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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2013.

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 0-20288

COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.
(Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter)

Washington 91-1422237
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization) Identification Number)

1301 "A" Street 98402-2156
Tacoma, Washington (Zip Code)
(Address of principal executive offices)
(253) 305-1900

(Issuer's telephone number, including area code)
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

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

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

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

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

The number of shares of common stock outstanding at April 30, 2013 was 51,027,081.

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

Columbia Banking System, Inc.

(Unaudited)

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
(in thousands)		
ASSETS		
Cash and due from banks	\$91,889	\$124,573
Interest-earning deposits with banks	356,056	389,353
Total cash and cash equivalents	447,945	513,926
Securities available for sale at fair value (amortized cost of \$984,075 and \$969,359, respectively)	1,012,162	1,001,665
Federal Home Loan Bank stock at cost	21,621	21,819
Loans held for sale	888	2,563
Loans, excluding covered loans, net of unearned income of (\$6,985) and (\$7,767), respectively	2,621,212	2,525,710
Less: allowance for loan and lease losses	51,119	52,244
Loans, excluding covered loans, net	2,570,093	2,473,466
Covered loans, net of allowance for loan losses of (\$29,489) and (\$30,056), respectively	363,213	391,337
Total loans, net	2,933,306	2,864,803
FDIC loss-sharing asset	83,115	96,354
Interest receivable	16,321	14,268
Premises and equipment, net	120,665	118,708
Other real estate owned (\$13,811 and \$16,311 covered by FDIC loss-share, respectively)	25,727	26,987
Goodwill	115,554	115,554
Core deposit intangible, net	14,693	15,721
Other assets	113,014	113,967
Total assets	\$4,905,011	\$4,906,335
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Deposits:		
Noninterest-bearing	\$1,274,330	\$1,321,171
Interest-bearing	2,772,209	2,720,914
Total deposits	4,046,539	4,042,085
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	6,634	6,644
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	25,000	25,000
Other liabilities	57,178	68,598
Total liabilities	4,135,351	4,142,327
Commitments and contingent liabilities		
Shareholders' equity:		
	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Common stock (no par value)		
Authorized shares	63,033	63,033
Issued and outstanding	39,844	39,686
Retained earnings	582,348	581,471
	170,593	162,388

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Accumulated other comprehensive income	16,719	20,149
Total shareholders' equity	769,660	764,008
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$4,905,011	\$4,906,335

See accompanying Notes to unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

Columbia Banking System, Inc.

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands except per share amounts)	
Interest Income		
Loans	\$48,028	\$61,777
Taxable securities	4,234	5,245
Tax-exempt securities	2,298	2,525
Federal funds sold and deposits in banks	201	165
Total interest income	54,761	69,712
Interest Expense		
Deposits	1,089	1,779
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	71	750
Other borrowings	119	120
Total interest expense	1,279	2,649
Net Interest Income	53,482	67,063
Provision (recapture) for loan and lease losses	(1,000	) 4,500
Provision for losses on covered loans	980	15,685
Net interest income after provision for loan and lease losses	53,502	46,878
Noninterest Income		
Service charges and other fees	7,594	7,177
Merchant services fees	1,851	2,018
Investment securities gains, net	370	62
Bank owned life insurance	698	711
Change in FDIC loss-sharing asset	(10,483	) (1,668
Other	1,628	1,274
Total noninterest income	1,658	9,574
Noninterest Expense		
Compensation and employee benefits	21,653	21,995
Occupancy	4,753	5,333
Merchant processing	857	873
Advertising and promotion	870	882
Data processing and communications	2,580	2,213
Legal and professional fees	2,050	1,609
Taxes, licenses and fees	1,387	1,355
Regulatory premiums	857	860
Net cost (benefit) of operation of other real estate owned	(2,501	) 910
Amortization of intangibles	1,029	1,150
Other	4,514	7,172
Total noninterest expense	38,049	44,352
Income before income taxes	17,111	12,100
Income tax provision	4,935	3,198
Net Income	\$12,176	\$8,902
Earnings per common share		
Basic	\$0.31	\$0.22

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Diluted	\$0.31	\$0.22
Dividends paid per common share	\$0.10	\$0.37
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	39,348	39,195
Weighted average number of diluted common shares outstanding	39,351	39,298

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Columbia Banking System, Inc.

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Net income as reported	\$12,176	\$8,902
Unrealized loss from securities:		
Net unrealized holding loss from available for sale securities arising during the period, net of tax of \$1,357 and \$926	(2,493)	(1,645)
Reclassification adjustment of net gain from sale of available for sale securities included in income, net of tax of \$130 and \$22	(240)	(40)
Net unrealized loss from securities, net of reclassification adjustment	(2,733)	(1,685)
Pension plan liability adjustment:		
Net unrealized loss from unfunded defined benefit plan liability arising during the period, net of tax of \$412 and \$0	(757)	—
Amortization of unrecognized net actuarial loss included in net periodic pension cost, net of tax of (\$32) and (\$7)	60	13
Pension plan liability adjustment, net	(697)	13
Total comprehensive income	\$8,746	\$7,230

See accompanying Notes to unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Columbia Banking System, Inc.

(Unaudited)

	Common Stock		Retained	Accumulated	Total
	Number of	Amount	Earnings	Other	Shareholders'
	Shares			Comprehensive	Equity
	(in thousands)			Income	
Balance at January 1, 2012	39,506	\$579,136	\$155,069	\$25,133	\$759,338
Net income	—	—	8,902	—	8,902
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	(1,672)	(1,672)
Issuance of common stock - stock option and other plans	18	308	—	—	308
Issuance of common stock - restricted stock awards, net of canceled awards	146	450	—	—	450
Cash dividends paid on common stock	—	—	(14,623)	—	(14,623)
Balance at March 31, 2012	39,670	\$579,894	\$149,348	\$23,461	\$752,703
Balance at January 1, 2013	39,686	\$581,471	\$162,388	\$20,149	\$764,008
Net income	—	—	12,176	—	12,176
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	(3,430)	(3,430)
Issuance of common stock - stock option and other plans	18	326	—	—	326
Issuance of common stock - restricted stock awards, net of canceled awards	140	551	—	—	551
Cash dividends paid on common stock	—	—	(3,971)	—	(3,971)
Balance at March 31, 2013	39,844	\$582,348	\$170,593	\$16,719	\$769,660

See accompanying Notes to unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Columbia Banking System, Inc.

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Net Income	\$12,176	\$8,902
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Provision (recapture) for loan and lease losses and losses on covered loans	(20)	20,185
Stock-based compensation expense	551	450
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	13,015	16,141
Investment securities gain, net	(370)	(62)
Net realized gain on sale of other assets	(80)	(21)
Net realized gain on sale of other real estate owned	(2,787)	(2,954)
Write-down on other real estate owned	158	3,127
Net change in:		
Loans held for sale	1,675	82
Interest receivable	(2,053)	(750)
Interest payable	(40)	(148)
Other assets	3,192	(1,166)
Other liabilities	(11,739)	(8,403)
Net cash provided by operating activities	13,678	35,383
Cash Flows From Investing Activities		
Loans originated and acquired, net of principal collected	(71,815)	(16,814)
Purchases of:		
Securities available for sale	(84,673)	(30,177)
Premises and equipment	(3,624)	(6,682)
Proceeds from:		
FDIC reimbursement on loss-sharing asset	3,119	14,804
Sales of securities available for sale	3,023	3,845
Principal repayments and maturities of securities available for sale	64,758	49,654
Sales of other assets	287	—
Sales of covered other real estate owned	6,438	8,025
Sales of other real estate and other personal property owned	2,019	7,829
Capital improvements on other real estate properties	—	(90)
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(80,468)	30,394
Cash Flows From Financing Activities		
Net increase in deposits	4,454	49,916
Proceeds from:		
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	100	—
Federal Reserve Bank borrowings	50	—
Exercise of stock options	326	308
Payments for:		
Repayment of Federal Home Loan Bank advances	(100)	(4,210)
Repayment of Federal Reserve Bank borrowings	(50)	—
Common stock dividends	(3,971)	(14,623)
Net cash provided by financing activities	809	31,391
Increase (Decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(65,981)	97,168

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Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	513,926	294,289
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$447,945	\$391,457
Supplemental Information:		
Cash paid during the year for:		
Cash paid for interest	\$1,319	\$2,797
Cash paid for income tax	\$5,500	\$—
Non-cash investing activities		
Loans transferred to other real estate owned	\$4,114	\$6,092

See accompanying Notes to unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Columbia Banking System, Inc.

1. Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The interim unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and with instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company, and its wholly owned banking subsidiary Columbia Bank (the "Bank"). All intercompany transactions and accounts have been eliminated in consolidation. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods presented have been included. The results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of results to be anticipated for the year ending December 31, 2013. The accompanying interim unaudited consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and related notes contained in the Company's 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Significant Accounting Policies

The significant accounting policies used in preparation of our consolidated financial statements are disclosed in our 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K. There have not been any changes in our significant accounting policies compared to those contained in our 2012 Form 10-K disclosure for the year ended December 31, 2012, except for the adoption of ASU 2012-06 as noted below.

2. Accounting Pronouncements Recently Issued

In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-02, Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income. The Update requires an entity to provide information about the amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component and to present either on the face of the statement where net income is presented, or in the notes, significant amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by the respective line items of net income, but only if the amount reclassified is required to be reclassified to net income in its entirety in the same reporting period. The amendments are effective for annual and interim reporting periods beginning on or after December 15, 2012. The Company adopted the ASU 2013-02 reporting requirements during the current period with no impact to the Company's financial condition or results of operations. See Note 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements of this report for new disclosures related to accumulated other comprehensive income.

In October 2012, the FASB issued ASU 2012-06, Subsequent Accounting for an Indemnification Asset Recognized at the Acquisition Date as a Result of a Government-Assisted Acquisition of a Financial Institution. ASU 2012-06 clarifies that when a reporting entity recognizes an indemnification asset as a result of a government-assisted acquisition of a financial institution and there is a subsequent change in the amount of cash flows expected to be collected on the indemnified asset, the reporting entity should subsequently measure the indemnification asset on the same basis as the underlying loans by taking into account the contractual limitations of the Loss-Sharing Agreement ("LSA"). For amortization of changes in value, the reporting entity should use the term of the indemnification agreement if it is shorter than the term of the acquired loans. ASU 2012-06 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2012. The Company adopted the ASU as of January 1, 2013. As a result of the adoption of the ASU, an additional \$2.5 million of indemnification asset amortization was recorded during the period, resulting in a reduction of \$1.6 million in net income and \$0.04 in earnings per share.

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3. Securities

The following table summarizes the amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses and the resulting fair value of securities available for sale:

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
	(in thousands)			
March 31, 2013				
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations	\$ 502,652	\$ 15,484	\$(6,181)	) \$ 511,955
State and municipal securities	256,608	19,586	(589)	) 275,605
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise securities	201,680	828	(981)	) 201,527
U.S. government securities	19,811	—	(105)	) 19,706
Other securities	3,324	87	(42)	) 3,369
Total	\$ 984,075	\$ 35,985	\$(7,898)	) \$ 1,012,162
December 31, 2012				
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations	\$ 561,076	\$ 16,719	\$(5,426)	) \$ 572,369
State and municipal securities	265,070	20,893	(388)	) 285,575
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise securities	120,085	851	(435)	) 120,501
U.S. government securities	19,804	39	(15)	) 19,828
Other securities	3,324	104	(36)	) 3,392
Total	\$ 969,359	\$ 38,606	\$(6,300)	) \$ 1,001,665

The scheduled contractual maturities of investment securities available for sale at March 31, 2013 are presented as follows:

	March 31, 2013	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(in thousands)	
Due within one year	\$ 17,771	\$ 18,025
Due after one year through five years	158,054	161,996
Due after five years through ten years	244,429	249,097
Due after ten years	560,497	579,677
Other securities with no stated maturity	3,324	3,367
Total investment securities available-for-sale	\$ 984,075	\$ 1,012,162

The following table summarizes, as of March 31, 2013, the carrying value of securities pledged as collateral to secure public deposits, borrowings and other purposes as permitted or required by law:

	Carrying Amount (in thousands)
To Washington and Oregon State to secure public deposits	\$ 282,025
To Federal Reserve Bank to secure borrowings	45,405
Other securities pledged	44,948
Total securities pledged as collateral	\$ 372,378

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The following table shows the gross unrealized losses and fair value of the Company's investments with unrealized losses that are not deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
(in thousands)						
March 31, 2013						
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations	160,587	(5,914)	11,250	(267)	171,837	(6,181)
State and municipal securities	21,513	(584)	210	(5)	21,723	(589)
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise securities	137,814	(981)	—	—	137,814	(981)
U.S. government securities	19,706	(105)	—	—	19,706	(105)
Other securities	—	—	958	(42)	958	(42)
Total	339,620	(7,584)	12,418	(314)	352,038	(7,898)
December 31, 2012						
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations	167,739	(5,090)	12,204	(336)	179,943	(5,426)
State and municipal securities	20,413	(383)	210	(5)	20,623	(388)
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise securities	56,600	(435)	—	—	56,600	(435)
U.S. government securities	9,914	(15)	—	—	9,914	(15)
Other securities	—	—	964	(36)	964	(36)
Total	254,666	(5,923)	13,378	(377)	268,044	(6,300)

At March 31, 2013, there were 18 U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise mortgage-backed securities & collateralized mortgage obligations securities in an unrealized loss position, of which one was in a continuous loss position for 12 months or more. The decline in fair value is attributable to changes in interest rates relative to where these investments fall within the yield curve and their individual characteristics. Because the Company does not intend to sell these securities nor does the Company consider it more likely than not that it will be required to sell these securities before the recovery of amortized cost basis, which may be upon maturity, the Company does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at March 31, 2013.

At March 31, 2013, there were 15 state and municipal government securities in an unrealized loss position, of which one was in a continuous loss position for 12 months or more. The unrealized losses on state and municipal securities were caused by interest rate changes or widening of market spreads subsequent to the purchase of the individual securities. Management monitors published credit ratings of these securities for adverse changes. As of March 31, 2013, none of the rated obligations of state and local government entities held by the Company had a below investment grade credit rating. Because the credit quality of these securities are investment grade and the Company does not intend to sell these securities nor does the Company consider it more likely than not that it will be required to sell these securities before the recovery of amortized cost basis, which may be upon maturity, the Company does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at March 31, 2013.

At March 31, 2013, there were 11 U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise securities in an unrealized loss position, of which none were in a continuous loss position for 12 months or more. The decline in fair value is attributable to changes in interest rates relative to where these investments fall within the yield curve and their individual characteristics. Because the Company does not currently intend to sell these securities nor does the Company consider it more likely than not that it will be required to sell these securities before the recovery of amortized cost basis, which may be maturity, the Company does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at March 31, 2013.

At March 31, 2013, there were two U.S. government securities in an unrealized loss position, neither of which was in a continuous loss position for 12 months or more. The decline in fair value is attributable to changes in interest rates relative to where these investments fall within the yield curve and their individual characteristics. Because the Company does not

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currently intend to sell this security nor does the Company consider it more likely than not that it will be required to sell this security before the recovery of amortized cost basis, which may be maturity, the Company does not consider this investment to be other-than-temporarily impaired at March 31, 2013.

At March 31, 2013, there was one other security, a mortgage-backed securities fund in a continuous unrealized loss position for 12 months or more. The decline in fair value is attributable to changes in interest rates and the additional risk premium investors are demanding for investment securities with these characteristics. The Company does not consider this investment to be other-than-temporarily impaired at March 31, 2013 as it has the intent and ability to hold the investment for sufficient time to allow for recovery in the market value.

4. Noncovered Loans

Noncovered loans include loans originated through our branch network and loan departments as well as acquired loans that are not subject to FDIC loss-sharing agreements.

The following is an analysis of the noncovered loan portfolio by major types of loans (net of unearned income):

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Noncovered loans:	(in thousands)	
Commercial business	\$1,204,760	\$1,155,158
Real estate:		
One-to-four family residential	43,604	43,922
Commercial and multifamily residential	1,106,987	1,061,201
Total real estate	1,150,591	1,105,123
Real estate construction:		
One-to-four family residential	52,946	50,602
Commercial and multifamily residential	67,213	65,101
Total real estate construction	120,159	115,703
Consumer	152,687	157,493
Less: Net unearned income	(6,985)	(7,767)
Total noncovered loans, net of unearned income	2,621,212	2,525,710
Less: Allowance for loan and lease losses	(51,119)	(52,244)
Total noncovered loans, net	\$2,570,093	\$2,473,466
Loans held for sale	\$888	\$2,563

At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company had no material foreign activities. Substantially all of the Company's loans and unfunded commitments are geographically concentrated in its service areas within the states of Washington and Oregon.

The Company has granted loans to officers and directors of the Company and related interests. These loans are made on the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with unrelated persons and do not involve more than the normal risk of collectability. The aggregate dollar amount of these loans was \$13.7 million and \$14.2 million at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. During the first three months of 2013, advances on related party loans were \$475 thousand and repayments totaled \$948 thousand.

At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, \$463.7 million and \$443.4 million of commercial and residential real estate loans were pledged as collateral on Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings and additional borrowing capacity. The Company has also pledged \$17.4 million and \$13.8 million of commercial loans to the Federal Reserve Bank for additional borrowing capacity at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

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The following is an analysis of noncovered, nonaccrual loans as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	March 31, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Recorded Investment Nonaccrual Loans (in thousands)	Unpaid Principal Balance Nonaccrual Loans	Recorded Investment Nonaccrual Loans	Unpaid Principal Balance Nonaccrual Loans
Noncovered loans:				
Commercial business				
Secured	\$9,383	\$ 16,192	\$9,037	\$ 17,821
Unsecured	121	121	262	262
Real estate:				
One-to-four family residential	1,684	2,023	2,349	2,672
Commercial & multifamily residential				
Commercial land	3,347	6,701	4,076	7,491
Income property	8,230	11,439	8,520	10,815
Owner occupied	5,825	6,997	6,608	7,741
Real estate construction:				
One-to-four family residential				
Land and acquisition	2,646	5,841	3,084	6,704
Residential construction	388	388	1,816	2,431
Consumer	1,262	1,559	1,643	1,940
Total	\$32,886	\$ 51,261	\$37,395	\$ 57,877

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The following is an aging of the recorded investment of the noncovered loan portfolio as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	Current Loans	30 - 59 Days Past Due	60 - 89 Days Past Due	Total Past Due	Nonaccrual Loans	Total Loans
March 31, 2013 (in thousands)						
Noncovered loans:						
Commercial business						
Secured	\$1,142,942	\$3,739	\$1,154	\$4,893	\$9,383	\$1,157,218
Unsecured	43,918	112	164	276	121	44,315
Real estate:						
One-to-four family residential	41,330	849	61	910	1,684	43,924
Commercial & multifamily residential						
Commercial land	43,785	1,006	—	1,006	3,347	48,138
Income property	645,058	2,434	—	2,434	8,230	655,722
Owner occupied	389,803	2,525	1,621	4,146	5,825	399,774
Real estate construction:						
One-to-four family residential						
Land and acquisition	18,330	204	314	518	2,646	21,494
Residential construction	30,768	—	—	—	388	31,156
Commercial & multifamily residential						
Income property	24,479	—	—	—	—	24,479
Owner occupied	42,192	—	—	—	—	42,192
Consumer	150,423	885	230	1,115	1,262	152,800
Total	\$2,573,028	\$11,754	\$3,544	\$15,298	\$32,886	\$2,621,212
December 31, 2012 (in thousands)						
Noncovered loans:						
Commercial business						
Secured	\$1,091,770	\$4,259	\$1,485	\$5,744	\$9,037	\$1,106,551
Unsecured	44,817	252	12	264	262	45,343
Real estate:						
One-to-four family residential	41,508	193	142	335	2,349	44,192
Commercial & multifamily residential						
Commercial land	42,818	311	122	433	4,076	47,327
Income property	603,339	2,726	227	2,953	8,520	614,812
Owner occupied	387,525	1,040	—	1,040	6,608	395,173
Real estate construction:						
One-to-four family residential						
Land and acquisition	15,412	—	—	—	3,084	18,496
Residential construction	29,848	—	—	—	1,816	31,664
Commercial & multifamily residential						
Income property	28,342	—	—	—	—	28,342
Owner occupied	36,211	—	—	—	—	36,211
Consumer	155,207	387	362	749	1,643	157,599

Total	\$2,476,797	\$9,168	\$2,350	\$11,518	\$37,395	\$2,525,710
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The following is an analysis of impaired loans as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	Recorded Investment of Loans Collectively for Contingency Provision (in thousands)	Recorded Investment of Loans Measurably for Specific Impairment	Impaired Loans With Recorded Allowance	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Impaired Loans Without Recorded Allowance	Unpaid Principal Balance
March 31, 2013							
Noncovered loans:							
Commercial business							
Secured	\$1,152,246	\$ 4,972	\$293	\$ 414	\$ 67	\$4,680	\$7,488
Unsecured	44,231	84	84	84	84	—	—
Real estate:							
One-to-four family residential	42,380	1,544	340	362	108	1,204	1,341
Commercial & multifamily residential							
Commercial land	45,366	2,772	—	—	—	2,772	5,845
Income property	646,457	9,265	18	66	18	9,246	12,442
Owner occupied	388,437	11,337	605	606	34	10,732	14,135
Real estate construction:							
One-to-four family residential							
Land and acquisition	18,914	2,580	117	116	74	2,463	4,033
Residential construction	31,011	145	—	—	—	145	144
Commercial & multifamily residential							
Income property	24,479	—	—	—	—	—	—
Owner occupied	42,192	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consumer	152,674	126	—	—	—	126	126
Total	\$2,588,387	\$ 32,825	\$1,457	\$ 1,648	\$ 385	\$31,368	\$45,554
December 31, 2012							
Noncovered loans:							
Commercial business							
Secured	\$1,101,689	\$ 4,862	\$690	\$ 1,994	\$ 113	\$4,172	\$6,769
Unsecured	45,251	92	92	92	92	—	—
Real estate:							
One-to-four family residential	42,103	2,089	345	364	112	1,744	1,902
Commercial & multifamily residential							
Commercial land	44,672	2,655	—	—	—	2,655	5,727
Income property	606,656	8,156	2,670	2,727	1,040	5,486	7,860

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Owner occupied	383,269	11,904	608	610	38	11,296	14,642
Real estate construction:							
One-to-four family residential							
Land and acquisition	15,677	2,819	—	—	—	2,819	4,813
Residential construction	29,707	1,957	—	—	—	1,957	2,570
Commercial & multifamily residential							
Income property	28,342	—	—	—	—	—	—
Owner occupied	36,211	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consumer	157,472	127	—	—	—	127	127
Total	\$2,491,049	\$ 34,661	\$4,405	\$5,787	\$ 1,395	\$30,256	\$44,410

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The following table provides additional information on impaired loans for the three month periods indicated.

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2013		2012	
	Average Recorded Investment on Impaired Loans	Interest Recognized Impaired Loans	Average Recorded Investment on Impaired Loans	Interest Recognized Impaired Loans
	(in thousands)			
Noncovered loans:				
Commercial business				
Secured	\$4,917	\$ 4	\$9,709	\$ 309
Unsecured	88	1	119	1
Real estate:				
One-to-four family residential	1,816	4	2,266	1
Commercial & multifamily residential				
Commercial land	2,714	—	3,405	—
Income property	8,710	29	8,083	115
Owner occupied	11,620	279	14,152	107
Real estate construction:				
One-to-four family residential				
Land and acquisition	2,700	1	6,539	—
Residential construction	1,051	2	4,286	358
Commercial & multifamily residential				
Income property	—	—	6,045	—
Consumer	127	2	1,672	—
Total	\$33,743	\$ 322	\$56,276	\$ 891

There were no Troubled Debt Restructurings ("TDR") during the three months ended March 31, 2012. The following is an analysis of loans classified as TDR during the three months ended March 31, 2013:

	Three months ended March 31, 2013		
	Number of TDR Modifications	Pre-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Post-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment
	(dollars in thousands)		
Noncovered loans:			
Real estate construction:			
One-to-four family residential:			
Land and acquisition	1	\$ 117	\$ 117
Total	1	\$ 117	\$ 117

The Company's loans classified as TDR are loans that have been modified or the borrower has been granted special concessions due to financial difficulties that, if not for the challenges of the borrower, the Company would not otherwise consider. The Company had commitments to lend \$1.8 million and \$236 thousand of additional funds on loans classified as TDR as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The TDR modifications or concessions are made to increase the likelihood that these borrowers with financial difficulties will be able to satisfy their debt obligations as amended. Credit losses for loans classified as TDR are measured on the same basis as impaired loans. For impaired loans, an allowance is established when the collateral value less selling costs (or discounted cash flows or observable market price) of the impaired loan is lower than the recorded investment of that loan. The Company did not have any loans modified as TDR within the past twelve months that have defaulted during the three months ended March 31, 2013.

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5. Allowance for Noncovered Loan and Lease Losses and Unfunded Commitments and Letters of Credit

We maintain an allowance for loan and lease losses (“ALLL”) to absorb losses inherent in the loan portfolio. The size of the ALLL is determined through quarterly assessments of the probable estimated losses in the loan portfolio. Our methodology for making such assessments and determining the adequacy of the ALLL includes the following key elements:

1. General valuation allowance consistent with the Contingencies topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”).
2. Classified loss reserves on specific relationships. Specific allowances for identified problem loans are determined in accordance with the Receivables topic of the FASB ASC.

The unallocated allowance provides for other factors inherent in our loan portfolio that may not have been contemplated in the general and specific components of the allowance. This unallocated amount generally

3. comprises less than 5% of the allowance. The unallocated amount is reviewed quarterly based on trends in credit losses, the results of credit reviews and overall economic trends.

The general valuation allowance is systematically calculated quarterly using quantitative and qualitative information about specific loan classes. The minimum required level an entity develops a methodology to determine its allowance for loan and lease losses is by general categories of loans, such as commercial business, real estate, and consumer. However, the Company’s methodology in determining its allowance for loan and lease losses is prepared in a more detailed manner at the loan class level, utilizing specific categories such as commercial business secured, commercial business unsecured, real estate commercial land, and real estate income property multifamily. The quantitative information uses historical losses from a specific loan class and incorporates the loan’s risk rating migration from origination to the point of loss based upon the consideration of an appropriate look back period.

A loan’s risk rating is primarily determined based upon the borrower’s ability to fulfill its debt obligation from a cash flow perspective. In the event there is financial deterioration of the borrower, the borrower’s other sources of income or repayment are also considered, including recent appraisal values for collateral dependent loans. The qualitative information takes into account general economic and business conditions affecting our marketplace, seasoning of the loan portfolio, duration of the business cycle, etc. to ensure our methodologies reflect the current economic environment and other factors as using historical loss information exclusively may not give an accurate estimate of inherent losses within the Company’s loan portfolio.

When a loan is deemed to be impaired, the Company has to determine if a specific valuation allowance is required for that loan. The specific valuation allowance is a reserve, calculated at the individual loan level, for each loan determined to be both impaired and containing a value less than its recorded investment. The Company measures the impairment based on the discounted expected future cash flows, observable market price, or the fair value of the collateral less selling costs if the loan is collateral dependent or if foreclosure is probable. The specific reserve for each loan is equal to the difference between the recorded investment in the loan and its determined impairment value. The ALLL is increased by provisions for loan and lease losses (“provision”) charged to expense, and is reduced by loans charged off, net of recoveries or a recovery of previous provisions. While the Company’s management believes the best information available is used to determine the ALLL, changes in market conditions could result in adjustments to the ALLL, affecting net income, if circumstances differ from the assumptions used in determining the ALLL.

We have used the same methodology for ALLL calculations during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012. Adjustments to the percentages of the ALLL allocated to loan categories are made based on trends with respect to delinquencies and problem loans within each class of loans. The Company reviews the ALLL quantitative and qualitative methodology on a quarterly basis and makes adjustments when appropriate. The Company continues to strive towards maintaining a conservative approach to credit quality and will continue to prudently adjust our ALLL as necessary in order to maintain adequate reserves. The Company carefully monitors the loan portfolio and continues to emphasize the importance of credit quality.

Once it is determined that all or a portion of a loan balance is uncollectable, and the amount can be reasonably estimated, the uncollectable portion of the loan is charged-off.

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The following tables show a detailed analysis of the allowance for loan and lease losses for noncovered loans for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Beginning Balance	Charge-offs	Recoveries	Provision (Recovery)	Ending Balance	Specific Reserve	General Allocation
Three months ended March 31, 2013	(in thousands)						
Noncovered loans:							
Commercial business							
Secured	\$27,270	\$(988)	\$79	\$ 510	\$26,871	\$67	\$26,804
Unsecured	753	(326)	34	289	750	84	666
Real estate:							
One-to-four family residential							
Commercial & multifamily residential	694	(116)	—	79	657	108	549
Commercial land	460	—	10	(37)	433	—	433
Income property	11,033	(783)	79	(918)	9,411	18	9,393
Owner occupied	6,362	—	4	(908)	5,458	34	5,424
Real estate construction:							
One-to-four family residential							
Land and acquisition	1,171	(32)	2,139	(2,288)	990	74	916
Residential construction	635	(101)	—	4	538	—	538
Commercial & multifamily residential							
Income property	316	—	—	66	382	—	382
Owner occupied	102	—	—	6	108	—	108
Consumer	2,437	(171)	47	51	2,364	—	2,364
Unallocated	1,011	—	—	2,146	3,157	—	3,157
Total	\$52,244	\$(2,517)	\$2,392	\$(1,000)	\$51,119	\$385	\$50,734
	Beginning Balance	Charge-offs	Recoveries	Provision (Recovery)	Ending Balance	Specific Reserve	General Allocation
Three months ended March 31, 2012	(in thousands)						
Noncovered loans:							
Commercial business							
Secured	\$24,745	\$(2,354)	\$614	\$ 2,537	\$25,542	\$451	\$25,091
Unsecured	689	(5)	44	58	786	141	645
Real estate:							
One-to-four family residential							
Commercial & multifamily residential	654	(116)	43	108	689	72	617
Commercial land	488	(305)	—	510	693	—	693
Income property	9,551	(2,008)	18	2,688	10,249	1,087	9,162
Owner occupied	9,606	(365)	53	(739)	8,555	16	8,539
Real estate construction:							
One-to-four family residential							
Land and acquisition	2,331	(204)	47	(503)	1,671	—	1,671
Residential construction	864	—	—	138	1,002	18	984
Commercial & multifamily residential							

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Income property	665	—	—	(442)	223	—	223	
Owner occupied	35	—	—	9		44	—	44	
Consumer	2,719	(1,093)	373		130	2,129	—	2,129
Unallocated	694	—	—	6		700	—	700	
Total	\$53,041	\$(6,450)	\$1,192		\$4,500	\$52,283	\$1,785	\$50,498

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Changes in the allowance for unfunded commitments and letters of credit are summarized as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Balance at beginning of period	\$1,915	\$1,535
Net changes in the allowance for unfunded commitments and letters of credit	—	130
Balance at end of period	\$1,915	\$1,665

Risk Elements

The extension of credit in the form of loans to individuals and businesses is one of our principal commerce activities. Our policies and applicable laws and regulations require risk analysis as well as ongoing portfolio and credit management. We manage our credit risk through lending limit constraints, credit review, approval policies and extensive, ongoing internal monitoring. We also manage credit risk through diversification of the loan portfolio by type of loan, type of industry, type of borrower and by limiting the aggregation of debt to a single borrower.

The monitoring process for the loan portfolio includes periodic reviews of individual loans with risk ratings assigned to each loan. Based on the analysis, loans are given a risk rating of 1-10 based on the following criteria:

• ratings of 1-3 indicate minimal to low credit risk,

• ratings of 4-5 indicate an average credit risk with adequate repayment capacity when prolonged periods of adversity do not exist,

• rating of 6 indicate higher than average risk requiring greater than routine attention by bank personnel due to conditions affecting the borrower, the borrower's industry or economic environment,

• rating of 7 indicate potential weaknesses that, if left uncorrected, may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the asset or in the Company's credit position at some future date,

• rating of 8 indicates a loss is possible if loan weaknesses are not corrected,

• rating of 9 indicates loss is highly probable; however, the amount of loss has not yet been determined,

• and a rating of 10 indicates the loan is uncollectable, and when identified is charged-off.

Loans with a risk rating of 1-6 are considered Pass loans and loans with risk ratings of 7, 8, 9 and 10 are considered Special Mention, Substandard, Doubtful and Loss, respectively. Loans with a risk rating of Substandard or worse are reported as classified loans in our allowance for loan and lease losses analysis. We review these loans to assess the ability of our borrowers to service all interest and principal obligations and, as a result, the risk rating may be adjusted accordingly. Risk ratings are reviewed and updated whenever appropriate, with more periodic reviews as the risk and dollar value of loss on the loan increases. In the event full collection of principal and interest is not reasonably assured, the loan is appropriately downgraded and, if warranted, placed on nonaccrual status even though the loan may be current as to principal and interest payments. Additionally, we assess whether an impairment of a loan warrants specific reserves or a write-down of the loan.

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The following is an analysis of the credit quality of our noncovered loan portfolio as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Total
March 31, 2013	(in thousands)					
Noncovered loans:						
Commercial business:						
Secured	\$1,062,881	\$31,333	\$63,004	\$—	\$—	\$1,157,218
Unsecured	44,087	70	158	—	—	44,315
Real estate:						
One-to-four family residential	40,866	252	2,806	—	—	43,924
Commercial and multifamily residential:						
Commercial land	44,229	115	3,794	—	—	48,138
Income property	625,209	1,918	28,595	—	—	655,722
Owner occupied	376,995	2,758	20,021	—	—	399,774
Real estate construction:						
One-to-four family residential:						
Land and acquisition	16,372	1,219	3,903	—	—	21,494
Residential construction	29,858	788	510	—	—	31,156
Commercial and multifamily residential:						
Income property	24,479	—	—	—	—	24,479
Owner occupied	42,192	—	—	—	—	42,192
Consumer	147,957	29	4,813	—	1	152,800
Total	\$2,455,125	\$38,482	\$127,604	\$—	\$1	2,621,212
Less:						
Allowance for loan and lease losses						51,119
Noncovered loans, net						\$2,570,093
	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Total
December 31, 2012	(in thousands)					
Noncovered loans:						
Commercial business:						
Secured	\$1,011,722	\$29,222	\$65,607	\$—	\$—	\$1,106,551
Unsecured	44,788	26	529	—	—	45,343
Real estate:						
One-to-four family residential	40,346	406	3,440	—	—	44,192
Commercial and multifamily residential:						
Commercial land	43,401	—	3,926	—	—	47,327
Income property	581,671	3,688	29,453	—	—	614,812
Owner occupied	357,063	1,848	36,262	—	—	395,173
Real estate construction:						
One-to-four family residential:						
Land and acquisition	12,741	1,351	4,404	—	—	18,496
Residential construction	28,705	1,142	1,817	—	—	31,664
Commercial and multifamily residential:						

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Income property	28,342	—	—	—	—	28,342
Owner occupied	36,211	—	—	—	—	36,211
Consumer	151,049	75	6,475	—	—	157,599
Total	\$2,336,039	\$37,758	\$151,913	\$—	\$—	2,525,710
Less:						
Allowance for loan and lease losses						52,244
Noncovered loans, net						\$2,473,466

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6. Changes in Noncovered Other Real Estate Owned

The following tables set forth activity in noncovered OREO for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Noncovered OREO:		
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 10,676	\$ 22,893
Transfers in, net of write-downs (\$32 and \$118, respectively)	2,709	3,803
OREO improvements	—	11
Additional OREO write-downs	(93	) (1,722
Proceeds from sale of OREO property	(1,565	) (7,829
Gain (loss) on sale of OREO, net	189	(412
Total noncovered OREO at end of period	\$ 11,916	\$ 16,744

7. Covered Assets and FDIC Loss-sharing Asset

Covered Assets

Covered assets consist of loans and OREO acquired in certain FDIC-assisted acquisitions during 2010 and 2011, for which the Bank entered into loss-sharing agreements, whereby the FDIC will cover a substantial portion of future losses on loans (and related unfunded loan commitments), OREO and certain accrued interest on loans during the terms of the agreements. Under the terms of the loss-sharing agreements, the FDIC will absorb 80% of losses and share in 80% of loss recoveries up to specified amounts. With respect to loss-sharing agreements for two acquisitions completed in 2010, after those specified amounts, the FDIC will absorb 95% of losses and share in 95% of loss recoveries. The loss-sharing provisions of the agreements for commercial and single-family mortgage loans are in effect for five and ten years, respectively, from the acquisition dates and the loss recovery provisions are in effect for eight and ten years, respectively, from the acquisition dates.

Ten years and forty-five days after the acquisition dates, the Bank shall pay to the FDIC a clawback in the event the losses from the acquisitions fail to reach stated levels. The amount of the clawback is determined by a formula specified in each individual loss-sharing agreement. As of March 31, 2013, the net present value of the Bank's estimated clawback liability is \$3.8 million, which is included in other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets.

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The following is an analysis of our covered loans, net of related allowance for losses as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Covered loans:	(dollars in thousands)	
Commercial business	\$ 113,876	\$ 125,373
Real estate:		
One-to-four family residential	49,639	57,150
Commercial and multifamily residential	220,037	233,106
Total real estate	269,676	290,256
Real estate construction:		
One-to-four family residential	22,165	25,398
Commercial and multifamily residential	14,032	15,251
Total real estate construction	36,197	40,649
Consumer	42,103	44,516
Subtotal of covered loans	461,852	500,794
Less:		
Valuation discount resulting from acquisition accounting	69,150	79,401
Allowance for loan losses	29,489	30,056
Covered loans, net of allowance for loan losses	\$363,213	\$391,337

Acquired impaired loans are accounted for under ASC 310-30 and initially measured at fair value based on expected future cash flows over the life of the loans. Acquired loans that have common risk characteristics are aggregated into pools. The Company remeasures contractual and expected cash flows, at the pool-level, on a quarterly basis.

Contractual cash flows are calculated based upon the loan pool terms after applying a prepayment factor. Calculation of the applied prepayment factor for contractual cash flows is the same as described below for expected cash flows. Inputs to the determination of expected cash flows include cumulative default and prepayment data as well as loss severity and recovery lag information. Cumulative default and prepayment data are calculated via a transition matrix. The transition matrix is a matrix of probability values that specifies the probability of a loan pool transitioning into a particular delinquency state (e.g. 0-30 days past due, 31 to 60 days, etc.) given its delinquency state at the remeasurement date. Loss severity factors are based upon either actual charge-off data within the loan pools or industry averages and recovery lags are based upon the collateral within the loan pools.

Acquired impaired loans are also subject to the Company's internal and external credit review and are risk rated using the same criteria as loans originated by the Company. However, risk ratings are not a clear indicator of losses on acquired loans as the loans were acquired with a significant discount and a majority of the losses are recoverable from the FDIC under the loss-sharing agreements.

Losses attributable to draws on acquired loans, advanced subsequent to the loan acquisition date, are accounted for under ASC 450-20 and those amounts are also subject to the Company's internal and external credit review. An allowance for loan losses is estimated in a similar manner as the originated loan portfolio, and a provision for loan losses is charged to earnings as necessary.

The excess of cash flows expected to be collected over the initial fair value of acquired loans is referred to as the accretable yield and is accreted into interest income over the estimated life of the acquired loans using the effective yield method. Other adjustments to the accretable yield include changes in the estimated remaining life of the acquired loans, changes in expected cash flows and changes of indices for acquired loans with variable interest rates.

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The following table shows the changes in accretable yield for acquired loans for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 166,888	\$ 259,669
Accretion	(14,477)	(27,658)
Disposals	(774)	(1,799)
Reclassifications from nonaccretable difference	7,149	9,465
Balance at end of period	\$ 158,786	\$ 239,677

During the three months ended March 31, 2013, the Company recorded a provision expense for losses on covered loans of \$980 thousand. Of this amount, \$1.3 million was impairment expense calculated in accordance with ASC 310-30 and \$300 thousand was a provision recapture to adjust the allowance for loss calculated under ASC 450-20 for draws on acquired loans. The impact to earnings of the \$980 thousand of provision expense for covered loans was partially offset through noninterest income by a \$784 thousand increase in the FDIC loss-sharing asset.

The changes in the ALLL for covered loans for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 are summarized as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Balance at beginning of period	\$30,056	\$4,944
Loans charged off	(2,382)	(562)
Recoveries	835	437
Provision charged to expense	980	15,685
Balance at end of period	\$29,489	\$20,504

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The following is an analysis of the credit quality of our covered loan portfolio as of March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Total
March 31, 2013	(in thousands)					
Covered loans:						
Commercial business:						
Secured	\$71,555	\$1,672	\$34,476	\$—	\$—	\$107,703
Unsecured	4,502	—	1,671	—	—	6,173
Real estate:						
One-to-four family residential	40,030	331	9,278	—	—	49,639
Commercial and multifamily residential:						
Commercial land	16,047	—	9,456	—	—	25,503
Income property	82,120	3,232	16,189	—	—	101,541
Owner occupied	76,454	398	16,141	—	—	92,993
Real estate construction:						
One-to-four family residential:						
Land and acquisition	6,449	2,796	4,892	—	—	14,137
Residential construction	2,812	—	5,216	—	—	8,028
Commercial and multifamily residential:						
Income property	4,374	—	7,079	—	—	11,453
Owner occupied	1,099	—	1,480	—	—	2,579
Consumer	37,255	419	4,402	27	—	42,103
Total	\$342,697	\$8,848	\$110,280	\$27	\$—	461,852
Less:						
Valuation discount resulting from acquisition accounting						69,150
Allowance for loan losses						29,489
Covered loans, net						\$363,213
	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Total
December 31, 2012	(in thousands)					
Covered loans:						
Commercial business:						
Secured	\$71,621	\$1,823	\$45,150	\$—	\$—	\$118,594
Unsecured	4,988	—	1,791	—	—	6,779
Real estate:						
One-to-four family residential	44,782	1,344	11,024	—	—	57,150
Commercial and multifamily residential:						
Commercial land	16,336	—	10,292	—	—	26,628
Income property	81,205	864	23,315	—	—	105,384
Owner occupied	82,222	3,318	15,554	—	—	101,094
Real estate construction:						
One-to-four family residential:						
Land and acquisition	4,817	3,273	5,743	—	—	13,833
Residential construction	6,050	—	5,515	—	—	11,565
Commercial and multifamily residential:						

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Income property	4,419	—	7,901	—	—	12,320
Owner occupied	1,107	—	1,824	—	—	2,931
Consumer	38,973	381	5,162	—	—	44,516
Total	\$356,520	\$11,003	\$133,271	\$—	\$—	500,794
Less:						
Valuation discount resulting from acquisition accounting						79,401
Allowance for loan losses						30,056
Covered loans, net						\$391,337

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The following table sets forth activity in covered OREO at carrying value for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Covered OREO:		
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 16,311	\$ 28,126
Transfers in	1,405	2,468
Additional OREO write-downs	(65	) (1,505
Proceeds from sale of OREO property	(6,438	) (8,025
Net gain on sale of OREO	2,598	3,366
Total covered OREO at end of period	\$ 13,811	\$ 24,430

The covered OREO is covered by loss-sharing agreements with the FDIC in which the FDIC will share in 80% of additional write-downs, as well as gains and losses on covered OREO sales, or 95%, if applicable, of additional write-downs, as well as gains and losses on covered OREO sales if the minimum loss share thresholds are met.

FDIC Loss-sharing Asset

At March 31, 2013, the FDIC loss-sharing asset is comprised of a \$75.5 million FDIC indemnification asset and a \$7.6 million FDIC receivable. The indemnification represents the cash flows the Company expects to collect from the FDIC under the loss-sharing agreements and the FDIC receivable represents the reimbursable amounts from the FDIC that have not yet been received.

For covered loans, the Company remeasures contractual and expected cash flows on a quarterly basis. When the quarterly remeasurement process results in a decrease in expected cash flows due to an increase in expected credit losses, impairment is recorded. As a result of this impairment, the indemnification asset is increased to reflect anticipated future cash to be received from the FDIC. Consistent with the loss-sharing agreements between the Company and the FDIC, the amount of the increase to the indemnification asset is measured as 80% of the resulting impairment.

Alternatively, when the quarterly remeasurement results in an increase in expected future cash flows due to a decrease in expected credit losses, the nonaccretable difference decreases and the effective yield of the related loan portfolio is increased. As a result of the improved expected cash flows, the indemnification asset would be reduced first by the amount of any impairment previously recorded and, second, by increased amortization over the remaining life of the related loss-sharing agreement.

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The following table shows a detailed analysis of the FDIC loss-sharing asset for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012 (1)
	(in thousands)	
Balance at beginning of period	\$96,354	\$175,071
Adjustments not reflected in income		
Cash received from the FDIC	(3,119	) (14,804
FDIC reimbursable losses, net	363	462
Adjustments reflected in income		
Amortization, net	(9,779	) (13,873
Loan impairment	784	12,548
Sale of other real estate	(1,346	) (2,067
Write-downs of other real estate	52	1,629
Other	(194	) 95
Balance at end of period	\$83,115	\$159,061

(1) Reclassified to conform to the current period's presentation.

8. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

In accordance with the Intangibles – Goodwill and Other topic of the FASB ASC, goodwill is not amortized but is reviewed for potential impairment at the reporting unit level. Management analyzes its goodwill for impairment on an annual basis on July 31 and between annual tests in certain circumstances such as material adverse changes in legal, business, regulatory and economic factors. An impairment loss is recorded to the extent that the carrying amount of goodwill exceeds its implied fair value.

The core deposit intangible (“CDI”) is evaluated for impairment if events and circumstances indicate a possible impairment. The CDI is amortized on an accelerated basis over an estimated life of approximately 10 years.

The following table sets forth activity for goodwill and intangible assets for the period:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Total goodwill	\$115,554	\$115,554
Core deposit intangible:		
Gross core deposit intangible balance at beginning of period	32,441	32,441
Accumulated amortization at beginning of period	(16,720	) (12,275
Core deposit intangible, net at beginning of period	15,721	20,166
CDI current period amortization	(1,028	) (1,150
Total core deposit intangible, net at end of period	14,693	19,016
Total goodwill and intangible assets at end of period	\$130,247	\$134,570

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The following table provides the estimated future amortization expense of core deposit intangibles for the remaining nine months ending December 31, 2013 and the succeeding four years:

	Amount (in thousands)
Year ending December 31,	
2013	\$2,936
2014	3,397
2015	2,645
2016	2,183
2017	1,627

9. Derivatives and Hedging Activities

The Company periodically enters into certain commercial loan interest rate swap agreements in order to provide commercial loan customers the ability to convert from variable to fixed interest rates. Under these agreements, the Company enters into a variable-rate loan agreement with a customer in addition to a swap agreement. This swap agreement effectively converts the customer's variable rate loan into a fixed rate. The Company then enters into a corresponding swap agreement with a third party in order to offset its exposure on the variable and fixed components of the customer agreement. As the interest rate swap agreements with the customers and third parties are not designated as hedges under the Derivatives and Hedging topic of the FASB ASC, the instruments are marked to market in earnings. The notional amount of open interest rate swap agreements at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 was \$158.9 million and \$177.0 million, respectively. There was no impact to the statement of operations for the three month periods ending March 31, 2013 and 2012.

The following table presents the fair value of derivatives not designated as hedging instruments at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

Asset Derivatives				Liability Derivatives				
March 31, 2013		December 31, 2012		March 31, 2013		December 31, 2012		
Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	
(in thousands)								
Interest rate contracts	Other assets	\$ 13,456	Other assets	\$ 14,921	Other liabilities	\$ 13,456	Other liabilities	\$ 14,921

10. Shareholders' Equity

On January 24, 2013 the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per share payable on February 20, 2013 to shareholders of record at the close of business February 6, 2013. The payment of cash dividends is subject to Federal regulatory requirements for capital levels and other restrictions. In addition, the cash dividends paid by Columbia Bank to the Company are subject to both Federal and State regulatory requirements. Subsequent to quarter end, on April 24, 2013, the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per common share, and common share equivalent for holders of preferred stock, payable on May 22, 2013 to shareholders of record at the close of business May 8, 2013.

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11. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

The following table shows changes in accumulated other comprehensive income by component for the three month period ended March 31, 2013:

	Unrealized Gains and Losses on Available-for-Sale Securities (1) (in thousands)	Unrealized Gains and Losses on Pension Plan Liability (1)	Total (1)
Beginning balance	\$20,918	\$(769)	\$20,149
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications	(2,493)	(757)	(3,250)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income ⁽²⁾	(240)	60	(180)
Net current-period other comprehensive income	(2,733)	(697)	(3,430)
Ending balance	18,185	(1,466)	16,719

(1) All amounts are net of tax. Amounts in parenthesis indicate debits.

(2) See following table for details about these reclassifications.

The following table shows details regarding the reclassifications from accumulated other comprehensive income for the three month period ended March 31, 2013:

	Amount Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (in thousands)	Affected line Item in the Consolidated Statement of Income
Unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities	\$370 370 (130) \$240	Investment securities gains, net Total before tax Tax expense Net of tax
Amortization of pension plan liability		
Actuarial losses	\$(92) (92) 32 \$(60)	Compensation and employee benefits Total before tax Tax benefit Net of tax

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12. Fair Value Accounting and Measurement

The Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures topic of the FASB ASC defines fair value, establishes a consistent framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosure requirements about fair value. We hold fixed and variable rate interest-bearing securities, investments in marketable equity securities and certain other financial instruments, which are carried at fair value. Fair value is determined based upon quoted prices when available or through the use of alternative approaches, such as matrix or model pricing, when market quotes are not readily accessible or available. The valuation techniques are based upon observable and unobservable inputs. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources, while unobservable inputs reflect our own market assumptions. These two types of inputs create the following fair value hierarchy:

Level 1 – Quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date.

Level 2 – Quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active; and model derived valuations whose inputs are observable or whose significant value drivers are observable.

Level 3 – Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

Fair values are determined as follows:

Securities at fair value are priced using a combination of market activity, industry recognized information sources, yield curves, discounted cash flow models and other factors. These fair value calculations are considered a Level 2 input method under the provisions of the Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures topic of the FASB ASC for all securities other than U.S. Treasury notes, which are considered a Level 1 input method.

Interest rate contract positions are valued in models, which use as their basis, readily observable market parameters and are classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy.

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The following table sets forth the Company's financial assets and liabilities that were accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 by level within the fair value hierarchy. Financial assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement:

	Fair value (in thousands)	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
March 31, 2013	(in thousands)			
Assets				
Securities available for sale				
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise mortgage-back securities and collateralized mortgage obligations	\$511,955	\$—	\$511,955	\$—
State and municipal debt securities	275,605	—	275,605	—
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise securities	201,527	—	201,527	—
U.S. government securities	19,706	19,706	—	—
Other securities	3,369	—	3,369	—
Total securities available for sale	\$1,012,162	\$19,706	\$992,456	\$—
Other assets (Interest rate contracts)	\$13,456	\$—	\$13,456	\$—
Liabilities				
Other liabilities (Interest rate contracts)	\$13,456	\$—	\$13,456	\$—
	Fair value (in thousands)	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
December 31, 2012	(in thousands)			
Assets				
Securities available for sale				
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise mortgage-back securities and collateralized mortgage obligations	\$572,369	\$—	\$572,369	\$—
State and municipal debt securities	285,575	—	285,575	—
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise securities	120,501	—	120,501	—
U.S. government securities	19,828	19,828	—	—
Other securities	3,392	—	3,392	—
Total securities available for sale	\$1,001,665	\$19,828	\$981,837	\$—
Other assets (Interest rate contracts)	\$14,921	\$—	\$14,921	\$—
Liabilities				
Other liabilities (Interest rate contracts)	\$14,921	\$—	\$14,921	\$—

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy during the three month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012. The Company recognizes transfers between levels of the valuation hierarchy based on the valuation level at the end of the reporting period.

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Nonrecurring Measurements

Certain assets and liabilities are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis after initial recognition such as loans measured for impairment and OREO. The following methods were used to estimate the fair value of each such class of financial instrument:

Impaired loans—A loan is considered to be impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that the Company will be unable to collect all amounts due (both interest and principal) according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Impaired loans are measured based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, a loan's observable market price, or the fair market value of the collateral if the loan is a collateral-dependent loan. Generally, the Company utilizes the fair market value of the collateral to measure impairment. The impairment evaluations are performed in conjunction with the ALLL process on a quarterly basis by officers in the Special Credits group, which reports to the Chief Credit Officer. The Real Estate Appraisal Services Department ("REASD"), which also reports to the Chief Credit Officer, is responsible for obtaining appraisals from third-parties or performing internal evaluations. If an appraisal is obtained from a third-party, the REASD reviews the appraisal to evaluate the adequacy of the appraisal report, including its scope, methods, accuracy, and reasonableness.

Other real estate owned and other personal property owned ("OPPO")—OREO and OPPO are real and personal property that the Bank has taken ownership of in partial or full satisfaction of a loan or loans. OREO and OPPO are generally measured based on the item's fair market value as indicated by an appraisal or a letter of intent to purchase. OREO and OPPO are recorded at the lower of carrying amount or fair value less estimated costs to sell. This amount becomes the property's new basis. Any write-downs based on the property fair value less estimated cost to sell at the date of acquisition are charged to the allowance for loan and lease losses. Management periodically reviews OREO and OPPO in an effort to ensure the property is carried at the lower of its new basis or fair value, net of estimated costs to sell. Any write-downs subsequent to acquisition are charged to earnings. The initial and subsequent write-down evaluations are performed by officers in the Special Credits group, which reports to the Chief Credit Officer. The REASD obtains appraisals from third-parties for OREO and OPPO and performs internal evaluations. If an appraisal is obtained from a third-party, the REASD reviews the appraisal to evaluate the adequacy of the appraisal report, including its scope, methods, accuracy, and reasonableness.

The following tables set forth the Company's assets that were measured using fair value estimates on a nonrecurring basis at March 31, 2013 and 2012.

	Fair value at March 31, 2013 (in thousands)	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date			Losses During the Three Months Ended March 31, 2013
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Impaired loans	\$477	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 477	\$ 102
Noncovered OREO	1,350	—	—	1,350	101
Covered OREO	65	—	—	65	65
	\$1,892	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,892	\$ 268
	Fair value at March 31, 2012 (in thousands)	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date			Losses During the Three Months Ended March 31, 2012
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Impaired loans	\$12,416	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 12,416	\$ 2,881
Noncovered OREO	3,510	—	—	3,510	1,730
Covered OREO	1,917	—	—	1,917	767
Noncovered OPPO	2,334	—	—	2,334	1,950
	\$20,177	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 20,177	\$ 7,328

The losses on impaired loans disclosed above represent the amount of the specific reserve and/or charge-offs during the period applicable to loans held at period end. The amount of the specific reserve is included in the allowance for loan and lease losses. The losses on OREO and OPPO disclosed above represent the write-downs taken at foreclosure

that were charged to the allowance for loan and lease losses, as well as subsequent write-downs from updated appraisals that were charged to earnings.

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Quantitative information about Level 3 fair value measurements

The range and weighted-average of the significant unobservable inputs used to fair value our Level 3 nonrecurring assets, along with the valuation techniques used, are shown in the following table:

	Fair value at March 31, 2013 (dollars in thousands)	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range (Weighted Average) (1)
Impaired loans	\$477	Fair Market Value of Collateral	Adjustment to Appraisal Value	N/A (2)
Noncovered OREO	1,350	Fair Market Value of Collateral	Adjustment to Appraisal Value	N/A (2)
Covered OREO	65	Fair Market Value of Collateral	Adjustment to Appraisal Value	N/A (2)

(1) Discount applied to appraisal value, letter of intent to purchase, or stated value (in the case of accounts receivable and inventory).

(2) Quantitative disclosures are not provided for impaired loans, noncovered OREO, and covered OREO because there were no adjustments made to the appraisal value during the current period.

	Fair value at March 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands)	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range (Weighted Average) (1)
Impaired loans	\$12,416	Fair Market Value of Collateral	Adjustment to Appraisal Value	0% - 37% (12%)
Noncovered OREO	3,510	Fair Market Value of Collateral	Adjustment to Appraisal Value	N/A (2)
Covered OREO	1,917	Fair Market Value of Collateral	Adjustment to Appraisal Value	0% - 23% (3%)
Noncovered OPPO	2,334	Fair Market Value of Collateral	Adjustment to Appraisal Value	N/A (2)

(1) Discount applied to appraisal value, letter of intent to purchase, or stated value (in the case of accounts receivable and inventory).

(2) Quantitative disclosures are not provided for noncovered OREO and noncovered OPPO because there were no adjustments made to the appraisal value during the current period.

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Fair value of financial instruments

Because broadly traded markets do not exist for most of the Company's financial instruments, the fair value calculations attempt to incorporate the effect of current market conditions at a specific time. These determinations are subjective in nature, involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and do not include tax ramifications; therefore, the results cannot be determined with precision, substantiated by comparison to independent markets and may not be realized in an actual sale or immediate settlement of the instruments. There may be inherent weaknesses in any calculation technique, and changes in the underlying assumptions used, including discount rates and estimates of future cash flows, could significantly affect the results. For all of these reasons, the aggregation of the fair value calculations presented herein do not represent, and should not be construed to represent, the underlying value of the Company.

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

Cash and due from banks and interest-earning deposits with banks—The fair value of financial instruments that are short-term or reprice frequently and that have little or no risk are considered to have a fair value that approximates carrying value (Level 1).

Securities available for sale—Securities at fair value, other than U.S. Treasury Notes, are priced using a combination of market activity, industry recognized information sources, yield curves, discounted cash flow models and other factors (Level 2). U.S. Treasury Notes are priced using quotes in active markets (Level 1).

Federal Home Loan Bank stock—The fair value is based upon the par value of the stock which equates to its carrying value (Level 2).

Loans—Loans are not recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. Nonrecurring fair value adjustments are periodically recorded on impaired loans that are measured for impairment based on the fair value of collateral. For most performing loans, fair value is estimated using expected duration and lending rates that would have been offered on March 31, 2013 or December 31, 2012, for loans which mirror the attributes of the loans with similar rate structures and average maturities. The fair values resulting from these calculations are reduced by an amount representing the change in estimated fair value attributable to changes in borrowers' credit quality since the loans were originated. For nonperforming loans, fair value is estimated by applying a valuation discount based upon loan sales data from the FDIC. For covered loans, fair value is estimated by discounting the expected future cash flows using a lending rate that would have been offered on March 31, 2013 (Level 3).

FDIC loss-sharing asset —The fair value of the FDIC loss-sharing asset is estimated based on discounting the expected future cash flows using an estimated market rate (Level 3).

Interest rate contracts—Interest rate swap positions are valued in models, which use as their basis, readily observable market parameters (Level 2).

Deposits—For deposits with no contractual maturity, the fair value is equal to the carrying value (Level 1). The fair value of fixed maturity deposits is based on discounted cash flows using the difference between the deposit rate and current market rates for deposits of similar remaining maturities (Level 2).

FHLB advances—The fair value of Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle (the "FHLB") advances is estimated based on discounting the future cash flows using the market rate currently offered (Level 2).

Repurchase Agreements—The fair value of securities sold under agreement to repurchase is estimated based on discounting the future cash flows using the market rate currently offered (Level 2).

Other Financial Instruments—The majority of our commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit carry current market interest rates if converted to loans, as such, carrying value is assumed to equal fair value.

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The following tables summarize carrying amounts and estimated fair values of selected financial instruments as well as assumptions used by the Company in estimating fair value at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	March 31, 2013				
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	(in thousands)				
Assets					
Cash and due from banks	\$91,889	\$91,889	\$91,889	\$—	\$—
Interest-earning deposits with banks	356,056	356,056	356,056	—	—
Securities available for sale	1,012,162	1,012,162	19,706	992,456	—
FHLB stock	21,621	21,621	—	21,621	—
Loans held for sale	888	888	—	888	—
Loans	2,933,306	2,978,867	—	—	2,978,867
FDIC loss-sharing asset	83,115	25,062	—	—	25,062
Interest rate contracts	13,456	13,456	—	13,456	—
Liabilities					
Deposits	\$4,046,539	\$4,047,346	\$3,573,755	\$473,591	\$—
FHLB Advances	6,634	6,237	—	6,237	—
Repurchase agreements	25,000	26,396	—	26,396	—
Interest rate contracts	13,456	13,456	—	13,456	—
	December 31, 2012				
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	(in thousands)				
Assets					
Cash and due from banks	\$124,573	\$124,573	\$124,573	\$—	\$—
Interest-earning deposits with banks	389,353	389,353	389,353	—	—
Securities available for sale	1,001,665	1,001,665	19,828	981,837	—
FHLB stock	21,819	21,819	—	21,819	—
Loans held for sale	2,563	2,563	—	2,563	—
Loans	2,864,803	2,944,317	—	—	2,944,317
FDIC loss-sharing asset	96,354	26,543	—	—	26,543
Interest rate contracts	14,921	14,921	—	14,921	—
Liabilities					
Deposits	\$4,042,085	\$4,043,221	\$3,549,821	\$493,400	\$—
FHLB Advances	6,644	5,894	—	5,894	—
Repurchase agreements	25,000	26,464	—	26,464	—
Interest rate contracts	14,921	14,921	—	14,921	—

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13. Earnings per Common Share

The Company applies the two-class method of computing basic and diluted EPS. Under the two-class method, EPS is determined for each class of common stock and participating security according to dividends declared and participation rights in undistributed earnings. The Company grants restricted shares under share-based compensation plans that qualify as participating securities.

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands except per share)	
Basic EPS:		
Net income	\$12,176	\$8,902
Less: Earnings allocated to participating securities	(123	) (132
Earnings allocated to common shareholders	\$12,053	\$8,770
Weighted average common shares outstanding	39,348	39,195
Basic earnings per common share	\$0.31	\$0.22
Diluted EPS:		
Earnings allocated to common shareholders	\$12,053	\$8,770
Weighted average common shares outstanding	39,348	39,195
Dilutive effect of equity awards	3	103
Weighted average diluted common shares outstanding	39,351	39,298
Diluted earnings per common share	\$0.31	\$0.22
Potentially dilutive share options that were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because to do so would be anti-dilutive	9	46

14. Subsequent Events

Subsequent events are events or transactions that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued. Recognized subsequent events are events or transactions that provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at the date of the balance sheet, including the estimates inherent in the process of preparing financial statements. Nonrecognized subsequent events are events that provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at the date of the balance sheet but arose after that date.

On April 1, 2013, the Company completed its acquisition of West Coast Bancorp ("West Coast"). The Company acquired 100% of the voting equity interests of West Coast. The primary reason for the acquisition was to expand the Company's geographic footprint consistent with its ongoing growth strategy. The operating results of the Company for the three months ended March 31, 2013 do not include the operating results produced by West Coast as the acquisition did not close until April 1, 2013. It is not practical to present financial information related to the acquisition at this time because the fair value measurement of assets acquired and liabilities assumed has not been finalized.

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

This discussion should be read in conjunction with the unaudited consolidated financial statements of Columbia Banking System, Inc. (referred to in this report as "we", "our", and "the Company") and notes thereto presented elsewhere in this report and with the December 31, 2012 audited consolidated financial statements and its accompanying notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K. In the following discussion, unless otherwise noted, references to increases or decreases in average balances in items of income and expense for a particular period and balances at a particular date refer to the comparison with corresponding amounts for the period or date one year earlier.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements about our plans, objectives, expectations and intentions that are not historical facts, and other statements identified by words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "should," "projects," "seeks," "estimates" or words of similar nature. These forward-looking statements are based on current beliefs and expectations of management and are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond our control. In addition, these forward-looking statements are subject to assumptions with respect to future business strategies and decisions that are subject to change. In addition to the factors set forth in the sections "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in this report, the following factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from the anticipated results:

- local and national economic conditions could be less favorable than expected or could have a more direct and pronounced effect on us than expected and adversely affect our ability to continue internal growth at historical rates and maintain the quality of our earning assets;
- the local housing/real estate markets where we operate and make loans could continue to face challenges;
- the risks presented by a continued challenging economy, including the current uncertainty regarding sequestration, which could adversely affect credit quality, collateral values, including real estate collateral, investment values, liquidity and loan originations and loan portfolio delinquency rates;
- the inability to smoothly integrate West Coast Bancorp with Columbia and retain customers and employees;
- the efficiencies and enhanced financial and operating performance we expect to realize from investments in personnel, acquisitions and infrastructure may not be realized;
- interest rate changes could significantly reduce net interest income and negatively affect funding sources;
- projected business increases following strategic expansion or opening of new branches could be lower than expected;
- our reliance on FHLB advances and FRB borrowings as additional sources of short and long-term funding;
- changes in the scope and cost of FDIC insurance and other coverages;
- the impact of FDIC-assisted loans on our earnings;
- changes in accounting principles, policies, and guidelines applicable to bank holding companies and banking;
- competition among financial institutions could increase significantly;
- the goodwill we have recorded in connection with acquisitions could become impaired, which may have an adverse impact on our earnings and capital;
- the reputation of the financial services industry could deteriorate, which could adversely affect our ability to access markets for funding and to acquire and retain customers;
- our ability to effectively manage credit risk, interest rate risk, market risk, operational risk, legal risk, liquidity risk and regulatory and compliance risk; and
- our profitability measures could be adversely affected if we are unable to effectively manage our capital.

You should take into account that forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report. Given the described uncertainties and risks, we cannot guarantee our future performance or results of operations and you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required under federal securities laws.

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CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Management has identified the accounting policies related to the allowance for loan and lease losses, business combinations, acquired impaired loans, FDIC loss sharing asset and the valuation and recoverability of goodwill as critical to an understanding of our financial statements. These policies and related estimates are discussed in “Item 7. Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation” under the headings “Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses”, “Business Combinations”, “Acquired Impaired Loans”, “FDIC Loss Sharing Asset” and “Valuation and Recoverability of Goodwill” in our 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K. There have not been any material changes in our critical accounting policies as compared to those disclosed in our 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Our results of operations are dependent to a large degree on our net interest income. We also generate noninterest income through service charges and fees, merchant services fees, and bank owned life insurance. Our operating expenses consist primarily of compensation and employee benefits, occupancy, merchant card processing, data processing and legal and professional fees. Like most financial institutions, our interest income and cost of funds are affected significantly by general economic conditions, particularly changes in market interest rates, and by government policies and actions of regulatory authorities.

Earnings Summary

The Company reported net income for the first quarter of \$12.2 million or \$0.31 per diluted common share, compared to \$8.9 million or \$0.22 per diluted common share for the first quarter of 2012.

The increase in net income from the first quarter of 2012 was attributable to lower noninterest expense and provision for loan losses on noncovered loans, partially offset by a reduction in the pretax earnings impact of the acquired loan portfolio.

Revenue (net interest income plus noninterest income) for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was \$55.1 million, 28% less than the same period in 2012. The decrease in revenue was a result of lower incremental accretion income on acquired loans. For a more complete discussion of this topic, please refer to the net interest income section contained in the ensuing pages.

The provision for loan and lease losses for the first quarter of 2013 was a recapture of \$1.0 million for the noncovered loan portfolio and a provision of \$980 thousand for the covered loan portfolio compared to provisions of \$4.5 million for the noncovered loan portfolio and \$15.7 million for the covered loan portfolio during the first quarter of 2012. The \$1.0 million provision recapture for the noncovered loan portfolio for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was due to improving credit metrics within the noncovered loan portfolio as well as a \$2.0 million recovery experienced during the current quarter related to a single borrowing relationship. The Company believes that, at 1.95% of net noncovered loans, the allowance for loan and lease losses remains adequate at March 31, 2013. The allowance to net noncovered loans was 2.07% at year-end 2012. The \$980 thousand in provision for losses on covered loans for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was primarily due to decreased expected future cash flows as remeasured during the current quarter when compared to the prior quarter's remeasurement. The \$980 thousand in provision is partially off-set by a \$784 thousand favorable adjustment to the change in FDIC loss-sharing asset.

Total noninterest expense for the quarter ended March 31, 2013 was \$38.0 million, a 14% decrease from the first quarter of 2012. The decrease from the prior-year period was primarily due to substantial write-downs of OREO and OPPO during the first quarter of the prior year.

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The increase in net income was partially offset by a reduction to the pretax earnings impact of the acquired loan portfolio. The following table illustrates the impact to earnings associated with the Company's acquired loan portfolios for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Incremental accretion income on acquired loans	\$9,445	\$22,421
Provision for losses on covered loans	(980	) (15,685
Change in FDIC-loss sharing asset	(10,483	) (1,668
FDIC clawback liability expense	(231	) 26
Pre-tax earnings impact of acquisition accounting	\$(2,249	) \$5,094
Net Interest Income		

Net interest income for the first quarter of 2013 was \$53.5 million, a decrease of 20% from \$67.1 million for the same quarter in 2012. The Company's net interest margin decreased to 5.06% in the first quarter of 2013, from 6.67% for the same quarter last year. The decreases in net interest income and margin were primarily due to accretion income on the acquired loan portfolios, which were significantly lower in the current period. In addition to the impact of accretion income, net interest income also decreased due to the combination of lower rates on loans as well as securities due to the overall decreasing trend in rates.

The incremental accretion income represents the amount of income recorded on the acquired loans above the contractual rate stated in the individual loan notes. The incremental accretion income had a positive impact of approximately 87 bps on the first quarter's net interest margin. For the same period last year, the incremental accretion income had a positive impact of approximately 218 bps on the net interest margin.

Incremental accretion income from acquired impaired loans decreased \$10.9 million from the prior year period. In addition, the discount accretion on other acquired loans decreased \$2.0 million from the prior year period. These decreases were primarily due to the moderating trend for incremental accretion income due to decreases in the acquired loan balances resulting from repayments. For additional information on the Company's accounting policies related to recording interest income on loans, please refer to "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in our 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The following table shows the impact to interest income and the related impact to the net interest margin resulting from accretion of income on certain acquired loan portfolios for the periods presented:

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2013	2012	
	(dollars in thousands)		
Interest income as recorded	\$16,489	\$32,902	
Less: Interest income at stated note rate	7,044	10,481	
Incremental accretion income	\$9,445	\$22,421	
Incremental accretion income due to:			
Acquired impaired loans	8,375	19,320	
Other acquired loans	1,070	3,101	
Incremental accretion income	\$9,445	\$22,421	
Net interest margin	5.06	% 6.67	%
Operating net interest margin, excluding incremental accretion income, interest reversals on nonaccrual loans and prepayment charges on FHLB advances	4.21	% 4.49	%

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The following table sets forth the average balances of all major categories of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, the total dollar amounts of interest income on interest-earning assets and interest expense on interest-bearing liabilities, the average yield earned on interest-earning assets and average rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities by category and in total net interest income and net interest margin:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2013			Three Months Ended March 31, 2012		
	Average Balances (1)	Interest Earned / Paid	Average Rate	Average Balances (1) (3)	Interest Earned / Paid (3)	Average Rate
	(dollars in thousands)					
ASSETS						
Loans, excluding covered loans, net ^{(1) (2)}	\$2,559,177	\$33,163	5.18 %	\$2,337,292	\$33,749	5.78 %
Covered loans, net ⁽¹⁾	403,382	14,992	14.87 %	523,232	28,221	21.57 %
Taxable securities	782,158	4,234	2.17 %	747,503	5,245	2.82 %
Tax exempt securities ⁽²⁾	269,499	3,566	5.29 %	275,563	3,918	5.72 %
Interest-earning deposits with banks and federal funds sold	322,761	201	0.25 %	253,859	165	0.26 %
Total interest-earning assets	4,336,977	\$56,156	5.18 %	4,137,449	\$71,298	6.93 %
Other earning assets	80,604			74,924		
Noninterest-earning assets	433,484			563,813		
Total assets	\$4,851,065			\$4,776,186		
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Certificates of deposit	\$482,644	\$580	0.48 %	\$589,573	\$1,000	0.68 %
Savings accounts	326,760	16	0.02 %	291,554	23	0.03 %
Interest-bearing demand	839,716	179	0.09 %	747,242	231	0.12 %
Money market accounts	1,090,980	314	0.12 %	1,044,542	525	0.20 %
Total interest-bearing deposits	2,740,100	1,089	0.16 %	2,672,911	1,779	0.27 %
Federal Home Loan Bank and Federal Reserve Bank borrowings	6,643	71	4.26 %	117,095	750	2.58 %
Other borrowings	25,000	119	1.90 %	25,855	120	1.87 %
Total interest-bearing liabilities	2,771,743	\$1,279	0.18 %	2,815,861	\$2,649	0.38 %
Noninterest-bearing deposits	1,250,028			1,132,413		
Other noninterest-bearing liabilities	60,887			66,226		
Shareholders' equity	768,407			761,686		
Total liabilities & shareholders' equity	\$4,851,065			\$4,776,186		
Net interest income ⁽²⁾		\$54,877			\$68,649	
Net interest margin			5.06 %			6.67 %

Nonaccrual loans have been included in the tables as loans carrying a zero yield. Amortized net deferred loan fees were included in the interest income calculations. The amortization of net deferred loan fees was \$661 thousand (1) and \$312 thousand for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The amortization of net unearned discounts on other acquired loans was \$1.1 million and \$3.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Tax-exempt income is calculated on a tax equivalent basis, based on a marginal tax rate of 35%. The tax equivalent yield adjustment to interest earned on noncovered loans was \$127 thousand and \$193 thousand for the three (2) months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The tax equivalent yield adjustment to interest earned on tax exempt securities was \$1.3 million and \$1.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

(3) Reclassified to conform to the current period's presentation.

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The following tables set forth the total dollar amount of change in interest income and interest expense. The changes have been segregated for each major category of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities into amounts attributable to changes in volume, changes in rates and changes in rates multiplied by volume. Changes attributable to the combined effect of volume and interest rates have been allocated proportionately to the changes due to volume and the changes due to interest rates:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 Compared to 2012		
	Increase (Decrease) Due to		
	Volume	Rate	Total
	(in thousands)		
Interest Income			
Loans, excluding covered loans, net	\$3,046	\$(3,632)	\$(586)
Covered loans, net	(5,612)	(7,617)	(13,229)
Taxable securities	234	(1,245)	(1,011)
Tax exempt securities	(85)	(267)	(352)
Interest earning deposits with banks and federal funds sold	43	(7)	36
Interest income	\$(2,374)	\$(12,768)	\$(15,142)
Interest Expense			
Deposits:			
Certificates of deposit	\$(161)	\$(259)	\$(420)
Savings accounts	3	(10)	(7)
Interest-bearing demand	26	(78)	(52)
Money market accounts	22	(233)	(211)
Total interest on deposits	(110)	(580)	(690)
FHLB and Federal Reserve Bank borrowings	(983)	304	(679)
Other borrowings	(4)	3	(1)
Interest expense	\$(1,097)	\$(273)	\$(1,370)
Provision for Loan and Lease Losses			

The provision for loan and lease losses for the first quarter of 2013 was a recapture of \$1.0 million for the noncovered loan portfolio and a provision of \$980 thousand for the covered loan portfolio compared with provisions of \$4.5 million and \$15.7 million, respectively, during the first quarter of 2012. The \$980 thousand in provision for losses on covered loans in the current period was primarily due to the decrease in expected future cash flows from covered loans as remeasured during current quarter, compared to the expected future cash flows as remeasured during the fourth quarter of 2012, net of the actual cash flows received during the quarter. The \$980 thousand in provision expense is substantially offset by a \$784 thousand favorable adjustment to the change in FDIC loss-sharing asset.

The \$1.0 million provision recapture for noncovered loan losses was due to improving credit metrics within the noncovered loan portfolio as well as a \$2.0 million recovery experienced during the current quarter related to a single borrowing relationship. Net noncovered loan charge-offs for the current quarter were \$125 thousand compared to \$5.3 million for the first quarter of 2012. The amount of provision was calculated in accordance with the Company's methodology for determining the ALLL, discussed in Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in "Item 1. Financial Statements (unaudited)" of this report and was based upon improving credit metrics in the noncovered loan portfolio.

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Noninterest Income

The following table presents the significant components of noninterest income and the related dollar and percentage change from period to period:

	Three Months Ended			
	March 31,		\$ Change	% Change
	2013	2012		
	(dollars in thousands)			
Service charges and other fees	\$7,594	\$7,177	\$417	6 %
Merchant services fees	1,851	2,018	(167)	(8)%
Investment securities gains, net	370	62	308	497 %
Bank owned life insurance	698	711	(13)	(2)%
Other	1,628	1,274	354	28 %
Subtotal	12,141	11,242	899	8 %
Change in FDIC-loss sharing asset	(10,483)	(1,668)	(8,815)	528 %
Total noninterest income	\$1,658	\$9,574	\$(7,916)	(83)%

Noninterest income was \$1.7 million for the first quarter of 2013, compared to \$9.6 million for the same period in 2012. The decrease was primarily due to the \$10.5 million change in the FDIC loss-sharing asset recorded as a reduction in income during the current quarter, compared to a \$1.7 million reduction in income during the same period in 2012. This decrease was partially offset by an increase of \$417 thousand in service charges and other fees as well as an increase in other noninterest income of \$354 thousand, which was due to an increase in Small Business Administration premiums in the current quarter.

Changes in the FDIC loss-sharing asset are primarily driven by amortization of the FDIC loss-sharing asset and the provision recorded for reimbursable losses on FDIC covered loans. For the first quarter of 2013, the \$9.8 million of amortization of the FDIC loss-sharing asset was partially offset by a \$784 thousand increase in the FDIC loss-sharing asset related to the provision recorded for reimbursable losses on FDIC covered loans. For the same period in 2012, the \$13.9 million of amortization of the FDIC loss-sharing asset was partially offset by a \$12.5 million increase in the FDIC loss-sharing asset related to the provision expense recorded for reimbursable losses on FDIC covered loans. For additional information on the FDIC loss-sharing asset, please see the "FDIC Loss-sharing Asset" section of Management's Discussion and Analysis and Note 7 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in "Item 1. Financial Statements (unaudited)" of this report.

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Noninterest Expense

The following table presents the significant components of noninterest expense and the related dollar and percentage change from period to period:

	Three Months Ended			
	March 31,		\$ Change	% Change
	2013	2012		
	(dollars in thousands)			
Compensation	\$17,888	\$18,041	\$(153)	(1)%
Employee benefits	3,740	3,588	152	4%
Contract labor	25	366	(341)	(93)%
	21,653	21,995	(342)	(2)%
All other noninterest expense:				
Occupancy	4,753	5,333	(580)	(11)%
Merchant processing	857	873	(16)	(2)%
Advertising and promotion	870	882	(12)	(1)%
Data processing and communications	2,580	2,213	367	17%
Legal and professional services	2,050	1,609	441	27%
Taxes, license and fees	1,387	1,355	32	2%
Regulatory premiums	857	860	(3)	—%
Net cost (benefit) of operation of noncovered other real estate owned	(54)	2,693	(2,747)	(102)%
Net benefit of operation of covered other real estate owned	(2,447)	(1,783)	(664)	37%
Amortization of intangibles	1,029	1,150	(121)	(11)%
Other	4,514	7,172	(2,658)	(37)%
Total all other noninterest expense	16,396	22,357	(5,961)	(27)%
Total noninterest expense	\$38,049	\$44,352	\$(6,303)	(14)%

Total noninterest expense for the first quarter of 2013 was \$38.0 million, a decrease of \$6.3 million, or 14% from \$44.4 million a year earlier. The decrease from the prior-year period was due to a decrease of \$2.7 million in other noninterest expense as well as a decrease of \$3.4 million in net cost (benefit) of operation of other real estate. The decrease in other noninterest expense was primarily due to the Company recording \$2.2 million in OPPO write-downs during the prior year period. The decrease in net cost (benefit) of operation of OREO was due to substantial write-downs recorded in the prior year period. These decreases were partially offset by a \$441 thousand increase in legal and professional expenses, which includes \$508 thousand during the current quarter related to the acquisition of West Coast Bancorp. Total merger related expense for the current quarter was \$723 thousand.

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The following table presents selected items included in other noninterest expense and the associated change from period to period:

	Three Months Ended		Increase
	March 31,	March 31,	(Decrease)
	2013	2012	Amount
	(in thousands)		
Postage	\$473	\$442	\$31
Software support & maintenance	362	376	(14)
Supplies	210	302	(92)
Insurance	261	271	(10)
ATM Network	271	308	(37)
Travel	270	294	(24)
Employee expenses	199	219	(20)
Sponsorships and charitable contributions	245	163	82
Directors fees	153	117	36
Federal Reserve Bank processing fees	45	75	(30)
CRA partnership investment expense	—	71	(71)
Investor relations	138	28	110
Other personal property owned	(104)	2,156	(2,260)
Miscellaneous	1,991	2,350	(359)
Total other noninterest expense	\$4,514	\$7,172	\$(2,658)

In managing our business, we review the efficiency ratio, on a fully taxable-equivalent basis. Our efficiency ratio (noninterest expense, excluding net cost of operation of other real estate, FDIC clawback liability expense and merger related expenses, divided by the sum of net interest income and noninterest income on a tax equivalent basis, excluding any gain/loss on sale of investment securities, gain on bank acquisition, incremental accretion income on the acquired loan portfolio and the change in the FDIC indemnification asset) was 68.68% for the first quarter of 2013 compared to 71.48% for the first quarter 2012.

Income Taxes

We recorded an income tax provision of \$4.9 million for the first quarter of 2013, compared to a provision of \$3.2 million for the same period in 2012. The effective tax rate was 29% for the first quarter of 2013 compared to 26% for the first quarter of 2012. Our effective tax rate remains lower than the statutory tax rate due to our nontaxable income generated from tax-exempt loans and municipal bonds, investments in bank owned life insurance, and low income housing credits. For additional information, please refer to the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

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Total assets were \$4.91 billion as of March 31, 2013, relatively unchanged from December 31, 2012.

Investment Securities

At March 31, 2013, the Company held investment securities totaling \$1.01 billion compared to \$1.00 billion at December 31, 2012. All of our securities are classified as available for sale and carried at fair value. The increase in the investment securities portfolio from year-end is due to \$84.7 million in purchases, partially offset by \$67.4 million in maturities and sales of securities in the portfolio. These securities are used by the Company as a component of its balance sheet management strategies. From time-to-time securities may be sold to reposition the portfolio in response to strategies developed by the Company's asset liability committee. In accordance with our investment strategy, management monitors market conditions with a view to realize gains on its available for sale securities portfolio when prudent.

At March 31, 2013, the market value of securities available for sale had an unrealized gain of \$28.1 million compared to an unrealized gain of \$32.3 million at December 31, 2012. The decrease in the unrealized gain was the result of the fluctuations in interest rates. The Company does carry \$352.0 million of investment securities with unrealized losses of \$7.9 million; however, we do not consider these investment securities to be other-than-temporarily impaired. In the future, if the impairment is judged to be other-than-temporary, to the extent that the loss is determined to be credit-related, the cost basis of the individual impaired securities will be written down to fair value; the amount of the write-down could be included in earnings as a realized loss. The remaining non-credit-related impairment would be recorded to other comprehensive income.

The following table sets forth our securities portfolio by type for the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
	(in thousands)	
Securities Available for Sale		
U.S. government agency and government-sponsored enterprise mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations	\$511,955	\$572,369
State and municipal securities	275,605	285,575
U.S. government and government-sponsored enterprise securities	201,527	120,501
U.S. government securities	19,706	19,828
Other securities	3,369	3,392
Total	\$1,012,162	\$1,001,665

For further information on our investment portfolio see Note 3 of the Consolidated Financial Statements in "Item 1. Financial Statements (unaudited)" of this report.

Credit Risk Management

The extension of credit in the form of loans or other credit products to individuals and businesses is one of our principal business activities. Our policies and applicable laws and regulations require risk analysis as well as ongoing portfolio and credit management. We manage our credit risk through lending limit constraints, credit review, approval policies, and extensive, ongoing internal monitoring. We also manage credit risk through diversification of the loan portfolio by type of loan, type of industry, type of borrower and by limiting the aggregation of debt limits to a single borrower. The monitoring process for our loan portfolio includes periodic reviews of individual loans with risk ratings assigned to each loan. We review these loans to assess the ability of the borrower to service all of its interest and principal obligations and, as a result, the risk rating may be adjusted accordingly. In the event that full collection of principal and interest is not reasonably assured, the loan is appropriately downgraded and, if warranted, placed on nonaccrual status even though the loan may be current as to principal and interest payments. Additionally, we review these types of loans for impairment in accordance with the Receivables topic of the FASB ASC. Impaired loans are considered for nonaccrual status and will typically remain as such until all principal and interest payments are brought current and the prospects for future payments in accordance with the loan agreement appear relatively certain.

Loan policies, credit quality criteria, loan portfolio guidelines and other credit approval processes are established under the guidance of our Chief Credit Officer and approved, as appropriate, by the Board of Directors. The Company's Credit Administration department and loan committee have the responsibility for administering the credit

approval process. As another part of its control process, we use an independent internal credit review and examination function to provide assurance that

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loans and commitments are made and maintained as prescribed by our credit policies. This includes a review of documentation when the loan is initially extended and subsequent monitoring to assess continued performance and proper risk assessment.

Loan Portfolio Analysis

We are a full service commercial bank, which originates a wide variety of loans, and focuses its lending efforts on originating commercial business and commercial real estate loans.

The following table sets forth the Company's loan portfolio by type of loan for the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2013	% of Total	December 31, 2012	% of Total	
	(dollars in thousands)				
Commercial business	\$ 1,204,760	46.0	% \$ 1,155,158	45.7	%
Real estate:					
One-to-four family residential	43,604	1.7	% 43,922	1.7	%
Commercial and multifamily residential	1,106,987	42.2	% 1,061,201	42.0	%
Total real estate	1,150,591	43.9	% 1,105,123	43.7	%
Real estate construction:					
One-to-four family residential	52,946	2.0	% 50,602	2.0	%
Commercial and multifamily residential	67,213	2.6	% 65,101	2.7	%
Total real estate construction	120,159	4.6	% 115,703	4.7	%
Consumer	152,687	5.8	% 157,493	6.2	%
Subtotal	2,628,197	100.3	% 2,533,477	100.3	%
Less: Net unearned income	(6,985)	) (0.3	)% (7,767	) (0.3)%
Total noncovered loans, net of unearned income	2,621,212	100.0	% 2,525,710	100.0	%
Less: Allowance for loan and lease losses	(51,119)	)	(52,244))	
Noncovered loans, net	2,570,093		2,473,466		
Covered loans, net of allowance of (\$29,489) and (\$30,056), respectively	363,213		391,337		
Total loans, net	\$ 2,933,306		\$ 2,864,803		
Loans held for sale	\$ 888		\$ 2,563		

Total noncovered loans increased \$95.5 million, or 4%, from year-end 2012. Growth was centered in the commercial business loan segment which increased \$49.6 million. Growth in this segment was led by the healthcare industry.

There was also strong broad based growth in the commercial and multifamily residential real estate loans. The growth in business and commercial real estate loans was partially offset by small reduction in consumer loans. The noncovered loan portfolio continues to be diversified, with the intent to mitigate risk by minimizing concentration in any one segment.

Commercial Loans: We are committed to providing competitive commercial lending in our primary market areas. Management expects a continued focus within its commercial lending products and to emphasize, in particular, relationship banking with businesses, and business owners.

Real Estate Loans: One-to-four family residential loans are secured by properties located within our primary market areas and, typically, have loan-to-value ratios of 80% or lower at origination. Our underwriting standards for commercial and multifamily residential loans generally require that the loan-to-value ratio for these loans not exceed 75% of appraised value, cost, or discounted cash flow value, as appropriate, and that commercial properties maintain debt coverage ratios (net operating income divided by annual debt servicing) of 1.2 or better. However, underwriting standards can be influenced by competition and other factors. We endeavor to maintain the highest practical underwriting standards while balancing the need to remain competitive in our lending practices.

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Real Estate Construction Loans: We originate a variety of real estate construction loans. Underwriting guidelines for these loans vary by loan type but include loan-to-value limits, term limits and loan advance limits, as applicable. Our underwriting guidelines for commercial and multifamily residential real estate construction loans generally require that the loan-to-value ratio not exceed 75% and stabilized debt coverage ratios (net operating income divided by annual debt servicing) of 1.2 or better. As noted above, underwriting standards can be influenced by competition and other factors. However, we endeavor to maintain the highest practical underwriting standards while balancing the need to remain competitive in our lending practices.

Consumer Loans: Consumer loans include automobile loans, boat and recreational vehicle financing, home equity and home improvement loans and miscellaneous personal loans.

Foreign Loans: The Company has no material foreign activities. Substantially all of the Company's loans and unfunded commitments are geographically concentrated in its service areas within the states of Washington and Oregon.

Covered Loans: Covered loans are comprised of loans and loan commitments acquired in connection with the 2011 FDIC-assisted acquisitions of First Heritage Bank and Summit Bank, as well as the 2010 FDIC-assisted acquisitions of Columbia River Bank and American Marine Bank. These loans are generically referred to as covered because they are generally subject to one of the loss-sharing agreements between the Company and the FDIC. The loss-sharing agreements relating to the 2010 FDIC-assisted transactions limit the Company's losses to 20% of the contractual balance outstanding up to a stated threshold amount of \$206.0 million for Columbia River Bank and \$66.0 million for American Marine Bank. If losses exceed the stated threshold, the Company's share of the remaining losses decreases to 5%. The loss-sharing agreements relating to the 2011 FDIC-assisted transactions limit the Company's losses to 20% of the contractual balance outstanding. The loss-sharing provisions of the 2011 agreements for commercial and single family residential mortgage loans are in effect for five years and ten years, respectively, from the acquisition dates and the loss recovery provisions for such loans are in effect for eight years and ten years, respectively, from the acquisition dates.

The following table is a rollforward of acquired, impaired loans accounted for under ASC 310-30, Loans and Debt Securities Acquired with Deteriorated Credit Quality for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Contractual Cash Flows (in thousands)	Nonaccretable Difference	Accretable Yield	Carrying Amount
Balance at January 1, 2013	\$556,108	\$(37,371)	\$(166,888)	\$351,849
Principal reductions	(38,124)	—	—	(38,124)
Accretion of loan discount	—	—	14,477	14,477
Changes in contractual and expected cash flows due to remeasurement	(1,118)	7,235	(7,149)	(1,032)
Reduction due to removals	(2,590)	144	774	(1,672)
Balance at March 31, 2013	\$514,276	\$(29,992)	\$(158,786)	\$325,498
	Contractual Cash Flows (in thousands)	Nonaccretable Difference	Accretable Yield	Carrying Amount
Balance at January 1, 2012	\$835,556	\$(91,317)	\$(259,669)	\$484,570
Principal reductions	(37,273)	—	—	(37,273)
Accretion of loan discount	—	—	27,658	27,658
Changes in contractual and expected cash flows due to remeasurement	(23,891)	17,363	(9,465)	(15,993)
Reduction due to removals	(5,217)	860	1,799	(2,558)
Balance at March 31, 2012	\$769,175	\$(73,094)	\$(239,677)	\$456,404

For additional information on our loan portfolio, including amounts pledged as collateral on borrowings, see Note 4 and Note 7 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in "Item 1. Financial Statements (unaudited)" of this report.

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Nonperforming Assets

Nonperforming assets consist of: (i) nonaccrual loans; (ii) other real estate owned; and (iii) other personal property owned.

Nonaccrual noncovered loans: The consolidated financial statements are prepared according to the accrual basis of accounting. This includes the recognition of interest income on the loan portfolio, unless a loan is placed on a nonaccrual basis, which occurs when there are serious doubts about the collectability of principal or interest.

Generally our policy is to discontinue the accrual of interest on all loans past due 90 days or more and place them on nonaccrual status. When a noncovered loan is placed on nonaccrual status, any accrued but unpaid interest on that date is removed from interest income.

Covered loans: We consider covered loans to be performing due to the application of the yield accretion method under ASC Topic 310-30. Topic 310-30 allows us to aggregate credit-impaired loans acquired in the same fiscal quarter into one or more pools, provided the loans have common risk characteristics. A pool is then accounted for as a single asset with a single composite interest rate and an aggregate expectation of cash flows. The covered loans acquired are and will continue to be subject to the Company's internal and external credit review and monitoring. Any credit deterioration experienced subsequent to the initial acquisition will result in a provision for loan losses being charged to earnings. These provisions will be mostly offset by an increase to the FDIC loss-sharing asset and will be recognized in noninterest income.

The following table set forth, at the dates indicated, information with respect to our noncovered nonaccrual loans and total noncovered nonperforming assets:

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
	(in thousands)	
Nonperforming assets, excluding covered assets		
Nonaccrual loans:		
Commercial business	\$9,504	\$9,299
Real estate:		
One-to-four family residential	1,684	2,349
Commercial and multifamily residential	17,402	19,204
Total real estate	19,086	21,553
Real estate construction:		
One-to-four family residential	3,034	4,900
Total real estate construction	3,034	4,900
Consumer	1,262	1,643
Total nonaccrual loans	32,886	37,395
Noncovered other real estate owned and other personal property owned	12,000	11,108
Total nonperforming noncovered assets	\$44,886	\$48,503
Total assets	\$4,905,011	\$4,906,335
Covered assets, net	377,024	407,648
Noncovered assets	4,527,987	4,498,687

At March 31, 2013, nonperforming noncovered assets were \$44.9 million, compared to \$48.5 million at December 31, 2012. The percent of nonperforming, noncovered assets to period-end noncovered assets at March 31, 2013 was 0.99% compared to 1.08% for December 31, 2012. Nonperforming noncovered assets decreased \$3.6 million during the three months ended March 31, 2013 as a result of \$3.6 million in loan payments, \$2.1 million in loans returning to accrual status, \$1.8 million in OREO and OPPO sales, \$1.1 million in loan chargeoffs, partially offset by \$5.0 million in new nonaccrual loans.

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Other Real Estate Owned: During the three months ended March 31, 2013, noncovered OREO increased \$1.2 million. The following table sets forth activity in noncovered OREO for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Noncovered OREO:		
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 10,676	\$ 22,893
Transfers in, net of write-downs (\$32 and \$118, respectively)	2,709	3,803
OREO improvements	—	11
Additional OREO write-downs	(93	) (1,722
Proceeds from sale of OREO property	(1,565	) (7,829
Gain (loss) on sale of OREO, net	189	(412
Total noncovered OREO, end of period	\$ 11,916	\$ 16,744

Other Personal Property Owned: During the three months ended March 31, 2013, noncovered OPPO declined \$348 thousand as a result of sales.

Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses

We maintain an allowance for loan and lease losses (“ALLL”) to absorb losses inherent in the loan portfolio. The size of the ALLL is determined through quarterly assessments of the probable estimated losses in the loan portfolio. Our methodology for making such assessments and determining the adequacy of the ALLL includes the following key elements:

1. General valuation allowance consistent with the Contingencies topic of the FASB ASC.
2. Classified loss reserves on specific relationships. Specific allowances for identified problem loans are determined in accordance with the Receivables topic of the FASB ASC.
The unallocated allowance provides for other credit losses inherent in our loan portfolio that may not have been contemplated in the general and specific components of the allowance. This unallocated amount generally
3. comprises less than 5% of the allowance. The unallocated amount is reviewed periodically based on trends in credit losses, the results of credit reviews and overall economic trends.

On a quarterly basis our Chief Credit Officer reviews with Executive Management and the Board of Directors the various additional factors that management considers when determining the adequacy of the ALLL, including economic and business condition reviews. Factors which influenced management’s judgment in determining the amount of the additions to the ALLL charged to operating expense include the following as of the applicable balance sheet dates:

- Existing general economic and business conditions affecting our market place
- Credit quality trends
- Historical loss experience
- Seasoning of the loan portfolio
- Bank regulatory examination results
- Findings of internal credit examiners
- Duration of current business cycle
- Specific loss estimates for problem loans

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The ALLL is increased by provisions for loan and lease losses (“provision”) charged to expense, and is reduced by loans charged off, net of recoveries and recapture of previous provision. While we believe the best information available is used by us to determine the ALLL, changes in market conditions could result in adjustments to the ALLL, affecting net income, if circumstances differ from the assumptions used in determining the ALLL.

In addition to the ALLL, we maintain an allowance for unfunded commitments and letters of credit. We report this allowance as a liability on our Consolidated Balance Sheet. We determine this amount using estimates of the probability of the ultimate funding and losses related to those credit exposures. This methodology is similar to the methodology we use for determining the adequacy of our ALLL. For additional information on our allowance for unfunded commitments and letters of credit, see Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements presented elsewhere in this report.

At March 31, 2013, our allowance for loan and lease losses for noncovered loans was \$51.1 million, or 1.95% of total noncovered loans (excluding loans held for sale) and 155% of nonperforming, noncovered loans. This compares with an allowance of \$52.2 million, or 2.07% of total noncovered loans (excluding loans held for sale), and 140% of nonperforming, noncovered loans at December 31, 2012.

The following table provides an analysis of the Company’s allowance for loan and lease losses for noncovered loans at the dates and the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Beginning balance	\$52,244	\$53,041
Charge-offs:		
Commercial business	(1,314)	(2,359)
One-to-four family residential	(116)	(116)
Commercial and multifamily residential	(783)	(2,678)
One-to-four family residential construction	(133)	(204)
Consumer	(171)	(1,093)
Total charge-offs	(2,517)	(6,450)
Recoveries		
Commercial business	113	658
One-to-four family residential	—	43
Commercial and multifamily residential	93	71
One-to-four family residential construction	2,139	47
Consumer	47	373
Total recoveries	2,392	1,192
Net charge-offs	(125)	(5,258)
Provision (recapture) for loan and lease losses	(1,000)	4,500
Ending balance	\$51,119	\$52,283
Total noncovered loans, net at end of period, excluding loans held of sale	\$2,621,212	\$2,371,818
Allowance for loan and lease losses to period-end noncovered loans	1.95	% 2.20 %
Allowance for unfunded commitments and letters of credit		
Beginning balance	\$1,915	\$1,535
Net changes in the allowance for unfunded commitments and letters of credit	—	130
Ending balance	\$1,915	\$1,665

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FDIC Loss-sharing Asset

The Company has elected to account for amounts receivable under loss-sharing agreements with the FDIC as an indemnification asset in accordance with the Business Combinations topic of the FASB ASC. The FDIC indemnification asset is initially recorded at fair value, based on the discounted expected future cash flows under the loss-sharing agreements.

Subsequent to initial recognition, the FDIC indemnification asset is reviewed quarterly and adjusted for any changes in expected cash flows. These adjustments are measured on the same basis as the related covered loans. Any decrease in expected cash flows from the covered assets due to an increase in expected credit losses will increase the FDIC indemnification asset and any increase in expected future cash flows from the covered assets due to a decrease in expected credit losses will decrease the FDIC indemnification asset. Increases and decreases to the FDIC loss-sharing asset are recorded as adjustments to noninterest income.

At March 31, 2013, the FDIC loss-sharing asset was \$83.1 million which was comprised of a \$75.5 million FDIC indemnification asset and a \$7.6 million FDIC receivable. The FDIC receivable represents the amounts due from the FDIC for claims related to covered losses the Company has incurred net of amounts due to the FDIC relating to shared recoveries.

The following table summarizes the activity related to the FDIC loss-sharing asset for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(in thousands)	
Balance at beginning of period	\$96,354	\$175,071
Adjustments not reflected in income		
Cash received from the FDIC	(3,119)	(14,804)
FDIC reimbursable losses, net	363	462
Adjustments reflected in income		
Amortization, net	(9,779)	(13,873)
Loan impairment	784	12,548
Sale of other real estate	(1,346)	(2,067)
Write-downs of other real estate	52	1,629
Other	(194)	95
Balance at end of period	\$83,115	\$159,061

For additional information on the FDIC loss-sharing asset, please see Note 7 to the Consolidated Financial Statements presented elsewhere in this report.

Liquidity and Sources of Funds

Our primary sources of funds are customer deposits. Additionally, we utilize advances from the FHLB of Seattle, the FRB of San Francisco, and wholesale repurchase agreements to supplement our funding needs. These funds, together with loan repayments, loan sales, retained earnings, equity and other borrowed funds are used to make loans, to acquire securities and other assets, and to fund continuing operations.

Deposit Activities

Our deposit products include a wide variety of transaction accounts, savings accounts and time deposit accounts. Core deposits (demand deposit, savings, money market accounts and certificates of deposit less than \$100,000) were relatively unchanged since year-end 2012 while certificates of deposit greater than \$100,000 decreased \$8.4 million, or approximately 4%, to \$204.5 million from year-end 2012.

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We have established a branch system to serve our consumer and business depositors. In addition, management's strategy for funding asset growth is to make use of brokered and other wholesale deposits on an as-needed basis. The Company also participates in the Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS®) program. CDARS® is a network that allows participating banks to offer extended FDIC deposit insurance coverage on certificates of deposit. Unlike traditional brokered deposits, the Company generally makes CDARS® available only to existing customers who desire additional deposit insurance coverage rather than as a means of generating additional liquidity. At March 31, 2013 CDARS® deposits and other brokered deposits were \$45.4 million, or 1% of total deposits, compared to \$26.7 million at year-end 2012. The brokered deposits have varied maturities.

The following table sets forth the Company's deposit base by type of product for the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2013		December 31, 2012		
	Balance	% of Total	Balance	% of Total	
(dollars in thousands)					
Core deposits:					
Demand and other non-interest bearing	\$1,274,330	31.5 %	\$1,321,171	32.7 %	
Interest bearing demand	846,515	20.9 %	870,821	21.5 %	
Money market	1,096,274	27.1 %	1,043,459	25.8 %	
Savings	337,251	8.3 %	314,371	7.8 %	
Certificates of deposit less than \$100,000	242,204	6.0 %	252,544	6.2 %	
Total core deposits	3,796,574	93.8 %	3,802,366	94.0 %	
Certificates of deposit greater than \$100,000	204,487	5.1 %	212,924	5.3 %	
Certificates of deposit insured by CDARS®	26,093	0.6 %	26,720	0.7 %	
Brokered money market accounts	19,330	0.5 %	—	— %	
Subtotal	4,046,484	100.0 %	4,042,010	100.0 %	
Premium resulting from acquisition date fair value adjustment	55		75		
Total deposits	\$4,046,539		\$4,042,085		

Borrowings

We rely on FHLB advances and FRB borrowings as another source of both short and long-term funding. FHLB advances and FRB borrowings are secured by bonds within our investment portfolio, residential, commercial and commercial real estate loans. At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, we had FHLB advances of \$6.0 million, before acquisition date fair value adjustments.

We also utilize wholesale repurchase agreements as a supplement to our funding sources. Our wholesale repurchase agreements are secured by mortgage-backed securities. At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 we had repurchase agreements of \$25.0 million, which mature in 2018. Management anticipates we will continue to rely on FHLB advances, FRB borrowings, and wholesale repurchase agreements in the future and we will use those funds primarily to make loans and purchase securities.

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Contractual Obligations & Commitments

We are party to many contractual financial obligations, including repayment of borrowings, operating and equipment lease payments, commitments to extend credit and investments in affordable housing partnerships. At March 31, 2013, we had commitments to extend credit of \$924.4 million compared to \$908.5 million at December 31, 2012.

Capital Resources

Shareholders' equity at March 31, 2013 was \$769.7 million, a slight increase from \$764.0 million at December 31, 2012. Shareholders' equity was 16% of total period-end assets at both March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

Capital Ratios: Banking regulations require bank holding companies to maintain a minimum "leverage" ratio of core capital to adjusted quarterly average total assets of at least 3%. In addition, banking regulators have adopted risk-based capital guidelines, under which risk percentages are assigned to various categories of assets and off-balance sheet items to calculate a risk-adjusted capital ratio. Tier I capital generally consists of preferred stock, common shareholders' equity, and trust preferred obligations, less goodwill and certain identifiable intangible assets, while Tier II capital includes the allowance for loan losses and subordinated debt, both subject to certain limitations. Regulatory minimum risk-based capital guidelines require Tier I capital of 4% of risk-adjusted assets and total capital (combined Tier I and Tier II) of 8% to be considered "adequately capitalized".

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation regulations set forth the qualifications necessary for a bank to be classified as "well capitalized", primarily for assignment of FDIC insurance premium rates. To qualify as "well capitalized," banks must have a Tier I risk-adjusted capital ratio of at least 6%, a total risk-adjusted capital ratio of at least 10%, and a leverage ratio of at least 5%. Failure to qualify as "well capitalized" can negatively impact a bank's ability to expand and to engage in certain activities.

The Company and its subsidiary qualify as "well-capitalized" at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

	Company		Columbia Bank		Requirements		
	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012	Adequately capitalized	Well- Capitalized	
Total risk-based capital ratio	20.29	% 20.62	% 17.64	% 17.87	% 8.00	% 10.00	%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	19.02	% 19.35	% 16.38	% 16.60	% 4.00	% 6.00	%
Leverage ratio	13.19	% 12.78	% 11.44	% 11.07	% 4.00	% 5.00	%

Stock Repurchase Program

In 2011, the Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase program authorizing the Company to repurchase up to 2 million shares of its outstanding shares of common stock. The Company intends to purchase the shares from time to time in the open market or in private transactions, under conditions which allow such repurchases to be accretive to earnings per share while maintaining capital ratios that exceed the guidelines for a well-capitalized financial institution. No shares were repurchased under the stock repurchase program during the first three months of 2013.

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Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

A number of measures are used to monitor and manage interest rate risk, including income simulations and interest sensitivity (gap) analysis. An income simulation model is the primary tool used to assess the direction and magnitude of changes in net interest income resulting from changes in interest rates. Basic assumptions in the model include prepayment speeds on mortgage-related assets, cash flows and maturities of other investment securities, loan and deposit volumes and pricing. These assumptions are inherently subjective and, as a result, the model cannot precisely estimate net interest income or precisely predict the impact of higher or lower interest rates on net interest income. Actual results will differ from simulated results due to timing, magnitude and frequency of interest rate changes and changes in market conditions and management strategies, among other factors. At March 31, 2013, based on the measures used to monitor and manage interest rate risk, there has not been a material change in the Company's interest rate risk since December 31, 2012. For additional information, refer to "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the Company's 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

An evaluation was carried out under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based on that evaluation, the CEO and CFO have concluded that as of the end of the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that the information required to be disclosed by us in the reports we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is (i) accumulated and communicated to our management (including the CEO and CFO) to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure, and (ii) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms.

Changes in Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting

There was no change in our internal controls over financial reporting during our most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

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PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

On June 24, 2009, West Coast Trust, which as a result of our recent acquisition of West Coast Bancorp (“West Coast”) is now a subsidiary of the Company, was served with an Objection to Personal Representative's Petition and Petition for Surcharge of Personal Representative in Linn County Circuit Court. The petition was filed by the beneficiaries of the estate of Archie Q. Adams, for which West Coast Trust acts as the personal representative. The petitioners allege a breach of fiduciary duty with respect to West Coast Trust's prior sale of real property owned by the Adams estate and sought relief in the form of a surcharge to West Coast Trust of \$215.6 million, the amount of the alleged loss to the estate. West Coast Trust filed a motion to dismiss on July 2, 2009, which was granted in a letter ruling dated September 15, 2009. Petitioners appealed and briefs have been filed. Appeals Court oral arguments were heard in November, 2012, and the Company has not yet received the Appeals Court decision. The Company believes the appeal and underlying petition are without merit.

On October 3, 2012, a class action complaint was filed in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Multnomah against West Coast, its directors, and the Company challenging the merger: Gary M. Klein v. West Coast Bancorp, et al., Case No. 1210-12431. The complaint names as defendants West Coast, all of the current members of West Coast's board of directors, and the Company. The complaint alleges that the West Coast directors breached their fiduciary duties to West Coast and West Coast shareholders by agreeing to the proposed merger at an unfair price. The complaint also alleges that the proposed merger is being driven by an unfair process, that the directors approved provisions in the merger agreement that constitute preclusive deal protection devices, that certain large shareholders of West Coast are using the merger as an opportunity to sell their illiquid holdings in West Coast, and that West Coast directors and officers will obtain personal benefits from the merger not shared equally by other West Coast shareholders. The complaint further alleges that West Coast and the Company aided and abetted the directors' alleged breaches of their fiduciary duties. Thereafter, a second lawsuit challenging the merger was filed in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Clackamas County: Leoni v. West Coast Bancorp et al., Case No. CV12100728. The parties have previously stipulated to the consolidation of the two lawsuits for all purposes in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County, and the Company and West Coast have consented to the filing of an unopposed motion to consolidate both lawsuits and extending the time for defendants to file a responsive pleading until July 5, 2013.

While West Coast believes that the claims in both complaints are without merit, West Coast agreed, in order to avoid the expense and burden of continued litigation and pursuant to the terms of the proposed settlement, to make certain supplemental disclosures in the joint proxy statement/prospectus related to the merger. Accordingly, prior to the closing of the merger on April 1, 2013, West Coast and the other defendants in the two actions entered into a memorandum of understanding to settle both actions. Subject to completion of certain confirmatory discovery by plaintiffs' counsel, the memorandum of understanding contemplates that the parties will enter into a stipulation of settlement. The stipulation of settlement will be subject to customary conditions, including court approval following notice to West Coast's stockholders. In the event that the parties enter into a stipulation of settlement, a hearing will be scheduled at which the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County will consider the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the settlement. If the settlement is finally approved by the court, it will resolve and release all claims in all actions that were or could have been brought challenging any aspect of the merger, the merger agreement, and any disclosure made in connection therewith, pursuant to terms that will be disclosed to stockholders before final approval of the settlement. There can be no assurance that the parties will ultimately enter into a stipulation of settlement or that the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County will approve the settlement even if the parties were to enter into such stipulation. In such event, the proposed settlement as contemplated by the memorandum of understanding may be terminated.

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Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

Refer to Item 1A of Part I of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 for a discussion of risk factors relating to the Company's business. The Company believes that there has been no material change in its risk factors as previously disclosed in the Company's Form 10-K, except for the following additional risk factor.

Significant legal actions could subject us to substantial uninsured liabilities and reputational harm and have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

We are from time to time subject to claims and proceedings related to our operations, which now include certain legal proceedings we assumed in connection with our recent acquisition of West Coast. Such claims and legal actions could involve large monetary claims, including civil money penalties or fines imposed by government authorities, and significant defense costs. In that regard, we are currently involved in active assumed legal proceedings. If one or more of those legal proceedings is decided in a manner that is adverse to us it could have a material adverse effect on our business and/or results of operation.

To protect against financial exposure from such claims, we maintain insurance coverage in amounts and with deductibles that we believe are appropriate for our operations. However, our insurance coverage does not cover any civil money penalties or fines imposed by government authorities and may not cover all other claims that might be brought against us or continue to be available to us at a reasonable cost. As a result, we may be exposed to substantial uninsured liabilities, which could adversely affect our business, prospects, results of operations and financial condition. Substantial uninsured legal action against us could have material adverse financial effects or cause significant reputational harm to us, which in turn could harm our business prospects.

Item 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

(a) Not applicable

(b) Not applicable

(c) Not applicable

Item 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

Item 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

Item 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.

Date: May 6, 2013

By /s/ MELANIE J. DRESSEL
Melanie J. Dressel
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 6, 2013

By /s/ CLINT E. STEIN
Clint E. Stein
Executive Vice President and
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