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Annual Report,
Proxy Statement
and Notice of
Annual Meeting

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1108 Fifth Avenue
San Rafael, California 94901

March 10, 2014

To Our Shareholders:

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Westamerica Bancorporation. It will be held at **11:00 a.m. Pacific Time on Thursday, April 24, 2014, at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2200 Gateway Court, Fairfield, California** as stated in the formal notice accompanying this letter. We hope you will plan to attend.

At the Annual Meeting, the shareholders will be asked to (i) elect nine Directors; (ii) approve a non-binding advisory vote on the compensation of our named executive officers; (iii) ratify the selection of independent auditor; and (iv) conduct other business that may properly come before the Annual Meeting.

In order to ensure your shares are voted at the Annual Meeting, you can vote through the internet, by telephone or by mail. Instructions regarding internet and telephone voting are included on the Proxy Card. If you elect to vote by mail, please sign, date and return the Proxy Card in the accompanying postage-paid envelope. The Proxy Statement explains more about voting in the section entitled "Voting Information – How You Can Vote."

We look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, April 24, 2014, at the Hilton Garden Inn in Fairfield, California.

Sincerely,

David L. Payne
Chairman of the Board, President
and Chief Executive Officer

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION

1108 Fifth Avenue
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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Date and Time

Thursday, April 24, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. Pacific Time

Place

Hilton Garden Inn, 2200 Gateway Court, Fairfield, California.

Items of Business

1. To elect nine Directors to serve until the 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders;
2. To approve a non-binding advisory vote on the compensation of our named executive officers;
3. To ratify selection of independent auditor; and
4. To conduct other business that may properly come before the Annual Meeting and any adjournments postponements.

Who Can Vote?

Shareholders of Record at the close of business on February 24, 2014 are entitled to notice of, and to vote at the Annual Meeting or any postponement or adjournment thereof.

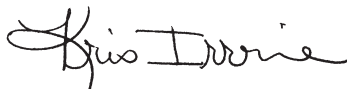
Admission to the Annual Meeting

No ticket will be necessary for admission to the Annual Meeting. However, to facilitate the admission process, Shareholders of Record (Holder) planning to attend the Annual Meeting should check the appropriate box on the Proxy Card. Your name will be added to a list of attendees. If you hold shares through an intermediary, such as a bank or broker (beneficial holder), you may need to register at the desk in the lobby. Please bring the following as evidence of ownership: 1) a Legal Proxy, which you can obtain from your bank or broker or other intermediary, or your brokerage statement dated on or after February 24, 2014, evidencing your shareholding on the February 24 record date; and 2) photo identification.

Annual Report

Westamerica Bancorporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K ("Annual Report") to shareholders for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 is enclosed or is available for viewing as indicated on the Shareholder Meeting Notice and on the Corporation's website at <https://www.westamerica.com/> under "Shareholders." The Annual Report contains financial and other information about the activities of Westamerica Bancorporation, but does not constitute a part of the proxy soliciting materials.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Kris Irvine
VP/Corporate Secretary

Dated: March 10, 2014

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING BEING HELD ON THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2014. THE PROXY STATEMENT AND ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K TO SHAREHOLDERS ARE AVAILABLE AT: WWW.WESTAMERICA.COM

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

TELEPHONE OR THE INTERNET USING THE PROCEDURES DESCRIBED IN THE PROXY STATEMENT, SO THAT YOUR SHARES MAY BE VOTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR WISHES.

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PROXY STATEMENT

March 10, 2014

GENERAL

The Westamerica Board of Directors is soliciting proxies to be used at the 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Westamerica Bancorporation, which will be held at 11:00 a.m. Pacific Time, Thursday, April 24, 2014, or at any adjournment or postponement of the Annual Meeting. Proxies are solicited to give all Shareholders of Record (“registered holder”) an opportunity to vote on matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting. In the following pages of this Proxy Statement, you will find information on matters to be voted at the Annual Meeting.

Voting Information

Internet Availability of Proxy Materials. We are providing proxy materials to our shareholders primarily via the Internet, instead of mailing printed copies of those materials to each shareholder. By doing so, we save costs and reduce the environmental impact of our Annual Meeting. On or about March 10, 2014, we mailed a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (“Notice”) to certain of our shareholders. The Notice contains instructions about how to access our proxy materials and vote online or vote by telephone. If you would like to receive a paper copy of our proxy materials, please follow the instructions included in the Notice. If you previously chose to receive our proxy materials electronically, you will continue to receive access to these materials via email unless you elect otherwise.

Proof of Ownership May Be Required for Attending Annual Meeting in Person. You are entitled to attend the Annual Meeting only if you are a shareholder as of the close of business on February 24, 2014, the record date, or hold a valid proxy for the meeting. In order to be admitted to the Annual Meeting, the Corporation reserves the right to request proof of ownership of Westamerica stock on the record date. This can be:

- A brokerage statement or letter from a bank or broker indicating ownership on February 24, 2014;
- The Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials;
- A printout of proxy distribution email (if you received your materials electronically);
- A Proxy Card;
- A voting instruction form; or
- A legal proxy provided by your broker, bank or nominee.

Any holder of a proxy from a shareholder must present the Proxy Card properly executed, and a copy of the proof of ownership. The Corporation reserves the right to ask shareholders and proxy holders to present a form of photo identification such as a driver’s license.

Proxy Card. The Board has designated Arthur C. Latno, Jr., Ronald A. Nelson and Edward B. Sylvester to serve as Proxies for the Annual Meeting. As Proxies, they will vote the shares represented by proxies at the Annual Meeting. If you sign, date and return your Proxy Card but do not specify how to vote your shares, the Proxies will vote FOR the election of all of the Director nominees, FOR approval of the advisory vote on the compensation of our named executive officers, and FOR ratifying the selection of independent auditor. The Proxies will also have discretionary authority to vote in accordance with their judgment on any other

matter that may properly come before the Annual Meeting that we did not have notice of by January 25, 2014.

Quorum and Shares Outstanding. A quorum, which is a majority of the total shares outstanding as of the record date, must be present to hold the Annual Meeting. A quorum is calculated based on the number of shares represented by shareholders attending in person or by proxy. On February 24, 2014, 26,409,146 shares of Westamerica common stock were outstanding. We also count broker non-votes, which we describe below, as shares present or represented at the Annual Meeting for the purpose of determining whether a quorum exists.

Election of Director Nominees. Each share is entitled to one vote, except in the election of Directors where a shareholder may cumulate votes as to candidates nominated prior to voting, but only when a shareholder gives notice of intent to cumulate votes prior to the voting at the Annual Meeting. If any shareholder gives such notice, all shareholders may cumulate their votes for nominees. Under cumulative voting, each share carries as many votes as the number of Directors to be elected, and the shareholder may cast all of such votes for a single nominee or distribute them in any manner among as many nominees as desired. This Proxy Statement solicits the discretionary authority to cumulate votes and allocate them in the Proxy Holders' discretion if any shareholder requests cumulative voting. In the election of Directors, the nine nominees receiving the highest number of votes will be elected. If your proxy is marked "Withhold" with regard to the election of any nominee, your shares will be counted toward a quorum and for other nominees but they will not be voted for the election of that nominee. If you attend the Annual Meeting and have already voted, you may vote in person in order to rescind your previous vote.

Vote Required; Effect of Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes. The shares of a shareholder whose ballot on any or all proposals is marked as "abstain" will be included in the number of shares present at the Annual Meeting to determine whether a quorum is present. If you are the beneficial holder of shares held by a broker or other custodian, you may instruct your broker how to vote your shares through the voting instruction form included with this Proxy Statement. If you wish to vote the shares you own beneficially at the meeting, you must first request and obtain a legal proxy from your broker or other custodian. If you choose not to provide instructions or a legal proxy, your shares are referred to as "uninstructed shares." Whether your broker or custodian has the discretion to vote these shares on your behalf depends on the ballot item. The following table summarizes the votes required for passage of each proposal and the effect of abstentions and uninstructed shares held by brokers.

Brokers and custodians cannot vote uninstructed shares on your behalf in director elections or advisory votes on executive compensation. For your vote to be counted, you must submit your voting instruction form to your broker or custodian.

<u>Proposal Number</u>	<u>Proposals</u>	<u>Votes Required for Approval</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>	<u>Uninstructed Shares</u>	<u>Management Vote Recommendation</u>
1	Election of Directors	See election of directors above	Not Voted	Not Voted	For
2	Advisory vote on executive compensation (Say on Pay)	Majority of shares voted	Not Voted	Not Voted	For
3	Ratification of independent auditor	Majority of shares voted	Not Voted	Broker Discretionary Vote	For

Other Matters. Approval of any other matter considered at the Annual Meeting will require the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares present or represented by proxy and voting at the Annual Meeting.

How You Can Vote. Your vote is very important and we hope that you will attend the Annual Meeting. However, whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, please vote by proxy.

Registered Holders. If your shares are registered directly in your name with the Company's transfer agent, Computershare Investor Services, LLC, you are considered a registered holder of those shares. Please vote by proxy in accordance with the instructions on your Proxy Card, or the instruction you received through electronic mail.

A registered holder can vote in one of the following four ways:

Via the Internet. Go to the website noted on your Proxy Card in order to vote via the Internet. Internet voting is available 24 hours a day. We encourage you to vote via the Internet, as it is the most cost-effective way to vote. When voting via the Internet, you do not need to return your Proxy Card.

By Telephone. Call the toll-free telephone number indicated on your Proxy Card and follow the voice prompt instructions to vote by telephone. Telephone voting is available 24 hours a day. When voting by telephone, you do not need to return your Proxy Card.

By Mail. Mark your Proxy Card, sign and date it, and return it in the enclosed postage-paid envelope. If you elected to electronically access the Proxy Statement and Annual Report, you will not be receiving a Proxy Card and must vote via the Internet or by telephone.

In person. You may vote your shares at the Annual Meeting if you attend in person, even if you previously submitted a Proxy Card or voted via Internet or telephone. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, however, we strongly encourage you to vote your shares by proxy before the meeting.

Beneficial Shareholders. If your shares are held in a brokerage account in the name of your bank, broker, or other holder of record (this is called "street name"), you are not a registered holder, but rather are considered a "beneficial holder" of those shares. Your bank, broker, or other holder of record will send you instructions on how to vote your shares. If you are a beneficial holder, you must obtain a proxy, executed in your favor, from the holder of record to be able to vote in person at the Annual Meeting.

We have been advised by counsel that these telephone and internet voting procedures comply with California law.

Voting Deadlines. If you are a participant in the Westamerica Bancorporation Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement Plan (ESOP) your vote must be received by 11:59 p.m. Central Time, on April 21, 2014. All other shareholders voting by telephone or Internet must vote by 1:00 a.m. Central Time, on April 24, 2014 to ensure that their vote is counted.

Revocation of Proxy. Record Holders who vote by proxy, whether by telephone, internet or mail, may revoke that proxy at any time before it is voted at the Annual Meeting. You may do this by: (a) signing another Proxy Card with a later date and delivering it to us prior to the Annual Meeting or sending a notice of revocation to the Corporate Secretary of Westamerica at 1108 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, CA 94901; (b) voting at a later time by telephone or on the internet prior to 1:00 a.m. Central Time, on April 24, 2014 (prior to 11:59 p.m. Central Time, on April 21, 2014 for ESOP participants); or (c) attending the Annual Meeting in person and casting

a ballot. If you hold shares in street name, you may change your vote by submitting new voting instructions to your broker or other nominee.

Additional Information

Householding. As permitted by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”) only one envelope containing two or more Notices of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials is being delivered to shareholders residing at the same address, unless such shareholders have notified their bank, broker, Computershare Investor Services, or other holder of record that they wish to receive separate mailings. If you are a beneficial holder and own your shares in street name, contact your broker, bank or other holder of record to discontinue householding and receive your own separate copy of the Notice in future years. If you are a registered holder and own your shares through Computershare Investor Services, contact Computershare toll-free at 877-588-4258 or in writing directed to Computershare Investor Services, 250 Royall Street, Mail Stop 1A, Canton, MA 02021 to discontinue householding and receive multiple Notices in future years. To receive an additional Annual Report or Proxy Statement this year, contact Shareholder Relations at 707-863-6992 or follow the instructions on the Notice. Mailing of dividends, dividend reinvestment statements, and special notices will not be affected by your election to discontinue duplicate mailings of the Notice.

Electronic Access to Proxy Materials and Annual Reports. Whether you received the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials or paper copies of proxy materials, this Proxy Statement and the 2013 Annual Report are available on the Corporation’s internet site at: www.westamerica.com. If you hold your Westamerica common stock in street name through a broker, a bank or other nominee, you may have the option of securing your Proxy Statement and Annual Report via the Internet. If you vote this year’s proxy electronically, you may also elect to receive future Proxy Statements, Annual Reports and other materials electronically by following the instructions given by your bank, broker, or other holder of record when you vote. Our website is available for information purposes only and should not be relied upon for investment purposes, nor is it incorporated by reference into this Proxy Statement.

Stock Ownership

Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Holders. Based on Schedule 13G filings, shareholders beneficially holding more than 5% of Westamerica common stock outstanding as of December 31, 2013, in addition to those disclosed in the Security Ownership of Directors and Management below, were:

<u>Name and Address of Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Title of Class</u>	<u>Number of Shares Beneficially Owned</u>	<u>Percent of Class</u>
T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc 1100 East Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 21202-1009	Common	2,662,028 ⁽¹⁾	10.00%
BlackRock, Inc. 40 East 52nd Street, New York, NY 10022	Common	2,328,399 ⁽²⁾	8.70%
Neuberger Berman, Inc. 605 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10158	Common	2,259,427 ⁽³⁾	8.49%
State Street Corporation One Lincoln Street, Boston, MA 02111	Common	1,562,549 ⁽⁴⁾	5.90%
The Vanguard Group, Inc. 100 Vanguard Boulevard, Malvern, PA 19355	Common	1,493,600 ⁽⁵⁾	5.60%

⁽¹⁾ The Schedule 13G was filed with the SEC on February 10, 2014. These securities are owned by various individual and institutional investors, which T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. (Price Associates) serves as investment adviser with power to direct investments and/or sole power to vote the securities. For purposes of the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Price Associates is deemed to be a beneficial holder of such securities; however, Price Associates expressly disclaims that it is, in fact, the beneficial holder of such securities.

⁽²⁾ The Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on January 31, 2014 disclosed that the reporting entity, through its subsidiaries, BlackRock, Inc., held sole voting power over 2,231,519 shares and sole dispositive power over 2,328,399 shares.

⁽³⁾ The Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 13, 2014 disclosed that the reporting entity, Neuberger Berman, Inc., held shared voting power over 2,254,227 shares and shared dispositive power over 2,259,427 shares.

⁽⁴⁾ The Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 5, 2014 disclosed that the reporting entity, through its subsidiaries, State Street Corporation, held shared voting power over 1,562,549 shares and shared dispositive power over 1,562,549 shares.

⁽⁵⁾ The Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 2, 2014 disclosed that the reporting entity, The Vanguard Group, Inc., held sole voting power over 42,636 shares and sole dispositive power over 1,453,264 shares, and shared dispositive power over 40,336 shares.

Security Ownership of Directors and Management. The following table shows the number of common shares and the percentage of the common shares beneficially owned (as defined below) by each of the current Directors, by the Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”), by the Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”), and by the three other most highly compensated executive officers, and by all Directors and Officers of the Corporation as a group as of February 24, 2014. As of February 24, 2014, there were 26,409,146 outstanding shares of Westamerica Bancorporation’s common stock. For the purpose of the disclosure of ownership of shares by Directors and Officers below, shares are considered to be beneficially owned if a person, directly or indirectly, has or shares the power to vote or direct the voting of the shares, the power to dispose of or direct the disposition of the shares, or the right to acquire beneficial ownership of shares within 60 days of December 31, 2013.

Amount And Nature Of Beneficial Ownership

Name and Address**	Sole Voting and Investment Power	Shared Voting and Investment Power	Right to Acquire Within 60 days of December 31, 2013	Total ⁽¹⁾	Percent of Class ⁽²⁾
Etta Allen	10,830 ⁽³⁾	-	-	10,830	*
Louis E. Bartolini	1,800	-	-	1,800	*
E. Joseph Bowler	-	25,887 ⁽⁴⁾	-	25,887	0.1%
Arthur C. Latno, Jr.	3,440 ⁽⁵⁾	-	-	3,440	*
Patrick D. Lynch	1,000	-	-	1,000	*
Catherine Cope MacMillan	8,600 ⁽⁶⁾	-	-	8,600	*
Ronald A. Nelson	44,000	-	-	44,000	0.2%
David L. Payne	462 ⁽⁷⁾	885,570 ⁽⁸⁾	252,500	1,138,532	4.3%
Edward B. Sylvester	73,750	-	-	73,750	0.3%
John "Robert" A. Thorson	830 ⁽⁹⁾	7,471 ⁽¹⁰⁾	94,891	103,192	0.4%
David L. Robinson	122	1,385	141,490 ⁽¹¹⁾	142,997	0.5%
Jennifer J. Finger	9,838	175	165,736 ⁽¹¹⁾	175,749	0.7%
Dennis R. Hansen	30	25,842	156,021 ⁽¹¹⁾	181,893	0.7%
All 15 Directors and Executive					
Officers as a Group	154,727	946,766	907,041	2,008,534	7.4%

* Indicates beneficial ownership of less than one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) of the Corporation’s common shares.

** The address of all persons listed is 1108 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, CA 94901.

⁽¹⁾ None of the shares held by the Directors and Officers listed above have been pledged.

⁽²⁾ In calculating the percentage of ownership, all shares which the identified person or persons have the right to acquire by exercise of options are deemed to be outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage of the class owned by such person, but are not deemed to be outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage of the class owned by any other person.

⁽³⁾ Includes 10,350 shares held in a trust as to which Mrs. Allen is trustee.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes 25,887 shares held in trust as to which Mr. Bowler is co-trustee with shared voting and investment power.

⁽⁵⁾ Includes 1,115 shares owned by Mr. Latno's wife as to which Mr. Latno disclaims beneficial ownership.

⁽⁶⁾ Includes 6,000 shares held in a trust as to which Ms. MacMillan is trustee and 400 shares held in trust under the California Uniform Gift to Minors Act as to which Ms. MacMillan is custodian.

⁽⁷⁾ Includes 462 shares held in a trust under the California Uniform Gift to Minors Act as to which Mr. Payne is custodian.

⁽⁸⁾ Includes 528,837 shares owned by Gibson Radio and Publishing Company, of which Mr. Payne is President and Chief Executive Officer, as to which Mr. Payne disclaims beneficial ownership, and 345,808 shares held in a trust as to which Mr. Payne is co-trustee with shared voting and investment power.

⁽⁹⁾ Includes 830 shares held in trusts under the California Uniform Gift to Minors Act as to which Mr. Thorson is custodian.

⁽¹⁰⁾ Includes 6,937 shares held in a trust as to which Mr. Thorson is co-trustee with shared voting and investment power.

⁽¹¹⁾ During 1996, the Corporation adopted the Westamerica Bancorporation Deferral Plan (the "Deferral Plan") that allows recipients of Restricted Performance Shares ("RPS") to defer receipt of vested RPS shares into succeeding years. Amounts shown include RPS shares that have been deferred into the Deferral Plan for the following accounts in amounts of: Ms. Finger – 25,030 shares; Messrs. Hansen – 14,780 shares; and Robinson – 19,140 shares.

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires the Corporation's Directors and Executive Officers and persons who own more than 10% of a registered class of the Corporation's equity securities to file with the SEC and NASDAQ initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership of common stock and other equity securities of the Corporation, and to send a copy to the Corporation.

To the Corporation's knowledge and based solely on a review of the copies of reports furnished to the Corporation and written representations that no other reports were required, during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, Westamerica's Directors and Officers complied timely with all filing requirements.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Proposal 1 — Election of Directors

Nine Directors have been nominated for election at the Annual Meeting to hold office until the next Annual Meeting or until their successors are elected and qualified. The Proxies will vote for the nine nominees named below unless you give different voting instructions on your Proxy Card. Each nominee is presently a Director of the Corporation and has consented to serve a new term. The Board does not anticipate that any of the nominees will be unavailable to serve as a Director, but if that should occur before the Annual Meeting, the Board reserves the right to substitute another person as nominee. The Proxies will vote for any substitute nominated by the Board of Directors. The Proxies may use their discretion to cumulate votes for election of Directors and cast all of such votes for any one or more of the nominees, to the exclusion of the others, and in such order of preference as they may determine at their discretion.

Nominees

The nominees for election as Directors are named and certain information with respect to them is given below. Our nominees are seasoned leaders who bring to the Board an array of financial services, public and private company, non-profit, and other business experience. As a group they possess experience in leadership, consumer banking, commercial and small business banking, investment banking, capital markets, financial advisory services, finance and accounting, risk management and real estate. Many of the Board Members have seen the company through a variety of economic conditions which was especially beneficial during the current economic environment. The information below has been furnished to the Corporation by the respective nominees. All of the nominees have engaged in their indicated principal occupation for more than five years, unless otherwise indicated and no nominee has served on the Board of Directors of another public company during the past five years.

Name of Nominees, Principal Occupations, and Qualifications

Etta Allen – Director since 1988

Etta Allen (84) is President and CEO of Allen Heating and Sheet Metal and President and CEO of Sunny Slope Vineyard in Sonoma County, California. She is a member of the Employee Benefits and Compensation Committee and the Loan and Investment Committee. Mrs. Allen is also a Director of Westamerica Bank.

In 1972, she became the second woman in the state of California to become a licensed contractor in heating, ventilation, air conditioning and sheet metal, and in 1974 she became President and CEO of Allen Heating and Sheet Metal. Under her leadership the company became recognized throughout California. She was the first woman president of Marin Builders Exchange and during her time on the executive committee she also served as a trustee and later as chairman of their successful insurance trust. She was the first woman contractor on the Executive Committee of the California Association of Builders Exchanges.

Etta Allen is one of the pioneers for women in non-traditional careers. As an entrepreneur, businesswoman and an involved community leader, she brings independence, operations management and executive experience to the Board.

Louis E. Bartolini – Director since 1991

Louis E. Bartolini (81) retired from Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc. (now Merrill Lynch and Co.) as a financial consultant. He currently serves on the Audit Committee and is also a Director of Westamerica Bank. Mr. Bartolini has 33 years of experience in the financial industry serving as a financial consultant and branch manager for Merrill Lynch and Co. and has been active for over 35 years in the non-profit community in Marin County. He has served on the boards of many non-profit organizations, including a five-year term as president of the Marin Symphony, a Board member of the Association of California Symphony Orchestras, and a past District Governor of Rotary International.

Mr. Bartolini's continuing interest in the financial industry, his leadership skills, and financial and investment expertise are of great value to the Board. His extensive ties to local community and business leaders through his long-term volunteer involvement provide the Board with a broad perspective and insights into key segments of our markets and customer base.

E. Joseph Bowler – Director since 2003

E. Joseph Bowler (77) retired as Senior Vice President and Treasurer of the Corporation in 2002. He currently serves as a member of the Audit Committee, and is also a Director of Westamerica Bank. Mr. Bowler holds a Masters of Business Administration from Stanford University.

With many years of direct banking experience, Mr. Bowler brings strong financial and investment expertise important to the oversight of our financial reporting and interest rate risk management. In addition, Mr. Bowler's experience as a director and trustee of various non-profit community and educational organizations brings strategic planning and corporate governance skills to the Board.

Arthur C. Latno, Jr. – Director since 1985

Arthur C. Latno (84) retired from Pacific Telesis Group (now Pacific Bell Telephone Company) as an Executive Vice President. He currently serves on the Corporation's Executive Committee, the Employee Benefits and Compensation Committee, and the Loan and Investment Committee and is Chairman of the Nominating Committee. Mr. Latno is also a Director of Westamerica Bank. His expertise stems from his wide-ranging responsibilities at Pacific Bell, which included operations, regulatory responsibilities, and public and governmental relations. His proficiency in strategic planning was recognized by the City of San Francisco when he was selected to serve on the City's Port of San Francisco Strategic Planning Advisory Panel. He has also been involved with the Marin General Hospital Foundation, the Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco and numerous other community organizations in the locations where the Corporation has a

significant presence. Mr. Latno is also a former U.S. Ambassador and Chairman of the U.S. Delegation Treaty Conference (rank accorded by President Reagan) in Melbourne, Australia, and a former Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Past President of Board of Regents of St. Mary's College in California. He was a recipient of the Anti-Defamation League's Americanism Award and the Friends of the Human Rights Commission's Human Rights Award.

Mr. Latno's most important contributions to the Board are his executive leadership, strategic planning skills, and regulatory and public relations experience.

Patrick D. Lynch – Director since 1986

Patrick D. Lynch (80) retired as Vice President and General Manager of the U.S. Semiconductor Division of Motorola. He currently serves as Chairman of the Employee Benefits and Compensation Committee and a member of the Executive Committee and the Nominating Committee. Mr. Lynch is also a Director of Westamerica Bank and has held executive positions at Nicolet Instrument Corporation and several venture capital high-tech start-up companies.

Mr. Lynch brings to the Board operations, financial and marketing expertise as well as a valued historical perspective.

Catherine Cope MacMillan – Director since 1985

Catherine Cope MacMillan (66) is a former owner of the Huntington Hotel in San Francisco and La Playa Hotel in Carmel-by-the-Sea. She is a member of the Loan and Investment Committee and the Audit Committee. She is also a Director of Westamerica Bank. Ms. MacMillan previously operated a prominent restaurant for nearly 20 years. She is a graduate of the University of California at Davis and Pacific McGeorge School of Law. She has also served in numerous leadership capacities for community organizations.

Ms. MacMillan's experience in administration and operational aspects of various businesses and organizations provides the Board with sound leadership.

Ronald A. Nelson – Director since 1988

Ronald A. Nelson (71) was Executive Vice President of Charles M. Schulz Creative Associates through 1995. He serves as the Chairman of the Audit Committee and is a member of the Employee Benefits and Compensation Committee. He is also a Director of Westamerica Bank. Mr. Nelson has a background as a Certified Public Accountant and has been designated as the Audit Committee's "financial expert." He has been a resident of Sonoma County since 1970, which is one of the bank's primary markets and where he has been involved in business management, investment management, and the development of commercial real estate. He also served as a board member and chairman of Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital, which is the area's primary acute care hospital.

Mr. Nelson's extensive business and financial expertise provides important oversight of our financial reporting and risk management.

David L. Payne – Director since 1984

David L. Payne (58) is Chairman, President & CEO of Westamerica Bancorporation. He was appointed Chairman in 1988 and Chief Executive Officer in 1989 and is Chairman of the Executive Committee. Mr. Payne is also Chairman, President & CEO of Westamerica Bank. He brings to the Board strong leadership and a vision for the future. He has a thorough knowledge of the banking industry, manages regulatory and business development issues, and has extensive financial and accounting expertise. Mr. Payne possesses excellent management, strategic development and business skills.

Since Mr. Payne's appointment to the Board, Westamerica's dividends per share have risen eleven-fold and capital levels have increased eight-fold. Total assets have quadrupled during his tenure and net income has risen by a multiple of 16. Return on equity is currently near 15%.

Mr. Payne has successfully negotiated and led the Corporation through many mergers including: John Muir National Bank, Napa Valley Bancorporation, PV Financial, CapitolBank – Sacramento, North Bay Bancorp, ValliCorp Holdings, First Counties Bank, Kerman State Bank, Redwood Empire Bancorp, County Bank, and Sonoma Valley Bank. Mr. Payne also manages his family printing, publishing and cable television business.

Edward B. Sylvester – Director since 1979

Edward Sylvester (77) is a licensed civil engineer and the founder of SCO Planning and Engineering. He retired from the day-to-day engineering profession in 2007, but continues as a private consultant. Mr. Sylvester is currently a member of the Executive Committee, the Nominating Committee and is Chairman of the Loan and Investment Committee, and is a Director of Westamerica Bank. He was a founding Director of Gold Country Bank headquartered in Grass Valley until the bank merged with Westamerica's predecessor, Independent Bankshares, at which time he was nominated to serve on the corporate Board by his peers. Mr. Sylvester is the Chairman of the Board of Nevada County Broadcasters, serves as Vice Chairman of the Nevada County Business Association, and is a member of the Board of Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital where he is a member of their Finance Committee and Chairs the Hospital's Citizen Outreach Committee. Mr. Sylvester has previously served as a member and Chairman of the California Transportation Commission that prioritizes state transportation projects and allocates funding. He is a past President of the Rotary Club of Grass Valley and past Chairman of the Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Sylvester has run 23 marathons to date and was the 14th person in the world to complete a full marathon on all seven continents including Antarctica.

The depth of Mr. Sylvester's experience gives him first-hand understanding of all the nuances of development and development funding, a current knowledge of the retail economy, and a state-wide perspective and experience in funding allocation. His long tenure on the Board brings a historical and long-term perspective while he remains current on financial issues with his continuing leadership role in the community and active management positions.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS ELECTION OF ALL NOMINEES

Board of Directors and Committees

Director Independence and Leadership Structure

The Board of Directors has considered whether any relationships or transactions related to a Director were inconsistent with a Director's independence. Based on this review, the Board has determined that E. Allen, L.E. Bartolini, E.J. Bowler, A.C. Latno, Jr., P.D. Lynch, C.C. MacMillan, R.A. Nelson, and E.B. Sylvester are "independent" Directors as defined in NASDAQ rules.

Our Board believes that the most effective leadership structure for the Corporation at this time is to combine the responsibilities of the Chairman and CEO, a structure that has been successful since 1989. The combined positions avoid a duplication of efforts, enable decisive leadership, ensure a clear accountability for the performance of the Corporation, a more rapid implementation of decisions, and a consistent vision. Given the size of our employee base and our level of assets relative to larger, more complex banking structures, our Corporation is particularly well suited to combine the Chairman and CEO functions. Furthermore, our

management team has an average tenure of 21 years and does not require the substantial oversight needed by a less experienced team, which has allowed our Chairman and CEO to lead the Corporation through eleven acquisitions since 1992.

To ensure strong Board oversight eight of our nine Directors are, as noted above, independent as defined by NASDAQ. Only non-management directors sit on Board committees, with the exception of the Executive Committee, and every non-management director sits on one or more of these Committees. All non-management directors meet at least four times a year outside the presence of the Chairman and CEO and although a lead director has not been appointed, pertinent information from these meetings is regularly communicated to the Chairman and CEO. The Board completes an annual board evaluation that is discussed by the Nominating Committee and presented to the full Board.

The Board of the Corporation also serves as the Board of Directors of Westamerica Bank, and as such is well informed of Bank operations through regular reports and discussions on the operations of the Bank. The Directors' longevity with the Corporation has exposed them to a wide range of business cycles, which plays a critical role in maintaining the profitability of the Corporation through the current economic environment.

Role of the Board of Directors in Risk Oversight

The Board is also responsible for overseeing all aspects of management of the Corporation, including risk oversight, which is effected through all Board committees, but primarily through the Board's Audit Committee. The Internal Audit Department reports directly to the Board's Audit Committee. It presents its independently prepared company-wide annual risk assessment, its evaluation of Management's prepared risk assessment and its audit plan incorporating the risk assessment, including the policies and procedures utilized to monitor and control such exposures.

The internal loan review function reports directly to the Board's Loan and Investment Committee. It reports ongoing evaluations of loan portfolios and the risk rating of individual loans using guidelines established by bank regulatory authorities.

Meetings

The Corporation expects all Board Members to attend all meetings, including the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, except for reasons of health or special circumstances. The Board held a total of ten meetings during 2013. Every Director attended at least 75% of the aggregate of: (i) the Board Meetings held during that period in which they served; and (ii) the total number of meetings of any Committee of the Board on which the Director served. Each individual who served on the Board of the Corporation on the date of the 2013 annual Meeting of Shareholders attended the meeting.

Committees of the Board

<u>Director Name</u>	<u>Executive Committee</u>	<u>Audit Committee</u>	<u>Employee Benefits and Compensation Committee</u>	<u>Loan and Investment Committee</u>	<u>Nominating Committee</u>
Etta Allen			X	X	
Louis E. Bartolini		X			
E. Joseph Bowler		X			
Arthur C. Latno, Jr.	X		X	X	Chair
Patrick D. Lynch	X		Chair		X
Catherine Cope MacMillan		X		X	
Ronald A. Nelson		Chair	X		
David L. Payne	Chair				
Edward B. Sylvester	X			Chair	X
Number of Meetings in 2013	9	5	5	9	1

Executive Committee

Functions: The Board delegates to the Executive Committee all powers and authority of the Board in the management of the business affairs of the Corporation between Board Meetings, which the Board is allowed to delegate under California law.

Audit Committee

The Board of Directors has determined that all members are independent, as that term is defined by applicable rules of NASDAQ for Audit Committee purposes. The Board has also designated Mr. Nelson as the “Audit Committee financial expert” as defined by the rules of the SEC and has determined that he is “financially sophisticated” under NASDAQ rules. In concluding that Mr. Nelson is the Audit Committee financial expert, the Board determined that he has:

- an understanding of generally accepted accounting principles and financial statements;
- the ability to assess the general application of such principles in connection with the accounting for estimates, accruals and reserves;
- experience preparing, auditing, analyzing or evaluating financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Corporation’s financial statements, or experience actively supervising one or more persons engaged in such activities;
- an understanding of internal control over financial reporting; and
- an understanding of Audit Committee functions.

Designation of a person as an Audit Committee financial expert does not result in the person being deemed an expert for any purpose, including under Section 11 of the Securities Act of 1933. The designation does not impose on the person any duties, obligations or liability greater than those imposed on any other Audit Committee member or any other Director and does not affect the duties, obligations or liability of any other member of the Audit Committee or Board of Directors.

Functions: The Audit Committee provides independent, objective oversight of the integrity of the Corporation’s financial statements, the Corporation’s compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the independence and performance of the Corporation’s independent auditor as it performs audit, review or attest services, and the Corporation’s internal audit and control function. It selects and

retains the independent auditors, and reviews the plan and the results of the auditing engagement. It acts pursuant to a written charter that was last revised by the Board of Directors in July 2013 and is attached as Exhibit A to the Proxy Statement for this 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Audit Committee Report that follows below more fully describes the responsibilities and the activities of the Audit Committee.

Employee Benefits and Compensation Committee

The Employee Benefits and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the “Compensation Committee”) is comprised solely of Directors who are not current or former employees of Westamerica or any of its affiliates. They are independent as defined by NASDAQ rules.

Functions: The Compensation Committee administers Westamerica Bancorporation’s 2012 Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan of 1995, Tax Deferred Savings and Retirement Plan, Deferred Profit Sharing Plan, Deferred Compensation Plan, and the Westamerica Bancorporation Deferral Plan. It administers the Corporation’s compensation programs and reviews and reports to the Board the compensation level for executive officers, including the CEO, of the Corporation and its subsidiaries and determines that compensation plans are balanced between financial results without motivation of excessive risk taking. The Compensation Committee determines annual corporate performance objectives for equity compensation and cash bonuses and their related corporate, divisional and individual goals. Based on the CEO’s assessment of the extent to which each executive officer met those objectives and goals, the Committee determines each executive officer’s annual equity compensation and cash bonus. The Compensation Committee also establishes the individual goals and targets for the CEO. All compensation approved by the Compensation Committee is reported to the full Board of Directors. The role of the Compensation Committee is described in greater detail under the section entitled “Compensation Discussion and Analysis.”

The Compensation Committee is governed by a written charter as required by NASDAQ rules. The charter is attached to this proxy statement as Exhibit B. The Compensation Committee has the authority to seek assistance from officers and employees of the Corporation as well as external legal, accounting and other advisors. It has not retained outside consultants for compensation advice, but can request assistance on an as-needed basis. It does not delegate authority to anyone outside of the Compensation Committee. The Payroll and Employee Benefits Department supports the Compensation Committee by fulfilling certain administrative duties regarding the compensation programs.

Nominating Committee

The Board of Directors has determined that all members of the Nominating Committee are independent, as defined in NASDAQ rules.

Functions: The Nominating Committee is governed by a written charter, which was affirmed in January 2013 and was attached as Exhibit A to the Proxy Statement for the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Nominating Committee screens and recommends qualified candidates for Board membership. This Committee recommends a slate of nominees for each Annual Meeting. As part of that process, it evaluates and considers all candidates submitted by shareholders in accordance with the Corporation’s Bylaws, and considers each existing Board member’s contributions. The Committee applies the same evaluation standards whether the candidate was recommended by a shareholder or the Board.

While the Board does not have a formal diversity policy, it believes that the Board broadly defines diversity to encompass a diverse range of skills and expertise sufficient to provide prudent guidance to the Corporation. In addition to the qualifications and characteristics described below, it considers

whether the potential Director assists in achieving a mix of Board Members that represents a diversity of background, perspective, and experience. Our Board includes Directors with experience in public corporations and non-profit organizations, as well as entrepreneurial individuals who have successfully run their own private enterprise. Our Board also has a broad set of skills necessary for providing oversight to a financial institution, which includes proven leadership, and expertise in capital management, finance, accounting, regulatory affairs, and investment management.

Nominating Directors. The Nominating Committee will consider shareholder nominations submitted in accordance with Section 2.14 of the Bylaws of the Corporation. That section requires, among other things, that nominations be submitted in writing and must be received by the Corporate Secretary at least 45 days before the anniversary of the date on which the Corporation first mailed its proxy materials for the prior year's Annual Meeting of Shareholders. If the date for the current year's Annual Meeting changes more than 30 days from the date on which the prior year's meeting was held, the Corporation must receive notice with a reasonable amount of time before the Corporation mails its proxy materials for the current year.

Nominations must include the following information:

- The principal occupation of the nominee;
- The total number of shares of capital stock of the Corporation that the shareholder expects will be voted for the nominee;
- The name and address of the nominating shareholder; and
- The number of shares of capital stock of the Corporation owned by the nominating shareholder.

The Committee has specified the following minimum qualifications it believes must be met by a nominee for a position on the Board:

- Appropriate personal and professional attributes to meet the Corporation's needs;
- Highest ethical standards and absolute personal integrity;
- Physical and mental ability to contribute effectively as a Director;
- Willingness and ability to participate actively in Board activities and deliberations;
- Ability to approach problems objectively, rationally and realistically;
- Ability to respond well and to function under pressure;
- Willingness to respect the confidences of the Board and the Corporation;
- Willingness to devote the time necessary to function effectively as a Board member;
- Possess independence necessary to make unbiased evaluation of Management performance;
- Be free of any conflict of interest that would violate applicable law or regulation or interfere with ability to perform duties;
- Broad experience, wisdom, vision and integrity;
- Understanding of the Corporation's business environment; and
- Significant business experience relevant to the operations of the Corporation.

Loan and Investment Committee

Functions: This Committee reviews major loans and investment policies.

Director Compensation

The following table and footnotes provide information regarding the compensation paid to the Corporation's non-employee members of the Board of Directors in the fiscal year 2013. Directors who are employees of the Corporation receive no compensation for their services as Directors.

Director Compensation Table For Fiscal Year 2013

Name ⁽¹⁾	Fees Earned Paid in Cash (\$)	Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings ⁽²⁾	Total (\$)
Etta Allen	\$34,800	\$62,677	\$97,477
Louis E. Bartolini	33,000	651	33,651
E. Joseph Bowler	33,000	0	33,000
Arthur C. Latno, Jr.	44,050	0	44,050
Patrick D. Lynch	40,250	0	40,250
Catherine Cope MacMillan	36,600	0	36,600
Ronald A. Nelson	37,250	0	37,250
Edward B. Sylvester	42,450	11,422	53,872

⁽¹⁾ Non-employee Directors did not receive options or stock awards. During 2013, non-employee Directors of the Corporation each received an annual retainer of \$18,000. Each non-employee Director received \$1,200 for each meeting of the Board attended and \$600 for each Committee meeting attended. The Chairman of each Committee received an additional \$250 for each Committee meeting attended. All non-employee Directors are reimbursed for expenses incurred in attending Board and Committee meetings. The Chairman of the Board, David L. Payne, is compensated as an employee and did not receive any compensation as a Director.

⁽²⁾ The Deferred Compensation Plan allows non-employee Directors to defer some or all of their Director compensation with interest earnings credited on deferred compensation accounts. The amount shown is the interest on nonqualified deferred compensation that exceeds 120% of the long-term Applicable Federal Rate, with compounding, on all cash compensation deferred in 2013 and in previous years.

Westamerica Bancorporation does not have a charitable donations program for Directors nor does it make donations on behalf of any Director(s). The Corporation may make a nominal donation through its Community Relations program to non-profit organizations where a Director(s) may have an affiliation.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

The executive compensation practices described below have been followed consistently for twenty-two years. At the 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 Annual Meetings of Shareholders, a majority of our shareholders approved an advisory proposal on the Corporation's executive compensation.

The Compensation Committee governs the executive compensation program that combines three compensation elements: base salary, annual non-equity cash incentives, and long-term stock grants. Several compensation philosophies and practices underlie this program:

- Base salaries for participants in this program should be limited to foster an environment where incentive compensation motivates and rewards corporate, divisional, and individual performance.
- Incentive compensation (annual non-equity cash incentives and long-term stock grants) is based on measurement of performance against pre-established objective measurable goals. Specific criteria for each objective are established for "threshold," "target," and "outstanding" performance. On any one measure, performance below "threshold" results in no credit for that objective. "Threshold" performance results in 75% achievement, "target" performance results in 100% achievement, and "outstanding" performance results in 150% achievement. The performance achievement level determines the size of incentive compensation awards.
- Long-term incentive stock grants will be awarded to senior management if the corporate performance level is rated "threshold" or better. The purpose of long-term incentive grants is to:
 - motivate senior management to focus on long-term performance;

- avoid excessive risk-taking and instill conservative management practices;
- build equity ownership among Westamerica’s senior management;
- link shareholder interests to management incentives; and
- create ownership mentality among senior management.

In February 2013, the Board of Directors adopted a clawback policy that requires executive officers to forfeit previously awarded incentive compensation if the incentives were based on materially inaccurate financial statements or other performance measures that are later proven to be materially inaccurate or the achievement of which were due to fraud or other misconduct.

Establishing Incentive Levels, Determining Objectives and Measuring Performance

In administering the executive compensation program, the Compensation Committee determines “target” incentives for each position annually. The Compensation Committee exercises discretion in establishing “target” incentives in an effort to provide competitive pay practices while motivating and rewarding performance that benefits the Corporation’s long-term financial performance and shareholder interests, and avoiding excessive risk-taking.

At the beginning of each calendar year, the Compensation Committee establishes annual corporate performance objectives. In establishing corporate performance objectives, the Compensation Committee takes into consideration the current operating environment for the commercial banking industry as well as internal management policies and practices which would, in the Compensation Committee’s opinion, benefit the long-term interests of the Corporation and its shareholders. Corporate performance measures include risk management elements considered to be responsive to the impact that current operating conditions could have on the long-term performance of the Company. The Compensation Committee monitors the economy and the banking industry’s operating environment throughout the ensuing year, and may exercise discretion in adjusting corporate performance objectives during the year.

The operating environment for the commercial banking industry is impacted by a myriad of factors including, but not limited to, local, national and global economic conditions, interest rate levels and trends, monetary policies of the Federal Reserve Board and its counterparts in other countries, fiscal policies of the United States government and other global political conditions, regulations and legislation, liquidity in capital markets, the demand for capital by commercial enterprises and consumers, new financial products, competitive response to changing conditions within the industry, trade balances, the changing values of real estate, currencies, commodities and other assets, and other factors.

Management policies and practices the Board considers in establishing corporate performance objectives include, but are not limited to, management of the Corporation’s balance sheet and product pricing in a manner which will provide consistent sustainable growth in long-term financial results for shareholders, the type and variety of financial products offered by the Corporation, adherence to internal controls, management of the credit risk of the Corporation’s loan and investment portfolios, the results of internal, regulatory and external audits, service quality delivered to the Corporation’s customers, service quality of “back office” support departments provided to those offices and departments directly delivering products and services to the Corporation’s customers, maintenance of operating policies and procedures which remain appropriate for risk management in a dynamic environment, timely and efficient integration of acquired companies, operational efficiencies, and capital management practices.

Restricted performance shares (“RPS”) represent awards of Westamerica’s common stock subject to achievement of performance objectives established by the Compensation Committee. The 2012 Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan of 1995 (the “2012 Amended Plan”), which was originally approved by

shareholders in 1995, and amended with shareholder approval in 2003 and again in 2012, defines the performance factors the Board must use in administering RPS grants as one or more of the following: earnings, diluted earnings per share, revenue and revenue per diluted share, expenses, share price, return on equity, return on equity relative to the average return on equity for similarly sized institutions, return on assets, return on assets relative to the average return on assets for similarly sized institutions, efficiency ratio (operating expenses divided by operating revenues), net loan losses as a percentage of average loans outstanding, nonperforming assets, and nonperforming assets as a percentage of total assets.

In addition to establishing corporate performance objectives, the Compensation Committee also establishes individual goals for the CEO. In regard to the other executives named in the accompanying tables, the CEO recommends divisional and individual performance objectives to the Compensation Committee, which considers, discusses, adjusts as necessary, and adopts such performance objectives.

Upon the closure of each calendar year, the Compensation Committee reviews corporate, divisional, and individual performance against the performance objectives for the year just completed. After thorough review and deliberation, the Compensation Committee determines the recommended amount of individual non-equity cash incentives and stock-based incentive awards. The Compensation Committee reports such incentives to the Board of Directors. Meetings of the Compensation Committee and Board of Directors routinely occur in January, immediately following the closure of the calendar year for which performance is measured for incentive compensation purposes.

Stock Grants

Long-term stock grants may only be awarded under shareholder approved stock-based incentive compensation plans. The Corporation's Proxy Statement dated March 12, 2012, as filed with the SEC on March 13, 2012, summarizes the 2012 Amended Plan's changes from the predecessor plan. Such changes included:

- reducing the issuable shares to 1,500,000 (plus shares that become available if awards under prior plans expire unexercised or are cancelled, forfeited or terminated before being exercised);
- any additional authorization of shares available for issuance must be approved by shareholders; and
- establishing a plan expiration date of April 26, 2022 after which shareholder approval is again required to extend the term or approve a new stock option plan.

The 2012 Amended Plan allows four types of stock-based compensation awards:

Incentive Stock Options ("ISO") allow the optionee to buy a certain number of shares of Westamerica common stock at a fixed price, which is established on the date of the option grant. ISOs are intended to meet the requirements of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code which provide advantages if certain conditions are met. If the optionee holds the acquired stock for the designated holding period, the optionee defers the timing of recognizing taxable income related to exercising the ISO. If the optionee complies with the ISO requirements, the Corporation does not receive a corporate tax deduction related to the shares issued.

Nonqualified Stock Options ("NQSO") also give the optionee the option to buy a certain number of shares of Westamerica common stock at a fixed price, which is established on the date of grant. Unlike ISOs, NQSOs do not allow deferral of taxable income for the optionee. At the time NQSOs are exercised, the optionee incurs taxable income equal to the spread between the exercise price and the market price of the stock, and the Corporation receives a corporate tax deduction in the same amount.

Stock Appreciation Rights ("SAR") provide the holder a cash payment equal to the difference between the

fair market value of the Corporation's common stock on the date the SAR is surrendered and the fair market value of the Corporation's common stock on the date the SAR was granted. The optionee incurs taxable income at the time the SAR is settled and the Corporation receives a corporate tax deduction in the same amount.

Restricted Performance Share Grants as noted above, are awards of the Corporation's common stock that are subject to the achievement of performance objectives. Award recipients receive shares at the end of the performance measurement period only if performance objectives are achieved. The award recipient incurs taxable income at the time any RPS vests and the Corporation receives a corporate tax deduction in the same amount.

Determination of Awards to Grant

In determining which type of stock-based compensation awards to grant, the Compensation Committee considers the attributes of each form of incentive. Examples include the ability to motivate management to make decisions based on the long-term interests of shareholders, the desire to compensate with shares rather than cash, and the tax consequences of each type of award. The Compensation Committee retains the latitude to utilize all forms of incentives provided under the 2012 Amended Plan. In the current and preceding years, the Compensation Committee has utilized NQSO and RPS based on the motivational aspects of stock price appreciation, the settlement in shares rather than cash, and the preservation of tax deductions for the Corporation. As of February 25, 2013, the Corporation had no ISO or SAR awards outstanding.

Determination of Option Exercise Price

The 2012 Amended Plan also requires the exercise price of each NQSO or ISO to be no less than one hundred percent (100%) of the fair market value of the Corporation's common stock on the date of grant. The 2012 Amended Plan does not allow re-pricing stock options for poor stock price performance.

Stock-based compensation awards are submitted by the Compensation Committee to the full Board of Directors for review. As described above, these meetings have routinely occurred in January immediately following the closure of the calendar year for which performance is measured for incentive compensation purposes. The Compensation Committee meeting has routinely been held during the same week as the related Board of Directors meeting. These January meetings follow by no more than ten business days the Corporation's public disclosure of its financial results for the preceding year. As a result, stock option grants are awarded, and the exercise price of such grants are determined at a time when the Corporation has broadly disseminated its financial condition and current operating results to the public. The Corporation's outstanding stock option grants are dated, and related stock option exercise prices are determined, on the January date the Compensation Committee meets to approve such grants.⁽¹⁾

Long-Term Incentive Attributes

The Board of Directors has designated the Compensation Committee as the administrator of the 2012 Amended Plan. The Compensation Committee reports to the Board the terms and conditions of stock option awards. In carrying out this responsibility, the Compensation Committee designs such awards as long-term incentives. The terms and conditions of currently outstanding awards include:

- NQSO grants vest one-third (1/3) on each anniversary of the grant date. As such, NQSO grants become fully vested over a three-year period. NQSO grants expire on the tenth anniversary of the grant date. The Corporation does not pay dividends on shares underlying NQSO grants until the optionee exercises the option and the shares are outstanding on a dividend record date.
- RPS awards vest three years following the grant date, only if corporate performance objectives are achieved over the three-year period. The Corporation does not pay dividends on RPS shares until vesting occurs and shares awarded become outstanding on a dividend record date.

Compensation for the Chairman, President & CEO

Mr. Payne performs two functions for the Corporation. These two functions tend to be compensated separately at similarly sized banking institutions. Mr. Payne serves as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer with responsibilities including oversight of the organization and external strategic initiatives. Mr. Payne also serves as President and Chief Operating Officer with responsibilities including daily management of internal operations. Mr. Payne's total compensation reflects these broad responsibilities. Consistent with the overall compensation philosophy for senior executives, Mr. Payne's compensation has a greater amount of pay at risk through incentives than through base salary. Since Mr. Payne is compensated as an executive, he is not eligible to receive compensation as a Director.

As noted on page 28 of the Proxy under the Pension Benefits Table, during 1997 the Corporation entered into a nonqualified pension agreement ("Pension Agreement") with Mr. Payne in consideration of Mr. Payne's agreement that RPS granted in 1995, 1996 and 1997 would be cancelled.⁽²⁾ In entering the Pension Agreement, the Board of Directors considered the following:

- Mr. Payne had a significant beneficial interest in Corporation common stock, which was more than adequate to continue to provide motivation for Mr. Payne to continue managing the Corporation in the best interests of shareholders.
- In 1997, the Corporation had consummated its largest acquisition, with significant total asset growth of approximately 51 percent. One of the Board's objectives was to provide a compensation mechanism providing retention features for Mr. Payne. Retention of Mr. Payne as President and Chief Executive Officer was desired following the Corporation's significant growth. The RPS shares surrendered for the Pension Agreement were scheduled to vest on dates in 1998, 1999 and 2000, while the Pension Agreement was not fully vested until December 31, 2002. Additionally, the 20-year certain pension provided under the Pension Agreement was to commence upon Mr. Payne's attainment of age 55. Mr. Payne was age 42 at the time of entering the Pension Agreement.

⁽¹⁾ Due to merger and acquisition activity, the Corporation converts stock option grants outstanding for acquired companies based on the terms and conditions of related merger agreements. The dating of such converted stock options generally remains as originally dated by the acquired company. As a result, the Corporation at times has options outstanding related to acquisitions with grant dates different from its routine stock option granting practices.

⁽²⁾ The value of the surrendered RPS shares and the Pension Agreement were considered equivalent based on actuarial assumptions.

Compensation Awarded to Named Executive Officers

Base salaries for participants in the executive compensation program are generally limited to foster an environment where incentive compensation motivates and rewards corporate, divisional, and individual performance. As such, base pay increases are generally infrequent and limited to "control points" assigned to each position. The non-equity cash incentive formula has the following components:

"Target"		Composite Corporate		Cash
Cash	X	Divisional and Individual	=	Incentive
Incentive		Performance Level		Award

In structuring performance goals for the named executive officers, the Compensation Committee emphasizes goals, which if achieved, will benefit the overall Corporation. As such, senior management level positions have high relative weighting on corporate objectives, and divisional leadership positions also have significant weighting on divisional objectives. The "target" cash incentive and the weighting of goals for the named executive officers for 2013 performance were as follows:

	“Target” Cash Incentive	Goal Weighting		
		Corporate	Divisional	Individual
Mr. Payne	\$371,000	80%	–	20%
Mr. Thorson	82,000	55%	25%	20%
Ms. Finger	82,000	55%	20%	25%
Mr. Hansen	73,900	55%	25%	20%
Mr. Robinson	82,500	50%	40%	10%

The Compensation Committee establishes corporate goals with the intent to balance current profitability with long-term stability of the Corporation and its future earnings potential. The 2013 corporate performance goals related to current year “profitability” included return on equity, return on assets and diluted earnings per share. The performance goals designed to maintain the long-term stability of the Corporation include “quality” and “control” components. The “quality” measures include loan portfolio quality measures (originated classified loans and other real estate owned, originated non-performing loans and originated other real estate owned, and net loan losses to average originated loans) and service quality measures (external service quality to customers and internal service quality of support departments and branches). The “control” measures include non-interest expense to revenues (efficiency ratio), the level of non-interest expenses, and internal audit results. By maintaining both current year “profitability” goals and longer-term “quality” and “control” goals, Management has a disincentive to maximize current earnings at the expense of longer-term results.

For 2013, the Compensation Committee expected nominal economic growth with a high level of uncertainty given the slow recovery from the severe recession of 2008 and 2009. As a result, the Committee reserved the ability to exercise a certain degree of judgment in adjusting target goals based on the resulting operating environment.

The Compensation Committee determined the 2013 operating environment was generally characterized as follows:

- The economy grew at a level below economic potential. Employment conditions improved, although unemployment levels remained above targets established by the Federal Open Market Committee. Inflation expectations remained relatively low;
- The Federal Reserve’s monetary policies continued to influence interest rates to remain at relatively low levels, although mortgage interest rates and other intermediate-term and longer-term interest rates gradually increased during the year;
- Interest rates on loans and investment securities remain relatively low compared to interest rates which would exist in a healthy and stable economy. Market interest rates remained below the yields on the Company’s overall loan and investment portfolios throughout 2013. Competitive pricing of loans was aggressive;
- New regulations on financial institutions continued to pressure compliance costs and operational risks.

The Compensation Committee considered Management’s response to the current operating environment including:

- Management consistently maintained conservative loan underwriting practices to appropriately manage the Company’s exposure to credit risk;
- Management maintained loan pricing at levels appropriate for longer-term profitability;
- Management controlled operating costs in a manner to offset the effect of environmental pressures on revenues;
- Management increased the volume of interest-sensitive investment securities to prepare for rising interest rates on

a forward basis;

- Management pursued new sources of fee income growth; and
- Adequate capital levels were maintained to accommodate growth opportunities.

The Compensation Committee chose to make adjustments to actual results to take into account the impact of the operating environment. Adjusted actual results against “target” performance goals were:

	Performance “Target”	Adjusted Actual Results
Profitability Goals:		
Return on average shareholders’ equity	13.2%	13.4%
Return on average assets	1.45%	1.45%
Diluted earnings per share	\$2.69	\$2.65
Quality Goals:		
Classified originated loans and other real estate owned	\$63 million	\$60 million
Non-performing originated loans and other real estate owned	\$22.0 million	\$11.3 million
Net loan losses to average originated loans	0.65%	0.26%
Service quality	Improving	Improving
Control Goals:		
Non-interest expense to revenues (efficiency ratio)	47.8%	48.8%
Non-interest expenses	\$113.6 million	\$112.6 million
Below satisfactory internal audits	none	none

In reviewing the operating environment, Management’s response to the operating environment, and adjusted results compared to “target” performance goals, the Compensation Committee determined corporate performance to be 110% of target goals.

As described above, divisional and individual goals are used in conjunction with corporate performance goals to determine cash bonus awards.

In addition to daily management responsibilities, Mr. Payne’s individual goals included:

- Managing the Company toward satisfactory financial results including revenue stabilization, cost control, and risk management;
- Expanding existing and pursuing new non-interest income revenue sources for the Company;
- Developing acquisition opportunities;
- Improving credit quality and planning for expiration of FDIC asset indemnification;
- Maintaining quality shareholder relations;
- Maintaining effective relationships with regulators;
- Satisfactory audit and regulatory examination results;
- Effective internal control management; and
- Following effective personnel practices including succession planning.

Based on individual performance against these goals, the Committee exercised its discretion and assigned Mr. Payne a composite corporate and individual performance level of 68%.

In addition to routine on-going divisional responsibilities, Mr. Thorson managed the Finance Division toward functional goals, which included:

- Leading administrative processes regarding expiration of FDIC asset indemnification;

- Management of the regulatory compliance function;
- Personnel management and staff development;
- Assuming management responsibilities for payroll and benefits functions; and
- Management of tax strategies.

Based on the Finance Division's results, the Committee determined divisional performance to be 119%.

In addition to daily management responsibilities, Mr. Thorson's individual goals included:

- Financial planning and forecasting;
- Evaluating the Company's tax positions and development of appropriate strategies;
- Divisional personnel succession and development activities;
- Capital planning; and
- Supporting merger and acquisition activities.

Based on individual performance against these goals, the Committee determined Mr. Thorson's individual performance to be 138%. In considering all elements of performance, the Committee exercised its discretion and assigned Mr. Thorson a composite corporate, divisional and individual performance level of 148%.

In addition to routine on-going divisional responsibilities, Ms. Finger managed the Treasury Division toward functional goals, which included:

- Asset / liability and interest-rate risk management;
- Implementation of new regulations regarding investment securities;
- Personnel management and succession planning;
- Management of securities portfolio and overall interest-rate risk position; and
- Management of merchant credit card and trust operations including sales activities revenue levels, expense containment, and audit results.

Based on the Treasury Division's results, the Committee determined divisional performance to be 126%.

In addition to daily management responsibilities, Ms. Finger's individual goals included:

- Merger and acquisition analysis and support; and
- Management of any corporate litigation.

Based on individual performance against these goals, the Committee determined Ms. Finger's individual performance to be 138%. As a result, Ms. Finger's composite corporate, divisional and individual performance level was 120%.

In addition to routine on-going divisional responsibilities, Mr. Hansen managed the Operations and Systems Division toward functional goals, which included:

- Manage operating costs to budgeted levels;
- Management of significant information technology initiatives;
- Review of technology processes including implementation of evolutionary improvements;
- Implementation and management of new fee-based products; and
- Satisfactory regulatory and internal audit results.

Based on the Operations and Systems Division's results, the Committee determined divisional performance to be 114%.

In addition to daily management responsibilities, Mr. Hansen’s individual goals included:

- Management of personnel and staff development activities; and
- Management of third-party service providers.

Based on individual performance against these goals, the Committee determined Mr. Hansen’s individual performance to be 124%. As a result, Mr. Hansen’s composite corporate, divisional and individual performance level was 114%.

In addition to routine on-going divisional responsibilities, Mr. Robinson managed the Banking Division toward functional goals, which included:

- Manage sales efforts across the entire branch network;
- Improve non-deposit fee-based revenue;
- Implementation of personnel development initiatives;
- Maintain strong internal controls; and
- Satisfactory audit results.

Based on the Banking Division’s results, the Committee determined divisional performance to be 100%.

In addition to daily management responsibilities, Mr. Robinson’s individual goals included:

- Regional sales responsibilities; and
- Development of new compensation initiatives.

Based on individual performance against these goals, the Committee determined Mr. Robinson’s individual performance to be 138%. As a result, Mr. Robinson’s composite corporate, divisional and individual performance level was 109%.

Based on the above described performance against objectives, the Committee determined cash incentive awards as follows:

	“Target” Cash <u>Incentive</u>	X	Composite Corporate Divisional and Individual <u>Performance Level</u>	=	Cash Incentive <u>Award</u>
Mr. Payne	\$371,000		68%		\$250,000
Mr. Thorson	82,000		148%		121,700
Ms. Finger	82,000		120%		98,500
Mr. Hansen	73,900		114%		84,000
Mr. Robinson	82,500		109%		89,700

The size of stock grants is determined by corporate performance using stated formulas. The formulas used to determine “target” NQSO and RPS grant sizes adjust for changes in the underlying value of one share of Company common stock. For achievement of corporate performance in 2013, the following stock grants were awarded in January 2014:

	“Target” Nonqualified Stock Option Grant	X	Corporate Performance Level	=	Nonqualified Stock Option Award
Mr. Payne	–		110%		–
Mr. Thorson	19,800		110%		21,800
Ms. Finger	19,800		110%		21,800
Mr. Hansen	17,900		110%		19,700
Mr. Robinson	20,100		110%		22,100

	“Target” RPS Grant	X	Corporate Performance Level	=	RPS Award
Mr. Payne	–		110%		–
Mr. Thorson	2,090		110%		2,300
Ms. Finger	2,090		110%		2,300
Mr. Hansen	1,890		110%		2,080
Mr. Robinson	2,110		110%		2,320

RPS awards vest three years following the grant date, only if certain corporate performance objectives are achieved over the three-year period. In January 2014, the Compensation Committee evaluated whether the three year corporate performance objectives were met for RPS awards granted in January 2011. The performance objectives for the RPS granted in January 2011 included:

- 3 year cumulative diluted earnings per share (EPS);
- 3 year average of annual return on average total assets (ROA);
- 3 year average of annual return on average shareholders’ equity relative to industry average ROE (ROE differential);
- Ending originated non-performing assets to total originated assets (NPA); and
- Efficiency ratio over three years

The RPS would vest if any one of the following performance results were achieved:

- 4 of 5 objectives reaching “threshold” performance level;
- 3 of 5 objectives reaching “target” performance level; or
- 2 of 5 objectives reaching “outstanding” performance level.

The goals and achieved results were:

	Threshold	Target	Outstanding	Result
EPS	\$9.70	\$9.90	\$10.15	Below Threshold
ROA	1.80%	1.87%	2.00%	Below Threshold
ROE differential	3.00%	3.50%	4.50%	Outstanding
NPA	0.80%	0.70%	0.55%	Outstanding
Efficiency Ratio	47.00%	45.00%	42.00%	Threshold

With two of the five goals achieved at the “outstanding” performance level, the Compensation Committee determined the RPS shares awarded in 2011 vested upon achievement of three year goals.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Programs

The Corporation maintains nonqualified deferred compensation programs to provide senior and mid-level executives the ability to defer compensation in excess of the annual limits imposed on the Corporation’s

“401(k)” plan. The Corporation believes these tax deferral programs enhance loyalty and motivate retention of executives. These programs allow executives to defer cash pay and RPS shares upon vesting. The programs also allow Directors to defer Director fees.

- Cash pay deferred in the program accumulates in accounts in the names of the participating Directors and executives. The Corporation credits the balance of these accounts with interest using an interest rate that approximates the crediting rate on corporate-owned life insurance policies, which finance the cash pay deferral program. Deferrals and interest credits represent general obligations of the Corporation.
- The common stock the Corporation issues to executives upon the vesting of RPS grants may be deferred into the program and deposited into a “Rabbi Trust.” Since these shares are outstanding shares of the Corporation’s common stock, the Corporation pays dividends on these shares at the same rate paid to all shareholders. The shares held in the “Rabbi Trust” are subject to claims by the Corporation’s creditors.

Employment Contracts

None of the executives named in the accompanying tables have employment contracts with the Corporation.

Compensation in the Event of a Change in Control

The banking industry has significant merger and acquisition activity. To promote retention of senior executives, unvested NQSO and RPS grants contain a “change in control” provision, which trigger full vesting upon a change in control. The Compensation Committee determined these provisions were appropriate in order to retain executives to continue managing the Corporation after any “change in control” was announced through its ultimate consummation. Since none of the named executive officers have entered employment contracts with the Corporation, they serve in an “at-will” capacity and could terminate their employment at any time. The Compensation Committee felt it would be in the best interests of shareholders to have a retention mechanism in place to provide continuity of management during a “change in control” process. Further, the Committee expects the named executive officers would be terminated by an acquiring institution rather than retained in a similar functional capacity.

The Corporation also maintains a Severance Payment Plan covering all employees to promote employee retention. The Severance Payment Plan provides salary continuation benefits for employees in the event of a “change in control.” The amount of salary continuation benefits is based on years of service and corporate title, but in no event exceed the equivalent of one times annual salary. All named executive officers are eligible for one year’s salary under the plan.

Other

Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”) Section 162(m) places a limit on the amount of compensation that may be deducted by the Corporation in any year with respect to certain of the Corporation’s highest-paid executives. Certain “performance-based compensation” is not counted toward this limit. The Corporation intends generally to qualify compensation paid to executive officers for deductibility under the IRC, including Section 162(m), but reserves the right to pay compensation that is not deductible.

Employee Benefits Compensation Committee Report

We, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, have reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis with Management. Based on that review and discussion, we have recommended to the Board of Directors inclusion of the Compensation Discussion and Analysis in this Proxy Statement and the Corporation’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December, 31, 2013.

Submitted by the Employee Benefits and Compensation Committee

Patrick D. Lynch, Chairman

Etta Allen

Arthur Latno, Jr.

Ronald Nelson

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

No member of the Compensation Committee is a current or former officer or employee of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries, or entered into (or agreed to enter into) any transaction or series of transactions with the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries with a value in excess of \$120,000. None of the executive officers of the Corporation has served on the Board of Directors or on the Compensation Committee of any other entity, where one of that entity's executive officers served either on the Board of Directors or on the Compensation Committee of the Corporation.

Summary Compensation

The following table sets forth summary compensation information for the chief executive officer, chief financial officer and each of the other three most highly compensated executive officers for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011. These persons are referred to as named executive officers elsewhere in this Proxy Statement.

Summary Compensation Table For Fiscal Year 2013

Name	Position	Year	Salary	Stock Awards ⁽¹⁾	Option Awards ⁽²⁾	Non-Stock Incentive Plan Compensation ⁽³⁾	Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings ⁽⁴⁾	All Other Compensation ⁽⁵⁾	TOTAL
David L. Payne		2013	\$371,000	-	-	\$250,000	-	\$15,437	\$636,437
Chairman,		2012	371,000	-	-	250,000	-	18,750	639,750
President & CEO		2011	371,000	\$126,900	-	250,000	-	18,779	766,679
John "Robert" A. Thorson		2013	149,000	122,825	112,945	121,700	38,953	17,471	562,894
SVP & Chief		2012	149,000	123,092	121,737	116,500	31,832	18,811	560,972
Financial Officer		2011	149,000	122,839	117,660	116,500	20,393	16,844	543,236
David L. Robinson		2013	150,000	123,699	114,328	89,700	32,100	18,579	528,406
SVP/Banking Division		2012	150,000	123,552	122,298	92,800	26,405	15,334	530,389
Manager		2011	150,000	123,854	118,215	84,400	16,495	16,927	509,891
Jennifer J. Finger		2013	129,996	122,825	112,945	98,500	30,877	17,827	512,970
SVP & Treasurer		2012	129,996	123,092	121,737	98,300	25,724	18,635	517,484
		2011	129,996	122,839	117,660	97,100	16,826	19,321	503,742
Dennis R. Hansen		2013	130,008	110,586	101,881	84,000	25,226	35,054	486,755
SVP/Operations & Systems		2012	130,008	110,691	108,834	84,400	21,819	31,420	487,172
Division Manager		2011	130,008	110,656	106,560	84,700	14,124	31,864	477,912

⁽¹⁾ Stock Awards represent RPS shares as described in the Compensation Discussion & Analysis. The amounts shown represent the aggregate grant date fair market value.

⁽²⁾ Option awards represent Nonqualified Stock Options as described in the Compensation Discussion & Analysis. The amounts shown represent the aggregate grant date fair market value.

⁽³⁾ The amounts shown are non-equity incentive compensation only. No interest or other form of earnings was paid on the compensation.

⁽⁴⁾ The amounts include interest paid on deferred cash compensation to the extent the interest exceeds 120% of the long-term Applicable Federal Rates with compounding. The Corporation has no defined benefit pension plan. Mr. Payne has a pension agreement, which is discussed under “Pension Benefits for Fiscal Year 2013.”

⁽⁵⁾ Each of the above-named executive officers received less than \$10,000 of aggregate perquisites and personal benefits, except for Mr. Hansen who received a car allowance of \$12,000. All other compensation includes Corporation contributions to defined contribution plans (401(k) and Profit Sharing), and amounts added to taxable wages using IRS tables for the cost of providing group term life insurance coverage that is more than the cost of \$50,000 of coverage. It also includes the dollar value of the benefit to Mr. Payne for the portion of the premium payable by the Corporation with respect to a split dollar life insurance policy (projected on an actuarial basis), and a bonus paid to Mr. Payne in the amount of his portion of the split dollar life insurance premium.

Based on the compensation disclosed in the Summary Compensation Table, approximately 34% of total compensation comes from base salaries. See Compensation Discussion and Analysis for more details.

Grants of Plan-Based Awards Table For Fiscal Year 2013

Name	Grant Date	Estimated Future Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards			All Other Stock Awards: Number of Shares of Stock or Units ⁽¹⁾	All Other Stock Awards: Number of Securities Underlying Options ⁽²⁾	Exercise or Base Price of Option Awards (\$/Share) ⁽²⁾	Grant Date Fair Value ⁽³⁾
		Threshold	Target	Maximum				
David L. Payne	1/24/13	\$0	\$371,000	\$556,500	-	-	-	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	-	-	\$0	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	-	-	43.71	
John "Robert" A. Thorson	1/24/13	0	82,000	123,000	-	-	-	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	2,810	-	-	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	-	24,500	43.71	
David L. Robinson	1/24/13	0	82,500	123,750	-	-	-	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	2,830	-	-	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	-	24,800	43.71	
Jennifer J. Finger	1/24/13	0	82,000	123,000	-	-	-	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	2,810	-	-	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	-	24,500	43.71	
Dennis R. Hansen	1/24/13	0	73,900	110,850	-	-	-	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	2,530	-	-	
	1/24/13	-	-	-	-	22,100	43.71	

⁽¹⁾ Includes RPS grants. There is no dollar amount of consideration paid by any executive officer on the grant or vesting date of an award.

The material terms of the RPS grants are as follows:

- The performance and vesting period is three years;
- Multiple performance goals are established by the Compensation Committee for each grant;
- The Compensation Committee may revise the goals upon significant events;
- Three-year performance criteria are limited to those provided in the 2012 Amended Plan, as described on page 15;
- Accelerated vesting occurs upon dissolution or liquidation of the Corporation or sale of all assets to another entity or a tender offer for 5% or more of outstanding stock; and
- No dividends are paid or accrued prior to settlement or deferral delivery of shares which takes place approximately two months after vesting.

⁽²⁾ Includes NQSO grants with an exercise price of not less than 100% of fair market value as of the date of grant.

The material terms of the NQSO's listed in the table are as follows:

- Options vest ratably over three years beginning one year from date of grant;
- Options expire 10 years following grant date;
- Exercise price is 100% of fair market value as defined in the 2003 and 2012 Amended Plan;
- Dividends are not paid on unexercised options;
- Vesting ceases upon termination of employment, whatever the reason, except if vesting is accelerated as described below;
- Vested options may be exercised within 90 days of termination of employment and within one year upon death or disability; and
- Accelerated vesting occurs upon a “change in control” as defined in the 2012 Amended Plan as described on page 29 of this Proxy statement.

⁽³⁾ The amounts shown for NQSOs and RPS awards represent the aggregate grant date fair market value.

Outstanding Equity Awards Table at Fiscal Year End 2013

Name	Option Awards				Stock Awards	
	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable ⁽¹⁾	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable ⁽¹⁾	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares, Units or Rights That Have Not Vested (#) ⁽²⁾	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Market or Payout Value of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (\$) valued at 12/31/13 ⁽²⁾
David L. Payne	222,022	-	\$49.610	1/22/2014		
	250,000	-	52.539	1/26/2015	2,500	\$141,150
John "Robert" A. Thorson	14,400	-	52.539	1/26/2015		
	18,437	-	52.560	1/26/2016		
	20,800	-	56.625	1/28/2020		
	14,133	7,067	50.760	1/27/2021		
	7,234	14,466	45.930	1/26/2022		
	-	24,500	43.710	1/24/2023	7,910	446,599
David L. Robinson	9,000	-	52.539	1/26/2015		
	11,449	-	52.560	1/26/2016		
	11,175	-	48.390	1/25/2017		
	23,286	-	47.130	1/24/2018		
	20,900	-	56.625	1/28/2020		
	14,200	7,100	50.760	1/27/2021		
	7,267	14,533	45.930	1/26/2022		
	-	24,800	43.710	1/24/2023	7,960	449,422
Jennifer J. Finger	17,800	-	52.539	1/26/2015		
	22,600	-	52.560	1/26/2016		
	22,204	-	48.390	1/25/2017		
	11,048	-	47.130	1/24/2018		
	20,800	-	56.625	1/28/2020		
	14,133	7,067	50.760	1/27/2021		
	7,234	14,466	45.930	1/26/2022		
	-	24,500	43.710	1/24/2023	7,910	446,599
Dennis R. Hansen	9,000	-	52.539	1/26/2015		
	11,449	-	52.560	1/26/2016		
	19,882	-	48.390	1/25/2017		
	20,930	-	47.130	1/24/2018		
	19,600	-	43.015	1/21/2019		
	18,700	-	56.625	1/28/2020		
	12,800	6,400	50.760	1/27/2021		
	6,467	12,933	45.930	1/26/2022		
	-	22,100	43.710	1/24/2023	7,120	401,995

⁽¹⁾ Option Awards vest ratably over three years beginning one year from date of grant. Options expiring in 2021 fully vested in January 2014. Options expiring in 2022 fully vest in January 2015. Options expiring in 2023 fully vest in January 2016.

⁽²⁾ RPS shares fully vest three years from date of grant if performance goals are met. RPS grants vest as follows: Ms. Finger – 2,420 shares vest in January 2014, and 2,680 shares vest in January 2015, and 2,810 vests in January 2016; Messrs. Payne – 2,500 shares vest in January 2014; Thorson – 2,420 vest in January 2014, 2,680 shares vest in January 2015 and 2,810 shares vest in 2016; Robinson – 2,440 shares vest in January 2014, 2,690 shares vest in January 2015, and 2,830 shares vest in January 2016; and Hansen – 2,180 shares vest in January 2014, 2,410 shares vest in January 2015, and 2,530 shares vest in 2016.

Option Exercises And Stock Vested Table For Fiscal Year 2013

Name	Option Awards		Stock Awards	
	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise	Value Realized on Exercise(\$)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting	Value Realized on Vesting(\$) ⁽¹⁾
David L. Payne	169,077	\$459,899	0	-
John "Robert" A. Thorson	77,782	367,536	2,200	\$99,869
David L. Robinson	30,590	236,952	2,210	100,323
Jennifer J. Finger	51,000	242,024	2,200	99,869
Dennis R. Hansen	8,790	25,150	1,980	89,882

⁽¹⁾ Amounts represent value upon vesting of RPS shares. Dividends are paid in cash during deferral period and distributions are paid in stock.

Pension Benefits For Fiscal Year 2013

Name	PlanName	Present Value of Accumulated Benefit	Payments during lastFiscalYear
David L. Payne	Non-Qualified Pension Agreement	\$5,705,724	\$511,950

During 1997, the Corporation entered into a nonqualified pension agreement with Mr. Payne in consideration of Mr. Payne's agreement that RPS awards granted in 1995, 1996 and 1997 would be cancelled. In January 2000, the Compensation Committee, based on the Corporation's achievement of certain performance goals which had first been established for Mr. Payne's 1995, 1996 and 1997 RPS awards, determined Mr. Payne's annual pension would be \$511,950. The pension commenced in 2010 and will be paid to Mr. Payne for 20 years.

The discount rate used to determine the present value is 4.80%, as used by the Corporation in determining benefit obligations for its post-employment retirement benefits as of December 31, 2013. The obligation is an unfunded general obligation of the Corporation.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Table For Fiscal Year 2013

Name	Executive Contributions in Last Fiscal Year ⁽¹⁾	Aggregate Earnings in Last Fiscal Year ⁽²⁾	Aggregate Withdrawals/ Distributions ⁽³⁾	Aggregate Balance at Last Fiscal Year End ⁽²⁾
David L. Payne	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
John "Robert" A. Thorson	82,215	79,323	-	1,465,201
David L. Robinson	57,675	359,359	(28,519)	2,292,492
Jennifer J. Finger	44,899	447,337	(37,295)	2,572,871
Dennis R. Hansen	-	278,389	(22,022)	1,778,768

⁽¹⁾ No RPS shares were deferred upon vesting in 2013. Non-equity incentive plan compensation deferred in 2013 was earned in 2012 and disclosed as compensation in the Summary Compensation Table for 2012 and is therefore excluded from the Summary Compensation Table for Fiscal Year 2013. In 2013, Mr. Robinson deferred \$12,000 of salary earned in 2013 which is included in the Summary Compensation Table for Fiscal Year 2013.

⁽²⁾ Includes change in value of deferred RPS shares, dividends earned on deferred RPS shares, and interest earned on deferred cash compensation. The amounts included in the Summary Compensation Table for Fiscal Year 2013 on page 25 are as follows: Ms. Finger – \$30,877; Messrs. Thorson – \$38,953; Robinson – \$32,100; and Hansen – \$25,226.

⁽³⁾ Includes dividends paid on deferred RPS shares.

⁽⁴⁾ Aggregate balance of deferred compensation reported as compensation prior to 2013 is as follows: Ms. Finger – \$ 2,162,829; Messrs. Thorson – \$1,385,878; Hansen – \$1,522,401; and Robinson – \$1,949,652.

Under the Westamerica Bancorporation and Subsidiaries Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Deferred Compensation Plan"), Directors and Officers may defer up to 100% of their Director's compensation, salary and/or non-equity incentive compensation (cash bonus) into a non-qualified, unfunded deferred compensation program. The interest rate paid during 2013 was 5.60%. The interest rate may be changed annually. Interest is compounded semi-monthly. Participants choose in advance from the following distribution commencement dates: termination of employment, January 1 following termination of employment, or a specific date at least five years from date of deferral. Payment is made in a lump sum unless the participant chooses a four year, five year or ten year annual installment.

Under the Westamerica Bancorporation Deferral Plan, 100% of vested RPS grants may be deferred. Dividends paid on such issued and outstanding shares are paid in cash to the deferral participants, and are

paid at the same rate as is paid to all other shareholders. The distribution of deferred RPS shares occurs at least two years after deferral, one month following termination, or the January 1 immediately following termination as elected by the participant at the time of deferral. If the participant is one of the named executive officers, benefit distributions that are made upon termination of employment may not start earlier than six months after the date of termination.

Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control

Payments to be made to the named executive officers in the event of termination of employment or change in control are described below.

Termination

Vested NQSOs may be exercised within 90 days of termination and within one year of death or disability. RPS shares vest if the Compensation Committee determines performance goals are met. Terminated employees will receive vested RPS shares if the settlement date of the RPS grant occurs within 90 days of termination. Employees separating from service due to death, disability or retirement are eligible to receive a pro rata portion of granted RPS shares if the Compensation Committee determines that the performance goals are likely to be met for the grant period. The pro rata basis is determined by the number of full years of the vesting period completed before date of death, disability or retirement.

Deferred compensation account balances are distributed on January 1 following termination, or a specific date at least five years from the date of deferral in the form of annual payments over four years. Payment may also be made in a lump sum or in annual payments for five or 10 years as elected by the participant at the time of deferral. If the participant is one of the named executive officers, benefit distributions that are made upon termination of employment may not start earlier than six months after the date of termination.

Change in Control

A change in control is defined under the 2012 Amended Plan as shareholder approval of a dissolution or liquidation of the Corporation or a sale of substantially all of the Corporation's assets to another corporation, or a tender offer for 5% or more of the Corporation's outstanding common stock or a merger in which the Corporation's shareholders before the merger hold less than 50% of the voting power of the surviving corporation after the merger.

In the event of a change in control, unvested NQSOs and RPS shares immediately vest. The value of in-the-money options and RPS shares subject to accelerated vesting for each of the named executive officers is as follows: Ms. Finger: \$951,582; Messrs. Payne: \$141,150; Thorson: \$951,582; Robinson: \$959,124; and Hansen: \$856,435. The value is computed by multiplying the difference between the market value on December 31, 2013, the last three business day of 2013, and the exercise price of each option by the number of shares subject to accelerated vesting.

Under the Corporation's Severance Payment Plan, executive officers receive six weeks pay for every year or partial year of service up to one year's base salary (see Summary Compensation Table for Fiscal Year 2013 for annual base salary for all named executive officers). All named executive officers have met the service requirement for one year's base salary. Severance pay is paid in a lump sum or on a semi-monthly basis at the discretion of the Corporation. The Severance Payment Plan is subject to Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions

In accordance with the Audit Committee Charter, the Audit Committee is responsible for reviewing and approving or disapproving all related party transactions required to be disclosed by Item 404 of Regulation S-K for potential conflicts of interest. Additionally, the Corporation's Code of Conduct and Ethics provides rules that restrict transactions with affiliated persons.

Certain of the Directors, executive officers and their associates have had banking transactions with subsidiaries of the Corporation in the ordinary course of business. With the exception of the Corporation's Employee Loan Program, all outstanding loans and commitments included in such transactions were made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons not related to the Corporation, did not involve more than a normal risk of collectibility, and did not present other favorable features. As part of the Employee Loan Program, all employees, including executive officers, are eligible to receive mortgage loans with interest rates one percent (1%) below Westamerica Bank's prevailing interest rate at the time of loan origination. Westamerica Bank makes all loans to executive officers under the Employee Loan Program in compliance with the applicable restrictions of Section 22(h) of the Federal Reserve Act. Messrs. Hansen, Payne and Thorson have mortgage loans through this Program. The largest aggregate amount of principal during 2013 was \$254,549, \$460,666, and \$340,787, respectively. The principal amount outstanding at December 31, 2013 was \$244,716, \$442,152, and \$325,741, respectively. The amount of principal paid during 2013 was \$9,832, \$18,515, and \$15,045, respectively. The amount of interest paid during 2013 was \$4,974, \$8,479, and \$6,262, respectively. The rate of interest payable on the loan is 1.875%, 1.875%, and 1.875%, respectively.

PROPOSAL 2 – APPROVE A NON-BINDING ADVISORY VOTE ON THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Background

The 2010 Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act") requires that shareholders cast a non-binding advisory vote on the executive compensation paid to the executive officers listed in the Summary Compensation Table (a so-called "say on pay" vote) as well as an advisory vote with respect to whether future say on pay votes will be held every one, two or three years. The result of the shareholder vote on the proposal to determine the frequency of future say on pay proposals was that shareholders should review executive compensation annually. Therefore, Proposal 2 requests that shareholders again approve the compensation paid to our named executive officers. Last year 98% of the shares voting on this proposal voted to support our corporation's executive compensation strategy. The proposal to determine how often the say on pay proposal should be voted on by shareholders will again be brought to a shareholder vote in 2017, six years after the first frequency vote.

We believe that our compensation policies and procedures are centered on a pay-for-performance culture and are strongly aligned with the long-term interests of our shareholders. Our incentive compensation plan provides for the grant of incentive stock options, non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, and restricted performance shares. The Summary Compensation Table shows very stable base salaries indicative of our greater emphasis on performance-based stock and non-stock awards. Our stock and option awards are based on a minimum achievement of meeting the "threshold" level for each pre-established objective. Both awards have a three-year vesting period. Our annual incentive plan incorporates at least four financial and/or strategic performance metrics in order to properly balance risk with the incentives to drive our key annual financial and/or strategic initiatives; in addition, the annual incentive program incorporates a 150% maximum payout to further manage risk and the possibility of excessive payments.

In 2003, shareholders approved the Corporation's 2003 Amended Plan to include the following changes:

- Disallowing re-pricing stock options for poor stock performance;

- Limiting the number of shares that may be awarded; and
- Requiring the Compensation Committee to meet the definition of independence to enable any award intended to qualify as “performance-based compensation” to meet Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code.

In 2009, shareholders re-approved the performance criteria for performance-based awards under the 2003 Amended Plan.

In 2012, shareholders approved the Corporation’s 2012 Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan of 1995. The 1012 Plan includes the following changes:

- Reduced the number of shares available for future issuance from 4,307,593 to 1,500,000 (plus shares that become available if awards under prior plans expire unexercised or are cancelled, forfeited or terminated before being exercised); and
- Extended the term of the 2012 Plan to April 24, 2022 from April 24, 2013.

Vote Required

The “say on pay” proposal gives you as a shareholder the opportunity to endorse or not endorse our executive pay program through the following resolution:

“Resolved, that the shareholders approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the named executive officers, as disclosed pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, which disclosure includes the compensation discussion and analysis, the compensation tables and any related footnotes and narratives in the Corporation’s proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders.”

Because your vote is advisory, it will not be binding on the Board or create or imply any additional fiduciary duty by the Board. However, the Compensation Committee may take into account the outcome of the vote when considering future executive compensation arrangements.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE “FOR” THE APPROVAL OF THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, AS DISCLOSED IN THIS PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO THE COMPENSATION DISCLOSURE RULES OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION.

PROPOSAL 3 – RATIFY SELECTION OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The Audit Committee has approved the selection of the firm of KPMG LLP to serve as independent auditors for 2014 to examine the consolidated financial statements of the Corporation. Action by the shareholders is not required by law in the appointment of independent auditors, but their appointment is submitted by the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors in order to give the shareholders an opportunity to present their views. If the proposal is approved, the Audit Committee, in its discretion, may direct the appointment of different independent auditors at any time during the year if it determines that such a change would be in the best interests of the Corporation and its shareholders. If the proposal to ratify the selection of KPMG LLP as the Corporation’s independent auditors is rejected by the shareholders then the Audit Committee will reconsider its choice of independent auditors. A representative of KPMG LLP is expected to be present at the Annual Meeting and will have an opportunity to make a statement if they so desire and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE “FOR” THE RATIFICATION OF THE SELECTION OF KPMG AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM.

Audit Fees

The aggregate fees billed to the Corporation by KPMG with respect to services performed for fiscal 2013 and 2012 are as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Audit fees (1)	\$712,500	\$700,000
Audit-related fees	—	—
Tax fees	—	—
All other fees	—	—
	<u>\$712,500</u>	<u>\$700,000</u>

(1) Audit fees consisted of fees billed by KPMG for professional services rendered for the audit of the Corporation’s consolidated financial statements, reviews of the consolidated financial statements included in the Corporation’s quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and the audit of the Corporation’s internal controls over financial reporting. The audit fees also relate to services such as consents and audits of mortgage banking subsidiaries.

Preapproval Policies and Procedures

The Audit Committee is responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention and oversight of the work of any public accounting firm engaged by the Corporation for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or performing other audit, review or attest services for the Corporation. Any accounting firm appointed by the Corporation reports directly to the Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee must preapprove all auditing services and permitted non-audit services by its independent auditors and the fees to be paid by the Corporation for these services, except for those fees qualifying for the “de minimis exception” which provides that the preapproval requirement for certain non-audit services may be waived if certain expressed standards and requirements are satisfied prior to completion of the audit under certain conditions. This exception requires that the aggregate amount of all such services provided constitutes no more than five percent of the total amount of revenue paid to the audit firm by the Corporation during the fiscal year in which the services are provided. This exception also requires that at the time of the engagement, the Corporation did not recognize such services to be non-audit services, and such services are promptly brought to the attention of the Audit Committee and approved prior to the completion of the audit by the Audit Committee. During fiscal year 2013, there were no non-audit services that were provided using this exception.

The Audit Committee may delegate to one or more members of the Audit Committee the authority to grant preapprovals of non-audit services and fees. In such event, the decisions of the member or members of the Committee regarding preapprovals are presented to the full Audit Committee at its next meeting. The Audit Committee preapproved 100% of all services performed on behalf of the Corporation by KPMG during fiscal year 2013.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The material in this report is not soliciting material and is not deemed filed with the SEC. It is not incorporated by reference in any of the Corporation’s filings under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, whether made in the past or in the future even if any of those filings contain any general incorporation language.

The Audit Committee is composed of four Directors who are neither officers nor employees of the Corporation, and who meet the NASDAQ independence requirements for Audit Committee members. The Audit Committee selects, appoints and retains the Corporation's independent auditors and is responsible for their compensation and oversight.

In performing its functions, the Audit Committee acts only in an oversight capacity and necessarily relies on the work and assurances of the Corporation's management, which has the primary responsibility for financial statements and reports, and of the independent auditors. The auditors express an opinion on the conformity of the Corporation's annual financial statements to generally accepted accounting principles. In fulfilling its oversight responsibilities, the Audit Committee reviewed the audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year 2013 and discussed them with Management and with KPMG, the Corporation's independent auditors.

Management represented to the Audit Committee that the Corporation's consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Management also represented that it performed an assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, and that internal control over financial reporting was effective. The Audit Committee discussed with the auditors matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 114 (The Auditor's Communication with Those Charged with Governance) as amended, including the auditors' judgment about the quality as well as the acceptability of the Corporation's accounting principles, as applied in its financial reporting.

The auditors also provided to the Audit Committee the written disclosures and the letter from the independent auditors required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1 (Independence Discussions with Audit Committees). The Audit Committee discussed with auditors the firm's independence.

Based on the Audit Committee's discussion with Management and the independent auditors, the Audit Committee's review of the representations of Management and the report of the independent auditors to the Audit Committee, the Audit Committee recommended that the Board of Directors include the audited consolidated financial statements in the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 for filing with the SEC.

Submitted by the Audit Committee

Ronald A. Nelson, Chairman

Louis E. Bartolini

E. Joseph Bowler

Catherine C. MacMillan

SHAREHOLDER PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

To be considered for inclusion in the Corporation's Proxy Statement and form of proxy for next year's Annual Meeting, shareholder proposals must be delivered to the Corporate Secretary of the Corporation, Westamerica Bancorporation A-2M, P.O. Box 1200, Suisun City, CA 94585, no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 10, 2014. However, if the date of next year's Annual Meeting is changed by more than 30 days from the date of this year's meeting, the notice must be received by the Corporate Secretary a reasonable time before we begin to produce and distribute our Proxy Statement. All such proposals must meet the requirements of Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act.

In order for business, other than a shareholder proposal submitted for the Corporation's Proxy Statement, to be properly brought before next year's Annual Meeting by a shareholder, the shareholder must give timely written notice to the Secretary of the Corporation. To be timely, written notice must be received by the Secretary of the Corporation at least 45 days before the anniversary of the day our Proxy Statement was mailed to shareholders in connection with the previous year's Annual Meeting or January 24, 2015, for the 2015 Annual Meeting. If the date of the Annual Meeting is changed by more than 30 days, the deadline is a reasonable time before we begin to produce and distribute our Proxy Statement. A shareholder's notice must set forth a brief description of the proposed business, the name and residence address of the shareholder, the number of shares of the Corporation's common stock that the shareholder owns and any material interest the shareholder has in the proposed business.

Westamerica reserves the right to reject, to rule out of order, or to take other appropriate action with respect to any proposal that does not comply with these and other applicable legal requirements.

SHAREHOLDER COMMUNICATION TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

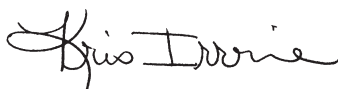
Shareholders and other interested parties who wish to communicate with the Board may do so by writing to: Kris Irvine, VP/Corporate Secretary, Westamerica Bancorporation A-2M, P.O. Box 1200, Suisun City, CA 94585. The Directors have established procedures for the handling of communications from shareholders and other interested parties and have directed the Corporate Secretary to act as their agent in processing any communications received. All communications that relate to matters that are within the responsibility of one of the Board Committees are to be forwarded to the Chair of the appropriate Committee. Communications that relate to ordinary business matters that are not within the scope of the Board's responsibilities, such as customer complaints, are to be sent to Management. Solicitations, junk mail and obviously frivolous or inappropriate communications are not to be forwarded, but will be made available to any Director who wishes to review them.

OTHER MATTERS

The Board of Directors does not know of any matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting other than those specifically referred to in this Proxy Statement. If any other matters should properly come before the meeting or any postponement or adjournment of the meeting, the persons named in the enclosed proxy intend to vote thereon in accordance with their best business judgment. If a nominee for Director becomes unavailable to serve as a Director, the Proxies will vote for any substitute nominated by the Board of Directors.

The Corporation will pay the cost of proxy solicitation. The Corporation has retained the services of Geogeson to assist in the proxy distribution at a cost not to exceed \$2,000 plus reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. The Corporation will reimburse banks, brokers and others holding stock in their names or names of nominees or otherwise, for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in sending proxies and proxy materials to the holders of such stock.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Kris Irvine
VP/Corporate Secretary
Dated: March 10, 2014

EXHIBIT A
Westamerica Bancorporation
Audit Committee Charter – Revised July, 2013

The Audit Committee is appointed by the Board to assist the Board in monitoring (1) the integrity of Westamerica Bancorporation's ("Company") financial statements, (2) the compliance by the Company with legal and regulatory requirements, (3) the independence, qualifications and performance of the Company's registered public accounting firms ("independent auditor" or "independent auditors") preparing or issuing an audit report or performing other audit, review or attest services for the Company and (4) the Company's internal audit and control function. The Audit Committee shall prepare the report that the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") rules require be included in the Company's annual proxy statement.

While the Audit Committee has the responsibilities and powers set forth in this Charter, it is not the duty of the Audit Committee to plan or conduct audits, or to determine that the Company's financial statements are complete and accurate and are in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. This is the responsibility of management and the independent auditor.

The function of the Audit Committee is oversight. Management is responsible for the preparation and integrity of the Company's financial statements. Management is responsible for maintaining appropriate accounting and financial reporting policies and an appropriate internal control environment. Subject to appointment, review and oversight by the Audit Committee, the independent auditor is responsible for planning and conducting a proper audit of the Company's internal control environment and of its annual financial statements, reviewing the Company's quarterly financial statements prior to the filing of each quarterly report on Form 10-Q, and other procedures.

The members of the Audit Committee shall meet the independence requirements of The Nasdaq Stock Market ("Nasdaq") and the rules and regulations of the SEC. No member shall be an affiliated person (as defined in relevant SEC or Nasdaq rules) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or have participated at any time in the preparation of financial statements of the Company or any current subsidiary during the prior three years, and each member shall be free of any relationship that would interfere with the exercise of his or her independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a member of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee shall include members with banking or related financial management expertise who are able to read and understand fundamental financial statements, including the Company's balance sheet, income statement and cash flow statement, and at least one member must have the additional financial sophistication as required by and as defined in Nasdaq rules.

The Committee shall be subject to the provisions of the Company's bylaws relating to committees of the Board, including those provisions relating to removing committee members and filling vacancies. The members of the Audit Committee and its Chairman shall be appointed and may be removed by the Board on its own initiative or at the recommendation of the Nominating Committee. The Audit Committee shall have no fewer than three members. If not designated by the Board, the Audit Committee may designate a member as its Chair.

The Audit Committee, in its capacity as a committee of the Board, shall be directly responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention, termination and oversight of the work of any independent auditors, and each independent auditor must report directly to the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee, or its designee, will sign the independent auditor engagement letter. The Audit Committee shall be directly responsible for the resolution of disagreements between management and the independent auditor regarding financial reporting.

The Audit Committee shall have the authority to retain independent legal, accounting or other advisors as it deems necessary to carry out its duties. The Company shall provide for appropriate funding, as determined by the Audit Committee, for payment of compensation to any independent auditor engaged for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or performing other audit, review or attest services, compensation to any advisors employed by the Audit Committee, and ordinary administrative expenses that the Audit Committee deems to be necessary or appropriate in carrying out its duties.

The Audit Committee may request any officer or employee of the Company or the Company's outside counsel or independent auditor to attend a meeting of the Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee shall pre-approve all auditing services and permitted non-audit services and fees to be paid for such services to be performed for the Company by its independent auditor, subject to the limited de minimis exceptions for non-audit services described in Section 10A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, provided that compliance with the limitations and procedural requirements of Section 10A is fulfilled. The Audit Committee may delegate to one or more designated members of the committee the authority to grant pre-approvals of non-audit services and fees. Any such pre-approval shall be presented to the full Audit Committee at its next scheduled meeting.

The Audit Committee shall make regular reports to the Board.

The Audit Committee shall have the authority to conduct investigations that are related to its responsibilities under this Charter or otherwise assigned to it by the Board.

In addition, the Audit Committee, to the extent that it deems necessary or appropriate shall:

Financial Statement and Disclosure Matters

1. Prepare the report required by the rules of the SEC to be included in the Company's annual proxy statement.
2. Review the annual audited financial statements with management and the independent auditor, including disclosures made in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and recommend to the Board whether the audited financial statements should be included in the Company's Form 10-K.
3. Review with management and the independent auditor any significant financial reporting issues and judgments made in connection with the preparation of the Company's financial statements, including any significant changes in the Company's selection or application of accounting policies, practices and estimates, significant unusual transactions, any major issues as to the adequacy of the Company's internal controls and any special steps adopted in light of material control deficiencies; and review any reports prepared by or for management or the auditor with respect to these matters.
4. Review with the independent auditor their views regarding significant accounting or auditing matters when the independent auditor is aware that management consulted with other accountants about such matters and the independent auditor has identified a concern regarding these matters.
5. Obtain from the independent auditor information about significant aspects of the annual audit, including:
 - (a) an overview of the overall audit strategy, particularly the timing of the audit, significant risks the auditor identified and significant changes to the planned audit strategy or identified risk;
 - (b) information about the nature and extent of specialized skill or knowledge needed in the audit; the extent of the planned use of internal auditors; company personnel or other third parties; and other

independent public accounting firms or other persons not employed by the auditor who are involved in the audit;

- (c) the basis for the auditor's determination that he or she can serve as principal auditor, if significant parts of the audit will be performed by other auditors;
 - (d) situations in which the auditor identified a concern regarding management's anticipated application of accounting pronouncements that have been issued but are not yet effective and might have a significant effect on future financial reporting;
 - (e) difficult or contentious matters for which the auditor consulted outside the engagement team;
 - (f) the auditor's evaluation of going concern;
 - (g) departure from the auditor's standard report;
 - (h) other matters arising from the audit that are significant to the oversight of the Company's financial reporting process, including complaints or concerns regarding accounting or auditing matters that have come to the auditor's attention during the audit;
 - (i) any difficulties encountered in the course of the audit work, including any restrictions on the scope of activities or access to required information;
 - (j) any significant disagreements with management.
6. Annually review with the independent auditor the quality of the Company's financial reporting, internal accounting and financial control, the auditor's report or opinion thereon and any recommendations the auditor may have for improving or changing the Company's internal controls, as well as management's letter in response thereto and any other matters required to be discussed under Statement of Auditing Standards Nos. 114 and 115 and PCAOB Auditing Standard No. 16 (as they may be modified or supplemented).
 7. Review management's proposed annual report on internal control over financial reporting which is required to be included in the Company's 10-K pursuant to rules of the SEC.
 8. Review with management and the independent auditor the Company's quarterly financial statements prior to the filing of its Form 10-Q, including the results of the independent auditor's review of the quarterly financial statements.
 9. Review and discuss quarterly reports from the independent auditors on:
 - (a) all critical accounting policies and practices to be used;
 - (b) all alternative treatments of financial information within generally accepted accounting principles that have been discussed with management, ramifications of the use of such alternative treatments, and the treatment preferred by the independent auditor;
 - (c) the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 114, as it may be amended or supplemented, relating to the audit of the Company's periodic reports; and
 - (d) other material written communications between the independent auditor and management.
 10. Meet periodically with management to review the Company's major financial risk exposures and the policies and procedures that management utilizes to monitor and control such exposures.
 11. Discuss, prior to release by the Company, the earnings press releases (paying particular attention to any use of "pro forma," or "adjusted" or other non-GAAP information) as well as financial information and earnings guidance provided to analysts and rating agencies, if any, as well as any financial information which the Company proposes to provide to financial analysts and rating agencies (being mindful of the need to avoid violations of SEC Regulation FD, which prohibits the selective disclosure of material information).
 12. Discuss the quarterly and annual financial statements with the appropriate officers and/or employees of the Company and with the independent auditor, including the Company's disclosures under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."
 13. Review the schedule of unrecorded adjustments to the Company's financial statements and the reasons underlying the Company's assessment of the immateriality of such adjustments.
 14. Review prior to publication or filing and approve such other Company financial information, including appropriate regulatory filings and releases that include financial information, as the Audit Committee deems desirable.
 15. Review the adequacy of the Company's system of internal accounting and financial control, including its "disclosure controls and procedures" and "internal control over financial reporting," as defined in SEC Rules 13a-15(e) and 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the

- Chief Executive Officer's ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer's ("CFO") proposed disclosures and certifications with respect to these matters which are required to be included in the Company's annual and quarterly reports to the SEC on Form 10-K and Form 10-Q.
16. Review disclosures made to the Audit Committee by the Company's CEO and CFO during their certification process for the Form 10-K and Form 10-Q about any significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls or material weaknesses therein and any fraud involving management or other employees who have a significant role in the Company's internal controls.
 17. Review the effect of regulatory and accounting initiatives on the financial statements of the Company.

Oversight of the Company's Relationship with its Independent Auditors

18. Review and evaluate the experience and qualifications of the lead members of each independent auditor's team.
19. Evaluate the performance and independence of each independent auditor, including considering whether the auditor's quality controls are adequate and the provision of permitted non-audit services is compatible with maintaining the auditor's independence. The opinions of management and the internal auditor shall be taken into consideration as part of this review.
20. Receive and review a report from each independent auditor at least annually regarding the independent auditor's independence and discuss such reports with the auditor. Ensure that each independent auditor submits a formal written statement, as required by PCAOB Rule 3526, as it may be amended or supplemented, describing all relationships between the independent auditor and any of its affiliates and the Company that might bear on the independent auditor's independence. The independent auditor must also discuss with the Audit Committee the potential effects of any such relationships on the firm's independence. Receive and review a formal written statement of the fees billed by the independent auditor for each of the categories of services requiring separate disclosure in the annual proxy statement.
21. Obtain and review a report from each independent auditor at least annually regarding the independent auditor's internal quality control procedures. The report should include any material issues raised by the most recent internal quality control review or peer review of the firm, or by any inquiry or investigation by governmental or professional authorities within the preceding five years respecting one or more independent audits carried out by the firm, and any steps taken to deal with any such issues. Obtain auditor and review inspection reports issued by the PCAOB under Section 104 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.
22. Meet with each independent auditor prior to the audit to review the planning and staffing of the audit.
23. Advise the Board of its determinations regarding the qualification, independence and performance of each independent auditor.
24. Annually require the independent auditor to confirm in writing its understanding of the fact that it is ultimately accountable to the Audit Committee.
25. Require the independent auditor to rotate every five years the lead audit partner in charge of the Company's audit and the concurring audit partner responsible for reviewing the audit.
26. Periodically consider the advisability of rotating the independent audit firm to be selected as the Company's independent auditors. The Audit Committee should present its conclusions to the full Board.

Oversight of the Company's Internal Audit Function

27. Review and, at its option, recommend the appointment and replacement of the senior internal auditing executive.
28. Review any reports to management prepared by the internal auditing department and management's responses.

29. Review with each independent auditor, management and the senior internal auditing executive the internal audit department responsibilities, budget, structure and staffing and any recommended changes in the planned scope of the internal audit at least annually.

Compliance Oversight Responsibilities

30. Obtain reports from management and the Company's senior internal auditing executive that the Company's subsidiary affiliated entities are in conformity with applicable regulatory and legal requirements and the Company's code of ethics.
31. Advise the Board with respect to the Company's compliance with the Company's Code of Ethics for Chief Executive Officer and Senior Financial Officers.
32. Establish procedures for the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Company regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, and the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters.
33. Discuss with management and each independent auditor any correspondence with regulators or governmental agencies and any published reports that raise material issues regarding the Company's financial statements or accounting policies.
34. Review with appropriate members of management or appropriate legal counsel the Company's compliance policies, legal matters that may have a material impact on the financial statements and any material reports or inquiries received from regulators or governmental agencies.
35. Review for approval or disapproval all related-party transactions required to be disclosed by Item 404 of Regulation S-K for potential conflicts of interests.
36. In the event the Audit Committee is made aware of any allegation of fraud relating to the Company and/or any of its officers, directors or employees that the Audit Committee deems could be material to the Company's business or operations, the Audit Committee shall (i) convene a meeting of the Audit Committee to review such allegation and (ii) if the Audit Committee deems it necessary or advisable, it shall engage independent counsel to assist in an investigation, including, if the Audit Committee and such counsel deem it necessary or advisable, an investigation to determine whether such allegation implicates any violation of Section 10A of the Exchange Act of 1934. If pursuant to such investigation the Audit Committee discovers that a material fraud has occurred, the Audit Committee shall (i) assess the Company's internal controls and implement such remedial measures as it determines necessary or advisable, (ii) cause the Company to take appropriate action against the perpetrator(s) of such fraud and (iii) cause the Company to make appropriate disclosures relating to the matter in the Company's periodic reports filed with the SEC or otherwise.
37. The Audit Committee shall also be designated as the committee of the Board of Directors that shall receive, review and take action with respect to any reports by attorneys, pursuant to Section 307 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, of evidence of material violations of securities laws or breaches of fiduciary duty or similar violations by the Company or one of its agents.
38. Meet at least four times each year. In addition, meet at least four times each year in separate executive sessions with each of the Company's CEO, senior internal audit executive and the independent auditor; and each such person shall have free and direct access to the Audit Committee and any of its members.
39. Review and approve all related-party transactions (e.g. transactions with any director or executive officer of the Company or significant shareholder, or their immediate family members or affiliates), other than transactions which the Board has delegated to the Company's Employee Benefits/Compensation Committee or Loan & Investment Committee.
40. Annually review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter and any bylaw of the Company which relates to the Audit Committee, and recommend any proposed changes to the Board for approval. The Chair of the Audit Committee shall draft a proposed schedule of the Audit Committee's activities for the coming year and the times at which such activities shall occur, which shall be submitted to the Audit Committee for its review and approval, with such changes as the Audit Committee shall determine to be appropriate.

EXHIBIT B

Westamerica Bancorporation Employee Benefits/Compensation Committee Charter – Adopted April 24, 2013

Purpose

The Employee Benefits Committee (the “Committee”) is appointed by the Board of Directors (the “Board”) to discharge the Board’s responsibilities relating to compensation of Westamerica Bancorporation (the “Company”) Chief Executive Officer (the “CEO”) and the Company’s other executive officers, as defined by Rule 3b-7 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended (the “Exchange Act”) (collectively, including the CEO, the “Executive Officers”). The Committee has overall responsibility for approving and evaluating all compensation plans, policies and procedures of the Company as they affect the Executive Officers.

Committee Membership

The Committee shall consist of no fewer than three members. The members of the Committee shall meet the independence requirements of the NASDAQ Stock Market.

At least two members of the Committee also shall qualify as “outside” directors within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 162(m) and as “non-employee” directors within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act.

The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Board. One member of the Committee shall be appointed as Committee Chairman by the Board. Committee members may be replaced by the Board.

Meetings

The Committee shall meet as often as necessary to carry out its responsibilities, meeting no less than four times each year. The Committee Chairman shall preside at each meeting. In the event the Committee Chairman is not present at a meeting, the Committee Chairman shall designate a member to act as chair of such meeting.

Committee Responsibilities and Authority

1. The Committee shall, at least annually, review and approve the annual base salaries and annual incentive opportunities of the Executive Officers. The CEO shall not be present during any Committee deliberations or voting with respect to his or her compensation.
2. The Committee shall, periodically and as and when appropriate, review and approve the following as they affect the Executive Officers: (a) all other incentive awards and opportunities, including both cash-based and equity-based awards and opportunities; (b) any employment agreements and severance arrangements; (c) any change-in-control agreements and change-in-control provisions affecting any elements of compensation and benefits; and (d) any special or supplemental compensation and benefits for the Executive Officers and individuals who formerly served as Executive Officers, including supplemental retirement benefits and the perquisites provided to them during and after employment.

3. The Committee shall review and discuss the Compensation Discussion and Analysis (the “CD&A”) required to be included in the Company’s proxy statement and annual report on Form 10-K by the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) with management and, based on such review and discussion, determine whether or not to recommend to the Board that the CD&A be so included.
4. The Committee shall produce the annual Compensation Committees Report for inclusion in the Company’s proxy statement in compliance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the SEC.
5. The Committee shall monitor the Company’s compliance with the requirements under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 relating to loans to directors and officers, and with all other applicable laws affecting employee compensation and benefits.
6. The Committee shall oversee the Company’s compliance with SEC rules and regulations regarding shareholder approval of certain executive compensation matters, including advisory votes on executive compensation and the frequency of such votes, and the requirement under the NASDAQ rules that, with limited exceptions, shareholders approve equity compensation plans.
7. The Committee shall receive periodic reports on the Company’s compensation programs as they affect all employees.
8. The Committee shall make regular reports to the Board.
9. The Committee shall have the authority, in its sole discretion, to retain and terminate (or obtain the advice of) any adviser to assist it in performance of its duties, but only after taking into consideration factors relevant to the adviser’s independence from management specified in NASDAQ Listing Rule 5605(d)(3). The Committee shall be directly responsible for the appointment, compensation and oversight of the work of any adviser retained by the Committee and shall have sole authority to approve the adviser’s fees and the other terms and conditions of the adviser’s retention. The Company must provide for appropriate funding, as determined by the Committee, for payment of reasonable compensation to any adviser retained by the Committee.
10. The Committee may form and delegate authority to subcommittees as it deems appropriate.
11. The Committee will annually review and reassess this Charter.

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

FORM 10-K

(Mark one)

- ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013
- or
- TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
For the transition period from _____ to _____.

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WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION

(Exact name of the registrant as specified in its charter)

CALIFORNIA
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation or Organization)

94-2156203
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

1108 FIFTH AVENUE, SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA 94901
(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (707) 863-6000

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

_____ Title of class: _____	_____ Name of each exchange on which registered: _____
Common Stock, no par value	The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. YES NO

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. YES NO

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

Indicate by check mark if 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 (section 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 if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to item 405 of Regulation S-K (section 229.405) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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

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

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

The aggregate market value of the Common Stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of June 30, 2013 as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market, was \$1,169,919,408.79. Shares of Common Stock held by each executive officer and director and by each person who owns 5% or more of the outstanding Common Stock have been excluded in that such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This determination of affiliate status is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes.

Number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock, as of the close of business on February 18, 2014
26,409,146 Shares

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the definitive Proxy Statement relating to registrant's Annual Meeting of Shareholders, to be held on April 24, 2014, are incorporated by reference in Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Part III to the extent described therein.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements about Westamerica Bancorporation for which it claims the protection of the safe harbor provisions contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to: (i) projections of revenues, expenses, income or loss, earnings or loss per share, the payment or nonpayment of dividends, capital structure and other financial items; (ii) statements of plans, objectives and expectations of the Company or its management or board of directors, including those relating to products or services; (iii) statements of future economic performance; and (iv) statements of assumptions underlying such statements. Words such as "believes", "anticipates", "expects", "intends", "targeted", "projected", "continue", "remain", "will", "should", "may" and other similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements.

These forward-looking statements are based on Management's current knowledge and belief and include information concerning the Company's possible or assumed future financial condition and results of operations. A number of factors, some of which are beyond the Company's ability to predict or control, could cause future results to differ materially from those contemplated. These factors include but are not limited to (1) the length and severity of difficulties in the global, national and California economies and the effects of government efforts to address those difficulties; (2) liquidity levels in capital markets; (3) fluctuations in asset prices including, but not limited to stocks, bonds, real estate, and commodities; (4) the effect of acquisitions and integration of acquired businesses; (5) economic uncertainty created by terrorist threats and attacks on the United States, the actions taken in response, and the uncertain effect of these events on the national and regional economies; (6) changes in the interest rate environment; (7) changes in the regulatory environment; (8) competitive pressure in the banking industry; (9) operational risks including a failure or breach in data processing systems or those of third party vendors and other service providers, including as a result of cyber attacks or fraud; (10) volatility of interest rate sensitive loans, deposits and investments; (11) asset/liability management risks and liquidity risks; (12) the effect of natural disasters, including earthquakes, fire, flood, drought, and other disasters, on the uninsured value of loan collateral, the financial condition of debtors and issuers of investment securities, the economic conditions affecting the Company's market place, and commodities and asset values, and (13) changes in the securities markets. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements in this report. See also "Risk Factors" in Item 1A and other risk factors discussed elsewhere in this Report.

PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

Westamerica Bancorporation (the "Company") is a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended ("BHCA"). Its legal headquarters are located at 1108 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, California 94901. Principal administrative offices are located at 4550 Mangels Boulevard, Fairfield, California 94534 and its telephone number is (707) 863-6000. The Company provides a full range of banking services to individual and corporate customers in Northern and Central California through its subsidiary bank, Westamerica Bank ("WAB" or the "Bank"). The principal communities served are located in Northern and Central California, from Mendocino, Lake and Nevada Counties in the north to Kern County in the south. The Company's strategic focus is on the banking needs of small businesses. In addition, the Bank owns 100% of the capital stock of Community Banker Services Corporation ("CBSC"), a company engaged in providing the Company and its subsidiaries with data processing services and other support functions.

The Company was incorporated under the laws of the State of California in 1972 as "Independent Bankshares Corporation" pursuant to a plan of reorganization among three previously unaffiliated Northern California banks. The Company operated as a multi-bank holding company until mid-1983, at which time the then six subsidiary banks were merged into a single bank named Westamerica Bank and the name of the holding company was changed to Westamerica Bancorporation.

The Company acquired five banks within its immediate market area during the early to mid 1990's. In April 1997, the Company acquired ValliCorp Holdings, Inc., parent company of ValliWide Bank, the largest independent bank holding company headquartered in Central California. Under the terms of all of the merger agreements, the Company issued shares of its common stock in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of the acquired institutions. The subsidiary banks acquired were merged with and into WAB. These six aforementioned business combinations were accounted for as poolings-of-interests.

During the period 2000 through 2005, the Company acquired three additional banks. These acquisitions were accounted for using the purchase accounting method.

On February 6, 2009, Westamerica Bank acquired the banking operations of County Bank (“County”) from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”). The Bank and the FDIC entered loss-sharing agreements regarding future losses incurred on acquired loans and foreclosed loan collateral. Under the terms of the loss-sharing agreements, the FDIC absorbs 80 percent of losses and is entitled to 80 percent of loss recoveries on the first \$269 million of losses, and absorbs 95 percent of losses and is entitled to 95 percent of loss recoveries on losses exceeding \$269 million. The term for loss-sharing on residential real estate loans is ten years, while the term for loss-sharing on non-residential real estate loans is five years in respect to losses and eight years in respect to loss recoveries. On August 20, 2010, Westamerica Bank acquired assets and assumed liabilities of the former Sonoma Valley Bank (“Sonoma”) from the FDIC. The County and Sonoma acquired assets and assumed liabilities were measured at estimated fair values, as required by FASB ASC 805, Business Combinations.

Management made significant estimates and exercised significant judgment in accounting for these 2009 and 2010 acquisitions. Management judgmentally measured loan fair values based on loan file reviews (including borrower financial statements and tax returns), appraised collateral values, expected cash flows, and historical loss factors. Repossessed loan collateral was primarily valued based upon appraised collateral values. The Bank also recorded identifiable intangible assets representing the value of the core deposit customer bases based on Management’s evaluation of the cost of such deposits relative to alternative funding sources. In determining the value of the identifiable intangible assets, Management used significant estimates including average lives of deposit accounts, future interest rate levels, the cost of servicing various depository products, and other significant estimates. Management used quoted market prices to determine the fair value of investment securities, FHLB advances and other borrowings which were purchased and assumed.

At December 31, 2013, the Company had consolidated assets of approximately \$4.8 billion, deposits of approximately \$4.2 billion and shareholders’ equity of approximately \$543 million. The Company and its subsidiaries employed 914 full-time equivalent staff as of December 31, 2013.

The Company’s annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and any amendments to those reports as well as beneficial ownership reports on Forms 3, 4 and 5 are available through the SEC’s website (<http://www.sec.gov>). Such documents are also available free of charge from the Company, as well as the Company’s director, officer and employee Code of Conduct and Ethics, by request to:

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Corporate Secretary A-2M
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Suisun City, California 94585-1200

Supervision and Regulation

The following is not intended to be an exhaustive description of the statutes and regulations applicable to the Company’s or the Bank’s business. The description of statutory and regulatory provisions is qualified in its entirety by reference to the particular statutory or regulatory provisions. Moreover, major new legislation and other regulatory changes affecting the Company, the Bank, and the financial services industry in general have occurred in the last several years and can be expected to occur in the future. The nature, timing and impact of new and amended laws and regulations cannot be accurately predicted.

Regulation and Supervision of Bank Holding Companies

The Company is a bank holding company subject to the BHCA. The Company reports to, is registered with, and may be examined by, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (“FRB”). The FRB also has the authority to examine the Company’s subsidiaries. The Company is a bank holding company within the meaning of Section 3700 of the California Financial Code. As such, the Company and the Bank are subject to examination by, and may be required to file reports with, the Commissioner of the California Department of Business Oversight (the “Commissioner”).

The FRB has significant supervisory and regulatory authority over the Company and its affiliates. The FRB requires the Company to maintain certain levels of capital. See “Capital Standards.” The FRB also has the authority to take enforcement action against any bank holding company that commits any unsafe or unsound practice, or violates certain laws, regulations or conditions imposed in writing by the FRB. Under the BHCA, the Company is required to obtain the prior approval of the FRB before it acquires, merges or consolidates with any bank or bank holding company. Any company seeking to acquire, merge or consolidate with the Company also would be required to obtain the prior approval of the FRB.

The Company is generally prohibited under the BHCA from acquiring ownership or control of more than 5% of any class of voting shares of any company that is not a bank or bank holding company and from engaging directly or indirectly in activities other than banking, managing banks, or providing services to affiliates of the holding company. However, a bank holding company, with the approval of the FRB, may engage, or acquire the voting shares of companies engaged, in activities that the FRB has determined to be closely related to banking or managing or controlling banks. A bank holding company must demonstrate that the benefits to the public of the proposed activity will outweigh the possible adverse effects associated with such activity.

The FRB generally prohibits a bank holding company from declaring or paying a cash dividend that would impose undue pressure on the capital of subsidiary banks or would be funded only through borrowing or other arrangements which might adversely affect a bank holding company's financial position. Under the FRB policy, a bank holding company should not continue its existing rate of cash dividends on its common stock unless its net income is sufficient to fully fund each dividend and its prospective rate of earnings retention appears consistent with its capital needs, asset quality and overall financial condition. See the section entitled "Restrictions on Dividends and Other Distributions" for additional restrictions on the ability of the Company and the Bank to pay dividends.

Transactions between the Company and the Bank are restricted under Regulation W. The regulation codifies prior interpretations of the FRB and its staff under Sections 23A and 23B of the Federal Reserve Act. In general, subject to certain specified exemptions, a bank or its subsidiaries are limited in their ability to engage in "covered transactions" with affiliates: (a) to an amount equal to 10% of the bank's capital and surplus, in the case of covered transactions with any one affiliate; and (b) to an amount equal to 20% of the bank's capital and surplus, in the case of covered transactions with all affiliates. The Company is considered to be an affiliate of the Bank. A "covered transaction" includes, among other things, a loan or extension of credit to an affiliate; a purchase of securities issued by an affiliate; a purchase of assets from an affiliate, with some exceptions; and the issuance of a guarantee, acceptance or letter of credit on behalf of an affiliate.

Federal regulations governing bank holding companies and change in bank control (Regulation Y) provide for a streamlined and expedited review process for bank acquisition proposals submitted by well-run bank holding companies. These provisions of Regulation Y are subject to numerous qualifications, limitations and restrictions. In order for a bank holding company to qualify as "well-run," both it and the insured depository institutions which it controls must meet the "well capitalized" and "well managed" criteria set forth in Regulation Y.

The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (the "GLBA"), or the Financial Services Act of 1999, repealed provisions of the Glass-Steagall Act, which had prohibited commercial banks and securities firms from affiliating with each other and engaging in each other's businesses. Thus, many of the barriers prohibiting affiliations between commercial banks and securities firms have been eliminated.

The BHCA was also amended by the GLBA to allow new "financial holding companies" ("FHCs") to offer banking, insurance, securities and other financial products to consumers. Specifically, the GLBA amended section 4 of the BHCA in order to provide for a framework for the engagement in new financial activities. A bank holding company ("BHC") may elect to become an FHC if all its subsidiary depository institutions are well capitalized and well managed. If these requirements are met, a BHC may file a certification to that effect with the FRB and declare that it elects to become an FHC. After the certification and declaration is filed, the FHC may engage either de novo or through an acquisition in any activity that has been determined by the FRB to be financial in nature or incidental to such financial activity. BHCs may engage in financial activities without prior notice to the FRB if those activities qualify under the list of permissible activities in section 4(k) of the BHCA. However, notice must be given to the FRB within 30 days after an FHC has commenced one or more of the financial activities. The Company has not elected to become an FHC.

Regulation and Supervision of Banks

The Bank is a California state-chartered Federal Reserve member bank and its deposits are insured by the FDIC. The Bank is subject to regulation, supervision and regular examination by the California Department of Business Oversight ("DBO"), and the Federal Reserve. The regulations of these agencies affect most aspects of the Bank's business and prescribe permissible types of loans and investments, the amount of required reserves, requirements for branch offices, the permissible scope of its activities and various other requirements.

In addition to federal banking law, the Bank is also subject to applicable provisions of California law. Under California law, the Bank is subject to various restrictions on, and requirements regarding, its operations and administration including the maintenance

of branch offices and automated teller machines, capital requirements, deposits and borrowings, shareholder rights and duties, and investment and lending activities.

California law permits a state-chartered bank to invest in the stock and securities of other corporations, subject to a state-chartered bank receiving either general authorization or, depending on the amount of the proposed investment, specific authorization from the Commissioner. In addition, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act ("FDICIA") imposes limitations on the activities and equity investments of state chartered, federally insured banks. FDICIA also prohibits a state bank from making an investment or engaging in any activity as a principal that is not permissible for a national bank, unless the Bank is adequately capitalized and the FDIC approves the investment or activity after determining that such investment or activity does not pose a significant risk to the deposit insurance fund.

On July 21, 2010, financial regulatory reform legislation entitled the "Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act" (the "Dodd-Frank Act") was signed into law. The Dodd-Frank Act implements far-reaching changes across the financial regulatory landscape, including provisions that, among other things:

- Centralized responsibility for consumer financial protection by creating a new agency, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, responsible for implementing, examining and enforcing compliance with federal consumer financial laws.
- Restricted the preemption of state law by federal law and disallowed subsidiaries and affiliates of national banks from availing themselves of such preemption.
- Applied the same leverage and risk-based capital requirements that would apply to insured depository institutions to most bank holding companies.
- Required bank regulatory agencies to seek to make their capital requirements for banks countercyclical so that capital requirements increase in times of economic expansion and decrease in times of economic contraction.
- Changed the assessment base for federal deposit insurance from the amount of insured deposits to consolidated assets less tangible capital, eliminated the ceiling on the size of the Deposit Insurance Fund ("DIF") and increased the floor of the size of the DIF.
- Imposed comprehensive regulation of the over-the-counter derivatives market, which would include certain provisions that would effectively prohibit insured depository institutions from conducting certain derivatives businesses in the institution itself.
- Required large, publicly traded bank holding companies to create a risk committee responsible for the oversight of enterprise risk management.
- Implemented corporate governance revisions, including with regard to executive compensation and proxy access by shareholders, that would apply to all public companies, not just financial institutions.
- Made permanent the \$250 thousand limit for federal deposit insurance.
- Repealed the federal prohibitions on the payment of interest on demand deposits, thereby permitting depository institutions to pay interest on business transaction and other accounts.
- Amended the Electronic Fund Transfer Act ("EFTA") to, among other things, give the FRB the authority to establish rules regarding interchange fees charged for electronic debit transactions by payment card issuers having assets over \$10 billion and to enforce a new statutory requirement that such fees be reasonable and proportional to the actual cost of a transaction to the issuer. While the Company's assets are currently less than \$10 billion, interchange fees charged by larger institutions may dictate the level of fees smaller institutions will be able to charge to remain competitive.

Many aspects of the Dodd-Frank Act are subject to rulemaking and implementation of new regulations and will take effect over several years, making it difficult to anticipate the overall financial impact on the Company, its customers or the financial industry more generally. Provisions in the legislation that affect the payment of interest on demand deposits and interchange fees may increase the costs associated with deposits as well as place limitations on certain revenues those deposits may generate.

Capital Standards

The federal banking agencies have risk-based capital adequacy guidelines intended to provide a measure of capital adequacy that reflects the degree of risk associated with a banking organization's operations for both transactions resulting in assets being recognized on the balance sheet as assets, and the extension of credit facilities such as letters of credit and recourse arrangements, which are recorded as off balance sheet items. Under these guidelines, nominal dollar amounts of assets and credit equivalent amounts of off balance sheet items are multiplied by one of several risk adjustment percentages, which range from 0% for assets with low credit risk, such as certain U.S. government securities, to 100% for assets with relatively higher credit risk, such as certain loans. A banking organization's risk-based capital ratios are obtained by dividing its qualifying capital by its total risk-adjusted assets and off balance sheet items.

The federal banking agencies take into consideration concentrations of credit risk and risks from nontraditional activities, as well as an institution's ability to manage those risks, when determining the adequacy of an institution's capital. This evaluation is made as a part of the institution's regular safety and soundness examination. The federal banking agencies also consider interest rate risk (related to the interest rate sensitivity of an institution's assets and liabilities, and its off balance sheet financial instruments) in the evaluation of a bank's capital adequacy.

As of December 31, 2013, the Company's and the Bank's respective ratios exceeded applicable regulatory requirements. See Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements for capital ratios of the Company and the Bank, compared to the standards for well capitalized depository institutions and for minimum capital requirements.

On July 2, 2013, the Federal Reserve Board approved a final rule that implements changes to the regulatory capital framework for all banking organizations. See the section entitled "Capital to Risk-Adjusted Assets" in Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations for the Company's interpretation of the final rule in regard to its capital ratios.

Prompt Corrective Action and Other Enforcement Mechanisms

FDICIA requires each federal banking agency to take prompt corrective action to resolve the problems of insured depository institutions, including but not limited to those that fall below one or more prescribed minimum capital ratios.

An institution that, based upon its capital levels, is classified as "well capitalized," "adequately capitalized" or "undercapitalized" may be treated as though it were in the next lower capital category if the appropriate federal banking agency, after notice and opportunity for hearing, determines that an unsafe or unsound condition or an unsafe or unsound practice warrants such treatment. At each successive lower capital category, an insured depository institution is subject to more restrictions. In addition to measures taken under the prompt corrective action provisions, commercial banking organizations may be subject to potential enforcement actions by the federal banking agencies for unsafe or unsound practices in conducting their businesses or for violations of any law, rule, regulation or any condition imposed in writing by the agency or any written agreement with the agency.

Safety and Soundness Standards

The Company's ability to pay dividends to its shareholders is subject to the restrictions set forth in the California General Corporation Law ("CGCL"). The CGCL provides that a corporation may make a distribution to its shareholders if (i) the corporation's retained earnings equal or exceed the amount of the proposed distribution plus unpaid accrued dividends, (if any) on securities with a dividend preference, or (ii) immediately after the dividend, the corporation's total assets equal or exceed total liabilities plus unpaid accrued dividends (if any) on securities with a dividend preference.

FDICIA also implemented certain specific restrictions on transactions and required federal banking regulators to adopt overall safety and soundness standards for depository institutions related to internal control, loan underwriting and documentation, and asset growth. Among other things, FDICIA limits the interest rates paid on deposits by undercapitalized institutions, restricts the use of brokered deposits, limits the aggregate extensions of credit by a depository institution to an executive officer, director, principal shareholder or related interest, and reduces deposit insurance coverage for deposits offered by undercapitalized institutions for deposits by certain employee benefits accounts. The federal banking agencies may require an institution to submit an acceptable compliance plan as well as have the flexibility to pursue other more appropriate or effective courses of action given the specific circumstances and severity of an institution's noncompliance with one or more standards.

Federal banking agencies require banks to maintain adequate valuation allowances for potential credit losses. The Company has an internal staff that continually reviews loan quality and reports to the Board of Directors. This analysis includes a detailed review of the classification and categorization of problem loans, assessment of the overall quality and collectability of the loan portfolio, consideration of loan loss experience, trends in problem loans, concentration of credit risk, and current economic conditions, particularly in the Bank's market areas. Based on this analysis, Management, with the review and approval of the Board, determines the adequate level of allowance required. The allowance is allocated to different segments of the loan portfolio, but the entire allowance is available for the loan portfolio in its entirety.

Restrictions on Dividends and Other Distributions

The power of the board of directors of an insured depository institution to declare a cash dividend or other distribution with respect to capital is subject to statutory and regulatory restrictions which limit the amount available for such distribution depending upon the earnings, financial condition and cash needs of the institution, as well as general business conditions. FDICIA

prohibits insured depository institutions from paying management fees to any controlling persons or, with certain limited exceptions, making capital distributions, including dividends, if, after such transaction, the institution would be undercapitalized.

In addition to the restrictions imposed under federal law, banks chartered under California law generally may only pay cash dividends to the extent such payments do not exceed the lesser of retained earnings of the bank or the bank's net income for its last three fiscal years (less any distributions to shareholders during this period). In the event a bank desires to pay cash dividends in excess of such amount, the bank may pay a cash dividend with the prior approval of the Commissioner in an amount not exceeding the greatest of the bank's retained earnings, the bank's net income for its last fiscal year or the bank's net income for its current fiscal year.

The federal banking agencies also have the authority to prohibit a depository institution from engaging in business practices which are considered to be unsafe or unsound, possibly including payment of dividends or other payments under certain circumstances even if such payments are not expressly prohibited by statute.

Premiums for Deposit Insurance

Substantially all of the deposits of the Bank are insured up to applicable limits by the Deposit Insurance Fund ("DIF") of the FDIC and are subject to deposit insurance assessments to maintain the DIF. The FDIC utilizes a risk-based assessment system that imposes insurance premiums based upon a risk matrix that takes into account a bank's capital level, asset quality and supervisory rating ("CAMELS rating").

In November 2009, the FDIC issued a rule that required all insured depository institutions, with limited exceptions, to prepay their estimated quarterly risk-based assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009 and for all of 2010, 2011 and 2012.

In October 2010, the FDIC adopted a new DIF restoration plan to ensure that the DIF reserve ratio reaches 1.35% by September 30, 2020, as required by the Dodd-Frank Act. At least semi-annually, the FDIC will update its loss and income projections for the fund and, if needed, will increase or decrease assessment rates, following notice-and-comment rulemaking if required.

In November 2010, the FDIC issued a final rule to implement provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act that provide for temporary unlimited coverage for noninterest-bearing transaction accounts. The separate coverage for non-interest-bearing transaction accounts became effective on December 31, 2010 and terminated on December 31, 2012.

In February 2011, the FDIC issued a final rule changing the deposit insurance assessment base from total domestic deposits to average total assets minus average tangible equity, as required by the Dodd-Frank Act, effective April 1, 2011. The FDIC also issued a final rule revising the deposit insurance assessment system for "large" institutions having more than \$10 billion in assets and another for "highly complex" institutions that have over \$50 billion in assets and are fully owned by a parent with over \$500 billion in assets. The Bank is neither a "large" nor "highly complex" institution. Under the new assessment rules, the initial base assessment rates range from 5 to 35 basis points, and after potential adjustments for unsecured debt and brokered deposits, assessment rates range from 2.5 to 45 basis points.

The Company cannot provide any assurance as to the effect of any future changes in its deposit insurance premium rates.

Community Reinvestment Act and Fair Lending Developments

The Bank is subject to certain fair lending requirements and reporting obligations involving home mortgage lending operations and Community Reinvestment Act ("CRA") activities. The CRA generally requires the federal banking agencies to evaluate the record of financial institutions in meeting the credit needs of their local communities, including low and moderate income neighborhoods. In addition to substantive penalties and corrective measures that may be required for a violation of certain fair lending laws, the federal banking agencies may take compliance with such laws and CRA into account when regulating and supervising other activities including merger applications.

Financial Privacy Legislation and Customer Information Security

The GLBA, in addition to the previously described changes in permissible nonbanking activities permitted to banks, BHCs and FHCs, also required the federal banking agencies, among other federal regulatory agencies, to adopt regulations governing the privacy of consumer financial information. The Bank is subject to the FRB's regulations in this area. The federal bank regulatory agencies have established standards for safeguarding nonpublic personal information about customers that implement provisions of the GLBA (the "Guidelines"). Among other things, the Guidelines require each financial institution, under the supervision and ongoing oversight of its Board of Directors or an appropriate committee thereof, to develop, implement and maintain a

comprehensive written information security program designed to ensure the security and confidentiality of customer information, to protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of such information, and to protect against unauthorized access to or use of such information that could result in substantial harm or inconvenience to any customer.

U.S.A. PATRIOT Act

Title III of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (“USA Patriot Act”) is the International Money Laundering Abatement and Anti-Terrorist Financing Act of 2001. It includes numerous provisions for fighting international money laundering and blocking terrorist access to the U.S. financial system. The goal of Title III is to prevent the U.S. financial system and the U.S. clearing mechanisms from being used by parties suspected of terrorism, terrorist financing and money laundering. The provisions of Title III of the USA Patriot Act which affect the Bank are generally set forth as amendments to the Bank Secrecy Act. These provisions relate principally to U.S. banking organizations’ relationships with foreign banks and with persons who are resident outside the United States. The USA Patriot Act does not impose any filing or reporting obligations for banking organizations, but does require certain additional due diligence and recordkeeping practices.

Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

The stated goals of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (“Sarbanes-Oxley”) are to increase corporate responsibility, to provide for enhanced penalties for accounting and auditing improprieties at publicly traded companies and to protect investors by improving the accuracy and reliability of corporate disclosures pursuant to the securities laws. Sarbanes-Oxley generally applies to all companies, both U.S. and non-U.S., that file or are required to file periodic reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”).

Sarbanes-Oxley includes very specific additional disclosure requirements and corporate governance rules, required the SEC and securities exchanges to adopt extensive additional disclosure, corporate governance and other related rules and mandates further studies of certain issues. Sarbanes-Oxley represents significant federal involvement in matters traditionally left to state regulatory systems, such as the regulation of the accounting profession, and to state corporate law, such as the relationship between a board of directors and management and between a board of directors and its committees and public company shareholders. Sarbanes-Oxley addresses, among other matters: (i) independent audit committees for reporting companies whose securities are listed on national exchanges or automated quotation systems (the “Exchanges”) and expanded duties and responsibilities for audit committees; (ii) certification of financial statements by the chief executive officer and the chief financial officer; (iii) the forfeiture of bonuses or other incentive-based compensation and profits from the sale of an issuer’s securities by directors and senior officers in the twelve month period following initial publication of any financial statements that later require restatement; (iv) a prohibition on insider trading during pension plan blackout periods; (v) disclosure of off-balance sheet transactions; (vi) a prohibition on personal loans to directors and officers under most circumstances with exceptions for certain normal course transactions by regulated financial institutions; (vii) expedited electronic filing requirements related to trading by insiders in an issuer’s securities on Form 4; (viii) disclosure of a code of ethics and filing a Form 8-K for a change or waiver of such code; (ix) accelerated filing of periodic reports; (x) the formation of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (“PCAOB”) to regulate public accounting firms and the audit of public companies that are subject to the securities laws; (xi) auditor independence; (xii) internal control evaluation and reporting; and (xiii) various increased criminal penalties for violations of securities laws.

Programs To Mitigate Identity Theft

In November 2007, federal banking agencies together with the National Credit Union Administration and Federal Trade Commission adopted regulations under the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003 to require financial institutions and other creditors to develop and implement a written identity theft prevention program to detect, prevent and mitigate identity theft in connection with certain new and existing accounts. Covered accounts generally include consumer accounts and other accounts that present a reasonably foreseeable risk of identity theft. Each institution’s program must include policies and procedures designed to: (i) identify indicators, or “red flags,” of possible risk of identity theft; (ii) detect the occurrence of red flags; (iii) respond appropriately to red flags that are detected; and (iv) ensure that the program is updated periodically as appropriate to address changing circumstances. The regulations include guidelines that each institution must consider and, to the extent appropriate, include in its program.

Pending Legislation

Changes to state laws and regulations (including changes in interpretation or enforcement) can affect the operating environment of BHCs and their subsidiaries in substantial and unpredictable ways. From time to time, various legislative and regulatory proposals are introduced. These proposals, if codified, may change banking statutes and regulations and the Company's operating environment in substantial and unpredictable ways. If codified, these proposals could increase or decrease the cost of doing business, limit or expand permissible activities or affect the competitive balance among banks, savings associations, credit unions and other financial institutions. The Company cannot accurately predict whether those changes in laws and regulations will occur, and, if those changes occur, the ultimate effect they would have upon our financial condition or results of operations. It is likely, however, that the current level of enforcement and compliance-related activities of federal and state authorities will continue and potentially increase.

Competition

In the past, the Bank's principal competitors for deposits and loans have been major banks and smaller community banks, savings and loan associations and credit unions. To a lesser extent, competition was also provided by thrift and loans, mortgage brokerage companies and insurance companies. Other institutions, such as brokerage houses, mutual fund companies, credit card companies, and certain retail establishments have offered investment vehicles which also compete with banks for deposit business. Federal legislation in recent years has encouraged competition between different types of financial institutions and fostered new entrants into the financial services market.

Legislative changes, as well as technological and economic factors, can be expected to have an ongoing impact on competitive conditions within the financial services industry. While the future impact of regulatory and legislative changes cannot be predicted with certainty, the business of banking will remain highly competitive.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Readers and prospective investors in the Company's securities should carefully consider the following risk factors as well as the other information contained or incorporated by reference in this report.

The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones facing the Company. Additional risks and uncertainties that Management is not aware of or focused on or that Management currently deems immaterial may also impair the Company's business operations. This report is qualified in its entirety by these risk factors.

If any of the following risks actually occur, the Company's financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected. If this were to happen, the value of the company's securities could decline significantly, and investors could lose all or part of their investment in the Company's common stock.

Market and Interest Rate Risk

Changes in interest rates could reduce income and cash flow.

The discussion in this report under "Item 7 Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Asset, Liability and Market Risk Management" and "– Liquidity and Funding" and "Item 7A Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk" is incorporated by reference in this paragraph. The Company's income and cash flow depend to a great extent on the difference between the interest earned on loans and investment securities compared to the interest paid on deposits and other borrowings, and the Company's success in competing for loans and deposits. The Company cannot control or prevent changes in the level of interest rates which fluctuate in response to general economic conditions, the policies of various governmental and regulatory agencies, in particular, the Federal Open Market Committee of the FRB, and pricing practices of the Company's competitors. Changes in monetary policy, including changes in interest rates, will influence the origination of loans, the purchase of investments, the generation of deposits and other borrowings, and the rates received on loans and investment securities and paid on deposits and other liabilities.

Changes in capital market conditions could reduce asset valuations.

Capital market conditions, including liquidity, investor confidence, bond issuer credit worthiness, perceived counter-party risk, the supply of and demand for financial instruments, the financial strength of market participants, and other factors, can materially

impact the value of the Company's assets. An impairment in the value of the Company's assets could result in asset write-downs, reducing the Company's asset values, earnings, and equity.

Current market developments may adversely affect the Company's industry, business and results of operations.

Declines in the housing market during recent years, with significantly reduced home prices and higher levels of foreclosures and unemployment, resulted in significant write-downs of asset values by financial institutions, including government-sponsored entities and major commercial and investment banks. These write-downs caused many financial institutions to seek additional capital, to merge with larger and stronger institutions and, in some cases, to fail. During the recent financial crisis and recession, liquidity within the financial system was challenged due to institutions evaluating counter-party risk, increasing margin requirements, and other liquidity reducing activities and actions. While liquidity returned to the United States financial system, a recurrence of economic weakness or asset valuation declines could reduce domestic liquidity levels. Further, global economic and financial difficulties, including within Europe, could reduce liquidity in the United States. The Company has no direct operating exposure to European sovereign debt; however, the Company clears daily transactions through large domestic banks which have global operations and exposure. Any resulting lack of available credit, volatility in the financial markets and reduced business activity could materially and adversely affect the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations.

The weakness of other financial institutions could adversely affect the Company.

Financial services institutions are interrelated as a result of trading, clearing, counterparty, or other relationships. The Company routinely executes transactions with counterparties in the financial services industry, including brokers and dealers, commercial banks, investment banks, and other institutional clients. Many of these transactions expose the Company to credit risk in the event of default of the Company's counterparty or client. In addition, the Company's credit risk may be increased when the collateral the Company holds cannot be realized or is liquidated at prices not sufficient to recover the full amount of the secured obligation. There is no assurance that any such losses would not materially and adversely affect the Company's results of operations or earnings.

Shares of Company common stock eligible for future sale or grant of stock options could have a dilutive effect on the market for Company common stock and could adversely affect the market price.

The Articles of Incorporation of the Company authorize the issuance of 150 million shares of common stock (and two additional classes of 1 million shares each, denominated "Class B Common Stock" and "Preferred Stock", respectively) of which approximately 26.5 million shares of common stock were outstanding at December 31, 2013. Pursuant to its stock option plans, at December 31, 2013, the Company had outstanding options for 2.1 million shares of common stock, of which 1.5 million were currently exercisable. As of December 31, 2013, 1.3 million shares of Company common stock remained available for grants under the Company's stock option plans. Sales of substantial amounts of Company common stock in the public market could adversely affect the market price of its common stock.

The Company's payment of dividends on common stock could be eliminated or reduced.

Holders of the Company's common stock are entitled to receive dividends only when, as and if declared by the Company's Board of Directors. Although the Company has historically paid cash dividends on the Company's common stock, the Company is not required to do so and the Company's Board of Directors could reduce or eliminate the Company's common stock dividend in the future.

The Company could repurchase shares of its common stock at price levels considered excessive.

The Company repurchases and retires its common stock in accordance with Board of Directors-approved share repurchase programs. At December 31, 2013, approximately 1.5 million shares remained available to repurchase under such plans. The Company has been active in repurchasing and retiring shares of its common stock when alternative uses of excess capital, such as acquisitions, have been limited. The Company could repurchase shares of its common stock at price levels considered excessive, thereby spending more cash on such repurchases as deemed reasonable and effectively retiring fewer shares than would be retired if repurchases were affected at lower prices.

Risks Related to the Nature and Geographical Location of the Company's Business

The Company invests in loans that contain inherent credit risks that may cause the Company to incur losses.

The Company can provide no assurance that the credit quality of the loan portfolio will not deteriorate in the future and that such deterioration will not adversely affect the Company. As described in this report under "Item 7 Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, Loan Portfolio Credit Risk," \$251 million of the Company's purchased loans as of December 31, 2013 are indemnified by the FDIC; such indemnification expired February 6, 2014 for approximately 92 percent of the indemnified loans and expires February 6, 2019 for approximately 8 percent of the indemnified loans. The risk inherent in such loans will increase with the expiration of FDIC indemnification.

The Company's operations are concentrated geographically in California, and poor economic conditions may cause the Company to incur losses.

Substantially all of the Company's business is located in California. A portion of the loan portfolio of the Company is dependent on real estate. At December 31, 2013, real estate served as the principal source of collateral with respect to approximately 58% of the Company's loan portfolio. The Company's financial condition and operating results will be subject to changes in economic conditions in California. The California economy is recovering from a severe recession. Much of the California real estate market experienced a decline in values of varying degrees. This decline had an adverse impact on the business of some of the Company's borrowers and on the value of the collateral for many of the Company's loans. Generally, the counties surrounding and near San Francisco Bay have been recovering from the recent recession more soundly than counties in the California "Central Valley," from Sacramento in the north to Bakersfield in the south. Approximately 27% of the Company's loans are to borrowers in the California "Central Valley." Economic conditions in California are subject to various uncertainties at this time, including the pace of recovery in construction and real estate sectors, the effect of drought on the agricultural sector and its infrastructure, and the California state government's budgetary difficulties and fiscal condition. The Company can provide no assurance that conditions in the California economy will not deteriorate in the future and that such deterioration will not adversely affect the Company.

The markets in which the Company operates are subject to the risk of earthquakes and other natural disasters.

All of the properties of the Company are located in California. Also, most of the real and personal properties which currently secure a majority of the Company's loans are located in California. California is prone to earthquakes, brush and forest fires, flooding, drought and other natural disasters. In addition to possibly sustaining uninsured damage to its own properties, if there is a major earthquake, flood, drought, fire or other natural disaster, the Company faces the risk that many of its borrowers may experience uninsured property losses, or sustained job interruption and/or loss which may materially impair their ability to meet the terms of their loan obligations. A major earthquake, flood, prolonged drought, fire or other natural disaster in California could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Adverse changes in general business or economic conditions could have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

A sustained or continuing weakness or weakening in business and economic conditions generally or specifically in the principal markets in which the Company does business could have one or more of the following adverse impacts on the Company's business:

- a decrease in the demand for loans and other products and services offered by the Company;
- an increase or decrease in the usage of unfunded credit commitments;
- a decrease in the amount of deposits;
- a decrease in non-depository funding available to the Company;
- an impairment of certain intangible assets, such as goodwill;
- an increase in the number of clients and counterparties who become delinquent, file for protection under bankruptcy laws or default on their loans or other obligations to the Company, which could result in a higher level of nonperforming assets, net charge-offs, provision for loan losses, and valuation adjustments on assets;
- an impairment in the value of investment securities;
- an impairment in the value of life insurance policies owned by the Company;
- an impairment in the value of real estate owned by the Company.

The recent financial crisis led to the failure or merger of a number of financial institutions. Financial institution failures can result in further losses as a consequence of defaults on securities issued by them and defaults under contracts entered into with such entities as counterparties. Weak economic conditions can significantly weaken the strength and liquidity of financial institutions.

The Company's financial performance generally, and in particular the ability of borrowers to pay interest on and repay principal of outstanding loans and the value of collateral securing those loans, is highly dependent upon on the business environment in the markets where the Company operates, in the State of California and in the United States as a whole. A favorable business environment is generally characterized by, among other factors, economic growth, healthy labor markets, efficient capital markets, low inflation, high business and investor confidence, and strong business earnings. Unfavorable or uncertain economic and market conditions can be caused by: declines in economic growth, high rates of unemployment, deflation, declines in business activity or consumer, investor or business confidence; limitations on the availability of or increases in the cost of credit and capital; increases in inflation or interest rates; natural disasters; or a combination of these or other factors.

Such business conditions could adversely affect the credit quality of the Company's loans, the demand for loans, loan volumes and related revenue, securities valuations, amounts of deposits, availability of funding, results of operations and financial condition.

The value of securities in the Company's investment securities portfolio may be negatively affected by disruptions in securities markets

The market for some of the investment securities held in the Company's portfolio can be extremely volatile. Volatile market conditions may detrimentally affect the value of these securities, such as through reduced valuations due to the perception of heightened credit and liquidity risks. There can be no assurance that the declines in market value will not result in other than temporary impairments of these assets, which would lead to loss recognition that could have a material adverse effect on the Company's net income and capital levels.

Regulatory Risks

Restrictions on dividends and other distributions could limit amounts payable to the Company.

As a holding company, a substantial portion of the Company's cash flow typically comes from dividends paid by the Bank. Various statutory provisions restrict the amount of dividends the Company's subsidiaries can pay to the Company without regulatory approval. A reduction in subsidiary dividends paid to the Company could limit the capacity of the Company to pay dividends. In addition, if any of the Company's subsidiaries were to liquidate, that subsidiary's creditors will be entitled to receive distributions from the assets of that subsidiary to satisfy their claims against it before the Company, as a holder of an equity interest in the subsidiary, will be entitled to receive any of the assets of the subsidiary.

Adverse effects of changes in banking or other laws and regulations or governmental fiscal or monetary policies could adversely affect the Company.

The Company is subject to significant federal and state regulation and supervision, which is primarily for the benefit and protection of the Company's customers and not for the benefit of investors. In the past, the Company's business has been materially affected by these regulations. As an example, the FRB amended Regulation E, which implements the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, in a manner that limits the ability of a financial institution to assess an overdraft fee for paying automated teller machine (ATM) and one-time debit card transactions that overdraw a consumer's account, unless the consumer affirmatively consents, or opts in, to the institution's payment of overdrafts for these transactions. Implementation of the new provisions significantly reduced overdraft fees assessed by the Bank.

Laws, regulations or policies, including accounting standards and interpretations currently affecting the Company and the Company's subsidiaries, may change at any time. Regulatory authorities may also change their interpretation of these statutes and regulations. Therefore, the Company's business may be adversely affected by any future changes in laws, regulations, policies or interpretations or regulatory approaches to compliance and enforcement including future acts of terrorism, major U.S. corporate bankruptcies and reports of accounting irregularities at U.S. public companies.

Additionally, the Company's business is affected significantly by the fiscal and monetary policies of the federal government and its agencies. The Company is particularly affected by the policies of the FRB, which regulates the supply of money and credit in the United States of America. Among the instruments of monetary policy available to the FRB are (a) conducting open market operations in U.S. government securities, (b) changing the discount rates of borrowings by depository institutions, (c) changing interest rates paid on balances financial institutions deposit with the FRB, and (d) imposing or changing reserve requirements against certain borrowings by banks and their affiliates. These methods are used in varying degrees and combinations to directly affect the availability of bank loans and deposits, as well as the interest rates charged on loans and paid on deposits. The policies of the FRB may have a material effect on the Company's business, results of operations and financial condition. Under long-

standing policy of the FRB, a BHC is expected to act as a source of financial strength for its subsidiary banks. As a result of that policy, the Company may be required to commit financial and other resources to its subsidiary bank in circumstances where the Company might not otherwise do so.

Recently, the FRB has been providing vast amounts of liquidity into the banking system due to current economic and capital market conditions. The FRB has been purchasing large quantities of U.S. government securities, including agency-backed mortgage securities, increasing the demand for such securities thereby reducing interest rates. The FRB began reducing these activities in the fourth quarter 2013 which could reduce liquidity in the markets and cause interest rates to rise, thereby increasing funding costs to the Bank, reducing the availability of funds to the Bank to finance its existing operations, and causing fixed-rate investment securities and loans to decline in value.

Federal and state governments could pass legislation detrimental to the Company's performance.

As an example, the Company could experience higher credit losses because of federal or state legislation or regulatory action that reduces the amount the Bank's borrowers are otherwise contractually required to pay under existing loan contracts. Also, the Company could experience higher credit losses because of federal or state legislation or regulatory action that limits or delays the Bank's ability to foreclose on property or other collateral or makes foreclosure less economically feasible.

The FDIC insures deposits at insured financial institutions up to certain limits. The FDIC charges insured financial institutions premiums to maintain the Deposit Insurance Fund. The FDIC may increase premium assessments to maintain adequate funding of the Deposit Insurance Fund.

The behavior of depositors in regard to the level of FDIC insurance could cause our existing customers to reduce the amount of deposits held at the Bank, and could cause new customers to open deposit accounts at the Bank. The level and composition of the Bank's deposit portfolio directly impacts the Bank's funding cost and net interest margin.

Systems, Accounting and Internal Control Risks

The accuracy of the Company's judgments and estimates about financial and accounting matters will impact operating results and financial condition.

The discussion under "Item 7 Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Critical Accounting Policies" in this report and the information referred to in that discussion is incorporated by reference in this paragraph. The Company makes certain estimates and judgments in preparing its financial statements. The quality and accuracy of those estimates and judgments will have an impact on the Company's operating results and financial condition.

The Company's information systems may experience an interruption or breach in security.

The Company relies heavily on communications and information systems, including those of third party vendors and other service providers, to conduct its business. Any failure, interruption or breach in security of these systems could result in failures or disruptions in the Company's data processing, accounting, customer relationship management and other systems. Communication and information systems failures can result from a variety of risks including, but not limited to, events that are wholly or partially out of the Company's control, such as telecommunication line integrity, weather, terrorist acts, natural disasters, accidental disasters, unauthorized breaches of security systems, cyber attacks, and other events. Although the Company devotes significant resources to maintain and regularly upgrade its systems and processes that are designed to protect the security of the Company's computer systems, software, networks and other technology assets and the confidentiality, integrity and availability of information belonging to the Company and its customers, there is no assurance that any such failures, interruptions or security breaches will not occur or, if they do occur, that they will be adequately corrected by the Company or its vendors. The occurrence of any such failures, interruptions or security breaches could damage the Company's reputation, result in a loss of customer business, subject the Company to additional regulatory scrutiny, or expose the Company to litigation and possible financial liability, any of which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

The Company's controls and procedures may fail or be circumvented.

Management regularly reviews and updates the Company's internal control over financial reporting, disclosure controls and procedures, and corporate governance policies and procedures. The Company maintains controls and procedures to mitigate against risks such as processing system failures and errors, and customer or employee fraud, and maintains insurance coverage for certain of these risks. Any system of controls and procedures, however well designed and operated, is based in part on certain assumptions and can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurances that the objectives of the system are met. Events could

occur which are not prevented or detected by the Company's internal controls or are not insured against or are in excess of the Company's insurance limits or insurance underwriters' financial capacity. Any failure or circumvention of the Company's controls and procedures or failure to comply with regulations related to controls and procedures could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, results of operations and financial condition.

The Company may have underestimated losses on purchased loans.

On February 6, 2009, the Bank acquired approximately \$1.2 billion in loans and repossessed loan collateral of the former County Bank from the FDIC as its receiver. At December 31, 2013, \$250.7 million in loans and \$7.8 million in repossessed loan collateral remained outstanding. On August 20, 2010, the Bank acquired approximately \$217 million in loans and repossessed loan collateral of the former Sonoma Valley Bank from the FDIC as its receiver. At December 31, 2013, \$53.8 million in loans and \$-0- million in repossessed loan collateral remained outstanding. These purchased assets had suffered substantial deterioration at the respective acquisition dates, and the Company can provide no assurance that they will not continue to deteriorate now that they are the Bank's assets. If Management's estimates of purchased asset fair values as of the acquisition dates are higher than ultimate cash flows, the recorded carrying amount of the assets may need to be reduced with a corresponding charge to earnings, net of FDIC loss indemnification on former County Bank assets.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

Branch Offices and Facilities

Westamerica Bank is engaged in the banking business through 92 branch offices in 21 counties in Northern and Central California. WAB believes all of its offices are constructed and equipped to meet prescribed security requirements.

The Company owns 33 banking office locations and one centralized administrative service center facility and leases 67 facilities. Most of the leases contain renewal options and provisions for rental increases, principally for changes in the cost of living index, and for changes in other operating costs such as property taxes and maintenance.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is a party to any material pending legal proceeding, nor is their property the subject of any material pending legal proceeding, other than ordinary routine legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of the Company's business. None of these proceedings is expected to have a material adverse impact upon the Company's business, financial position or results of operations.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable

PART II

ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDERS MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

The Company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market ("NASDAQ") under the symbol "WABC". The following table shows the high and the low sales prices for the common stock, for each quarter, as reported by NASDAQ:

	High	Low
2013:		
First quarter	\$45.80	\$42.59
Second quarter	46.56	41.76
Third quarter	50.78	45.73
Fourth quarter	57.59	48.29
2012:		
First quarter	\$49.53	\$43.90
Second quarter	48.62	43.01
Third quarter	49.39	44.08
Fourth quarter	47.72	40.50

As of January 31, 2014, there were approximately 6,500 shareholders of record of the Company's common stock.

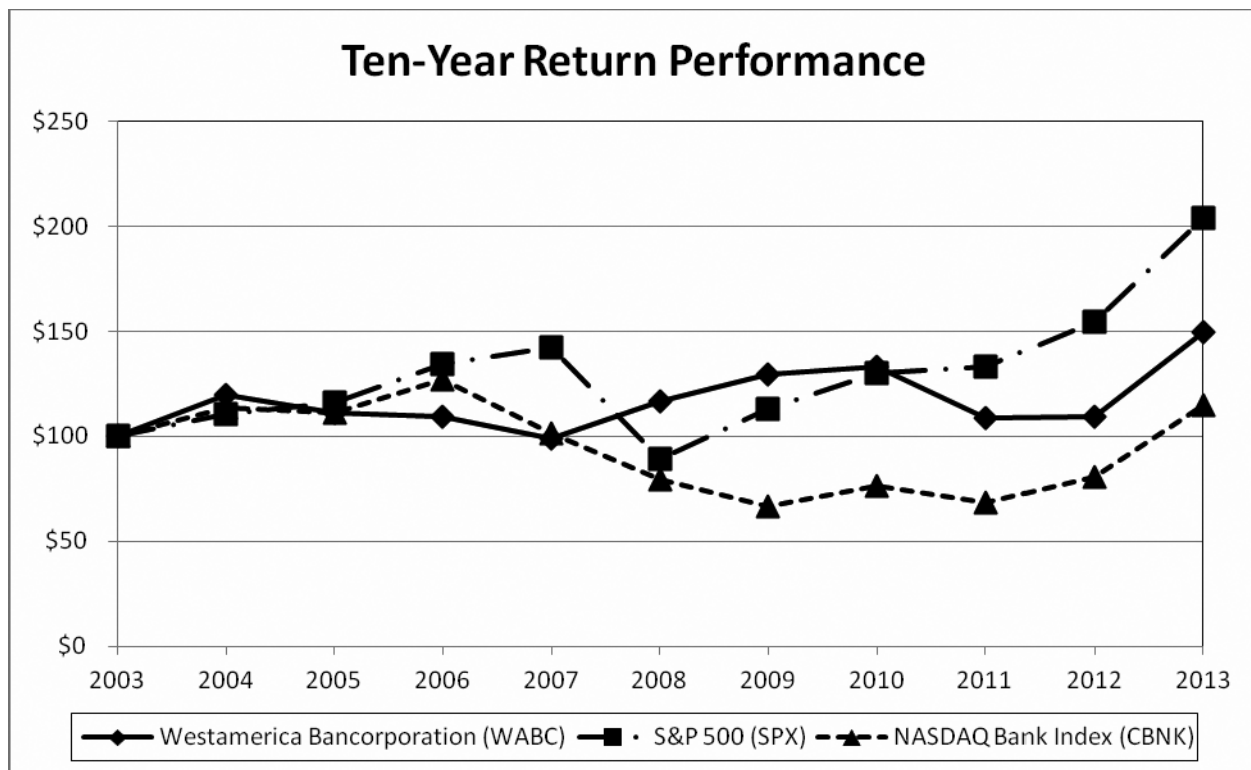
The Company has paid cash dividends on its common stock in every quarter since its formation in 1972. See Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 20 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for recent quarterly dividend information. It is currently the intention of the Board of Directors of the Company to continue payment of cash dividends on a quarterly basis. There is no assurance, however, that any dividends will be paid since they are dependent upon earnings, cash balances, financial condition and capital requirements of the Company and its subsidiaries as well as policies of the FRB pursuant to the BHCA. See Item 1, "Business - Supervision and Regulation."

The notes to the consolidated financial statements included in this report contain additional information regarding the Company's capital levels, capital structure, regulations affecting subsidiary bank dividends paid to the Company, the Company's earnings, financial condition and cash flows, and cash dividends declared and paid on common stock.

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Stock performance

The following chart compares the cumulative return on the Company’s stock during the ten years ended December 31, 2013 with the cumulative return on the S&P 500 composite stock index and NASDAQ’S Bank Index. The comparison assumes \$100 invested in each on December 31, 2003 and reinvestment of all dividends.

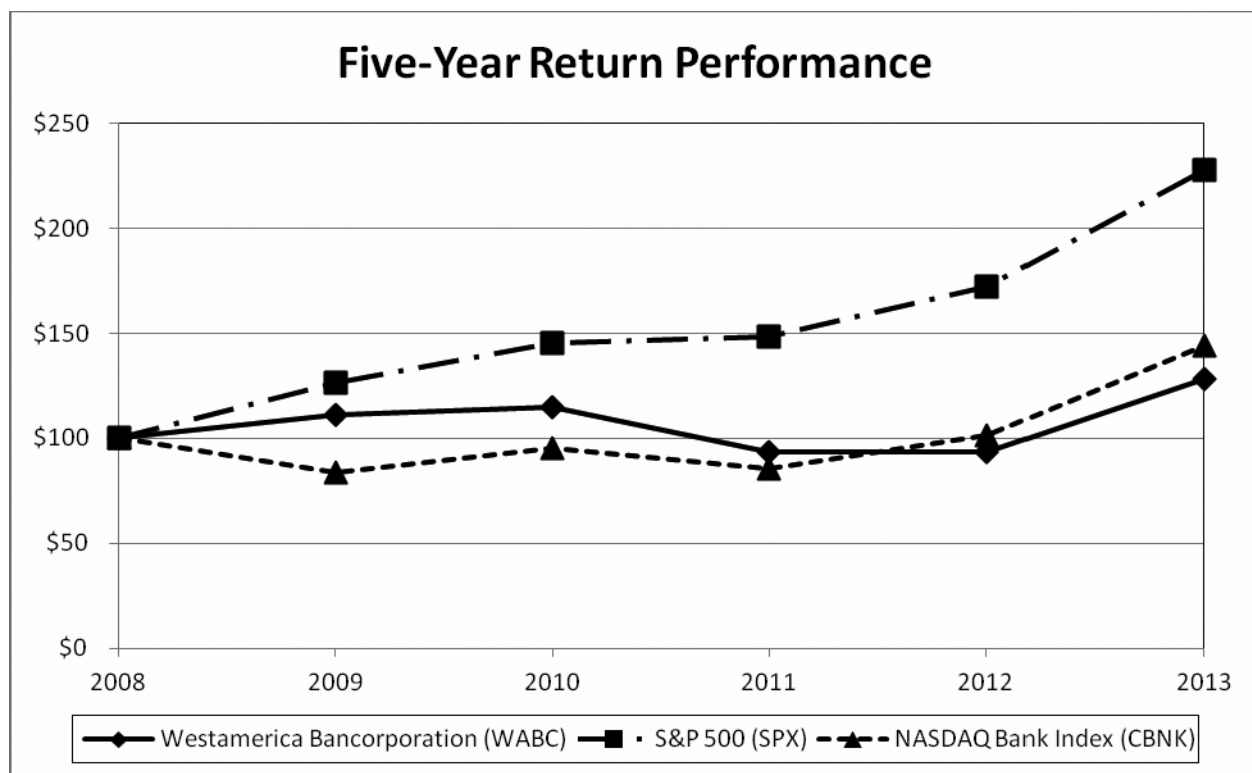


	Period ending					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Westamerica Bancorporation (WABC)	\$100.00	\$119.66	\$111.48	\$109.15	\$98.81	\$116.43
S&P 500 (SPX)	100.00	110.87	116.31	134.66	142.05	89.51
NASDAQ Bank Index (CBNK)	100.00	113.64	111.45	126.83	101.60	79.73

	Period ending				
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Westamerica Bancorporation (WABC)	\$129.73	\$133.47	\$108.91	\$109.16	\$149.37
S&P 500 (SPX)	113.20	130.28	133.00	154.26	204.18
NASDAQ Bank Index (CBNK)	66.74	76.20	68.19	80.96	114.72

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The following chart compares the cumulative return on the Company's stock during the five years ended December 31, 2013 with the cumulative return on the S&P 500 composite stock index and NASDAQ'S Bank Index. The comparison assumes \$100 invested in each on December 31, 2008 and reinvestment of all dividends.



	Period ending					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Westamerica Bancorporation (WABC)	\$100.00	\$111.42	\$114.64	\$93.54	\$93.76	\$128.29
S&P 500 (SPX)	100.00	126.47	145.55	148.59	172.34	228.11
NASDAQ Bank Index (CBNK)	100.00	83.71	95.57	85.53	101.55	143.89

ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

The table below sets forth the information with respect to purchases made by or on behalf of Westamerica Bancorporation or any "affiliated purchaser" (as defined in Rule 10b-18(a)(3) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934), of common stock during the quarter ended December 31, 2013 (in thousands, except per share data).

Period	(a) Total Number of Shares Purchased	(b) Average Price Paid per Share	(c) Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs*	(d) Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
October 1 through October 31	69	\$52.39	69	1,725
November 1 through November 30.....	121	53.33	121	1,604
December 1 through December 31	136	54.78	136	1,468
Total	326	53.74	326	1,468

* Includes 4 thousand, 10 thousand and 4 thousand shares purchased in October, November and December, respectively, by the Company in private transactions with the independent administrator of the Company's Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement Plan (ESOP). The Company includes the shares purchased in such transactions within the total number of shares authorized for purchase pursuant to the currently existing publicly announced program.

The Company repurchases shares of its common stock in the open market to optimize the Company's use of equity capital and enhance shareholder value and with the intention of lessening the dilutive impact of issuing new shares under stock option plans, and other ongoing requirements.

Shares were repurchased during the fourth quarter of 2013 pursuant to a program approved by the Board of Directors on July 25, 2013 authorizing the purchase of up to 2 million shares of the Company's common stock from time to time prior to September 1, 2014.

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ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following financial information for the five years ended December 31, 2013 has been derived from the Company's audited consolidated financial statements. This information should be read in conjunction with those statements, notes and other information included elsewhere herein.

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION FINANCIAL SUMMARY

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

Year ended December 31:	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Interest and loan fee income	\$154,396	\$183,364	\$207,979	\$221,155	\$241,949
Interest expense	4,671	5,744	8,382	12,840	19,380
Net interest income	149,725	177,620	199,597	208,315	222,569
Provision for loan losses	8,000	11,200	11,200	11,200	10,500
Noninterest income:					
Net losses from securities	—	(1,287)	—	—	—
Gain on acquisition.....	—	—	—	178	48,844
Deposit service charges and other	57,011	58,309	60,097	61,276	63,167
Total noninterest income	57,011	57,022	60,097	61,454	112,011
Noninterest expense					
Settlements	—	—	2,100	43	158
Other noninterest expense	112,614	116,885	125,578	127,104	140,618
Total noninterest expense	112,614	116,885	127,678	127,147	140,776
Income before income taxes	86,122	106,557	120,816	131,422	183,304
Provision for income taxes	18,945	25,430	32,928	36,845	57,878
Net income	67,177	81,127	87,888	94,577	125,426
Preferred stock dividends and discount accretion ..	—	—	—	—	3,963
Net income applicable to common equity	\$67,177	\$81,127	\$87,888	\$94,577	\$121,463
Average common shares outstanding	26,826	27,654	28,628	29,166	29,105
Average diluted common shares outstanding	26,877	27,699	28,742	29,471	29,353
Shares outstanding at December 31	26,510	27,213	28,150	29,090	29,208
Per common share:					
Basic earnings	\$2.50	\$2.93	\$3.07	\$3.24	\$4.17
Diluted earnings	2.50	2.93	3.06	3.21	4.14
Book value at December 31.....	20.48	20.58	19.85	18.74	17.31
Financial Ratios:					
Return on assets	1.38%	1.64%	1.78%	1.95%	2.39%
Return on common equity	12.48%	14.93%	16.14%	18.11%	25.84%
Net interest margin *	4.08%	4.79%	5.32%	5.54%	5.42%
Net loan losses to average loans					
Originated loans	0.26%	0.72%	0.68%	0.79%	0.60%
Purchased covered loans	0.62%	0.18%	0.16%	—	—
Purchased non-covered loans	0.61%	0.11%	—	—	—
Efficiency ratio **.....	50.11%	46.01%	45.77%	44.13%	39.74%
Equity to assets	11.20%	11.31%	11.08%	11.06%	10.16%
Period End Balances:					
Assets	\$4,847,055	\$4,952,193	\$5,042,161	\$4,931,524	\$4,975,501
Originated loans	1,523,284	1,664,183	1,862,607	2,029,541	2,201,088
Purchased covered loans	250,670	372,283	535,278	692,972	855,301
Purchased non-covered loans	53,790	74,891	125,921	199,571	—
Allowance for loan losses	31,693	30,234	32,597	35,636	41,043
Investment securities.....	2,211,680	1,981,677	1,561,556	1,252,212	1,111,143
Deposits	4,163,781	4,232,492	4,249,921	4,132,961	4,060,208
Identifiable intangible assets and goodwill	140,230	144,934	150,302	156,277	157,366
Short-term borrowed funds	62,668	53,687	115,689	107,385	128,134
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	20,577	25,799	26,023	61,698	85,470
Term repurchase agreement	10,000	10,000	10,000	—	99,044
Debt financing and notes payable	—	15,000	15,000	26,363	26,497
Shareholders' equity	542,934	560,102	558,641	545,287	505,448
Capital Ratios at Period End:					
Total risk based capital	16.18%	16.33%	15.75%	15.50%	14.50%
Tangible equity to tangible assets	8.56%	8.64%	8.35%	8.15%	7.22%
Dividends Paid Per Common Share	\$1.49	\$1.48	\$1.45	\$1.44	\$1.41
Common Dividend Payout Ratio	60%	51%	47%	45%	34%

* Yields on securities and certain loans have been adjusted upward to a "fully taxable equivalent" ("FTE") basis, which is a non-GAAP financial measure, in order to reflect the effect of income which is exempt from federal income taxation at the current statutory tax rate.

** The efficiency ratio is defined as noninterest expense divided by total revenue (net interest income on an FTE basis, which is a non-GAAP financial measure, and noninterest income).

ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion addresses information pertaining to the financial condition and results of operations of Westamerica Bancorporation and subsidiaries (the "Company") that may not be otherwise apparent from a review of the consolidated financial statements and related footnotes. It should be read in conjunction with those statements and notes found on pages 52 through 91, as well as with the other information presented throughout the Report.

Critical Accounting Policies

The Company's consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and follow general practices within the banking industry. Application of these principles requires the Company to make certain estimates, assumptions, and judgments that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. These estimates, assumptions, and judgments are based on information available as of the date of the financial statements; accordingly, as this information changes, the financial statements could reflect different estimates, assumptions, and judgments. Certain accounting policies inherently have a greater reliance on the use of estimates, assumptions and judgments and as such have a greater possibility of producing results that could be materially different than originally reported. Estimates, assumptions and judgments are necessary when assets and liabilities are required to be recorded at fair value, when a decline in the value of an asset not carried on the financial statements at fair value warrants an impairment writedown or valuation reserve to be established, or when an asset or liability needs to be recorded contingent upon a future event. Carrying assets and liabilities at fair value inherently results in more financial statement volatility. The fair values and the information used to record valuation adjustments for certain assets and liabilities are based either on quoted market prices or are provided by other third-party sources, when available.

The most significant accounting policies followed by the Company are presented in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. These policies, along with the disclosures presented in the other financial statement notes and in this discussion, provide information on how significant assets and liabilities are valued in the financial statements and how those values are determined. Based on the valuation techniques used and the sensitivity of financial statement amounts to the methods, assumptions, and estimates underlying those amounts, Management has identified the allowance for loan losses accounting and purchased loan accounting to be the accounting areas requiring the most subjective or complex judgments, and as such could be most subject to revision as new information becomes available. A discussion of the factors affecting accounting for the allowance for loan losses and purchased loans is included in the "Loan Portfolio Credit Risk" discussion below.

Net Income

During the three years ended December 31, 2013, market interest rates declined to low levels. The Federal Reserve's Federal Open Market Committee has maintained highly accommodative monetary policies to influence interest rates to low levels in order to provide stimulus to the economy following the "financial crisis" recession. In the fourth quarter 2013, the Open Market Committee began a gradual removal of its accommodative monetary policies. The Company's principal source of revenue is net interest and loan fee income, which represents interest earned on loans and investment securities ("earning assets") reduced by interest paid on deposits and other borrowings ("interest bearing liabilities"). The change in market interest rates in the three years ended December 31, 2013 has reduced the spread between interest rates on earning assets and interest bearing liabilities. As a result, the Company's net interest income declined. The Company also earns revenue from service charges on deposit accounts, merchant processing services, debit card fees, and other fees ("noninterest income"). Service charges on deposit accounts are subject to laws and regulations; recent regulations and customer activity have caused service charges on deposit accounts to decline in the three years ended December 31, 2013; however, debit card fees and trust fees have increased due to higher transaction volumes and the Company's sales efforts. The Company incurs noninterest expenses to deliver products and services to our customers. Management is focused on controlling noninterest expense levels.

Components of Net Income

Year ended December 31, (Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)	2013	2012	2011
Net interest and loan fee income *	\$167,737	\$197,027	\$218,867
Provision for loan losses	(8,000)	(11,200)	(11,200)
Noninterest income	57,011	57,022	60,097
Noninterest expense	(112,614)	(116,885)	(127,678)
Income before income taxes *	104,134	125,964	140,086
Taxes *	(36,957)	(44,837)	(52,198)
Net income	\$67,177	\$81,127	\$87,888
Net income per average fully-diluted common share	\$2.50	\$2.93	\$3.06
Net income as a percentage of average shareholders' equity	12.48%	14.93%	16.14%
Net income as a percentage of average total assets	1.38%	1.64%	1.78%

* Fully taxable equivalent (FTE)

Comparing 2013 to 2012, net income decreased \$14.0 million or 17.2%, primarily due to lower net interest and loan fee income (FTE), partially offset by decreases in loan loss provision, noninterest expense and income tax provision (FTE). The lower net interest and loan fee income (FTE) was primarily caused by a lower average volume of loans and lower yields on interest-earning assets, partially offset by higher average balances of investments, lower average balances of interest-bearing liabilities and lower rates paid on interest-bearing deposits. The provision for loan losses was reduced, reflecting Management's evaluation of losses inherent in the loan portfolio; net loan losses and nonperforming loan volumes have declined relative to earlier periods. Noninterest expense decreased \$4.3 million primarily due to reduced personnel costs, professional fees, loan administration costs, expenses related to other real estate owned and intangible asset amortization.

Comparing 2012 to 2011, net income decreased \$6.8 million, primarily due to lower net interest income (FTE) and a \$1.3 million loss on sale of securities, partially offset by decreases in noninterest expense and income tax provision (FTE). The lower net interest income (FTE) was primarily caused by a lower average volume of loans and lower yields on interest earning assets, partially offset by higher average balances of investments, lower average balances of interest-bearing liabilities and lower rates on interest-bearing deposits. The provision for loan losses remained the same, reflecting Management's evaluation of losses inherent in the loan portfolio. Noninterest expense declined primarily due to a \$2.1 million settlement accrual in 2011 and reduced costs related to personnel and nonperforming assets.

Net Interest and Loan Fee Income (FTE)

The Company's primary source of revenue is net interest income, or the difference between interest income earned on loans and investment securities and interest expense paid on interest-bearing deposits and other borrowings. Comparing 2013 to 2012, net interest and loan fee income (FTE) decreased \$29.3 million or 14.9% to \$167.7 million. Net interest and loan fee income (FTE) in 2012 decreased \$21.8 million or 10.0% from 2011, to \$197.0 million.

Components of Net Interest and Loan Fee Income (FTE)

Year ended December 31, (Dollars in thousands)	2013	2012	2011
Interest and loan fee income	\$154,396	\$183,364	\$207,979
Interest expense	(4,671)	(5,744)	(8,382)
FTE adjustment	18,012	19,407	19,270
Net interest and loan fee income (FTE)	\$167,737	\$197,027	\$218,867
Net interest margin (FTE)	4.08%	4.79%	5.32%

Comparing 2013 with 2012, net interest and loan fee income (FTE) decreased \$29.3 million or 14.9%, primarily due to a lower average volume of loans (down \$360 million) and lower yields on interest-earning assets (down 74 basis points), partially offset by higher average balances of investments (up \$355 million), lower average balances of interest-bearing liabilities (down \$161 million) and lower rates paid on interest-bearing deposits (down 2 basis points).

Loan volumes have declined due to problem loan workout activities, particularly with purchased loans, and reduced volumes of loan originations. In Management's opinion, competitive loan pricing does not currently provide adequate forward earnings potential. As a result, the Company has not currently taken an aggressive posture relative to loan portfolio growth. Management has maintained relatively stable interest-earning asset volumes by increasing investment securities as loan volumes have declined.

Yields on interest-earning assets have declined due to relatively low interest rates prevailing in the market. Management's response to prevailing economic conditions and competitive loan pricing has been to reduce loan volumes, placing greater reliance on lower-yielding investment securities. Rates on interest-bearing deposits have declined to offset some of the decline in asset yields.

In 2013, interest and loan fee income (FTE) was down \$30.4 million or 15.0% from 2012. The decrease resulted from a lower average volume of loans and lower yields on interest-earning assets, partially offset by higher average balances of investments. The total average balances of loans declined due to decreases in the average balances of commercial real estate loans (down \$155 million), taxable commercial loans (down \$63 million), consumer loans (down \$57 million), residential real estate loans (down \$53 million), tax-exempt commercial loans (down \$22 million) and construction loans (down \$11 million). The average investment portfolio increased largely due to higher average balances of corporate securities (up \$205 million), collateralized mortgage obligations (up \$172 million) and municipal securities (up \$47 million), partially offset by decreases in average balances of mortgage backed securities (down \$37 million) and securities of U.S. government sponsored entities (down \$30 million).

The average yield on the Company's earning assets decreased from 4.93% in 2012 to 4.19% in 2013. The composite yield on loans declined 41 basis points to 5.36% mostly due to lower yields on commercial real estate loans (down 45 basis points), consumer loans (down 62 basis points), residential real estate loans (down 14 basis points), taxable commercial loans (down 8 basis points) and tax-exempt loans (down 20 basis points). Nonperforming loans are included in average loan volumes used to compute loan yields; fluctuations in nonaccrual loan volumes impact loan yields. The yield on construction loans in 2013 was elevated due to interest received on nonaccrual loans and discount accretion on purchased loans. The investment yields in general declined due to market rates. The investment portfolio yield decreased 71 basis points to 3.13% in 2013 primarily due to lower yields on collateralized mortgage obligations and mortgage backed securities (down 65 basis points), municipal securities (down 55 basis points) and corporate securities (down 46 basis points).

Comparing 2013 with 2012, interest expense declined \$1.1 million or 18.7% due to lower average balances of interest-bearing liabilities and lower rates paid on interest-bearing deposits. Lower-cost checking and savings deposits accounted for 86.3% of total average deposits in 2013 compared with 82.8% in 2012. Average interest-bearing liabilities fell \$161 million in 2013 compared with 2012 primarily due to declines in the average balances of time deposits \$100 thousand or more (down \$120 million) and time deposits less than \$100 thousand (down \$36 million), preferred money market accounts (down \$23 million) and customer sweep accounts (down \$23 million), partially offset by increases in the average balances of regular savings (up \$25 million) and money market savings (up \$17 million). Rates paid on interest-bearing deposits averaged 0.14% in 2013 compared with 0.16% for 2012 as a result of decreases in rates paid on time deposits less than \$100 thousand (down 10 basis points).

Comparing 2012 with 2011, net interest and loan fee income (FTE) declined \$21.8 million mostly due to a lower average volume of loans (down \$422 million) and lower yields on interest earning assets (down 59 basis points), partially offset by higher average balances of investments (up \$424 million), lower average balances of interest-bearing liabilities (down \$103 million) and lower rates on interest-bearing deposits (down 9 basis points).

Interest and loan fee income (FTE) was down \$24.5 million or 10.8% from 2012 to 2011. The decrease resulted from a lower average volume of loans and lower yields on interest-earning assets, partially offset by higher average balances of investments. Average interest earning assets increased \$2 million in 2012 compared with 2011 due to a \$424 million increase in average investments, offset by a \$422 million decrease in average loans. The average investment portfolio increased mostly due to higher average balances of collateralized mortgage obligations and mortgage backed securities (up \$271 million), municipal securities (up \$108 million) and corporate securities (up \$92 million), partially offset by a \$57 million decline in securities issued by U.S. government sponsored entities. The decrease in the average balance of the loan portfolio was attributable to decreases in average balances of commercial real estate loans (down \$183 million), taxable commercial loans (down \$118 million), construction loans (down \$31 million), residential real estate loans (down \$48 million), tax-exempt commercial loans (down \$19 million) and consumer loans (down \$22 million).

The average yield on earning assets in 2012 was 4.93% compared with 5.52% in 2011. The loan portfolio yield for 2012 compared with 2011 was lower by 22 basis points mostly due to lower yields on consumer loans (down 76 basis points), residential real estate loans (down 33 basis points) and tax-exempt commercial loans (down 35 basis points) and taxable commercial loans (down 9 basis points), partially offset by higher yields on commercial real estate loans (up 15 basis points). Nonperforming loans are included in average loan volumes used to compute loan yields; fluctuations in nonaccrual loan volumes impact loan yields. The yield on commercial real estate loans in 2012 and 2011 was elevated due to interest received on nonaccrual loans and discount accretion on purchased loans. The investment portfolio yield decreased 76 basis points to 3.84% from 2012 to 2011 primarily due to lower yields on collateralized mortgage obligations and mortgage backed securities (down

118 basis points), municipal securities (down 55 basis points), and securities of U.S. government sponsored entities (down 26 basis points), partially offset by a 5 basis points increase in yields on corporate securities which contain floating interest rate structures.

Interest expense was reduced by lowering rates paid on interest-bearing deposits and borrowings and by reducing the volume of higher-cost funding sources. Lower-cost checking and savings deposits accounted for 82.8% of total average deposits in 2012 compared with 79.6% in 2011. In 2012 interest expense declined \$2.6 million or 31.5% from 2011, due to lower average balances of interest-bearing liabilities and lower rates paid on interest-bearing deposits. In 2012 average interest-bearing deposits fell \$62 million compared with 2011 primarily due to declines in the average balances of time deposits \$100 thousand or more (down \$75 million), time deposits less than \$100 thousand (down \$49 million), and preferred money market savings (down \$38 million), partially offset by increases in the average balances of money market checking accounts (up \$41 million), money market savings (up \$30 million) and regular savings (up \$29 million). Average balances of debt financing declined \$7 million due to the redemption of a \$10 million subordinated note in August 2011. Increases were partially offset by higher average balances of term repurchase agreement (up \$6 million). Rates paid on interest-bearing deposits averaged 0.16% in 2012 compared with 0.25% in 2011 mainly due to lower rates on money market savings (down 7 basis points), preferred money market savings (down 32 basis points), regular savings (down 5 basis points), time deposits \$100 thousand and more (down 10 basis points) and time deposits less than \$100 thousand (down 10 basis points).

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Summary of Average Balances, Yields/Rates and Interest Differential

The following tables present information regarding the consolidated average assets, liabilities and shareholders' equity, the amounts of interest income earned from average interest earning assets and the resulting yields, and the amounts of interest expense incurred on average interest-bearing liabilities and the resulting rates. Average loan balances include nonperforming loans. Interest income includes reversal of previously accrued interest on loans placed on non-accrual status during the period and proceeds from loans on nonaccrual status only to the extent cash payments have been received and applied as interest income and accretion of purchased loan discounts. Yields on tax-exempt securities and loans have been adjusted upward to reflect the effect of income exempt from federal income taxation at the current statutory tax rate.

Distribution of Assets, Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity and Yields, Rates & Interest Margin

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended December 31, 2013		
	Average Balance	Interest Income/Expense	Yields/Rates
Assets			
Investment securities:			
Available for sale			
Taxable.....	\$823,228	\$14,685	1.78%
Tax-exempt (1).....	186,101	10,435	5.61%
Held to maturity			
Taxable.....	431,246	7,516	1.74%
Tax-exempt (1).....	714,515	34,961	4.89%
Loans:			
Commercial			
Taxable.....	256,638	16,042	6.25%
Tax-exempt (1).....	106,871	6,264	5.86%
Commercial real estate.....	862,266	53,615	6.22%
Real estate construction	15,514	1,182	7.62%
Real estate residential	211,360	7,357	3.48%
Consumer	501,932	20,351	4.05%
Total Loans (1)	<u>1,954,581</u>	<u>104,811</u>	5.36%
Interest-earning assets (1)	4,109,671	172,408	4.19%
Other assets.....	754,191		
Total assets.....	<u>\$4,863,862</u>		
Liabilities and shareholders' equity			
Deposits:			
Noninterest bearing demand	\$1,683,447	—	—
Savings and interest-bearing transaction.....	1,910,131	1,182	0.06%
Time less than \$100,000	228,061	1,070	0.47%
Time \$100,000 or more.....	341,184	1,096	0.32%
Total interest-bearing deposits	<u>2,479,376</u>	<u>3,348</u>	0.14%
Short-term borrowed funds	57,454	77	0.13%
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	25,499	480	1.88%
Term repurchase agreement.....	10,000	98	0.98%
Debt financing and notes payable	12,452	668	5.37%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	<u>2,584,781</u>	<u>4,671</u>	0.18%
Other liabilities	57,469		
Shareholders' equity	538,165		
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$4,863,862</u>		
Net interest spread (2).....			4.01%
Net interest income and interest margin (1)(3)		<u>\$167,737</u>	4.08%

(1) Amounts calculated on a fully taxable equivalent basis using the current statutory federal tax rate.

(2) Net interest spread represents the average yield earned on interest earning assets less the average rate incurred on interest-bearing liabilities.

(3) Net interest margin is computed by calculating the difference between interest income and expense, divided by the average balance of interest-earning assets. The net interest margin is greater than the net interest spread due to the benefit of noninterest-bearing demand deposits.

Distribution of Assets, Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity and Yields, Rates & Interest Margin

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended December 31, 2012		
	Average Balance	Interest Income/Expense	Yields/Rates
Assets			
Investment securities:			
Available for sale			
Taxable.....	\$491,338	\$11,430	2.33%
Tax-exempt (1).....	214,268	12,603	5.88%
Held to maturity			
Taxable.....	460,381	9,916	2.15%
Tax-exempt (1).....	634,482	35,277	5.56%
Loans:			
Commercial			
Taxable.....	319,235	20,216	6.33%
Tax-exempt (1).....	128,887	7,815	6.06%
Commercial real estate.....	1,016,805	67,863	6.67%
Real estate construction	26,314	1,946	7.40%
Real estate residential	264,497	9,583	3.62%
Consumer	559,132	26,122	4.67%
Total Loans (1)	<u>2,314,870</u>	<u>133,545</u>	5.77%
Interest-earning assets (1)	4,115,339	202,771	4.93%
Other assets.....	838,963		
Total assets.....	<u>\$4,954,302</u>		
Liabilities and shareholders' equity			
Deposits:			
Noninterest bearing demand	\$1,603,981	—	—
Savings and interest-bearing transaction.....	1,887,959	1,238	0.07%
Time less than \$100,000	264,466	1,515	0.57%
Time \$100,000 or more.....	460,833	1,530	0.33%
Total interest-bearing deposits	<u>2,613,258</u>	<u>4,283</u>	0.16%
Short-term borrowed funds	81,323	77	0.09%
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	25,916	483	1.86%
Term repurchase agreement.....	10,000	99	0.99%
Debt financing and notes payable	15,000	802	5.35%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	<u>2,745,497</u>	<u>5,744</u>	0.21%
Other liabilities	61,515		
Shareholders' equity	543,309		
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$4,954,302</u>		
Net interest spread (2).....			4.72%
Net interest income and interest margin (1)(3)		<u>\$197,027</u>	<u>4.79%</u>

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(2) Net interest spread represents the average yield earned on interest earning assets less the average rate incurred on interest-bearing liabilities.

(3) Net interest margin is computed by calculating the difference between interest income and expense, divided by the average balance of interest-earning assets. The net interest margin is greater than the net interest spread due to the benefit of noninterest-bearing demand deposits.

Distribution of Assets, Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity and Yields, Rates & Interest Margin

	Year Ended December 31, 2011		
	Average Balance	Interest Income/Expense	Yields/Rates
(Dollars in thousands)			
Assets			
Money market assets and funds sold	\$430	\$—	—%
Investment securities:			
Available for sale			
Taxable	445,527	11,166	2.51%
Tax-exempt (1)	258,867	15,989	6.18%
Held to maturity			
Taxable	188,751	6,238	3.30%
Tax-exempt (1)	483,255	29,878	6.18%
Loans:			
Commercial			
Taxable	437,581	28,087	6.42%
Tax-exempt (1)	148,144	9,494	6.41%
Commercial real estate	1,199,390	78,179	6.52%
Real estate construction	57,529	4,331	7.53%
Real estate residential	312,615	12,340	3.95%
Consumer	581,286	31,547	5.43%
Total Loans (1)	2,736,545	163,978	5.99%
Interest-earning assets (1)	4,113,375	227,249	5.52%
Other assets	837,379		
Total assets	<u>\$4,950,754</u>		
Liabilities and shareholders' equity			
Deposits:			
Noninterest bearing demand	\$1,496,362	—	—
Savings and interest-bearing transaction	1,826,118	2,419	0.13%
Time less than \$100,000	313,548	2,090	0.67%
Time \$100,000 or more	535,866	2,296	0.43%
Total interest-bearing deposits	2,675,532	6,805	0.25%
Short-term borrowed funds	105,157	216	0.21%
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	41,741	520	1.25%
Term repurchase agreement	3,945	39	0.98%
Debt financing and notes payable	22,066	802	3.63%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	2,848,441	8,382	0.29%
Other liabilities	61,493		
Shareholders' equity	544,458		
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$4,950,754</u>		
Net interest spread (2)			5.23%
Net interest income and interest margin (1)(3)		<u>\$218,867</u>	<u>5.32%</u>

(1) Amounts calculated on a fully taxable equivalent basis using the current statutory federal tax rate.

(2) Net interest spread represents the average yield earned on interest earning assets less the average rate incurred on interest-bearing liabilities.

(3) Net interest margin is computed by calculating the difference between interest income and expense, divided by the average balance of interest-earning assets. The net interest margin is greater than the net interest spread due to the benefit of noninterest-bearing demand deposits.

The following tables set forth a summary of the changes in interest income and interest expense due to changes in average assets and liability balances (volume) and changes in average interest yields/rates for the periods indicated. Changes not solely attributable to volume or yields/rates have been allocated in proportion to the respective volume and yield/rate components.

Summary of Changes in Interest Income and Expense

Years Ended December 31, (In thousands)	2013 Compared with 2012		
	Volume	Yield/Rate	Total
Increase (decrease) in interest and loan fee income:			
Investment securities:			
Available for sale Taxable.....	\$6,370	(\$3,115)	\$3,255
Tax- exempt (1).....	(1,607)	(561)	(2,168)
Held to maturity Taxable	(612)	(1,788)	(2,400)
Tax- exempt (1).....	4,127	(4,443)	(316)
Loans:			
Commercial:			
Taxable	(3,919)	(255)	(4,174)
Tax- exempt (1).....	(1,300)	(251)	(1,551)
Commercial real estate	(9,871)	(4,377)	(14,248)
Real estate construction.....	(821)	57	(764)
Real estate residential.....	(1,865)	(361)	(2,226)
Consumer	(2,548)	(3,223)	(5,771)
Total loans (1)	(20,324)	(8,410)	(28,734)
Total decrease in interest and loan fee income (1).....	(12,046)	(18,317)	(30,363)
Increase (decrease) in interest expense:			
Deposits:			
Savings/ interest-bearing.....	12	(68)	(56)
Time less than \$100,000	(194)	(251)	(445)
Time \$100,000 or more	(386)	(48)	(434)
Total interest-bearing	(568)	(367)	(935)
Short-term borrowed funds	(27)	27	—
Federal Home Loan Bank advances.....	(13)	10	(3)
Term repurchase agreement	—	(1)	(1)
Notes and mortgages payable	(137)	3	(134)
Total decrease in interest expense	(745)	(328)	(1,073)
Decrease in net interest income (1)	(\$11,301)	(\$17,989)	(\$29,290)

(1) Amounts calculated on a fully taxable equivalent basis using the current statutory federal tax rate.

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Summary of Changes in Interest Income and Expense

Years Ended December 31, (In thousands)	2012 Compared with 2011		
	Volume	Yield/Rate	Total
Increase (decrease) in interest and loan fee income:			
Investment securities:			
Available for sale Taxable.....	\$1,112	(\$848)	\$264
Tax- exempt (1).....	(2,644)	(742)	(3,386)
Held to maturity Taxable	6,464	(2,786)	3,678
Tax- exempt (1).....	8,659	(3,260)	5,399
Loans:			
Commercial:			
Taxable	(7,497)	(374)	(7,871)
Tax- exempt (1).....	(1,181)	(498)	(1,679)
Commercial real estate	(12,123)	1,807	(10,316)
Real estate construction.....	(2,310)	(75)	(2,385)
Real estate residential.....	(1,788)	(969)	(2,757)
Consumer	(1,109)	(4,316)	(5,425)
Total loans (1)	(26,008)	(4,425)	(30,433)
Total decrease in interest and loan fee income (1).....	(12,417)	(12,061)	(24,478)
Increase (decrease) in interest expense:			
Deposits:			
Savings/ interest-bearing.....	82	(1,263)	(1,181)
Time less than \$100,000	(301)	(274)	(575)
Time \$100,000 or more	(291)	(475)	(766)
Total interest-bearing	(510)	(2,012)	(2,522)
Short-term borrowed funds	(41)	(98)	(139)
Federal Home Loan Bank advances.....	(37)	—	(37)
Term repurchase agreement	46	14	60
Notes and mortgages payable	(305)	305	—
Total decrease in interest expense	(847)	(1,791)	(2,638)
Decrease in net interest income (1).....	(\$11,570)	(\$10,270)	(\$21,840)

(1) Amounts calculated on a fully taxable equivalent basis using the current statutory federal tax rate.

Provision for Loan Losses

The Company manages credit costs by consistently enforcing conservative underwriting and administration procedures and aggressively pursuing collection efforts with debtors experiencing financial difficulties. The provision for loan losses reflects Management's assessment of credit risk in the loan portfolio during each of the periods presented.

The Company provided \$8.0 million, \$11.2 million and \$11.2 million for loan losses in 2013, 2012 and 2011. The reduced provision for loan losses for 2013 reflects Management's current evaluation of credit quality for the loan portfolio. The Company recorded purchased County Bank and Sonoma Valley Bank loans at estimated fair value upon the acquisition dates, February 6, 2009 and August 20, 2010, respectively. Such estimated fair values were recognized for individual loans, although small balance homogenous loans were pooled for valuation purposes. The valuation discounts recorded for purchased loans included Management's assessment of the risk of principal loss under economic and borrower conditions prevailing on the dates of purchase. The purchased County Bank loans are "covered" by loss-sharing agreements the Company entered with the FDIC which mitigates losses during the term of the agreements. Any deterioration in estimated value related to principal loss subsequent to the acquisition dates requires additional loss recognition through a provision for loan losses. No assurance can be given future provisions for loan losses related to purchased loans will not be necessary. For further information regarding credit risk, the FDIC loss-sharing agreements, net credit losses and the allowance for loan losses, see the "Loan Portfolio Credit Risk" and "Allowance for Credit Losses" sections of this report.

Noninterest Income

Components of Noninterest Income

Years Ended December 31, (In thousands)	2013	2012	2011
Service charges on deposit accounts.....	\$25,693	\$27,691	\$29,523
Merchant processing services.....	9,031	9,734	9,436
Debit card fees.....	5,829	5,173	4,956
Other service charges.....	2,846	2,801	2,827
ATM processing fees.....	2,758	3,396	3,815
Trust fees.....	2,313	2,078	1,887
Financial services commissions.....	831	689	423
Loss on sale of securities.....	—	(1,287)	—
Other.....	7,710	6,747	7,230
Total.....	<u>\$57,011</u>	<u>\$57,022</u>	<u>\$60,097</u>

In 2013, noninterest income was \$57.0 million, unchanged from 2012. In 2012 noninterest income included a \$1.3 million loss realized from the sale of a collateralized mortgage obligation bond whose underlying support tranches began experiencing escalating losses. Service charges on deposits decreased \$2.0 million or 7.2% due to declines in fees charged on overdrawn accounts and insufficient funds (down \$1.1 million) and deficit fees charged on analyzed accounts (down \$762 thousand). Merchant processing services income decreased \$703 thousand mainly due to lower transaction volumes. ATM processing fees decreased \$638 thousand primarily because the Bank customers had fewer transactions at non-Westamerica ATMs and other cash dispensing terminals. Offsetting these decreases were higher debit card fees (up \$656 thousand) due to higher transaction volumes. Additionally, trust fees and financial services commissions increased \$235 thousand and \$142 thousand, respectively, from increased sales. Other noninterest income increased \$963 thousand primarily due to higher recoveries of charged off purchased loans and life insurance proceeds.

In 2012, noninterest income decreased \$3.1 million compared with 2011. The decline in 2012 noninterest income is partially due to a \$1.3 million loss realized from the sale of a collateralized mortgage obligation bond whose underlying support tranches began experiencing escalating losses. Service charges on deposits decreased \$1.8 million or 6.2% due to declines in fees charged on overdrawn and insufficient funds accounts (down \$2.2 million), partially offset by higher deficit fees charged on analyzed accounts (up \$298 thousand) and higher fees charged on checking accounts (up \$134 thousand). ATM processing fees decreased \$419 thousand or 11.0% primarily because the Bank customers had fewer transactions at non-Westamerica ATMs and other cash dispensing terminals. Merchant processing services income increased \$298 thousand or 3.2% mainly due to increased transactions. Financial services commissions and trust fees increased \$266 thousand and \$191 thousand, respectively, from improved sales activities.

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Noninterest Expense

Components of Noninterest Expense

Years Ended December 31, (In thousands)	2013	2012	2011
Salaries and related benefits	\$56,633	\$57,388	\$58,501
Occupancy	15,137	15,460	16,209
Outsourced data processing services	8,548	8,531	8,844
Amortization of intangible assets	4,704	5,368	5,975
Furniture and equipment	3,869	3,775	3,837
Professional fees	3,057	3,217	4,802
Courier service	2,868	3,117	3,342
Other Real Estate Owned	1,035	1,235	2,458
Settlements	—	—	2,100
Other	16,763	18,794	21,610
Total	<u>\$112,614</u>	<u>\$116,885</u>	<u>\$127,678</u>

Noninterest expense decreased \$4.3 million or 3.7% in 2013 compared with 2012. Salaries and related benefits decreased \$755 thousand or 1.3% primarily due to employee attrition. Amortization of identifiable intangibles decreased \$664 thousand as such assets are amortized on a declining balance method. Occupancy expense decreased \$323 thousand or 2.1% mainly due to lower lease rates on bank premises and utility costs. Expenses relating to other real estate owned decreased \$200 thousand mainly due to lower writedowns. Professional fees declined \$160 thousand or 5.0% due to lower legal fees associated with nonperforming assets. Other noninterest expense decreased \$2.0 million primarily due to lower administration expenses related to nonperforming loans and decreases in postage, customer check printing expenses and correspondent bank service charges.

In 2012, noninterest expense decreased \$10.8 million or 8.5% compared with 2011 partially due to a \$2.1 million settlement accrual in 2011 and lower costs related to personnel and nonperforming assets. Additionally, the first quarter 2011 included \$679 thousand in expenses related to pre-integration costs for the acquired Sonoma, primarily outsourced data processing and personnel costs. Sonoma operations were fully integrated in February 2011. Professional fees declined \$1.6 million or 33.0% largely due to lower legal fees. Other real estate owned expense decreased \$1.2 million or 49.8% mainly due to higher gains on sale of foreclosed assets and lower maintenance costs, partially offset by higher writedowns. Salaries and related benefits decreased \$1.1 million or 1.9% primarily due to lower salaries resulting from employee attrition, partially offset by higher employee benefit costs. Occupancy expense declined \$749 thousand or 4.6% mostly due to lower lease rates on bank premises and lower maintenance expense. Other noninterest expense decreased \$2.8 million mostly due to lower operational losses, lower administration expenses relating to problem loans and decreases in stationery expenses and postage.

Provision for Income Tax

The income tax provision (FTE) was \$37.0 million in 2013 compared with \$44.8 million in 2012. The 2013 effective tax rate (FTE) was 35.5% compared to 35.6% in 2012. The effective tax rates without FTE adjustments were 22.0% and 23.9% for 2013 and 2012, respectively. The 2013 tax provision reflected tax-exempt life insurance proceeds and recognized California enterprise zone hiring credits for filed amended returns (2007-2009). The 2012 tax provision reflected a \$968 thousand tax refund from an amended 2006 federal income tax return; this claim for tax refund was processed by the Internal Revenue Service in conjunction with the conclusion of an examination of the Company's 2008 federal income tax return.

In 2012, the Company recorded an income tax provision (FTE) of \$44.8 million compared with \$52.2 million for 2011. The 2012 provision represents an effective tax rate (FTE) of 35.6%, compared with 37.3% for 2011. The effective tax rates without FTE adjustments were 23.9% and 27.3% for 2012 and 2011, respectively. The lower tax rate in 2012 was attributable to a \$968 thousand tax refund from an amended 2006 federal income tax return. In addition, the decline in the tax rate is attributable to a higher proportion of pre-tax income represented by tax exempt elements, such as interest earned on municipal obligations and tax credits from investments in low-income housing.

On July 11, 2013, California's Governor Jerry Brown signed two bills which end a 30-year-old enterprise zone tax incentive program and replace it with new incentives. Due to the passage of these bills, many California tax benefits will be phased out by the end of 2014. The Company has been realizing California tax benefits under the historical enterprise zone tax incentive program, including:

- Exclusions of net interest income on loans funding economic activity within enterprise zones
- Tax credits realized by hiring employees within enterprise zones; however, the economic value of the tax credits is partially offset by a reduction in deductible compensation expense by the amount of the tax credits.

Effective January 1, 2014, the new law eliminates the net interest deduction for enterprise zone loans and the hiring credits are significantly altered. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of the new laws on its tax provision, particularly hiring tax credits provided under the new laws, which replace expiring tax credits. However, the Company does not expect a significant change in its tax provision due to the new laws; the tax benefits recognized from the current enterprise zone tax incentive program for the year ended December 31, 2013 were \$121 thousand, net of federal income tax consequences.

Investment Portfolio

The Company maintains a securities portfolio consisting of securities issued by U.S. Government sponsored entities, state and political subdivisions, corporations, and asset-backed and other securities. Investment securities are held in safekeeping by an independent custodian.

Management has maintained relatively stable interest-earning asset volumes by increasing investment securities as loan volumes have declined. The carrying value of the Company's investment securities portfolio was \$2.2 billion as of December 31, 2013, an increase of \$230.0 million or 11.6% compared to December 31, 2012.

Management continually evaluates the Company's investment securities portfolio in response to established asset/liability management objectives, changing market conditions that could affect profitability, and the level of interest rate risk to which the Company is exposed. These evaluations may cause Management to change the level of funds the Company deploys into investment securities, change the composition of the Company's investment securities portfolio, and change the proportion of investments allocated into the available for sale and held to maturity investment categories.

Investment securities assigned to the available for sale portfolio are generally used to supplement the Company's liquidity, provide a prudent yield, and provide collateral for public deposits and other borrowing facilities. Unrealized net gains and losses on available for sale securities are recorded as an adjustment to equity, net of taxes, but are not reflected in the current earnings of the Company. If Management determines depreciation, due to credit risk, in any available for sale security is "other than temporary," a securities loss will be recognized as a charge to earnings. If a security is sold, any gain or loss is reflected in current earnings and the equity adjustment is reversed. At December 31, 2013, the Company held \$1.1 billion in securities classified as investments available for sale, of which \$366 million were floating rate securities. The duration of the available for sale portfolio was 2.2 years at December 31, 2013. At December 31, 2013, an unrealized gain, net of taxes, of \$4.5 million related to these securities was included in shareholders' equity.

Securities assigned to the held to maturity portfolio earn a prudent yield, provide liquidity from maturities and paydowns, and provide collateral to pledge for federal, state and local government deposits and other borrowing facilities. At December 31, 2013, the held to maturity investment portfolio had a duration of 4.9 years and included \$1.1 billion in fixed-rate and \$25.0 million in floating rate securities. If Management determines depreciation in any held to maturity security is "other than temporary," a securities loss will be recognized as a charge to earnings. The Company had no trading securities at December 31, 2013. For more information on investment securities, see the notes accompanying the consolidated financial statements.

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The following table shows the fair value carrying amount of the Company's investment securities available for sale as of the dates indicated:

Available for Sale Portfolio

At December 31, (In thousands)	2013	2012	2011
U.S. Treasury securities.....	\$3,506	\$3,558	\$3,596
Securities of U.S. Government sponsored entities	130,492	49,525	117,472
Residential mortgage backed securities.....	34,176	56,932	90,408
Commercial mortgage backed securities	3,425	4,145	4,530
Obligations of states and political subdivisions.....	191,386	215,247	246,093
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	252,896	221,105	51,164
Asset-backed securities	14,555	16,005	7,306
FHLMC and FNMA stock	13,372	2,880	1,847
Corporate securities.....	432,431	252,838	112,199
Other securities.....	3,142	3,401	4,138
Total	<u>\$1,079,381</u>	<u>\$825,636</u>	<u>\$638,753</u>

The following table sets forth the relative maturities and contractual yields of the Company's available for sale securities (stated at fair value) at December 31, 2013. Yields on state and political subdivision securities have been calculated on a fully taxable equivalent basis using the current federal statutory rate. Mortgage-backed securities are shown separately because they are typically paid in monthly installments over a number of years.

Available for Sale Maturity Distribution

At December 31, 2013 (Dollars in thousands)	Within one year	After one but within five years	After five but within ten years	After ten years	Mortgage- backed	Other	Total
U.S. Treasury securities	\$—	\$3,506	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$3,506
Interest rate	—%	0.47%	—%	—%	—%	—%	0.47%
U.S. Government sponsored entities	3,760	126,732	—	—	—	—	130,492
Interest rate	0.98%	1.20%	—	—	—	—	1.19%
States and political subdivisions ..	8,640	28,572	63,690	90,484	—	—	191,386
Interest rate (FTE)	3.92%	5.03%	5.80%	5.98%	—	—	5.69%
Asset-backed securities.....	—	10,079	4,476	—	—	—	14,555
Interest rate	—	0.67%	0.44%	—	—	—	0.60%
Corporate securities	63,209	369,222	—	—	—	—	432,431
Interest rate	1.65%	1.43%	—	—	—	—	1.46%
Subtotal	75,609	538,111	68,166	90,484	—	—	772,370
Interest rate (FTE)	1.88%	1.55%	5.45%	5.98%	—	—	2.44%
Mortgage backed securities and residential collateralized mortgage obligations.....	—	—	—	—	290,497	—	290,497
Interest rate	—	—	—	—	1.86%	—	1.86%
Other without set maturities	—	—	—	—	—	16,514	16,514
Interest rate (FTE)	—	—	—	—	—	3.40%	3.40%
Total	<u>\$75,609</u>	<u>\$538,111</u>	<u>\$68,166</u>	<u>\$90,484</u>	<u>\$290,497</u>	<u>\$16,514</u>	<u>\$1,079,381</u>
Interest rate (FTE)	<u>1.88%</u>	<u>1.55%</u>	<u>5.45%</u>	<u>5.98%</u>	<u>1.86%</u>	<u>3.40%</u>	<u>2.30%</u>

The following table shows the amortized cost carrying amount and fair value of the Company's investment securities held to maturity as of the dates indicated:

Held to Maturity Portfolio

At December 31, (In thousands)	2013	2012	2011
Securities of U.S. Government sponsored entities.....	\$1,601	\$3,232	\$—
Residential mortgage backed securities	65,076	72,807	54,869
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	756,707	680,802	625,390
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	308,915	399,200	242,544
Total.....	\$1,132,299	\$1,156,041	\$922,803
Fair value	\$1,112,676	\$1,184,557	\$947,493

The following table sets forth the relative maturities and contractual yields of the Company's held to maturity securities at December 31, 2013. Yields on state and political subdivision securities have been calculated on a fully taxable equivalent basis using the current federal statutory rate. Mortgage-backed securities are shown separately because they are typically paid in monthly installments over a number of years.

Held to Maturity Maturity Distribution

At December 31, 2013 (Dollars in thousands)	Within One year	After one but within five years	After five but within ten years	After ten years	Mortgage- backed	Total
Securities of U.S. Government sponsored entities.....	\$—	\$—	\$1,601	\$—	\$—	\$1,601
Interest rate.....	—%	—%	1.50%	—%	—%	1.50%
States and political subdivisions	9,639	187,051	313,029	246,988	—	756,707
Interest rate (FTE).....	5.65%	4.98%	4.05%	4.61%	—	4.47%
Subtotal	9,639	187,051	314,630	246,988	—	758,308
Interest rate (FTE).....	5.65%	4.98%	4.04%	4.61%	—	4.47%
Mortgage backed securities and residential collateralized mortgage obligations	—	—	—	—	373,991	373,991
Interest rate.....	—	—	—	—	1.77%	1.77%
Total	\$9,639	\$187,051	\$314,630	\$246,988	\$373,991	\$1,132,299
Interest rate (FTE).....	5.65%	4.98%	4.04%	4.61%	1.77%	3.58%

In 2013, the Company reduced its positions in mortgage-related securities in an effort to manage extension risk. Extension risk represents the risk mortgages underlying the securities experience slower principal reductions as rising market interest rate cause a disincentive for borrowers to reduce principal balances; under such circumstances the Company will hold these securities for a longer period than anticipated at current yield levels rather than having the opportunity to reinvest cash flows at higher yields. The Company re-invested these proceeds, in part, into floating rate corporate bonds and federal agency, state and municipal bond holdings. As of December 31, 2013, substantially all of the Company's investment securities continue to be investment grade rated by one or more major rating agencies. In addition to monitoring credit rating agency evaluations, Management performs its own evaluations regarding the credit worthiness of the issuer or the securitized assets underlying asset-backed securities.

At December 31, 2013, the Company's investment securities portfolios included securities issued by 808 state and local government municipalities and agencies located within 47 states with a fair value of \$932.6 million. The largest exposure to any one municipality or agency was \$5.3 million (fair value) represented by two revenue bonds.

At December 31, 2012, the Company's investment securities portfolios included securities issued by 829 state and local government municipalities and agencies located within 45 states with a fair value of \$917.8 million. The largest exposure to any one municipality or agency was \$5.4 million (fair value) represented by two revenue bonds.

The Company's procedures for evaluating investments in securities issued by states, municipalities and political subdivisions are in accordance with guidance issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, "Investing in Securities without Reliance on Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Agencies" (SR 12-15) and other regulatory guidance. Credit ratings are considered in our analysis only as a guide to the historical default rate associated with similarly-rated bonds. There have been no significant differences in our internal analyses compared with the ratings assigned by the third party credit rating agencies.

The following tables summarize the total general obligation and revenue bonds in the Company's investment securities portfolios as of dates indicated identifying the state in which the issuing government municipality or agency operates.

	At December 31, 2013	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Obligations of states and political subdivisions:		
General obligation bonds:		
California	\$119,215	\$119,360
Texas	57,433	56,594
Pennsylvania	48,722	47,394
Other (37 states)	375,640	371,215
Total general obligation bonds	\$601,010	\$594,563
Revenue bonds:		
California	\$63,001	\$64,246
Pennsylvania	29,537	28,898
Colorado	18,176	17,563
Indiana	17,811	17,031
Other (37 states)	213,254	210,336
Total revenue bonds	\$341,779	\$338,074
Total obligations of states and political subdivisions	\$942,789	\$932,637

	At December 31, 2012	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Obligations of states and political subdivisions:		
General obligation bonds:		
California	\$96,102	\$100,507
Pennsylvania	49,074	50,709
Washington	37,457	39,134
Texas	36,641	38,334
Oregon	31,303	33,241
Illinois	31,468	32,331
Other (32 states)	261,982	271,910
Total general obligation bonds	\$544,027	\$566,166
Revenue bonds:		
California	\$73,550	\$77,075
Pennsylvania	29,538	30,794
Colorado	21,706	22,439
Washington	19,051	20,155
Other (37 states)	193,699	201,189
Total revenue bonds	\$337,544	\$351,652
Total obligations of states and political subdivisions	\$881,571	\$917,818

At December 31, 2013, the revenue bonds in the Company's investment securities portfolios were issued by state and local government municipalities and agencies to fund public services such as water utility, sewer utility, recreational and school facilities, and general public and economic improvements. The revenue bonds were payable from 27 revenue sources. The revenue sources that represent 5% or more individually of the total revenue bonds are summarized in the following table.

	At December 31, 2013	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Revenue bonds by revenue source		
Water	\$70,924	\$70,948
Sewer	49,625	48,911
Sales tax	34,291	33,465
Lease (abatement)	21,821	22,033
Lease (renewal)	21,353	20,742
Other	143,765	141,975
Total revenue bonds by revenue source	<u>\$341,779</u>	<u>\$338,074</u>

At December 31, 2012, the revenue bonds in the Company's investment securities portfolios were issued by state and local government municipalities and agencies to fund public services such as water utility, sewer utility, recreational and school facilities, and general public and economic improvements. The revenue bonds were payable from 27 revenue sources. The revenue sources that represent 5% or more individually of the total revenue bonds are summarized in the following table.

	At December 31, 2012	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Revenue bonds by revenue source		
Water	\$69,216	\$73,170
Sewer	43,303	45,459
Sales tax	31,713	33,441
Lease (abatement)	25,324	26,382
Lease (renewal)	21,913	22,724
Tax increment/allocation	18,365	18,974
Other	127,710	131,502
Total revenue bonds by revenue source	<u>\$337,544</u>	<u>\$351,652</u>

See Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information related to the investment securities.

Loan Portfolio

For management purposes, the Company segregates its loan portfolio into three segments. Loans originated by the Company following its loan underwriting policies and procedures are separated from purchased loans. Former County Bank loans purchased from the FDIC with loss-sharing agreements ("purchased covered loans") are segregated as are former Sonoma Valley Bank loans purchased from the FDIC without loss-sharing agreements ("purchased non-covered loans"). Loan volumes have declined due to problem loan workout activities, particularly with purchased loans, and reduced volumes of loan originations. In Management's opinion, current levels of competitive loan pricing do not provide adequate forward earnings potential. As a result, the Company has not currently taken an aggressive posture relative to loan portfolio growth.

The following table shows the composition of the loan portfolio of the Company by type of loan and type of borrower, on the dates indicated:

Originated Loan Portfolio

At December 31, (In thousands)	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Commercial	\$338,824	\$340,116	\$398,446	\$474,183	\$498,594
Commercial real estate.....	596,653	632,927	704,655	757,140	801,008
Real estate construction	10,723	7,984	14,580	26,145	32,156
Real estate residential	176,196	222,458	271,111	310,196	371,197
Consumer	400,888	460,698	473,815	461,877	498,133
Total loans	<u>\$1,523,284</u>	<u>\$1,664,183</u>	<u>\$1,862,607</u>	<u>\$2,029,541</u>	<u>\$2,201,088</u>

Purchased Covered Loan Portfolio

At December 31, (In thousands)	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Commercial	\$18,536	\$50,984	\$99,538	\$168,985	\$253,349
Commercial real estate.....	167,440	239,979	331,807	390,682	445,440
Real estate construction	3,173	7,007	13,876	28,380	40,460
Real estate residential	8,124	8,941	12,492	18,374	18,521
Consumer	53,397	65,372	77,565	86,551	97,531
Total loans	<u>\$250,670</u>	<u>\$372,283</u>	<u>\$535,278</u>	<u>\$692,972</u>	<u>\$855,301</u>

Purchased Non-covered Loan Portfolio

At December 31, (In thousands)	2013	2012	2011	2010
Commercial	\$6,799	\$10,231	\$15,378	\$15,420
Commercial real estate.....	34,926	43,688	78,034	122,888
Real estate construction	—	1,524	5,981	21,620
Real estate residential	737	2,636	3,124	7,055
Consumer	11,328	16,812	23,404	32,588
Total loans	<u>\$53,790</u>	<u>\$74,891</u>	<u>\$125,921</u>	<u>\$199,571</u>

The following table shows the maturity distribution and interest rate sensitivity of commercial, commercial real estate, and construction loans at December 31, 2013. Balances exclude residential real estate loans and consumer loans totaling \$650.7 million. These types of loans are typically paid in monthly installments over a number of years.

Loan Maturity Distribution

At December 31, 2013 (In thousands)	Within One Year	One to Five Years	After Five Years	Total
Commercial and commercial real estate	\$455,710	\$524,157	\$183,311	\$1,163,178
Real estate construction.....	13,896	—	—	13,896
Total	<u>\$469,606</u>	<u>\$524,157</u>	<u>\$183,311</u>	<u>\$1,177,074</u>
Loans with fixed interest rates	\$176,428	\$179,093	\$72,798	\$428,319
Loans with floating or adjustable interest rates	293,178	345,064	110,513	748,755
Total	<u>\$469,606</u>	<u>\$524,157</u>	<u>\$183,311</u>	<u>\$1,177,074</u>

Commitments and Letters of Credit

The Company issues formal commitments on lines of credit to well-established and financially responsible commercial enterprises. Such commitments can be either secured or unsecured and are typically in the form of revolving lines of credit for seasonal working capital needs. Occasionally, such commitments are in the form of letters of credit to facilitate the customers' particular business transactions. Commitment fees are generally charged for commitments and letters of credit. Commitments on lines of credit and letters of credit typically mature within one year. For further information, see the accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Loan Portfolio Credit Risk

The risk that loan customers will not repay loans extended by the Bank is a significant risk to the Company. The Company closely monitors the markets in which it conducts its lending operations and follows a strategy to control exposure to loans with high credit risk. The Bank's organization structure separates the functions of business development and loan underwriting; Management believes this segregation of duties avoids inherent conflicts of combining business development and loan approval functions. In measuring and managing credit risk, the Company adheres to the following practices.

- The Bank maintains a Loan Review Department which reports directly to the Board of Directors. The Loan Review Department performs independent evaluations of loans and assigns credit risk grades to evaluated loans using grading standards employed by bank regulatory agencies. Those loans judged to carry higher risk attributes are referred to as "classified loans." Classified loans receive elevated management attention to maximize collection.
- The Bank maintains two loan administration offices whose sole responsibility is to manage and collect classified loans.

Classified loans with higher levels of credit risk are further designated as "nonaccrual loans." Management places classified loans on nonaccrual status when full collection of contractual interest and principal payments is in doubt. Uncollected interest previously accrued on loans placed on nonaccrual status is reversed as a charge against interest income, net of estimated FDIC reimbursements under loss-sharing agreements. The Company does not accrue interest income on loans following placement on nonaccrual status. Interest payments received on nonaccrual loans are applied to reduce the carrying amount of the loan unless the carrying amount is well secured by loan collateral or covered by FDIC loss-sharing agreements. "Nonperforming assets" include nonaccrual loans, loans 90 or more days past due and still accruing, and repossessed loan collateral (commonly referred to as "Other Real Estate Owned").

Nonperforming Assets

	At December 31,				
	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
	(In thousands)				
Originated:					
Nonperforming nonaccrual loans	\$5,301	\$10,016	\$10,291	\$20,845	\$19,837
Performing nonaccrual loans	75	1,759	5,256	23	25
Total nonaccrual loans	5,376	11,775	15,547	20,868	19,862
Accruing loans 90 or more days past due	410	455	2,047	766	800
Total nonperforming loans	5,786	12,230	17,594	21,634	20,662
Other real estate owned	5,527	9,295	14,868	11,424	12,642
Total nonperforming assets	\$11,313	\$21,525	\$32,462	\$33,058	\$33,304
Purchased covered:					
Nonperforming nonaccrual loans	\$11,672	\$11,698	\$9,388	\$28,581	\$66,965
Performing nonaccrual loans	636	1,323	4,924	18,564	18,183
Total nonaccrual loans	12,308	13,021	14,312	47,145	85,148
Accruing loans 90 or more days past due	-	155	241	355	210
Total nonperforming loans	12,308	13,176	14,553	47,500	85,358
Other real estate owned	7,793	13,691	19,135	21,791	23,297
Total nonperforming assets	\$20,101	\$26,867	\$33,688	\$69,291	\$108,655
Purchased non-covered:					
Nonperforming nonaccrual loans	\$2,920	\$7,038	\$16,170	\$29,311	\$-
Performing nonaccrual loans	698	461	7,037	9,852	-
Total nonaccrual loans	3,618	7,499	23,207	39,163	-
Accruing loans 90 or more days past due	-	4	34	1	-
Total nonperforming loans	3,618	7,503	23,241	39,164	-
Other real estate owned	-	3,366	11,632	2,196	-
Total nonperforming assets	\$3,618	\$10,869	\$34,873	\$41,360	\$-

The Bank's commercial loan customers are primarily small businesses and professionals. As a result, average loan balances are relatively small, providing risk diversification within the overall loan portfolio. At December 31, 2013, the Bank's nonaccrual loans reflected this diversification: nonaccrual originated loans with a carrying value totaling \$5 million comprised eleven

borrowers, nonaccrual purchased covered loans with a carrying value totaling \$12 million comprised 18 borrowers, and nonaccrual purchased non-covered loans with a carrying value totaling \$4 million comprised ten borrowers.

Management believes the overall credit quality of the loan portfolio is reasonably stable; however, classified and nonperforming assets could fluctuate from period to period. The performance of any individual loan can be affected by external factors such as the interest rate environment, economic conditions, and collateral values or factors particular to the borrower. No assurance can be given that additional increases in nonaccrual and delinquent loans will not occur in the future.

The former County Bank loans and repossessed loan collateral were purchased from the FDIC with indemnifying loss-sharing agreements. The loss-sharing agreements significantly reduce the credit risk of these purchased assets during the term of the agreements. Under the terms of the loss-sharing agreements, the FDIC absorbs 80 percent of losses and shares in 80 percent of loss recoveries on the first \$269 million in losses on purchased covered assets ("First Tier"), and absorbs 95 percent of losses and shares in 95 percent of loss recoveries if losses on purchased covered assets exceed \$269 million ("Second Tier"). The loss-sharing agreement on covered residential real estate assets expires February 6, 2019 and the loss-sharing agreement on covered non-residential assets expired February 6, 2014 as to losses and expires February 6, 2017 as to loss recoveries.

The purchased covered assets are primarily located in the California Central Valley, including Merced County. This geographic area currently has some of the weakest economic conditions within California and has experienced significant declines in real estate values. Management expects higher loss rates on purchased covered assets than on originated assets.

The Bank recorded purchased covered assets at estimated fair value on the February 6, 2009 acquisition date. The credit risk discount ascribed to the \$1.3 billion acquired loan and repossessed loan collateral portfolio was \$161 million representing estimated losses inherent in the assets at the acquisition date.

Purchased Covered County Bank Assets

(In thousands)

	At December 31,					At
	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	February 6, 2009
Non-residential assets	\$247,116	\$384,285	\$567,041	\$736,367	\$924,755	\$1,298,526
Residential assets	21,278	25,570	31,311	33,285	33,452	40,955
Total indemnified assets	268,394	409,855	598,352	769,653	958,206	1,339,481
Credit risk discount	(10,933)	(26,128)	(46,282)	(61,784)	(93,251)	(161,203)
Other adjustments	1,002	2,247	2,343	6,894	13,643	5,407
Carrying value of covered assets	<u>\$258,463</u>	<u>\$385,974</u>	<u>\$554,413</u>	<u>\$714,763</u>	<u>\$878,598</u>	<u>\$1,183,685</u>
Comprised of:						
Purchased covered loans	\$250,670	\$372,283	\$535,278	\$692,972	\$855,301	\$1,174,353
Covered other real estate owned	7,793	13,691	19,135	21,791	23,297	9,332
Carrying value of covered assets	<u>\$258,463</u>	<u>\$385,974</u>	<u>\$554,413</u>	<u>\$714,763</u>	<u>\$878,598</u>	<u>\$1,183,685</u>

Aggregate indemnified losses from February 6, 2009 through December 31, 2013 have been \$146 million, which includes principal losses, loss in value of other real estate owned, loss on sale of other real estate owned, and reimbursement of incurred collection and asset management expenses such as legal fees, property taxes, appraisals and other customary expenses. Purchased covered asset principal losses have been primarily offset against the estimated credit risk discount, although some losses exceeding the purchase date estimated credit risk discount have been provided for and charged-off against the allowance for credit losses.

Purchased covered assets are evaluated for risk classification without regard to FDIC indemnification such that Management can identify purchased covered assets with potential payment problems and devote appropriate credit administration practices to maximize collections. Classified purchased covered assets without regard to FDIC indemnification totaled \$67 million and \$122 million at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

As noted above, FDIC loss indemnification of covered non-residential assets expired February 6, 2014; loss exposure on such assets after February 6, 2014 will be represented by such assets' carrying values at such time. Loss exposure for loans is mitigated by the borrowers' financial condition and ability to repay their loans, loan collateral values, the amount of credit risk discount remaining at such time, any existing borrower guarantees which are perfected and have economic value, and the allowance for credit losses. Loss exposure for other real estate owned is mitigated by the value of the repossessed loan collateral, less disposition costs.

The Bank recorded former Sonoma Valley Bank loans at estimated fair value on the August 20, 2010 acquisition date. The credit risk discount ascribed to the \$257 million acquired loan portfolio was \$43 million representing estimated losses inherent in the loans at the acquisition date.

Purchased Sonoma Valley Bank Loans
(In thousands)

	At December 31,				At
	2013	2012	2011	2010	August 20, 2010
Total loans	\$57,035	\$80,117	\$136,132	\$231,953	\$256,664
Credit risk discount	(3,245)	(5,226)	(10,211)	(32,382)	(43,000)
Carrying value of loans	<u>\$53,790</u>	<u>\$74,891</u>	<u>\$125,921</u>	<u>\$199,571</u>	<u>\$213,664</u>

Allowance for Credit Losses

The Company's allowance for credit losses represents Management's estimate of credit losses inherent in the loan portfolio. In evaluating credit risk for loans, Management measures loss potential of the carrying value of loans. As described above, payments received on nonaccrual loans may be applied against the principal balance of the loans until such time as full collection of the remaining recorded balance is expected. Further, the carrying value of purchased loans includes fair value discounts assigned at the time of purchase under the provisions of FASB ASC 805, Business Combinations, and FASB ASC 310-30, Loans or Debt Securities with Deteriorated Credit Quality. The allowance for credit losses represents Management's estimate of credit losses in excess of these reductions to the carrying value of loans within the loan portfolio.

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The following table summarizes the allowance for credit losses, chargeoffs and recoveries of the Company for the periods indicated:

Year ended December 31, (Dollars in thousands)	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Analysis of the Allowance for Credit Losses					
Balance, beginning of period	\$32,927	\$35,290	\$38,329	\$43,736	\$47,563
Provision for loan losses	8,000	11,200	11,200	11,200	10,500
Provision for unfunded commitments	—	—	—	—	(400)
Loans charged off:					
Commercial	(2,857)	(6,851)	(8,280)	(6,844)	(6,066)
Commercial real estate	(997)	(1,202)	(1,332)	(1,256)	—
Real estate construction	—	(2,217)	(2,167)	(1,668)	(1,333)
Real estate residential	(109)	(1,156)	(739)	(1,686)	(506)
Consumer and other installment	(4,097)	(5,685)	(6,754)	(8,814)	(9,362)
Purchased covered loans	(2,286)	(953)	(987)	—	—
Purchased non-covered loans	(385)	(110)	—	—	—
Total chargeoffs	(10,731)	(18,174)	(20,259)	(20,268)	(17,267)
Recoveries of loans previously charged off:					
Commercial	1,575	1,317	3,129	948	490
Commercial real estate	191	203	—	4	—
Real estate construction	—	224	1	—	664
Consumer and other installment	2,152	2,723	2,890	2,709	2,186
Purchased covered loans	272	144	—	—	—
Total recoveries	4,190	4,611	6,020	3,661	3,340
Net loan losses	(6,541)	(13,563)	(14,239)	(16,607)	(13,927)
Balance, end of period	\$34,386	\$32,927	\$35,290	\$38,329	\$43,736
Components:					
Allowance for loan losses	\$31,693	\$30,234	\$32,597	\$35,636	\$41,043
Liability for off-balance sheet credit exposure ..	2,693	2,693	2,693	2,693	2,693
Allowance for credit losses	\$34,386	\$32,927	\$35,290	\$38,329	\$43,736
Net loan losses:					
Originated loans	(\$4,142)	(\$12,644)	(\$13,252)	(\$16,607)	(\$13,927)
Purchased covered loans	(2,014)	(809)	(987)	—	—
Purchased non-covered loans	(385)	(110)	—	—	—
Net loan losses as a percentage of average loans:					
Originated loans	0.26%	0.72%	0.68%	0.79%	0.60%
Purchased covered loans	0.62%	0.18%	0.16%	—%	—%
Purchased non-covered loans	0.61%	0.11%	—%	—%	—%

The Company's allowance for credit losses is maintained at a level considered appropriate to provide for losses that can be estimated based upon specific and general conditions. These include conditions unique to individual borrowers, as well as overall credit loss experience, the amount of past due, nonperforming and classified loans, FDIC loss-sharing indemnification, recommendations of regulatory authorities, prevailing economic conditions and other factors. A portion of the allowance is specifically allocated to impaired loans whose full collectability of principal is uncertain. Such allocations are determined by Management based on loan-by-loan analyses. The Company evaluates all classified loans and nonaccrual loans with outstanding principal balances in excess of \$500 thousand, and all "troubled debt restructured" loans for impairment. A second allocation is based in part on quantitative analyses of historical credit loss experience, in which historical originated classified credit balances are analyzed using a statistical model to determine standard loss rates for originated loans. The results of this analysis are applied to originated classified loan balances to allocate the allowance to the respective segments of the loan portfolio. In addition, originated loans with similar characteristics not usually criticized using regulatory guidelines are analyzed based on the historical loss rates and delinquency trends, grouped by the number of days the payments on these loans are delinquent. Last, allocations are made to originated non-classified commercial and commercial real estate loans based on historical loss rates and other statistical data.

Purchased loans were not underwritten using the Company's credit policies and practices. Thus, the historical loss rates for originated loans are not applied to estimate credit losses for purchased loans. Purchased loans were recorded on the date of purchase at estimated fair value; fair value discounts include a component for estimated credit losses. The Company evaluates all nonaccrual purchased loans with outstanding principal balances in excess of \$500 thousand for impairment; the impaired loan value is compared to the recorded investment in the loan, which has been reduced by the credit default discount estimated on the date of purchase. If Management's impairment analysis determines the impaired loan value is less than the recorded investment in

the purchased loan, an allocation of the allowance for credit losses is established, net of estimated FDIC indemnification. For all other purchased loans, Management evaluates post-acquisition historical credit losses on purchased loans, credit default discounts on purchased loans, and other data to evaluate the likelihood of realizing the recorded investment of purchased loans. Management establishes allocations of the allowance for credit losses for any estimated deficiency.

The remainder of the allowance is considered to be unallocated. The unallocated allowance is established to provide for probable losses that have been incurred as of the reporting date but not reflected in the allocated allowance. The unallocated allowance addresses additional qualitative factors consistent with Management's analysis of the level of risks inherent in the loan portfolio, which are related to the risks of the Company's general lending activity. Included in the unallocated allowance is the risk of losses that are attributable to national or local economic or industry trends which have occurred but have not yet been recognized in loan chargeoff history (external factors). The external factors evaluated by the Company and the judgmental amount of unallocated reserve assigned by Management as of December 31, 2013 are: economic and business conditions \$1 million, external competitive issues \$800 thousand, and other factors. Also included in the unallocated allowance is the risk of losses attributable to general attributes of the Company's loan portfolio and credit administration (internal factors). The internal factors evaluated by the Company and the judgmental amount of unallocated reserve assigned by Management are: loan review system \$800 thousand, adequacy of lending Management and staff \$800 thousand, loan policies and procedures \$800 thousand, purchased loans \$1 million, concentrations of credit \$800 thousand, and other factors. By their nature, these risks are not readily allocable to any specific loan category in a statistically meaningful manner and are difficult to quantify with a specific number. Management assigns a range of estimated risk to the qualitative risk factors described above based on Management's judgment as to the level of risk, and assigns a quantitative risk factor from the range of loss estimates to determine the appropriate level of the unallocated portion of the allowance.

The following table presents the allocation of the allowance for credit losses as of December 31 for the years indicated:

At December 31,	2013		2012		2011		2010		2009	
	Allocation of the Allowance Balance	Loans as Percent of Total Loans	Allocation of the Allowance Balance	Loans as Percent of Total Loans	Allocation of the Allowance Balance	Loans as Percent of Total Loans	Allocation of the Allowance Balance	Loans as Percent of Total Loans	Allocation of the Allowance Balance	Loans as Percent of Total Loans
(Dollars in thousands)										
Originated loans:										
Commercial	\$5,663	18%	\$8,179	16%	\$7,672	16%	\$9,878	16%	\$9,190	17%
Commercial real estate	12,070	33%	10,072	30%	10,611	28%	9,607	26%	9,918	26%
Real estate construction	639	—%	484	—%	2,376	—%	3,559	1%	2,968	1%
Real estate residential	405	10%	380	10%	781	11%	617	10%	1,529	12%
Consumer installment & other	3,695	22%	3,613	22%	3,270	19%	6,982	16%	8,424	16%
Purchased covered loans	1,561	14%	1,005	18%	—	21%	—	24%	—	28%
Purchased non-covered loans	—	3%	—	4%	—	5%	—	7%	—	—%
Unallocated portion	10,353	—%	9,194	—%	10,580	—%	7,686	—%	11,707	—%
Total	\$34,386	100%	\$32,927	100%	\$35,290	100%	\$38,329	100%	\$43,736	100%

	Allowance for Credit Losses								Total
	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer Installment and Other	Purchased Non-covered Loans	Purchased Covered Loans	Unallocated	
	For the Year Ended December 31, 2013								
	(In thousands)								
Allowance for loan losses:									
Balance at beginning of period	\$6,445	\$10,063	\$484	\$380	\$3,194	\$-	\$1,005	\$8,663	\$30,234
Additions:									
Provision	(1,158)	2,813	118	134	1,949	385	2,570	1,189	8,000
Deductions:									
Chargeoffs	(2,857)	(997)	-	(109)	(4,097)	(385)	(2,286)	-	(10,731)
Recoveries	1,575	191	-	-	2,152	-	272	-	4,190
Net loan losses	(1,282)	(806)	-	(109)	(1,945)	(385)	(2,014)	-	(6,541)
Balance at end of period	4,005	12,070	602	405	3,198	-	1,561	9,852	31,693
Liability for off-balance sheet credit exposure	1,658	-	37	-	497	-	-	501	2,693
Total allowance for credit losses	\$5,663	\$12,070	\$639	\$405	\$3,695	\$-	\$1,561	\$10,353	\$34,386

Allowance for Credit Losses and Recorded Investment in Loans Evaluated for Impairment

At December 31, 2013

	Consumer								Total
	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Installment and Other	Purchased Non-covered Loans	Purchased Covered Loans	Unallocated	
	(In thousands)								
Allowance for credit losses:									
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$100	\$1,243	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$153	\$-	\$1,496
Collectively evaluated for impairment	5,563	10,827	639	405	3,695	-	1,408	10,353	32,890
Purchased loans with evidence of credit deterioration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$5,663	\$12,070	\$639	\$405	\$3,695	\$-	\$1,561	\$10,353	\$34,386
Carrying value of loans:									
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$3,901	\$3,357	-	-	-	\$3,785	\$9,999	-	\$21,042
Collectively evaluated for impairment	334,923	593,296	10,723	176,196	400,888	47,571	238,169	-	1,801,766
Purchased loans with evidence of credit deterioration	-	-	-	-	-	2,434	2,502	-	4,936
Total	\$338,824	\$596,653	\$10,723	\$176,196	\$400,888	\$53,790	\$250,670	\$-	\$1,827,744

Management considers the \$34.4 million allowance for credit losses to be adequate as a reserve against credit losses inherent in the loan portfolio as of December 31, 2013.

See Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information related to the loan portfolio, loan portfolio credit risk, and allowance for credit losses.

Asset/Liability and Market Risk Management

Asset/liability management involves the evaluation, monitoring and management of interest rate risk, market risk, liquidity and funding. The fundamental objective of the Company's management of assets and liabilities is to maximize its economic value while maintaining adequate liquidity and a conservative level of interest rate risk.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is a significant market risk affecting the Company. Many factors affect the Company's exposure to interest rates, such as general economic and financial conditions, customer preferences, historical pricing relationships, and re-pricing characteristics of financial instruments. Assets and liabilities may mature or re-price at different times. Assets and liabilities may re-price at the same time but by different amounts. Short-term and long-term market interest rates may change by different amounts. The timing and amount of cash flows of various assets or liabilities may shorten or lengthen as interest rates change. In addition, the changing levels of interest rates may have an impact on loan demand, demand for various deposit products, credit losses, and other elements of earnings such as account analysis fees on commercial deposit accounts and correspondent bank service charges.

The Company's earnings are affected not only by general economic conditions, but also by the monetary and fiscal policies of the U.S. and its agencies, particularly the Federal Reserve Board (the "FRB"). The monetary policies of the FRB can influence the overall growth of loans, investment securities, and deposits and the level of interest rates earned on assets and paid for liabilities. The nature and impact of future changes in monetary policies are generally not predictable.

The Federal Open Market Committee's January 29, 2014 press release stated "The Committee also reaffirmed its expectation that the current exceptionally low target range for the federal funds rate of 0 to 1/4 percent will be appropriate at least as long as the unemployment rate remains above 6-1/2 percent, inflation between one and two years ahead is projected to be no more than a half percentage point above the Committee's 2 percent longer-run goal, and longer-term inflation expectations continue to be well anchored. In determining how long to maintain a highly accommodative stance of monetary policy, the Committee will also consider other information, including additional measures of labor market conditions, indicators of inflation pressures and inflation expectations, and readings on financial developments. The Committee continues to anticipate, based on its assessment of these factors, that it likely will be appropriate to maintain the current target range for the federal funds rate well past the time that the unemployment rate declines below 6-1/2 percent, especially if projected inflation continues to run below the Committee's 2 percent longer-run goal. When the Committee decides to begin to remove policy accommodation, it will take a balanced approach consistent with its longer-run goals of maximum employment and inflation of 2 percent". In this context, Management's most likely earnings forecast for the twelve months ending December 31, 2014 assumes market interest rates remain relatively stable and yields on newly originated or refinanced loans and on purchased investment securities will reflect current interest rates, which are lower than yields on the Company's older dated loans and investment securities.

In adjusting the Company's asset/liability position, Management attempts to manage interest rate risk while enhancing the net interest margin and net interest income. At times, depending on expected increases or decreases in general interest rates, the

relationship between long and short term interest rates, market conditions and competitive factors, Management may adjust the Company's interest rate risk position in order to manage its net interest margin and net interest income. The Company's results of operations and net portfolio values remain subject to changes in interest rates and to fluctuations in the difference between long and short term interest rates.

The Company's asset and liability position ranged from slightly to modestly "liability sensitive" at December 31, 2013, depending on the interest rate assumptions applied to the simulation model employed by Management to measure interest rate risk. A "liability sensitive" position results in a slightly larger change in interest expense than in interest income resulting from application of assumed interest rate changes. Simulation estimates depend on, and will change with, the size and mix of the actual and projected balance sheet at the time of each simulation. Management's interest rate risk management is currently biased toward stable interest rates in the near-term, and ultimately, rising interest rates. Management continues to monitor the interest rate environment as well as economic conditions and other factors it deems relevant in managing the Company's exposure to interest rate risk.

The Company does not currently engage in trading activities or use derivative instruments to control interest rate risk, even though such activities may be permitted with the approval of the Company's Board of Directors.

Market Risk - Equity Markets

Equity price risk can affect the Company. As an example, any preferred or common stock holdings, as permitted by banking regulations, can fluctuate in value. Management regularly assesses the extent and duration of any declines in market value, the causes of such declines, the likelihood of a recovery in market value, and its intent to hold securities until a recovery in value occurs. Declines in value of preferred or common stock holdings that are deemed "other than temporary" could result in loss recognition in the Company's income statement.

Fluctuations in the Company's common stock price can impact the Company's financial results in several ways. First, the Company has regularly repurchased and retired its common stock; the market price paid to retire the Company's common stock can affect the level of the Company's shareholders' equity, cash flows and shares outstanding. Second, the Company's common stock price impacts the number of dilutive equivalent shares used to compute diluted earnings per share. Third, fluctuations in the Company's common stock price can motivate holders of options to purchase Company common stock through the exercise of such options thereby increasing the number of shares outstanding. Finally, the amount of compensation expense associated with share based compensation fluctuates with changes in and the volatility of the Company's common stock price.

Market Risk - Other

Market values of loan collateral can directly impact the level of loan charge-offs and the provision for loan losses. The financial condition and liquidity of debtors issuing bonds and debtors whose mortgages or other obligations are securitized can directly impact the credit quality of the Company's investment portfolio requiring the Company to recognize other than temporary impairment charges. Other types of market risk, such as foreign currency exchange risk and commodity price risk, are not significant in the normal course of the Company's business activities.

Liquidity and Funding

The objective of liquidity management is to manage cash flow and liquidity reserves so that they are adequate to fund the Company's operations and meet obligations and other commitments on a timely basis and at a reasonable cost. The Company achieves this objective through the selection of asset and liability maturity mixes that it believes best meet its needs. The Company's liquidity position is enhanced by its ability to raise additional funds as needed in the wholesale markets.

In recent years, the Company's deposit base has provided the majority of the Company's funding requirements. This relatively stable and low-cost source of funds, along with shareholders' equity, provided 97 percent and 96 percent of funding for average total assets in the years 2013 and 2012, respectively. The stability of the Company's funding from customer deposits is reliant on the confidence clients have in the Company. The Company places a very high priority in maintaining this confidence through conservative credit and capital management practices and by maintaining an appropriate level of liquidity reserves.

Effective December 31, 2010, the Dodd-Frank Act required unlimited FDIC deposit insurance on all non-interest bearing transaction accounts and mandated participation by all member banks. This requirement and mandate expired on December 31, 2012, at which time unlimited FDIC insurance on non-interest bearing transaction accounts came to an end. Upon expiration, the standard maximum FDIC insurance coverage returned to \$250,000 for non-interest bearing transaction accounts. The change in deposit insurance has not had a significant impact to the Company's deposit levels.

During 2012 and 2013, non-deposit funding has been obtained through short-term borrowings, a term repurchase agreement, Federal Home Loan Bank advances, and long-term debt financing. These non-deposit sources of funds comprise a modest portion of total funding.

Liquidity is further provided by assets such as balances held at the Federal Reserve Bank, investment securities, and amortizing loans. The Company's investment securities portfolio provides a substantial secondary liquidity reserve. The Company held \$2.2 billion in total investment securities at December 31, 2013. Under certain deposit, borrowing and other arrangements, the Company must hold and pledge investment securities as collateral. At December 31, 2013, such collateral requirements totaled approximately \$779 million.

Liquidity risk can result from the mismatching of asset and liability cash flows, or from disruptions in the financial markets. The Company performs liquidity stress tests on a periodic basis to evaluate the sustainability of its liquidity. Under the stress testing, the Company assumes outflows of funds increase beyond expected levels. Measurement of such heightened outflows considers the composition of the Company's deposit base, including any concentration of deposits, non-deposit funding such as short-term borrowings and Federal Home Loan Bank advances, and unfunded lending commitments. The Company evaluates its stock of highly liquid assets to meet the assumed higher levels of outflows. Highly liquid assets include cash and amounts due from other banks from daily transaction settlements, reduced by branch cash needs and Federal Reserve Bank reserve requirements, and investment securities based on regulatory risk-weighting guidelines. Based on the results of the most recent liquidity stress test, Management is satisfied with the liquidity condition of the Bank and the Company. However, no assurance can be given the Bank or Company will not experience a period of reduced liquidity.

Management will monitor the Company's cash levels throughout 2014. Loan demand from credit-worthy borrowers will be dictated by economic and competitive conditions. The Company aggressively solicits non-interest bearing demand deposits and money market checking deposits, which are the least sensitive to changes in interest rates. The growth of these deposit balances is subject to heightened competition, the success of the Company's sales efforts, delivery of superior customer service, new regulations and market conditions. The Company does not aggressively solicit higher-costing time deposits; as a result, Management anticipates such deposits will decline. Changes in interest rates, most notably rising interest rates, could impact deposit volumes. Depending on economic conditions, interest rate levels, and a variety of other conditions, deposit growth may be used to fund loans, reduce borrowings or purchase investment securities. However, due to possible concerns such as uncertainty in the general economic environment, competition and political uncertainty, loan demand and levels of customer deposits are not certain. Shareholder dividends are expected to continue subject to the Board's discretion and continuing evaluation of capital levels, earnings, asset quality and other factors.

Westamerica Bancorporation ("Parent Company") is a separate entity apart from Westamerica Bank ("Bank") and must provide for its own liquidity. In addition to its operating expenses, the Parent Company is responsible for the payment of dividends declared for its shareholders, and interest and principal on any outstanding debt. The \$15 million note issued by the Parent Company, as described in Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements, matured and was repaid October 31, 2013. Substantially all of the Parent Company's revenues are obtained from subsidiary dividends and service fees. The Bank's dividends paid to the Parent Company and proceeds from the exercise of stock options provided adequate cash flow for the Parent Company in 2013 and 2012 to pay shareholder dividends of \$40 million and \$41 million, respectively, and retire common stock in the amount of \$57 million and \$51 million, respectively. Payment of dividends to the Parent Company by the Bank is limited under California and Federal laws. The Company believes these regulatory dividend restrictions will not have an impact on the Parent Company's ability to meet its ongoing cash obligations.

Contractual Obligations

The following table sets forth the known contractual obligations, except short-term borrowing arrangements and post-retirement benefit plans, of the Company:

At December 31, 2013 (In thousands)	Within One Year	Over One to Three Years	Over Three to Five Years	After Five Years	Total
Term Repurchase Agreement	\$10,000	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$10,000
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	—	20,577	—	—	20,577
Operating Lease Obligations	8,357	9,280	3,069	594	21,300
Purchase Obligations	7,884	15,768	—	—	23,652
Total.....	\$26,241	\$45,625	\$3,069	\$594	\$75,529

Federal Home Loan Bank advances and operating lease obligations may be retired prior to the contractual maturity as discussed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. The purchase obligation consists of the Company's minimum liability under a contract with a third-party automation services provider.

Capital Resources

The Company has historically generated high levels of earnings, which provides a means of raising capital. The Company's net income as a percentage of average shareholders' equity ("return on equity" or "ROE") has been 12.5% in 2013, 14.9% in 2012 and 16.1% in 2011. The Company also raises capital as employees exercise stock options. Capital raised through the exercise of stock options totaled \$21.5 million in 2013, \$7.6 million in 2012 and \$14.4 million in 2011.

The Company paid common dividends totaling \$40.1 million in 2013, \$41.0 million in 2012 and \$41.7 million in 2011, which represent dividends per common share of \$1.49, \$1.48 and \$1.45, respectively. The Company's earnings have historically exceeded dividends paid to shareholders. The amount of earnings in excess of dividends provides the Company resources to finance growth and maintain appropriate levels of shareholders' equity. In the absence of profitable growth opportunities, the Company has repurchased and retired its common stock as another means to return earnings to shareholders. The Company repurchased and retired 1.2 million shares valued at \$57.3 million in 2013, 1.1 million shares valued at \$51.5 million in 2012 and 1.3 million shares valued at \$60.5 million in 2011.

The Company's primary capital resource is shareholders' equity, which was \$542.9 million at December 31, 2013 compared with \$560.1 million at December 31, 2012. For 2013, the Company earned \$67.2 million in net income, raised \$21.5 million from the issuance of stock in connection with exercises of employee stock options, paid \$40.1 million in common dividends, and repurchased \$57.3 million in common stock.

The Company's ratio of equity to total assets was 11.20% at December 31, 2013 and 11.31% at December 31, 2012.

The Company performs capital stress tests on a periodic basis to evaluate the sustainability of its capital. Under the stress testing, the Company assumes various scenarios such as deteriorating economic and operating conditions, unanticipated asset devaluations, and significant operational lapses. The Company measures the impact of these scenarios on its earnings and capital. Based on the results of the most recent stress tests, Management is satisfied with the capital condition of the Bank and the Company. However, no assurance can be given the Bank or Company will not experience a period of reduced earnings or a reduction in capital from unanticipated events and circumstances.

Capital to Risk-Adjusted Assets

The following summarizes the ratios of regulatory capital to risk-adjusted assets for the Company on the dates indicated:

	2013	2012	Minimum Regulatory Requirement	Well Capitalized
At December 31,				
Tier I Capital	14.71%	15.06%	4.00%	6.00%
Total Capital	16.18%	16.33%	8.00%	10.00%
Leverage ratio	8.55%	8.56%	4.00%	5.00%

The following summarizes the ratios of capital to risk-adjusted assets for the Bank on the dates indicated:

	2013	2012	Minimum Regulatory Requirement	Well Capitalized
At December 31,				
Tier I Capital	13.26%	14.14%	4.00%	6.00%
Total Capital	14.93%	15.62%	8.00%	10.00%
Leverage ratio	7.67%	7.99%	4.00%	5.00%

FDIC-covered assets are generally 20% risk-weighted due to the FDIC indemnification, which expires on February 6, 2019 as to residential real estate covered assets and expired on February 6, 2014 as to non-residential real estate covered assets. Subsequent to such dates, previously FDIC-indemnified assets will generally be included in the 100% risk-weight category.

On July 2, 2013, the Federal Reserve Board approved a final rule that implements changes to the regulatory capital framework for all banking organizations. The rule's provisions which would most affect the regulatory capital requirements of the Company and the Bank:

- Introduce a new "Common Equity Tier 1" capital measurement,
- Establish higher minimum levels of capital,
- Introduce a "capital conservation buffer," and
- Increase the risk-weighting of certain assets, in particular construction loans, loans on nonaccrual status, loans 90 days or more past due, and deferred tax assets.

Under the final rule, a banking organization that is not subject to the "advanced approaches rule" may make a one-time election not to include most elements of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income, including net-of-tax unrealized gains and losses on available for sale investment securities, in regulatory capital and instead effectively use the existing treatment under the general risk-based capital rules. Neither the Company nor the Bank are subject to the "advanced approaches rule" and intend to make the election not to include most elements of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in regulatory capital.

Generally, banking organizations that are not subject to the "advanced approaches rule" must begin complying with the final rule on January 1, 2015; on such date, the Company and the Bank become subject to the revised definitions of regulatory capital, the new minimum regulatory capital ratios, and various regulatory capital adjustments and deductions according to transition provisions and timelines. All banking organizations must begin calculating standardized total risk-weighted assets on January 1, 2015. The transition period for the capital conservation buffer for all banking organizations will begin on January 1, 2016 and end January 1, 2019. Any bank subject to the rule which is unable to maintain its "capital conservation buffer" will be restricted in the payment of discretionary executive compensation and shareholder distributions, such as dividends and share repurchases.

The final rule does not supersede the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act (FDICIA) requiring federal banking agencies to take prompt corrective action (PCA) to resolve problems of insured depository institutions. The final rule revises the PCA thresholds to incorporate the higher minimum levels of capital, including the newly proposed "common equity tier 1" ratios.

Management has evaluated the capital structure and assets for the Company and the Bank as of December 31, 2013 assuming (1) the Federal Reserve's final rule was currently fully phased-in and (2) the FDIC indemnification of the Bank's purchased covered assets had expired, causing an increase in risk-weightings on such assets. Based on this evaluation, the Company and the Bank currently maintain capital in excess of all the final rule regulatory ratios, as follows:

	Final Rule Minimum Capital Requirement	"Well-capitalized" Under PCA Proposal	Final Rule Minimum Plus "Capital Conservation Buffer"	Proforma Measurements as of December 31, 2013 Assuming Final Rule Fully Phased-in and Covered Asset Indemnification Expired	
				<u>Company</u>	<u>Bank</u>
Capital Measurement:					
Leverage	4.00%	5.00%	4.00%	8.16%	7.35%
Common Equity Tier 1	4.50%	6.50%	7.00%	12.84%	11.65%
Tier I Capital	6.00%	8.00%	8.50%	12.84%	11.65%
Total Capital	8.00%	10.00%	10.50%	14.19%	12.99%

The Company and the Bank intend to maintain regulatory capital in excess of the highest regulatory standard. The Company and the Bank routinely project capital levels by analyzing forecasted earnings, credit quality, securities valuations, shareholder dividends, asset volumes, share repurchase activity, stock option exercise proceeds, and other factors. Based on current capital projections, the Company and the Bank expect to maintain regulatory capital levels exceeding the highest effective regulatory standard and pay quarterly dividends to shareholders. No assurance can be given that changes in capital management plans will not occur.

Deposit Categories

The Company primarily attracts deposits from local businesses and professionals, as well as through retail savings and checking accounts, and, to a more limited extent, certificates of deposit.

The following table summarizes the Company's average daily amount of deposits and the rates paid for the periods indicated:

Deposit Distribution and Average Rates Paid

Years Ended December 31, (Dollars in thousands)	2013			2012			2011		
	Average Balance	Percentage of Total Deposits	Rate	Average Balance	Percentage of Total Deposits	Rate	Average Balance	Percentage of Total Deposits	Rate
Noninterest bearing									
demand	\$1,683,447	40.4%	—%	\$1,603,981	38.0%	—%	\$1,496,362	35.9%	—%
Interest bearing:									
Transaction	758,771	18.2%	0.03%	754,979	17.9%	0.04%	713,754	17.1%	0.10%
Savings	1,151,360	27.7%	0.08%	1,132,980	26.9%	0.08%	1,112,364	26.7%	0.15%
Time less than \$100 thousand.....	228,061	5.5%	0.47%	264,466	6.3%	0.57%	313,548	7.5%	0.67%
Time \$100 thousand or more	341,184	8.2%	0.32%	460,833	10.9%	0.33%	535,866	12.8%	0.43%
Total*	\$4,162,823	100.0%	0.08%	\$4,217,239	100.0%	0.10%	\$4,171,894	100.0%	0.16%

* The rates for total deposits reflect value of noninterest bearing deposits.

The Company's strategy includes building the value of its deposit base by building balances of lower-costing deposits and avoiding reliance on higher-costing time deposits. From 2011 to 2013 the deposit composition shifted from higher costing time deposits to lower costing checking and savings accounts. The Company's average balances of checking and savings accounts represented 86% of average balances of total deposits in 2013 compared with 83% in 2012 and 80% in 2011.

Total time deposits were \$492.8 million and \$642.6 million at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The following table sets forth, by time remaining to maturity, the Company's total domestic time deposits. The Company has no foreign time deposits.

Time Deposits Maturity Distribution

(In thousands)	December 31, 2013
2014	\$401,627
2015	39,375
2016	23,092
2017	13,103
2018	13,357
Thereafter	2,213
Total.....	<u>\$492,767</u>

The following sets forth, by time remaining to maturity, the Company's domestic time deposits in amounts of \$100 thousand or more:

Time Deposits Over \$100,000 Maturity Distribution

(In thousands)	December 31, 2013
Three months or less	\$179,981
Over three through six months	31,586
Over six through twelve months.....	39,841
Over twelve months.....	47,446
Total.....	<u>\$298,854</u>

Short-term Borrowings

The following table sets forth the short-term borrowings of the Company:

Short-Term Borrowings Distribution

(In thousands)	At December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase the securities	\$62,668	\$53,687	\$115,689
Total short term borrowings	\$62,668	\$53,687	\$115,689

Further detail of federal funds purchased and other borrowed funds is as follows:

Years Ended December 31, (Dollars in thousands)	2013	2012	2011
Federal funds purchased balances and rates paid on outstanding amount:			
Average balance for the year	\$8	\$8	\$96
Maximum month-end balance during the year	—	—	—
Average interest rate for the year	0.60%	0.58%	0.11%
Average interest rate at period end	—%	—%	—%
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase the securities balances and rates paid on outstanding amount:			
Average balance for the year	\$57,446	\$81,315	\$103,127
Maximum month-end balance during the year	66,640	116,974	115,689
Average interest rate for the year	0.07%	0.07%	0.15%
Average interest rate at period end	0.07%	0.07%	0.09%
FHLB advances balances and rates paid on outstanding amount:			
Average balance for the year	\$25,499	\$25,916	\$41,741
Maximum month-end balance during the year	25,780	26,004	61,619
Average interest rate for the year	1.88%	1.86%	1.25%
Average interest rate at period end	1.96%	1.88%	1.84%
Term repurchase agreement balances and rates paid on outstanding amount:			
Average balance for the year	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$3,945
Maximum month-end balance during the year	10,000	10,000	10,000
Average interest rate for the year	0.98%	0.99%	0.98%
Average interest rate at period end	0.97%	0.97%	0.97%
Line of credit balances and rates paid on outstanding amount:			
Average balance for the year	\$—	\$—	\$1,933
Maximum month-end balance during the year	—	—	10,150
Average interest rate for the year	—%	—%	2.95%
Average interest rate at period end	—%	—%	—%

Financial Ratios

The following table shows key financial ratios for the periods indicated:

At and for the years ended December 31,	2013	2012	2011
Return on average total assets	1.38%	1.64%	1.78%
Return on average common shareholders' equity	12.48%	14.93%	16.14%
Average shareholders' equity as a percentage of:			
Average total assets	11.06%	10.97%	11.00%
Average total loans	27.53%	23.47%	19.90%
Average total deposits	12.93%	12.88%	13.05%
Common dividend payout ratio	60%	51%	47%

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The Company does not currently engage in trading activities or use derivative instruments to control interest rate risk, even though such activities may be permitted with the approval of the Company's Board of Directors.

Credit risk and interest rate risk are the most significant market risks affecting the Company, and equity price risk can also affect the Company's financial results. These risks are described in the preceding sections regarding "Loan Portfolio Credit Risk," and "Asset/Liability and Market Risk Management." Other types of market risk, such as foreign currency exchange risk and commodity price risk, are not significant in the normal course of the Company's business activities.

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MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management of Westamerica Bancorporation and subsidiaries (the "Company") is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, and for performing an assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013. Internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Company's system of internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of Management and Directors of the Company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Management performed an assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013 based upon criteria in Internal Control — Integrated Framework (1992) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO"). Based on this assessment, Management determined that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2013 based on the criteria in Internal Control - Integrated Framework (1992) issued by COSO.

The Company's independent registered public accounting firm has issued an attestation report on Management's assessment of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. This report is included below.

Dated: February 27, 2014

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders
Westamerica Bancorporation:

We have audited Westamerica Bancorporation and subsidiaries (the Company) internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (1992)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company’s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management’s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company’s internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company’s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company’s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company’s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (1992)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of the Company as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in shareholders’ equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2013, and our report dated February 27, 2014 expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements.

/s/ KPMG LLP
KPMG LLP

San Francisco, California
February 27, 2014

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	At December 31,	
	2013	2012
	(In thousands)	
Assets		
Cash and due from banks	\$472,028	\$491,382
Investment securities available for sale.....	1,079,381	825,636
Investment securities held to maturity, with fair values of \$1,112,676 at December 31, 2013 and \$1,184,557 at December 31, 2012	1,132,299	1,156,041
Purchased covered loans	250,670	372,283
Purchased non-covered loans	53,790	74,891
Originated loans	1,523,284	1,664,183
Allowance for loan losses	(31,693)	(30,234)
Total loans	1,796,051	2,081,123
Non-covered other real estate owned	5,527	12,661
Covered other real estate owned	7,793	13,691
Premises and equipment, net	37,314	38,639
Identifiable intangibles, net	18,557	23,261
Goodwill	121,673	121,673
Other assets	176,432	188,086
Total Assets	\$4,847,055	\$4,952,193
Liabilities		
Deposits:		
Noninterest bearing deposits	\$1,740,182	\$1,676,071
Interest bearing deposits	2,423,599	2,556,421
Total deposits	4,163,781	4,232,492
Short-term borrowed funds	62,668	53,687
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	20,577	25,799
Term repurchase agreement	10,000	10,000
Debt financing	—	15,000
Other liabilities	47,095	55,113
Total Liabilities	4,304,121	4,392,091
Shareholders' Equity		
Common Stock (no par value), authorized - 150,000 shares		
Issued and outstanding – 26,510 at December 31, 2013 and 27,213 at December 31, 2012	378,946	372,012
Deferred compensation	2,711	3,101
Accumulated other comprehensive income	4,313	14,625
Retained earnings	156,964	170,364
Total Shareholders' Equity	542,934	560,102
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$4,847,055	\$4,952,193

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands, except per share data)		
Interest and Loan Fee Income			
Loans	\$102,626	\$130,820	\$160,673
Investment securities available for sale	21,822	19,810	21,594
Investment securities held to maturity	29,948	32,734	25,712
Total Interest and Loan Fee Income	154,396	183,364	207,979
Interest Expense			
Deposits	3,348	4,283	6,805
Short-term borrowed funds	77	77	216
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	480	483	520
Term repurchase agreement	98	99	39
Debt financing	668	802	802
Total Interest Expense	4,671	5,744	8,382
Net Interest Income	149,725	177,620	199,597
Provision for Loan Losses	8,000	11,200	11,200
Net Interest Income After Provision for Loan Losses	141,725	166,420	188,397
Noninterest Income			
Service charges on deposit accounts	25,693	27,691	29,523
Merchant processing services	9,031	9,734	9,436
Debit card fees	5,829	5,173	4,956
Other service fees	2,846	2,801	2,827
ATM processing fees	2,758	3,396	3,815
Trust fees	2,313	2,078	1,887
Financial services commissions	831	689	423
Loss on sale of securities	—	(1,287)	—
Other	7,710	6,747	7,230
Total Noninterest Income	57,011	57,022	60,097
Noninterest Expense			
Salaries and related benefits	56,633	57,388	58,501
Occupancy	15,137	15,460	16,209
Outsourced data processing services	8,548	8,531	8,844
Amortization of identifiable intangibles	4,704	5,368	5,975
Furniture and equipment	3,869	3,775	3,837
Professional fees	3,057	3,217	4,802
Courier service	2,868	3,117	3,342
Other real estate owned	1,035	1,235	2,458
Settlements	—	—	2,100
Other	16,763	18,794	21,610
Total Noninterest Expense	112,614	116,885	127,678
Income Before Income Taxes	86,122	106,557	120,816
Provision for income taxes	18,945	25,430	32,928
Net Income	\$67,177	\$81,127	\$87,888
Average Common Shares Outstanding	26,826	27,654	28,628
Diluted Average Common Shares Outstanding	26,877	27,699	28,742
Per Common Share Data			
Basic earnings	\$2.50	\$2.93	\$3.07
Diluted earnings	2.50	2.93	3.06
Dividends paid	1.49	1.48	1.45

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands)		
Net income	\$67,177	\$81,127	\$87,888
Other comprehensive (loss) income:			
(Decrease) increase in net unrealized gains on securities available for sale	(17,855)	5,557	19,282
Deferred tax benefit (expense)	7,507	(2,337)	(8,108)
(Decrease) increase in net unrealized gains on securities available for sale, net of tax	(10,348)	3,220	11,174
Post-retirement benefit transition obligation amortization	61	61	61
Deferred tax expense	(25)	(25)	(25)
Post-retirement benefit transition obligation amortization, net of tax	36	36	36
Total other comprehensive (loss) income	(10,312)	3,256	11,210
Total comprehensive income	<u>\$56,865</u>	<u>\$84,383</u>	<u>\$99,098</u>

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

	<i>Common Shares Outstanding</i>	<i>Common Stock</i>	<i>Accumulated Deferred Compensation</i>	<i>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (loss)</i>	<i>Retained Earnings</i>	<i>Total</i>
Balance, December 31, 2010	29,090	\$378,885	\$2,724	\$159	\$163,519	\$545,287
Net income for the year 2011.....					87,888	87,888
Other comprehensive income.....				11,210		11,210
Exercise of stock options.....	360	14,374				14,374
Tax benefit decrease upon exercise of stock options.....		(248)				(248)
Restricted stock activity.....	15	455	336			791
Stock based compensation.....		1,425				1,425
Stock awarded to employees.....	2	89				89
Purchase and retirement of stock.....	(1,317)	(17,205)			(43,300)	(60,505)
Dividends.....					(41,670)	(41,670)
Balance, December 31, 2011	28,150	377,775	3,060	11,369	166,437	558,641
Net income for the year 2012.....					81,127	81,127
Other comprehensive income.....				3,256		3,256
Exercise of stock options.....	185	7,635				7,635
Tax benefit decrease upon exercise of stock options.....		(119)				(119)
Restricted stock activity.....	11	482	41			523
Stock based compensation.....		1,450				1,450
Stock awarded to employees.....	2	93				93
Purchase and retirement of stock.....	(1,135)	(15,304)			(36,195)	(51,499)
Dividends.....					(41,005)	(41,005)
Balance, December 31, 2012	27,213	372,012	3,101	14,625	170,364	560,102
Net income for the year 2013.....					67,177	67,177
Other comprehensive loss.....				(10,312)		(10,312)
Exercise of stock options.....	479	21,499				21,499
Tax benefit decrease upon exercise of stock options.....		(298)				(298)
Restricted stock activity.....	15	1,068	(390)			678
Stock based compensation.....		1,397				1,397
Stock awarded to employees.....	2	107				107
Purchase and retirement of stock.....	(1,199)	(16,839)			(40,481)	(57,320)
Dividends.....					(40,096)	(40,096)
Balance, December 31, 2013	26,510	\$378,946	\$2,711	\$4,313	\$156,964	\$542,934

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands)		
Operating Activities:			
Net income	\$67,177	\$81,127	\$87,888
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization/accretion	18,015	14,074	14,253
Loan loss provision	8,000	11,200	11,200
Net amortization of deferred loan fees	(420)	(506)	(434)
Decrease (increase) in interest income receivable	1,249	2,396	(172)
(Increase) decrease in deferred tax asset	(1,618)	(6,952)	2,094
Decrease in other assets	5,814	142	2,773
Stock option compensation expense	1,397	1,450	1,425
Tax benefit decrease upon exercise of stock options	298	119	248
(Decrease) increase in income taxes payable	(1,677)	(1,439)	2,074
Decrease in interest expense payable	(274)	(334)	(1,338)
(Decrease) increase in other liabilities	(12,510)	17,147	431
Loss on sale of securities available for sale	—	1,287	—
Gain on sale of real estate and other assets	(548)	(1,056)	(1,200)
Write-down/net loss(gain) on sale/ of premises and equipment	17	117	(398)
Originations of mortgage loans for resale	(501)	(675)	(595)
Proceeds from sale of mortgage loans originated for resale	509	707	616
Net write-down/loss on sale of foreclosed assets	387	660	1,528
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	85,315	119,464	120,393
Investing Activities:			
Net repayments of loans	274,774	385,042	341,515
Proceeds from FDIC ¹ loss-sharing agreement	7,069	28,423	7,658
Purchases of investment securities available for sale	(418,745)	(384,363)	(290,610)
Proceeds from sale/maturity/calls of securities available for sale	144,886	203,036	331,933
Purchases of investment securities held to maturity	(196,536)	(484,002)	(428,511)
Proceeds from maturity/calls of securities held to maturity	217,652	232,226	95,898
Purchases of premises and equipment	(1,693)	(4,834)	(3,309)
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment	—	—	640
Purchases of FRB ² /FHLB ³ securities	—	—	(14,069)
Proceeds from sale of FRB ² /FHLB ³ /FHLMC ⁴ securities	3,166	2,088	1,829
Proceeds from sale of foreclosed assets	20,349	28,081	24,671
Net Cash Provided By Investing Activities	50,922	5,697	67,645
Financing Activities:			
Net change in deposits	(68,357)	(16,835)	118,131
Net change in short-term borrowings and FHLB ³ advances	3,981	(62,001)	(16,868)
Repayments of notes payable	(15,000)	—	(10,000)
Exercise of stock options/issuance of shares	21,499	7,635	14,374
Tax benefit decrease upon exercise of stock options	(298)	(119)	(248)
Retirement of common stock including repurchases	(57,320)	(51,499)	(60,505)
Common stock dividends paid	(40,096)	(41,005)	(41,670)
Net Cash (Used In) Provided By Financing Activities	(155,591)	(163,824)	3,214
Net Change In Cash and Due from Banks	(19,354)	(38,663)	191,252
Cash and Due from Banks at Beginning of Year	491,382	530,045	338,793
Cash and Due from Banks at End of Year	\$472,028	\$491,382	\$530,045
Supplemental Disclosures:			
Supplemental disclosure of noncash activities:			
Loans transferred to other real estate owned	\$8,643	\$11,619	\$39,453
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow activity:			
Interest paid for the period	5,452	6,814	11,271
Income tax payments for the period	22,562	34,111	28,826

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

¹ Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC")

² Federal Reserve Bank ("FRB")

³ Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB")

⁴ Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. ("FHLMC")

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1: Business and Accounting Policies

Westamerica Bancorporation, a registered bank holding company (the “Company”), provides a full range of banking services to corporate and individual customers in Northern and Central California through its subsidiary bank, Westamerica Bank (the “Bank”). The Bank is subject to competition from both financial and nonfinancial institutions and to the regulations of certain agencies and undergoes periodic examinations by those regulatory authorities.

The Company has evaluated events and transactions subsequent to the balance sheet date. Based on this evaluation, the Company is not aware of any events or transactions that occurred subsequent to the balance sheet date but prior to filing that would require recognition or disclosure in its consolidated financial statements.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The following is a summary of significant policies used in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements.

Accounting Estimates. Certain accounting policies underlying the preparation of these financial statements require Management to make estimates and judgments about future economic and market conditions. These estimates and judgments may affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses, and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Although the estimates contemplate current conditions and how Management expects them to change in the future, it is reasonably possible that in 2014 actual conditions could be worse than anticipated in those estimates, which could materially affect our results of operations and financial conditions. The most significant of these involve the Allowance for Credit Losses, as discussed below under “Allowance for Credit Losses,” estimated fair values of purchased loans, as discussed below under “Purchased Loans,” and the evaluation of other than temporary impairment, as discussed below under “Securities.”

Principles of Consolidation. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and all the Company’s subsidiaries. Significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The Company does not maintain or conduct transactions with any unconsolidated special purpose entities.

Cash Equivalents. Cash equivalents include Due From Banks balances which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and are generally 90 days or less from maturity at the time of initiation, presenting insignificant risk of changes in value due to interest rate changes.

Securities. Investment securities consist of debt securities of the U.S. Treasury, government sponsored entities, states, counties, municipalities, corporations, mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities and equity securities. Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. The Company classifies its debt and marketable equity securities in one of three categories: trading, available for sale or held to maturity. Trading securities are bought and held principally for the purpose of selling them in the near term. Trading securities are recorded at fair value with unrealized gains and losses included in earnings. Held to maturity securities are those debt securities which the Company has the ability and intent to hold until maturity. Held to maturity securities are recorded at cost, adjusted for the amortization of premiums or accretion of discounts. Securities not included in trading or held to maturity are classified as available for sale. Available for sale securities are recorded at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses, net of the related tax effect, on available for sale securities are included in other comprehensive income.

The Company utilizes third-party sources to value its investment securities; securities individually valued using quoted prices in active markets are classified as Level 1 assets in the fair value hierarchy, and securities valued using quoted prices in active markets for similar securities (commonly referred to as “matrix” pricing) are classified as Level 2 assets in the fair value hierarchy. The Company validates the reliability of third-party provided values by comparing individual security pricing for a sample of securities between more than one third-party source. When third-party information is not available, valuation adjustments are estimated in good faith by Management.

A decline in the market value of any available for sale or held to maturity security below amortized cost that is deemed other than temporary results in a charge to earnings and the establishment of a new cost basis for the security. Unrealized investment securities losses are evaluated at least quarterly to determine whether such declines in value should be considered “other than temporary” and therefore be subject to immediate loss recognition in income. Although these evaluations involve significant

judgment, an unrealized loss in the fair value of a debt security is generally deemed to be temporary when the fair value of the security is below the carrying value primarily due to changes in risk-free interest rates, there has not been significant deterioration in the financial condition of the issuer, and the Company does not intend to sell or be required to sell the securities before recovery of its amortized cost. An unrealized loss in the value of an equity security is generally considered temporary when the fair value of the security declined primarily due to current market conditions and not deterioration in the financial condition of the issuer, the Company expects the fair value of the security to recover in the near term and the Company does not intend to sell or be required to sell the securities before recovery of its amortized cost. Other factors that may be considered in determining whether a decline in the value of either a debt or an equity security is “other than temporary” include ratings by recognized rating agencies, actions of commercial banks or other lenders relative to the continued extension of credit facilities to the issuer of the security, the financial condition, capital strength and near-term prospects of the issuer, and recommendations of investment advisors or market analysts.

The Company follows the guidance issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, “Investing in Securities without Reliance on Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Agencies” (SR 12-15) and other regulatory guidance when performing investment security pre-purchase analysis or evaluating investment securities for impairment. Credit ratings issued by recognized rating agencies are considered in the Company’s analysis only as a guide to the historical default rate associated with similarly-rated bonds.

Purchase premiums are amortized and purchase discounts are accreted over the estimated life of the related investment security as an adjustment to yield using the effective interest method. Unamortized premiums, unaccreted discounts, and early payment premiums are recognized as a component of gain or loss on sale upon disposition of the related security. Interest and dividend income are recognized when earned. Realized gains and losses from the sale of available for sale securities are included in earnings using the specific identification method.

Nonmarketable Equity Securities. Nonmarketable equity securities include securities that are not publicly traded, such as Visa Class B common stock, and securities acquired to meet regulatory requirements, such as Federal Home Loan Bank and Federal Reserve Bank stock, which are restricted. These restricted securities are accounted for under the cost method and are included in other assets. The Company reviews those assets accounted for under the cost method at least quarterly for possible declines in value that are considered “other than temporary”. The Company’s review typically includes an analysis of the facts and circumstances of each investment, the expectations for the investment’s cash flows and capital needs, the viability of its business model and any exit strategy. The asset value is reduced when a decline in value is considered to be other than temporary. The Company recognizes the estimated loss in noninterest income.

Loans. Loans are stated at the principal amount outstanding, net of unearned discount and unamortized deferred fees and costs. Interest is accrued daily on the outstanding principal balances. Loans which are more than 90 days delinquent with respect to interest or principal, unless they are well secured and in the process of collection, and other loans on which full recovery of principal or interest is in doubt, are placed on nonaccrual status. Interest previously accrued on loans placed on nonaccrual status is charged against interest income. In addition, some loans secured by real estate with temporarily impaired values and commercial loans to borrowers experiencing financial difficulties are placed on nonaccrual status (“performing nonaccrual loans”) even though the borrowers continue to repay the loans as scheduled. When the ability to fully collect nonaccrual loan principal is in doubt, payments received are applied against the principal balance of the loans on a cost-recovery method until such time as full collection of the remaining recorded balance is expected. Any additional interest payments received after that time are recorded as interest income on a cash basis. Performing nonaccrual loans are reinstated to accrual status when improvements in credit quality eliminate the doubt as to the full collectability of both interest and principal. Certain consumer loans or auto receivables are charged off against the allowance for credit losses when they become 120 days past due.

The Company evaluates all classified loans and nonaccrual loans with outstanding principal balances in excess of \$500 thousand, and all “troubled debt restructured” loans for impairment. The Company recognizes a loan as impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that it will be unable to collect both the contractual interest and principal payments as scheduled in the loan agreement. Income recognition on impaired loans conforms to that used on nonaccrual loans. In certain circumstances, the Company might agree to restructured loan terms with borrowers experiencing financial difficulties; such restructured loans are evaluated under ASC 310-40, “Troubled Debt Restructurings by Creditors.” In general, a restructuring constitutes a troubled debt restructuring when the Company, for reasons related to a borrower’s financial difficulties, grants a concession to the borrower it would not otherwise consider. Loans are evaluated on an individual basis. The Company follows its general nonaccrual policy for troubled debt restructurings. Performing troubled debt restructurings are reinstated to accrual status when improvements in credit quality eliminate the doubt as to full collectability of both principal and interest.

Nonrefundable fees and certain costs associated with originating or acquiring loans are deferred and amortized as an adjustment to interest income over the contractual loan lives. Upon prepayment, unamortized loan fees, net of costs, are immediately

recognized in interest income. Other fees, including those collected upon principal prepayments, are included in interest income when received. Loans held for sale are identified upon origination and are reported at the lower of cost or market value on an aggregate loan basis.

Purchased Loans. Purchased loans are recorded at estimated fair value on the date of purchase. Impaired purchased loans are accounted for under FASB ASC 310-30, Loans and Debt Securities with Deteriorated Credit Quality, when the loans have evidence of credit deterioration since origination and it is probable at the date of acquisition that the Company will not collect all contractually required principal and interest payments. Evidence of credit quality deterioration as of the purchase date may include attributes such as past due and nonaccrual status. Generally, purchased loans that meet the Company's definition for nonaccrual status fall within the scope of FASB ASC 310-30. The difference between contractually required payments at acquisition and the cash flows expected to be collected at acquisition is referred to as the nonaccretable difference. Subsequent decreases to the expected cash flows will generally result in a provision for loan losses. Subsequent increases in cash flows result in a reversal of the provision for loan losses to the extent of prior charges, or a reclassification of the difference from nonaccretable to accretable with a positive impact on interest income. Any excess of expected cash flows over the estimated fair value is referred to as the accretable yield and is recognized into interest income over the remaining life of the loan when there is a reasonable expectation about the amount and timing of such cash flows. For covered purchased loans with an accretable difference, the corresponding FDIC receivable is amortized over the shorter of the contractual term of the indemnification asset or the remaining life of the loan. Further, the Company elected to analogize to ASC 310-30 and account for all other loans that had a discount due in part to credit not within the scope of ASC 310-30 using the same methodology.

Covered Loans. Loans covered under loss-sharing or similar credit protection agreements with the FDIC are reported in loans exclusive of the expected reimbursement cash flows from the FDIC. Covered loans are initially recorded at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent decreases in the amount expected to be collected results in a provision for loan losses and a corresponding increase in the estimated FDIC reimbursement, with the estimated net loss impacting earnings. Interest previously accrued on covered loans placed on nonaccrual status is charged against interest income, net of estimated FDIC reimbursements of such accrued interest. The FDIC reimburses the Company up to 80% of 90 days interest on covered loans.

Allowance for Credit Losses. The allowance for credit losses is established through provisions for credit losses charged to income. Losses on loans, including impaired loans, are charged to the allowance for loan losses when all or a portion of the recorded amount of a loan is deemed to be uncollectible. Recoveries of loans previously charged off are credited to the allowance when realized. The Company's allowance for credit losses is maintained at a level considered adequate to provide for losses that can be estimated based upon specific and general conditions. These include conditions unique to individual borrowers, as well as overall credit loss experience, the amount of past due, nonperforming and classified loans, recommendations of regulatory authorities, prevailing economic conditions, FDIC loss-sharing or similar credit protection agreements and other factors. A portion of the allowance is specifically allocated to impaired loans whose full collectability is uncertain. Such allocations are determined by Management based on loan-by-loan analyses. The Company evaluates all classified loans and nonaccrual loans with outstanding principal balances in excess of \$500 thousand, and all "troubled debt restructured" loans for impairment. A second allocation is based in part on quantitative analyses of historical credit loss experience, in which criticized and classified loan balances identified through an internal loan review process are analyzed using a statistical model to determine standard loss rates. The results of this analysis are applied to current criticized and classified loan balances to allocate the reserve to the respective commercial, commercial real estate, and construction segments of the loan portfolio. In addition, residential real estate and consumer loans which have similar characteristics and are not usually criticized using regulatory guidelines are analyzed and reserves established based on the historical loss rates and delinquency trends, grouped by the number of days the payments on these loans are delinquent. Last, allocations are made to non-criticized and non-classified commercial, commercial real estate and construction loans based on historical loss rates. The remainder of the reserve is considered to be unallocated. The unallocated allowance is established to provide for probable losses that have been incurred as of the reporting date but not reflected in the allocated allowance. It addresses additional qualitative factors consistent with Management's analysis of the level of risks inherent in the loan portfolio, which are related to the risks of the Company's general lending activity. Included in the unallocated allowance is the risk of losses that are attributable to national or local economic or industry trends which have occurred but have not yet been recognized in past loan charge-off history (external factors). The external factors evaluated by the Company include: economic and business conditions, external competitive issues, and other factors. Also included in the unallocated allowance is the risk of losses that are attributable to general attributes of the Company's loan portfolio and credit administration (internal factors). The internal factors evaluated by the Company include: loan review system, adequacy of lending Management and staff, loan policies and procedures, problem loan trends, concentrations of credit, and other factors. By their nature, these risks are not readily allocable to any specific category in a statistically meaningful manner and are difficult to quantify with a specific number.

Liability for Off-Balance Sheet Credit Exposures. A liability for off-balance sheet credit exposures is established through expense recognition. Off-balance sheet credit exposures relate to letters of credit and unfunded loan commitments for commercial,

construction and consumer loans. Historical credit loss factors for commercial, construction and consumer loans are applied to the amount of these off-balance sheet credit exposures to estimate inherent losses.

Other Real Estate Owned. Other real estate owned is comprised of property acquired through foreclosure proceedings, acceptances of deeds-in-lieu of foreclosure and, if applicable, vacated bank properties. Losses recognized at the time of acquiring property in full or partial satisfaction of debt are charged against the allowance for credit losses. Other real estate owned is recorded at the fair value of the collateral, generally based upon an independent property appraisal, less estimated disposition costs. Losses incurred subsequent to acquisition due to any decline in annual independent property appraisals are recognized as noninterest expense. Routine holding costs, such as property taxes, insurance and maintenance, and losses from sales and dispositions, are recognized as noninterest expense.

Covered Other Real Estate Owned. Other real estate owned covered under loss-sharing agreements with the FDIC is reported exclusive of expected reimbursement cash flows from the FDIC. Upon transferring covered loan collateral to covered other real estate owned status, the covered loan collateral is recorded at fair value, generally based upon an independent property appraisal, less estimated disposition costs with losses charged against acquisition date fair value discounts; the amount of losses exceeding acquisition date fair value discounts are recognized as noninterest expense inclusive of expected reimbursement cash flows from the FDIC. Subsequent losses incurred due to any decline in annual independent property appraisal valuations are recognized as noninterest expense inclusive of expected reimbursement cash flows from the FDIC.

Premises and Equipment. Premises and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Depreciation is computed substantially on the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of each type of asset. Estimated useful lives of premises and equipment range from 20 to 50 years and from 3 to 20 years, respectively. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the terms of the lease or their estimated useful life, whichever is shorter.

Intangible Assets. Intangible assets are comprised of goodwill, core deposit intangibles and other identifiable intangibles acquired in business combinations. Intangible assets with definite useful lives are amortized on an accelerated basis over their respective estimated useful lives not exceeding 15 years. If an event occurs that indicates the carrying amount of an intangible asset may not be recoverable, Management reviews the asset for impairment. Any goodwill and any intangible asset acquired in a purchase business combination determined to have an indefinite useful life is not amortized, but is evaluated for impairment annually. The Company has the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine the likelihood of impairment pursuant to FASB ASU 2011-08, *Testing for Goodwill Impairment*. Although the Company has the option to first assess qualitative factors when determining if impairment exists, the Company has opted to perform a quantitative analysis to determine if an impairment exists.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets. The Company reviews its long-lived and certain intangible assets for impairment whenever events or changes indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell.

Income Taxes. The Company and its subsidiaries file consolidated tax returns. The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with FASB ASC 740, *Income Taxes*, resulting in two components of income tax expense: current and deferred. Current income tax expense approximates taxes to be paid or refunded for the current period. The Company determines deferred income taxes using the balance sheet method. Under this method, the net deferred tax asset or liability is based on the tax effects of the differences between the book and tax bases of assets and liabilities, and recognizes enacted changes in tax rates and laws in the period in which they occur. Deferred income tax expense results from changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities between periods. Deferred tax assets are recognized subject to Management's judgment that realization is more likely than not. A tax position that meets the more likely than not recognition threshold is measured to determine the amount of benefit to recognize. The tax position is measured at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than fifty percent likely of being realized upon settlement. Interest and penalties are recognized as a component of income tax expense.

Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities. The Company's accounting policy for derivative instruments requires the Company to recognize those items as assets or liabilities in the statement of financial position and measure them at fair value. Hybrid financial instruments are single financial instruments that contain an embedded derivative. The Company's accounting policy is to record certain hybrid financial instruments at fair value without separating the embedded derivative.

Stock Options. The Company applies FASB ASC 718 – *Compensation – Stock Compensation*, to account for stock based awards granted to employees using the fair value method. The Company recognizes compensation expense for restricted performance share grants over the relevant attribution period. Restricted performance share grants have no exercise price, therefore, the intrinsic value is measured using an estimated per share price at the vesting date for each restricted performance share. The estimated per share price is adjusted during the attribution period to reflect actual stock price performance. The Company's

obligation for unvested outstanding restricted performance share grants is classified as a liability until the vesting date due to a cash settlement feature, at which time the issued shares become classified as shareholders' equity.

Extinguishment of Debt. Gains and losses, including fees, incurred in connection with the early extinguishment of debt are charged to current earnings as reductions in noninterest income.

Postretirement Benefits. The Company uses an actuarial-based accrual method of accounting for post-retirement benefits.

Other. Securities and other property held by the Bank in a fiduciary or agency capacity are not included in the financial statements since such items are not assets of the Company or its subsidiaries.

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In 2013, the Company adopted the following new accounting guidance:

FASB 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*, was issued October 2012 to provide guidance for consistently measuring an indemnification asset subsequent to acquisition. Subsequent accounting for changes in the measurement of the indemnification asset should be on the same basis as a change in the assets subject to indemnification. Any amortization of changes in value is limited to the shorter of the contractual term of the indemnification agreement or the remaining life of the indemnified assets. The Company's historical accounting treatment is consistent with ASU 2012-06, and therefore there was no effect on the Company's financial statements at January 1, 2013, when adopted.

FASB ASU 2013-02, *Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*, was issued February 2013 requiring an entity to provide information about the amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component. In addition, an entity is required 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 under U.S. GAAP to be reclassified to net income in its entirety in the same reporting period. For other amounts that are not required under U.S. GAAP to be reclassified in their entirety to net income, an entity is required to cross-reference to other disclosures required under U.S. GAAP that provide additional detail about those amounts. The adoption of the update did not have a material effect on the Company's financial statements at January 1, 2013, the date adopted. The Company's only item reclassified out of other comprehensive income to net income is the amortization of unrecognized post retirement benefit transition obligation, which is immaterial for purposes of disclosure.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards

FASB ASU 2014-01, *Investments- Equity Method and Joint Ventures (Topic 323): Accounting for Investments in Qualified Affordable Housing Projects*, was issued January 2014 to permit reporting entities to make an accounting policy election to account for their investments in qualified affordable housing projects using the proportional amortization method if certain conditions are met. Under the proportional amortization method, an entity amortizes the initial cost of the investment in proportion to the tax credits and other tax benefits received and recognizes the net investment performance in the income statement as a component of income tax expense (benefit). For those investments in qualified affordable housing projects not accounted for using the proportional amortization method, the investment should be accounted for as an equity method investment or a cost method investment in accordance with GAAP. The policy election must be applied consistently to all qualified affordable housing project investments.

The update also requires a reporting entity to disclose information regarding its investments in qualified affordable housing projects, and the effect of the measurement of its investments in qualified affordable housing projects and the related tax credits on its financial position and results of operations.

Management is evaluating the impact that the change in accounting policy would have on the Company's financial statements. Management does not expect the adoption of this update to have a material effect on the financial statements when adopted on January 1, 2015.

FASB ASU 2013-11, *Income Taxes (Topic 740): Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists*, was issued July 2013 to provide guidance on the financial statement presentation of an unrecognized tax benefit when a net operating loss carryforward, a similar loss, or a tax

credit carryforward exists. The update provides that an unrecognized tax benefit, or a portion of an unrecognized tax benefit, should be presented in the financial statements as a reduction to a deferred tax asset for a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss or a tax credit carryforward, unless an exception applies. The Company does not expect the adoption of this update to have a material effect on the financial statements when adopted on January 1, 2014.

Note 2: Investment Securities

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses, and fair value of the available for sale investment securities portfolio follow:

Investment Securities Available for Sale				
At December 31, 2013				
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
(In thousands)				
U.S. Treasury securities	\$3,500	\$9	(\$3)	\$3,506
Securities of U.S. Government sponsored entities	131,080	75	(663)	130,492
Residential mortgage-backed securities	32,428	1,763	(15)	34,176
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	3,411	19	(5)	3,425
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	186,082	5,627	(323)	191,386
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	266,890	730	(14,724)	252,896
Asset-backed securities	14,653	3	(101)	14,555
FHLMC and FNMA stock	804	12,568	—	13,372
Corporate securities	430,794	2,901	(1,264)	432,431
Other securities	2,049	1,251	(158)	3,142
Total	\$1,071,691	\$24,946	(\$17,256)	\$1,079,381

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses, and fair value of the held to maturity investment securities portfolio follow:

Investment Securities Held to Maturity				
At December 31, 2013				
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
(In thousands)				
Securities of U.S. Government sponsored entities	\$1,601	\$—	(\$4)	\$1,597
Residential mortgage-backed securities	65,076	854	(624)	65,306
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	756,707	6,211	(21,667)	741,251
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	308,915	1,209	(5,602)	304,522
Total	\$1,132,299	\$8,274	(\$27,897)	\$1,112,676

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses, and fair value of the available for sale investment securities portfolio follow:

	Investment Securities Available for Sale			
	At December 31, 2012			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
U.S. Treasury securities	\$3,520	\$38	\$—	\$3,558
Securities of U.S. Government sponsored entities	49,335	207	(17)	49,525
Residential mortgage-backed securities	53,078	3,855	(1)	56,932
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	4,076	69	—	4,145
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	200,769	14,730	(252)	215,247
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	219,613	1,786	(294)	221,105
Asset-backed securities	16,130	18	(143)	16,005
FHLMC and FNMA stock	824	2,061	(5)	2,880
Corporate securities	250,655	3,009	(826)	252,838
Other securities	2,091	1,370	(60)	3,401
Total	<u>\$800,091</u>	<u>\$27,143</u>	<u>(\$1,598)</u>	<u>\$825,636</u>

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses, and fair value of the held to maturity investment securities portfolio follow:

	Investment Securities Held to Maturity			
	At December 31, 2012			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
Securities of U.S. Government sponsored entities	\$3,232	\$43	\$—	\$3,275
Residential mortgage-backed securities	72,807	2,090	(10)	74,887
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	680,802	23,004	(1,235)	702,571
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	399,200	5,185	(561)	403,824
Total	<u>\$1,156,041</u>	<u>\$30,322</u>	<u>(\$1,806)</u>	<u>\$1,184,557</u>

The amortized cost and fair value of securities by contractual maturity are shown in the following tables at the dates indicated:

	At December 31, 2013			
	Securities Available for Sale		Securities Held to Maturity	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
Maturity in years:				
1 year or less	\$75,385	\$75,609	\$9,639	\$9,900
Over 1 to 5 years	536,333	538,111	187,051	189,827
Over 5 to 10 years	66,669	68,166	314,630	310,104
Over 10 years	87,722	90,484	246,988	233,017
Subtotal	<u>766,109</u>	<u>772,370</u>	<u>758,308</u>	<u>742,848</u>
Mortgage-backed securities and residential collateralized mortgage obligations	302,729	290,497	373,991	369,828
Other securities	2,853	16,514	—	—
Total	<u>\$1,071,691</u>	<u>\$1,079,381</u>	<u>\$1,132,299</u>	<u>\$1,112,676</u>

	At December 31, 2012			
	Securities Available for Sale		Securities Held to Maturity	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
Maturity in years:				
1 year or less	\$40,380	\$40,686	\$10,265	\$10,496
Over 1 to 5 years	309,293	312,480	167,162	171,769
Over 5 to 10 years	59,817	63,540	227,603	236,608
Over 10 years.....	110,919	120,467	279,004	286,973
Subtotal	520,409	537,173	684,034	705,846
Mortgage-backed securities and residential collateralized mortgage obligations	276,767	282,182	472,007	478,711
Other securities.....	2,915	6,281	—	—
Total	\$800,091	\$825,636	\$1,156,041	\$1,184,557

Expected maturities of mortgage-backed securities can differ from contractual maturities because borrowers have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. In addition, such factors as prepayments and interest rates may affect the yield on the carrying value of mortgage-backed securities. At December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company had no high-risk collateralized mortgage obligations as defined by regulatory guidelines.

An analysis of gross unrealized losses of the available for sale investment securities portfolio follows:

	Investment Securities Available for Sale					
	At December 31, 2013					
	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
(In thousands)						
U.S. Treasury securities	\$2,994	(\$3)	\$—	\$—	\$2,994	(\$3)
Securities of U.S. Government sponsored entities	91,669	(663)	—	—	91,669	(663)
Residential mortgage-backed securities	864	(15)	—	—	864	(15)
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	1,072	(5)	—	—	1,072	(5)
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	17,516	(222)	3,214	(101)	20,730	(323)
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	187,848	(12,326)	40,575	(2,398)	228,423	(14,724)
Asset-backed securities	5,002	(1)	4,475	(100)	9,477	(101)
Corporate securities	117,751	(1,087)	9,824	(177)	127,575	(1,264)
Other securities	—	—	1,842	(158)	1,842	(158)
Total	\$424,716	(\$14,322)	\$59,930	(\$2,934)	\$484,646	(\$17,256)

An analysis of gross unrealized losses of the held to maturity investment securities portfolio follows:

	Investment Securities Held to Maturity					
	At December 31, 2013					
	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer		Total	
Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	
	(In thousands)					
Securities of U.S.						
Government sponsored entities	\$1,597	(\$4)	\$—	\$—	\$1,597	(\$4)
Residential mortgage-backed securities	38,396	(616)	392	(8)	38,788	(624)
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	355,797	(14,893)	64,427	(6,774)	420,224	(21,667)
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	214,981	(5,175)	14,120	(427)	229,101	(5,602)
Total	\$610,771	(\$20,688)	\$78,939	(\$7,209)	\$689,710	(\$27,897)

The unrealized losses on the Company's investment securities were caused by market conditions for these types of investments, particularly risk-free interest rates which rose between December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2013, causing bond prices to decline. The Company evaluates securities on a quarterly basis including changes in security ratings issued by ratings agencies, changes in the financial condition of the issuer, and, for mortgage-related and asset-backed securities, delinquency and loss information with respect to the underlying collateral, changes in the levels of subordination for the Company's particular position within the repayment structure and remaining credit enhancement as compared to expected credit losses of the security. Substantially all of these securities continue to be investment grade rated by one or more major rating agencies. In addition to monitoring credit rating agency evaluations, Management performs its own evaluations regarding the credit worthiness of the issuer or the securitized assets underlying asset backed securities.

The Company does not intend to sell any investments and has concluded that it is more likely than not that it will not be required to sell the investments prior to recovery of the amortized cost basis. Therefore, the Company does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired as of December 31, 2013.

The fair values of the investment securities could decline in the future if the general economy deteriorates, inflation increases, credit ratings decline, the issuer's financial condition deteriorates, or the liquidity for securities declines. As a result, other than temporary impairments may occur in the future.

As of December 31, 2013, \$778,588 thousand of investment securities were pledged to secure public deposits, short-term borrowed funds, and term repurchase agreements, compared to \$850,421 thousand at December 31, 2012.

An analysis of gross unrealized losses of the available for sale investment securities portfolio follows:

	Investment Securities Available for Sale					
	At December 31, 2012					
	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer		Total	
Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	
(In thousands)						
Securities of U.S.						
Government sponsored entities	\$9,983	(\$17)	\$—	\$—	\$9,983	(\$17)
Residential mortgage-backed securities	103	(1)	11	—	114	(1)
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	2,080	(23)	8,928	(229)	11,008	(252)
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	72,803	(294)	—	—	72,803	(294)
Asset-backed securities	—	—	5,828	(143)	5,828	(143)
FHLMC and FNMA stock	—	—	1	(5)	1	(5)
Corporate securities	53,570	(423)	24,597	(403)	78,167	(826)
Other securities	—	—	1,940	(60)	1,940	(60)
Total	\$138,539	(\$758)	\$41,305	(\$840)	\$179,844	(\$1,598)

An analysis of gross unrealized losses of the held to maturity investment securities portfolio follows:

	Investment Securities Held to Maturity					
	At December 31, 2012					
	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer		Total	
Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	
(In thousands)						
Residential mortgage-backed securities	\$113	\$—	\$664	(\$10)	\$777	(\$10)
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	69,839	(1,205)	4,275	(30)	74,114	(1,235)
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	26,683	(386)	9,353	(175)	36,036	(561)
Total	\$96,635	(\$1,591)	\$14,292	(\$215)	\$110,927	(\$1,806)

During 2012, the Company transferred one residential collateralized mortgage obligation with a carrying value of \$9,077 thousand from the held to maturity portfolio to the available for sale portfolio. The residential collateralized mortgage obligation was subsequently sold due to a decline in the credit worthiness from increased losses on subordinate tranches resulting in proceeds of \$7,790 thousand and a realized loss on sale of \$1,287 thousand.

The following table provides information about the amount of interest income earned on investment securities which is fully taxable and which is exempt from regular federal income tax:

	For the Year Ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands)		
Taxable:			
Mortgage related securities	\$13,291	\$14,696	\$11,834
Other	8,910	6,650	5,570
Total fully taxable	22,201	21,346	17,404
Tax-exempt from regular federal income tax	29,569	31,198	29,902
Total interest income from investment securities	\$51,770	\$52,544	\$47,306

Note 3: Loans and Allowance for Credit Losses

A summary of the major categories of loans outstanding is shown in the following tables:

	At December 31, 2013					Total
	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer Installment & Other	
	(In thousands)					
Originated loans	\$338,824	\$596,653	\$10,723	\$176,196	\$400,888	\$1,523,284
Purchased covered loans:						
Impaired	5	2,835	-	-	247	3,087
Non impaired	20,061	172,727	3,223	8,558	53,947	258,516
Purchase discount	(1,530)	(8,122)	(50)	(434)	(797)	(10,933)
Purchased non-covered loans:						
Impaired	635	2,520	-	-	147	3,302
Non impaired	6,890	33,192	-	999	12,652	53,733
Purchase discount	(726)	(786)	-	(262)	(1,471)	(3,245)
Total	\$364,159	\$799,019	\$13,896	\$185,057	\$465,613	\$1,827,744

	At December 31, 2012					Total
	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer Installment & Other	
	(In thousands)					
Originated loans	\$340,116	\$632,927	\$7,984	\$222,458	\$460,698	\$1,664,183
Purchased covered loans:						
Impaired	308	7,585	1,824	-	257	9,974
Non impaired	59,135	247,534	5,462	9,374	66,932	388,437
Purchase discount	(8,459)	(15,140)	(279)	(433)	(1,817)	(26,128)
Purchased non-covered loans:						
Impaired	1,261	6,763	-	-	297	8,321
Non impaired	9,840	38,673	1,619	3,110	18,554	71,796
Purchase discount	(870)	(1,748)	(95)	(474)	(2,039)	(5,226)
Total	\$401,331	\$916,594	\$16,515	\$234,035	\$542,882	\$2,111,357

Changes in the carrying amount of impaired purchased covered loans were as follows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,	
	2013	2012
Impaired purchased covered loans	(In thousands)	
Carrying amount at the beginning of the period	\$7,865	\$18,591
Reductions during the period	(5,363)	(10,726)
Carrying amount at the end of the period	\$2,502	\$7,865

Changes in the carrying amount of impaired purchased non-covered loans were as follows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,	
	2013	2012
Impaired purchased non-covered loans	(In thousands)	
Carrying amount at the beginning of the period	\$6,764	\$15,572
Reductions during the period	(4,330)	(8,808)
Carrying amount at the end of the period	\$2,434	\$6,764

Changes in the accretable yield for purchased loans were as follows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,	
	2013	2012
Accretable Yield:	(In thousands)	
Balance at the beginning of the period	\$4,948	\$9,990
Reclassification from nonaccretable difference	12,504	12,121
Accretion	(14,947)	(17,163)
Balance at the end of the period	\$2,505	\$4,948
Accretion	(\$14,947)	(\$17,163)
Reduction in FDIC indemnification asset	11,438	13,207
(Increase) in interest income	(\$3,509)	(\$3,956)

The following summarizes activity in the allowance for credit losses:

	Allowance for Credit Losses								Total
	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer Installment and Other	Purchased Non-covered Loans	Purchased Covered Loans	Unallocated	
	For the Year Ended December 31, 2013								
	(In thousands)								
Allowance for loan losses:									
Balance at beginning of period	\$6,445	\$10,063	\$484	\$380	\$3,194	\$-	\$1,005	\$8,663	\$30,234
Additions:									
Provision	(1,158)	2,813	118	134	1,949	385	2,570	1,189	8,000
Deductions:									
Chargeoffs	(2,857)	(997)	-	(109)	(4,097)	(385)	(2,286)	-	(10,731)
Recoveries	1,575	191	-	-	2,152	-	272	-	4,190
Net loan losses	(1,282)	(806)	-	(109)	(1,945)	(385)	(2,014)	-	(6,541)
Balance at end of period	4,005	12,070	602	405	3,198	-	1,561	9,852	31,693
Liability for off-balance sheet credit exposure	1,658	-	37	-	497	-	-	501	2,693
Total allowance for credit losses	\$5,663	\$12,070	\$639	\$405	\$3,695	\$-	\$1,561	\$10,353	\$34,386

Allowance for Credit Losses
For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer Installment and Other	Purchased Non-covered Loans	Purchased Covered Loans	Unallocated	Total
(In thousands)									
Allowance for loan losses:									
Balance at beginning of period	\$6,012	\$10,611	\$2,342	\$781	\$3,072	\$-	\$-	\$9,779	\$32,597
Additions:									
Provision	5,967	451	135	755	3,084	110	1,814	(1,116)	11,200
Deductions:									
Chargeoffs	(6,851)	(1,202)	(2,217)	(1,156)	(5,685)	(110)	(953)	-	(18,174)
Recoveries	1,317	203	224	-	2,723	-	144	-	4,611
Net loan losses	(5,534)	(999)	(1,993)	(1,156)	(2,962)	(110)	(809)	-	(13,563)
Balance at end of period	6,445	10,063	484	380	3,194	-	1,005	8,663	30,234
Liability for off-balance sheet credit exposure	1,734	9	-	-	419	-	-	531	2,693
Total allowance for credit losses	\$8,179	\$10,072	\$484	\$380	\$3,613	\$-	\$1,005	\$9,194	\$32,927

Allowance for Credit Losses
For the Year Ended December 31, 2011

	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer Installment and Other	Purchased Covered Loans	Unallocated	Total
(In thousands)								
Allowance for loan losses:								
Balance at beginning of period	\$8,094	\$9,607	\$3,260	\$617	\$6,372	\$-	\$7,686	\$35,636
Additions:								
Provision	3,069	2,336	1,248	903	564	987	2,093	11,200
Deductions:								
Chargeoffs	(8,280)	(1,332)	(2,167)	(739)	(6,754)	(987)	-	(20,259)
Recoveries	3,129	-	1	-	2,890	-	-	6,020
Net loan losses	(5,151)	(1,332)	(2,166)	(739)	(3,864)	(987)	-	(14,239)
Balance at end of period	6,012	10,611	2,342	781	3,072	-	9,779	32,597
Liability for off-balance sheet credit exposure	1,660	-	34	-	198	-	801	2,693
Total allowance for credit losses	\$7,672	\$10,611	\$2,376	\$781	\$3,270	\$-	\$10,580	\$35,290

The allowance for credit losses and recorded investment in loans evaluated for impairment follow:

Allowance for Credit Losses and Recorded Investment in Loans Evaluated for Impairment
At December 31, 2013

	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer Installment and Other	Purchased Non-covered Loans	Purchased Covered Loans	Unallocated	Total
(In thousands)									
Allowance for credit losses:									
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$100	\$1,243	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$153	\$-	\$1,496
Collectively evaluated for impairment	5,563	10,827	639	405	3,695	-	1,408	10,353	32,890
Purchased loans with evidence of credit deterioration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$5,663	\$12,070	\$639	\$405	\$3,695	\$-	\$1,561	\$10,353	\$34,386
Carrying value of loans:									
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$3,901	\$3,357	-	-	-	\$3,785	\$9,999	-	\$21,042
Collectively evaluated for impairment	334,923	593,296	10,723	176,196	400,888	47,571	238,169	-	1,801,766
Purchased loans with evidence of credit deterioration	-	-	-	-	-	2,434	2,502	-	4,936
Total	\$338,824	\$596,653	\$10,723	\$176,196	\$400,888	\$53,790	\$250,670	\$-	\$1,827,744

Allowance for Credit Losses and Recorded Investment in Loans Evaluated for Impairment
At December 31, 2012

	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer Installment and Other	Purchased Non-covered Loans	Purchased Covered Loans	Unallocated	Total
(In thousands)									
Allowance for credit losses:									
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$1,865	\$134	\$-	\$-	\$100	\$-	\$753	\$-	\$2,852
Collectively evaluated for impairment	6,314	9,938	484	380	3,513	-	252	9,194	30,075
Purchased loans with evidence of credit deterioration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$8,179	\$10,072	\$484	\$380	\$3,613	\$-	\$1,005	\$9,194	\$32,927
Carrying value of loans:									
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$5,153	\$4,161	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$3,029	\$16,680	\$-	\$29,023
Collectively evaluated for impairment	334,963	628,766	7,984	222,458	460,698	65,098	347,738	-	2,067,705
Purchased loans with evidence of credit deterioration	-	-	-	-	-	6,764	7,865	-	14,629
Total	\$340,116	\$632,927	\$7,984	\$222,458	\$460,698	\$74,891	\$372,283	\$-	\$2,111,357

The Bank's customers are small businesses, professionals and consumers. Given the scale of these borrowers, corporate credit rating agencies do not evaluate the borrowers' financial condition. The Bank maintains a Loan Review Department which reports directly to the Board of Directors. The Loan Review Department performs independent evaluations of loans and assigns credit risk grades to evaluated loans using grading standards employed by bank regulatory agencies. Loans judged to carry lower-risk

attributes are assigned a “pass” grade, with a minimal likelihood of loss. Loans judged to carry higher-risk attributes are referred to as “classified loans,” and are further disaggregated, with increasing expectations for loss recognition, as “substandard,” “doubtful,” and “loss.” Loan Review evaluations occur every calendar quarter. If the Bank becomes aware of deterioration in a borrower’s performance or financial condition between Loan Review examinations, assigned risk grades will be re-evaluated promptly. Credit risk grades assigned by the Loan Review Department are subject to review by the Bank’s regulatory authority during regulatory examinations.

The following summarizes the credit risk profile by internally assigned grade:

	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer		Purchased Non-covered Loans	Purchased Covered Loans ⁽¹⁾	Total
					Installment and Other				
(In thousands)									
Grade:									
Pass	\$329,667	\$554,991	\$10,274	\$174,113	\$399,377		\$41,490	\$196,882	\$1,706,794
Substandard	8,142	41,662	449	2,083	1,127		14,587	64,624	132,674
Doubtful	1,015	-	-	-	19		958	97	2,089
Loss	-	-	-	-	365		-	-	365
Default risk purchase discount	-	-	-	-	-		(3,245)	(10,933)	(14,178)
Total	\$338,824	\$596,653	\$10,723	\$176,196	\$400,888		\$53,790	\$250,670	\$1,827,744

⁽¹⁾ Credit risk profile reflects internally assigned grade of purchased covered loans without regard to FDIC indemnification.

	Commercial	Commercial Real Estate	Construction	Residential Real Estate	Consumer		Purchased Non-covered Loans	Purchased Covered Loans ⁽¹⁾	Total
					Installment and Other				
(In thousands)									
Grade:									
Pass	\$324,452	\$599,472	\$7,518	\$219,655	\$459,076		\$51,901	\$274,976	\$1,937,050
Substandard	11,413	33,455	466	2,803	1,158		27,066	122,815	199,176
Doubtful	4,251	-	-	-	46		1,145	470	5,912
Loss	-	-	-	-	418		5	150	573
Default risk purchase discount	-	-	-	-	-		(5,226)	(26,128)	(31,354)
Total	\$340,116	\$632,927	\$7,984	\$222,458	\$460,698		\$74,891	\$372,283	\$2,111,357

⁽¹⁾ Credit risk profile reflects internally assigned grade of purchased covered loans without regard to FDIC indemnification.

The following tables summarize loans by delinquency and nonaccrual status:

	Current and Accruing	30-59 Days	60-89 Days	Past Due 90	Nonaccrual	Total Loans
		Past Due and Accruing	Past Due and Accruing	days or More		
(In thousands)						
Commercial	\$336,497	\$677	\$383	\$-	\$1,267	\$338,824
Commercial real estate	586,619	4,012	2,473	-	3,549	596,653
Construction	10,275	-	-	-	448	10,723
Residential real estate	173,082	2,789	325	-	-	176,196
Consumer installment & other	396,725	3,035	606	410	112	400,888
Total originated loans	1,503,198	10,513	3,787	410	5,376	1,523,284
Purchased non-covered loans	45,755	4,237	180	-	3,618	53,790
Purchased covered loans	236,577	845	940	-	12,308	250,670
Total	\$1,785,530	\$15,595	\$4,907	\$410	\$21,302	\$1,827,744

Summary of Loans by Delinquency and Nonaccrual Status
At December 31, 2012

	Current and Accruing	30-59 Days Past Due and Accruing	60-89 Days Past Due and Accruing	Past Due 90 days or More and Accruing	Nonaccrual	Total Loans
	(In thousands)					
Commercial	\$333,474	\$754	\$278	\$ -	\$5,610	\$340,116
Commercial real estate	616,276	7,941	2,809	-	5,901	632,927
Construction	7,984	-	-	-	-	7,984
Residential real estate	220,032	1,510	683	-	233	222,458
Consumer installment & other	455,007	4,021	1,184	455	31	460,698
Total originated loans	1,632,773	14,226	4,954	455	11,775	1,664,183
Purchased non-covered loans	65,567	1,757	64	4	7,499	74,891
Purchased covered loans	352,619	4,811	1,677	155	13,021	372,283
Total	\$2,050,959	\$20,794	\$6,695	\$614	\$32,295	\$2,111,357

The following is a summary of the effect of nonaccrual loans on interest income:

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands)		
Interest income that would have been recognized had the loans performed in accordance with their original terms	\$2,816	\$4,337	\$7,132
Less: Interest income recognized on nonaccrual loans	(1,352)	(2,605)	(4,290)
Total reduction of interest income	<u>\$1,464</u>	<u>\$1,732</u>	<u>\$2,842</u>

There were no commitments to lend additional funds to borrowers whose loans were on nonaccrual status at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

The following summarizes impaired loans:

	Impaired Loans At December 31, 2013		
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance
	(In thousands)		
Impaired loans with no related allowance recorded:			
Commercial	\$3,931	\$4,498	\$ -
Commercial real estate	11,002	13,253	-
Construction	2,483	2,947	-
Consumer installment and other	2,014	2,133	-
Impaired loans with an allowance recorded:			
Commercial	1,000	2,173	100
Commercial real estate	9,773	12,482	1,396
Total:			
Commercial	\$4,931	\$6,671	\$100
Commercial real estate	20,775	25,735	1,396
Construction	2,483	2,947	-
Consumer installment and other	2,014	2,133	-

Impaired Loans
At December 31, 2012

	Unpaid		
	Recorded Investment	Principal Balance	Related Allowance
	(In thousands)		
Impaired loans with no related allowance recorded:			
Commercial	\$3,100	\$9,506	\$ -
Commercial real estate	24,135	27,972	-
Construction	2,363	2,992	-
Residential real estate	668	668	-
Consumer installment and other	2,328	2,616	-
Impaired loans with an allowance recorded:			
Commercial	12,129	13,739	2,588
Commercial real estate	4,038	4,038	164
Total:			
Commercial	\$15,229	\$23,245	\$2,588
Commercial real estate	28,173	32,010	164
Construction	2,363	2,992	-
Residential real estate	668	668	-
Consumer installment and other	2,328	2,616	-

Impaired loans include troubled debt restructured loans. Impaired loans at December 31, 2013, included \$5,453 thousand of restructured loans, including \$529 thousand that were on nonaccrual status. Impaired loans at December 31, 2012, included \$6,678 thousand of restructured loans, including \$988 thousand that were on nonaccrual status.

	Impaired Loans			
	For the Years Ended			
	December 31, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Average Recorded Investment	Recognized Interest Income	Average Recorded Investment	Recognized Interest Income
	(In thousands)			
Commercial	\$10,566	\$222	\$12,996	\$239
Commercial real estate	27,186	763	28,420	1,225
Construction	2,400	80	6,651	216
Residential real estate	362	-	818	-
Consumer installment and other	1,469	38	2,611	43
Total	\$41,983	\$1,103	\$51,496	\$1,723

The following tables provide information on troubled debt restructurings:

	Troubled Debt Restructurings			Period-End Individual Impairment Allowance
	At December 31, 2013			
	Number of Contracts	Pre-Modification Carrying Value	Period-End Carrying Value	
	(In thousands)			
Commercial	4	\$3,427	\$3,164	\$-
Commercial real estate	2	2,291	2,289	-
Total	6	\$5,718	\$5,453	\$-

Troubled Debt Restructurings
At December 31, 2012

	Number of Contracts	Pre-Modification Carrying Value	Period-End Carrying Value	Period-End Individual Impairment Allowance
		(In thousands)		
Commercial	3	\$1,318	\$1,196	\$797
Commercial real estate	2	5,391	5,482	-
Total	5	\$6,709	\$6,678	\$797

Troubled Debt Restructurings
At December 31, 2011

	Number of Contracts	Pre-Modification Carrying Value	Period-End Carrying Value	Period-End Individual Impairment Allowance
		(In thousands)		
Commercial	2	\$326	\$321	\$-
Construction	1	3,183	3,126	1,794
Total	3	\$3,509	\$3,447	\$1,794

During the year ended December 31, 2013, the Company modified five loans with a total carrying value of \$4,966 thousand that were considered troubled debt restructurings. The concessions granted in the five restructurings completed in 2013 consisted of modification of payment terms to lower the interest rate and extend the maturity date to allow for deferred principal repayment. During the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company modified three loans in each period with carrying values totaling \$5,821 thousand and \$3,509 thousand, respectively that were considered troubled debt restructurings. The concessions granted in the restructurings completed in 2012 and 2011 largely consisted of modifications of payment terms extending maturity dates to allow for deferred principal repayment. During the year ended December 31, 2013 a commercial real estate loan with a carrying value of \$3,954 thousand defaulted within 12 months of the modification date. During the year ended December 31, 2012, troubled debt restructured construction and commercial loans with carrying values totaling \$3,068 thousand and \$988 thousand, respectively, defaulted. During the year ended December 31, 2011, no troubled debt restructurings defaulted. A troubled debt restructuring is considered to be in default when payments are ninety days or more past due.

The Company pledges loans to secure borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB). The carrying value of the FHLB advances was \$20,577 thousand and \$25,799 thousand at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The loans restricted due to collateral requirements approximate \$24,242 thousand and \$32,084 thousand at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The amount of loans pledged exceeds collateral requirements. The FHLB does not have the right to sell or repledge such loans.

There were no loans held for sale at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

Note 4: Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company's business activity is with customers in Northern and Central California. The loan portfolio is well diversified within the Company's geographic market, although the Company has significant credit arrangements that are secured by real estate collateral. In addition to real estate loans outstanding as disclosed in Note 3, the Company had loan commitments and standby letters of credit related to real estate loans of \$61,447 thousand and \$69,345 thousand at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The Company requires collateral on all real estate loans with loan-to-value ratios at origination generally no greater than 75% on commercial real estate loans and no greater than 80% on residential real estate loans.

Note 5: Premises, Equipment and Other Assets

Premises and equipment consisted of the following:

	At December 31,		
	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization	Net Book Value
	(In thousands)		
2013			
Land	\$11,983	\$—	\$11,983
Buildings and improvements	41,092	(22,321)	18,771
Leasehold improvements	5,761	(4,453)	1,308
Furniture and equipment	18,365	(13,113)	5,252
Total	<u>\$77,201</u>	<u>(\$39,887)</u>	<u>\$37,314</u>
2012			
Land	\$11,983	\$—	\$11,983
Buildings and improvements	44,009	(24,237)	19,772
Leasehold improvements	6,175	(4,569)	1,606
Furniture and equipment	18,805	(13,527)	5,278
Total	<u>\$80,972</u>	<u>(\$42,333)</u>	<u>\$38,639</u>

Depreciation and amortization of premises and equipment included in noninterest expense amounted to \$3,001 thousand in 2013, \$2,626 thousand in 2012 and \$2,798 thousand in 2011.

Other assets consisted of the following:

	At December 31,	
	2013	2012
	(In thousands)	
Cost method equity investments:		
Federal Reserve Bank stock ⁽¹⁾	\$14,069	\$14,069
Federal Home Loan Bank stock ⁽²⁾	4,188	7,353
Other investments	376	376
Total cost method equity investments	18,633	21,798
Life insurance cash surrender value	43,896	45,579
Deferred taxes receivable	53,281	42,449
Limited partnership investments	18,198	20,631
Interest receivable	18,925	20,274
FDIC indemnification receivable	4,032	13,847
Prepaid assets	5,229	11,679
Other assets	14,238	11,829
Total other assets	<u>\$176,432</u>	<u>\$188,086</u>

⁽¹⁾ A bank applying for membership in the Federal Reserve System is required to subscribe to stock in the Federal Reserve Bank (FRB) in a sum equal to six percent of the paid-up capital stock and surplus. One-half of the amount of the bank's subscription shall be paid to the FRB and the remaining half will be subject to call when deemed necessary by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

⁽²⁾ Borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) must be supported by capital stock holdings. The minimum activity-based requirement is 4.7% of the outstanding advances. The requirement may be adjusted from time to time by the FHLB within limits established in the FHLB's Capital Plan.

Note 6: Goodwill and Identifiable Intangible Assets

The Company has recorded goodwill and other identifiable intangibles associated with purchase business combinations. Goodwill is not amortized, but is periodically evaluated for impairment. The Company did not recognize impairment during the years ended December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012. Identifiable intangibles are amortized to their estimated residual values over their expected useful lives. Such lives and residual values are also periodically reassessed to determine if any amortization period

adjustments are indicated. During the year ended December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, no such adjustments were recorded.

The carrying values of goodwill were:

	At December 31,	
	2013	2012
	(In thousands)	
Goodwill.....	\$121,673	\$121,673

The gross carrying amount of intangible assets and accumulated amortization was:

	At December 31,			
	2013		2012	
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization
	(In thousands)			
Core Deposit Intangibles	\$56,808	(\$39,242)	\$56,808	(\$34,938)
Merchant Draft Processing Intangible	10,300	(9,309)	10,300	(8,909)
Total Intangible Assets.....	\$67,108	(\$48,551)	\$67,108	(\$43,847)

As of December 31, 2013, the current year and estimated future amortization expense for intangible assets was as follows:

	Core Deposit Intangibles	Merchant Draft Processing Intangible	Total
	(In thousands)		
Twelve months ended December 31, 2013 (actual)	\$4,304	\$400	\$4,704
Estimate for year ended December 31,			
2014	3,946	324	4,270
2015	3,594	262	3,856
2016	3,292	212	3,504
2017	2,913	164	3,077
2018	1,892	29	1,921

Note 7: Deposits and Borrowed Funds

The following table provides additional detail regarding deposits.

	Deposits	
	At December 31,	
	2013	2012
	(In thousands)	
Noninterest bearing.....	\$1,740,182	\$1,676,071
Interest bearing:		
Transaction	763,088	748,818
Savings	1,167,744	1,165,032
Time.....	492,767	642,571
Total deposits.....	\$4,163,781	\$4,232,492

Demand deposit overdrafts of \$3,002 thousand and \$6,307 thousand were included as loan balances at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. Interest expense for aggregate time deposits with individual account balances in excess of \$100 thousand was \$1,096 thousand in 2013, \$1,530 thousand in 2012 and \$2,296 thousand in 2011.

Short-term borrowed funds of \$62,668 thousand and \$53,687 thousand at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, represent securities sold under agreements to repurchase the securities. As the Company is obligated to repurchase the securities, the transfer of the securities is accounted for as a secured borrowing rather than a sale. Securities sold under repurchase agreements are held in the custody of independent securities brokers. The carrying amount of the securities

approximates \$113,902 thousand and \$74,497 thousand at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The short-term borrowed funds mature on an overnight basis.

Federal Home Loan Bank (“FHLB”) advances with carrying value of \$20,577 thousand at December 31, 2013 and \$25,799 thousand at December 31, 2012 are secured by residential real estate loans, the amount of such loans approximates \$24,242 thousand at December 31, 2013 and \$32,084 thousand at December 31, 2012. The FHLB advances are due in full at par value upon their maturity dates: \$20,000 thousand mature in January 2015. The FHLB advances may be paid off prior to such maturity dates subject to prepayment fees.

The \$10,000 thousand term repurchase agreement at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 represents securities sold under an agreement to repurchase the securities. As the Company is obligated to repurchase the securities, the transfer of the securities is accounted for as a secured borrowing rather than a sale. Securities sold under repurchase agreements are held in the custody of independent securities brokers. The carrying amount of the related securities is approximately \$11,278 thousand at December 31, 2013 and \$11,987 thousand at December 31, 2012. The term repurchase agreement matures in full in August 2014.

The Company has a \$35,000 thousand unsecured line of credit which had no outstanding balance at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012. The line of credit interest rate is a variable rate of 2.0% per annum, payable monthly on outstanding advances. Advances may be made up to the unused credit limit under the line of credit through March 19, 2014.

Debt financing of \$15,000 thousand is a note issued by Westamerica Bancorporation on October 31, 2003 which matured and was repaid October 31, 2013.

The following table summarizes deposits and borrowed funds of the Company for the periods indicated:

	Balance At December 31, 2013	Average Balance Year Ended December 31, 2013	Weighted Average Rate	Balance At December 31, 2012	Average Balance Year Ended December 31, 2012	Weighted Average Rate
(Dollars in thousands)						
Time deposits over \$100 thousand	\$298,854	\$341,184	0.32%	\$419,082	\$460,833	0.33%
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	62,668	57,446	0.07	53,687	81,315	0.07
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	20,577	25,499	1.88	25,799	25,916	1.86
Term repurchase agreement	10,000	10,000	0.98	10,000	10,000	0.99
Federal funds purchased	—	8	0.60	—	8	0.58
For the years ended December 31,						
	2013			2012		
	Highest Balance at Any Month-end			Highest Balance at Any Month-end		
	(In thousands)					
Securities sold under repurchase agreements		\$66,640			\$116,974	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		25,780			26,004	
Term repurchase agreement		10,000			10,000	

Note 8: Shareholders' Equity

The Company grants stock options and restricted performance shares to employees in exchange for employee services, pursuant to the shareholder-approved 1995 Stock Option Plan, which was last amended and restated in 2012. Nonqualified stock option grants (“NQSO”) are granted with an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the related common stock on the grant date. NQSO generally become exercisable in equal annual installments over a three-year period with each installment vesting on the anniversary date of the grant. Each NQSO has a maximum ten-year term. A restricted performance share grant becomes vested after three years of being awarded, provided the Company has attained its performance goals for such three-year period.

The following table summarizes information about stock options granted under the Plan as of December 31, 2013. The intrinsic value is calculated as the difference between the market value as of December 31, 2013 and the exercise price of the shares. The market value as of December 31, 2013 was \$56.46 as reported by the NASDAQ Global Select Market:

Range of Exercise Price	Options Outstanding				Options Exercisable			
	Number Outstanding at 12/31/2013 (in thousands)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (yrs)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number Exercisable at 12/31/2013 (in thousands)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (yrs)	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$40 – 45	355	\$4,557	8.6	\$44	44	\$591	5.1	\$43
45 – 50	616	5,375	4.0	48	443	3,564	2.4	48
50 – 55	880	4,232	3.8	52	801	3,786	3.5	52
55 – 60	227	—	6.0	57	227	—	6.0	57
\$40 – 60	<u>2,078</u>	<u>\$14,164</u>	4.9	50	<u>1,515</u>	<u>\$7,941</u>	3.6	51

The Company applies the Roll-Geske option pricing model (Modified Roll) to determine grant date fair value of stock option grants. This model modifies the Black-Scholes Model to take into account dividends and American options. During the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, the Company granted 322 thousand, 296 thousand and 275 thousand stock options, respectively. The following weighted average assumptions were used in the option pricing to value stock options granted in the periods indicated:

For the twelve months ended December 31,	2013	2012	2011
Expected volatility* ¹	17%	21%	18%
Expected life in years* ²	4.8	4.8	4.7
Risk-free interest rate* ³	0.74%	0.72%	1.83%
Expected dividend yield	3.57%	3.20%	3.14%
Fair value per award	<u>\$4.61</u>	<u>\$5.61</u>	<u>\$5.55</u>

*¹ Measured using daily price changes of Company's stock over respective expected term of the option and the implied volatility derived from the market prices of the Company's stock and traded options.

*² The number of years that the Company estimates that the options will be outstanding prior to exercise

*³ The risk-free rate over the expected life based on the US Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of the grant

Employee stock option grants are being expensed by the Company over the grants' three year vesting period. The Company issues new shares upon the exercise of options. The number of shares authorized to be issued for options at December 31, 2013 is 1,312 thousand.

A summary of option activity during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 is presented below:

	Shares (In Thousands)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (years)
Outstanding at January 1, 2013	2,328	\$49.53	
Granted	322	43.71	
Exercised	(478)	44.98	
Forfeited or expired	(94)	49.80	
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	<u>2,078</u>	49.66	4.9
Exercisable at December 31, 2013	<u>1,515</u>	51.25	3.6

A summary of the Company's nonvested option activity during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 is presented below:

	Shares (In Thousands)	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested at January 1, 2013	521	
Granted	322	
Vested	(254)	
Forfeited	(26)	
Nonvested at December 31, 2013	<u>563</u>	\$5.05

The weighted average estimated grant date fair value for options granted under the Company's stock option plan during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 was \$4.61, \$5.61 and \$5.55 per share, respectively. The total remaining unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested awards as of December 31, 2013 is \$1,365 thousand and the weighted average period over which the cost is expected to be recognized is 1.7 years.

The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 was \$2,058 thousand, \$767 thousand and \$2,309 thousand, respectively. The total fair value of RPSs that vested during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 was \$678 thousand, \$734 thousand and \$1,197 thousand, respectively. The total fair value of options vested during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 was \$1,514 thousand, \$1,321 thousand and \$1,381 thousand, respectively. The decrease in tax benefits recognized for the tax deductions from the exercise of options totaled \$298 thousand, \$119 thousand and \$248 thousand, respectively, for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011.

A summary of the status of the Company's restricted performance shares as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 and changes during the twelve months ended on those dates, follows (in thousands):

	2013	2012
Outstanding at January 1,	54	50
Granted	20	20
Issued upon vesting	(15)	(15)
Forfeited	<u>—</u>	<u>(1)</u>
Outstanding at December 31,	<u>59</u>	<u>54</u>

As of December 31, 2013 and 2012, the restricted performance shares had a weighted-average contractual life of 1.3 years and 1.3 years, respectively. The compensation cost that was charged against income for the Company's restricted performance shares granted was \$1,338 thousand, \$710 thousand and \$540 thousand for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively. There were no stock appreciation rights or incentive stock options granted in the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012.

On February 13, 2009, the Company issued a warrant to purchase 246,640 shares of the Company's common stock at an exercise price of \$50.92 per share. The warrants remain outstanding at December 31, 2013.

The Company repurchases and retires its common stock in accordance with Board of Directors approved share repurchase programs. At December 31, 2013, approximately 1,468 thousand shares remained available to repurchase under such plans.

Shareholders have authorized two additional classes of stock of one million shares each, to be denominated "Class B Common Stock" and "Preferred Stock," respectively, in addition to the 150 million shares of common stock presently authorized. At December 31, 2013, no shares of Class B Common Stock or Preferred Stock were outstanding.

Note 9: Risk-Based Capital

The Company and the Bank are subject to various regulatory capital adequacy requirements administered by federal and state agencies. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 ("FDICIA") required that regulatory agencies adopt regulations defining five capital tiers for banks: well capitalized, adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized and critically undercapitalized. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate discretionary actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct, material effect on the Company's financial statements. Quantitative measures, established by the regulators to ensure capital adequacy, require that the Company and the Bank maintain minimum ratios of capital to risk-weighted assets. There are two categories of capital under the guidelines. Tier 1 capital includes common shareholders' equity and qualifying preferred stock less goodwill, identifiable intangible assets, and other adjustments including the unrealized net gains and losses, after taxes, on available for sale securities. Tier 2 capital includes preferred stock not qualifying for Tier 1 capital, mandatory convertible debt, subordinated debt, certain unsecured senior debt and the allowance for loan losses, subject to limitations within the guidelines. Under the guidelines, capital is compared to the relative risk of the Company's assets, derived from applying one of four risk weights (0%, 20%, 50% and 100%) to various categories of assets and unfunded commitments to extend credit, primarily based on the credit risk of the counterparty. The capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weighting and other factors.

As of December 31, 2013, the Company and the Bank met all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject.

The Company and the Bank are well capitalized under the FDICIA regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be well capitalized, the institution must maintain a total risk-based capital ratio as set forth in the following table and not be subject to a capital directive order. The following tables show capital ratios for the Company and the Bank as of December 31, 2013 and 2012:

At December 31, 2013	For Capital Adequacy Purposes				To Be Well Capitalized Under the FDICIA Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
(Dollars in thousands)						
Total Capital (to risk-weighted assets)						
Consolidated Company	\$446,331	16.18%	\$220,745	8.00%	\$275,931	10.00%
Westamerica Bank.....	406,418	14.93%	217,730	8.00%	272,162	10.00%
Tier 1 Capital (to risk-weighted assets)						
Consolidated Company	405,798	14.71%	110,372	4.00%	165,559	6.00%
Westamerica Bank.....	360,809	13.26%	108,865	4.00%	163,297	6.00%
Leverage Ratio *						
Consolidated Company	405,798	8.55%	189,762	4.00%	237,203	5.00%
Westamerica Bank.....	360,809	7.67%	188,109	4.00%	235,137	5.00%

At December 31, 2012	For Capital Adequacy Purposes				To Be Well Capitalized Under the FDICIA Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
(Dollars in thousands)						
Total Capital (to risk-weighted assets)						
Consolidated Company	\$444,205	16.33%	\$217,627	8.00%	\$272,033	10.00%
Westamerica Bank.....	418,746	15.62%	214,452	8.00%	268,065	10.00%
Tier 1 Capital (to risk-weighted assets)						
Consolidated Company	409,763	15.06%	108,813	4.00%	163,220	6.00%
Westamerica Bank.....	378,921	14.14%	107,226	4.00%	160,839	6.00%
Leverage Ratio *						
Consolidated Company	409,763	8.56%	191,396	4.00%	239,245	5.00%
Westamerica Bank.....	378,921	7.99%	189,788	4.00%	237,236	5.00%

* The leverage ratio consists of Tier 1 capital divided by average assets, excluding certain intangible assets, during the most recent calendar quarter. The minimum leverage ratio guideline is 3.00% for banking organizations that do not anticipate significant growth and that have well-diversified risk, excellent asset quality, high liquidity, good earnings and, in general, are considered top-rated, strong banking organizations.

FDIC-covered assets are included in the 20% risk-weight category until the loss-sharing agreements terminate; the residential loss-sharing agreement expires February 6, 2019 and the non-residential loss-sharing agreement expired (as to losses) February 6, 2014.

Note 10: Income Taxes

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for future tax consequences attributable to differences between the amounts reported in the financial statements of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax basis and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. Amounts for the current year are based upon estimates and assumptions as of the date of these financial statements and could vary significantly from amounts shown on the tax returns as filed.

The components of the net deferred tax asset are as follows:

	At December 31,	
	2013	2012
	(In thousands)	
Deferred tax asset		
Allowance for credit losses	\$14,309	\$13,700
State franchise taxes	3,249	4,162
Deferred compensation	7,991	8,278
Real estate owned	2,095	2,211
Purchased assets and assumed liabilities	5,294	4,732
Post-retirement benefits	1,059	1,210
Employee benefit accruals	5,321	5,648
VISA Class B shares	1,554	1,479
Limited partnership investments	1,299	1,037
Impaired capital assets	20,793	20,819
Capital loss carryforward	—	47
Leases	123	—
Premises and equipment	690	444
Other	654	64
Subtotal deferred tax asset	64,431	63,831
Valuation allowance	—	—
Total deferred tax asset	64,431	63,831
Deferred tax liability		
Net deferred loan fees	383	429
Intangible assets	7,408	9,219
Securities available for sale	3,233	10,741
Leases	—	752
Other	126	241
Total deferred tax liability	11,150	21,382
Net deferred tax asset	\$53,281	\$42,449

Based on Management's judgment, a valuation allowance is not needed to reduce the gross deferred tax asset because it is more likely than not that the gross deferred tax asset will be realized through recoverable taxes or future taxable income. Net deferred tax assets are included with interest receivable and other assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The provision for federal and state income taxes consists of amounts currently payable and amounts deferred are as follows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands)		
Current income tax expense:			
Federal	\$13,975	\$22,368	\$18,393
State	8,597	11,456	13,322
Total current	22,572	33,824	31,715
Deferred income tax (benefit) expense:			
Federal	(2,518)	(7,280)	1,839
State	(1,109)	(1,114)	(626)
Total deferred	(3,627)	(8,394)	1,213
Provision for income taxes	\$18,945	\$25,430	\$32,928

The provision for income taxes differs from the provision computed by applying the statutory federal income tax rate to income before taxes, as follows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands)		
Federal income taxes due at statutory rate	\$30,142	\$37,295	\$42,285
Reductions in income taxes resulting from:			
Interest on state and municipal securities and loans not taxable for federal income tax purposes	(11,565)	(12,494)	(12,423)
State franchise taxes, net of federal income tax benefit	4,712	6,722	8,252
Tax credits	(3,190)	(3,684)	(3,560)
Dividend received deduction	(32)	(28)	(25)
Cash value life insurance	(747)	(953)	(728)
Other	(375)	(1,428)	(873)
Provision for income taxes	<u>\$18,945</u>	<u>\$25,430</u>	<u>\$32,928</u>

At December 31, 2013, the company had no net operating loss and general tax credit carryforwards for tax return purposes.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amounts of unrecognized tax benefits follow:

	2013	2012
	(In thousands)	
Balance at January 1,	\$747	\$496
Additions for tax positions taken in the current period	483	238
Reductions for tax positions taken in the current period	—	—
Additions for tax positions taken in prior years	212	13
Reductions for tax positions taken in prior years	—	—
Decreases related to settlements with taxing authorities	—	—
Decreases as a result of a lapse in statute of limitations	(5)	—
Balance at December 31,	<u>\$1,437</u>	<u>\$747</u>

The Company does not anticipate any significant increase or decrease in unrecognized tax benefits during 2014. Unrecognized tax benefits at December 31, 2013 and 2012 include accrued interest and penalties of \$85 thousand and \$65 thousand, respectively. If recognized, the entire amount of the unrecognized tax benefits would affect the effective tax rate.

The Company classifies interest and penalties as a component of the provision for income taxes. The tax years ended December 31, 2013, 2012, 2011 and 2010 remain subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The tax years ended December 31, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010 and 2009 remain subject to examination by the California Franchise Tax Board. Additionally, the Company has agreed to extend the statute of limitations on its 2008 and 2007 California franchise tax returns in respect of ongoing examinations by the California Franchise Tax Board. The deductibility of these tax positions will be determined through examination by the appropriate tax jurisdictions or the expiration of the tax statute of limitations.

Note 11: Fair Value Measurements

The Company uses fair value measurements to record fair value adjustments to certain assets and liabilities and to determine fair value disclosures. Available for sale investment securities are recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. Additionally, from time to time, the Company may be required to record at fair value other assets on a nonrecurring basis, such as other real estate owned, impaired loans, certain loans held for investment, investment securities held to maturity, and other assets. These nonrecurring fair value adjustments typically involve the lower-of-cost-or-fair value accounting of individual assets.

In accordance with the Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure topic of the Codification, the Company bases its fair values on the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in the principal market or most advantageous market for an asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date under current market conditions. A fair value measurement reflects all of the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about the risk inherent in a particular valuation technique, the effect of a restriction on the sale or use of an asset, and the risk of nonperformance.

The Company groups its assets and liabilities measured at fair value into a three-level hierarchy, based on the markets in which the assets and liabilities are traded and the reliability of the assumptions used to determine fair value. When the valuation

assumptions used to measure the fair value of the asset or liability are categorized within different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the asset or liability is categorized in its entirety within the lowest level of the hierarchy. These levels are:

Level 1 – Valuation is based upon quoted prices for identical instruments traded in active exchange markets, such as the New York Stock Exchange. Level 1 includes U.S. Treasury, equity and federal agency securities, which are traded by dealers or brokers in active markets. Valuations are obtained from readily available pricing sources for market transactions involving identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – Valuation is based upon quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, and model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market. Level 2 includes mortgage-backed securities, corporate securities, asset-backed securities, municipal bonds and residential collateralized mortgage obligations.

Level 3 – Valuation is generated from model-based techniques that use significant assumptions not observable in the market. These unobservable assumptions reflect the Company’s estimates of assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Valuation techniques include use of option pricing models, discounted cash flow models and similar techniques.

The Company relies on independent vendor pricing services to measure fair value for investment securities available for sale and investment securities held to maturity. The Company employs three pricing services. To validate the pricing of these vendors, the Company routinely randomly selects securities for pricing by two or more of the vendors; significant pricing differences, if any, are evaluated using all available independent quotes with the lowest quote generally used as the fair value estimate. In addition, the Company conducts “other than temporary impairment (OTTI)” analysis on a quarterly basis; securities selected for OTTI analysis include all securities at a market price below 95 percent of par value and with a market to book ratio below 95:100. As with any valuation technique used to estimate fair value, changes in underlying assumptions used could significantly affect the results of current and future values. Accordingly, these fair value estimates may not be realized in an actual sale of the securities.

When the Company changes its valuation assumptions for measuring financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value, either due to changes in current market conditions or other factors, it may need to transfer those assets or liabilities to another level in the hierarchy based on the new assumptions used. The Company recognizes these transfers at the end of the reporting period that the transfers occur. For the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, there were no transfers in or out of levels 1, 2 or 3.

Assets Recorded at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The table below presents assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

Fair Value	Quoted Prices	Significant	Significant
	in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
	(In thousands)		
Investment securities available for sale:			
At December 31, 2013	\$1,079,381	\$148,670	\$930,711
At December 31, 2012	\$825,636	\$57,424	\$768,212

Assets Recorded at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

The Company may be required, from time to time, to measure certain assets at fair value on a nonrecurring basis in accordance with GAAP. These adjustments to fair value usually result from application of lower-of-cost or fair-value accounting of individual assets. For assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis that were recorded in the balance sheet at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the following table provides the level of valuation assumptions used to determine each adjustment and the carrying value of the related assets at period end.

	At December 31, 2013				Total Losses
	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
	(In thousands)				
Non-covered other real estate owned	\$5,527	\$ -	\$5,527	\$ -	(\$787)
Covered other real estate owned	7,793	-	7,793	-	(27)
Originated impaired loans	2,605	-	900	1,705	-
Purchased covered impaired loans	7,067	-	7,067	-	(233)
Total assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis	\$22,992	\$ -	\$21,287	\$1,705	(\$1,047)

	At December 31, 2012				Total Losses
	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
	(In thousands)				
Non-covered other real estate owned	\$6,618	\$ -	\$6,618	\$ -	(\$1,360)
Covered other real estate owned	7,929	-	7,929	-	(371)
Originated impaired loans	5,197	-	3,097	2,100	(3,158)
Purchased covered impaired loans	6,684	-	2,224	4,460	(83)
Total assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis	\$26,428	\$ -	\$19,868	\$6,560	(\$4,972)

Level 2 – Valuation is based upon independent market prices or appraised value of the collateral, less 10% for selling costs, generally. Level 2 includes other real estate owned that has been measured at fair value upon transfer to foreclosed assets and impaired loans collateralized by real property where a specific reserve has been established or a charge-off has been recorded. Losses on other real estate owned represent losses recognized in earnings during the period subsequent to its initial classification as foreclosed assets.

Level 3 – Valuation is based upon estimated liquidation values of loan collateral. The value of level 3 assets can also include a component of real estate, which is valued as described for level 2 inputs, when collateral for the impaired loan includes both business assets and real estate. Level 3 includes impaired loans where a specific reserve has been established or a charge-off has been recorded.

Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The following section describes the valuation methodologies used by the Company for estimating fair value of financial instruments not recorded at fair value in the balance sheet.

Cash and Due from Banks Cash and due from banks represent U.S. dollar denominated coin and currency, deposits at the Federal Reserve Bank and correspondent banks, and amounts being settled with other banks to complete the processing of customers' daily transactions. Collectively, the Federal Reserve Bank and financial institutions operate a market in which cash and due from banks transactions are processed continuously in significant daily volumes honoring the face value of the U.S. dollar.

Investment Securities Held to Maturity The fair values of investment securities were estimated using quoted prices as described above for Level 1 and Level 2 valuation.

Loans Loans were separated into two groups for valuation. Variable rate loans, except for those described below, which reprice frequently with changes in market rates were valued using historical cost. Fixed rate loans and variable rate loans that have reached their minimum contractual interest rates were valued by discounting the future cash flows expected to be received from the loans using current interest rates charged on loans with similar characteristics. Additionally, the allowance for loan losses of \$31,693 thousand at December 31, 2013 and \$30,234 thousand at December 31, 2012 and the fair value discount due to credit default risk associated with purchased covered and purchased non-covered loans of \$10,933 thousand and \$3,245 thousand, respectively at December 31, 2013 and purchased covered and purchased non-covered loans of \$26,128 thousand and \$5,226

thousand, respectively at December 31, 2012 were applied against the estimated fair values to recognize estimated future defaults of contractual cash flows. The Company does not consider these values to be a liquidation price for the loans.

FDIC Indemnification Receivable The fair value of the FDIC indemnification receivable recorded in Other Assets was estimated by discounting estimated future cash flows using current market rates for financial instruments with similar characteristics.

Deposit Liabilities Deposits with no stated maturity such as checking accounts, savings accounts and money market accounts can be readily converted to cash or used to settle transactions at face value through the broad financial system operated by the Federal Reserve Bank and financial institutions. The fair value of deposits with no stated maturity is equal to the amount payable on demand. The fair values of time deposits were estimated by discounting estimated future contractual cash flows using current market rates for financial instruments with similar characteristics.

Short-Term Borrowed Funds The carrying amount of securities sold under agreement to repurchase and other short-term borrowed funds approximate fair value due to the relatively short period of time between their origination and their expected realization.

Federal Home Loan Bank Advances The fair values of FHLB advances were estimated by using redemption amounts quoted by the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco.

Term Repurchase Agreement The fair value of the term repurchase agreement was estimated by using interpolated yields for financial instruments with similar characteristics.

Debt Financing The fair value of debt financing was estimated by using interpolated yields for financial instruments with similar characteristics.

The table below is a summary of fair value estimates for financial instruments and the level of the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurements are categorized, excluding financial instruments recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. The values assigned do not necessarily represent amounts which ultimately may be realized. In addition, these values do not give effect to discounts to fair value which may occur when financial instruments are sold in larger quantities. The carrying amounts in the following table are recorded in the balance sheet under the indicated captions.

The Company has not included assets and liabilities that are not financial instruments, such as goodwill, long-term relationships with deposit, merchant processing and trust customers, other purchased intangibles, premises and equipment, deferred taxes and other assets and liabilities. The total estimated fair values do not represent, and should not be construed to represent, the underlying value of the Company.

At December 31, 2013					
Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value	Quoted Prices	Significant	Significant	
		in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
(In thousands)					
Financial Assets:					
Cash and due from banks	\$472,028	\$472,028	\$472,028	\$ -	\$ -
Investment securities held to maturity	1,132,299	1,112,676	1,597	1,111,079	-
Loans	1,796,051	1,800,625	-	-	1,800,625
Other assets - FDIC indemnification receivable	4,032	4,032	-	-	4,032
Financial Liabilities:					
Deposits	\$4,163,781	\$4,162,935	\$ -	\$3,671,014	\$491,921
Short-term borrowed funds	62,668	62,668	-	62,668	-
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	20,577	20,558	20,558	-	-
Term repurchase agreement	10,000	10,054	-	10,054	-

At December 31, 2012					
Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value	Quoted Prices			
		in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
Financial Assets:					
(In thousands)					
Cash and due from banks	\$491,382	\$491,382	\$491,382	\$ -	\$ -
Investment securities held to maturity	1,156,041	1,184,557	3,275	1,181,282	-
Loans	2,081,123	2,090,712	-	-	2,090,712
Other assets - FDIC indemnification receivable	13,847	13,834	-	-	13,834
Financial Liabilities:					
Deposits	\$4,232,492	\$4,232,239	\$ -	\$3,589,921	\$642,318
Short-term borrowed funds	53,687	53,687	-	53,687	-
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	25,799	26,150	26,150	-	-
Term repurchase agreement	10,000	10,135	-	10,135	-
Debt financing	15,000	15,645	-	15,645	-

The majority of the Company's standby letters of credit and other commitments to extend credit carry current market interest rates if converted to loans. No premium or discount was ascribed to these commitments because virtually all funding would be at current market rates.

Note 12: Lease Commitments

Thirty-three banking offices and a centralized administrative service center are owned and 67 facilities are leased. Substantially all the leases contain renewal options and provisions for rental increases, principally for cost of living index. The Company also leases certain pieces of equipment.

Minimum future rental payments under noncancelable operating leases as of December 31, 2013 are as follows:

	(In thousands)
2014	\$8,357
2015	6,301
2016	2,979
2017	1,900
2018	1,169
Thereafter	594
Total minimum lease payments	<u>\$21,300</u>

The total minimum lease payments have not been reduced by minimum sublease rentals of \$5,101 thousand due in the future under noncancelable subleases. Total rentals for premises were \$8,953 thousand in 2013, \$9,252 thousand in 2012 and \$9,738 thousand in 2011. Total sublease rentals were \$1,852 thousand in 2013, \$1,883 thousand in 2012 and \$1,979 thousand in 2011. Total rentals for premises, net of sublease income, included in noninterest expense were \$7,101 thousand in 2013, \$7,369 thousand in 2012 and \$7,759 thousand in 2011.

Note 13: Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

Loan commitments are agreements to lend to a customer provided there is no violation of any condition established in the agreement. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future funding requirements. Loan commitments are subject to the Company's normal credit policies and collateral requirements. Unfunded loan commitments were \$320,934 thousand and \$339,651 thousand at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. Standby letters of credit commit the Company to make payments on behalf of customers when certain specified future events occur. Standby letters of credit are primarily issued to support customers' short-term financing requirements and must meet the Company's normal credit policies and collateral requirements. Financial and performance standby letters of credit outstanding totaled \$31,777 thousand and \$32,347 thousand at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The Company also had commitments for commercial and similar letters of credit of \$344 thousand and \$344 thousand at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

Due to the nature of its business, the Company is subject to various threatened or filed legal cases. Based on the advice of legal counsel, the Company does not expect such cases will have a material, adverse effect on its financial position or results of operations. Legal liabilities are accrued when obligations become probable and the amount is reasonably estimable. Legal costs related to covered assets are eighty percent indemnified under loss-sharing agreements with the FDIC if certain conditions are met.

Note 14: Retirement Benefit Plans

The Company sponsors a qualified defined contribution Deferred Profit-Sharing Plan covering substantially all of its salaried employees with one or more years of service. The costs charged to noninterest expense related to discretionary Company contributions to the Deferred Profit-Sharing Plan were \$1,200 thousand in 2013, \$1,200 thousand in 2012 and \$1,200 thousand in 2011.

The Company also sponsors a qualified defined contribution Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement Plan (ESOP) covering salaried employees who become eligible to participate upon completion of a 90-day introductory period. The Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement Plan (ESOP) allows employees to defer, on a pretax or after-tax basis, a portion of their salaries as contributions to this Plan. Participants may invest in several funds, including one fund that invests primarily in Westamerica Bancorporation common stock. The Company funds contributions to match participating employees' contributions, subject to certain limits. The matching contributions charged to compensation expense were \$1,214 thousand in 2013, \$1,255 thousand in 2012 and \$1,283 thousand in 2011.

The Company offers a continuation of group insurance coverage to eligible employees electing early retirement, for the period from the date of retirement until age 65. For eligible employees the Company pays a portion of these early retirees' group insurance premiums. The Company also reimburses a portion of Medicare Part B premiums for all qualifying retirees over age 65 and, if eligible, their spouses. Eligibility for post-retirement medical benefits is based on age and years of service, and restricted to employees hired prior to February 1, 2006 who elect early retirement prior to January 1, 2018. The Company uses an actuarial-based accrual method of accounting for post-retirement benefits. The Company used a December 31 measurement date for determining post-retirement medical benefit calculations.

The following tables set forth the net periodic post-retirement benefit cost and the change in the benefit obligation for the years ended December 31 and the funded status of the post-retirement benefit plan as of December 31:

Net Periodic Benefit Cost

	At December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands)		
Service cost.....	(\$153)	(\$340)	(\$35)
Interest cost.....	110	143	175
Amortization of unrecognized transition obligation	61	61	61
Net periodic cost (benefit)	18	(136)	201

Other Changes in Benefit Obligations Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income

Amortization of unrecognized transition obligation, net of tax	(36)	(36)	(36)
Total recognized in net periodic (benefit) cost and accumulated other comprehensive income	(\$18)	(\$172)	\$165

The remaining transition obligation cost for this post-retirement benefit plan that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income into net periodic benefit cost over the next fiscal year is \$61 thousand.

Obligation and Funded Status

	For the years ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands)		
Change in benefit obligation			
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$2,755	\$3,117	\$3,178
Service cost.....	(153)	(340)	(35)
Interest cost.....	110	143	175
Benefits paid.....	(168)	(165)	(201)
Benefit obligation at end of year	<u>\$2,544</u>	<u>\$2,755</u>	<u>\$3,117</u>
Accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation attributable to:			
Retirees	\$1,443	\$1,654	\$2,363
Fully eligible participants	983	856	537
Other	118	245	217
Total.....	<u>\$2,544</u>	<u>\$2,755</u>	<u>\$3,117</u>
Fair value of plan assets.....	\$—	\$—	\$—
Accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation in excess of plan assets.....	<u>\$2,544</u>	<u>\$2,755</u>	<u>\$3,117</u>

Additional Information**Assumptions**

	At December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
Weighted-average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations as of December 31			
Discount rate	4.80%	4.00%	4.60%
Weighted-average assumptions used to determine net periodic benefit cost as of December 31			
Discount rate	4.00%	4.60%	5.50%

The above discount rate is based on the Corporate Aa 25-year rate, the term of which approximates the term of the benefit obligations. The Company reserves the right to terminate or alter post-employment health benefits. Post-retirement medical benefits are currently fixed amounts without provision for future increases; as a result, the assumed annual average rate of inflation used to measure the expected cost of benefits covered by this program is zero percent for 2014 and beyond.

Assumed benefit inflation rates are not applicable for this program.

	Estimated future benefit payments (In thousands)
2014	\$170
2015	174
2016	179
2017	186
2018	188
Years 2019-2023	859

Note 15: Related Party Transactions

Certain of the Directors, executive officers and their associates have had banking transactions with subsidiaries of the Company in the ordinary course of business. With the exception of the Company's Employee Loan Program, all outstanding loans and commitments included in such transactions were made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons, did not involve more than a normal risk of collectability, and did not present other favorable features. As part of the Employee Loan Program, all employees, including executive officers, are eligible to receive mortgage loans at one percent below Westamerica Bank's prevailing interest rate at the time of loan origination. All loans to executive officers under the Employee Loan Program are made by Westamerica Bank in compliance with the applicable restrictions of Section 22(h) of the Federal Reserve Act.

The table below reflects information concerning loans to certain directors and executive officers and/or family members during 2013 and 2012:

	2013	2012
	(In thousands)	
Beginning balance	\$1,056	\$1,099
Originations	—	—
Principal reductions	(43)	(43)
At December 31,	<u>\$1,013</u>	<u>\$1,056</u>
Percent of total loans outstanding	<u>0.06%</u>	<u>0.05%</u>

Note 16: Regulatory Matters

Payment of dividends to the Company by the Bank is limited under regulations for state chartered banks. The amount that can be paid in any calendar year, without prior approval from regulatory agencies, cannot exceed the net profits (as defined) for the preceding three calendar years less dividends paid. Under this regulation, the Bank obtained approval for dividends paid to the Company during 2013. The Company consistently has paid quarterly dividends to its shareholders since its formation in 1972.

The Bank is required to maintain reserves with the Federal Reserve Bank equal to a percentage of its reservable deposits. The Bank's daily average on deposit at the Federal Reserve Bank was \$304,834 thousand in 2013 and \$345,772 thousand in 2012, which amounts exceed the Bank's required reserves.

Note 17: Other Comprehensive Income

The components of other comprehensive (loss) income and other related tax effects were:

	2013		
	Before tax	Tax effect	Net of tax
	(In thousands)		
Securities available for sale:			
Net unrealized losses arising during the year	(\$17,855)	\$7,507	(\$10,348)
Reclassification of (losses) gains included in net income	—	—	—
Net unrealized gains arising during the year	(17,855)	7,507	(10,348)
Post-retirement benefit obligation	61	(25)	36
Other comprehensive loss	<u>(\$17,794)</u>	<u>\$7,482</u>	<u>(\$10,312)</u>
	2012		
	Before tax	Tax effect	Net of tax
	(In thousands)		
Securities available for sale:			
Net unrealized gains arising during the year	\$5,557	(\$2,337)	\$3,220
Reclassification of gains (losses) included in net income	—	—	—
Net unrealized gains arising during the year	5,557	(2,337)	3,220
Post-retirement benefit obligation	61	(25)	36
Other comprehensive income	<u>\$5,618</u>	<u>(\$2,362)</u>	<u>\$3,256</u>
	2011		
	Before tax	Tax effect	Net of tax
	(In thousands)		
Securities available for sale:			
Net unrealized gains arising during the year	\$19,282	(\$8,108)	\$11,174
Reclassification of gains (losses) included in net income	—	—	—
Net unrealized gains arising during the year	19,282	(8,108)	11,174
Post-retirement benefit obligation	61	(25)	36
Other comprehensive income	<u>\$19,343</u>	<u>(\$8,133)</u>	<u>\$11,210</u>

Cumulative other comprehensive income (loss) balances were:

	Post-retirement Benefit Obligation	Net Unrealized gains(losses) on securities	Cumulative Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)
(In thousands)			
Balance, December 31, 2010	(\$250)	\$409	\$159
Net change.....	36	11,174	11,210
Balance, December 31, 2011	(214)	11,583	11,369
Net change.....	36	3,220	3,256
Balance, December 31, 2012	(178)	14,803	14,625
Net change.....	36	(10,348)	(10,312)
Balance, December 31, 2013	(\$142)	\$4,455	\$4,313

Note 18: Earnings Per Common Share

The table below shows earnings per common share and diluted earnings per common share. Basic earnings per common share are computed by dividing net income by the average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per common share are computed by dividing net income by the average number of common shares outstanding during the period plus the impact of common stock equivalents.

	2013	2012	2011
(In thousands, except per share data)			
Net income (numerator).....	\$67,177	\$81,127	\$87,888
Basic earnings per common share			
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding — basic (denominator)	26,826	27,654	28,628
Basic earnings per common share.....	\$2.50	\$2.93	\$3.07
Diluted earnings per common share			
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding — basic	26,826	27,654	28,628
Add exercise of options reduced by the number of shares that could have been purchased with the proceeds of such exercise.....	51	45	114
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding — diluted (denominator)	26,877	27,699	28,742
Diluted earnings per common share.....	\$2.50	\$2.93	\$3.06

For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, options to purchase 1,575 thousand, 2,049 thousand and 1,553 thousand shares of common stock, respectively, were outstanding but not included in the computation of diluted earnings per common share because the option exercise price exceeded the fair value of the stock such that their inclusion would have had an anti-dilutive effect.

Note 19: Westamerica Bancorporation (Parent Company Only)

Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income

For the years ended December 31,	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
(In thousands)			
Dividends from subsidiaries	\$88,754	\$88,755	\$106,756
Interest income	14	8	11
Other income	8,684	7,907	7,780
Total income	97,452	96,670	114,547
Interest on borrowings.....	707	820	859
Salaries and benefits	7,120	7,090	6,620
Other expense	2,174	1,734	2,356
Total expenses	10,001	9,644	9,835
Income before taxes and equity in undistributed income of subsidiaries	87,451	87,026	104,712
Income tax benefit	732	1,847	699
Earnings of subsidiaries less than subsidiary dividends	(21,006)	(7,746)	(17,523)
Net income	67,177	81,127	87,888
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax	(10,312)	3,256	11,210
Comprehensive income	\$56,865	\$84,383	\$99,098

Balance Sheets

	At December 31,	
	2013	2012
	(In thousands)	
Assets		
Cash	\$12,839	\$13,219
Money market assets and investment securities available for sale	1,300	1,461
Investment in Westamerica Bank	503,219	534,467
Investment in non-bank subsidiaries.....	457	458
Premises and equipment, net	9,932	9,983
Accounts receivable from Westamerica Bank	303	613
Other assets.....	32,351	30,897
Total assets	\$560,401	\$591,098
Liabilities		
Debt financing and notes payable	\$—	\$15,000
Accounts payable to Westamerica Bank.....	1,583	660
Other liabilities	15,884	15,336
Total liabilities.....	17,467	30,996
Shareholders' equity	542,934	560,102
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$560,401	\$591,098

Statements of Cash Flows

	For the years ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2011
	(In thousands)		
Operating Activities			
Net income	\$67,177	\$81,127	\$87,888
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	312	297	126
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable from affiliates.....	26	105	(18)
Increase in other assets	(926)	(1,960)	(1,951)
Stock option compensation expense	1,397	1,450	1,425
Tax benefit decrease upon exercise of stock options.....	298	119	248
(Benefit) provision for deferred income tax	(769)	(1,306)	963
Increase in other liabilities	2,573	1,182	217
Earnings of subsidiaries less than subsidiary dividends	21,006	7,746	17,523
(Gain on sales) Writedown of property and equipment.....	(259)	1,504	599
Net cash provided by operating activities.....	90,835	90,264	107,020
Investing Activities			
Purchases of premises and equipment	—	(420)	(1,154)
Net decrease in short term investments	—	—	341
Net cash used in investing activities.....	—	(420)	(813)
Financing Activities			
Net change in short-term debt	—	—	(1,000)
Net reductions in notes payable and long-term borrowings	(15,000)	—	(10,000)
Exercise of stock options/issuance of shares	21,499	7,635	14,374
Tax benefit decrease upon exercise of stock options.....	(298)	(119)	(248)
Retirement of common stock including repurchases	(57,320)	(51,499)	(60,505)
Dividends	(40,096)	(41,005)	(41,670)
Net cash used in financing activities	(91,215)	(84,988)	(99,049)
Net change in cash.....	(380)	4,856	7,158
Cash at beginning of year	13,219	8,363	1,205
Cash at end of year	\$12,839	\$13,219	\$8,363
Supplemental Cash Flow Disclosures:			
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow activity:			
Interest paid for the period	\$840	\$1,105	\$1,794
Income tax payments for the period	22,562	34,111	28,826

Note 20: Quarterly Financial Information
(Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended			
	March 31,	June 30,	September 30,	December 31,
	(In thousands, except per share data and price range of common stock)			
2013				
Interest and loan fee income.....	\$40,465	\$39,269	\$37,956	\$36,706
Net interest income	39,213	38,050	36,780	35,682
Provision for credit losses	2,800	1,800	1,800	1,600
Noninterest income	14,278	14,284	14,419	14,030
Noninterest expense	28,677	28,192	27,758	27,987
Income before taxes	22,014	22,342	21,641	20,125
Net income	17,271	17,112	16,738	16,056
Basic earnings per common share	0.64	0.64	0.63	0.60
Diluted earnings per common share	0.64	0.64	0.63	0.60
Dividends paid per common share	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.38
Price range, common stock	42.59-45.80	41.76-46.56	45.73-50.78	48.29-57.59
2012				
Interest and loan fee income.....	\$48,298	\$46,901	\$45,272	\$42,893
Net interest income	46,739	45,429	43,890	41,562
Provision for credit losses	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800
Noninterest income	14,669	13,533	14,626	14,194
Noninterest expense	30,034	29,349	29,269	28,233
Income before taxes	28,574	26,813	26,447	24,723
Net income	21,005	20,964	20,022	19,136
Basic earnings per share	0.75	0.76	0.73	0.70
Diluted earnings per share	0.75	0.75	0.73	0.70
Dividends paid per share	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37
Price range, common stock	43.90-49.53	43.01-48.62	44.08-49.39	40.50-47.72
2011				
Interest and loan fee income.....	\$52,494	\$53,088	\$51,976	\$50,421
Net interest income	50,191	50,935	49,905	48,566
Provision for credit losses	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800
Noninterest income	14,743	15,292	15,205	14,857
Noninterest expense	31,323	34,309	31,383	30,663
Income before taxes	30,811	29,118	30,927	29,960
Net income	22,382	21,269	22,432	21,805
Basic earnings per share	0.77	0.74	0.79	0.77
Diluted earnings per share	0.77	0.74	0.79	0.77
Dividends paid per share	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.37
Price range, common stock	49.25-56.96	46.91-52.53	36.32-50.52	36.34-46.73

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Shareholders
Westamerica Bancorporation:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Westamerica Bancorporation and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2013. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2013, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Westamerica Bancorporation's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (1992)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and our report dated February 27, 2014 expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ KPMG LLP
KPMG LLP

San Francisco, California
February 27, 2014

ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

The Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's "disclosure controls and procedures," as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as of December 31, 2013.

Based upon their evaluation, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that material information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported as and when required and that such information is communicated to the Company's management, including the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer, to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosures. The evaluation did not identify any change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended December 31, 2013 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and the attestation Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm are found on pages 50- 51, immediately preceding the financial statements.

ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

PART III

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE REGISTRANT AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information regarding Directors of the Registrant and compliance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 required by this Item 10 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K is incorporated by reference from the information contained under the captions “Board of Directors and Committees”, “Proposal 1 — Election of Directors” and “Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for its 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders which will be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Executive Officers

The executive officers of the Company and Westamerica Bank serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors and are subject to annual appointment by the Board at its first meeting following the Annual Meeting of Shareholders. It is anticipated that each of the executive officers listed below will be reappointed to serve in such capacities at that meeting.

Name of Executive	Position	Held Since
David L. Payne	Mr. Payne, born in 1955, is the Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Mr. Payne is President and Chief Executive Officer of Gibson Printing and Publishing Company and Gibson Radio and Publishing Company which are newspaper, commercial printing and real estate investment companies headquartered in Vallejo, California.	1984
John “Robert” Thorson	Mr. Thorson, born in 1960, is Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for the Company. Mr. Thorson joined Westamerica Bancorporation in 1989, was Vice President and Manager of Human Resources from 1995 until 2001 and was Senior Vice President and Treasurer from 2002 until 2005.	2005
Jennifer J. Finger	Ms. Finger, born in 1954, is Senior Vice President and Treasurer for the Corporation. Ms. Finger joined Westamerica Bancorporation in 1997, was Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer until 2005.	2005
Dennis R. Hansen	Mr. Hansen, born in 1950, is Senior Vice President and Manager of the Operations and Systems Administration of Community Banker Services Corporation. Mr. Hansen joined Westamerica Bancorporation in 1978 and was Senior Vice President and Controller for the Company until 2005.	2005
David L. Robinson	Mr. Robinson, born in 1959, is Senior Vice President and Banking Division Manager of Westamerica Bank. Mr. Robinson joined Westamerica Bancorporation in 1993 and has held several banking positions, most recently, Senior Vice President and Southern Banking Division Manager until 2007.	2007
Russell W. Rizzardi	Mr. Rizzardi, born in 1955, is Senior Vice President and Chief Credit Administrator of Westamerica Bank. Mr. Rizzardi joined Westamerica Bank in 2007. He has been in the banking industry since 1979 and was previously with Wells Fargo Bank and U.S. Bank.	2008

The Company has adopted a Code of Ethics (as defined in Item 406 of Regulation S-K of the Securities Act of 1933) that is applicable to its senior financial officers including its chief executive officer, chief financial officer, and principal accounting officer.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by this Item 11 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K is incorporated by reference from the information contained under the captions “Executive Compensation” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for its 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders which will be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information required by this Item 12 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K is incorporated by reference from the information contained under the caption “Stock Ownership” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for its 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders which will be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Securities Authorized For Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans

The following table summarizes the status of the Company’s equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2013 (in thousands, except exercise price):

Plan category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
	(a)	(b)	(c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	2,078	\$50	1,312
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	—	N/A	—
Total.....	2,078	\$50	1,312

ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS, RELATED TRANSACTIONS AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information required by this Item 13 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K is incorporated by reference from the information contained under the caption “Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for its 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders which will be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The information required by this Item 14 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K is incorporated by reference from the information contained under the caption “Proposal 3 – Ratify Selection of Independent Auditor” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for its 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders which will be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) 1. Financial Statements:

See Index to Financial Statements on page 49. The financial statements included in Item 8 are filed as part of this report.

(a) 2. Financial statement schedules required. No financial statement schedules are filed as part of this report since the required information is included in the consolidated financial statements, including the notes thereto, or the circumstances requiring inclusion of such schedules are not present.

(a) 3. Exhibits:

The exhibit list required by this item is incorporated by reference to the Exhibit Index filed with this report.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION

/s/ John "Robert" Thorson

John "Robert" Thorson
Senior Vice President
and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: February 27, 2014

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

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ David L. Payne</u> David L. Payne	Chairman of the Board and Directors President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	February 27, 2014
<u>/s/ John "Robert" Thorson</u> John "Robert" Thorson	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	February 27, 2014
<u>/s/ Etta Allen</u> Etta Allen	Director	February 27, 2014
<u>/s/ Louis E. Bartolini</u> Louis E. Bartolini	Director	February 27, 2014
<u>/s/ E. Joseph Bowler</u> E. Joseph Bowler	Director	February 27, 2014
<u>/s/ Arthur C. Latno, Jr.</u> Arthur C. Latno, Jr.	Director	February 27, 2014
<u>/s/ Patrick D. Lynch</u> Patrick D. Lynch	Director	February 27, 2014
<u>/s/ Catherine C. MacMillan</u> Catherine C. MacMillan	Director	February 27, 2014
<u>/s/ Ronald A. Nelson</u> Ronald A. Nelson	Director	February 27, 2014
<u>/s/ Edward B. Sylvester</u> Edward B. Sylvester	Director	February 27, 2014

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	
3(a)	Restated Articles of Incorporation (composite copy), incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(a) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1997, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 30, 1998.
3(b)	By-laws, as amended (composite copy), incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(b) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 26, 2010.
3(c)	Certificate of Determination of Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual preferred Stock, Series A of Westamerica Bancorporation dated February 10, 2009, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 13, 2009.
4(c)	Warrant to Purchase Common Stock pursuant to the Letter Agreement between the Company and the United States Department of the Treasury dated February 13, 2009 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 19, 2009.
10(a)*	Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan of 1995, incorporated by reference to Exhibit A to the Registrant's definitive Proxy Statement pursuant to Regulation 14(a) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 17, 2003.
10(d)*	Westamerica Bancorporation Chief Executive Officer Deferred Compensation Agreement by and between Westamerica Bancorporation and David L. Payne, dated December 18, 1998 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(e) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1999, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 29, 2000.
10(e)*	Description of Executive Cash Bonus Program incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(e) to Exhibit 2.1 of Registrant's Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 11, 2005.
10(f)*	Non-Qualified Annuity Performance Agreement with David L. Payne dated November 19, 1997 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(f) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2005.
10(g)*	Amended and Restated Westamerica Bancorporation Stock Option Plan of 1995 Nonstatutory Stock Option Agreement Form incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(g) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2005.
10(h)*	Amended and Restated Westamerica Bancorporation Stock Option Plan of 1995 Restricted Performance Share Grant Agreement Form incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(h) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2005.
10(i)*	Amended Westamerica Bancorporation and Subsidiaries Deferred Compensation Plan (As restated effective January 1, 2005) dated December 31, 2008 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 27, 2009.
10(j)*	Amended and Restated Westamerica Bancorporation Deferral Plan (Adopted October 26, 1995) dated December 31, 2008 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(j) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 27, 2009.
10(k)*	Form of Restricted Performance Share Deferral Election pursuant to the Westamerica Bancorporation Deferral Plan incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 10, 2006.
10(l)	Purchase and Assumption Agreement by and between Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and Westamerica Bank dated February 6, 2009, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 11, 2009.
10(m)	Letter Agreement between the Company and the United States Department of the Treasury dated February 13, 2009 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 19, 2009.
10(r)	Data Processing Agreement by and between Fidelity Information Services and Westamerica Bancorporation incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(r) to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 27, 2012.
10(s)*	Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan of 1995, incorporated by reference to Exhibit A to the Registrant's definitive Proxy Statement pursuant to Regulation 14(a) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 13, 2012.
11.1	Statement re computation of per share earnings incorporated by reference to Note 18 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements of this report.
14	Code of Ethics incorporated by reference to Exhibit 14 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 10, 2004.
21	Subsidiaries of the registrant.
23(a)	Consent of KPMG LLP
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a)
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a)
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of

- the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 101** Pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T, the following financial information from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2013, is formatted in XBRL interactive data files: (i) Consolidated Statements of Income for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2013; (ii) Consolidated Balance Sheets at December 31, 2013, and December 31, 2012; (iii) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2013, (iv) Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2013; (v) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2013 and (vi) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

* Indicates management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

** As provided in Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, this information is furnished and not filed for purposes of Sections 11 and 12 of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

The Company will furnish to shareholders a copy of any exhibit listed above, but not contained herein, upon written request to the Office of the Corporate Secretary A-2M, Westamerica Bancorporation, P.O. Box 1200, Suisun City, California 94585-1200, and payment to the Company of \$.25 per page.

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Corporate Information

Corporate Profile

Westamerica Bancorporation (Nasdaq:WABC) operates as a holding company for Westamerica Bank, a community bank with 92 branches and two trust offices serving 21 Northern and Central California counties.

Westamerica Bancorporation Headquarters

1108 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, CA 94901
Telephone (415) 257-8000
www.westamerica.com

Subsidiary Bank

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1108 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, CA 94901
Telephone (415) 257-8000

Notice of Annual Meeting

Thursday, April 24, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. PT
Hilton Garden Inn
2200 Gateway Court, Fairfield, CA 94533

Transfer Agent

Computershare Investor Services LLC
Telephone (877) 588-4258 (Toll-free)
www.computershare.com/investor

Stock Listing

The NASDAQ Global Select Market, Symbol: WABC

Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan

Westamerica Bancorporation offers a dividend reinvestment and stock purchase program whereby registered shareholders may reinvest their dividends in and/or purchase additional shares of the Company's stock. Information concerning this optional program is available from:

Computershare Investor Services LLC
Telephone (877) 588-4258 (Toll-free)

Annual Report Copies

Westamerica Bancorporation will provide its security holders, without charge, a copy of its 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K, including the financial statements and schedules thereto, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Requests for copies of this annual report should be directed to:

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Westamerica Bancorporation and Westamerica Bank Board of Directors

David L. Payne, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Westamerica Bancorporation; President and General Manager, Gibson Publications
Etta Allen, President, Allen Heating and Sheet Metal
Louis E. Bartolini, Retired Merrill Lynch Executive
E. Joseph Bowler, Retired Senior Vice President and Treasurer, Westamerica Bancorporation
Arthur C. Latno, Jr., Retired Executive Vice President, Pacific Telesis Company
Patrick D. Lynch, Consultant, High Technology Companies
Catherine C. MacMillan, Retired Attorney
Ronald A. Nelson, Investments
Edward B. Sylvester, Consulting Civil Engineer

Westamerica Bancorporation Corporate Officers

David L. Payne, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
Jennifer J. Finger, Senior Vice President and Treasurer
Dennis R. Hansen, Senior Vice President Operations and Systems
Russell Rizzardi, Senior Vice President Credit Administration
David L. Robinson, Senior Vice President Banking Division
James J. Schneck, Vice President and General Auditor
Robert A. Thorson, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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