (plus earnings) shall be forfeited and reallocated to other Participant's Accounts as additional Profit Sharing Contributions in the current Plan Year, to the extent they would reduce the Excess Amount.
 - (3) If after the application of (2) above an Excess Amount still exists, any Thrift Contributions that are the basis for Matching Contributions (plus attributable earnings), to the extent they would reduce the Excess Amount, will be distributed to the Participant. Concurrently with the distribution of such Thrift Contributions, any Matching Contributions which relate to any Thrift Contribution distributed in the preceding sentence, to the extent such application would reduce the Excess Amount, will be applied as provided in (4) or (5) below:
 - (4) If after the application of (3) above an Excess Amount still exists, and the Participant is covered by the Plan at the end of the Limitation Year, the Excess Amount in the Participant's Account will be used to reduce Employer Matching Contributions for such Participant in the next Limitation Year, and each succeeding Limitation Year if necessary.
 - (5) If after the application of (4) above an Excess Amount still exists, and the Participant is covered by the Plan at the end of the Limitation Year, the Excess Amount in the Participant's Account will be used to reduce ESOP Contributions for such Participant in the next Limitation Year, and each succeeding Limitation Year if necessary.
 - (6) If after the application of the paragraphs above an Excess Amount still exists, and the Participant is not covered by the Plan at the end of the Limitation Year, the Excess Amount will be held unallocated in a suspense account. The suspense account will be applied to reduce future Employer Matching Contributions or ESOP Contributions, for all remaining Participants in the next Limitation Year, and each succeeding Limitation Year if necessary.
 - (7) If a suspense account is in existence at any time during a Limitation Year pursuant to this (e), it will participate in the allocation of investment gains or losses. If a suspense account is in existence at any time during a particular Limitation Year, all amounts in the suspense account must be allocated and reallocated to Participant's Accounts before any Employer Contributions or any Participant Contributions may be made to the Plan for that Limitation Year. Excess Amounts held in a suspense account may not be distributed to Participants or former Participants.

- (f) This (f) applies if, in addition to this Plan, the Participant is covered under another qualified defined contribution plan maintained by the Employer, a welfare benefit fund maintained by the Employer, an individual medical account maintained by the Employer, or a simplified employee pension maintained by the Employer which provides an Annual Addition during any Limitation Year. The Annual Additions which may be credited to a Participant's Account under this Plan for any such Limitation Year will not exceed the Maximum Permissible Amount, reduced by the Annual Additions credited to a Participant's account under the other qualified defined contribution plans, welfare benefit funds, individual medical accounts, and simplified employee pensions for the same Limitation Year. If the Annual Additions with respect to the Participant under other qualified defined contribution plans, welfare benefit funds, individual medical accounts, and simplified employee pensions maintained by the Employer are less than the Maximum Permissible Amount, and the Employer Contribution that would otherwise be contributed or allocated to the Participant's Account under this Plan would cause the Annual Additions for the Limitation Year to exceed this limitation, the amount contributed or allocated will be reduced so that the Annual Additions under all such plans and funds for the Limitation Year will equal the Maximum Permissible Amount. If the Annual Additions with respect to the Participant under such other qualified defined contribution plans, welfare benefit funds, individual medical accounts, and simplified employee pensions in the aggregate are equal to or greater than the Maximum Permissible Amount, no amount will be contributed or allocated to the Participant's Account under this Plan for the Limitation Year.

SECTION 3.05--EXCESS AMOUNTS.

- (a) Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms are defined:

ACP means the average (expressed as a percentage) of the Contribution Percentages of the Eligible Participants in a group.

ADP means the average (expressed as a percentage) of the Deferral Percentages of the Eligible Participants in a group.

Aggregate Limit means the greater of:

- (1) The sum of:
- (i) 125 percent of the greater of the ADP of the Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the prior Plan Year or the ACP of the Nonhighly Compensated Employees under the plan subject to Code Section 401(m) for the Plan Year beginning with or within the prior Plan Year of the cash or deferred arrangement, and
 - (ii) the lesser of 200 percent or 2 percent plus the lesser of such ADP or ACP.
- (2) The sum of:
- (i) 125 percent of the lesser of the ADP of the Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the prior Plan Year or the ACP of the Nonhighly Compensated Employees under the plan subject to Code Section 401(m) for the Plan Year beginning with or within the prior Plan Year of the cash or deferred arrangement, and
 - (ii) the lesser of 200 percent or 2 percent plus the greater of such ADP or ACP.

If the Employer has elected to use the current year testing method, then, in calculating the Aggregate Limit for a particular Plan Year, the Nonhighly Compensated Employees' ADP and ACP for that Plan Year, instead of the prior Plan Year, is used.

Contribution Percentage means the ratio (expressed as a percentage) of the Eligible Participant's Contribution Percentage Amounts to the Eligible Participant's Compensation for the Plan Year (whether or not the Eligible Participant was an Eligible Participant for the entire Plan Year). In modification of the foregoing, Compensation shall be limited to the Compensation received while an Eligible Participant. For an Eligible Participant for whom such Contribution Percentage Amounts for the Plan Year are zero, the percentage is zero.

Contribution Percentage Amounts means the sum of the Participant Contributions and Matching Contributions (that are not Qualified Matching Contributions taken into account for purposes of the ADP Test) made under the Plan on behalf of the Eligible Participant for the Plan Year. Such Contribution Percentage Amounts shall not include Matching Contributions that are forfeited either to correct Excess Aggregate Contributions or because the Contributions to which they relate are Excess Elective Deferrals, Excess Contributions, or Excess Aggregate Contributions. Under such rules as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe, in determining the Contribution Percentage the Employer may elect to include Qualified Nonelective Contributions under this Plan which were not used in computing the Deferral Percentage. The Employer may also elect to use Elective Deferral Contributions in computing the Contribution Percentage so long as the ADP Test is met before the Elective Deferral Contributions are used in the ACP Test and continues to be met following the exclusion of those Elective Deferral Contributions that are used to meet the ACP Test.

Deferral Percentage means the ratio (expressed as a percentage) of Elective Deferral Contributions under this Plan on behalf of the Eligible Participant for the Plan Year to the Eligible Participant's Compensation for the Plan Year (whether or not the Eligible Participant was an Eligible Participant for the entire Plan Year). In modification of the foregoing, Compensation shall be limited to the Compensation received while an Eligible Participant. The Elective Deferral Contributions used to determine the Deferral Percentage shall include Excess Elective Deferrals (other than Excess Elective Deferrals of Nonhighly Compensated Employees that arise solely from Elective Deferral Contributions made under this Plan or any other plans of the Employer or a Controlled Group member), but shall exclude Elective Deferral Contributions that are used in computing the Contribution Percentage (provided the ADP Test is satisfied both with and without exclusion of these Elective Deferral Contributions). Under such rules as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe, the Employer may elect to include Qualified Nonelective Contributions and Qualified Matching Contributions under this Plan in computing the Deferral Percentage. For an Eligible Participant for whom such contributions on his behalf for the Plan Year are zero, the percentage is zero.

Elective Deferral Contributions means any employer contributions made to a plan at the election of a participant, in lieu of cash compensation, and shall include contributions made pursuant to a salary reduction agreement or other deferral mechanism. With respect to any taxable year, a participant's Elective Deferral Contributions are the sum of all employer contributions made on behalf of such participant pursuant to an election to defer under any qualified cash or deferred arrangement described in Code Section 401(k), any salary reduction simplified employee pension plan described in Code Section 408(k)(6), any SIMPLE IRA plan described in Code Section 408(p), any eligible deferred compensation plan under Code Section 457, any plan described under Code Section 501(c)(18), and any employer contributions made on behalf of a participant for the purchase of an annuity contract under Code Section 403(b) pursuant to a salary reduction agreement. Elective Deferral Contributions shall not include any deferrals properly distributed as excess annual additions.

Eligible Participant means, for purposes of determining the Deferral Percentage, any Employee who is otherwise entitled to make Elective Deferral Contributions under the terms of the Plan for the Plan Year. Eligible Participant means, for purposes of determining the Contribution Percentage, any Employee who is eligible (i) to make a Participant Contribution or an Elective Deferral Contribution (if the Employer takes such contributions into account in the calculation of the Contribution Percentage), or (ii) to receive a Matching Contribution (including forfeitures) or a Qualified Matching Contribution. If a Participant Contribution is required as a condition of participation in the Plan, any Employee who would be a Participant in the Plan if such Employee made such a contribution shall be treated as an Eligible Participant on behalf of whom no Participant Contributions are made.

Excess Aggregate Contributions means, with respect to any Plan Year, the excess of:

- (1) The aggregate Contribution Percentage Amounts taken into account in computing the numerator of the Contribution Percentage actually made on behalf of Highly Compensated Employees for such Plan Year, over
- (2) The maximum Contribution Percentage Amounts permitted by the ACP Test (determined by hypothetically reducing contributions made on behalf of Highly Compensated Employees in order of their Contribution Percentages beginning with the highest of such percentages).

Such determination shall be made after first determining Excess Elective Deferrals and then determining Excess Contributions.

Excess Contributions means, with respect to any Plan Year, the excess of:

- (1) The aggregate amount of employer contributions actually taken into account in computing the Deferral Percentage of Highly Compensated Employees for such Plan Year, over
- (2) The maximum amount of such contributions permitted by the ADP Test (determined by hypothetically reducing contributions made on behalf of Highly Compensated Employees in the order of the Deferral Percentages, beginning with the highest of such percentages).

Such determination shall be made after first determining Excess Elective Deferrals.

Excess Elective Deferrals means those Elective Deferral Contributions that are includible in a Participant's gross income under Code Section 402(g) to the extent such Participant's Elective Deferral Contributions for a taxable year exceed the dollar limitation under such Code section. Excess Elective Deferrals shall be treated as Annual Additions, as defined in the CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION SECTION of this article, under the Plan, unless such amounts are distributed no later than the first April 15 following the close of the Participant's taxable year.

Matching Contributions means employer contributions made to this or any other defined contribution plan, or to a contract described in Code Section 403(b), on behalf of a participant on account of a Participant Contribution made by such participant, or on account of a participant's Elective Deferral Contributions, under a plan maintained by the Employer or a Controlled Group member.

Participant Contributions means contributions made to the plan by or on behalf of a participant that are included in the participant's gross income in the year in which made and that are maintained under a separate account to which the earnings and losses are allocated.

Qualified Matching Contributions means Matching Contributions which are subject to the distribution and nonforfeiture requirements under Code Section 401(k) when made.

Qualified Nonelective Contributions means any employer contributions (other than Matching Contributions) which an employee may not elect to have paid to him in cash instead of being contributed to the plan and which are subject to the distribution and nonforfeiture requirements under Code Section 401(k) when made. The Employer may make a Qualified Nonelective Contribution in order to satisfy the ACP tests as allowed by the Code and regulations.

- (b) Excess Elective Deferrals. A Participant may assign to this Plan any Excess Elective Deferrals made during a taxable year of the Participant by notifying the Plan Administrator in writing on or before the first following March 1 of the amount of the Excess Elective Deferrals to be assigned to the Plan. A Participant is deemed to notify the Plan Administrator of any Excess Elective Deferrals that arise by taking into account only those Elective Deferral Contributions made to this Plan and any other plan of the Employer or a Controlled Group member. The Participant's claim for Excess Elective Deferrals shall be accompanied by the Participant's written statement that if such amounts are not distributed, such Excess Elective Deferrals will exceed the limit imposed on the Participant by Code Section 402(g) for the year in which the deferral occurred. The Excess Elective Deferrals assigned to this Plan cannot exceed the Elective Deferral Contributions allocated under this Plan for such taxable year.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Plan, Elective Deferral Contributions in an amount equal to the Excess Elective Deferrals assigned to this Plan, plus any income and minus any loss allocable thereto, shall be distributed no later than April 15 to any Participant to whose Account Excess Elective Deferrals were assigned for the preceding year and who claims Excess Elective Deferrals for such taxable year.

The Excess Elective Deferrals shall be adjusted for income or loss. The income or loss allocable to such Excess Elective Deferrals shall be equal to the income or loss allocable to the Participant's Elective Deferral Contributions for the taxable year in which the excess occurred multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the Excess Elective Deferrals. The denominator of the fraction is the closing balance without regard to any income or loss occurring during such taxable year (as of the end of such taxable year) of the Participant's Account resulting from Elective Deferral Contributions.

Any Matching Contributions which were based on the Elective Deferral Contributions which are distributed as Excess Elective Deferrals, plus any income and minus any loss allocable thereto, shall be forfeited.

- (c) ADP Test. As of the end of each Plan Year after Excess Elective Deferrals have been determined, the Plan must satisfy the ADP Test. The ADP Test shall be satisfied using the prior year testing method, unless the Employer has elected to use the current year testing method.
- (1) Prior Year Testing Method. The ADP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for each Plan Year and the prior year's ADP for Eligible Participants who were Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the prior Plan Year must satisfy one of the following tests:
- (i) The ADP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year shall not exceed the prior year's ADP for Eligible Participants who were Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the prior Plan Year multiplied by 1.25; or

(ii) The ADP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year:

- A. shall not exceed the prior year's ADP for Eligible Participants who were Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the prior Plan Year multiplied by 2, and
- B. the difference between such ADPs is not more than 2.

If this is not a successor plan, for the first Plan Year the Plan permits any Participant to make Elective Deferral Contributions, for purposes of the foregoing tests, the prior year's Nonhighly Compensated Employees' ADP shall be 3 percent, unless the Employer has elected to use the Plan Year's ADP for these Eligible Participants.

(2) Current Year Testing Method. The ADP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for each Plan Year and the ADP for Eligible Participants who are Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year must satisfy one of the following tests:

- (i) The ADP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year shall not exceed the ADP for Eligible Participants who are Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year multiplied by 1.25; or
- (ii) The ADP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year:
 - A. shall not exceed the ADP for Eligible Participants who are Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year multiplied by 2, and
 - B. the difference between such ADP's is not more than 2.

If the Employer has elected to use the current year testing method, that election cannot be changed unless (i) the Plan has been using the current year testing method for the preceding five Plan Years, or if less, the number of Plan Years the Plan has been in existence; or (ii) the Plan otherwise meets one of the conditions specified in Internal Revenue Service Notice 98-1 (or superseding guidance) for changing from the current year testing method.

A Participant is a Highly Compensated Employee for a particular Plan Year if he meets the definition of a Highly Compensated Employee in effect for that Plan Year. Similarly, a Participant is a Nonhighly Compensated Employee for a particular Plan Year if he does not meet the definition of a Highly Compensated Employee in effect for that Plan Year.

The Deferral Percentage for any Eligible Participant who is a Highly Compensated Employee for the Plan Year and who is eligible to have Elective Deferral Contributions (and Qualified Nonelective Contributions or Qualified Matching Contributions, or both, if treated as Elective Deferral Contributions for purposes of the ADP Test) allocated to his account under two or more arrangements described in Code Section 401(k) that are maintained by the Employer or a Controlled Group member shall be determined as if such Elective Deferral Contributions (and, if applicable, such Qualified Nonelective Contributions or Qualified Matching Contributions, or both) were made under a single arrangement. If a Highly Compensated Employee participates in two or more cash or deferred arrangements that have different plan years, all cash or deferred arrangements ending with or within the same calendar year shall be treated as a single arrangement. The foregoing notwithstanding, certain plans shall be treated as separate if mandatorily disaggregated under the regulations of Code Section 401(k).

In the event this Plan satisfies the requirements of Code Section 401(k), 401(a)(4), or 410(b) only if aggregated with one or more other plans, or if one or more other plans satisfy the requirements of such Code sections only if aggregated with this Plan, then this section shall be applied by determining the Deferral Percentage of Employees as if all such plans were a single plan. Any adjustments to the Nonhighly Compensated Employee ADP for the prior year shall be made in accordance with Internal Revenue Service Notice 98-1 (or superseding guidance), unless the Employer has elected to use the current year testing method. Plans may be aggregated in order to satisfy Code Section 401(k) only if they have the same plan year and use the same testing method for the ADP Test.

For purposes of the ADP Test, Elective Deferral Contributions, Qualified Nonelective Contributions, and Qualified Matching Contributions must be made before the end of the 12-month period immediately following the Plan Year to which the contributions relate.

The Employer shall maintain records sufficient to demonstrate satisfaction of the ADP Test and the amount of Qualified Nonelective Contributions or Qualified Matching Contributions, or both, used in such test.

If the Plan Administrator should determine during the Plan Year that the ADP Test is not being met, the Plan Administrator may limit the amount of future Elective Deferral Contributions of the Highly Compensated Employees.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Plan, Excess Contributions, plus any income and minus any loss allocable thereto, shall be distributed no later than the last day of each Plan Year to Participants to whose Accounts such Excess Contributions were allocated for the preceding Plan Year. Excess Contributions are allocated to the Highly Compensated Employees with the largest amounts of employer contributions taken into account in calculating the ADP Test for the year in which the excess arose, beginning with the Highly Compensated Employee with the largest amount of such employer contributions and continuing in descending order until all of the Excess Contributions have been allocated. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the "largest amount" is determined after distribution of any Excess Contributions. If such excess amounts are distributed more than 2 1/2 months after the last day of the Plan Year in which such excess amounts arose, a 10 percent excise tax shall be imposed on the employer maintaining the plan with respect to such amounts.

Excess Contributions shall be treated as Annual Additions, as defined in the CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION SECTION of this article.

The Excess Contributions shall be adjusted for income or loss. The income or loss allocable to such Excess Contributions allocated to each Participant shall be equal to the income or loss allocable to the Participant's Elective Deferral Contributions (and, if applicable, Qualified Nonelective Contributions or Qualified Matching Contributions, or both) for the Plan Year in which the excess occurred multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the Excess Contributions. The denominator of the fraction is the closing balance without regard to any income or loss occurring during such Plan Year (as of the end of such Plan Year) of the Participant's Account resulting from Elective Deferral Contributions (and Qualified Nonelective Contributions or Qualified Matching Contributions, or both, if such contributions are included in the ADP Test).

Excess Contributions allocated to a Participant shall be distributed from the Participant's Account resulting from Elective Deferral Contributions. If such Excess Contributions exceed the balance in the Participant's Account resulting from Elective Deferral Contributions, the balance shall be distributed from

the Participant's Account resulting from Qualified Matching Contributions (if applicable) and Qualified Nonelective Contributions, respectively.

Any Matching Contributions which were based on the Elective Deferral Contributions which are distributed as Excess Contributions, plus any income and minus any loss allocable thereto, shall be forfeited.

(d) ACP Test. As of the end of each Plan Year, the Plan must satisfy the ACP Test. The ACP Test shall be satisfied using the prior year testing method, unless the Employer has elected to use the current year testing method.

(1) Prior Year Testing Method. The ACP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for each Plan Year and the prior year's ACP for Eligible Participants who were Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the prior Plan Year must satisfy one of the following tests:

- (i) The ACP for the Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year shall not exceed the prior year's ACP for Eligible Participants who were Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the prior Plan Year multiplied by 1.25; or
- (ii) The ACP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year:
 - A. shall not exceed the prior year's ACP for Eligible Participants who were Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the prior Plan Year multiplied by 2, and
 - B. the difference between such ACPs is not more than 2.

If this is not a successor plan, for the first Plan Year the Plan permits any Participant to make Participant Contributions, provides for Matching Contributions, or both, for purposes of the foregoing tests, the prior year's Nonhighly Compensated Employees' ACP shall be 3 percent, unless the Employer has elected to use the Plan Year's ACP for these Eligible Participants.

(2) Current Year Testing Method. The ACP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for each Plan Year and the ACP for Eligible Participants who are Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year must satisfy one of the following tests:

- (i) The ACP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year shall not exceed the ACP for Eligible Participants who are Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year multiplied by 1.25; or
- (ii) The ACP for a Plan Year for Eligible Participants who are Highly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year:
 - A. shall not exceed the ACP for Eligible Participants who are Nonhighly Compensated Employees for the Plan Year multiplied by 2, and
 - B. the difference between such ACPs is not more than 2.

If the Employer has elected to use the current year testing method, that election cannot be changed unless (i) the Plan has been using the current year testing method for the preceding five Plan Years, or if less, the number of Plan Years the Plan has been in existence; or (ii) the Plan

otherwise meets one of the conditions specified in Internal Revenue Service Notice 98-1 (or superseding guidance) for changing from the current year testing method.

A Participant is a Highly Compensated Employee for a particular Plan Year if he meets the definition of a Highly Compensated Employee in effect for that Plan Year. Similarly, a Participant is a Nonhighly Compensated Employee for a particular Plan Year if he does not meet the definition of a Highly Compensated Employee in effect for that Plan Year.

The Contribution Percentage for any Eligible Participant who is a Highly Compensated Employee for the Plan Year and who is eligible to have Contribution Percentage Amounts allocated to his account under two or more plans described in Code Section 401(a) or arrangements described in Code Section 401(k) that are maintained by the Employer or a Controlled Group member shall be determined as if the total of such Contribution Percentage Amounts was made under each plan. If a Highly Compensated Employee participates in two or more cash or deferred arrangements that have different plan years, all cash or deferred arrangements ending with or within the same calendar year shall be treated as a single arrangement. The foregoing notwithstanding, certain plans shall be treated as separate if mandatorily disaggregated under the regulations of Code Section 401(m).

In the event this Plan satisfies the requirements of Code Section 401(m), 401(a)(4), or 410(b) only if aggregated with one or more other plans, or if one or more other plans satisfy the requirements of such Code sections only if aggregated with this Plan, then this section shall be applied by determining the Contribution Percentage of Employees as if all such plans were a single plan. Any adjustments to the Nonhighly Compensated Employee ACP for the prior year shall be made in accordance with Internal Revenue Service Notice 98-1 (or superseding guidance), unless the Employer has elected to use the current year testing method. Plans may be aggregated in order to satisfy Code Section 401(m) only if they have the same plan year and use the same testing method for the ACP Test.

For purposes of the ACP Test, Participant Contributions are considered to have been made in the Plan Year in which contributed to the Plan. Matching Contributions and Qualified Nonelective Contributions will be considered to have been made for a Plan Year if made no later than the end of the 12-month period beginning on the day after the close of the Plan Year.

The Employer shall maintain records sufficient to demonstrate satisfaction of the ACP Test and the amount of Qualified Nonelective Contributions or Qualified Matching Contributions, or both, used in such test.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Plan, Excess Aggregate Contributions, plus any income and minus any loss allocable thereto, shall be forfeited, if not vested, or distributed, if vested, no later than the last day of each Plan Year to Participants to whose Accounts such Excess Aggregate Contributions were allocated for the preceding Plan Year. Excess Aggregate Contributions are allocated to the Highly Compensated Employees with the largest Contribution Percentage Amounts taken into account in calculating the ACP Test for the year in which the excess arose, beginning with the Highly Compensated Employee with the largest amount of such Contribution Percentage Amounts and continuing in descending order until all of the Excess Aggregate Contributions have been allocated. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the "largest amount" is determined after distribution of any Excess Aggregate Contributions. If such Excess Aggregate Contributions are distributed more than 2 1/2 months after the last day of the Plan Year in which such excess amounts arose, a 10 percent excise tax shall be imposed on the employer maintaining the plan with respect to such amounts.

Excess Aggregate Contributions shall be treated as Annual Additions, as defined in the CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION SECTION of this article.

The Excess Aggregate Contributions shall be adjusted for income or loss. The income or loss allocable to such Excess Aggregate Contributions allocated to each Participant shall be equal to the income or loss allocable to the Participant's Contribution Percentage Amounts for the Plan Year in which the excess occurred multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the Excess Aggregate Contributions. The denominator of the fraction is the closing balance without regard to any income or loss occurring during such Plan Year (as of the end of such Plan Year) of the Participant's Account resulting from Contribution Percentage Amounts.

Excess Aggregate Contributions allocated to a Participant shall be distributed from the Participant's Account resulting from Participant Contributions that are not required as a condition of employment or participation or for obtaining additional benefits from Employer Contributions. If such Excess Aggregate Contributions exceed the balance in the Participant's Account resulting from such Participant's Contributions, the balance shall be forfeited, if not vested, or distributed, if vested, on a pro-rata basis from the Participant's Account resulting from Contribution Percentage Amounts.

- (e) Employer Elections. The Employer has made an election to use the prior year testing method.

ARTICLE IV

INVESTMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

SECTION 4.01--INVESTMENT AND TIMING OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

The handling of Contributions is governed by the provisions of the Trust Agreement, the Annuity Contract, and any other funding arrangement in which the Plan Fund is or may be held or invested. To the extent permitted by the Trust Agreement, Annuity Contract, or other funding arrangement, the appointed committee or the Investment Manager shall direct the Contributions to any of the investment options available under the Annuity Contract or any of the investment vehicles available under the Trust Agreement and may request the transfer of amounts resulting from those Contributions between such investment options and investment vehicles or the transfer of amounts between such investment options and investment vehicles. Participants are not permitted to direct the investment of their Accounts.

At least annually, the Named Fiduciary shall review all pertinent Employee information and Plan data in order to establish the funding policy of the Plan and to determine appropriate methods of carrying out the Plan's objectives. The Named Fiduciary shall inform the Trustee and any Investment Manager of the Plan's short-term and long-term financial needs so the investment policy can be coordinated with the Plan's financial requirements.

The Named Fiduciary may delegate to the Investment Manager investment discretion for Contributions and amounts which are not subject to Participant direction.

All Contributions are forwarded by the Employer to the Trustee to be deposited in the Trust Fund or to the Insurer to be deposited under the Annuity Contract, as applicable. Contributions that are accumulated through payroll deduction shall be paid to the Trustee or Insurer, as applicable, by the earlier of (i) the date the Contributions can reasonably be segregated from the Employer's assets, or (ii) the 15th business day of the month following the month in which the Contributions would otherwise have been paid in cash to the Participant.

SECTION 4.02—INVESTMENT IN QUALIFYING EMPLOYER SECURITIES.

- (a) ESOP Designation. The ESOP Portion of the Plan is an employee stock ownership plan (within the meaning of Code Section 4975(e)(7)) and is designed to invest primarily in Qualifying Employer Securities. All shares of Qualifying Employer Securities held under the Plan will be held in the Trust Fund in the name of the Trustee or the nominee of the Trustee.
- (b) Statutory Diversification. Each Qualified Account Holder shall be eligible to make a diversification election with respect to the Qualifying Employer Securities held in the ESOP Portion of the Plan on behalf of the Qualified Account Holder
 - (1) **Diversification Election:** Each Qualified Account Holder may make an election within ninety (90) days after the close of each Plan Year during the Qualified Election Period to direct the Trustee in writing as to the investment of 25 percent (25%) of the number of shares of Qualifying Employer Securities credited to his ESOP Contribution Accounts, reduced by the number of shares of Qualifying Employer Securities that have previously been diversified pursuant to either subsection (b) or this subsection (c). Such diversification election shall only be available if the amount of diversification is \$500 or more.
 - (2) **Final Election:** For the last Plan Year in the Qualified Election Period, 50 percent (50%) shall be substituted for 25 percent (25%), in paragraph (1) above.

- (3) Procedures: The elections under this section must be made in such manner and in accordance with such rules as may be prescribed for this purpose by the Plan Administrator. If the Qualified Account Holder elects to direct the Trustee as to the investment of his ESOP Accounts, such direction shall be effective no later than 180 days after the close of the Plan Year to which such direction applies. Any amounts in the ESOP Contribution Account with respect to which a Qualified Account Holder elects to direct investment pursuant to this Section shall be distributed pursuant to Section 6.
 - (4) Definition of Qualified Account Holder: For purposes of this section, "Qualified Account Holder" means a Participant or former Participant or the Beneficiary or Alternate Payee with respect to such Participant or former Participant has attained age 55 and had ten (10) years of participation in this Plan during which the Plan was an employee stock ownership plan.
 - (5) Definition of Qualified Election Period: For purposes of this section, "Qualified Election Period" means the six Plan Year period beginning with the Plan Year in which the Participant first becomes a Qualified Account Holder.
- (c) Dividends. For purposes of determining dividends, shares of Qualifying Employer Securities shall be deemed to be credited to the ESOP Contribution Account of a Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee as of the record date of a dividend if they are credited to his ESOP Contribution Account as of the close of the day prior to the ex-date of such dividend (or, if the ex-date is after the record date, as of the close of the day prior to the record date).
- (1) Stock Dividend. In the event of any stock dividend or any stock split, such dividend or split shall be credited to the Accounts based on the number of shares of Qualifying Employer Securities credited to each Account as of the payable date of such dividend or split.
 - (2) Cash Dividend. As determined by the Employer, cash dividends paid on shares of Qualifying Employer Securities credited to an ESOP Contribution Account of a Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee as of the record date of such dividend will be either (i) applied to repay an Exempt Loan then outstanding (but only if such Qualifying Employer Security is attributable to such Exempt Loan); (ii) made subject to the election procedure described in paragraph (3) below; or (iii) retained in the Trust and treated as net income of the Trust. The Employer shall not direct that dividends paid on shares of Qualifying Employer Securities held in the ESOP Contribution Accounts be applied to repay an Exempt Loan, unless the shares of Qualifying Employer Securities released from the Unallocated Reserve will have a value at least sufficient to allow for the full allocation required in step one under the allocation of ESOP Contributions provisions of the ALLOCATIONS SECTION of Article 3 (the Employer may make ESOP Contributions necessary to allow for such full allocation).
- In addition, dividends attributable to Qualified Employer Securities held in the Unallocated Suspense Account (as a result of an Exempt Loan) shall be allocated to Participants' Accounts as earnings of the Trust available to repay an Exempt Loan to the extent allowed by ERISA. Such earnings shall be allocated in proportion to the shares of Qualifying Employer Securities held in a Participant's Account as of the Record Date of the dividend.
- (3) Cash Dividend Election. If the Employer elects, cash dividends paid on shares of Qualifying Employer Securities credited to an ESOP Contribution Account of a Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee as of the record date of such dividend will be:

- (A) Paid to the Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee if so elected under the procedure outlined below; or
- (B) Otherwise, added to the balance of his Account as soon as administratively practicable after such dividends are paid into the Trust Fund and reinvested in Qualifying Employer Securities.

A Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee may elect to have cash dividends on shares of Qualifying Employer Securities credited to his Vested ESOP Contribution Accounts either paid to him in cash or added to the balance of his Account and reinvested in Qualifying Employer Securities. For Plan Years commencing prior to October 1, 2005, this election may only be made by Participants who are fully vested in their ESOP Contribution Account. For Plan Years commencing on or after October 1, 2005, this election may be made by all Participants who have an ESOP Contribution Account, regardless of their vested status therein. Cash dividends that the Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee elects to receive in cash will be paid on or as soon as administratively practicable following the payable date of such dividend, but in no event later than 90 days after the end of the Plan Year in which the dividend is paid. Cash dividends that the Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee elects to have reinvested in Qualifying Employer Securities will be credited to the Participant's ESOP 404(k) Stock Account, and shall be reinvested in additional shares of Qualifying Employer Securities on or as soon as administratively practicable following the payable date of such dividend.

Shares of Qualifying Employer Securities shall be deemed to be credited to the ESOP Contribution Account of a Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee as of the record date of a dividend if they are credited to his ESOP Contribution Account as of the close of the day prior to the ex-date of such dividend (or, if the ex-date is after the record date, as of the close of the day prior to the record date).

An election hereunder must be made in such manner and in accordance with such rules as may be prescribed for this purpose by the Plan Administrator (including by means of a voice response or other electronic system under circumstances so authorized by the Plan Administrator). In the absence of an affirmative election received by the deadline established for this purpose by the Plan Administrator (which shall be no less than thirty (30) days after notice of the dividend election is provided), a Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee will be deemed to have elected to have cash dividends added to his Account and reinvested in Qualifying Employer Securities. To the extent so prescribed by the Plan Administrator and permitted by Code Section 404(k) and the regulations or guidance of general applicability thereunder, an election hereunder will be "evergreen" – that is, it will continue to apply until changed by the Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee. Under the rules prescribed by the Plan Administrator, a Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee shall be allowed to revise his election no less than once a year, and if there is a change in the terms of the Plan governing the manner in which dividends are paid or distributed, a Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee shall be allowed a reasonable opportunity to make a new election.

The ESOP Contribution Account of a Participant, Beneficiary or Alternate Payee may be charged with the distribution costs (for example, the actual check-writing fee) of any distribution made at his election under this Section.

- (d) Authorization for Exempt Loan. The Employer may direct that the Plan engage in an Exempt Loan that satisfies the following requirements:

- (1) Lender. The Exempt Loan may be made by the Employer or any lender acceptable to the Employer, and may be made or guaranteed by a party in interest (as defined in ERISA Section 3(14)) or a disqualified person (as defined in Code Section 4975).
- (2) Use of Loan Proceeds. The Exempt Loan must be used within a reasonable time after receipt to acquire shares of Qualifying Employer Securities for the Unallocated Reserve or to repay a prior Exempt Loan (or for any combination of the foregoing purposes).
- (3) No Recourse Against Trust Fund. The Exempt Loan must be without recourse against the Plan except that:
 - (i) The Qualifying Employer Securities acquired with the proceeds of the Exempt Loan may be pledged or otherwise used to secure repayment of the Exempt Loan, and the Qualifying Employer Securities acquired with the proceeds of a prior Exempt Loan which is repaid with the proceeds of the Exempt Loan may be pledged or otherwise used to secure repayment of the Exempt Loan, and
 - (ii) Any ESOP Contributions that are made for the purpose of satisfying the obligations under the Exempt Loan (and earnings thereon) may be pledged or otherwise used to secure repayment of the Exempt Loan, and
 - (iii) The earnings attributable to shares of Qualifying Employer Securities acquired with the proceeds of an Exempt Loan may be used to repay that Exempt Loan or any renewal or extension thereof, and
 - (iv) The earnings attributable to unallocated shares of Qualifying Employer Securities that were acquired with the proceeds of an Exempt Loan may be pledged or otherwise used as security for another Exempt Loan.
- (4) Term of Loan. The Exempt Loan must provide for principal and interest to be paid over a specific term, and not payable upon demand except in the event of default.
- (5) Release of Shares from Unallocated Reserve. The number of shares released each Plan Year shall equal "A" multiplied by "B" where:

"A" = the number of shares held in the Unallocated Reserve immediately before the release;

"B" = a fraction, the numerator of which is equal to the principal and interest paid on the Exempt Loan for the Plan Year and the denominator of which is equal to the sum of the numerator and the total principal and interest scheduled to be paid on the Exempt Loan for all future Plan Years (without consideration of possible extensions or renewal periods).

If the interest rate under the Exempt Loan is variable, the amount of interest to be paid in future Plan Years shall be calculated by using the interest rate in effect on the last day of the current Plan Year.

Alternatively, if the conditions of Treasury Regulation 54.4975-7(b)(8)(ii) are met, "B" may be calculated as a fraction, the numerator of which is equal to the principal paid on the Exempt Loan for the Plan Year and the denominator of which is equal to the sum of the numerator and the total principal scheduled to be paid on the Exempt Loan for all future Plan Years (without consideration of possible extensions or renewal periods).

If an Exempt Loan is repaid as a result of a refinancing by another Exempt Loan, such repayment shall not be considered a repayment under this subsection and the release of shares thereafter shall be determined by aggregating principal and interest on the loan and any refinancing of the loan.

- (6) Interest Rate. The Exempt Loan must bear interest at a fixed or variable rate that is not in excess of a reasonable rate of interest considering all relevant factors (including, but not limited to, the amount and duration of the loan, the security given, the guarantees involved, the credit standing of the Plan, the Employer, and the guarantors, and the generally prevailing rates of interest).
 - (7) Default. The Exempt Loan must provide that, in the event of default, the fair market value of Qualifying Employer Securities and other assets which can be transferred in satisfaction of the loan must not exceed the amount of the loan. If the lender is a party in interest or disqualified person, the loan must provide for a transfer of Plan assets upon default only upon and to the extent of the failure of the Plan to satisfy the payment schedule of the Exempt Loan.
 - (8) Restrictions. Unless required under Code Section 409(h), no options, puts, call, rights of first refusal or other restrictions on alienability will attach to any shares of Qualifying Employer Securities acquired with the proceeds of an Exempt Loan and held in the Trust Fund or distributed from the Plan, whether or not the ESOP Portion of the Plan continues to be an employee stock ownership plan with the meaning of Code Section 4975(e)(7).
- (e) Valuation of Qualifying Employer Securities. For purposes of determining the annual valuation of the Plan, and for reporting to Participants and regulatory authorities, the assets of the Plan shall be valued at least annually on the Valuation Date which corresponds to the last day of the Plan Year. The fair market value of Qualifying Employer Securities shall be determined on such Valuation Date. The prices of Qualifying Employer Securities as of the date of the transaction shall apply for purposes of valuing distributions and other transactions of the Plan to the extent such value is representative of the fair market value of such securities in the opinion of the Plan Administrator. The value of a Participant's Account held in the Qualifying Employer Securities Fund may be expressed in units.

If the Qualifying Employer Securities are not publicly traded, or if an extremely thin market exists for such securities so that reasonable valuation may not be obtained from the market place, then such securities must be valued at least annually by an independent appraiser who is not associated with the Employer, the Plan Administrator, the Trustee, or any person related to any fiduciary under the Plan and that meets the requirements of the regulations described in Code Section 170(a)(1). The independent appraiser may be associated with a person who is merely a contract administrator with respect to the Plan, but who exercises no discretionary authority and is not a plan fiduciary.

If there is a public market for Qualifying Employer Securities of the type held by the Plan, then the Plan Administrator may use as the value of the securities the price at which such securities trade in such market. If the Qualifying Employer Securities do not trade on the relevant date, or if the Plan Administrator determines that the market is very thin on such date, then the Plan Administrator may use for the valuation the next preceding trading day on which the trading prices are representative of the fair market value of such securities in the opinion of the Plan Administrator.

- (f) Purchases or Sales of Qualifying Employer Securities. The Plan Administrator may direct the Trustee to sell, resell, or otherwise dispose of Qualifying Employer Securities to any person, including the Employer, provided that any such sales to any disqualified person or party-in-interest, including the

Employer, will be made at not less than the fair market value and no commission will be charged. Any such sale shall be made in conformance with ERISA Section 408(e). If it is necessary to purchase Qualifying Employer Securities for the Trust Fund, such purchase may be on the open market or from the Employer or any member of the Controlled Group. All purchases of Qualifying Employer Securities shall be made at a price, or prices, which, in the judgment of the Plan Administrator, do not exceed the fair market value of such securities. If shares are purchased from or sold to the Employer or a member of the Controlled Group, the purchase or sale will be made at the price determined under paragraph (e) above.

In the event that the Trustee acquires Qualifying Employer Securities by purchase from a "disqualified person" as defined in Code Section 4975(e)(2) or from a "party-in-interest" as defined in ERISA Section 3(14), the terms of such purchase shall contain the provision that in the event there is a final determination by the Internal Revenue Service, the Department of Labor, or court of competent jurisdiction that the fair market value of such securities as of the date of purchase was less than the purchase price paid by the Trustee, then the seller shall pay or transfer, as the case may be, to the Trustee an amount of cash or shares of Qualifying Employer Securities equal in value to the difference between the purchase price and such fair market value for all such shares. In the event that cash or shares of Qualifying Employer Securities are paid or transferred to the Trustee under this provision, such securities shall be valued at their fair market value as of the date of such purchase, and interest at a reasonable rate from the date of purchase to the date of payment or transfer shall be paid by the seller on the amount of cash paid.

- (g) Compliance with Securities Laws. The Employer is responsible for compliance with any applicable Federal or state securities law with respect to all aspects of the Plan except for the Trustee's obligation to report its ownership of Qualifying Employer Securities. If the Qualifying Employer Securities or interest in this Plan are required to be registered in order to permit investment in the Qualifying Employer Securities Fund as provided in this section, then such investment will not be effective until the later of the effective date of the Plan or the date such registration or qualification is effective. The Employer, at its own expense, will take or cause to be taken any and all such actions as may be necessary or appropriate to effect such registration or qualification. Further, if the Trustee is directed to dispose of any Qualifying Employer Securities held under the Plan under circumstances which require registration or qualification of the securities under applicable Federal or state securities laws, then the Employer will, at its own expense, take or cause to be taken any and all such action as may be necessary or appropriate to effect such registration or qualification. The Employer is responsible for all compliance requirements under Section 16 of the Securities Act.

ARTICLE V

BENEFITS

SECTION 5.01--RETIREMENT BENEFITS.

On a Participant's Retirement Date, his Vested Account shall be distributed to him according to the distribution of benefits provisions of Article VI and the provisions of the SMALL AMOUNTS SECTION of Article X.

SECTION 5.02--DEATH BENEFITS.

If a Participant dies before his Benefit Commencement Date, his Vested Account shall be distributed according to the distribution of benefits provisions of Article VI and the provisions of the SMALL AMOUNTS SECTION of Article X.

SECTION 5.03--VESTED BENEFITS.

If an Inactive Participant's Vested Account is not payable under the SMALL AMOUNTS SECTION of Article X, he may elect, but is not required, to receive a distribution of his Vested Account after he ceases to be an Employee. A distribution under this paragraph shall be a retirement benefit and shall be distributed to the Participant according to the distribution of benefits provisions of Article VI.

A Participant may not elect to receive a distribution under the provisions of this section after he again becomes an Employee until he subsequently ceases to be an Employee and meets the requirements of this section.

If an Inactive Participant does not receive an earlier distribution, upon his Retirement Date or death, his Vested Account shall be distributed according to the provisions of the RETIREMENT BENEFITS SECTION or the DEATH BENEFITS SECTION of Article V.

The Nonvested Account of an Inactive Participant who has ceased to be an Employee shall remain a part of his Account until it becomes a Forfeiture. However, if he again becomes an Employee so that his Vesting Percentage can increase, the Nonvested Account may become a part of his Vested Account.

SECTION 5.04--WHEN BENEFITS START.

- (a) Unless otherwise elected, benefits shall begin before the 60th day following the close of the Plan Year in which the latest date below occurs:
 - (1) The date the Participant attains age 65 (or Normal Retirement Age, if earlier).
 - (2) The 10th anniversary of the Participant's Entry Date.
 - (3) The date the Participant ceases to be an Employee.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the failure of a Participant to consent to a distribution while a benefit is immediately distributable, within the meaning of the ELECTION PROCEDURES SECTION of Article VI, shall be deemed to be an election to defer the start of benefits sufficient to satisfy this section.

The Participant may elect to have his benefits begin after the latest date for beginning benefits described above, subject to the following provisions of this section. The Participant shall make the election in writing. Such election must be made before his Normal Retirement Date or the date he ceases to be an Employee, if later. The election must describe the form of distribution and the date benefits will begin. The Participant shall not elect a date for beginning benefits or a form of distribution that would result in a benefit payable when he dies which would be more than incidental within the meaning of governmental regulations.

Benefits shall begin on an earlier date if otherwise provided in the Plan. For example, the Participant's Retirement Date or Required Beginning Date, as defined in the DEFINITIONS SECTION of Article VII.

SECTION 5.05--LOANS TO PARTICIPANTS.

Loans shall be made available to all Participants on a reasonably equivalent basis. For purposes of this section, and unless otherwise specified, Participant means any Participant or Beneficiary who is a party-in-interest as defined in ERISA. Loans shall not be made to Highly Compensated Employees in an amount greater than the amount made available to other Participants. Loans shall only be made from the Profit Sharing Portion of the Plan.

A loan to a Participant shall be a Participant-directed investment of his Account. The loan is a Trust Fund investment but no Account other than the borrowing Participant's Account shall share in the interest paid on the loan or bear any expense or loss incurred because of the loan.

The amount of the loan will be made from the Participant's Vested Account which results from the following Contributions in the following order:

- (1) Voluntary Contributions;
- (2) Thrift Contributions;
- (3) Matching Contributions;
- (4) Profit Sharing Contributions;

The number of outstanding loans shall be limited to one. The maximum amount of any loan is the lesser of \$25,000 or 50% of the vested portion of the Participant's Account attributable to the above named Contributions. The minimum amount of any loan shall be \$1,000.

Loans must be adequately secured and bear a reasonable rate of interest.

The amount of the loan shall not exceed the maximum amount that may be treated as a loan under Code Section 72(p) (rather than a distribution) to the Participant and shall be equal to the lesser of (a) or (b) below:

- (a) \$50,000, reduced by the highest outstanding loan balance of loans during the one-year period ending on the day before the new loan is made.
- (b) The greater of (1) or (2), reduced by (3) below:
 - (1) One-half of the Participant's Vested Account under the Profit Sharing Portion of the Plan.
 - (2) \$10,000.

(3) Any outstanding loan balance on the date the new loan is made.

For purposes of this maximum, all qualified employer plans, as defined in Code Section 72(p)(4), of the Employer and any Controlled Group member shall be treated as one plan.

No collateral other than a portion of the Participant's Vested Account (as limited above) shall be accepted. The Loan Administrator shall determine if the collateral is adequate for the amount of the loan requested.

Each loan shall bear a reasonable fixed rate of interest to be determined by the Loan Administrator. In determining the interest rate, the Loan Administrator shall take into consideration fixed interest rates currently being charged by commercial lenders for loans of comparable risk on similar terms and for similar durations, so that the interest will provide for a return commensurate with rates currently charged by commercial lenders for loans made under similar circumstances. The Loan Administrator shall not discriminate among Participants in the matter of interest rates; but loans granted at different times may bear different interest rates in accordance with the current appropriate standards.

The loan shall by its terms require that repayment (principal and interest) be amortized in level payments, not less frequently than quarterly, over a period not extending beyond five years from the date of the loan. If the loan is used to acquire a dwelling unit, which within a reasonable time (determined at the time the loan is made) will be used as the principal residence of the Participant, the repayment period may extend beyond five years from the date of the loan. The period of repayment for any loan shall be arrived at by mutual agreement between the Loan Administrator and the Participant and if the loan is for a principal residence, shall not be made for a period longer than ten years.

The Participant shall make an application for a loan in such manner and in accordance with such rules as the Loan Administrator shall prescribe for this purpose (including by means of voice response or other electronic means under circumstances the Employer permits). The application must specify the amount and duration requested.

Information contained in the application for the loan concerning the income, liabilities, and assets of the Participant will be evaluated to determine whether there is a reasonable expectation that the Participant will be able to satisfy payments on the loan as due. Additionally, the Loan Administrator will pursue any appropriate further investigations concerning the creditworthiness and credit history of the Participant to determine whether a loan should be approved.

Each loan shall be fully documented in the form of a promissory note signed by the Participant for the face amount of the loan, together with interest determined as specified above.

There will be an assignment of collateral to the Plan executed at the time the loan is made.

In those cases where repayment through payroll deduction is available, installments are so payable, and a payroll deduction agreement shall be executed by the Participant at the time the loan is made. Loan repayments that are accumulated through payroll deduction shall be paid to the Trustee by the earlier of (i) the date the loan repayments can reasonably be segregated from the Employer's assets, or (ii) the 15th business day of the month following the month in which such amounts would otherwise have been paid in cash to the Participant.

Where payroll deduction is not available, payments in cash are to be timely made. Any payment that is not by payroll deduction shall be made payable to the Employer or the Trustee, as specified in the promissory note, and delivered to the Loan Administrator, including prepayments, service fees and penalties, if any, and other amounts due under the note. The Loan Administrator shall deposit such amounts into the Plan as soon as administratively practicable after they are received, but in no event later than the 15th business day of the month after they are received.

The promissory note may provide for reasonable late payment penalties and service fees. Any penalties or service fees shall be applied to all Participants in a nondiscriminatory manner. If the promissory note so provides, such amounts may be assessed and collected from the Account of the Participant as part of the loan balance.

Each loan may be paid prior to maturity, in part or in full, without penalty or service fee, except as may be set out in the promissory note.

The Plan shall suspend loan payments for a period not exceeding one year during which an approved unpaid leave of absence occurs other than a military leave of absence. The Loan Administrator shall provide the Participant a written explanation of the effect of the suspension of payments upon his loan.

If a Participant separates from service (or takes a leave of absence) from the Employer because of service in the military and does not receive a distribution of his Vested Account, the Plan shall suspend loan payments until the Participant's completion of military service or until the Participant's fifth anniversary of commencement of military service, if earlier, as permitted under Code Section 414(u). The Loan Administrator shall provide the Participant a written explanation of the effect of his military service upon his loan.

If any payment of principal and interest, or any portion thereof, remains unpaid for more than 90 days after due, the loan shall be in default. For purposes of Code Section 72(p), the Participant shall then be treated as having received a deemed distribution regardless of whether or not a distributable event has occurred.

Upon default, the Plan has the right to pursue any remedy available by law to satisfy the amount due, along with accrued interest, including the right to enforce its claim against the security pledged and execute upon the collateral as allowed by law. The entire principal balance whether or not otherwise then due, along with accrued interest, shall become immediately due and payable without demand or notice, and subject to collection or satisfaction by any lawful means, including specifically, but not limited to, the right to enforce the claim against the security pledged and to execute upon the collateral as allowed by law.

All reasonable costs and expenses, including but not limited to attorney's fees, incurred by the Plan in connection with any default or in any proceeding to enforce any provision of a promissory note or instrument by which a promissory note for a Participant loan is secured, shall be assessed and collected from the Account of the Participant as part of the loan balance.

If payroll deduction is being utilized, in the event that a Participant's available payroll deduction amounts in any given month are insufficient to satisfy the total amount due, there will be an increase in the amount taken subsequently, sufficient to make up the amount that is then due. If any amount remains past due more than 90 days, the entire principal amount, whether or not otherwise then due, along with interest then accrued, shall become due and payable, as above.

An outstanding loan will become due and payable in full when a Participant ceases to be an Employee and a party-in-interest as defined in ERISA or upon complete termination of the Plan.

SECTION 5.06--DISTRIBUTIONS UNDER QUALIFIED DOMESTIC RELATIONS ORDERS.

The Plan specifically permits distributions to an Alternate Payee under a qualified domestic relations order as defined in Code Section 414(p), at any time, irrespective of whether the Participant has attained his earliest retirement age, as defined in Code Section 414(p), under the Plan. A distribution to an Alternate Payee before the Participant has attained his earliest retirement age is available only if the order specifies that distribution shall be made prior to the earliest retirement age or allows the Alternate Payee to elect a distribution prior to the earliest retirement age.

Nothing in this section shall permit a Participant to receive a distribution at a time otherwise not permitted under the Plan nor shall it permit the Alternate Payee to receive a form of payment not permitted under the Plan.

The benefit payable to an Alternate Payee shall be subject to the provisions of the SMALL AMOUNTS SECTION of Article X if the value of the benefit does not exceed \$1,000.

The Plan Administrator shall establish reasonable procedures to determine the qualified status of a domestic relations order. Upon receiving a domestic relations order, the Plan Administrator shall promptly notify the Participant and the Alternate Payee named in the order, in writing, of the receipt of the order and the Plan's procedures for determining the qualified status of the order. Within a reasonable period of time after receiving the domestic relations order, the Plan Administrator shall determine the qualified status of the order and shall notify the Participant and each Alternate Payee, in writing, of its determination. The Plan Administrator shall provide notice under this paragraph by mailing to the individual's address specified in the domestic relations order, or in a manner consistent with Department of Labor regulations. The Plan Administrator may treat as qualified any domestic relations order entered into before January 1, 1985, irrespective of whether it satisfies all the requirements described in Code Section 414(p).

If any portion of the Participant's Vested Account is payable during the period the Plan Administrator is making its determination of the qualified status of the domestic relations order, a separate accounting shall be made of the amount payable. If the Plan Administrator determines the order is a qualified domestic relations order within 18 months of the date amounts are first payable following receipt of the order, the payable amounts shall be distributed in accordance with the order. If the Plan Administrator does not make its determination of the qualified status of the order within the 18-month determination period, the payable amounts shall be distributed in the manner the Plan would distribute if the order did not exist and the order shall apply prospectively if the Plan Administrator later determines the order is a qualified domestic relations order.

The Plan shall make payments or distributions required under this section by separate benefit checks or other separate distribution to the Alternate Payee(s).

No distributions to Alternate Payee(s) may be made until any outstanding Participant Loans are repaid.

ARTICLE VI

DISTRIBUTION OF BENEFITS

SECTION 6.01--FORM OF DISTRIBUTION.

Benefits under this Plan will be paid only if the Plan Administrator determines that the applicant is entitled to them under the terms of the Plan.

- (a) Retirement Benefits. The only form of retirement benefit is a single sum cash payment, except as provided in Section 6.04.
- (b) Death Benefits. The only form of death benefit is a single sum cash payment, except as provided in Section 6.04.

SECTION 6.02--ELECTION PROCEDURES.

The Participant shall make any election under this section in writing or electronic signature as allowed by regulations and as available. The Plan Administrator may require such individual to complete and sign any necessary documents as to the provisions to be made. Any election permitted under (a) below shall be subject to the qualified election provisions of (b) below.

- (a) Death Benefits. A Participant may elect his Beneficiary.
- (b) Qualified Election. The Participant may make an election at any time during the election period. The Participant may revoke the election made (or make a new election) at any time and any number of times during the election period. An election is effective only if it meets the consent requirements below.
 - (1) Election Period for Death Benefits. A Participant may make an election as to death benefits at any time before he dies.
 - (2) Consent to Election. If the Participant's Vested Account exceeds \$5,000, any benefit which is immediately distributable requires the consent of the Participant. For distributions made after March 28, 2005, the \$5,000 threshold is reduced to \$1,000.

The consent of the Participant to a benefit which is immediately distributable must not be made before the date the Participant is provided with the notice of the ability to defer the distribution. Such consent shall be made in writing.

Except as provided in Section 6.03, the consent shall not be made more than 90 days before the Benefit Commencement Date. The consent of the Participant shall not be required to the extent that a distribution is required to satisfy Code Section 401(a)(9) or Code Section 415.

In addition, upon termination of this Plan, if the Plan does not offer an annuity option (purchased from a commercial provider), and if the Employer (or any entity within the same Controlled Group) does not maintain another defined contribution plan (other than an employee stock ownership plan as defined in Code Section 4975(e)(7)), the Participant's Account balance will, without the Participant's consent, be distributed to the Participant. However, if any entity within the same Controlled Group maintains another defined contribution plan (other than an employee stock ownership plan as defined in Code Section 4975(e)(7)) then the Participant's Account will

be transferred, without the Participant's consent, to the other plan if the Participant does not consent to an immediate distribution.

A benefit is immediately distributable if any part of the benefit could be distributed to the Participant before the Participant attains the older of Normal Retirement Age or age 62.

SECTION 6.03--NOTICE REQUIREMENTS.

Forms of Distribution and Right to Defer. The Plan Administrator shall furnish to the Participant a written explanation of the right of the Participant to defer distribution until the benefit is no longer immediately distributable.

The Plan Administrator shall furnish the written explanation by a method reasonably calculated to reach the attention of the Participant no less than 30 days, and no more than 90 days, before the Benefit Commencement Date.

However, a distribution may begin less than 30 days after the notice described in this subparagraph is given, provided the Plan Administrator clearly informs the Participant that he has a right to a period of at least 30 days after receiving the notice to consider the decision of whether or not to elect a distribution (and if applicable, a particular distribution option), and the Participant, after receiving the notice, affirmatively elects a distribution.

SECTION 6.04--FORMS OF DISTRIBUTION FROM ESOP PORTION OF THE PLAN.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Article VI to the contrary, distributions from a Participant's ESOP Contribution Accounts shall be governed by this Section 6.04.

- (a) Distribution in Cash. The part of a Participant's Vested ESOP Contribution and ESOP Diversification Accounts will be distributed in cash unless the Participant affirmatively elects under paragraph (b) below to receive the distribution in the form of Qualifying Employer Securities with cash in lieu of fractional shares. The cash value of Qualifying Employer Securities shall be equal to the fair market value of such stock determined as of the last Valuation Date prior to the date of distribution.
- (b) Distribution in Qualifying Employer Securities. A Participant may elect to have the Participant's Vested ESOP Contribution Accounts distributed in the form of Qualifying Employer Securities with cash in lieu of fractional shares. Any cash or other property in the Participant's Vested ESOP Contribution Account ("non-stock assets") shall be used to acquire Qualifying Employer Securities for distribution but only if such Participant further elects and only if such Qualifying Employer Securities are available for purchase on the open market.

ARTICLE VII

DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

SECTION 7.01--APPLICATION.

The optional forms of distribution are only those provided in Article VI. An optional form of distribution shall not be permitted unless it meets the requirements of this article. The timing of any distribution must meet the requirements of this article.

SECTION 7.02--DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this article, the following terms are defined:

Applicable Life Expectancy means Life Expectancy (or Joint and Last Survivor Expectancy) calculated using the attained age of the Participant (or Designated Beneficiary) as of the Participant's (or Designated Beneficiary's) birthday in the applicable calendar year reduced by one for each calendar year which has elapsed since the date Life Expectancy was first calculated. If Life Expectancy is being recalculated, the Applicable Life Expectancy shall be the Life Expectancy so recalculated. The applicable calendar year shall be the first Distribution Calendar Year, and if Life Expectancy is being recalculated, such succeeding calendar year.

Designated Beneficiary means the individual who is designated as the beneficiary under the Plan in accordance with Code Section 401(a)(9) and the regulations thereunder.

Distribution Calendar Year means a calendar year for which a minimum distribution is required. For distributions beginning before the Participant's death, the first Distribution Calendar Year is the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year which contains the Participant's Required Beginning Date. For distributions beginning after the Participant's death, the first Distribution Calendar Year is the calendar year in which distributions are required to begin pursuant to (e) of the DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS SECTION of this article.

5-percent Owner means a 5-percent owner as defined in Code Section 416. A Participant is treated as a 5-percent Owner for purposes of this article if such Participant is a 5-percent Owner at any time during the Plan Year ending with or within the calendar year in which such owner attains age 70 1/2.

In addition, a Participant is treated as a 5-percent Owner for purposes of this article if such Participant becomes a 5-percent Owner in a later Plan Year. Such Participant's Required Beginning Date shall not be later than the April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which such later Plan Year ends.

Once distributions have begun to a 5-percent Owner under this article, they must continue to be distributed, even if the Participant ceases to be a 5-percent Owner in a subsequent year.

Joint and Last Survivor Expectancy means joint and last survivor expectancy computed using the expected return multiples in Table VI of section 1.72-9 of the Income Tax Regulations.

Unless otherwise elected by the Participant by the time distributions are required to begin, life expectancies shall be recalculated annually. Such election shall be irrevocable as to the Participant and shall apply to all subsequent years. The life expectancy of a nonspouse Beneficiary may not be recalculated.

Life Expectancy means life expectancy computed using the expected return multiples in Table V of section 1.72-9 of the Income Tax Regulations.

Unless otherwise elected by the Participant (or spouse, in the case of distributions described in (e)(2)(ii) of the DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS SECTION of this article) by the time distributions are required to begin, life expectancy shall be recalculated annually. Such election shall be irrevocable as to the Participant (or spouse) and shall apply to all subsequent years. The life expectancy of a nonspouse Beneficiary may not be recalculated.

Participant's Benefit means:

- (a) The Account balance as of the last Valuation Date in the calendar year immediately preceding the Distribution Calendar Year (valuation calendar year) increased by the amount of any contributions or forfeitures allocated to the Account balance as of the dates in the valuation calendar year after the Valuation Date and decreased by distributions made in the valuation calendar year after the Valuation Date.
- (b) Exception for Second Distribution Calendar Year. For purposes of (a) above, if any portion of the minimum distribution for the first Distribution Calendar Year is made in the second Distribution Calendar Year on or before the Required Beginning Date, the amount of the minimum distribution made in the second Distribution Calendar Year shall be treated as if it had been made in the immediately preceding Distribution Calendar Year.

Required Beginning Date means, for a Participant who is a 5-percent Owner, the April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which he attains age 70 1/2.

Required Beginning Date means, for any Participant who is not a 5-percent Owner, the April 1 of the calendar year following the later of the calendar year in which he attains age 70 1/2 or the calendar year in which he retires.

The preretirement age 70 1/2 distribution option is only eliminated with respect to Participants who reach age 70 1/2 in or after a calendar year that begins after the later of December 31, 1998, or the adoption date of the amendment which eliminated such option. The preretirement age 70 1/2 distribution is an optional form of benefit under which benefits payable in a particular distribution form (including any modifications that may be elected after benefits begin) begin at a time during the period that begins on or after January 1 of the calendar year in which the Participant attains age 70 1/2 and ends April 1 of the immediately following calendar year.

The options available for Participants who are not 5-percent Owners and attained age 70 1/2 in calendar years before the calendar year that begins after the later of December 31, 1998, or the adoption date of the amendment which eliminated the preretirement age 70 1/2 distribution shall be the following. Any such Participant attaining age 70 1/2 in years after 1995 may elect by April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which he attained age 70 1/2 (or by December 31, 1997 in the case of a Participant attaining age 70 1/2 in 1996) to defer distributions until the calendar year following the calendar year in which he retires. Any such Participant attaining age 70 1/2 in years prior to 1997 may elect to stop distributions which are not purchased annuities and recommence by the April 1 of the calendar year following the year in which he retires. There shall be a new Benefit Commencement Date upon recommencement. Participants who are not 5-percent Owners and who have attained age 70-1/2 or greater shall be able to elect to commence receiving minimum distributions in any future calendar year prior to their Required Beginning Date, but once distributions are elected, may not revoke such election.

SECTION 7.03--DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS.

(a) General Rules.

- (1) The requirements of this article shall apply to any distribution of a Participant's interest and shall take precedence over any inconsistent provisions of this Plan. Unless otherwise specified, the provisions of this article apply to calendar years beginning after December 31, 2002.
- (2) All distributions required under this article shall be determined and made in accordance with the Treasury regulations under Code Section 401(a)(9), which are incorporated by reference.
- (3) TEFRA Section 242(b)(2) Elections. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this article, distributions may be made under a designation made before January 1, 1984, in accordance with section 242(b)(2) of the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) and the provisions of the plan that relate to section 242(b)(2) of TEFRA.

(b) Time and Manner of Distribution.

- (1) Required Beginning Date. The participant's entire interest will be distributed, or begin to be distributed, to the participant no later than the participant's Required Beginning Date.
- (2) Death of Participant Before Distributions Begin. If the participant dies before distributions begin, the Participant's entire interest will be distributed, or begin to be distributed, no later than as follows:
 - (A) If the Participant's surviving spouse is the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, then distributions to the surviving spouse will begin by December 31 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Participant died, or by December 31 of the calendar year in which the Participant would have attained age 70 1/2 if later, except to the extent that an election is made to receive distributions in accordance with the 5-year rule. Under the 5-year rule, the Participant's entire interest will be distributed to the Designated Beneficiary by December 31 of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the Participant's death.
 - (B) If the Participant's surviving spouse is not the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, then distributions to the Designated Beneficiary will begin by December 31 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the participant died, except to the extent that an election is made to receive distributions in accordance with the 5-year rule. Under the 5-year rule, the participant's entire interest will be distributed to the Designated Beneficiary by December 31 of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the Participant's death.
 - (C) If there is no Designated Beneficiary as of September 30 of the year following the year of the Participant's death, the Participant's entire interest will be distributed by December 31 of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the participant's death.
 - (D) If the Participant's surviving spouse is the participant's sole Designated Beneficiary and the surviving spouse dies after the participant but before distributions to the surviving

spouse begin, this subsection (b), other than section (b)(1), will apply as if the surviving spouse were the Participant.

For purposes of this section (b)(2) and section (d), unless section (b)(1)(D) applies, distributions are considered to begin on the Participant's Required Beginning Date. If section (b)(1)(D) applies, distributions are considered to begin on the date distributions are required to begin to the surviving spouse under section (b)(1).

- (3) Forms of Distribution. Unless the Participant's interest is distributed in a single sum on or before the required beginning date, as of the first distribution calendar year distributions will be made in accordance with sections (c) and (d) of this article.
- (c) Required Minimum Distributions During Participant's Lifetime.
- (1) Amount of Required Minimum Distribution For Each Distribution Calendar Year. During the Participant's lifetime, the minimum amount that will be distributed for each Distribution Calendar Year is the lesser of:
 - (A) the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's account balance by the distribution period in the Uniform Lifetime Table set forth in section 1.401(a)(9)-9 of the Treasury regulations, using the Participant's age as of the Participant's birthday in the Distribution Calendar Year; or
 - (B) the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary for the Distribution Calendar Year is the Participant's spouse, the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's account balance by the number in the Joint and Last Survivor Table set forth in section 1.401(a)(9)-9 of the Treasury regulations, using the Participant's and spouse's attained ages as of the Participant's and spouse's birthdays in the Distribution Calendar Year.
 - (2) Lifetime Required Minimum Distributions Continue Through Year of Participant's Death. Required minimum distributions will be determined under this section 3 beginning with the first Distribution Calendar Year and up to and including the Distribution Calendar Year that includes the participant's date of death.
- (d) Required Minimum Distributions After Participant's Death.
- (1) Death On or After Date Distributions Begin.
 - (A) Participant Survived by Designated Beneficiary. If the Participant dies on or after the date distributions begin and there is a Designated Beneficiary, the minimum amount that will be distributed for each Distribution Calendar Year after the year of the Participant's death is the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's account balance by the longer of the remaining life expectancy of the Participant or the remaining life expectancy of the Participant's Designated Beneficiary, determined as follows: (I) The Participant's remaining life expectancy is calculated using the age of the Participant in the year of death, reduced by one for each subsequent year. (II) If the Participant's surviving spouse is the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, the remaining life expectancy of the surviving spouse is calculated for each Distribution Calendar Year after the year of the Participant's death using the surviving spouse's age as of the spouse's birthday in that year. For Distribution Calendar Years after the year of the surviving spouse's death, the remaining life expectancy of the surviving spouse is calculated using the age of the surviving spouse as of the spouse's birthday in the calendar

year of the spouse's death, reduced by one for each subsequent calendar year. If the Participant's surviving spouse is not the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, the Designated Beneficiary's remaining life expectancy is calculated using the age of the beneficiary in the year following the year of the Participant's death, reduced by one for each subsequent year.

(B) No Designated Beneficiary. If the Participant dies on or after the date distributions begin and there is no Designated Beneficiary as of September 30 of the year after the year of the Participant's death, the minimum amount that will be distributed for each Distribution Calendar Year after the year of the Participant's death is the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's account balance by the Participant's remaining life expectancy calculated using the age of the Participant in the year of death, reduced by one for each subsequent year.

(2) Death Before Date Distributions Begin.

(A) Participant Survived by Designated Beneficiary. If the Participant dies before the date distributions begin and there is a Designated Beneficiary, the minimum amount that will be distributed for each Distribution Calendar Year after the year of the Participant's death is the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's account balance by the remaining life expectancy of the Participant's Designated Beneficiary, determined as provided in paragraph (d)(1) except to the extent that an election is made to receive distributions in accordance with the 5-year rule. Under the 5-year rule, the Participant's entire interest will be distributed to the Designated Beneficiary by December 31 of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the Participant's death.

(B) No Designated Beneficiary. If the Participant dies before the date distributions begin and there is no Designated Beneficiary as of September 30 of the year following the year of the Participant's death, distribution of the Participant's entire interest will be completed by December 31 of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the Participant's death.

(C) Death of Surviving Spouse Before Distributions to Surviving Spouse Are Required to Begin. If the Participant dies before the date distributions begin, the Participant's surviving spouse is the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, and the surviving spouse dies before the distributions are required to begin to the surviving spouse under section (b)(2)(A), , this paragraph will apply as if the surviving spouse were the Participant.

(e) Definitions.

Designated Beneficiary. The individual who is designated as the beneficiary under the BENEFICIARY SECTION of Article X of the plan and is the designated beneficiary under section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code and section 1.401(a)(9)-1, Q&A-4, of the Treasury regulations.

Distribution Calendar Year. A calendar year for which a minimum distribution is required. For distributions beginning before the Participant's death, the first Distribution Calendar Year is the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year which contains the Participant's Required Beginning Date. For distributions beginning after the Participant's death, the first Distribution Calendar Year is the calendar year in which distributions are required to begin under paragraph (b). The required minimum distribution for the Participant's first Distribution Calendar Year will be made on or before the Participant's Required Beginning Date. The required minimum distribution for other Distribution Calendar Years, including the required minimum distribution for the distribution year in

which the Participant's Required Beginning Date occurs, will be made on or before December 31 of that distribution calendar year.

Life Expectancy. Life expectancy as computed by use of the Single Life Table in section 1.401(a)(9)-9 of the Treasury regulations.

Participant's Account Balance. The account balance as of the last valuation date in the calendar year immediately preceding the Distribution Calendar Year (valuation calendar year) increased by the amount of any contributions made and allocated or forfeitures allocated to the account balance as of dates in the valuation calendar year after the valuation date and decreased by distributions made in the valuation calendar year after the valuation date. The account balance for the valuation calendar year includes any amounts rolled over or transferred to the plan either in the valuation calendar year or in the distribution calendar year if distributed or transferred in the valuation calendar year.

Required Beginning Date. The date specified in the DEFINITIONS SECTION of Article VII of the plan.

(f) **Election to Allow Participants or Beneficiaries to Elect 5-Year Rule.**

Participants or beneficiaries may elect on an individual basis whether the 5-year rule or the life expectancy rule described above applies to distributions after the death of a participant who has a Designated Beneficiary. The election must be made no later than the earlier of September 30 of the calendar year in which distribution would be required to begin hereunder, or by September 30 of the calendar year which contains the fifth anniversary of the Participant's (or, if applicable, surviving spouse's) death. If neither the Participant nor beneficiary makes an election under this paragraph, distributions will be made in accordance with the life expectancy rule described hereunder.

ARTICLE VIII

TERMINATION OF THE PLAN

The Employer expects to continue the Plan indefinitely but reserves the right to terminate the Plan in whole or in part at any time upon giving written notice to all parties concerned. Complete discontinuance of Contributions constitutes complete termination of the Plan.

The Account of each Participant shall be fully (100%) vested and nonforfeitable as of the effective date of complete termination of the Plan. The Account of each Participant who is included in the group of Participants deemed to be affected by the partial termination of the Plan shall be fully (100%) vested and nonforfeitable as of the effective date of the partial termination of the Plan. The Participant's Account shall continue to participate in the earnings credited, expenses charged, and any appreciation or depreciation of the Investment Fund until his Vested Account is distributed.

A Participant's Account which does not result from the Contributions listed below may be distributed to the Participant after the effective date of the complete termination of the Plan:

Any Contributions that may be pursuant to a cash or deferred election under Code Section 401(k).
Qualified Nonelective Contributions

A Participant's Account resulting from such Contributions may be distributed upon complete termination of the Plan, but only if neither the Employer nor any Controlled Group member maintain or establish a successor defined contribution plan (other than an employer stock ownership plan as defined in Code Section 4975(e)(7)) and such distribution is made in a lump sum. A distribution under this article shall be a retirement benefit and shall be distributed to the Participant according to the provisions of Article VI.

The Participant's entire Vested Account shall be paid in a single sum to the Participant as of the effective date of complete termination of the Plan if consent of the Participant is not required in the ELECTION PROCEDURES SECTION of Article VI to distribute a benefit which is immediately distributable. This is a small amounts payment. The small amounts payment is in full settlement of all benefits otherwise payable.

Upon complete termination of the Plan, no more Employees shall become Participants and no more Contributions shall be made, except as may relate to the operation of the Plan prior to the effective time of the termination.

The assets of this Plan shall not be paid to the Employer at any time, except that, after the satisfaction of all liabilities under the Plan, any assets remaining may be paid to the Employer. The payment may not be made if it would contravene any provision of law.

ARTICLE IX

ADMINISTRATION OF THE PLAN

SECTION 9.01--ADMINISTRATION.

Subject to the provisions of this article, the Plan Administrator has complete control of the administration of the Plan. The Plan Administrator has all the powers necessary for it to properly carry out its administrative duties. Not in limitation, but in amplification of the foregoing, the Plan Administrator has complete discretion to construe or interpret the provisions of the Plan, including ambiguous provisions, if any, and to determine all questions that may arise under the Plan, including all questions relating to the eligibility of Employees to participate in the Plan and the amount of benefit to which any Participant or Beneficiary may become entitled. The Plan Administrator's decisions upon all matters within the scope of its authority shall be final.

Unless otherwise set out in the Plan or Annuity Contract, the Plan Administrator may delegate recordkeeping and other duties which are necessary for the administration of the Plan to any person or firm which agrees to accept such duties. The Plan Administrator shall be entitled to rely upon all tables, valuations, certificates and reports furnished by the consultant or actuary appointed by the Plan Administrator and upon all opinions given by any counsel selected or approved by the Plan Administrator.

The Plan Administrator shall receive all claims for benefits by Participants, former Participants and Beneficiaries. The Plan Administrator shall determine all facts necessary to establish the right of any Claimant to benefits and the amount of those benefits under the provisions of the Plan. The Plan Administrator may establish rules and procedures to be followed by Claimants in filing claims for benefits, in furnishing and verifying proofs necessary to determine age, and in any other matters required to administer the Plan.

SECTION 9.02--EXPENSES.

Expenses of the Plan, to the extent that the Employer does not pay such expenses, may be paid out of the assets of the Plan provided that such payment is consistent with ERISA. Such expenses include, but are not limited to, expenses for bonding required by ERISA; expenses for recordkeeping and other administrative services; fees and expenses of the Trustee or Annuity Contract; expenses for investment education service; and direct costs that the Employer incurs with respect to the Plan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Plan Administrator may allocate certain Plan expenses directly to the Account of the Participant on whose behalf the expense was incurred, provided that such allocation bears a reasonable relationship to the services furnished or made available to the Participant's Account, and is consistent with the applicable fiduciary provisions of ERISA.

SECTION 9.03--RECORDS.

All acts and determinations of the Plan Administrator shall be duly recorded. All these records, together with other documents necessary for the administration of the Plan, shall be preserved in the Plan Administrator's custody.

Writing (handwriting, typing, printing), photostating, photographing, microfilming, magnetic impulse, mechanical or electrical recording, or other forms of data compilation shall be acceptable means of keeping records.

SECTION 9.04--INFORMATION AVAILABLE.

Any Participant in the Plan or any Beneficiary may examine copies of the Plan description, latest annual report, any bargaining agreement, this Plan, the Annuity Contract or any other instrument under which the Plan was established or is operated. The Plan Administrator shall maintain all of the items listed in this section in its office, or in such other place or places as it may designate in order to comply with governmental regulations. These items may be examined during reasonable business hours. Upon the written request of a Participant or Beneficiary receiving benefits under the Plan, the Plan Administrator shall furnish him with a copy of any of these items. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge to the requesting person for the copy.

SECTION 9.05--CLAIM AND APPEAL PROCEDURES.

A Claimant must submit any required forms and pertinent information when making a claim for benefits under the Plan.

If a claim for benefits under the Plan is denied, the Plan Administrator shall provide adequate written notice to the Claimant whose claim for benefits under the Plan has been denied. The notice must be furnished within 90 days of the date that the claim is received by the Plan Administrator. The Claimant shall be notified in writing within this initial 90-day period if special circumstances require an extension of time needed to process the claim and the date by which the Plan Administrator's decision is expected to be rendered. The written notice shall be furnished no later than 180 days after the date the claim was received by the Plan Administrator.

The Plan Administrator's notice to the Claimant shall specify the reason for the denial; specify references to pertinent Plan provisions on which denial is based; describe any additional material and information needed for the Claimant to perfect his claim for benefits; explain why the material and information is needed; inform the Claimant that any appeal he wishes to make must be in writing to the Plan Administrator within 60 days after receipt of the Plan Administrator's notice of denial of benefits and that failure to make the written appeal within such 60-day period renders the Plan Administrator's determination of such denial final, binding and conclusive.

If the Claimant appeals to the Plan Administrator, the Claimant (or his authorized representative) may submit in writing whatever issues and comments the Claimant (or his authorized representative) feels are pertinent. The Claimant (or his authorized representative) may review pertinent Plan documents. The Plan Administrator shall reexamine all facts related to the appeal and make a final determination as to whether the denial of benefits is justified under the circumstances. The Plan Administrator shall advise the Claimant of its decision within 60 days of his written request for review, unless special circumstances (such as a hearing) would make rendering a decision within the 60-day limit unfeasible. The Claimant must be notified within the 60-day limit if an extension is necessary. The Plan Administrator shall render a decision on a claim for benefits no later than 120 days after the request for review is received.

SECTION 9.06--DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.

All or any part of the administrative duties and responsibilities under this article may be delegated by the Plan Administrator to a retirement committee. The duties and responsibilities of the retirement committee shall be set out in a separate written agreement.

SECTION 9.07--EXERCISE OF DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY.

The Employer, Plan Administrator, and any other person or entity who has authority with respect to the management, administration, or investment of the Plan may exercise that authority in its/his full discretion, subject only to the duties imposed under ERISA. This discretionary authority includes, but is not limited to, the authority to make any and all factual determinations and interpret all terms and provisions of the Plan documents relevant to the issue under consideration. The exercise of authority will be binding upon all persons; will be given deference in all courts of law; and will not be overturned or set aside by any court of law unless found to be arbitrary and capricious or made in bad faith.

SECTION 9.08--TRANSACTION PROCESSING.

Transactions (including, but not limited to, investment directions, trades, loans, and distributions) shall be processed as soon as administratively practicable after proper directions are received from the Participant or such other parties. No guarantee is made by the Plan, Plan Administrator, Trustee, Insurer, or Employer that such transactions will be processed on a daily or other basis, and no guarantee is made in any respect regarding the processing time of such transactions.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, the Employer, the Plan Administrator, or the Trustee reserves the right to not value an investment option on any given Valuation Date for any reason deemed appropriate by the Employer, the Plan Administrator, or the Trustee.

Administrative practicality will be determined by legitimate business factors (including, but not limited to, failure of systems or computer programs, failure of the means of the transmission of data, force majeure, the failure of a service provider to timely receive values or prices, and correction for errors or omissions or the errors or omissions of any service provider) and in no event will be deemed to be less than 14 days. The processing date of a transaction shall be binding for all purposes of the Plan and considered the applicable Valuation Date for any transaction.

SECTION 9.09--VOTING AND TENDER OF QUALIFYING EMPLOYER SECURITIES.

Voting rights with respect to Qualifying Employer Securities of a registration type class of securities (or nonregistration type securities in the event of any approval or disapproval of any corporate merger or consolidation, recapitalization, reorganization, liquidation, dissolution, sale of substantially all assets of a trade or business, or such similar transaction as prescribed by Regulations) will be passed through to Participants. Participants will be allowed to direct the voting rights of Qualifying Employer Securities in their ESOP Contribution Accounts for any matter put to the vote of shareholders. Before each meeting of shareholders, the Trustee shall cause to be sent to each person with power to control such voting rights a copy of any notice and any other information provided to shareholders generally and, if applicable, a form for instructing the Trustee how to vote at such meeting (or any adjournment thereof) the number of full and fractional shares subject to such person's voting control. The Trustee may establish a deadline in advance of the meeting by which such forms must be received in order to be effective. To the extent voting rights are not passed through to Participants, the Plan Administrator or another designated fiduciary shall direct the Trustees how to vote the shares.

Each Participant shall be entitled to one vote for each share credited to his Account.

To the extent some or all of the Participants have not directed or have not timely directed the Trustee on how to vote, the Trustee shall vote such Qualifying Employer Securities in the same proportion as those shares on which the Trustee has received timely direction from the Participants with respect to the issue being voted on.

In addition, the shares attributable to Qualifying Employer Securities held unallocated in the Unallocated Reserve as a result of an Exempt Loan shall be voted by the Trustee in the same proportion as those shares on which

the Trustee has received direction from the Participants/Plan Administrator with respect to the issue being voted on, provided such direction is given to the Trustee on a timely basis by the Plan Administrator or by agreement as pledged securities to an Exempt Loan.

Tender rights or exchange offers for Qualifying Employer Securities will be passed through to Participants. As soon as practicable after the commencement of a tender or exchange offer for Qualifying Employer Securities, the Employer shall cause each person with power to control the response to such tender or exchange offer to be advised in writing the terms of the offer and, if applicable, to be provided with a form for instructing the Trustee, or for revoking such instruction, to tender or exchange shares of Qualifying Employer Securities, to the extent permitted under the terms of such offer. In advising such persons of the terms of the offer, the Employer may include statements from the board of directors setting forth its position with respect to the offer.

To the extent some or all of the Participants have not directed or have not timely directed the Trustee on how to respond to such tender or exchange, then the Trustee shall tender or exchange such Qualifying Employer Securities on which no direction was received as directed by the Plan Administrator. In addition, shares attributable to Qualifying Employer Securities held unallocated in a Suspense Account as a result of an Exempt Loan shall be tendered or exchanged (or not tendered or exchanged) in the same proportion as those tendered by Participants.

If the tender or exchange offer is limited so that all of the shares that the Trustee has been directed to tender or exchange cannot be sold or exchanged, the shares that each Participant directed to be tendered or exchanged shall be deemed to have been sold or exchanged in the same ratio that the number of shares actually sold or exchanged bears to the total number of shares that the Trustee was directed to tender or exchange.

The Trustee shall hold the Participant's individual directions with respect to voting rights or tender decisions in confidence and, except as required by law, shall not divulge or release such individual directions to anyone associated with the Employer. The Employer may require verification of the Trustee's compliance with the directions received from Participants by any independent auditor selected by the Employer, provided that such auditor agrees to maintain the confidentiality of such individual directions.

The Employer may develop procedures to facilitate the exercise of votes or tender rights, such as the use of facsimile transmissions for the Participants located in physically remote areas.

ARTICLE X

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 10.01--AMENDMENTS.

The Employer may amend this Plan at any time, including any remedial retroactive changes (within the time specified by Internal Revenue Service regulations), to comply with any law or regulation issued by any governmental agency to which the Plan is subject.

An amendment may not diminish or adversely affect any accrued interest or benefit of Participants or their Beneficiaries nor allow reversion or diversion of Plan assets to the Employer at any time, except as may be required to comply with any law or regulation issued by any governmental agency to which the Plan is subject.

No amendment to this Plan shall be effective to the extent that it has the effect of decreasing a Participant's accrued benefit. However, a Participant's Account may be reduced to the extent permitted under Code Section 412(c)(8). For purposes of this paragraph, a Plan amendment which has the effect of decreasing a Participant's Account with respect to benefits attributable to service before the amendment shall be treated as reducing an accrued benefit. Furthermore, if the vesting schedule of the Plan is amended, in the case of an Employee who is a Participant as of the later of the date such amendment is adopted or the date it becomes effective, the nonforfeitable percentage (determined as of such date) of such Employee's right to his employer-derived accrued benefit shall not be less than his percentage computed under the Plan without regard to such amendment.

No amendment to the Plan shall be effective to eliminate or restrict an optional form of benefit with respect to benefits attributable to service before the amendment except as provided in the MERGERS AND DIRECT TRANSFERS SECTION of this article and below:

- (a) The Plan is amended to eliminate or restrict the ability of a Participant to receive payment of his Account balance under a particular optional form of benefit and the amendment satisfies the conditions in Code Section 411(d)(6) and the regulations thereunder.

If, as a result of an amendment, an Employer Contribution is removed that is not 100% immediately vested when made, the applicable vesting schedule shall remain in effect after the date of such amendment. The Participant shall not become immediately 100% vested in such Contributions as a result of the elimination of such Contribution except as otherwise specifically provided in the Plan.

An amendment shall not decrease a Participant's vested interest in the Plan. If an amendment to the Plan, or a deemed amendment in the case of a change in top-heavy status of the Plan as provided in the MODIFICATION OF VESTING REQUIREMENTS SECTION of Article XI, changes the computation of the percentage used to determine that portion of a Participant's Account attributable to Employer Contributions which is nonforfeitable (whether directly or indirectly), each Participant or former Participant

- (c) who has completed at least three Years of Service on the date the election period described below ends, and
- (d) whose nonforfeitable percentage will be determined on any date after the date of the change

may elect, during the election period, to have the nonforfeitable percentage of his Account that results from Employer Contributions determined without regard to the amendment. This election may not be revoked. If after the Plan is changed, the Participant's nonforfeitable percentage will at all times be as great as it would have been if the change

had not been made, no election needs to be provided. The election period shall begin no later than the date the Plan amendment is adopted, or deemed adopted in the case of a change in the top-heavy status of the Plan, and end no earlier than the 60th day after the latest of the date the amendment is adopted (deemed adopted) or becomes effective, or the date the Participant is issued written notice of the amendment (deemed amendment) by the Employer or the Plan Administrator.

SECTION 10.02--DIRECT ROLLOVERS.

Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary that would otherwise limit a Distributee's election under this section, a Distributee may elect, at the time and in the manner prescribed by the Plan Administrator, to have any portion of an Eligible Rollover Distribution paid directly to an Eligible Retirement Plan specified by the Distributee in a Direct Rollover.

Any distributions made under the SMALL AMOUNTS SECTION of this article (or which are small amounts payments made under Article VIII at complete termination of the Plan) which are Eligible Rollover Distributions and for which the Distributee has not elected to either have such distribution paid to him or to an Eligible Retirement Plan shall be paid to the Distributee.

SECTION 10.03--MERGERS AND DIRECT TRANSFERS.

The Plan may not be merged or consolidated with, nor have its assets or liabilities transferred to, any other retirement plan, unless each Participant in the plan would (if the plan then terminated) receive a benefit immediately after the merger, consolidation, or transfer which is equal to or greater than the benefit the Participant would have been entitled to receive immediately before the merger, consolidation, or transfer (if this Plan had then terminated). The Employer may enter into merger agreements or direct transfer of assets agreements with the employers under other retirement plans which are qualifiable under Code Section 401(a), including an elective transfer, and may accept the direct transfer of plan assets, or may transfer plan assets, as a party to any such agreement. The Employer shall not consent to, or be a party to a merger, consolidation, or transfer of assets with a plan which is subject to the survivor annuity requirements of Code Section 401(a)(11) if such action would result in a survivor annuity feature being maintained under this Plan.

Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, to the extent any optional form of benefit under the Plan permits a distribution prior to the Employee's retirement, death, disability, or severance from employment, and prior to plan termination, the optional form of benefit is not available with respect to benefits attributable to assets (including the post-transfer earnings thereon) and liabilities that are transferred, within the meaning of Code Section 414(l), to this Plan from a money purchase pension plan qualified under Code Section 401(a) (other than any portion of those assets and liabilities attributable to voluntary employee contributions).

The Plan may accept a direct transfer of plan assets on behalf of an Eligible Employee. If the Eligible Employee is not an Active Participant when the transfer is made, the Eligible Employee shall be deemed to be an Active Participant only for the purpose of investment and distribution of the transferred assets. Employer Contributions shall not be made for or allocated to the Eligible Employee and he may not make Participant Contributions, until the time he meets all of the requirements to become an Active Participant.

The Plan shall hold, administer, and distribute the transferred assets as a part of the Plan. The Plan shall maintain a separate account for the benefit of the Employee on whose behalf the Plan accepted the transfer in order to reflect the value of the transferred assets.

Unless a transfer of assets to the Plan is an elective transfer as described below, the Plan shall apply the optional forms of benefit protections described in the AMENDMENTS SECTION of this article to all transferred assets.

A Participant's protected benefits may be eliminated upon transfer between qualified defined contribution plans if the conditions in Q&A 3(b)(1) in section 1.411(d)-4 of the regulations are met. The transfer must meet all of the other applicable qualification requirements.

A Participant's protected benefits may be eliminated upon transfer between qualified plans (both defined benefit and defined contribution) if the conditions in Q&A 3(c)(1) in section 1.411(d)-4 of the regulations are met. Beginning January 1, 2002, if the Participant is eligible to receive an immediate distribution of his entire nonforfeitable accrued benefit in a single sum distribution that would consist entirely of an eligible rollover distribution under Code Section 401(a)(31), such transfer will be accomplished as a direct rollover under Code Section 401(a)(31). The rules applicable to distributions under the plan would apply to the transfer, but the transfer would not be treated as a distribution for purposes of the minimum distribution requirements of Code Section 401(a)(9).

SECTION 10.04--PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE INSURER AND OTHER PARTIES.

The obligations of an Insurer shall be governed solely by the provisions of the Annuity Contract. The Insurer shall not be required to perform any act not provided in or contrary to the provisions of the Annuity Contract. Each Annuity Contract when purchased shall comply with the Plan. See the CONSTRUCTION SECTION of this article.

Any issuer or distributor of investment contracts or securities is governed solely by the terms of its policies, written investment contract, prospectuses, security instruments, and any other written agreements entered into with the Trustee with regard to such investment contracts or securities.

Such Insurer, issuer or distributor is not a party to the Plan, nor bound in any way by the Plan provisions. Such parties shall not be required to look to the terms of this Plan, nor to determine whether the Employer, the Plan Administrator, the Trustee, or the Named Fiduciary have the authority to act in any particular manner or to make any contract or agreement.

Until notice of any amendment or termination of this Plan or a change in Trustee has been received by the Insurer at its home office or an issuer or distributor at their principal address, they are and shall be fully protected in assuming that the Plan has not been amended or terminated and in dealing with any party acting as Trustee according to the latest information which they have received at their home office or principal address.

SECTION 10.05--EMPLOYMENT STATUS.

Nothing contained in this Plan gives an Employee the right to be retained in the Employer's employ or to interfere with the Employer's right to discharge any Employee.

SECTION 10.06--RIGHTS TO PLAN ASSETS.

An Employee shall not have any right to or interest in any assets of the Plan upon termination of employment or otherwise except as specifically provided under this Plan, and then only to the extent of the benefits payable to such Employee according to the Plan provisions.

Any final payment or distribution to a Participant or his legal representative or to any Beneficiaries of such Participant under the Plan provisions shall be in full satisfaction of all claims against the Plan, the Named Fiduciary, the Plan Administrator, the Insurer, the Trustee, and the Employer arising under or by virtue of the Plan.

SECTION 10.07--BENEFICIARY.

Each Participant may name a Beneficiary to receive any death benefit that may arise out of his participation in the Plan. The Participant may change his Beneficiary from time to time. Unless a qualified election has been made,

for purposes of distributing any death benefits before the Participant's Retirement Date, the Beneficiary of a Participant who has a spouse shall be the Participant's spouse. The Participant's Beneficiary designation and any change of Beneficiary shall be subject to the provisions of the ELECTION PROCEDURES SECTION of Article VI. It is the responsibility of the Participant to give written notice to the Plan Administrator of the name of the Beneficiary on a form furnished for that purpose.

With the Employer's consent, the Plan Administrator or its delegate may maintain records of Beneficiary designations for Participants before their Retirement Dates. In that event, the written designations made by Participants shall be filed with the Plan Administrator. If a Participant dies before his Retirement Date, the Plan Administrator shall determine the Beneficiary designation on its records for the Participant.

If there is no Beneficiary named or surviving when a Participant dies, the Participant's Beneficiary shall be in the following priority:

- (a) the Participant's surviving spouse;
- (b) the Participant's surviving children, including adopted children, in equal shares;
- (c) the Participant's surviving parents, in equal shares; or
- (d) the legal representative of the estate of the last to die of the Participant and his Beneficiary.

SECTION 10.08--NONALIENATION OF BENEFITS.

Benefits payable under the Plan are not subject to the claims of any creditor of any Participant, Beneficiary or spouse. A Participant, Beneficiary or spouse does not have any rights to alienate, anticipate, commute, pledge, encumber, or assign any of such benefits, except in the case of a loan as provided in the LOANS TO PARTICIPANTS SECTION of Article V. The preceding sentences shall also apply to the creation, assignment, or recognition of a right to any benefit payable with respect to a Participant according to a domestic relations order, unless such order is determined by the Plan Administrator to be a qualified domestic relations order, as defined in Code Section 414(p), or any domestic relations order entered before January 1, 1985. The preceding sentences shall not apply to any offset of a Participant's benefits provided under the Plan against an amount the Participant is required to pay the Plan with respect to a judgment, order, or decree issued, or a settlement entered into, on or after August 5, 1997, which meets the requirements of Code Sections 401(a)(13)(C) or (D).

SECTION 10.09--CONSTRUCTION.

The validity of the Plan or any of its provisions is determined under and construed according to Federal law and, to the extent permissible, according to the laws of the state in which the Employer has its principal office. In case any provision of this Plan is held illegal or invalid for any reason, such determination shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Plan, and the Plan shall be construed and enforced as if the illegal or invalid provision had never been included.

In the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Plan and the terms of any Annuity Contract issued hereunder, the provisions of the Plan control.

SECTION 10.10--LEGAL ACTIONS.

No person employed by the Employer; no Participant, former Participant, or their Beneficiaries; nor any other person having or claiming to have an interest in the Plan is entitled to any notice of process. A final judgment entered

in any such action or proceeding shall be binding and conclusive on all persons having or claiming to have an interest in the Plan.

SECTION 10.11--SMALL AMOUNTS.

If consent of the Participant is not required for a benefit which is immediately distributable in the ELECTION PROCEDURES SECTION of Article VI, a Participant's entire Vested Account shall be paid in a single sum as of the earliest of his Retirement Date, the date he dies, or the date he ceases to be an Employee for any other reason (the date the Employer provides notice to the record keeper of the Plan of such event, if later). For purposes of this section, if the Participant's Vested Account is zero, the Participant shall be deemed to have received a distribution of such Vested Account. If a Participant would have received a distribution under the first sentence of this paragraph but for the fact that the Participant's consent was needed to distribute a benefit which is immediately distributable, and if at a later time consent would not be needed to distribute a benefit which is immediately distributable and such Participant has not again become an Employee, such Vested Account shall be paid in a single sum. This is a small amounts payment.

If a small amounts payment is made as of the date the Participant dies, the small amounts payment shall be made to the Participant's Beneficiary. If a small amounts payment is made while the Participant is living, the small amounts payment shall be made to the Participant. The small amounts payment is in full settlement of benefits otherwise payable.

No other small amounts payments shall be made.

SECTION 10.12--WORD USAGE.

The masculine gender, where used in this Plan, shall include the feminine gender and the singular words, as used in this Plan, may include the plural, unless the context indicates otherwise.

The words "in writing" and "written," where used in this Plan, shall include any other forms, such as voice response or other electronic system, as permitted by any governmental agency to which the Plan is subject.

SECTION 10.13--CHANGE IN SERVICE METHOD.

- (a) Change of Service Method Under This Plan. If this Plan is amended to change the method of crediting service from the elapsed time method to the hours method for any purpose under this Plan, the Employee's service shall be equal to the sum of (1), (2), and (3) below:
- (1) The number of whole years of service credited to the Employee under the Plan as of the date the change is effective.
 - (2) One year of service for the computation period in which the change is effective if he is credited with the required number of Hours-of-Service. If an Employee was credited with a fractional part of a year of service as of the date of change using the elapsed time method, for the portion of such computation period ending on the date of change the Employee will be credited with the greater of his actual Hours-of-Service or an equivalent number of Hours-of-Service based on the fractional part of a year of service credited as of the date of change. The Employee shall be credited with 45 Hours-of-Service for each week of service in such fractional part of a year.
 - (3) The Employee's service determined under this Plan using the hours method after the end of the computation period in which the change in service method was effective.

If this Plan is amended to change the method of crediting service from the hours method to the elapsed time method for any purpose under this Plan, the Employee's service shall be equal to the sum of (4), (5), and (6) below:

- (4) The number of whole years of service credited to the Employee under the Plan as of the beginning of the computation period in which the change in service method is effective.
 - (5) The greater of (i) the service that would be credited to the Employee for that entire computation period using the elapsed time method or (ii) the service credited to him under the Plan as of the date the change is effective.
 - (6) The Employee's service determined under this Plan using the elapsed time method after the end of the applicable computation period in which the change in service method was effective.
- (b) Transfers Between Plans with Different Service Methods. If an Employee has been a participant in another plan of the Employer which credited service under the elapsed time method for any purpose which under this Plan is determined using the hours method, then the Employee's service shall be equal to the sum of (1), (2), and (3) below:

- (1) The number of whole years of service credited to the Employee under the other plan as of the date he became an Eligible Employee under this Plan.
- (2) One year of service for the applicable computation period in which he became an Eligible Employee if he is credited with the required number of Hours-of-Service. If an Employee was credited with a fractional part of a year of service as of the date he became an Eligible Employee using the elapsed time method, for the portion of such computation period ending on the date he became an Eligible Employee the Employee will be credited with the greater of his actual Hours-of-Service or an equivalent number of Hours-of-Service based on the fractional part of a year of service credited as of the date he became an Eligible Employee. The Employee shall be credited with 45 Hours-of-Service for each week of service in such fractional part of a year.
- (3) The Employee's service determined under this Plan using the hours method after the end of the computation period in which he became an Eligible Employee.

If an Employee has been a participant in another plan of the Employer which credited service under the hours method for any purpose which under this Plan is determined using the elapsed time method, then the Employee's service shall be equal to the sum of (4), (5), and (6) below:

- (4) The number of whole years of service credited to the Employee under the other plan as of the beginning of the computation period under that plan in which he became an Eligible Employee under this Plan.
- (5) The greater of (i) the service that would be credited to the Employee for that entire computation period using the elapsed time method or (ii) the service credited to him under the other plan as of the date he became an Eligible Employee under this Plan.
- (6) The Employee's service determined under this Plan using the elapsed time method after the end of the applicable computation period under the other plan in which he became an Eligible Employee.

If an Employee has been a participant in a Controlled Group member's plan which credited service under a different method than is used in this Plan, in order to determine entry and vesting, the provisions in (b) above shall apply as though the Controlled Group member's plan were a plan of the Employer.

Any modification of service contained in this Plan shall be applicable to the service determined pursuant to this section.

SECTION 10.14--MILITARY SERVICE.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Plan to the contrary, the Plan shall provide contributions, benefits, and service credit with respect to qualified military service in accordance with Code Section 414(u). Loan repayments shall be suspended under this Plan as permitted under Code Section 414(u).

ARTICLE XI

TOP-HEAVY PLAN REQUIREMENTS

SECTION 11.01--APPLICATION.

The provisions of this article shall supersede all other provisions in the Plan to the contrary.

For the purpose of applying the Top-heavy Plan requirements of this article, all members of the Controlled Group shall be treated as one Employer. The term Employer, as used in this article, shall be deemed to include all members of the Controlled Group, unless the term as used clearly indicates only the Employer is meant.

The accrued benefit or account of a participant which results from deductible employee contributions shall not be included for any purpose under this article.

The minimum vesting and contribution provisions of the MODIFICATION OF VESTING REQUIREMENTS and MODIFICATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS SECTIONS of this article shall not apply to any Employee who is included in a group of Employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement which the Secretary of Labor finds to be a collective bargaining agreement between employee representatives and one or more employers, including the Employer, if there is evidence that retirement benefits were the subject of good faith bargaining between such representatives. For this purpose, the term "employee representatives" does not include any organization more than half of whose members are employees who are owners, officers, or executives.

SECTION 11.02--DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this article the following terms are defined:

Aggregation Group means:

- (a) each of the Employer's qualified plans in which a Key Employee is a participant during the Plan Year containing the Determination Date (regardless of whether the plan was terminated) or one of the four preceding Plan Years,
- (b) each of the Employer's other qualified plans which allows the plan(s) described in (a) above to meet the nondiscrimination requirement of Code Section 401(a)(4) or the minimum coverage requirement of Code Section 410, and
- (c) any of the Employer's other qualified plans not included in (a) or (b) above which the Employer desires to include as part of the Aggregation Group. Such a qualified plan shall be included only if the Aggregation Group would continue to satisfy the requirements of Code Section 401(a)(4) and Code Section 410.

The plans in (a) and (b) above constitute the "required" Aggregation Group. The plans in (a), (b), and (c) above constitute the "permissive" Aggregation Group.

Compensation means compensation as defined in the CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION SECTION of Article III.

Determination Date means as to any plan, for any plan year subsequent to the first plan year, the last day of the preceding plan year. For the first plan year of the plan, the last day of that year.

Key Employee means any Employee or former Employee (and the Beneficiaries of such Employee) who at any time during the determination period was:

- (a) an officer of the Employer if such individual's annual Compensation exceeds \$130,000 (as adjusted under Code Section 416(i)(1) for Plan Years beginning after December 31, 2002),
- (c) a 5-percent owner of the Employer, or
- (d) a 1-percent owner of the Employer who has annual Compensation of more than \$150,000.

The determination period is the Plan Year containing the Determination Date.

The determination of who is a Key Employee shall be made according to Code Section 416(i)(1) and the regulations thereunder.

Non-key Employee means any Employee who is not a Key Employee.

Present Value means the present value of a participant's accrued benefit under a defined benefit plan. For purposes of establishing Present Value to compute the Top-heavy Ratio, any benefit shall be discounted only for 7.5% interest and mortality according to the 1971 Group Annuity Table (Male) without the 7% margin but with projection by Scale E from 1971 to the later of (a) 1974, or (b) the year determined by adding the age to 1920, and wherein for females the male age six years younger is used.

Top-heavy Plan means a plan which is top-heavy for any plan year beginning after December 31, 1983. This Plan shall be top-heavy if any of the following conditions exist:

- (a) The Top-heavy Ratio for this Plan exceeds 60 percent and this Plan is not part of any required Aggregation Group or permissive Aggregation Group.
- (b) This Plan is a part of a required Aggregation Group, but not part of a permissive Aggregation Group, and the Top-heavy Ratio for the required Aggregation Group exceeds 60 percent.
- (c) This Plan is a part of a required Aggregation Group and part of a permissive Aggregation Group and the Top-heavy Ratio for the permissive Aggregation Group exceeds 60 percent.

Top-heavy Ratio means:

- (a) If the Employer maintains one or more defined contribution plans (including any simplified employee pension plan) and the Employer has not maintained any defined benefit plan which during the one-year period ending on the Determination Date(s) has or has had accrued benefits, the Top-heavy Ratio for this Plan alone or for the required or permissive Aggregation Group, as appropriate, is a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of the account balances of all Key Employees as of the Determination Date(s) (including any part of any account balance distributed in the one-year period ending on the Determination Date(s)), and the denominator of which is the sum of all account balances (including any part of any account balance distributed in the five-year period ending on the Distribution Date(s)), both computed in accordance with Code Section 416 and the regulations thereunder. Both the numerator and denominator of the Top-heavy Ratio are increased to reflect any contribution not actually made as of the Determination Date, but which is required to be taken into account on that date under Code Section 416 and the regulations thereunder.
- (b) If the Employer maintains one or more defined contribution plans (including any simplified employee pension plan) and the Employer maintains or has maintained one or more defined benefit plans which

during the one-year period ending on the Determination Date(s) has or has had accrued benefits, the Top-heavy Ratio for any required or permissive Aggregation Group, as appropriate, is a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of the account balances under the aggregated defined contribution plan or plans of all Key Employees determined in accordance with (a) above, and the Present Value of accrued benefits under the aggregated defined benefit plan or plans for all Key Employees as of the Determination Date(s), and the denominator of which is the sum of the account balances under the aggregated defined contribution plan or plans for all participants, determined in accordance with (a) above, and the Present Value of accrued benefits under the defined benefit plan or plans for all participants as of the Determination Date(s), all determined in accordance with Code Section 416 and the regulations thereunder. The accrued benefits under a defined benefit plan in both the numerator and denominator of the Top-heavy Ratio are increased for any distribution of an accrued benefit made in the one-year period ending on the Determination Date.

- (c) For purposes of (a) and (b) above, the value of account balances and the Present Value of accrued benefits will be determined as of the most recent Valuation Date that falls within or ends with the 12-month period ending on the Determination Date, except as provided in Code Section 416 and the regulations thereunder for the first and second plan years of a defined benefit plan. The present values of accrued benefits and the amounts of account balances of an employee as of the Determination Date shall be increased by the distributions made with respect to the employee under the Plan and any plan aggregated with the Plan under section 416(g)(2) of the Code during the 1-year period ending on the Determination Date. The preceding sentence shall also apply to distributions under a terminated plan which, had it not been terminated, would have been aggregated with the Plan under section 416(g)(2)(A)(i) of the Code. In the case of a distribution made for a reason other than separation from service, death, or disability, this provision shall be applied by substituting "5-year period" for "1-year period". In addition, accrued benefits and accounts of individuals who has not performed services with the Employer for the one-year period prior to the Determination Date shall not be taken into account. The calculation of the Top-heavy Ratio and the extent to which distributions, rollovers, and transfers are taken into account will be made in accordance with Code Section 416 and the regulations thereunder. Deductible employee contributions will not be taken into account for purposes of computing the Top-heavy Ratio. When aggregating plans, the value of account balances and accrued benefits will be calculated with reference to the Determination Dates that fall within the same calendar year.

The accrued benefit of a participant other than a Key Employee shall be determined under (i) the method, if any, that uniformly applies for accrual purposes under all defined benefit plans maintained by the Employer, or (ii) if there is no such method, as if such benefit accrued not more rapidly than the slowest accrual rate permitted under the fractional rule of Code Section 411(b)(1)(C).

SECTION 11.03--MODIFICATION OF VESTING REQUIREMENTS.

If a Participant's Vesting Percentage determined under Article I is not at least as great as his Vesting Percentage would be if it were determined under a schedule permitted in Code Section 416, the following shall apply. During any Plan Year in which the Plan is a Top-heavy Plan, the Participant's Vesting Percentage shall be the greater of the Vesting Percentage determined under Article I or the schedule below.

VESTING SERVICE (whole years)	NONFORFEITABLE PERCENTAGE
Less than 2	0
2	20
3	40

4
5 or more

60
100

The schedule above shall not apply to Participants who are not credited with an Hour-of-Service after the Plan first becomes a Top-heavy Plan. The Vesting Percentage determined above applies to the portion of the Participant's Account which is multiplied by a Vesting Percentage to determine his Vested Account, including benefits accrued before the effective date of Code Section 416 and benefits accrued before this Plan became a Top-heavy Plan.

If, in a later Plan Year, this Plan is not a Top-heavy Plan, a Participant's Vesting Percentage shall be determined under Article I. A Participant's Vesting Percentage determined under either Article I or the schedule above shall never be reduced and the election procedures of the AMENDMENTS SECTION of Article X shall apply when changing to or from the schedule as though the automatic change were the result of an amendment.

The part of the Participant's Vested Account resulting from the minimum contributions required pursuant to the MODIFICATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS SECTION of this article (to the extent required to be nonforfeitable under Code Section 416(b)) may not be forfeited under Code Section 411(a)(3)(B) or (D).

SECTION 11.04--MODIFICATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

During any Plan Year in which this Plan is a Top-heavy Plan, the Employer shall make a minimum contribution as of the last day of the Plan Year for each Non-key Employee who is an Employee on the last day of the Plan Year and who was an Active Participant at any time during the Plan Year. A Non-key Employee is not required to have a minimum number of Hours-of-Service or minimum amount of Compensation in order to be entitled to this minimum. A Non-key Employee who fails to be an Active Participant merely because his Compensation is less than a stated amount or merely because of a failure to make mandatory participant contributions or, in the case of a cash or deferred arrangement, elective contributions shall be treated as if he were an Active Participant. The minimum is the lesser of (a) or (b) below:

- (a) 3 percent of such person's Compensation for such Plan Year.
- (b) The "highest percentage" of Compensation for such Plan Year at which the Employer's contributions are made for or allocated to any Key Employee. The highest percentage shall be determined by dividing the Employer Contributions made for or allocated to each Key Employee during the Plan Year by the amount of his Compensation for such Plan Year, and selecting the greatest quotient (expressed as a percentage). To determine the highest percentage, all of the Employer's defined contribution plans within the Aggregation Group shall be treated as one plan. The minimum shall be the amount in (a) above if this Plan and a defined benefit plan of the Employer are required to be included in the Aggregation Group and this Plan enables the defined benefit plan to meet the requirements of Code Section 401(a)(4) or 410.

For purposes of (a) and (b) above, Compensation shall be limited by Code Section 401(a)(17).

If the Employer's contributions and allocations otherwise required under the defined contribution plan(s) are at least equal to the minimum above, no additional contribution shall be required. If the Employer's total contributions and allocations are less than the minimum above, the Employer shall contribute the difference for the Plan Year.

The minimum contribution applies to all of the Employer's defined contribution plans in the aggregate which are Top-heavy Plans. A minimum contribution under a profit sharing plan shall be made without regard to whether or not the Employer has profits.

If a person who is otherwise entitled to a minimum contribution above is also covered under another defined contribution plan of the Employer's which is a Top-heavy Plan during that same Plan Year, any additional contribution required to meet the minimum above shall be provided in this Plan.

If a person who is otherwise entitled to a minimum contribution above is also covered under a defined benefit plan of the Employer's which is a Top-heavy Plan during that same Plan Year, the minimum benefits for him shall not be duplicated. The defined benefit plan shall provide an annual benefit for him on, or adjusted to, a straight life basis equal to the lesser of:

- (c) 2 percent of his average compensation multiplied by his years of service, or
- (d) 20 percent of his average compensation.

Average compensation and years of service shall have the meaning set forth in such defined benefit plan for this purpose.

For purposes of this section, any employer contribution made according to a salary reduction or similar arrangement shall not apply in determining if the minimum contribution requirement has been met, but shall apply in determining the minimum contribution required. Matching contributions shall be taken into account for purposes of satisfying the minimum contribution requirements of section 416(c)(2) of the Code and the Plan. The preceding sentence shall apply with respect to Matching Contributions under the Plan or, if the Plan provides that the minimum contribution requirement shall be met in another plan, such other plan. Matching contributions that are used to satisfy the minimum contribution requirements shall be treated as matching contributions for purposes of the actual contribution percentage test and other requirements of section 401(m) of the Code.

The requirements of this section shall be met without regard to any Social Security contribution.

By executing this Plan, the Primary Employer and Adopting Employer acknowledges having counseled to the extent necessary with selected legal and tax advisors regarding the Plan's legal and tax implications.

Executed this _____ day of _____, _____.

CAPITOL FEDERAL FINANCIAL

By: _____

Title

CAPITOL FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK

By: _____

Title

Defined Contribution Plan 8.0

Named Executive Officer Salary and Bonus Arrangements

Base Salaries

The base salaries, effective July 1, 2005, for the executive officers (the "named executive officers") of Capitol Federal Financial who will be named in the compensation table that appears in the Company's annual meeting proxy statement for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2005 are as follows:

Name and Title	Base Salary
John B. Dicus President and Chief Executive Officer	\$462,000
John C. Dicus Chairman of the Board	\$412,000
Neil F.M. McKay Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer	\$244,000
R. Joe Aleshire Executive Vice President	\$203,000
Larry K. Brubaker Executive Vice President	\$203,000

Bonus Plans

On December 12, 2005, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors approved a new short-term performance cash bonus plan. The new plan is essentially a continuation of the Company's existing short-term performance plan, which will expire following the payment of bonuses earned for fiscal 2005. The new plan will expire following the payment of bonuses for fiscal 2011. Under the new plan, bonuses will be determined and calculated in the same manner as under the expiring plan. A copy of the new short-term performance plan is attached to this Form 10-K as Exhibit 10.10.

The short-term performance plan provides for annual bonus awards, as a percentage of base salary, to selected management personnel based on the achievement of pre-established corporate and individual performance criteria. Awards, if any, are typically made in January for the fiscal year ended the preceding September 30th. A portion of any bonus awarded under the short-term performance plan (from \$2,000 to as much as 50% of the award, up to a maximum of \$100,000) to an officer eligible to participate in the Company's Deferred Incentive Bonus Plan (the "DFIB") may be deferred under the DFIB for a three-year period. The total of the amount deferred, plus a 50% Company match, is deemed to be invested in the Company's common stock at the closing price as of the December 31st immediately preceding the deferral date. If the participant is still employed at the end of the deferral period, the participant will receive a cash payment equal to the sum of: (1) the deferred amount, (2) the Company match, (3) the value of all dividend equivalents paid during the deferral period on the Company common stock in which the participant is deemed to have invested and (4) the appreciation, if any, during the deferral period on the Company common stock in which the participant is deemed to have invested.

As under the expiring short-term performance plan, the corporate performance criteria under the new short-term performance plan are comprised of targeted levels of the Company's return on average equity, basic earnings per share and efficiency ratio. For each executive officer named below, 90% of his award will continue to be based on the attainment of corporate performance goals, with the remainder based on his achievement of individual performance objectives.

Under the new short-term performance plan, as under the expiring plan, the maximum potential annual bonus awards for the executive officers whom the Company believes are likely to be named in the summary compensation table in the Company's proxy statement for its annual meeting of stockholders following the end of fiscal year 2006 are as follows: John C. Dicus, Chairman, 60% of base salary; John B. Dicus, President and Chief Executive Officer, 60% of base salary; Larry K. Brubaker, Executive Vice President for Corporate Services, 40% of base salary; M. Jack Huey, Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer, 40% of base salary; and Richard J. Aleshire, Executive Vice President for Retail Operations, 40% of base salary.

Exhibit 10.10

CAPITOL FEDERAL FINANCIAL

SHORT TERM PERFORMANCE PLAN

OCTOBER 1, 2005

CAPITOL FEDERAL FINANCIAL

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CAPITOL FEDERAL FINANCIAL

Short Term Performance Plan

W I T N E S S E I H: That;

WHEREAS, the Company desires to provide motivation to selected Officers of the Company to put forth maximum efforts toward the continued growth, profitability, and success of the Company by offering cash bonus incentives to such individuals on the terms and conditions set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has reviewed the terms and provisions hereof and approved the Plan, and such action by the Committee has been ratified by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Company hereby adopts the Plan on the terms and conditions set forth herein, which Plan shall be known as the "Capitol Federal Financial Short Term Performance Plan."

ARTICLE 1 – PURPOSE AND TERM OF PLAN

1.1 Purpose. The purpose of the Plan is to provide motivation to selected Officers of Capitol Federal Financial (including any successor thereto, "CFF") and Capitol Federal Savings Bank (including any successor thereto, the "Bank," and collectively with CFF, the "Company") to put forth maximum effort toward the continued growth, profitability, and success of the Company by providing cash bonus incentives to such employees. Toward this objective, the Committee may grant Performance Awards, in the form of cash bonus payments, to Company Employees classified as Officers on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Plan.

1.2 Term. The Plan shall become effective as of October 1, 2005. Awards shall not be granted pursuant to the Plan after September 30, 2011, except that the Committee may grant Awards after such date in recognition of performance prior to such date.

ARTICLE 2 – DEFINITIONS

2.1 "Approved Reason" means a reason for terminating employment with the Company which, in the opinion of the Committee, is in the best interest of the Company.

2.2 "Award" or "Performance Award" means a lump sum cash payment granted under the Plan to a Participant by the Committee pursuant to such terms, conditions, restrictions, and/or limitations, if any, as the Committee may establish.

2.3 “Award Payment Date” means, for a Performance Year, the date the Awards for such Performance Year shall be paid to Participants. The Award Payment Date for each Performance Year shall occur as soon as administratively possible following the completion of the Committee’s determinations pursuant to Section 6.3, but in no event later than January 4th following the end of such Performance Year.

2.4 “Average Basic Shares Outstanding” means the average basic shares of CFF common stock outstanding during a Performance Year. Basic shares outstanding are net of treasury shares.

2.5 “Average Equity” means the sum of CFF’s total stockholders’ equity at the beginning of a Performance Year and at each month end during such year, divided by 13.

2.6 “Board” means the Board of Directors of CFF.

2.7 “Cause” means:

- (a) the willful and continued failure by an Employee to substantially perform his or her duties with his or her employer after written warnings identifying the lack of substantial performance are delivered to the Employee by his or her employer to specifically identify the manner in which the employer believes that the Employee has not substantially performed his or her duties, or
- (b) the willful engaging by an Employee in illegal conduct which is materially and demonstrably injurious to CFF or a Subsidiary.

2.8 “Change In Control” means the occurrence of any of the following three events: (i) any third person, other than Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC, including a “group” as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act, shall become the beneficial owner of shares of CFF with respect to which 25% or more of the total number of votes for the election of the Board may be cast, (ii) as a result of, or in connection with, any cash tender offer, merger or other business combination, sale of assets or contested election, or combination of the foregoing, the persons who were Directors of CFF shall cease to constitute a majority of the Board, or (iii) the stockholders of CFF shall approve an agreement providing either for a transaction in which CFF will cease to be an independent publicly-owned corporation (whether in stand alone or mutual holding company form) or for a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of CFF.

2.9 “Committee” means the Compensation Committee of the Board, or such other Board committee as may be designated by the Board to administer the Plan;

provided, however, that the Committee shall consist of an odd number of three or more Directors, each of whom is a “Non-Employee Director” within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act, or any successor definition adopted.

2.10 “Compensation” means all wages for federal income tax withholding purposes as defined under Code § 3401(a) (for purposes of income tax withholding at the source), disregarding any rules limiting the remuneration included as wages based on the nature or location of the employment or the services performed; provided, however, that the term Compensation shall not include (i) any ordinary or extra ordinary bonus or bonuses paid by the Company, or (ii) wages attributable to property transferred to an individual in exchange for the performance of services (including, but not necessarily limited to, restricted stock and stock options) where such transfer was in the nature of a bonus or supplemental compensation. The amount of an individual’s Compensation shall be determined by the Committee, in its Sole Discretion.

2.11 “Director” means a member of the Board.

2.12 “Disability” means a disability under the terms of any long-term disability plan maintained by the Company.

2.13 “Earnings Per Share - Basic” (“EPS-B”) means Net Income for the Performance Year divided by Average Basic Shares Outstanding for the Performance Year.

2.14 “Efficiency Ratio” (“ER”) means, in the context of determining an IPC, CFF’s consolidated noninterest expense for the Performance Year divided by CFF’s consolidated net interest and dividend income and noninterest income for the Performance Year.

2.15 “Employee” means a common law employee of the Company paid from the Company payroll account.

2.16 “Exchange Act” means the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time, including rules thereunder and successor provisions and rules thereto.

2.17 “Negative Discretion” means the discretion authorized by the Plan to be applied by the Committee in determining the size of an Award if, in the Committee’s sole judgment, such application is appropriate. Negative Discretion may only be used by the Committee to eliminate or reduce the size of an Award. By way of example and not by way of limitation, in no event shall any discretionary authority granted to the Committee by the Plan, including, but not limited to Negative Discretion, be used to: (a) grant Awards if the Performance Goals for such year have not been attained, or (b) increase an Award above the maximum amount payable under the Plan.

2.18 “Net Income” means CFF’s consolidated net income for a Performance Year as determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

2.19 “Officer” means only those certain salaried Employees of the Company who are administrative executives in continuous service with the Company employed by the Company in one of the following job classifications: Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, President, Executive Vice-President, Senior Vice-President, First Vice-President, Vice-President, Assistant Vice-President, and Assistant Cashier.

2.20 “Participant” means a common law Employee paid from the Company payroll account who the Company has designated in writing as an Officer to whom an Award has been granted by the Committee under the Plan.

2.21 “Performance Criteria” means the Institutional Performance Criteria and Personal Performance Criteria which the Committee shall use to establish Performance Targets for each Officer for each Performance Year. Institutional Performance Criteria (“IPCs”) shall be established for each Performance Year by equally weighting the Company’s target Return On Average Equity (ROAE), Earnings Per Share - Basic (EPS-B), and Efficiency Ratio (ER), as more fully described at Section 5.3. Personal Performance Criteria (“PPCs”) shall be established in writing prior to the first day of a Performance Year. Such criteria shall be established by the Participant’s supervisor or the Committee as appropriate. PPCs shall be based upon objective personal achievement targets, including but not limited to account/loan volume, cross sale ratios, department results, market share, sales, cost controls, and cost savings.

2.22 “Performance Year” means the fiscal year of the Company ending each September 30th over which the attainment of one or more Performance Targets will be measured for the purpose of determining a Participant’s right to and the payment of an Award.

2.23 “Performance Targets” means, for a Performance Year, the goals established by the Committee for the Performance Year based upon the Performance Criteria. The Committee is authorized at any time during the first 90 days of a Performance Year, or at any time thereafter, in its Sole Discretion, to adjust or modify the Performance Target for such Performance Year in order to prevent the dilution or enlargement of the rights of Participants:

- (a) in the event of, or in anticipation of, any unusual or extraordinary corporate item, transaction, event or development;
- (b) in recognition of, or in anticipation of, any other unusual or nonrecurring events affecting the Company, or the financial statements of the

Company, or in response to, or in anticipation of, changes in applicable laws, regulations, accounting principles, or business conditions; and

- (c) in view of the Committee's assessment of the business strategy of the Company, performance of comparable organizations, economic and business conditions, and any other circumstances deemed relevant.

2.24 "Plan" means the Capitol Federal Financial Short Term Performance Plan.

2.25 "Retirement" means, for all Plan purposes other than the Plan's change of control provision, a termination of employment, other than for Cause, from the Company on or after attainment of age 65.

2.26 "Return On Average Equity" ("ROAE") means Net Income for the Performance Year divided by Average Equity for the Performance Year.

2.27 "Sole Discretion" means the right and power to decide a matter, which may be exercised arbitrarily at any time and from time to time.

2.28 "Subsidiary" means a corporation or other business entity in which CFF directly or indirectly has an ownership interest of 80 percent or more.

ARTICLE 3 – ELIGIBILITY

3.1 Eligibility. All Company Officers are eligible to participate in the Plan. Subject to Section 6.6, the Committee shall, in its Sole Discretion, designate within the first 90 days of a Performance Period which Officers will be Participants for such Performance Period. However, the fact that an Officer is a Participant for a Performance Period shall not in any manner entitle such Participant to receive an Award for the period. The determination as to whether or not such Participant shall be paid an Award for such Performance Period shall be decided solely in accordance with the provisions of Articles 5 and 6 hereof.

ARTICLE 4 – PLAN ADMINISTRATOR

4.1 Responsibility. The Committee shall have total and exclusive responsibility to control, operate, manage, and administer the Plan in accordance with its terms.

4.2 Authority of the Committee. The Committee shall have all the authority that may be necessary or helpful to enable it to discharge its responsibilities with

respect to the Plan. Without limiting the generality of the preceding sentence, the Committee shall have the exclusive right to:

- (a) make discretionary interpretations regarding the terms of the Plan;
- (b) determine eligibility for participation in the Plan;
- (c) decide all questions concerning eligibility for and the amount of Awards payable under the Plan;
- (d) construe any ambiguous provision of the Plan;
- (e) correct any default;
- (f) supply any omission;
- (g) reconcile any inconsistency;
- (h) issue administrative guidelines as an aid to administer the Plan and make changes in such guidelines as it from time to time deems proper;
- (i) make regulations for carrying out the Plan and make changes in such regulations as it from time to time deems proper;
- (j) to the extent permitted under the Plan, grant waivers of Plan terms, conditions, restrictions, and limitations;
- (k) accelerate the payment of an Award when such action or actions would be in the best interest of the Company;
- (l) establish and administer the Performance Targets and certify whether, and to what extent, they have been attained; and
- (m) take any and all other action it deems necessary or advisable for the proper operation or administration of the Plan.

4.3 Discretionary Authority. The Committee shall have full discretionary authority in all matters related to the discharge of its responsibilities and the exercise of its authority under the Plan including, without limitation, its construction of the terms of the Plan and its determination of eligibility for participation and Awards under the Plan. It is the intent of the Plan that the decisions of the Committee and its action with respect to the Plan shall be final, binding, and conclusive upon all persons having or claiming to have any right or interest in or under the Plan.

4.4 Action by the Committee. The Committee may act only by a majority of its members. Any determination of the Committee may be made, without a meeting, by a writing or writings signed by all of the members of the Committee. In addition, the Committee may authorize any one or more of its number to execute and deliver documents on behalf of the Committee.

4.5 Delegation of Authority. The Committee may delegate some or all of its authority under the Plan to any person or persons provided that any such delegation be in writing; provided, however, that only the Committee may select and grant Awards to Participants who are subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

ARTICLE 5 – FORM AND DETERMINATION OF AWARDS

5.1 Form. All Performance Awards paid pursuant to the terms of this Plan shall be cash lump sums paid as bonus compensation.

5.2. Procedure for Determining Awards. The procedure for establishing IPCs and PPCs and the procedure for determining Performance Targets and actual Awards for a Performance Year shall be as follows:

- (a) Within the first ninety (90) days of a Performance Year the Committee shall:
 - (1) Establish Performance Targets for each of the three IPCs, pursuant to Section 5.3.
 - (2) Establish a minimum performance measure (“Minimum Performance Measure”) for each IPC pursuant to Section 5.3.
 - (3) Further establish a maximum performance measure (“Maximum Performance Measure”) for each IPC pursuant to Section 5.3.
 - (4) Create a Target Scale and an Award Scale, pursuant to Section 5.3.
 - (5) Establish individual PPC goals.
- (b) Within ninety (90) days following the end of a Performance Year, the Committee shall:
 - (1) Review overall Company profitability for the Performance Year and consider possible exercise of Negative Discretion.

- (2) Determine percentage of Target Level actually achieved for each IPC.
- (3) Determine PPCs achieved.
- (4) Calculate individual Officer Awards pursuant to Section 5.5.

Upon completion of this process, any Awards earned for the Performance Year shall be paid in accordance with Article 6.

5.3 Determination of Performance Targets. During the first ninety (90) days of a Performance Year, the Committee shall establish Performance Targets for all three IPCs based upon information provided by Company senior management, which may include internal forecasts for the Company and the forecasts of outside analysts. The Committee shall then establish two scales for each Performance Target. The Target Scale shall include increments between the Target and the Maximum Performance Measure and decrements between the Target and Minimum Performance Measure for each IPC. The Award Scale shall co-relate to the Target Scale and shall proceed at one percent (1%) increments beginning at twenty percent (20%) in correspondence to Minimum Performance Measure on the Target Scale through sixty percent (60%), which shall correspond to one hundred percent (100%) on the Target Scale, up to one hundred percent (100%) on the Award Scale, which shall correspond to the Maximum Performance Measure on the Target Scale; provided, however, that, notwithstanding anything herein set forth to the contrary, in order to pay any Award calculated on performance actually achieved above an IPC Target up to the Maximum Performance Measure, the Committee must determine that the Company has Net Income at least five (5) times the aggregate dollar amount of all possible Awards exceeding the Target levels. If Company Net Income is less than five (5) times the total amount of Awards potentially payable above the Target level, then the Committee shall exercise its Negative Discretion and calculate Awards only up to the Target level.

5.4 Performance Points. For the purpose of calculating overall achievement with regard to the various Performance Targets, the Committee shall assign one hundred (100) points to each Participant. IPCs and PPCs shall be given the relative number of points for each Officer level as follows:

<u>Officer Level</u>	<u>Institutional Performance Criteria</u>	<u>Personal Performance Criteria</u>
Chairman	90 points	10 points
Chief Executive Officer	90 points	10 points
President	90 points	10 points
Executive Vice-President	90 points	10 points
Senior Vice-President	80 points	20 points

First Vice-President	70 points	30 points
Vice-President	50 points	50 points
Assistant Vice-President	50 points	50 points
Assistant Cashier	50 points	50 points

One-third of the IPC points shall be assigned to ROAE, one third to EPS-B, and one-third to ER. PPC points may be divided between one or more objective written PPCs.

5.5 Maximum Amount of Awards. No Officer may receive an Award in an amount exceeding the maximum amount for his or her Officer classification as calculated under this Section. Calculation of the maximum amount for each classification shall be based upon the stated Compensation payable to the Officer as of the September 30th of the Company fiscal year immediately preceding the Performance Year multiplied by the following percentages as applicable:

<u>Officer Class</u>	<u>Percentage of Compensation Taken into Account</u>
Chairman	60%
Chief Executive Officer	60%
President	50%
Executive Vice-President	40%
Senior Vice-President	35%
First Vice-President	30%
Vice-President	25%
Assistant Vice-President	25%
Assistant Cashier	25%

In the case of a newly elected or appointed Officer, Compensation shall be determined based upon stated Compensation for such Officer at the date of election or appointment as provided in Section 6.6.

5.6 Calculation of Awards. Actual Awards shall be calculated by first converting the Performance Points described in Section 5.4 into percentages and allocating the maximum Award between the IPC percentage and the PPC percentage. The amount allocable to the IPC percentage shall be divided by the number of IPCs (3). In the event an IPC is within the Minimum and Maximum Performance Measure on the Target Scale, the applicable percentage from the Award Scale shall be applied to the dollar amount assigned to such IPC. If a Performance for an IPC does not reach the Target Scale, the dollar amount allocated to such IPC shall be zero. A similar process shall be followed to determine whether PPCs have been achieved; provided, however, that determinations of PPC goal achievement may or may not be based upon the Target Scale. Notwithstanding anything set forth herein to the contrary, no Award

may be calculated for Performance above the Maximum Performance level on the Target Scale.

ARTICLE 6 – PAYMENT OF AWARDS

6.1 Condition of Receipt of Awards. Except as provided in Section 6.9, a Participant must be employed by the Company on the last day of a Performance Year to be eligible for an Award for such Performance Year.

6.2 Limitation. A Participant shall be eligible to receive an Award for a Performance Year only if at least some of the Performance Targets for such Year are achieved.

6.3 Certification. Following the completion of a Performance Year, the Committee shall meet to review and certify in writing whether, and to what extent, the Performance Targets for the Performance Year have been achieved. If the Committee certifies that the Performance Targets have been achieved, it shall, based upon application of the provisions of Article 5 of this Plan, determine the maximum amount of each Participant's Award for the Performance Year. The Committee shall then determine the actual size of each Participant's Award for the Performance Year.

6.4 Negative Discretion. In determining the actual size of an individual Award to be paid for the Performance Year, the Committee may, through the use of Negative Discretion, reduce or eliminate the amount of the Award for the Performance Year, if in its Sole Discretion, such reduction or elimination is appropriate.

6.5 Timing of Award Payments. The Awards granted by the Committee for a Performance Year shall be paid to Participants on the Award Payment Date for such Performance Year.

6.6 New Participants. Qualified Officers who are employed by the Company after the Committee's selection of Participants for the Performance Year, shall, in the event Awards are paid for the Performance Year, only be entitled to a pro rata Award. The amount of the pro rata Award shall be determined by multiplying the Award the Participant would have otherwise been paid if he or she had been a Participant for the entire Performance Year by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of full months he or she was eligible to participate in the Plan during the Performance Year and the denominator of which is twelve (12). For purposes of this calculation, only full months of service shall be considered.

6.7 Termination of Employment. If a Participant's employment with the Company terminates for a reason other than death, Disability, Retirement, or any Approved Reason, all unpaid Awards, including, but not by way of limitation, Awards

earned but not yet paid, shall be canceled or forfeited. The Committee shall have the authority to promulgate rules and regulations to determine the treatment of an Award under the Plan in the event of the Participant's death, Disability, Retirement, or termination for an Approved Reason.

6.8 Noncompetition. A Participant shall forfeit all unpaid Awards, including, but not by way of limitation, Awards earned but not yet paid, if, (i) in the opinion of the Committee, the Participant, without the prior written consent of the Company, engages directly or indirectly in any manner or capacity as principal, agent, partner, officer, director, stockholder, employee, or otherwise, in any business or activity competitive with the business conducted by the Company; (ii) at any time divulges to any person or any entity other than the Company any trade secrets, methods, processes, or the proprietary or confidential information of the Company; or (iii) the Participant performs any act or engages in any activity which in the opinion of the Committee is inimical to the best interests of the Company.

6.9 Termination of Employment During Performance Cycle. In the event a Participant terminates employment due to death, Disability, Retirement or termination of employment for an Approved Reason prior to the Award Payment Date for a Performance Year, the Participant shall receive, if Awards are paid for such Performance Year and if he or she complies with the requirements of Subsection 6.8 through the Award Payment Date, a pro rata Award. The amount of the pro rata Award shall be determined by multiplying the Award the Participant would have otherwise been paid if he or she had been a Participant through the last day of the Performance Year by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months he or she was a Participant during such Performance Year and the denominator of which is twelve (12). For purposes of this calculation, only full months of service shall be considered.

ARTICLE 7 – CHANGE IN CONTROL

7.1 Background. Notwithstanding any provision contained in the Plan to the contrary, the provisions of this Article 7 shall control over any contrary provision. All Participants shall be eligible for the treatment afforded by this Article if their employment with the Company terminates within two years following a Change In Control, unless the termination is due to (a) Death; (b) Disability; (c) Cause; (d) resignation other than (1) resignation from a declined reassignment to a job that is not reasonably equivalent in responsibility or compensation, or that is not in the same geographic area, or (2) resignation within thirty days of a reduction in base pay; or (e) Retirement.

7.2 Payment of Awards. If a Participant qualifies for treatment under Section 7.1, he or she shall be paid, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than

90 days after his or her termination of employment, the Awards set forth in (a) and (b) below:

- (a) All of the Participant's unpaid Awards; and
- (b) A pro rata Award for the Performance Year in which his or her termination of employment occurs. The amount of the pro rata Award shall be determined by assuming all Participant Performance Targets on IPC's and PPC have been reached. The pro rata Award shall be calculated using a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the number of full months in the Performance Year prior to the date of the Participant's termination of employment and the denominator of which shall be twelve (12). For purposes of this calculation, a partial month shall be treated as a full month to the extent 15 or more days in such month have elapsed. To the extent Performance Targets have not yet been established for the Performance Year, the Performance Targets for the immediately preceding Performance Year shall be used. The pro rata Awards shall be paid to the Participant in the form of a lump-sum cash payment.

7.3 Miscellaneous. Upon a Change In Control, no action, including, but not by way of limitation, the amendment, suspension, or termination of the Plan, shall be taken which would affect the rights of any Participant or the operation of the Plan with respect to any Award to which the Participant may have become entitled hereunder prior to the date of the Change In Control or to which he or she may become entitled as a result of such Change In Control.

ARTICLE 8 – MISCELLANEOUS

8.1 Nonassignability. No Awards or any other payment under the Plan shall be subject in any manner alienation, anticipation, sale, transfer (except by will or the laws of descent and distribution), assignment, pledge, or encumbrance, nor shall any Award be payable to or exercisable by anyone other than the Participant to whom it was granted.

8.2 Withholding Taxes. The Company shall be entitled to deduct from any payment under the Plan, regardless of the form of such payment, the amount of all applicable income and employment taxes required by law to be withheld with respect to such payment or may require the Participant to pay to it such tax prior to and as a condition of the making of such payment.

8.3. Amendments to Awards. The Committee may at any time unilaterally amend any unpaid Award, including, but not by way of limitation, Awards earned but not yet paid, to the extent it deems appropriate; provided, however, that any such

amendment which, in the opinion of the Committee, is adverse to the Participant shall require the Participant's consent.

8.4. No Right to Continued Employment or Grants. Participation in the Plan shall not give any Employee any right to remain in the employ of CFF or any subsidiary. CFF or, in the case of employment with a Subsidiary, the Subsidiary (either an "Employer"), reserves the right to terminate any Employee at any time, and nothing herein shall interfere with the right of an Employer to discharge an Employee at any time without regard to the effect such discharge might have on the Employee as a Participant under the Plan. Further, the adoption of this Plan shall not be deemed to give any Employee or any other individual any right to be selected as a Participant or to be granted an Award.

8.5. Amendment/Termination. The Committee may suspend or terminate the Plan at any time with or without prior notice. In addition, the Committee may, from time to time and with or without prior notice, amend the Plan in any manner, but may not, without stockholder approval, adopt any amendment which would require the vote of the stockholders of CFF pursuant to any applicable law, rule or regulation.

8.6. Governing Law. The Plan shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas, except as superseded by applicable Federal Law. Any action concerning the Plan shall be maintained exclusively in the state or federal courts in Topeka, Kansas.

8.7. No Right, Title, or Interest in Company Assets. No Participant shall have any rights as a stockholder as a result of participation in the Plan until the date of issuance of a stock certificate in his or her name, and, in the case of restricted shares of Common Stock, such rights are granted to the Participant under the Plan. To the extent any person acquires a right to receive payments from the Company under the Plan, such rights shall be no greater than the rights in or against any specific assets of the Company. All of the Awards granted under the Plan shall be unfunded.

8.8. No Right to Continued Employment. Participation in this Plan shall not give any Officer any right to remain in the employ of the Company. The Company reserves the right to terminate an Employee (including Officers) at any time. Further, adoption of this Plan shall not be deemed to give any Employee or any other individual any right to be selected as a Participant or to be granted an Award.

8.9. No Guarantee of Tax Consequences. No person connected with the Plan in any capacity, including but not limited to, CFF and its Subsidiaries and their directors, officers, agents and employees makes any representation, commitment, or guarantee that any tax treatment, including, but not limited to, Federal, state, and local income, estate and gift tax treatment, will be applicable with respect to amounts paid to

or for the benefit of a Participant under the Plan, or that such tax treatment will apply to or be available to a Participant on account of participation in the Plan.

8.10. Other Benefits. No Award granted under the Plan shall be considered compensation for purposes of computing benefits under any retirement plan of the Company nor affect any benefits or compensation under any other benefit or compensation plan of the Company now or subsequently in effect.

[Signature page follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Capitol Federal Financial Short Term Performance Plan is executed this 12th day of December, 2005, to be first effective as of October 1, 2005.

CAPITOL FEDERAL FINANCIAL

By /s/ John C Dicus
Chairman

CAPITOL FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK

By s/ John B. Dicus
President

EXHIBIT 21

SUBSIDIARIES OF THE REGISTRANT

<u>Parent</u>	<u>Subsidiary</u>	<u>Percentage of Ownership</u>	<u>State of Incorporation or Organization</u>
Capitol Federal Financial	Capitol Federal Savings Bank	100%	Federal
Capitol Federal Savings Bank	Capitol Funds, Inc.	100%	Kansas
Capitol Funds, Inc.	Capitol Federal Mortgage Reinsurance Corporation	100%	Vermont

EXHIBIT 23

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statement No. 333-35452 on Form S-8 of our reports dated December 14, 2005, relating to the consolidated financial statements of Capitol Federal Financial and Subsidiary and management's report on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting incorporated by reference in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2005.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Kansas City, Missouri
December 14, 2005

EXHIBIT 31.1
CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I, John B. Dicus, certify that:

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

Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ John B. Dicus
John B. Dicus
President and Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT 31.2
CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

I, Kent G. Townsend, certify that:

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

Date: December 14, 2005 By: /s/ Kent G. Townsend
Kent G. Townsend
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

EXHIBIT 32
CERTIFICATE PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Capitol Federal Financial (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2005 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, John B. Dicus, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and I, Kent G. Townsend, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Company, certify, in my capacity as an officer of the Company, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and result of operations of the Company as of the dates and for the periods presented in the financial statements included in such Report.

Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ John B. Dicus
John B. Dicus, President and
Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 14, 2005

By: /s/ Kent G. Townsend
Kent G. Townsend, Executive Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer