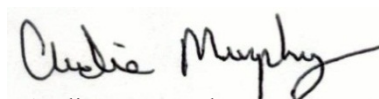

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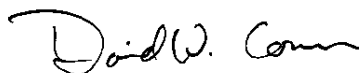
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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certify that we have reviewed the September 30, 2015 quarterly report of AgCarolina Farm Credit, ACA, that the report has been prepared under the oversight of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors and in accordance with all applicable statutory or regulatory requirements, and that the information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.



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November 6, 2015

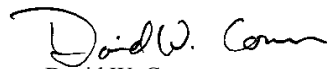
Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

The Association's principal executives and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, are responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting for the Association's Consolidated Financial Statements. For purposes of this report, "internal control over financial reporting" is defined as a process designed by, or under the supervision of the Association's principal executives and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and affected by its Board of Directors, management and other personnel. This process provides reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting information and the preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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 Association, (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial information in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Association, and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Association's assets that could have a material effect on its Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Association's management has completed an assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015. In making the assessment, management used the framework in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013)*, promulgated by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission, commonly referred to as the "COSO" criteria.

Based on the assessment performed, the Association's management concluded that as of September 30, 2015, the internal control over financial reporting was effective based upon the COSO criteria. Additionally, based on this assessment, the Association's management determined that there were no material weaknesses in the internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015.



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November 6, 2015

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

(dollars in thousands)

The following commentary reviews the financial condition and results of operations of AgCarolina Farm Credit, ACA (Association) for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. These comments should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements, notes to the financial statements and the 2014 annual report of the Association.

LOAN PORTFOLIO

The Association provides funds to farmers, rural homeowners, and farm-related businesses for financing of short and intermediate-term loans and long-term real estate mortgage loans. The five predominant commodities in the portfolio are tobacco, forestry, soybeans, corn, and cotton, which constitute \$595,287 or 57.78 percent, of the loan portfolio as of September 30, 2015. Other major farm commodities include swine, poultry, and sweet potatoes. Farm size varies and many of the borrowers in the region have diversified farming operations. This factor, along with the numerous opportunities for non-farm income in the area, somewhat reduces the level of dependency on a given commodity.

Total loan volume of the Association as of September 30, 2015, was \$1,042,635, an increase of \$62,454 or 6.37 percent as compared to \$980,181 at December 31, 2014. Net loans accounted for 96.42 percent of total assets at September 30, 2015 as compared to 95.24 percent of total assets at December 31, 2014. The increase in net loan volume during the reporting period is primarily attributed to seasonal lending. The short-term portfolio, which is heavily influenced by operating-type loans, normally reaches a peak in August and declines in the fall and winter months as farm commodities are marketed and proceeds are applied to the operating loans.

There is an inherent risk in the extension of any type of credit. Portfolio credit quality continues to be maintained at an acceptable level, however, and credit administration remains satisfactory. Nonaccrual loans increased from \$11,460 at December 31, 2014 to \$13,242 at September 30, 2015, an increase of \$1,782 or 15.55 percent. The increase is due to the transfer of one large relationship into nonaccrual during the second quarter of 2015.

Association management maintains an allowance for loan losses at a level considered sufficient to absorb possible losses in the loan portfolio based on current and expected future conditions.

The allowance for loan losses at September 30, 2015 was \$11,830 as compared to \$11,602 at December 31, 2014, an increase of \$228. The main reason for this increase was net recoveries of \$228. The ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total loans at September 30, 2015 was 1.13 percent, which was slightly lower than the prior year end. The allowance was considered by management to be adequate to cover possible losses.

The Association had no acquired property as of September 30, 2015, which was consistent with the balance at December 31, 2014.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For the three months ended September 30, 2015

Net income for the three months ended September 30, 2015 totaled \$5,048, a decrease of \$388 or 7.14 percent, as compared to the same period of 2014. The primary reason for the decrease in net income as compared to the previous period is due to a decrease in net interest income of \$265 and a decrease in noninterest income of \$185, offset by a decrease in noninterest expense of \$110.

For the three months ended September 30, 2015, total interest income decreased by \$167 compared to the same period of 2014. The decrease in interest income is related to nonrecurring nonaccrual interest income recognized in 2014 that was not present in 2015. Interest income from nonaccrual loans was \$156 for the three months ended September 30, 2015, a decrease of \$242 from the same period of 2014. Interest expense increased \$98 for the three months ended September 30, 2015, as compared to the same period of 2014. The increase in interest expense is attributed to increased interest rates for the period.

Noninterest income for the three months ended September 30, 2015 totaled \$2,309 as compared to \$2,494 for the same period of 2014, a decrease of \$185. The overall decrease is primarily due to the decrease in other gains of \$165. Patronage refunds from other Farm Credit Institutions also decreased \$29 for the period.

Noninterest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2015 was \$4,771, a decrease of \$110, or 2.44 percent as compared to the same period of 2014. The reason for the overall decrease is due primarily to a decrease in salaries and employee

benefits in the amount of \$65 and an decrease in other operating expense of \$70. These decreases were offset by increases in occupancy and equipment expense and Insurance Fund premiums of \$18 and \$15, respectively.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2015

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 totaled \$13,389, a decrease of \$1,250, or 8.54 percent, as compared to the same period of 2014. The primary reasons for the decrease in net income are a decrease in net interest income of \$557 and an increase in operating expense of \$312. At September 30, 2015, total interest income decreased by \$47 compared to the same period in 2014. The decrease in interest income is due to a decrease in nonrecurring nonaccrual interest income.

Interest income from nonaccrual loans was \$234 as of September 30, 2015, a decrease of \$753 from the same period of 2014. Interest expense increased \$510 for the first nine months in 2015, as compared to the same period of 2014. The increase in interest expense is also attributed to increased interest rates.

Noninterest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 totaled \$7,484 as compared to \$7,735 for the same period of 2014, a decrease of \$251. The decrease is primarily due to a decline in loan fees and other gains, which was offset by an increase in patronage income.

Noninterest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 was \$14,300, an increase of \$312, or 2.18 percent as compared to the same period of 2014. Salaries and employee benefits totaled \$10,294 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, for an increase of \$317 or 3.18 percent, as compared to the same period of 2014. The increase is primarily due to an increased salary base due to additional hiring of employees as well as increased health insurance costs.

LIQUIDITY AND FUNDING SOURCES

Liquidity

Liquidity management is the process whereby funds are made available to meet all financial commitments including the extension of credit, payment of operating expenses and payment of debt obligations. The Association receives access to funds through its borrowing relationship with AgFirst Farm Credit Bank (Bank) and from income generated by operations. Sufficient liquid funds have been available to meet all financial obligations.

Funding Sources

The principal source of funds for the Association is the borrowing relationship established with the Bank through a General Financing Agreement. The General Financing Agreement utilizes the Association's credit and fiscal

performance as criteria for establishing a line of credit on which the Association may draw funds. The funds are advanced by the Bank to the Association in the form of notes payable. The notes payable are segmented into variable rate and fixed rate sections. The variable rate note is utilized by the Association to fund variable rate loan advances and operating funds requirements. The fixed rate note is used specifically to fund fixed rate loan advances made by the Association. The total notes payable to the Bank at September 30, 2015 was \$815,350 as compared to \$768,380 at December 31, 2014. The 6.11 percent increase during the period was a result of a corresponding increase in loan volume and increase in loanable funds since December 31, 2014.

The Association has no lines of credit outstanding with third parties as of September 30, 2015.

CAPITAL RESOURCES

Total members' equity at September 30, 2015, increased 9.43 percent to \$250,326 from the December 31, 2014, total of \$228,758. The increase is attributed to the increase in retained earnings related to net income as well as an increase in preferred stock. Preferred stock was \$40,371 as of September 30, 2015, as compared to \$31,675 on December 31, 2014, for an increase of 25.01 percent.

Farm Credit Administration (FCA) regulations require all Farm Credit institutions to maintain minimum permanent capital, total surplus and core surplus ratios. These ratios are calculated by dividing the Association's permanent capital, total surplus and core surplus as defined in FCA regulations, by a risk-adjusted asset base. As of September 30, 2015, the Association's total surplus ratio and core surplus ratio were both 18.25 percent, and the permanent capital ratio was 22.33 percent. All three ratios were well above the minimum regulatory ratios of 7.00 percent for permanent capital and total surplus ratios and 3.50 percent for the core surplus ratio.

REGULATORY MATTERS

On July 25, 2014, the FCA published a proposed rule in the Federal Register to revise the requirements governing the eligibility of investments for System banks and associations. The public comment period ended on October 23, 2014. The stated objectives of the proposed rule are as follows:

- To strengthen the safety and soundness of System banks and associations.
- To ensure that System banks hold sufficient liquidity to continue operations and pay maturing obligations in the event of market disruption.
- To enhance the ability of the System banks to supply credit to agricultural and aquatic producers.
- To comply with the requirements of section 939A of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act).

- To modernize the investment eligibility criteria for System banks.
- To revise the investment regulation for System associations to improve their investment management practices so they are more resilient to risk.

On September 4, 2014, the FCA published a proposed rule in the Federal Register to modify the regulatory capital requirements for System banks and associations. The initial public comment period ended on February 16, 2015. On June 15, 2015, the Farm Credit Administration reopened the comment period from June 26 to July 10, 2015. The stated objectives of the proposed rule are as follows:

- To modernize capital requirements while ensuring that institutions continue to hold sufficient regulatory capital to fulfill their mission as a government-sponsored enterprise.
- To ensure that the System's capital requirements are comparable to the Basel III framework and the standardized approach that the federal banking regulatory agencies have adopted, but also to ensure that the rules recognize the cooperative structure and the organization of the System.
- To make System regulatory capital requirements more transparent.
- To meet the requirements of section 939A of the Dodd-Frank Act.

FINANCIAL REGULATORY REFORM

See discussion of the Dodd-Frank Act in the *Financial Regulatory Reform* section of the Association's 2014 Annual Report.

RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Please refer to Note 1, "*Organization, Significant Accounting Policies, and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements*", in the Notes to the Financial Statements, and the 2014 Annual Report to Shareholders for recently issued accounting pronouncements.

NOTE: Shareholder investment in the Association is materially affected by the financial condition and results of operations of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank. Copies of AgFirst's annual and quarterly reports are available upon request free of charge by calling 1-800-845-1745, ext. 2832, or writing Susanne Caughman, AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, P.O. Box 1499, Columbia, SC 29202. Information concerning AgFirst Farm Credit Bank can also be obtained at their website, www.agfirst.com. Copies of the Association's annual and quarterly reports are also available upon request free of charge by calling 1-919-250-9500, writing Linda Strickland, AgCarolina Farm Credit, ACA, P. O. Box 14789, Raleigh, NC 27620, or accessing the website, www.agcarolina.com. The Association prepares a quarterly report within 40 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, except that no report need be prepared for the fiscal quarter that coincides with the end of the fiscal year of the institution.

AgCarolina Farm Credit, ACA

Consolidated Balance Sheets

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2015 <i>(unaudited)</i>	December 31, 2014 <i>(audited)</i>
Assets		
Cash	\$ 1,007	\$ 2,275
Loans	1,042,635	980,181
Allowance for loan losses	(11,830)	(11,602)
Net loans	1,030,805	968,579
Accrued interest receivable	15,970	12,590
Investments in other Farm Credit institutions	10,732	10,732
Premises and equipment, net	10,124	9,650
Accounts receivable	4,825	15,501
Other assets	7,848	9,807
Total assets	\$ 1,081,311	\$ 1,029,134
Liabilities		
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	\$ 815,350	\$ 768,069
Accrued interest payable	1,568	1,484
Patronage refunds payable	67	12,097
Accounts payable	1,778	2,608
Other liabilities	12,222	16,118
Total liabilities	830,985	800,376
Commitments and contingencies (Note 7)		
Members' Equity		
Capital stock and participation certificates	43,681	34,944
Retained earnings		
Allocated	127,315	126,501
Unallocated	79,330	67,313
Total members' equity	250,326	228,758
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$ 1,081,311	\$ 1,029,134

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

AgCarolina Farm Credit, ACA
Consolidated Statements of
Comprehensive Income

(unaudited)

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	For the three months ended September 30,		For the nine months ended September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Interest Income				
Loans	\$ 11,843	\$ 12,010	\$ 33,354	\$ 33,371
Investments	—	—	—	30
Total interest income	11,843	12,010	33,354	33,401
Interest Expense				
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	4,725	4,627	13,141	12,631
Net interest income	7,118	7,383	20,213	20,770
Provision for (reversal of allowance for) loan losses	—	(38)	—	(121)
Net interest income after provision for (reversal of allowance for) loan losses	7,118	7,421	20,213	20,891
Noninterest Income				
Loan fees	425	397	2,102	2,131
Fees for financially related services	323	349	606	620
Patronage refunds from other Farm Credit institutions	1,694	1,723	4,732	4,697
Gains (losses) on sales of premises and equipment, net	19	10	98	34
Gains (losses) on other transactions	(153)	12	(132)	181
Other noninterest income	—	3	77	72
Total noninterest income	2,308	2,494	7,483	7,735
Noninterest Expense				
Salaries and employee benefits	3,120	3,184	10,294	9,976
Occupancy and equipment	271	253	768	717
Insurance Fund premiums	267	252	738	684
(Gains) losses on other property owned, net	—	8	—	47
Other operating expenses	713	783	2,500	2,564
Total noninterest expense	4,371	4,480	14,300	13,988
Income before income taxes	5,055	5,435	13,396	14,638
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	7	(2)	7	(2)
Net income	5,048	5,437	13,389	14,640
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—
Comprehensive income	\$ 5,048	\$ 5,437	\$ 13,389	\$ 14,640

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

AgCarolina Farm Credit, ACA
Consolidated Statements of Changes in
Members' Equity

(unaudited)

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Capital Stock and Participation Certificates	Retained Earnings		Total Members' Equity
		Allocated	Unallocated	
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$ 34,109	\$ 110,215	\$ 65,271	\$ 209,595
Comprehensive income			14,640	14,640
Capital stock/participation certificates issued/(retired), net	4,176			4,176
Dividends declared/paid	325		(325)	—
Patronage distribution adjustment		(52)	89	37
Balance at September 30, 2014	\$ 38,610	\$ 110,163	\$ 79,675	\$ 228,448
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ 34,944	\$ 126,501	\$ 67,313	\$ 228,758
Comprehensive income			13,389	13,389
Capital stock/participation certificates issued/(retired), net	8,374			8,374
Dividends declared/paid	363		(363)	—
Patronage distribution adjustment		814	(1,009)	(195)
Balance at September 30, 2015	\$ 43,681	\$ 127,315	\$ 79,330	\$ 250,326

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

AgCarolina Farm Credit, ACA

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

*(dollars in thousands, except as noted)
(unaudited)*

Note 1 — Organization, Significant Accounting Policies, and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Organization

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of AgCarolina Farm Credit, ACA and its Production Credit Association (PCA) and Federal Land Credit Association (FLCA) subsidiaries (collectively, the Association). A full description of the organization and operations, the significant accounting policies followed, and the financial condition and results of operations for the Association as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, are contained in the 2014 Annual Report to Shareholders. These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the latest Annual Report to Shareholders.

Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments necessary for a fair statement of results for the periods presented. These adjustments are of a normal recurring nature, unless otherwise disclosed.

Certain amounts in the prior period's consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on the prior period net income or total capital as previously reported.

The results of any interim period are not necessarily indicative of those to be expected for a full year.

Significant Accounting Policies

The Association's accounting and reporting policies conform with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and practices in the financial services industry. To prepare the financial statements in conformity with GAAP, management must make estimates based on assumptions about future economic and market conditions (for example, unemployment, market liquidity, real estate prices, etc.) that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, income and expenses during the reporting period, and the related disclosures. Although these estimates contemplate current conditions and expectations of change in the future, it is reasonably possible that actual conditions may be different than anticipated, which could materially affect results of operations and financial condition.

Management has made significant estimates in several areas, including loans and allowance for loan losses (Note 2, *Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses*), investment securities and other-than-temporary impairment (Note 3, *Investments*), and

financial instruments (Note 5, *Fair Value Measurement*). Actual results could differ from those estimates.

For further details of significant accounting policies, see Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*, from the latest Annual Report.

Accounting Standards Updates (ASUs) Issued During the Period

The following ASUs were issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) since the most recent Annual Report:

- 2015-16 Business Combinations – In September, 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-16 Business Combinations (Topic 805): Simplifying the Accounting for Measurement-Period Adjustments. The amendments in this Update require that an acquirer recognize adjustments to provisional amounts that are identified during the measurement period in the reporting period in which the adjustment amounts are determined. The amendments require that the acquirer record, in the same period's financial statements, the effect on earnings of changes in depreciation, amortization, or other income effects, if any, as a result of the change to the provisional amounts, calculated as if the accounting had been completed at the acquisition date. The amendments require an entity to present separately on the face of the income statement or disclose in the notes the portion of the amount recorded in current-period earnings by line item that would have been recorded in previous reporting periods if the adjustment to the provisional amounts had been recognized as of the acquisition date. For public business entities, the amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The amendments should be applied prospectively to adjustments to provisional amounts that occur after the effective date of this Update with earlier application permitted for financial statements that have not been issued. Application of this guidance is not expected to have an impact on the Association's financial condition or results of operations.
- 2015-15 Interest – In August, 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-15 Interest—Imputation of Interest (Subtopic 835-30): Presentation and Subsequent Measurement of Debt Issuance Costs Associated with Line-of-Credit Arrangements. The update adds

Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) paragraphs pursuant to the SEC Staff Announcement at the June 18, 2015 Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) meeting about the presentation and subsequent measurement of debt issuance costs associated with line-of-credit arrangements.

- 2015-10 Technical Corrections and Improvements – In June, 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-10, Technical Corrections and Improvements (numerous Topics). The amendments in the Update represent changes to make minor corrections or minor improvements to the Codification that are not expected to have a significant effect on current accounting practice or create a significant administrative cost to most entities. The amendments that require transition guidance are effective for all entities for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2015. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. All other amendments were effective upon the issuance of the Update.
- 2015-07 Fair Value Measurement – In May, 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-07, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities That Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (or Its Equivalent). Topic 820 permits a reporting entity, as a practical expedient, to measure the fair value of certain investments using the net asset value per share of the investment. Currently, investments valued using the practical expedient are categorized within the fair value hierarchy on the basis of whether the investment is redeemable with the investee at net asset value on the measurement date, never redeemable with the investee at net asset value, or redeemable with the investee at net asset value at a future date. To address diversity in practice related to how certain investments measured at net asset value with future redemption dates are categorized, the amendments in this Update remove the requirement to categorize investments for which fair values are measured using the net asset value per share practical expedient. It also limits disclosures to investments for which the entity has elected to measure the fair value using the practical expedient. For public business entities, the guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Earlier application is permitted. The guidance is to be applied retrospectively to all periods presented. Application of this guidance is not expected to have an impact on the Association's financial condition or results of operations, but will require modifications to footnote disclosures.
- Accounting Standards Update 2015-02 Consolidation (Topic 810): Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis. The amendments in this Update affect reporting entities that are required to evaluate whether

they should consolidate certain legal entities. All legal entities are subject to reevaluation under the revised consolidation model. Specifically, the amendments: 1. Modify the evaluation of whether limited partnerships and similar legal entities are variable interest entities (VIEs) or voting interest entities, 2. Eliminate the presumption that a general partner should consolidate a limited partnership, 3. Affect the consolidation analysis of reporting entities that are involved with VIEs, particularly those that have fee arrangements and related party relationships, 4. Provide a scope exception from consolidation guidance for reporting entities with interests in legal entities that are required to comply with or operate in accordance with requirements that are similar to those in Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 for registered money market funds. The amendments in this Update are effective for public business entities for fiscal years, and for interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2015. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. Application of this guidance is not expected to have an impact on the Association's financial condition or results of operations.

ASUs Pending Effective Date

For a detailed description of the ASUs below, see the latest Annual Report.

Potential effects of ASUs issued in previous periods:

- ASU 2015-14, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Deferral of the Effective Date – In August, 2015, the FASB issued an update that defers by one year the effective date of ASU 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers. The new ASU reflects decisions reached by the FASB at its meeting on July 9, 2015.

Accounting Standards Effective During the Period

There were no changes in the accounting principles applied from the latest Annual Report, other than any discussed below.

No recently adopted accounting guidance issued by the FASB had a significant effect on the current period reporting. See the most recent Annual Report for a detailed description of each of the standards below:

- 2014-14 Classification of Certain Government-Guaranteed Mortgage Loans – The Association did not have a significant amount of loans that met the criteria of the guidance.
- 2014-11 Repurchase-to-Maturity Transactions – The Association did not have a significant amount of transactions that met the criteria of the guidance.

- 2014-08 Discontinued Operations – The Association has not had and does not anticipate any significant disposals.
- 2014-04 Reclassification of Consumer Mortgage Loans – The criteria of the standard were not significantly different from the Association’s policy in place at adoption. The amendment was adopted prospectively. See Note 2, *Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses*, for the additional disclosures required by this guidance.

the report date. The allowance for loan losses is increased through provisions for loan losses and loan recoveries and is decreased through loan charge-offs and allowance reversals. A review of individual loans in each respective portfolio is performed periodically to determine the appropriateness of risk ratings and to ensure loss exposure to the Association has been identified. See Note 3, *Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses*, from the latest Annual Report for further discussion.

Credit risk arises from the potential inability of an obligor to meet its repayment obligation. The Association manages credit risk associated with lending activities through an assessment of the credit risk profile of an individual obligor. The Association sets its own underwriting standards and lending policies that provide direction to loan officers and are approved by the board of directors.

Note 2 — Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

The Association maintains an allowance for loan losses at a level considered adequate by management to provide for probable and estimable losses inherent in the loan portfolio as of

A summary of loans outstanding at period end follows:

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Real estate mortgage	\$ 415,868	\$ 409,597
Production and intermediate-term	572,135	518,104
Loans to cooperatives	1,038	684
Processing and marketing	18,053	15,043
Farm-related business	5,653	8,546
Energy and water/waste disposal	113	139
Rural residential real estate	29,775	28,068
Total Loans	<u>\$ 1,042,635</u>	<u>\$ 980,181</u>

A substantial portion of the Association’s lending activities is collateralized, and exposure to credit loss associated with lending activities is reduced accordingly.

The Association may purchase or sell participation interests with other parties in order to diversify risk, manage loan volume, and comply with Farm Credit Administration (FCA) regulations. The following tables present participation loan balances at periods ended:

	September 30, 2015							
	Within AgFirst District		Within Farm Credit System		Outside Farm Credit System		Total	
	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold
Real estate mortgage	\$ 2,085	\$ 13,781	\$ –	\$ 907	\$ –	\$ –	\$ 2,085	\$ 14,688
Production and intermediate-term	22,252	72,571	3,511	157,206	179,217	–	204,980	229,777
Loans to cooperatives	795	–	–	–	–	–	795	–
Processing and marketing	16,567	5,814	481	–	5,814	–	22,862	5,814
Farm-related business	2,183	–	–	–	–	–	2,183	–
Total	<u>\$ 43,882</u>	<u>\$ 92,166</u>	<u>\$ 3,992</u>	<u>\$ 158,113</u>	<u>\$ 185,031</u>	<u>\$ –</u>	<u>\$ 232,905</u>	<u>\$ 250,279</u>

	December 31, 2014							
	Within AgFirst District		Within Farm Credit System		Outside Farm Credit System		Total	
	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold
Real estate mortgage	\$ 6,757	\$ 19,028	\$ –	\$ 1,010	\$ –	\$ –	\$ 6,757	\$ 20,038
Production and intermediate-term	22,144	84,224	3,500	139,020	151,795	–	177,439	223,244
Loans to cooperatives	578	–	–	–	–	–	578	–
Processing and marketing	14,244	6,860	641	–	6,860	–	21,745	6,860
Farm-related business	2,842	–	–	–	–	–	2,842	–
Total	<u>\$ 46,565</u>	<u>\$ 110,112</u>	<u>\$ 4,141</u>	<u>\$ 140,030</u>	<u>\$ 158,655</u>	<u>\$ –</u>	<u>\$ 209,361</u>	<u>\$ 250,142</u>

A significant source of liquidity for the Association is the repayments of loans. The following table presents the contractual maturity distribution of loans by loan type at the latest period end:

	September 30, 2015			
	Due less than 1 year	Due 1 Through 5 years	Due after 5 years	Total
Real estate mortgage	\$ 30,182	\$ 88,806	\$ 296,880	\$ 415,868
Production and intermediate-term	223,088	180,021	169,026	572,135
Loans to cooperatives	169	869	-	1,038
Processing and marketing	1,180	9,328	7,545	18,053
Farm-related business	2,798	2,322	533	5,653
Energy and water/waste disposal	-	81	32	113
Rural residential real estate	66	4,723	24,986	29,775
Total Loans	\$ 257,483	\$ 286,150	\$ 499,002	\$ 1,042,635
Percentage	24.70%	27.44%	47.86%	100.00%

The recorded investment in a receivable is the face amount increased or decreased by applicable accrued interest, unamortized premium, discount, finance charges, or acquisition costs and may also reflect a previous direct write-down of the investment.

The following table shows the recorded investment of loans, classified under the FCA Uniform Loan Classification System, as a percentage of the recorded investment of total loans by loan type as of:

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014		September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Real estate mortgage:			Farm-related business:		
Acceptable	90.33%	91.70%	Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%
OAEM	4.80	3.73	OAEM	-	-
Substandard/doubtful/loss	4.87	4.57	Substandard/doubtful/loss	-	-
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Production and intermediate-term:			Energy and water/waste disposal		
Acceptable	88.78%	92.96%	Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%
OAEM	7.73	4.41	OAEM	-	-
Substandard/doubtful/loss	3.49	2.63	Substandard/doubtful/loss	-	-
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Loans to cooperatives:			Rural residential real estate:		
Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%	Acceptable	97.69%	96.37%
OAEM	-	-	OAEM	1.93	2.65
Substandard/doubtful/loss	-	-	Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.38	0.98
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Processing and marketing:			Total Loans:		
Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%	Acceptable	89.92%	92.70%
OAEM	-	-	OAEM	6.21	3.97
Substandard/doubtful/loss	-	-	Substandard/doubtful/loss	3.87	3.33
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

The following tables provide an age analysis of the recorded investment of past due loans as of:

	September 30, 2015					Recorded Investment 90 Days or More Past Due and Accruing Interest
	30 Through 89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total Past Due	Not Past Due or Less Than 30 Days Past Due	Total Loans	
Real estate mortgage	\$ 230	\$ 2,402	\$ 2,632	\$ 419,664	\$ 422,296	\$ -
Production and intermediate-term	1,091	1,060	2,151	579,279	581,430	-
Loans to cooperatives	-	-	-	1,041	1,041	-
Processing and marketing	-	-	-	18,092	18,092	-
Farm-related business	-	-	-	5,694	5,694	-
Energy and water/waste disposal	-	-	-	113	113	-
Rural residential real estate	73	-	73	29,866	29,939	-
Total	\$ 1,394	\$ 3,462	\$ 4,856	\$ 1,053,749	\$ 1,058,605	\$ -

December 31, 2014

	30 Through 89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total Past Due	Not Past Due or Less Than 30 Days Past Due	Total Loans	Recorded Investment 90 Days or More Past Due and Accruing Interest
Real estate mortgage	\$ 1,913	\$ 553	\$ 2,466	\$ 412,545	\$ 415,011	\$ -
Production and intermediate-term	1,316	1,227	2,543	522,427	524,970	-
Loans to cooperatives	-	-	-	684	684	-
Processing and marketing	-	-	-	15,092	15,092	-
Farm-related business	-	-	-	8,698	8,698	-
Energy and water/waste disposal	-	-	-	139	139	-
Rural residential real estate	101	-	101	28,076	28,177	-
Total	<u>\$ 3,330</u>	<u>\$ 1,780</u>	<u>\$ 5,110</u>	<u>\$ 987,661</u>	<u>\$ 992,771</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Nonperforming assets (including the recorded investment for loans) and related credit quality statistics at period end were as follows:

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Nonaccrual loans:		
Real estate mortgage	\$ 11,175	\$ 9,430
Production and intermediate-term	2,172	2,030
Rural residential real estate	(105)	-
Total	<u>\$ 13,242</u>	<u>\$ 11,460</u>
Accruing restructured loans:		
Real estate mortgage	\$ 2,397	\$ 2,593
Production and intermediate-term	339	347
Total	<u>\$ 2,736</u>	<u>\$ 2,940</u>
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due:		
Total	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Total nonperforming loans	\$ 15,978	\$ 14,400
Other property owned	-	-
Nonperforming assets	<u>\$ 15,978</u>	<u>\$ 14,400</u>
Nonaccrual loans as a percentage of total loans	1.27%	1.17%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total loans and other property owned	1.53%	1.47%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of capital	<u>6.38%</u>	<u>6.29%</u>

The following table presents information related to the recorded investment of impaired loans at period end. Impaired loans are loans for which it is probable that all principal and interest will not be collected according to the contractual terms of the loan.

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Impaired nonaccrual loans:		
Current as to principal and interest	\$ 9,082	\$ 8,722
Past due	4,160	2,738
Total	<u>13,242</u>	<u>11,460</u>
Impaired accrual loans:		
Restructured	2,736	2,940
90 days or more past due	-	-
Total	<u>2,736</u>	<u>2,940</u>
Total impaired loans	<u>\$ 15,978</u>	<u>\$ 14,400</u>

The following tables present additional impaired loan information at period end. Unpaid principal balance represents the contractual principal balance of the loan.

Impaired loans	September 30, 2015			Quarter Ended September 30, 2015		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015	
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Average Impaired Loans	Interest Income Recognized on Impaired Loans	Average Impaired Loans	Interest Income Recognized on Impaired Loans
With a related allowance for credit losses:							
Real estate mortgage	\$ 7,482	\$ 9,159	\$ 3,233	\$ 7,548	\$ 90	\$ 7,247	\$ 160
Production and intermediate-term	200	327	62	201	2	193	4
Rural residential real estate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	\$ 7,682	\$ 9,486	\$ 3,295	\$ 7,749	\$ 92	\$ 7,440	\$ 164
With no related allowance for credit losses:							
Real estate mortgage	\$ 6,090	\$ 7,890	\$ —	\$ 6,144	\$ 72	\$ 5,899	\$ 129
Production and intermediate-term	2,311	4,815	—	2,332	28	2,239	49
Rural residential real estate	(105)	—	—	(106)	(1)	(102)	(2)
Total	\$ 8,296	\$ 12,705	\$ —	\$ 8,370	\$ 99	\$ 8,036	\$ 176
Total:							
Real estate mortgage	\$ 13,572	\$ 17,049	\$ 3,233	\$ 13,692	\$ 162	\$ 13,146	\$ 289
Production and intermediate-term	2,511	5,142	62	2,533	30	2,432	53
Rural residential real estate	(105)	—	—	(106)	(1)	(102)	(2)
Total	\$ 15,978	\$ 22,191	\$ 3,295	\$ 16,119	\$ 191	\$ 15,476	\$ 340

Impaired loans	December 31, 2014			Year Ended December 31, 2014	
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Average Impaired Loans	Interest Income Recognized on Impaired Loans
With a related allowance for credit losses:					
Real estate mortgage	\$ 7,094	\$ 8,548	\$ 3,093	\$ 9,536	\$ 1,199
Production and intermediate-term	121	337	72	163	21
Total	\$ 7,215	\$ 8,885	\$ 3,165	\$ 9,699	\$ 1,220
With no related allowance for credit losses:					
Real estate mortgage	\$ 4,929	\$ 6,565	\$ —	\$ 6,625	\$ 834
Production and intermediate-term	2,256	4,858	—	3,033	381
Total	\$ 7,185	\$ 11,423	\$ —	\$ 9,658	\$ 1,215
Total:					
Real estate mortgage	\$ 12,023	\$ 15,113	\$ 3,093	\$ 16,161	\$ 2,033
Production and intermediate-term	2,377	5,195	72	3,196	402
Total	\$ 14,400	\$ 20,308	\$ 3,165	\$ 19,357	\$ 2,435

There were no material commitments to lend additional funds to debtors whose loans were classified as impaired at each reporting period.

A summary of changes in the allowance for loan losses and recorded investment in loans for each reporting period follows:

	Real Estate Mortgage	Production and Intermediate- term	Agribusiness*	Energy and Water/Waste Disposal	Rural Residential Real Estate	Total
Activity related to the allowance for credit losses:						
Balance at June 30, 2015	\$ 6,308	\$ 4,871	\$ 185	\$ 1	\$ 238	\$ 11,603
Charge-offs	(1)	(113)	—	—	—	(114)
Recoveries	—	341	—	—	—	341
Provision for loan losses	331	(349)	15	—	3	—
Balance at September 30, 2015	\$ 6,638	\$ 4,750	\$ 200	\$ 1	\$ 241	\$ 11,830
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ 6,618	\$ 4,531	\$ 208	\$ 1	\$ 244	\$ 11,602
Charge-offs	(32)	(119)	—	—	—	(151)
Recoveries	27	352	—	—	—	379
Provision for loan losses	25	(14)	(8)	—	(3)	—
Balance at September 30, 2015	\$ 6,638	\$ 4,750	\$ 200	\$ 1	\$ 241	\$ 11,830
Balance at June 30, 2014	\$ 7,814	\$ 5,155	\$ 250	\$ —	\$ 251	\$ 13,470
Charge-offs	—	—	—	—	—	—
Recoveries	6	81	—	—	—	87
Provision for loan losses	(28)	(22)	8	1	3	(38)
Balance at September 30, 2014	\$ 7,792	\$ 5,214	\$ 258	\$ 1	\$ 254	\$ 13,519
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$ 8,311	\$ 4,882	\$ 233	\$ 3	\$ 268	\$ 13,697
Charge-offs	—	(199)	—	—	—	(199)
Recoveries	34	108	—	—	—	142
Provision for loan losses	(553)	423	25	(2)	(14)	(121)
Balance at September 30, 2014	\$ 7,792	\$ 5,214	\$ 258	\$ 1	\$ 254	\$ 13,519
Allowance on loans evaluated for impairment:						
Individually	\$ 3,233	\$ 62	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,295
Collectively	3,405	4,688	200	1	241	8,535
Balance at September 30, 2015	\$ 6,638	\$ 4,750	\$ 200	\$ 1	\$ 241	\$ 11,830
Individually	\$ 3,093	\$ 72	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,165
Collectively	3,525	4,459	208	1	244	8,437
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ 6,618	\$ 4,531	\$ 208	\$ 1	\$ 244	\$ 11,602
Recorded investment in loans evaluated for impairment:						
Individually	\$ 12,565	\$ 2,640	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (105)	\$ 15,100
Collectively	409,731	578,790	24,827	113	30,044	1,043,505
Balance at September 30, 2015	\$ 422,296	\$ 581,430	\$ 24,827	\$ 113	\$ 29,939	\$ 1,058,605
Individually	\$ 12,023	\$ 2,377	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 14,400
Collectively	402,988	522,593	24,474	139	28,177	978,371
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ 415,011	\$ 524,970	\$ 24,474	\$ 139	\$ 28,177	\$ 992,771

*Includes the loan types; Loans to cooperatives, Processing and marketing, and Farm-related business.

A restructuring of a debt constitutes a troubled debt restructuring (TDR) if the creditor for economic or legal reasons related to the debtor's financial difficulties grants a concession to the debtor that it would not otherwise consider. There were no TDRs for the three or nine month periods ended September 30, 2015 or September 30, 2014.

Interest concessions may include interest forgiveness and interest deferment. Principal concessions may include principal forgiveness, principal deferment, and maturity extension. Other concessions may include additional compensation received which might be in the form of cash or other assets.

There were no TDRs that occurred during the previous twelve months and for which there was a subsequent payment default during the periods presented. Payment default is defined as a payment that was thirty days or more past due.

The following table provides information at period end on outstanding loans restructured in troubled debt restructurings. These loans are included as impaired loans in the impaired loan table:

	Total TDRs		Nonaccrual TDRs	
	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Real estate mortgage	\$ 9,899	\$ 10,394	\$ 7,502	\$ 7,801
Production and intermediate-term	685	731	346	384
Total Loans	\$ 10,584	\$ 11,125	\$ 7,848	\$ 8,185
Additional commitments to lend	\$ —	\$ —		

The following table presents information as of period end:

	<u>September 30, 2015</u>
Carrying amount of foreclosed residential real estate properties held as a result of obtaining physical possession	\$ —
Recorded investment of consumer mortgage loans secured by residential real estate for which formal foreclosure proceedings are in process	\$ —

Note 3 — Investments

Investments in other Farm Credit Institutions

The Association is required to maintain ownership in AgFirst Farm Credit Bank (AgFirst or the Bank) of Class B and Class C stock as determined by the Bank. The Bank may require additional capital contributions to maintain its capital requirements. The Association owns 4.24 percent of the issued stock of the Bank as of September 30, 2015 net of any reciprocal investment. As of that date, the Bank's assets totaled \$30.0 billion and shareholders' equity totaled \$2.4 billion. The Bank's earnings were \$254 million for the first nine months of 2015. In addition, the Association has an investment of \$112 related to other Farm Credit institutions.

Note 4 — Debt

Notes Payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank

The Association's indebtedness to the Bank represents borrowings by the Association to fund its earning assets. This indebtedness is collateralized by a pledge of substantially all of the Association's assets. The contractual terms of the revolving line of credit are contained in the General Financing Agreement (GFA). The GFA also defines Association performance criteria for borrowing from the Bank, which includes borrowing base margin, earnings and capital covenants, among others.

Note 5 — Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

Accounting guidance establishes a hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements to maximize the use of observable inputs, that is, inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on

market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. The hierarchy is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. A financial instrument's categorization within the hierarchy tiers is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The classifications within the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

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

Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets; quoted prices in markets that are not active; and inputs that are observable, or can be corroborated, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable and supported by little or no market activity. Valuation is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, and could include significant management judgment or estimation. Level 3 assets and liabilities could also include instruments whose price has been adjusted based on dealer quoted pricing that is different than the third-party valuation or internal model pricing.

For a complete discussion of the inputs and other assumptions considered in assigning various assets and liabilities to the fair value hierarchy levels, see the latest Annual Report to Shareholders.

The Association has no Level 2 assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. There were no Level 3 assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the periods presented. The Association had no transfers of assets or liabilities into or out of Level 1 or Level 2 during the periods presented.

Fair values are estimated at each period end date for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. Fair values are estimated at least annually, or when information suggests a significant change in value, for assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. Other Financial Instruments are not measured at fair value in the statement of financial position, but their fair values are estimated as of each period end date. The following tables summarize the carrying amounts of these assets and liabilities at period end, and their related fair values.

At or for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015						
	Total Carrying Amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair Value	Fair Value Effects On Earnings
Recurring Measurements						
Assets:						
Assets held in Mutual funds	\$ 1,981	\$ 1,981	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,981	
Recurring Assets	\$ 1,981	\$ 1,981	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,981	
Liabilities:						
Recurring Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Nonrecurring Measurements						
Assets:						
Impaired loans*	\$ 4,387	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,387	\$ 4,387	\$ 98
Other property owned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonrecurring Assets	\$ 4,387	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,387	\$ 4,387	\$ 98
Other Financial Instruments						
Assets:						
Cash	\$ 1,007	\$ 1,007	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,007	
Loans	1,026,418	-	-	1,013,708	1,013,708	
Other Financial Assets	\$ 1,027,425	\$ 1,007	\$ -	\$ 1,013,708	\$ 1,014,715	
Liabilities:						
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	\$ 815,350	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 810,790	\$ 810,790	
Other Financial Liabilities	\$ 815,350	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 810,790	\$ 810,790	

At or for the Year Ended December 31, 2014						
	Total Carrying Amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair Value	Fair Value Effects On Earnings
Recurring Measurements						
Assets:						
Assets held in Mutual funds	\$ 1,943	\$ 1,943	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,943	
Recurring Assets	\$ 1,943	\$ 1,943	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,943	
Liabilities:						
Recurring Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Nonrecurring Measurements						
Assets:						
Impaired loans**	\$ 4,050	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,050	\$ 4,050	\$ 1,348
Other property owned	-	-	-	-	-	(19)
Nonrecurring Assets	\$ 4,050	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,050	\$ 4,050	\$ 1,329
Other Financial Instruments						
Assets:						
Cash	\$ 2,275	\$ 2,275	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,275	
Loans	964,529	-	-	950,047	950,047	
Other Financial Assets	\$ 966,804	\$ 2,275	\$ -	\$ 950,047	\$ 952,322	
Liabilities:						
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	\$ 768,069	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 759,085	\$ 759,085	
Other Financial Liabilities	\$ 768,069	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 759,085	\$ 759,085	

*Carrying value of impaired loans is the balance of loans with a related specific reserve (\$7,682) less related specific reserves (\$3,295) associated with impaired loans plus impaired loans with no specific reserve with an associated charge-off (\$0).

**Carrying value of impaired loans is the balance of loans with a related specific reserve (\$7,215) less related specific reserves (\$3,165) associated with impaired loans plus impaired loans with no specific reserve with an associated charge-off (\$0).

SENSITIVITY TO CHANGES IN SIGNIFICANT UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS

Discounted cash flow or similar modeling techniques are generally used to determine the recurring fair value measurements for Level 3 assets and liabilities. Use of these techniques requires determination of relevant inputs and assumptions, some of which represent significant unobservable inputs as indicated in the tables that follow. Accordingly, changes in these unobservable inputs may have a significant impact on fair value.

Certain of these unobservable inputs will (in isolation) have a directionally consistent impact on the fair value of the instrument for a given change in that input. Alternatively, the fair value of the instrument may move in an opposite direction for a given change in another input. Where multiple inputs are used within the valuation technique of an asset or liability, a change in one input in a certain direction may be offset by an opposite change in another input having a potentially muted impact to the overall fair value of that particular instrument. Additionally, a change in one unobservable input may result in a

change to another unobservable input (that is, changes in certain inputs are interrelated with one another), which may counteract or magnify the fair value impact.

Inputs to Valuation Techniques

Management determines the Association's valuation policies and procedures. The Bank performs the majority of the Association's valuations, and its valuation processes are calibrated annually by an independent consultant. The fair value measurements are analyzed on a quarterly basis. For other valuations, documentation is obtained for third party

information, such as pricing, and periodically evaluated alongside internal information and pricing that is available.

Quoted market prices are generally not available for the instruments presented below. Accordingly, fair values are based on judgments regarding anticipated cash flows, future expected loss experience, current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments, and other factors. These estimates involve uncertainties and matters of judgment, and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

Quantitative Information about Recurring and Nonrecurring Level 3 Fair Value Measurements

	Fair Value	Valuation Technique(s)	Unobservable Input	Range
Impaired loans and other property owned	\$ 4,387	Appraisal	Income and expense	*
			Comparable sales	*
			Replacement costs	*
			Comparability adjustments	*

* Ranges for this type of input are not useful because each collateral property is unique.

Information about Other Financial Instrument Fair Value Measurements

	Valuation Technique(s)	Input
Cash	Carrying value	Par/Principal and appropriate interest yield
Loans	Discounted cash flow	Prepayment forecasts
		Probability of default
		Loss severity
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	Discounted cash flow	Prepayment forecasts Probability of default Loss severity

Note 6 — Employee Benefit Plans

The following is a table of retirement and other postretirement benefit expenses for the Association:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Pension	\$ 650	\$ 662	\$ 1,950	\$ 1,986
401(k)	125	97	440	330
Other postretirement benefits	188	115	565	346
Total	\$ 963	\$ 874	\$ 2,955	\$ 2,662

The following is a table of retirement and other postretirement benefit contributions for the Association:

	Actual YTD Through 9/30/15	Projected Contributions For Remainder of 2015	Projected Total Contributions 2015
Pension	\$ —	\$ 2,663	\$ 2,663
Other postretirement benefits	274	88	362
Total	\$ 274	\$ 2,751	\$ 3,025

Contributions in the above table include allocated estimates of funding for multi-employer plans in which the Association participates. These amounts may change when a total funding amount and allocation is determined by the respective Plan's Sponsor Committee. Also, market conditions could impact discount rates and return on plan assets which could change contributions necessary before the next plan measurement date of December 31, 2015.

Further details regarding employee benefit plans are contained in the 2014 Annual Report to Shareholders, including a

discussion of benefit plan changes related to the termination of the AgFirst Farm Credit Cash Balance Retirement Plan.

Note 7 — Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

From time to time, legal actions are pending against the Association in which claims for money damages are asserted. On at least a quarterly basis, the Association assesses its liabilities and contingencies in connection with outstanding legal proceedings utilizing the latest information available. While the outcome of legal proceedings is inherently uncertain, on the basis of information presently available, management, after consultation with legal counsel, is of the opinion that the ultimate liability, if any, from these actions, would not be material in relation to the financial position of the Association. Because it is not probable that the Association will incur a loss or the loss is not estimable, no liability has been recorded for any claims that may be pending.

Note 8 — Subsequent Events

The Association evaluated subsequent events and determined that, except as described below, there were none requiring disclosure through November 6, 2015, which was the date the financial statements were issued.

On October 19, 2015, AgFirst's Board of Directors declared a special patronage distribution to be paid on January 1, 2016. The Association will receive approximately \$5,064 which will be recorded in October 2015 as patronage refunds from other Farm Credit institutions.