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BARINGS GLOBAL SHORT DURATION HIGH YIELD FUND

Notice of Annual Meeting of

Shareholders and Proxy Statement

TIME

Thursday, August 2, 2018

At 2:00 p.m.

PLACE

Barings LLC

300 South Tryon Street

Executive Board Room, Suite 26.06

Charlotte, NC 28202

Detailed information about each proposal is contained in the enclosed materials. Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, **your vote is important**. Voting is quick and easy. Please either: (i) date, fill in, and sign the enclosed proxy card and mail in the enclosed return envelope which requires no postage if mailed in the United States or (ii) vote on the internet by following the instructions in the notice and proxy card.

BARINGS GLOBAL SHORT DURATION HIGH YIELD FUND

Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Shareholder:

The enclosed proxy materials relate to the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the Meeting) of Barings Global Short Duration High Yield Fund (BGH or the Fund) which will be held at Barings LLC, 300 South Tryon Street, Executive Board Room, Suite 26.06, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202, at 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on Thursday, August 2, 2018.

A Notice and a Proxy Statement regarding the Meeting, a proxy card for your vote at the Meeting, and a postage prepaid envelope in which to return your proxy card are enclosed.

Whether or not you plan to attend the Meeting in person, we earnestly request you vote your shares by returning the enclosed proxy card or by voting on the internet. We ask you vote promptly in order to avoid the additional expense of further solicitation. If you later find that you can be present in person, you may, if you wish, revoke your proxy then and vote your shares in person.

At the Meeting, shareholders will be asked to elect three Trustees. The Board of Trustees recommends that shareholders elect the nominated Trustees.

I look forward to your attendance at this Meeting because it will provide us with an opportunity to inform you about the progress of the Fund.

Sincerely,

Rodney J. Dillman

Chairman

BARINGS GLOBAL SHORT DURATION HIGH YIELD FUND

300 South Tryon Street, Suite 2500

Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders

To the Shareholders of

Barings Global Short Duration High Yield Fund:

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the Meeting) of Barings Global Short Duration High Yield Fund (BGH or the Fund) will be held at Barings LLC, 300 South Tryon Street, Executive Board Room, Suite 26.06, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202, on Thursday, August 2, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time, for the following purpose:

PROPOSAL 1: to elect as Trustees Rodney J. Dillman and Martin A. Sumichrast for three-year terms and

Cynthia R. Plouché for a two-year term, or until their respective successors are duly elected and

qualified.

Shareholders may also be asked to transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

The Board recommends that you vote FOR Proposal 1.

Holders of record of the shares of beneficial interest of the Fund at the close of business on June 1, 2018 are entitled to vote at the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Detailed information about Proposal 1 is contained in the enclosed materials.

Your vote is important. Voting is quick and easy. If you attend the Meeting, you may vote your shares in person. Whether or not you intend to attend the Meeting in person, you may vote in any of the following ways:

1. *Internet*: Have your proxy card available. Vote on the internet by accessing the website address on your

proxy card. Enter your control number from your proxy card. Follow the instructions found on the

website; or

2. *Mail*: Sign and return your proxy card in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

Every vote counts.

By order of the

Boards of Trustees,

Janice M. Bishop

Secretary and Chief Legal Officer

Charlotte, North Carolina

June 22, 2018

Please vote your proxy on the internet or complete, date, and sign the proxy card for the shares held by you and return the proxy card in the envelope provided so that your vote can be recorded. It is important that you vote your proxy promptly, regardless of the size of your holdings, so that a quorum may be assured.

BARINGS GLOBAL SHORT DURATION HIGH YIELD FUND

Proxy Statement

This Proxy Statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Trustees of Barings Global Short Duration High Yield Fund (BGH or the Fund) for use at the Annual Meeting of its Shareholders (the Annual Meeting or Meeting), to be held at Barings LLC (Barings), 300 South Tryon Street, Executive Board Room, Suite 26.06, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202, on Thursday, August 2, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

This Proxy Statement and the accompanying letter to shareholders from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders, and proxy card are being mailed on or about June 22, 2018, to shareholders of record on June 1, 2018, the record date. The Fund's principal business office is c/o Barings, 300 South Tryon Street, Suite 2500, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202.

Holders of the shares of beneficial interest of the Fund ($\,$ shares) of record at the close of business on June 1, 2018 will be entitled to one vote per share on all business of the Meeting and any adjournments thereof. There were 20,057,849 shares of BGH outstanding on the record date.

The Fund has engaged Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. (Broadridge) to provide shareholder meeting services, including tabulation and tracking. Should you have any questions about this Proxy Statement, please contact the Fund by calling (toll-free) 1-866-399-1516.

Important Notice regarding the availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting to be held on Thursday, August 2, 2018. The Proxy Statement is available on https://www.proxyvote.com or on the Fund s website under Documents at https://www.barings.com/bgh.

PROPOSAL 1

ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees (the Board), which oversees the Fund, provides broad supervision over the affairs of the Fund. Those Trustees who are not interested persons (as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act)) of the Fund or of Barings are referred to as Independent Trustees throughout this Proxy Statement. Barings is responsible for the investment management of the Fund s assets and for providing a variety of other administrative services to the Fund. The officers of the Fund are responsible for its operations.

The Board is currently comprised of six Trustees with terms expiring in 2018, 2019 and 2020. The terms of Rodney J. Dillman and Martin A. Sumichrast expire this year. The Fund s Nominating and Governance Committee nominated Mr. Dillman and Mr. Sumichrast as Independent Trustees for re-election to the Board for three-year terms. Cynthia R. Plouché, who was recommended by the Nominating and Governance Committee and appointed by the Board to serve as an Independent Trustee at its August 3, 2017 meeting, is also nominated as an Independent Trustee for election to the Board for a two-year term. Messrs. Dillman and Sumichrast have been nominated for re-election as Trustees for the class whose term will expire at the 2021 annual meeting of shareholders (or special meeting in lieu thereof) and Ms. Plouché has been nominated for election as Trustee for the class that expires at the 2020 annual meeting of shareholders (or special meeting held in lieu thereof) to hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Information Concerning Trustees, Nominees for Trustee and Officers

Set forth below after the name of each nominee for Trustee and for each Trustee whose term will continue after this Meeting, is his or her present office with the Fund, age, term of office and length of such term served, principal occupation during the past five years, certain of the Trustee s other directorships, and certain other information required to be disclosed in this Proxy Statement. Also, set forth below is a list of the Fund s officers (Officers) along with his or her position with the Fund, term of office and length of such term served, and principal occupation or employment for the past five years.

For purposes of the following Trustee tables, the term Fund Complex includes the Fund, Barings Corporate Investors, Barings Participation Investors and Barings Funds Trust.

INTERESTED TRUSTEE

		Office Term and		Portfolios	
	Position(s)	Length of		Overseen	
	With the	Time	Principal Occupations	in Fund	Other Directorships
Name (Age), Address	Fund	Served	During Past 5 Years	Complex	Held by Director
Thomas M. Finke (54)	Trustee	•	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (since 2008), Member of the Board of Managers (since 2006), President	9	Trustee (since 2013), Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment company advised by
300 South Tryon Street			(2007-2008), Managing Director (2002-2008),		Barings); Chairman (2012-2015), Director
Suite 2500			Barings; Chief Investment Officer and Executive Vice		(since 2008), Barings (U.K.) Limited
Charlotte, NC 28202			President (2008-2011), Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.		(investment advisory firm); Director (since 2008), Barings Guernsey Limited (holding company); Vice Chairman and Manager (since 2011), MM Asset Management Holding LLC (holding company); Director (since 2004), Jefferies Finance LLC (finance company); Manager (since 2005), Loan Strategies Management, LLC (general partner of an investment fund); Manager (since 2005), Jefferies Finance CP Funding LLC (investment company); Chairman and Director (2012-2015), Barings Global Advisers Limited (investment advisory firm); Manager (2011-2016),

Wood Creek Capital Management, LLC (investment advisory firm); Chairman and Manager (2007-2016), Barings Real Estate Advisers LLC (real estate advisory firm); Manager (2007-2015), Credit Strategies Management LLC (general partner of an investment fund).

INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES

				Portfolios	
	Position(s) With the	Office Term and Length of Time	Principal Occupations	Overseen in Fund	
Name (Age), Address	Fund	Served	During Past 5 Years	Complex	Other Directorships Held by Director
Rodney J. Dillman (65)	Trustee, Chairman / Nominee	Term expires 2018; Trustee since 2012	Retired (since 2012); Deputy General Counsel (2011-2012),	9	Trustee (since 2013), Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment company advised by
300 South Tryon Street			Senior Vice President		Barings); Director (2016-2017), Social
Suite 2500			(2008-2012), Vice President		Reality, Inc. (digital platform technology and
Charlotte, NC 28202			(2000-2008), Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company; Member of the Board of Directors and President (2008-2011), MassMutual International LLC; General Counsel (2006-2008), Babson Capital Management LLC (currently known as Barings).		management software company for internet advertising).
Bernard A. Harris Jr. (62)	Trustee	Term expires 2019; Trustee since 2012	Officer (since 2018), Director	9	Trustee (since 2013), Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment
300 South Tryon Street			(since 2008), The National		company advised by Barings); Director (since
Suite 2500			Math and Science Initiative;		2016), AIMIS, Inc. (American Institute of Minimally Invasive

Charlotte, NC 28202

Director and President (since 1998), The Space Agency; President (since 1999), The Harris Foundation; Chief Executive Officer and Managing Partner (2002-2018),Vesalius Ventures, Inc.; Clinical Scientist, Flight Surgeon and Astronaut (1986-1996),

NASA.

Surgery, an educator of advanced surgical techniques for women s health specialists); Trustee (since 2015) Forward Funds (open-end investment company); Director (since 2012), E-Cardio, Inc. (provides services for cardiac monitoring); Trustee (since 2012), Salient Midstream & MLP Fund (closed-end

Trustee (since 2012), Salient MF Trust (open-end investment company); Trustee (since 2009), Salient Private Access Funds (investment

investment company);

companies); Director (since

2009), Monebo

Technologies Inc. (medical

technology design

company); Director (since 2009), The Endowment Fund; Director (since 2005), U.S. Physical Therapy, Inc. (NYSE:

USPH).

INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES

				Portfolios	
	Position(s)	Office Term and	Principal Occupations	Overseen	
	With the	Length of Time	During Past 5	in Fund	Other Directorships Held
Name (Age), Address	Fund	Served	Years	Complex	by Director
Thomas W. Okel (55)	Trustee	Term expires 2020; Trustee since 2012	Executive Director (since 2011), Catawba Lands	9	Trustee (since 2013), Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment company advised by
300 South Tryon Street			Conservancy; Global Head of		Barings); Trustee (since 2015), Horizon Funds
Suite 2500			Syndicated Capital Markets		(mutual fund complex).
Charlotte, NC 28202			(1998-2010), Bank of America Merrill Lynch.		
Cynthia R. Plouché (61)	Trustee /	Term expires 2018; Trustee	Assessor (2014-2018),	9	Trustee (since August 2017), Barings Funds Trust
	Nominee	since August 2017	Moraine Township		(open-end investment company advised by
300 South Tryon Street			(property assessment);		Barings); Trustee (since 2014), Northern Trust
Suite 2500			Senior Portfolio Manager		Funds (mutual fund complex); Trustee
Charlotte, NC 28202			(2006-2012), Williams Capital Management, LLC (asset management).		(2001-2017), AXA VIP Trust (mutual fund complex).
Martin A. Sumichrast (51)	Trustee /	Term expires 2018; Trustee	Chairman and Chief Executive	9	Trustee (since 2013), Barings Funds Trust
	Nominee	since 2012	Officer (since 2016), Director		(open-end investment company advised by
300 South Tryon Street			(since 2015), Level Brands,		Barings); Chairman and Director (2014-2017), Kure
Suite 2500			Inc. (NYSE: LEBV; licensing		Corp. (retail); Director (2014-2017), Jadeveon
Charlotte, NC 28202			and brand management firm); Managing		Clowney Help-In-Time Foundation; Director (2015-2017), Social

Partner and
Principal (since
2013), Stone
Street Partners,
LLC (merchant
banking);
Managing
Director (since
2012),
Washington
Capital, LLC
(family office).

Reality, Inc. (digital platform technology and management software company for internet advertising).

OFFICERS OF THE FUND

Position(S)
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Name (Age), Address	With the Fund	Office Term* and Length of Time Served	Principal Occupations(s) During Past 5 Years
Sean Feeley (51)	President	Since 2017	Vice President (2012-2017) of the Fund; Managing Director (since 2003), Barings; Vice President (since 2011), Barings
300 South Tryon Street			Corporate Investors and Barings Participation Investors (closed-end investment companies advised by Barings); Vice President (since 2011), CI Subsidiary Trust and PI Subsidiary Trust.
Suite 2500			
Charlotte, NC 28202			
Carlene Pollock (51)	Chief Financial Officer	Since 2016	Assistant Treasurer (2015-2016) of the Fund; Director (since 2015), Barings; Director (2013-2015), Corrum Capital Management (investment adviser); Vice President (2008-2013), Bank of New York Mellon (third party administrator); Chief
300 South Tryon Street			Financial Officer (since 2016), Assistant Treasurer (2015-2016), Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment company advised by Barings).
Suite 2500			
Charlotte, NC 28202			
Lesley Mastandrea (41)	Treasurer	Since 2016	Managing Director (since 2014), Director (2007-2014), Associate Director (2006-2007), Barings; Treasurer (since 2016), Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment company advised by Barings).
300 South Tryon Street			
Suite 2500			
Charlotte, NC 28202			

Michael FrenoVice PresidentSince 2012Head of Global Markets (since 2018), Head of Global Fixed(43)Income Group (2017-2018), Member of High Yield InvestmentCommittee (since 2010), Managing Director (since 2010),Director (2007-2009), Associate Director (2005-2006), Barings.

300 South Tryon

Street

Suite 2500

Charlotte, NC 28202

Scott Roth (48) Vice President Since 2012 High Yield Team Leader (since 2010), Managing Director (since 2010), Director (2002-2010), Barings.

300 South Tryon Street

Suite 2500

Charlotte, NC 28202

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OFFICERS OF THE FUND

Position(s)

Name (Age), Address	With the Fund	Office Term* and Length of Time Served	Principal Occupations(s) During Past 5 Years
Melissa M. LaGrant (44)	Chief Compliance Officer	Since 2012	Managing Director (since 2005), Barings; Chief Compliance Officer (since 2013), Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment company advised by Barings); Chief Compliance Officer (since 2013), Barings Finance LLC; Chief Compliance
300 South Tryon Street			Officer (since 2006), Barings Corporate Investors and Barings Participation Investors (closed-end investment companies advised by Barings).
Suite 2500			
Charlotte, NC 28202			
Janice M. Bishop (53)	Vice President, Secretary and Chief Legal Officer	Since 2012	Senior Counsel and Managing Director (since 2014), Counsel (2007-2014), Barings; Vice President, Secretary and Chief Legal Officer (since 2015), Associate Secretary (2008-2015), Barings Corporate Investors and Barings Participation Investors (closed-end investment companies advised by
300 South Tryon Street			Barings); Vice President, Secretary and Chief Legal Officer (since 2013), Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment company advised by Barings); Vice President and Secretary
Suite 2500			(since 2015), Assistant Secretary (2008-2015), CI Subsidiary Trust and PI Subsidiary Trust.
Charlotte, NC 28202			Trust and 11 Subsidiary Trust.
Michelle Manha (46)	Assistant Secretary	Since 2012	Deputy General Counsel (since 2018), Associate General Counsel (2014-2018), Managing Director (since 2014), Counsel (2008-2014), Barings; Assistant Secretary (since 2013), Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment company
300 South Tryon Street			advised by Barings).
Suite 2500			
Charlotte, NC 28202			

Kristin	Assistant	Since 2015	Counsel (since 2016), Senior Paralegal (2013-2016), Paralegal
Goodchild (33)	Secretary		(2008-2012), Barings; Assistant Secretary (since 2015),
			Barings Funds Trust (open-end investment company advised
			by Barings); Associate Secretary (since 2015), Barings
			Corporate Investors and Barings Participation Investors
300 South Tryon			(closed-end investment companies advised by Barings);
Street			Assistant Secretary (since 2015), CI Subsidiary Trust and PI
			Subsidiary Trust.
Suite 2500			

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Charlotte, NC 28202

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The following provides an overview of the considerations that led the Board to conclude that each individual serving as a Trustee or nominee for Trustee of the Fund should so serve. The current members of the Board have joined the Board at different points in time since 2012. Generally, no one factor was decisive in the original selection of an individual to join the Board. Among the attributes common to all Trustees is their ability to review critically, evaluate, question and discuss information provided to them, to interact effectively with the Funds investment adviser, counsel and independent auditors, and to exercise effective business judgment in the performance of their duties as Trustees. In recommending the election or appointment of the current Board members as Trustees, the Nominating and Governance Committee generally considered (i) the educational, business and professional experience of each individual; (ii) the individual s record of service as a director or trustee of public or private organizations; and (iii) how the individual s skills, experience and attributes would contribute to an appropriate mix of relevant skills and experience on the Board. The Nominating and Governance Committee also considered that during their service as members of the Board, the Trustees have demonstrated a high level of diligence and commitment to the interests of the Funds shareholders and the ability to work effectively and collegially with other members of the Board.

The following summarizes each Trustee s or nominee for Trustee s professional experience and additional considerations that contributed to the Board s conclusion that each individual should serve on the Board.

Rodney J. Dillman Mr. Dillman brings over 14 years of experience in investment management, global business development, global political and economic risk management, international acquisitions, global operations and financial reporting. He currently serves as Trustee of Baring Funds Trust, an open-end investment company advised by Barings. Previously, Mr. Dillman served as President of MassMutual International LLC, an international life insurance, health, annuities and pension company, and General Counsel of Babson Capital Management LLC (currently known as Barings). Prior to joining Babson Capital Management LLC, he was a Partner at Day Pitney LLP, a law firm. He has served as a director to many insurance, public and private companies, including Social Reality, Inc., Yingda Taihe Life Insurance Co., MassMutual Life Insurance Company, MassMutual Mercuries Life Insurance Company, MassMutual Asia Limited, The MassMutual Trust Company and Jefferies Finance LLC. He is the author of The Lease Manual: A Practical Guide to Negotiating Office, Rental and Industrial Leases. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Education from Kent State University, a Masters of Arts in Economics from Kent State University Graduate School of Management and a Juris Doctor from Duke University School of Law.

Thomas M. Finke Mr. Finke brings over 30 years of executive and board experience in the banking and investment management industries. He currently

serves as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Barings. Previously, he served as President of Barings, Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, Co-Founder and President of First Union Institutional Debt Management and Vice President at Bear, Stearns & Co. Mr. Finke currently serves as Trustee of Barings Funds Trust, an open-end investment company advised by Barings, and Director of Barings (U.K.) Limited. Mr. Finke also serves as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Structured Finance Industry Syndications and Trading Association. He formerly served as Chairman and Director of Barings Global Advisers Limited, Chairman and Manager of Barings Real Estate Advisers LLC, Manager of Wood Creek Capital Management, LLC and as a founding member of the Board of Directors of the Loan Syndicates and Trading Association. He holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Virginia s McIntire School of Commerce and a Masters in Business Administration from Duke University s Fuqua School of Business.

Bernard A. Harris, Jr. Dr. Harris brings substantial executive, board and operations experience to the Fund. He currently serves as Chief Executive Officer and Director of the National Math and Science Initiative, a non-profit organization focused on increasing student opportunities and achievement and teaching effectiveness in STEM education, President of The Space Agency and President of The Harris Foundation. Previously, he served as Chief Executive Officer and Managing Partner of Vesalius Ventures, Inc., a venture capital firm investing in early and mid-stage healthcare technologies and companies, and a Clinical Scientist, Flight Surgeon and Astronaut for NASA. Dr. Harris currently serves as director or trustee of several registered investment companies and other public and private organizations, including Barings Funds Trust, an open-end investment company advised by Barings, AIMIS, Inc., the Endowment Fund, Salient Midstream & MLP Fund, Salient MF Trust, Salient Private Access Funds, Forward Funds, Monebo Technologies Inc., RMD Networks, Inc., U.S. Physical Therapy, Inc., E-Cardio, Inc. and Constellation Services International. He formerly served as director to Counselors to America's Small Business, Sterling Bancshares and Houston Angel Network. Dr. Harris holds several faculty appointments, including as an Associate Professor at the University of Texas Medical Branch and Baylor College of Medicine. He has authored and co-authored numerous articles in scientific publications. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Houston, a Masters of Medical Science from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Houston and a Doctorate of Medicine from the Texas Tech University School of Medicine. He is the recipient of several honorary doctorates from Stony Brook University, Morehouse School of Medicine, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Washington and Jefferson College, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Indiana Institute of Technology and the University of Hartford. Dr. Harris also has been the recipient of numerous awards, including the NASA Space Flight Medal, the NASA Award of Merit and the 2000 Horatio Alger Award.

Thomas W. Okel Mr. Okel brings over 20 years of experience in the underwriting, structuring, distribution and trading of debt used for corporate acquisitions, leveraged buyouts, recapitalizations and refinancings. He currently serves as Executive Director of Catawba Lands Conservancy, a non-profit land trust. Prior to joining Catawba Lands Conservancy, he served as Global Head of Syndicated Capital Markets at Bank of America Merrill Lynch, where he managed capital markets, sales, trading and research for the United States, Europe, Asia and Latin America. He currently serves as trustee or director of several public companies and non-profit organizations, including as Trustee of Barings Funds Trust, an open-end investment company advised by Barings, Trustee of the Horizon Funds, a mutual fund complex, Trustee of Davidson College, and Director of CrossRoads Corporation for Affordable Housing and Community Development, Inc. Mr. Okel holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Davidson College and a Masters of Management, Finance, Accounting and Marketing from the J.L. Kellog Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University.

Cynthia R. Plouché Ms. Plouché brings over 32 years of experience in financial services, asset management, the function, governance and oversight of mutual fund boards, and operations of fund advisers and service providers. She currently serves as Trustee of Barings Funds Trust, an open-end investment company advised by Barings, and Northern Trust Funds, a mutual fund complex. She previously served as an Assessor for Moraine Township (IL), a Senior Portfolio Manager for Williams Capital Management, LLC, Chief Investment Officer and Managing Director of Blaylock-Abacus Asset Management and a Portfolio Manager for Equitable Capital Management Corporation. She formerly served as a Trustee and member of the Audit Committee of AXA VIP Trust, a mutual fund complex. Ms. Plouché holds a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Social Relations from Harvard University and a Masters in Business Administration from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

Martin A. Sumichrast Mr. Sumichrast brings over 25 years of experience in investing and providing business advisory services to corporations in the United States, Europe and Asia. He currently serves as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Level Brands, Inc., a public company, Managing Partner and Principal of Stone Street Partners, LLC, a Charlotte-based merchant banking operation, and Managing Director of Washington Capital, LLC, a family owned office entity. He previously served as a Managing Director of Lomond International, Inc., a private investment and business advisory firm. Prior to Lomond International, Inc., he co-founded and served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Global Capital Partners, Inc., a diversified financial services holding company that had offices in the United States and Europe. He serves as Trustee of Barings Funds Trust, an open-end investment company advised by Barings, and previously served as a Director of Kure Corp., Social Reality, Inc., and Jadeveon Clowney Help-In-Time Foundation. He is co-author of *Opportunities in Finance Careers* and *The Complete Book of Homebuying*. Mr. Sumichrast holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Maryland.

Share Ownership of Trustees

As of May 31, 2018, the Trustees and Officers of the Fund individually beneficially owned less than one percent (1%) of the outstanding shares and as a group beneficially owned 0.47% of the outstanding shares. This information is based on information furnished by each Trustee and Officer. Beneficial ownership has been determined in accordance with Rule 16a-1(a)(2) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act). Also, as of May 31, 2018, Barings, the investment adviser to the Fund, beneficially owned 0.04% of the outstanding shares and Barings Global Advisers Limited, the sub-adviser to the Fund (the Sub-Adviser), beneficially owned 0.00% of the outstanding shares.

The table below sets forth information regarding the beneficial ownership* of the Fund s shares held by each Trustee based on the market value of such shares as of May 31, 2018.

Dollar Ranges of Shares Owned by Trustees

Name of Nominee/ Trustee	Dollar Range of Shares in Fund
R. Dillman	\$50,001 - \$100,000
T. Finke	Over \$100,000
B. Harris	\$10,001 - \$50,000
T. Okel	\$50,001 - \$100,000
C. Plouché	None
M. Sumichrast	None

^{*} Beneficial ownership has been determined in accordance with Rule 16a-1(a)(2) under the Exchange Act.

Required Vote

If a quorum is present at the Meeting, the three nominees for election as Trustees who receive a plurality vote, meaning the greatest number of affirmative votes cast by shareholders, will be elected as Trustees.

THE BOARD, INCLUDING THE INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE FUND VOTE TO ELECT EACH OF THE NOMINEES AS TRUSTEE OF THE FUND.

Board Leadership Structure

The Board is currently comprised of six Trustees, five of whom are Independent Trustees. As discussed below, all of the standing committees of the Board, to which the Board has delegated certain authority and oversight responsibilities, are comprised exclusively of Independent Trustees.

Mr. Dillman, who is not an interested person of the Fund, as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act, serves as Chairman of the Board and Mr. Feeley,

who is an interested person of the Fund, serves as President. Mr. Dillman presides at meetings of the Board and acts as a liaison with service providers, Officers, and other Trustees generally between meetings, and performs such other functions as may be requested by the Board from time to time. The Board reviews its leadership structure periodically and believes that the leadership structure is appropriate to enable the Board to exercise its oversight of the Fund. The Board also believes that its structure, including the active role of the other Independent Trustees, facilitates an efficient flow of information concerning the management of the Fund to the Independent Trustees.

The Board provides oversight of the services provided by Barings, including risk management activities. In addition, each committee provides oversight of Barings—risk activities with respect to the particular activities within the committee s purview. In the course of providing oversight, the Board and relevant committees receive a wide range of reports on the Fund—s activities, including the Fund—s investment portfolio, the compliance of the Fund with applicable laws, and the Fund—s financial accounting and reporting. The Board and Audit Committee meet periodically with the Fund—s Chief Compliance Officer regarding the compliance of the Fund with federal securities laws and the Fund—s internal compliance policies and procedures. In addition, both the Audit Committee and the full Board regularly review information concerning risks specific to the Fund and Barings, including presentations by various Officers of the Fund, investment personnel for the Fund, Barings, the Sub-Adviser, the independent auditors for the Fund and counsel to the Fund.

Information Concerning Committees and Meetings of the Board of Trustees

The Board has an Audit Committee and a Nominating and Governance Committee.

The Audit Committee is comprised exclusively of Trustees who are not interested persons of the Fund, as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act, and operates pursuant to a written Audit Committee Charter, which is available on the Fund s website at https://www.barings.com/assets/user/media/Babson_(BGH)_Audit_Committee_Charter1.pdf. A print copy of the Audit Committee Charter may also be obtained by calling, toll-free, 1-866-399-1516. The present members of the Audit Committee are Dr. Bernard A. Harris, Jr. (Chairman), Thomas W. Okel and Martin A. Sumichrast. Each member of the Audit Committee qualifies as an Independent Trustee under the current listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange and the rules of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). In accordance with the applicable SEC rules and upon due consideration of the qualifications of each member of the Audit Committee, the Board designated Dr. Harris, Mr. Okel and Mr. Sumichrast as the Fund s Audit Committee Financial Experts.

In accordance with the Audit Committee Charter, the Audit Committee is responsible for oversight matters; financial statement and disclosure oversight matters; matters related to the hiring, retention, and oversight of the Fund s independent accountants; certain accounting and audit related oversight matters; and certain other matters as set forth in the Audit Committee Charter. During the twelve months ended June 30, 2018, the Audit Committee held seven meetings.

The Nominating and Governance Committee is currently comprised of Martin A. Sumichrast (Chairman), Rodney J. Dillman and Cynthia R. Plouché, all of whom are Independent Trustees. A current copy of the Nominating and Governance Committee Charter can be found on the Fund s website at https://www.barings.com/assets/user/media/Nominating-and-Governance-Committee-Charter-BGH.pdf. During the twelve months ended June 30, 2018, the Nominating and Governance Committee held two meetings.

The Nominating and Governance Committee is responsible for identifying and nominating individuals to serve as Trustees who are not interested persons of the Fund (Independent Trustees). The Nominating and Governance Committee Charter contemplates that all nominees for Independent Trustee will have a college degree or, in the judgment of the Committee, equivalent business experience. In addition, the Committee may take into account a wide variety of factors in considering Trustee candidates, giving such weight to any individual factor(s) as it deems appropriate, including but not limited to: availability and commitment of a candidate to attend meetings and perform his or her responsibilities on the Board; relevant industry and related experience; educational background; depth and breadth of financial expertise; and an assessment of the candidate s ability, judgment, expertise, reputation, and integrity. In the case of a shareholder recommended candidate, the Committee may also consider any other facts and circumstances attendant to such shareholder submission as may be deemed appropriate by the Committee. Different factors may assume greater or lesser significance at particular times, in light of the Board s present composition and the Committee s (or the Board s) perceptions about future issues and needs.

When the Board has or expects to have a vacancy for an Independent Trustee, the Nominating and Governance Committee will consider candidates recommended by the Fund's current Trustees; the Fund's shareholders; the Fund's officers; the Fund's sub-adviser; and any other source the Committee deems to be appropriate. Shareholder recommendations to fill vacancies on the Board for Independent Trustees must be submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Nominating and Governance Committee Charter, which requires that shareholder recommendations be timely received and contain biographical and other necessary information regarding the candidate that would be required for the Fund to meet its disclosure obligations under the

proxy rules. The Nominating and Governance Committee will evaluate nominee candidates properly submitted by shareholders in the same manner as it evaluates candidates recommended by other sources.

The Nominating and Governance Committee also considers, evaluates and makes recommendations to the Board with respect to the structure, membership and function of the Board and the Committees thereof, including the compensation of the Trustees.

During the twelve months ended June 30, 2018, the Board of Trustees held five regular meetings (one of which was held by means of a telephone conference call). During the twelve months ended June 30, 2018, each Trustee attended at least 75% of the Board and applicable Committee meetings on which he or she served, with the exception of Thomas M. Finke, an interested person of the Fund, as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act, who attended 60% of the Board meetings during the period.

Transactions with and Remuneration of Officers and Trustees

Pursuant to the Investment Management Agreement between the Fund and Barings (the Contract), Barings paid the compensation and expenses of the Fund s Officers and of all Trustees who were officers or employees of Barings.

The Trustees also serve as trustees of Barings Funds Trust. The following compensation represents the aggregate compensation payable by both the Fund and Barings Funds Trust. Trustees who are not officers or employees of Barings receive an annual retainer of \$40,000. The Chairman of the Board receives an additional retainer in the amount of \$12,000 and the Chairman of the Audit Committee receives an additional retainer in the amount of \$8,000. Trustees who are not officers or employees of Barings also receive a fee of \$8,000 for each meeting of the Board which they attend (\$4,000 for each meeting conducted by telephone conference call). Members of the Audit Committee and the Nominating and Governance Committee receive an additional fee of \$2,000 per meeting attended, including meetings conducted by telephone conference call. During the twelve months ended June 30, 2018, the aggregate direct remuneration to these Trustees and reimbursement of their out-of-pockets expenses paid by the Fund was approximately \$92,574.

The following table discloses the compensation paid to the Fund s Trustees (not including reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses) for the twelve months ended June 30, 2018. The Fund, Barings Corporate Investors, Barings

Participation Investors and Barings Funds Trust are collectively referred to in the table below as the Fund Complex. The Trustees do not receive pension or retirement benefits.

Name of Trustee	Aggregat from the	te Compensation Fund	ompensation ınd Complex
Rodney J. Dillman	\$	19,857	\$ 92,000*
Thomas M. Finke		None**	None**
Bernard A. Harris, Jr.		21,105	98,000*
Thomas W. Okel		19,375	90,000*
Cynthia R. Plouché#		12,602	60,000*
Martin A. Sumichrast		18,014	84,000*
Total	\$	90,953	\$ 424,000

^{*} Total compensation reflects compensation paid to each Trustee by the Fund and Barings Funds Trust. None of the Trustees serves as a trustee for any other funds in the Fund Complex.

^{**} No compensation is paid by the Fund or Barings Funds Trust to Trustees who are interested persons of the Fund or Barings Funds Trust.

[#] Ms. Plouché was elected as Trustee by the Board of Trustees following the August 3, 2017 Board meeting.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Audit Committee oversees the Fund s financial reporting process on behalf of the Fund s Board of Trustees and operates under a written Charter adopted by the Fund s Board of Trustees. The Audit Committee meets with the Fund s management (Management) and independent registered public accountants and reports the results of its activities to the Fund s Board of Trustees. Management has the primary responsibility for the financial statements and the reporting process, including the system of internal controls. In connection with the Audit Committee s and independent registered accountant s responsibilities, Management advised that the Fund s financial statements were prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Accordingly, the Audit Committee has:

Reviewed and discussed the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 with Management and Deloitte & Touche LLP (Deloitte), the Fund s independent registered public accountants;

Discussed with Deloitte those matters required to be discussed by Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Auditing Standard 61 (Communications with Audit Committees); and

Received the written disclosure and the letter from Deloitte required by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Rule 3526 (Communications with Audit Committee Concerning Independence) and has discussed with Deloitte its independence.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered by Deloitte for 2016 and 2017 for the Fund and for the non-audit services provided to Barings and Barings parent, Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company (MassMutual) for 2016 and 2017. As part of this review, the Audit Committee considered whether the provision of such non-audit services was compatible with maintaining the principal accountant s independence.

In reliance on the reviews and discussions referred to above, the Fund s Audit Committee presents this Report to the Board of Trustees and recommends that the Board of Trustees (1) include the December 31, 2017 audited financial statements in the Annual Report to shareholders for the period then ended and (2) file such Annual Report with the SEC and the New York Stock Exchange.

The Fund s Audit Committee appointed Deloitte as the Fund s independent registered public accountants for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018, and, in connection therewith, Deloitte will prepare the Fund s tax returns for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018.

SUBMITTED BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Dr. Bernard A. Harris, Jr., Audit Committee Chair

Thomas W. Okel , Audit Committee Member

Martin A. Sumichrast, Audit Committee Member

May 9, 2018

Total Fees

THE FUND S INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

Deloitte audited the financial statements of the Fund for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017. Deloitte s audit report contained no qualifications or modifications. A Deloitte representative will be available for the Meeting. This representative will have the opportunity to make a statement if he or she desires to do so and will be available to respond to appropriate questions from shareholders.

FEES PAID TO INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

	Fees Paid to Independent Registered Pu	ıblic Accounts	
	Deloitte Year Ended	Deloitte Yea	ar Ended
	December 31, 2017	December 3	1, 2016
Audit Fees	\$ 72,870	\$	68,000
Audit-Related Fees	0		0
Tax Fees	11,500		11,500
All Other Fees	0		0
Total Fees	\$ 84,370	\$	79,500

Non	-Audit Fees Billed to Barings and MassMutual	
		Deloitte Year Ended
	Deloitte Year Ended	
	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
Audit-Related Fees	\$ 4,392,135	\$ 4,914,087
Tax Fees	2,710,931	2,950,324
All Other Fees	14,168,133	9,091,158

\$

The category Audit-Related Fees reflects fees billed by Deloitte for various non-audit and non-tax services rendered to the Fund, Barings and MassMutual, such as SOC-1 review, consulting and agreed upon procedures reports. Preparation of Federal, state and local income tax returns and tax compliance work are representative of the fees reported in the Tax Fees category. The category All Other Fees represents fees billed by Deloitte for consulting rendered to Barings and MassMutual. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and its implementing regulations allow the Audit Committee to establish a pre-approval policy for certain services rendered by the Fund s independent accountants. During 2017, the Audit Committee approved all of the services rendered to the Fund by Deloitte and did not rely on a pre-approval policy for any such services.

21,271,199

The 2016 fees billed represent final 2016 amounts, which may differ from the preliminary figures available as of the publication date of the Fund s 2017 Proxy

\$

16,955,569

Statement and includes, among other things, fees for services that may not have been billed as of the publication date of the Fund s 2017 Proxy Statement, but are now properly included in the 2016 fees billed to the Fund, Barings and MassMutual.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Board knows of no business to be brought before the Meeting other than as set forth above. If, however, any other matters properly come before the Meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the enclosed proxy card to vote proxies on such matters in accordance with their best judgment.

INFORMATION ABOUT VOTING PROXIES AND THE MEETING

Manner of Voting Proxies

Shareholders are entitled to one vote, on each matter on which the shareholder is entitled to vote, for each share of the Fund that such shareholder owns at the close of business on June 1, 2018. Each fractional share is entitled to a proportionate fractional vote.

All properly executed and unrevoked proxies received in time for the Meeting will be voted in accordance with the instructions contained therein. If a shareholder executes a proxy but gives no instructions, the shares that are represented by such proxy will be voted FOR a proposal and FOR or AGAINST any other business that may properly arise at the Meeting, in the proxy discretion.

Revocation of Proxies

Any person giving a proxy has the power to revoke it by mail or in person at any time prior to its exercise at the Meeting by executing a superseding proxy or by submitting a written notice of revocation to the Fund. To be effective, such revocation must be received prior to the Meeting and must indicate the shareholder s name and account number.

Quorum

At the Meeting, the presence, in person or by proxy, of shareholders entitled to cast thirty percent (30%) of the votes shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. All proxies received, including proxies that reflect (i) broker non-votes (i.e., shares held in street name for which the broker or nominee (a) has not received instructions from the beneficial owners or other persons entitled to vote or (b) does not have discretionary voting authority on a particular matter), (ii) abstentions or (iii) the withholding of authority to vote on a particular matter, will be counted as shares that are present on a particular matter for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum. With respect to Proposal 1, abstentions and broker non-votes, if any, will not have an effect on the outcome of the proposal.

Required Vote

Provided a quorum is present at the Meeting, the Trustee Nominees who receive a plurality vote of the outstanding shares of the Fund cast at the Meeting shall be elected.

Adjournment

If sufficient votes in favor of the proposal(s) set forth in the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders are not received by the time scheduled for the Meeting or if the quorum required for a proposal has not been met, the persons named as proxies may propose adjournments of the Meeting with respect to such proposal(s) for periods of not more than 120 days to permit further solicitation of proxies. Any adjournment will require the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal in person or by proxy at the session of the Meeting to be adjourned. The persons named as proxies will vote in favor of adjournment those proxies that they are entitled to vote in favor of the proposal. They will vote against any such adjournment those proxies required to be voted against the proposal. The Fund will pay the costs of any additional solicitation and of any adjourned session. Any proposals for which sufficient affirmative votes have been received by the time of the Meeting may be acted upon and considered final regardless of whether the Meeting is adjourned to permit additional solicitation with respect to any other proposal.

Instructions for Voting Proxies

The giving of a proxy will not affect a shareholder s right to vote in person should the shareholder decide to attend the Meeting. To vote by mail, please mark, sign, date and return the enclosed proxy card following the instructions printed on the card. Please refer to the proxy card for instructions for voting on the internet.

INVESTMENT ADVISER

Barings, as investment adviser, provides investment management and certain administrative services to the Fund pursuant to an Investment Management Agreement. Barings (including its wholly-owned subsidiaries) currently has over \$305 billion in assets under management and provides investment management services to registered investment companies, unregistered investment companies and institutional investors (such as insurance companies, pension plans, endowments and foundations).

Pursuant to a Sub-Advisory Agreement between Barings and Barings Global Advisers Limited (the Sub-Adviser), the Sub-Adviser provides certain investment management services to the Fund.

Barings is the indirect owner of 100% of the voting shares of the Sub-Adviser. MM Asset Management Holding LLC is the direct owner of 100% of the voting shares of Barings. MassMutual Holding LLC owns all of the voting shares of MM Asset

Management Holding LLC. MassMutual owns all of the voting shares of MassMutual Holding LLC. MassMutual, MassMutual Holding LLC and MM Asset Management Holding LLC are located at 1295 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts 01111. Barings principal office is located at 300 South Tryon Street, Suite 2500, Charlotte, NC 28202. The Sub-Adviser is located at 61 Aldwych, London, United Kingdom WC2B 4AE.

CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC acts as the Fund s administrator (the Administrator) pursuant to a Master Services Agreement. The Administrator and its affiliates provide certain administrative services to the Fund, including, but not limited to, clerical and various other services required for the Fund s operations, calculating the Fund s daily net asset value and other financial data, preparing reports required by the securities, investment, tax or other laws and regulations, monitoring the Fund s expense accruals and generally assisting in the Fund s operations. The Administrator s principal office address is 615 E. Michigan Street, 3rd Floor, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202.

Barings indirectly provides certain administrative services to the Fund including, but not limited to, accounting services, meeting facilities, legal support, report preparation and other services. Barings principal office address is 300 South Tryon Street, Suite 2500, Charlotte, NC 28202.

BENEFICIAL OWNERS

As of May 31, 2018, based on the Fund s review of filings made pursuant to Section 13 of the Exchange Act, to the Fund s knowledge, the following shareholder(s) beneficially owned more than 5% of the Fund s outstanding shares:

Name and Address	Number of Shares	Percentage
of Shareholder	Beneficially Owned	Owned
First Trust Portfolios L.P.	2,549,008*	12.71%
First Trust Advisors L.P.		
The Charger Corporation		
120 East Liberty Drive		
Suite 400		
Wheaton, Illinois 60187		

^{*}As stated in Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on January 17, 2018.

SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

The Fund s Trustees and certain Officers, investment advisers, sub-advisers, certain affiliated persons of the investment adviser or sub-adviser, and persons who own more than 10% of any class of outstanding securities of the Fund are required to file forms reporting their affiliation with the Fund and reports of ownership and changes in ownership of the Fund s securities with the SEC and

the New York Stock Exchange. These persons and entities are required by SEC regulation to furnish the Fund with copies of all such forms they file. Based solely on a review of these forms furnished to the Fund as well as certain internal documents, the Fund believes that its Trustees and relevant Officers, Barings, the Sub-Adviser and its relevant affiliated persons have all complied with applicable filing requirements during the twelve months ended May 31, 2018.

PROPOSALS BY SHAREHOLDERS AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Any shareholder intending to present a proposal at the Annual Meeting to be held in 2019 who wishes to have such proposal included in the Fund s proxy material for that meeting, should forward his or her written proposal to the Fund, Attention: Secretary. Proposals must be received on or before February 22, 2019, to be considered for inclusion in the Trust s proxy material for its 2019 Annual Meeting.

Pursuant to procedures approved by the Fund s Board, including a majority of the Trustees who are not interested persons as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act, shareholders may mail written communications to the Board by writing the Fund s Chief Financial Officer, c/o Barings LLC, 300 South Tryon Street, Suite 2500, Charlotte, NC 28202. When writing to the Board, shareholders should identify themselves, the fact that the communication is directed to the Board, and any relevant information regarding their Fund holdings.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Proxies will be solicited by mail and may be solicited in person or by telephone, electronically, or facsimile by Officers of the Fund. The expenses connected with the solicitation of these proxies and with any further proxies which may be solicited by the Fund s Officers in person, by telephone, or by facsimile will be borne by the Fund. The Fund has engaged Broadridge to provide shareholder meeting services, including tabulation and tracking. It is anticipated that the cost of these services will be approximately \$20,000 and may increase in the event any vote is contested or increased solicitation efforts are required. The Fund will reimburse banks, brokers, and other persons holding the Fund s shares registered in their names or in the names of their nominees, for their expenses incurred in sending proxy material to and obtaining proxies from the beneficial owners of such shares, which reimbursement will not be submitted to a vote of the Fund s shareholders.

The Fund will arrange for at least one Trustee to attend its 2018 Annual Meeting; will encourage all of its Trustees to attend its Annual Meetings; and will endeavor to arrange its Annual Meetings on the same date as a Board meeting to facilitate Trustee attendance.

Only one copy of the Proxy Statement may be mailed to each household, even if more than one person in the household is a Fund shareholder of record. If a

shareholder needs an additional copy of this Proxy Statement, please contact the Fund at 1-866-399-1516. Shareholders may also access a copy of the Proxy Statement online at https://www.proxyvote.com or on the Fund s website under Documents at https://www.barings.com/bgh. If any shareholder does not want the mailing of his or her Proxy Statement to be combined with those for other members of the shareholder s household, please contact the Fund at 1-866-399-1516 or contact your financial intermediary.

The Annual Report of the Fund for its fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, including financial statements, a schedule of the Fund s investments as of such date and other data, was mailed on or about February 28, 2018, to all shareholders of record. The Fund s most recent Annual Report is available on the Fund s website at https://www.barings.com/assets/user/media/BGH%202017%20Financial%20Statements %20Final%20Draft.pdf. Shareholders may also request a copy of the Annual Report and the most recent semi-annual report, which will be furnished without charge, by calling (toll-free) the Fund at 1-866-399-1516.

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Professional fees	1,014
Professional fees	456
	631
	1,066
	1,245
Franchise tax	416
	448
	832
	887
Amortization of intangible assets	403
	489
	818
	989
Marketing	367
	379
	737
	728
Other	2,021
	1,876
	3,901
The Alice	3,714
Total other expenses	13,044
	13,150
	26,786
Income before income taxes	26,492

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		2,643
		7,311
		10,277
In the second second		14,998
Income taxes		690
		1,962
		2,676
		4,003
Net income	\$	1,953
	\$	5,349
	\$	7,601
	\$	10,995
Earnings per share:		
Basic	ф	0.10
	\$	0.19
	\$	0.51
	\$	0.74
Diluted	\$	1.04
	\$	0.19
	\$	0.51
	\$	0.73
	\$	1.04
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding:		
Basic	10	0,304,666
	10	0,503,952
	10	0,303,690

Diluted		10,544,199
Diffuted		10,352,135
		10,574,250
		10,347,720
		10,619,815
Cash dividends declared		
	\$	2,390
	\$	2,322
	\$	4,675
Cash dividends declared per share	\$	4,650
Cash dividends declared per share	\$	0.23
	\$	0.22
	\$	0.45
	\$	0.44
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PEOPLES BANCORP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (Unaudited)

				Accumulated		
	Common	Stock	Retained	Comprehensive	Treasury	
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	Shares	Amount	Earnings	Income (Loss)	Stock	Total
Balance, December 31, 2007	10,925,954	\$163,399	\$ 52,527	\$ 3,014	\$ (16,104)	\$202,836
Net income			7,601			7,601
Other comprehensive income, net of tax				(4,863)		(4,863)
Cash dividends declared of \$0.45 per share			(4,675)			(4,675)
Stock-based compensation expense		359				359
Purchase of treasury stock, 17,277 shares					(399)	(399)
Issuance of common stock related to stock-based						
compensation (reissued 5,055 treasury shares)	1,600	(49)			155	106
Tax benefit from exercise of stock options		15				15
Issuance of common stock under dividend						
reinvestment plan	18,471	466				466
Balance, June 30, 2008	10,946,025	\$164,190	\$ 55,453	\$ (1,849)	\$ (16,348)	\$201,446

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

Six Months Ended
June 30,
(Dollars in thousands) 2008 2007

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Net cash provided by operating activities	17,857	11,722
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of available-for-sale	(174,428)	(76,912)
securities	(17.1,120)	(70,712)
Proceeds from sales of	41,657	_
available-for-sale securities	,	
Proceeds from maturities, calls and		
prepayments of		
available-for-sale securities	91,285	68,951
Net decrease in loans	7,687	22,762
Net expenditures for premises and equipment	(1,560)	(987)
Net proceeds from sales of other real estate owned	103	59
Business acquisitions, net of cash received	_	(637)
Investment in limited partnership and tax credit funds	(249)	(277)
Net cash (used in) provided	(35,505)	12,959
by investing activities		
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net increase in non-interest-bearing	18,208	2,754
deposits		
Net increase (decrease) in	76,406	(33,285)
interest-bearing deposits		
Net (decrease) increase in short-term	(93,171)	40,122
borrowings	75.000	45.000
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	75,000	45,000
Payments on long-term borrowings	(53,094)	(64,033)
Cash dividends paid	(4,117)	(4,212)
Purchase of treasury stock	(399)	(6,861)
Repayment of trust preferred securities	_	(7,000)
Proceeds from issuance of common	116	665
stock	110	003
Excess tax benefit for share-based	15	167
payments	13	107
Net cash provided by (used	18,964	(26,683)
in) financing activities	,	(==,===)
Net increase (decrease) in	1,316	(2,002)
cash and cash equivalents		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	45,200	39,806
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 46,516	\$ 37,804
cha or period		

See Notes to the Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

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PEOPLES BANCORP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Basis of Presentation:

The accompanying unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements of Peoples Bancorp Inc. and its subsidiaries have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("US GAAP") for interim financial information and the instructions for Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, these financial statements do not contain all of the information and footnotes required by US GAAP for annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with Peoples' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007 ("2007 Form 10-K").

The accounting and reporting policies followed in the presentation of the accompanying unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements are consistent with those described in Note 1 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Peoples' 2007 Form 10-K, as updated by the information contained in this report. In the opinion of management, these financial statements reflect all adjustments necessary to present fairly such information for the periods and dates indicated. Such adjustments are normal and recurring in nature. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. The Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2007, contained herein has been derived from the audited Consolidated Balance Sheet included in Peoples' 2007 Form 10-K.

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. In addition, Peoples' insurance commission income includes contingent performance based insurance commissions that are recognized by Peoples when received, which typically occurs during the first quarter of each year. Contingent performance based insurance commissions of \$835,000 and \$795,000 were received during the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

2. New Accounting Pronouncements:

On May 9, 2008, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 162, The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("SFAS 162"). SFAS 162 established a framework for selecting accounting principles to be used in preparing financial statements that are presented in conformity with US GAAP. SFAS 162 is effective 60 days following the SEC's approval of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Auditing amendments to AU Section 411, The Meaning of Present Fairly in Conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, and is not expected to have an impact on Peoples' Consolidated Financial Statements.

On March 19, 2008, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 161, Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities—an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133 ("SFAS 161"), which requires enhanced disclosures about an entity's derivative and hedging activities intended to improve the transparency of financial reporting. Under SFAS 161, entities will be required to provide enhanced disclosures about (a) how and why an entity uses derivative instruments, (b) how derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted for under Statement 133 and its related interpretations and (c) how derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows. SFAS 161 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008, with early application encouraged. Peoples will adopt SFAS 161 effective January 1, 2009 and adoption is not anticipated to have a material impact on Peoples' Consolidated Financial Statements.

On February 15, 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities—Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115 ("SFAS 159"), which permits companies to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. The objective of SFAS 159 is to improve financial reporting by providing companies with the opportunity to mitigate volatility in reported earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently. Peoples adopted SFAS 159 effective January 1, 2008, as required, but has not elected to measure any permissible items at fair value. As a result, the adoption of SFAS 159 did not have any impact on Peoples' Consolidated Financial Statements.

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On September 15, 2006, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ("SFAS 157"), which replaces various definitions of fair

value in existing accounting literature with a single definition, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires additional disclosures about fair value measurements

upon adoption. SFAS 157 clarifies that fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or the price paid to transfer a liability in the most advantageous market

available to the entity and emphasizes that fair value is a market-based measurement and should be based on the assumptions market participants would use. SFAS 157 also

creates a three-level hierarchy under which individual fair value estimates are to be ranked based on the relative reliability of the inputs used in the valuation. This hierarchy is the

basis for the disclosure requirements, with fair value estimates based on the least reliable inputs requiring more extensive disclosures about the valuation method used and the

gains and losses associated with those estimates. SFAS 157 is required to be applied whenever another financial accounting standard requires or permits an asset or liability to be

measured at fair value. The statement does not expand the use of fair value to any new circumstances.

On February 12, 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. FAS 157-2, "Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157" ("FSP 157-2"). FSP 157-2 amends SFAS 157 to delay the effective date for nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities, except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis, which means at least annually. For items within its scope, Peoples will be required to apply the new guidance beginning January 1, 2009. Management is still determining the impact adoption will have on Peoples' Consolidated Financial Statements. For all other items, Peoples applied the guidance as of January 1, 2008, as required, which did not have a material impact on Peoples' Consolidated Financial Statements.

3. Stock-Based Compensation:

Under the Peoples Bancorp Inc. 2006 Equity Plan (the "2006 Equity Plan") approved by shareholders, Peoples may grant, among other awards, nonqualified stock options, incentive stock options, restricted stock awards, stock appreciation rights or any combination thereof covering up to 500,000 common shares to employees and non-employee directors. In prior years, Peoples granted nonqualified and incentive stock options to employees and nonqualified stock options to non-employee directors under the 2006 Equity Plan and predecessor plans. Since February 2007, Peoples has granted a combination of restricted common shares and stock appreciation rights ("SARs") to be settled in common shares to employees and restricted common shares to non-employee directors subject to the terms and conditions prescribed by the 2006 Equity Plan. In general, common shares issued in connection with stock-based awards are issued from treasury shares to the extent available. If no treasury shares are available, common shares are issued from authorized but unissued common shares.

Stock Options: Under the provisions of the 2006 Equity Plan and predecessor stock option plans, the exercise price per share of any stock option granted may not be less than the fair market value of the underlying common shares on the date of grant of the stock option. The most recent stock options granted to employees and non-employee directors occurred in 2006. The stock options granted to employees will vest three years from the grant date, while the stock options granted to non-employee directors vested six months from the grant date. All stock options granted to both employees and non-employee directors expire ten years from the date of grant.

The following summarizes the changes to Peoples' stock options for the period ended June 30, 2008:

Number of Weighted Weighted Aggregate
Common Average Average Intrinsic
Shares Exercise Remaining Value

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		Price (Contractu Life	al	
Outstanding	325,461	\$ 22.74	4		
at January 1					
Granted	_		_		
Exercised	7,633	19.3	8		
Forfeited	6,567	26.30	0		
Outstanding	311,261	22.7	5 4.6	\$	380,000
at June 30			years		
Exercisable	268,723	21.8	4 4.1	\$	380,000
at June 30			years		

For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the total intrinsic value of stock options exercised was \$23,000. The following summarizes information concerning Peoples' stock options outstanding at June 30, 2008:

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	Outstanding Weighted				Exerc	isable	e
Range of Exercise	Number of R	Average Weighted Number of Remaining Average CommonContractualExercise					eighted verage ercise
Prices	Shares	Life		Price	Shares	P	Price
\$13.48to\$14.92	74,034	1.3	\$	14.18	74,034	\$	14.18
\$15.45to\$22.32	66,564	years 4.3	\$	21.41	66,564		21.41
		years					
\$23.59to\$26.01	56,953	4.6 years	\$	24.39	56,953		24.39
\$26.01 to \$28.25	73,176	6.9 years	\$	27.88	36,638		27.50
\$28.25to\$30.00	40,534	6.8 years	\$	29.03	34,534		28.91
Total	311,261	4.6 years	\$	22.75	268,723	\$	21.84

Stock Appreciation Rights: SARs granted to employees have an exercise price equal to the fair market value of Peoples' common shares on the date of grant and will be settled using common shares of Peoples. Additionally, the SARs granted will vest three years from the grant date and expire ten years from the date of grant. The following summarizes the changes to Peoples' SARs for the period ended June 30, 2008:

			Weighted	
		Weighted	Average	
	Number of	Average	Remaining	Aggregate
	Common	Exercise	Contractual	Intrinsic
	Shares	Price	Life	Value
Outstanding	30,374	\$ 27.96		
at January 1				
Granted	28,170	23.85		
Exercised	_		-	
Forfeited	1,111	29.25		
Outstanding	57,433	25.92	9.2 years	\$ -
at June 30				
Exercisable	_			- \$ -
at June 30				

For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the weighted-average estimated fair value of the SARs granted was \$5.46. The following summarizes information concerning Peoples' SARs outstanding at June 30, 2008:

	Oı	utstandin	g	Exerci	sable
	,	Weighted	l		
		Average	Weighted		Weighted
Range of	Number of	Remainin	g Average	Number of	Average
Exercise	CommonC	Contractua	alExercise	Common	Exercise
Prices	Shares	Life	Price	Shares	Price

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\$2	3.26to\$23.26	5,000	9.1	\$ 23.26	- \$	_
			years			
\$2	3.77to\$23.77	26,170	9.6	\$ 23.77	_	_
			years			
\$2	3.80to\$27.99	6,000	9.5	\$ 26.26	_	_
			years			
\$2	9.25to\$29.25	20,263	8.6	\$ 29.25	_	_
			years			
	Total	57,433	9.2	\$ 25.92	- \$	_
			years			

Restricted Shares: Under the 2006 Equity Plan, Peoples may award restricted common shares to officers, key employees and non-employee directors. In general, the restrictions on common shares awarded to non-employee directors expire after six months, while the restrictions on common shares awarded to employees expire after three years. The following summarizes the changes to Peoples' restricted common shares for the period ended June 30, 2008:

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	Number	Weighted-
	of	Average
	Common	Grant Date
	Shares	Fair Value
Outstanding	9,148	\$ 28.49
at January 1		
Awarded	14,069	23.72
Released	1,600	27.24
Forfeited	164	29.25
Outstanding	21,453	\$ 25.45
at June 30		

For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the total intrinsic value of restricted common shares released was \$40,000.

Stock-Based Compensation: Peoples recognizes stock-based compensation expense, which is included as a component of Peoples' salaries and employee benefits costs, based on the estimated fair value of the awards on the grant date. The following summarizes the amount of stock-based compensation expense and related tax benefit recognized for the period ended June 30:

	Three Months Ended					Six Months Ended			
		June	30	,		June 30,			
		2008		2007		2008		2007	
Total	\$	107,000	\$	95,000	\$	359,000	\$	239,000	
stock-based									
compensation									
Recognized		(37,000)		(33,000)	((126,000)		(84,000)	
tax benefit									
Net expense	\$	70,000	\$	62,000	\$	233,000	\$	155,000	
recognized									

The estimated fair value of stock options and SARs was calculated at grant date using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions:

	2008	2007
Risk-free interest rate	4.38%	4.89%
Dividend yield	3.88%	2.85%
Volatility factor of the		
market price of parent		
stock	26.3%	25.3%
Weighted-average	10	10
expected life	years	years

The Black-Scholes option valuation model was originally developed for use in estimating the fair value of traded options, which have different characteristics than equity awards granted by Peoples, such as no vesting or transfer restrictions. The model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the expected stock price volatility, which can materially affect the fair value estimate. The expected volatility and expected life assumptions were based solely on historical data. The expected dividend yield is computed based on the current dividend rate, and the risk-free interest rate is based on U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with a remaining term approximating the

expected life of the equity awards.

Total unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to unvested awards was \$347,000 at June 30, 2008, which will be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.8 years.

4. Employee Benefit Plans:

Peoples sponsors a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan that covers substantially all employees. The plan provides retirement benefits based on an employee's years of service and compensation. In 2003, Peoples changed the methodology used to determine the retirement benefits for employees hired on or after January 1, 2003, which has lowered accumulated benefit obligation and net costs. Peoples also has a contributory postretirement benefit plan for former employees who were retired as of December 31, 1992. The plan provides health and life insurance benefits. Peoples' policy is to fund the cost of the benefits as they are incurred. The following table details the components of the net periodic benefit cost for the plans:

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Pension Benefits

	Thr	ee Mon	ths I	Ended	Six Months Ended						
		June	30,		June 30,						
(Dollars in	2	800	2	007	2	800	2007				
thousands)											
Service cost	\$	190	\$	211	\$	381	\$	423			
Interest cost		196		190		391		379			
Expected		(301)		(386)		(601)		(596)			
return on											
plan assets											
Amortization		1		_		2		1			
of prior											
service cost											
Amortization		2		40		5		80			
of net loss											
Net periodic	\$	88	\$	55	\$	178	\$	287			
benefit cost											

Postretirement Benefits

		Aontune	ths Endo	Six Months Ended June 30,						
(Dollars in	2008		2007		20	08	2007			
thousands)										
Interest cost	\$	3	\$	6	\$	7	\$	13		
Amortization		_	-	_		(1)		_		
of prior										
service cost										
Amortization		(1)		1		(2)		2		
of net loss										
Net periodic	\$	2	\$	7	\$	4	\$	15		
benefit cost										

5. Comprehensive (Loss) Income:

The components of other comprehensive (loss) income for the three and six month periods ended June 30 were as follows:

	Th	ree Mon	ths E	Ended	Six Months Ended					
		June	30,			June 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)	2	800	2	007	2	800	2007			
Net income	\$	1,953	\$	5,349	\$	7,601	\$ 1	0,995		
Other comprehensive										
(loss) income:										
Available-for-sale										
investment securities:										
Gross unrealized holding (loss) arising	((9,271)	((5,214)	((7,497)	(2	2,606)		

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in the period				
Related tax	3,245	1,825	2,624	912
benefit				
Less:				
reclassification				
adjustment for net				
(loss) gain				
included in	(308)	21	(15)	38
net income				
Related tax	108	(7)	5	(13)
benefit (expense)				
Net effect	(5,826)	(3,403)	(4,863)	(1,719)
on other				
comprehensive loss				
Amortization of				
unrecognized loss and				
service cost				
on defined	_	41	_	81
benefit pension plan				
Related tax	_	(14)	_	(28)
expense				
Net effect	_	27	_	53
on other				
comprehensive loss				
Total other	(5,826)	(3,376)	(4,863)	(1,666)
comprehensive loss,				
net of tax				
Total comprehensive	\$ (3,873)	\$ 1,973	\$ 2,738	\$ 9,329
(loss) income				

The following details the change in the components of Peoples' accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income for the six months ended June 30, 2008:

	Unı	ealized	Net	Pension and	Accumulated			
	Gair	ıs (Loss)	Po	stretirement	Comprehensive			
(Dollars in	on S	ecurities		Costs	Income (Loss)			
thousands)								
Balance,	\$	4,064	\$	(1,050)	\$	3,014		
December 31,								
2007								
Current period		(4,863)		_	-	(4,863)		
change, net of tax								
Balance, June 30,	\$	(799)	\$	(1,050)	\$	(1,849)		
2008								

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6. Earnings per Share:

Basic earnings per share are computed by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share is computed by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding adjusted to include the effect of potentially dilutive common shares. Potentially dilutive common shares include incremental shares issuable upon exercise of outstanding stock options, SARs and non-vested restricted common shares using the treasury stock method. The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share was as follows:

	7	Three Mon June		nded	Six Months Ended June 30,					
(Dollars in thousands,	2	2008	2	2007	4	2008	2007			
except per share data)										
Net income	\$	1,953	\$	5,349	\$	7,601	\$	10,995		
Weighted-average	10,	304,666	10,	503,952	10,	303,690	10,	544,199		
common shares										
outstanding										
Effect of potentially		47,469	70,298		44,030			75,616		
dilutive common shares										
Total										
weighted-average diluted										
common										
shares outstanding	10,	352,135	10,	574,250	10,	347,720	10,	619,815		
Earnings per Share:										
Basic	\$	0.19	\$	0.51	\$	0.74	\$	1.04		
Diluted	\$	0.19	\$	0.51	\$	0.73	\$	1.04		

7. Fair Values of Financial Instruments:

Effective January 1, 2008, Peoples adopted SFAS 157, which established a hierarchy for measuring fair value that is intended to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. This hierarchy uses three levels of inputs to measure the fair value of assets and liabilities as follows:

Level 1 – Quoted prices in active exchange markets for identical assets or liabilities; also includes certain U.S. Treasury and other U.S. Government and agency securities actively traded in over-the-counter markets.

Level 2 – Observable inputs other than Level 1 including quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in less active markets, or other observable inputs that can be corroborated by observable market data; also includes derivative contracts whose value is determined using a pricing model with observable market inputs or can be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data. This category generally includes certain U.S. Government and agency securities, corporate debt securities, derivative instruments, and residential mortgage loans held for sale.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs supported by little or no market activity for financial instruments whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation; also includes observable inputs for single dealer nonbinding quotes not corroborated by observable market data. This category generally includes certain private equity investments, retained interests from securitizations, and certain collateralized debt obligations.

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis comprise the following at June 30, 2008:

			Fair	Value Mea	surements at	Repo	orting Date		
					Using				
			Quote	ed Prices	Significant				
			in A	Active	Other		Significant		
			Marl	kets for	Observable	J	Unobservable		
			Identic	al Assets	Inputs		Inputs		
(Dollars in	Fa	ir Value	(Level 1)		(Level 2)		(Level 3)		
thousands)			,						
Available-for-sale	\$	576,207	\$	3,281 \$	563,89	1 \$	9,035		
investment									
securities									
Interest rate		3		_		3	_		
contract									
Total	\$	576,210	\$	3,281 \$	563,89	4 \$	9,035		

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The investment securities measured at fair value utilizing Level 1 and 2 inputs are obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies and corporations of the U.S. government, including mortgage-backed securities, bank eligible obligations of any state or political subdivision in the U.S., bank eligible corporate obligations, including private-label mortgage-backed securities and common stocks issued by various unrelated banking holding companies. The fair values used by Peoples are obtained from an independent pricing service and represent either quoted market prices for the identical securities (Level 1 inputs) or fair values determined by pricing models that consider observable market data, such as interest rate volatilities, LIBOR yield curve, credit spreads and prices from market markers and live trading systems.

The investment securities measured at fair value using Level 3 inputs are comprised of four collateralized debt obligations, with a total book value of \$6.1 million, and a single corporate obligation, with a book value of \$1.0 million, for which there is not an active market. Peoples uses multiple input factors to determine the fair value of these securities. Those input factors are discounted cash flow analysis, structure of the security in relation to current level of deferrals and/or defaults, changes in credit ratings, financial condition of the debtors within the underlying securities, broker quotes for securities with similar structure and credit risk, interest rate movements and pricing of new issuances.

The following is a reconciliation of activity for assets measured at fair value based on significant unobservable (non-market) information:

	Investment Securities
Balance, January	\$ 9,004
1, 2008	
Transfers out of	(2,078)
Level 3	
Unrealized gain	2,109
included in	
comprehensive	
income	
Balance, June 30,	\$ 9,035
2008	

Certain assets were measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis at June 30, 2008. Loans held for investment that are considered impaired by Peoples are measured and reported at fair value through a specific allocation of the allowance for loan losses in accordance with the provisions of FASB Statement No. 114, Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of a Loan. The amount of impairment is calculated based on the fair value of the underlying collateral securing the loans. At June 30, 2008, impaired loans with an aggregate outstanding principal balance of \$12.2 million were measured and reported at an aggregate fair value of \$11.6 million, less estimated costs to sell of \$1.0 million (net value of \$10.6 million). For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, Peoples recognized losses on these impaired loans totaling \$6.9 million and \$7.0 million, respectively, through the allowance for loan losses. Included in these amounts is a \$6.4 million loss recognized in the second quarter related to a single commercial real estate loan being charged down to the fair value of the collateral of \$6.5 million, less estimated costs to sell of \$0.3 million (net value of \$6.2 million). Management's determination of the fair value for these loans represents the estimated amount to be received from the sale of the collateral based on observable market prices and market value provided by

independent, licensed or certified appraisers (Level 2 Inputs).

8. Subsequent Events:

Peoples' investment portfolio includes preferred stock issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae") and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac"). In the first half of 2008, Peoples reduced its holding of these preferred stocks due to the uncertainty surrounding these entities. At June 30, 2008, Peoples' remaining investment was limited to a single Fannie Mae issuance with a market value of \$1.9 million. In July 2008, Peoples sold the remaining preferred stock, which completely eliminated all investments in Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac preferred stocks. As a result of the July sales, Peoples will recognize a pre-tax loss of \$594,000 (\$386,000 after-tax) in the third quarter of 2008.

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ITEM 2: MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following data should be read in conjunction with the unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis that follows:

		Three Months d June 30,	At or For the Ended	Six Months June 30,		
SIGNIFICANT RATIOS	2008	2007	2008	2007		
Return on average equity	3.81%	10.81%	7.41%	11.19%		
Return on average assets	0.41%	1.16%	0.81%	1.19%		
Net interest margin (a)	3.61%	3.31%	3.56%	3.32%		
Efficiency ratio (b)	54.55%	58.68%	56.31%	58.57%		
Average stockholders' equity	10.88%	10.69%	10.93%	10.62%		
to average assets						
Average loans to average deposits	88.84%	93.35%	90.42%	93.52%		
Dividend payout ratio	122.38%	43.41%	61.51%	42.29%		
ASSET QUALITY RATIOS						
Nonperforming loans as a	1.92%	0.67%	1.92%	0.67%		
percent of total loans (c)						
Nonperforming assets as a percent of total assets (d)	1.13%	0.41%	1.13%	0.41%		
Allowance for loan losses to	1.38%	1.33%	1.38%	1.33%		
loans net of unearned						
interest						
Allowance for loan losses to nonperforming loans (c)	71.80%	198.32%	71.80%	198.32%		
Provision for loan losses to	0.61%	0.07%	0.74%	0.13%		
average loans	0.00	3,3,7,7		0,20,1		
Net charge-offs as a	2.70%	0.24%	1.57%	0.23%		
percentage of average loans						
(annualized)						
CAPITAL RATIOS (end of period)						
Tier I capital ratio	12.10%	11.74%	12.10%	11.74%		
Total risk-based capital ratio	13.33%	12.97%	13.33%	12.97%		
Leverage ratio	8.72%	8.67%	8.72%	8.67%		
	3.7.2.70	3.3.76	5270	3.3.70		
PER SHARE DATA						
Earnings per share – basic	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.74	\$ 1.04		
Earnings per share – diluted	0.19	0.51	0.73	1.04		
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Cash dividends declared per share	0.23	0.22	0.45	0.44
Book value per share (end of	19.55	18.78	19.55	18.78
period)				
Tangible book value per	\$ 13.03	\$ 12.19	\$ 13.03	\$ 12.19
share (end of period) (e)				
Weighted average shares	10,304,666	10,503,952	10,303,690	10,544,199
outstanding – Basic				
Weighted average shares	10,352,135	10,574,250	10,347,720	10,619,815
outstanding – Diluted				
Common shares outstanding	10,304,597	10,464,741	10,304,597	10,464,741
at end of period				

- (a) Fully tax-equivalent net interest income as a percentage of average earning assets.
 - (b) Non-interest expense (less intangible amortization) as a percentage of fully tax-equivalent net interest income plus non-interest income (excluding gains or losses on investment securities and asset disposals).
- (c) Nonperforming loans include loans 90 days past due and accruing, renegotiated loans and nonaccrual loans.
 - (d) Nonperforming assets include nonperforming loans and other real estate owned.
- (e) Tangible book value per share reflects capital calculated for banking regulatory requirements and excludes balance sheet impact of intangible assets acquired through acquisitions.

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Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this Form 10-Q which are not historical fact are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as "feels", "expects," "believes", "plans", "will", "would", "should", "could" and similar expressions are intended to identify these forward-looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertain—ties that may cause actual results to differ materially. Factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to:

- (1) deterioration in the credit quality of Peoples' loan portfolio could occur due to a number of factors, such as adverse changes in economic conditions that impair the ability of borrowers to repay their loans, the underlying value of the collateral could prove less valuable than otherwise assumed and assumed cash flows may be less favorable than expected, which may adversely impact the provision for loan losses;
- (2) competitive pressures among financial institutions or from non-financial institutions, which may increase significantly;
 - (3) changes in the interest rate environment, which may adversely impact interest margins;
- (4) changes in prepayment speeds, loan originations, sale volumes, and charge-offs, which may be less favorable than expected and adversely impact the amount of interest income generated;
- (5) general economic conditions, either national or in the states in which Peoples does business, which may be less favorable than expected;
- (6) political developments, wars or other hostilities, which may disrupt or increase volatility in securities markets or other economic conditions;
 - (7) legislative or regulatory changes or actions, which may adversely affect the business of Peoples;
- (8) adverse changes in the conditions and trends in the financial markets, which may adversely affect the fair value of securities within Peoples' investment portfolio;
 - (9) a delayed or incomplete resolution of regulatory issues that could arise:
 - (10) Peoples' ability to receive dividends from its subsidiaries;
- (11) changes in accounting standards, policies, estimates or procedures, which may impact Peoples' reported financial condition or results of operations;
 - (12) Peoples' ability to maintain required capital levels and adequate sources of funding and liquidity;
- (13) the impact of reputational risk created by these developments on such matters as business generation and retention, funding and liquidity;
- (14) the costs and effects of regulatory and legal developments, including the outcome of regulatory or other governmental inquiries and legal proceedings and results of regulatory examinations; and
- (15) other risk factors relating to the banking industry or Peoples as detailed from time to time in Peoples' reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), including those risk factors included in the disclosure under the heading "ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS" of Part I of Peoples' 2007 Form 10-K.

All forward-looking statements speak only as of the execution date of this Form 10-Q and are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements. Although management believes the expectations in these forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions within the bounds of management's knowledge of Peoples' business and operations, it is possible that actual results may differ materially from these projections. Additionally, Peoples undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Form 10-Q or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events except as may be required by applicable legal requirements. Copies of documents filed with the SEC are available free of charge at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov and/or from Peoples Bancorp's website – www.peoplesbancorp.com.

The following discussion and analysis of Peoples' unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements is presented to provide insight into management's assessment of the financial condition and results of operations.

Peoples makes available diversified financial products and services through 50 financial service locations and 38 ATMs in southeastern Ohio, northwestern West Virginia and northeastern Kentucky through its financial service units – Peoples Bank, National Association ("Peoples Bank"), Peoples Financial Advisors (a division of Peoples Bank) and Peoples Insurance Agency, Inc. Peoples Bank is a member of the Federal Reserve System and subject to regulation, supervision and examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Peoples' products and services include traditional banking products, such as deposit accounts, lending products and trust services. Peoples also offers a complete array of insurance products and makes available custom-tailored fiduciary and wealth management services. Peoples provides services through traditional offices, ATMs and telephone and internet-based banking. Brokerage services are offered exclusively through an unaffiliated registered broker-dealer located at Peoples' offices.

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This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the audited Consolidated Financial Statements, and notes thereto, contained in Peoples' 2007 Form 10-K, as well as the Consolidated Financial Statements, ratios, statistics and discussions contained elsewhere in this Form 10-O.

Critical Accounting Policies

The accounting and reporting policies of Peoples conform to US GAAP and to general practices within the financial services industry. The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could materially differ from those estimates. Management has identified the accounting policies that, due to the judgments, estimates and assumptions inherent in those policies, are critical to an understanding of Peoples' Consolidated Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis at June 30, 2008, which were unchanged from the policies disclosed in Peoples' 2007 Form 10-K.

Summary of Recent Transactions and Events

The following is a summary of recent transactions that have impacted or are expected to impact Peoples' results of operations or financial condition:

- o As disclosed in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed July 23, 2008, management determined a single commercial real estate construction loan, with a principal balance of \$12.6 million and secured by real estate located in west central Florida, was impaired during the second quarter of 2008. The loan was charged down to the fair value of the underlying collateral securing the loan of \$6.5 million, less estimated costs to sell of \$0.3 million (net value of \$6.2 million) in the second quarter and placed on non-accrual status effective June 30, 2008. Peoples recorded an additional provision for loan losses of \$4.5 million (\$2.9 million or \$0.28 per diluted share after-tax) in the second quarter of 2008 to maintain the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses as of June 30, 2008.
- o In the second quarter of 2008, Peoples sold preferred stocks issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae") and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac") with a recorded value of \$2.7 million, at a pre-tax loss of \$191,000, which was partially offset by a \$138,000 pre-tax gain from the sale of mortgage-backed securities with a recorded value of \$18.7 million. At June 30, 2008, Peoples held in its investment portfolio Fannie Mae preferred stock with a market value of \$1.9 million, resulting in a \$260,000 other-than-temporary impairment charge in the second quarter of 2008. In July, Peoples sold the remaining preferred stock, which completely eliminated all holding of preferred stocks issued by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and will recognize a pre-tax loss of \$594,000 (\$386,000 after-tax) in the third quarter of 2008.
- o In the first quarter of 2008, Peoples sold Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac preferred stocks with a recorded value of \$7.2 million to reduce Peoples' exposure to those entities. The book value of these preferred stocks had been reduced previously by \$3.2 million due to impairment charges recorded in the fourth quarter of 2007. Peoples also sold two US agency collateralized mortgage obligations, with an aggregate book value of \$7.6 million, to lessen the exposure to a future rising interest rate environment within Peoples' investment portfolio, as well as several small-lot mortgage-backed securities. The net impact of the first quarter portfolio management initiatives produced a net gain of \$159,000.
- o On January 12, 2007, Peoples announced the authorization to repurchase up to 425,000 of Peoples' outstanding common shares in 2007 from time to time in open market transactions (the "2007 Stock Repurchase Program"). On November 9, 2007, Peoples announced the authorization to repurchase up to 500,000 common shares upon the completion of the 2007 Stock Repurchase Program and continuing in 2008 until expiration on December 31, 2008. Peoples completed the 2007 Stock Repurchase Program on November 23, 2007. Through August 1, 2008,

Peoples had repurchased a total of 52,200 common shares, at an average price of \$23.58, under the stock repurchase plan announced November 9, 2007, of which 13,600 common shares were repurchased during the first quarter of 2008, at an average price of \$21.59. No common shares were repurchased during the second quarter of 2008. All of the common shares repurchased are held as treasury shares and available for future issuances of common shares in connection with equity awards granted from Peoples' equity plans and other general corporate purposes.

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The impact of these transactions, where material, is discussed in the applicable sections of this Management's Discussion and Analysis.

Executive Summary

For the three months ended June 30, 2008, net income totaled \$2.0 million, or \$0.19 per diluted share, compared to \$5.3 million or \$0.51 per diluted share for the second quarter of 2007. On a year-to-date basis, net income totaled \$7.6 million and diluted earnings per share were \$0.73, versus \$11.0 million and \$1.04, respectively, for the same periods in 2007. Despite the lower earnings, Peoples achieved success in key areas, including deposit growth, increased net interest income, net interest margin expansion and lower operating expenses, which led to improved operating efficiency.

Net interest income totaled \$14.9 million for the second quarter of 2008, up 4% on a linked quarter basis and up 12% from a year ago, while net interest margin expanded to 3.61%, from 3.51% last quarter and 3.31% a year ago. On a year-to-date basis, net interest income grew 9% and net interest margin expanded 24 basis points. These improvements were largely attributable to the widening of credit spreads and Peoples' ability to grow lower cost retail deposits.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, non-interest income, which excludes gains and losses on securities and asset disposals, totaled \$7.9 million and \$16.1 million, unchanged from a year ago, as higher trust and investment income and electronic banking ("e-banking") revenues were offset by lower insurance commissions and deposit account service charges. On a linked-quarter basis, non-interest income was down 4% in the second quarter of 2008, due to the recognition of annual performance based insurance commissions during the first quarter.

Total non-interest expense was \$13.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2008, down 1% from the same period a year ago, due mostly to a modest decrease in professional fees. Compared to the first quarter of 2008, total non-interest expense decreased 5% in the second quarter, from lower incentive and stock-based compensation expenses and reduced professional fees. Through six months of 2008, non-interest expense totaled \$26.8 million versus \$26.5 million for the first half of 2007, with the increase largely the result of higher sales-based compensation expense and medical costs.

At June 30, 2008, total assets were \$1.91 billion, up \$21.3 million since year-end 2007. Gross portfolio loan balances decreased \$10.9 million in the second quarter, to \$1.10 billion at June 30, 2008, due to commercial loan payoffs during the quarter and the \$6.4 million charge down of the \$12.6 million impaired commercial real estate loan at June 30, 2008. Total investment securities grew to \$599.9 million at quarter-end, from \$574.6 million at March 31, 2008, and \$565.5 million at year-end 2007, attributable to purchases intended to offset the impact of the loan payoffs.

Total liabilities were \$1.71 billion at June 30, 2008, up \$22.7 million compared to December 31, 2007. Total deposit balances increased \$94.7 million since year-end 2007, to \$1.28 billion at June 30, 2008. Retail balances have increased \$114.5 million, or 10%, during 2008, due mostly to higher interest-bearing retail balances from Peoples attracting approximately \$62 million of funds from customers outside its primary market area. This growth also enabled Peoples to reduce higher rate brokered certificates of deposit balances by \$19.8 million. The retail deposit growth also contributed to the \$71.2 million, or 15%, reduction in borrowed funds since year-end 2007.

Total stockholders' equity has decreased \$1.4 million through six months of 2008, to \$201.4 million at June 30, 2008, as the \$2.9 million increase in Peoples' retained earnings was more than offset by the \$4.9 million reduction in accumulated comprehensive income due to the change in fair value of Peoples' available-for-sale investment portfolio.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net Interest Income

Net interest income, the amount by which interest income exceeds interest expense, remains Peoples' largest source of revenue. The amount of net interest income earned by Peoples each quarter is affected by various factors, including changes in market interest rates due to the Federal Reserve Board's monetary policy, the level and degree of pricing competition for both loans and deposits in Peoples' markets, and the amount and composition of Peoples' earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities.

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The following table details Peoples' average balance sheet for the periods presented:

	For the Three Months Ended														
		June 3	-				March					June 3			
		Average	In	come/	Yield/		Average	Ir	ncome/	Yield/		Average		ome/	Yield/
(Dollars in		Balance	Ex	kpense	Rate		Balance	\mathbf{E}	xpense	Rate		Balance	Exp	pense	Rate
thousands)															
Short-Term															
Investments:														- 0	
Deposits with	\$	2,461	\$	13	2.21%	\$	3,382	\$	27	3.10%	\$	2,462	\$	30	4.85%
other banks									_						
Federal funds sold		930			2.08%		635			3.17%		1,043			5.27%
Total short-term		3,391		17	2.17%		4,017		32	3.11%		3,505		44	4.98%
investments															
Investment															
Securities (1):															
Taxable		529,924		•	5.21%		512,362		•	5.22%		487,381			4.91%
Nontaxable (2)		68,187			6.49%		69,276			6.51%		53,233			6.28%
Total investment		598,111		7,991	5.35%		581,638		7,810	5.37%		540,614		6,820	5.05%
securities															
Loans (3):															
Commercial		747,596		12,423			746,945		13,198			760,062			7.75%
Real estate (4)		282,804			6.88%		283,949			7.09%		293,204			7.16%
Consumer		84,074			8.03%		82,129		•	8.21%		77,289			8.34%
Total loans		1,114,474		18,954	6.81%		1,113,023		19,879	7.17%		1,130,555	,	21,540	7.64%
Less: Allowance for		(16,243)					(16,240)					(14,656)			
loan loss															
Net loans		1,098,231		18,954			1,096,783		19,879			1,115,899			7.74%
Total earning		1,699,733		26,962	6.36%		1,682,438		27,721	6.61%		1,660,018	4	28,404	6.86%
assets															
Intangible assets		67,395					67,831					68,142			
Other assets		127,190					128,307					128,315			
Total assets	\$	1,894,318				\$	1,878,576				\$	1,856,475			
Deposits:															
Savings	\$	115,625	\$	140	0.49%	\$	108,525	\$	122	0.45%	\$	117,149	\$	188	0.64%
Interest-bearing		203,411		890	1.76%		197,998		982	1.99%		175,831		910	2.08%
transaction															
Money market		165,592		816	1.98%		152,202			2.80%		147,385			3.95%
Brokered time		39,767			5.15%		53,334			5.24%		67,637			5.14%
Retail time		549,642		5,426	3.97%		523,929		5,608	4.31%		529,481		5,931	4.49%
Total		1,074,037		7,781	2.91%		1,035,988		8,465	3.29%		1,037,483		9,347	3.61%
interest-bearing															
deposits															
Borrowed Funds:															
Short-term:															
FHLB advances		116,312		621	2.11%		153,721		1,264	3.25%		180,800		2,385	5.22%
Retail repurchase		32,542		157	1.94%		34,894		275	3.17%		34,958		387	4.44%
agreements															

Wholesale repurchase agreements		-		- 0.00%		-		- 0.00%		5,000		69	5.46%
Total short-term borrowings		148,854		778 2.07%		188,615		1,539 3.24%		220,758		2,841	5.11%
Long-term:													
FHLB advances		104,000		1,111 4.30%		97,977		1,062 4.36%		68,250		768	4.52%
Wholesale		144,272		1,513 4.15%		137,156		1,452 4.19%		118,352			4.26%
repurchase		,		,		,		,		,		,	
agreements													
Other borrowings		22,474		491 8.65%		22,465		495 8.71%		24,055		531	8.72%
Total long-term		270,746		3,115 4.58%		257,598		3,009 4.65%		210,657			4.84%
borrowings		,		,		,		•		,		,	
Total borrowed		419,600		3,893 3.69%		446,213		4,548 4.05%		431,415		5,400	4.96%
funds		•		,		ŕ		•		,		ŕ	
Total		1,493,637		11,674 3.13%		1,482,201		13,013 3.52%		1,468,898		14,747	4.01%
interest-bearing liabilities													
Non-interest-bearing		180,399				172,994				173,565			
deposits		100,399				172,994				173,303			
Other liabilities		14,214				16,889				15,495			
Total liabilities		1,688,250				1,672,084				1,657,958			
Total		206,068				206,492				198,517			
stockholders' equity		200,000				200,472				170,517			
Total liabilities													
and													
stockholders'	\$	1,894,318			\$	1,878,576			\$	1,856,475			
equity	Ψ	1,00 1,010			Ψ	1,070,270			Ψ	1,050,175			
Interest rate spread			\$	15,288 3.23%			\$	14,708 3.09%			\$	13,657	2.85%
Interest			Ψ	6.36%			Ψ	6.61%			Ψ	10,007	6.86%
income/earning				0.0070				0.0176					0.0070
assets													
Interest				2.75%				3.10%					3.55%
expense/earning													
assets													
Net interest margin				3.61%				3.51%					3.31%
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	For the Six Months Ended										
		June 3				June 3	2007	7			
		Average		Income/	Yield/		Average	erage Income/		Yield/	
(Dollars in		Balance		Expense	Rate		Balance	\mathbf{E}	xpense	Rate	
thousands)											
Short-Term											
Investments:											
Deposits with	\$	2,922	\$	39	2.73%	\$	2,856	\$	68	4.80%	
other banks											
Federal funds sold		782			2.52%		837			5.25%	
Total short-term		3,704		49	2.68%		3,693		90	4.89%	
investments											
Investment											
Securities (1):											
Taxable		521,144		13,568			496,799		12,386		
Nontaxable (2)		68,732			6.50%		53,103			6.46%	
Total investment		589,876		15,801	5.36%		549,902		14,100	5.13%	
securities											
Loans (3):											
Commercial		747,271		25,620			757,578		29,209		
Real estate (4)		283,376			7.01%		296,241		10,561		
Consumer		83,101		•	8.15%		76,222			8.30%	
Total loans		1,113,748		38,833	6.98%		1,130,041		42,909	7.64%	
Less: Allowance for		(16,241)					(14,693)				
loan loss											
Net loans		1,097,507		38,833			1,115,348		42,909		
Total earning		1,691,087		54,683	6.49%		1,668,943		57,099	6.88%	
assets											
Intangible assets		67,613					68,364				
Other assets		127,703					128,455				
Total assets	\$	1,886,403				\$	1,865,762				
Deposits:											
Savings	\$	112,075	\$		0.47%	\$	115,649	\$		0.62%	
Interest-bearing		200,705		1,873	1.87%		176,300		1,756	2.01%	
transaction											
Money market		158,897			2.37%		144,410			3.94%	
Brokered time		46,550		·	5.19%		69,069			5.15%	
Retail time		536,785		11,034			530,622		11,780		
Total		1,055,012		16,246	3.10%		1,036,050		18,474	3.60%	
interest-bearing											
deposits											
Borrowed Funds:											
Short-term:											
FHLB advances		135,016			2.76%		194,818			5.24%	
Retail repurchase		33,718		433	2.57%		35,149		789	4.53%	
agreements											
Wholesale		-		-	0.00%		5,000		136	5.40%	
repurchase											

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agreements						
Total short-term	168,734	2,317	2.72%	234,967	6,056	5.14%
borrowings						
Long-term:						
FHLB advances	100,989	2,173	4.33%	68,446	1,522	4.48%
Wholesale	140,714	2,965	4.17%	113,343	2,352	4.15%
repurchase						
agreements						
Other borrowings	22,469		8.68%	26,724		8.79%
Total long-term	264,172	6,124	4.61%	208,513	5,056	4.86%
borrowings						
Total borrowed	432,906	8,441	3.87%	443,480	11,112	4.99%
funds						
Total	1,487,918	24,687	3.32%	1,479,530	29,586	4.02%
interest-bearing						
liabilities						
Non-interest-bearing	176,696			172,351		
deposits						
Other liabilities	15,509			15,817		
Total liabilities	1,680,123			1,667,698		
Total	206,280			198,064		
stockholders' equity						
Total liabilities						
and						
stockholders'	\$ 1,886,403			\$ 1,865,762		
equity						
Interest rate spread		\$ 29,996			\$ 27,513	
Interest			6.49%			6.88%
income/earning						
assets						
Interest			2.93%			3.56%
expense/earning						
assets						
Net interest margin			3.56%			3.32%

- (1) Average balances are based on carrying value.
- (2) Interest income and yields are presented on a fully tax-equivalent basis using a 35% Federal statutory tax rate.
- (3) Nonaccrual and impaired loans are included in the average loan balances. Related interest income earned on nonaccrual loans prior to the loan being placed on nonaccrual is included in loan interest income. Loan fees included in interest income were immaterial for all periods presented.
- (4) Loans held for sale are included in the average loan balance listed. Related interest income on loans originated for sale prior to the loan being sold is included in loan interest income.

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Net interest margin, calculated by dividing fully tax-equivalent ("FTE") net interest income by average interest-earning assets, serves as an important measurement of the net revenue stream generated by the volume, mix and pricing of Peoples' earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. FTE net interest income is calculated by increasing interest income to convert tax-exempt income earned on obligations of states and political subdivisions to the pre-tax equivalent of taxable income using a 35% federal statutory tax rate. The following table details the calculation of FTE net interest income:

	Three Months Ended June 30, March 31, June 30,							Six Months Ended June 30,			
(Dollars in thousands)		2008		2008		2007		2008	2007		
Net interest income, as	\$	14,874	\$	14,286	\$	13,333	\$	29,160	\$	26,854	
reported											
Taxable equivalent		414		422		324		836		659	
adjustments											
Fully tax-equivalent net	\$	15,288	\$	14,708	\$	13,657	\$	29,996	\$	27,513	
interest income											

The following table provides an analysis of the changes in FTE net interest income:

(Dollars in thousands)	March		hree Mo: 30, 2008 (1)	Six Months Ended June 30, 2008 Compared to June 30, 2007 (1)					
Increase (decrease) in: INTEREST INCOME:	Rate	Volume	Total	Rate	Volume	Total	Rate	Volume	Total
Short-term	\$ (15)	\$ -	\$ (15)	\$ (25)	\$ (2)	\$ (27)	\$ (45)	\$ 4	\$ (41)
Investment Securities: (2)									
Taxable	(86)	286	200	371	529	900	609	573	1,182
Nontaxable	(3)	(16)	(19)	29	242	271	11	508	519
Total	(89)	270	181	400	771	1,171	620	1,081	1,701
investment income									
Loans:									
Commercial	(856)	81	(775)	(2,025)	(238)	(2,263)	(3,200)	(389)	(3,589)
Real estate	(138)	(19)	(157)	(209)	(190)	(399)	(198)	(510)	(708)
Consumer	(150)	157	7	(314)	390	76	(154)	375	221
Total loan income	(1,144)	219	(925)	(2,548)	(38)	(2,586)	(3,552)	(524)	(4,076)
Total interest	(1,248)	489	(759)	(2,173)	731	(1,442)	(2,977)	561	(2,416)
income									
INTEREST EXPENSE:									
Deposits:									
Savings deposits	10	8	18	(45)	(3)	(48)	(82)	(11)	(93)

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Interest-bearing	(249)	157	(92)	(578)	558	(20)	(289)	406	117
transaction									
Money market	(763)	521	(242)	(1,662)	1,027	(635)	(1,668)	722	(946)
Brokered time	(12)	(174)	(186)	12	(370)	(358)	41	(601)	(560)
Retail time	(1,479)	1,297	(182)	(1,743)	1,238	(505)	(1,134)	388	(746)
Total deposit	(2,493)	1,809	(684)	(4,016)	2,450	(1,566)	(3,132)	904	(2,228)
cost									
Borrowed funds:									
Short-term	(481)	(280)	(761)	(1,343)	(720)	(2,063)	(2,363)	(1,376)	(3,739)
borrowings									
Long-term	(175)	281	106	(456)	1,012	556	(151)	1,219	1,068
borrowings									
Total	(656)	1	(655)	(1,799)	292	(1,507)	(2,514)	(157)	(2,671)
borrowed funds									
cost									
Total interest	(3,149)	1,810	(1,339)	(5,815)	2,742	(3,073)	(5,646)	747	(4,899)
expense									
Net interest	\$1,901	\$(1,321)	\$ 580	\$3,642	\$(2,011)	\$1,631	\$2,669	\$ (186)	\$2,483
income									

⁽¹⁾ The change in interest due to both rate and volume has been allocated to volume and rate changes in proportion to the relationship of the dollar amounts of the change in each.

⁽²⁾ Presented on a fully tax-equivalent basis.

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Since August 2007, the Federal Reserve has reduced the target Federal Funds rate 325 basis points and the Discount Rate 400 basis points. These actions have caused a corresponding downward shift in short-term interest rates, while longer term rates have not decreased to the same extent. This steepening of the yield curve has provided Peoples with opportunities to improve net interest income and margin by taking advantage of lower-cost funding available in the market place and reducing certain deposit costs. While the reduction in short-term rates has caused asset yields to fall, credit spreads have widened limiting the downward repricing of many loans and tempering the overall decline.

Typically, Peoples' net interest income and margin are impacted by loan prepayment fees, interest reversals for loans placed on non-accrual status and interest collected on non-accrual loans. The net impact of these items resulted in \$226,000 additional income, or five basis points, in the second quarter of 2008. In comparison, second quarter 2007 net interest income and margin were reduced by \$309,000 or seven basis points, which included a \$211,000 or five basis points reduction in investment interest income to write-off interest receivable. The net impact in first quarter 2008 was additional income of \$126,000, or three additional basis points of net interest margin.

Average loan balances were down year-over-year for both the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, as the result of significant loan payoffs exceeding new originations. In response, Peoples increased its holdings of investment securities, producing a higher average balance during 2008. The yields on the recently purchased securities were lower than those of the paid off loans they replaced, which contributed to the lower yield on earning assets.

A key component of management's interest rate risk strategy has been to grow retail deposit balances in order to reduce the amount of, and reliance on, wholesale funding sources that typically carry higher market rates of interest. In addition, management has been adjusting the mix of wholesale funding by repaying higher-costing funds using other lower-cost borrowings. These efforts, coupled with lower short-term interest rates, produced a lower overall cost of funds over the first six months of 2008. In the second half of 2007, management initiated a strategy designed to reduce the impact of repricing of large blocks of funding by systematically borrowing funds in a given maturity range over a period of time, to create a stream of future maturities. This strategy accounts for much of the increase in average long-term borrowings compared to prior periods.

Although Peoples has successfully expanded net interest income and margin during the first half of 2008, future improvements may be limited as the downward repricing of loans and investments may outpace the reduction in rates on funding sources. In addition, Peoples' balance sheet has shifted to a generally neutral interest rate risk position in the one-year time horizon, which could mitigate the impact of future changes in market interest rates on Peoples' net interest income. Therefore, management believes net interest margin may compress slightly in the third quarter of 2008, with earning assets remaining comparable to second quarter levels.

Detailed information regarding changes in Peoples' Consolidated Balance Sheets can be found under appropriate captions of the "FINANCIAL CONDITION" section of this discussion. Additional information regarding Peoples' interest rate risk and the potential impact of interest rate changes on Peoples' results of operations and financial condition can be found later in this discussion under the caption "Interest Rate Sensitivity and Liquidity".

Provision for Loan Losses
The following table details Peoples' provision for loan losses:

	Three Months Ended							Six Months Ended			
	Jun	ie 30,	Marc	ch 31,	Jur	ie 30,	June 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)	20	2008		2008		2007		2008		2007	
Provision for checking	\$	160	\$	37	\$	136	\$	197	\$	159	
account overdrafts											

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Provision for other loan losses	6,605	1,400	711	8,005	1,311
Total provision for loan	\$ 6,765	\$ 1,437	\$ 847	\$ 8,202	\$ 1,470
losses					
As a percentage of average	0.61%	0.13%	0.07%	0.74%	0.13%
gross loans					

The provision for loan losses is based on the results of management's formal quarterly analysis of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses and procedural methodology that estimates the amount of credit losses probable within the loan portfolio. This analysis considers various factors that affect losses, such as changes in Peoples' loan quality, historical loss experience and current economic conditions. In 2008, Peoples recorded higher provisions for loan losses, with a significant portion related to two large, unrelated commercial real estate loans becoming impaired. The impact of the sluggish housing market and economic conditions on loan quality has also contributed.

Additional information regarding changes in Peoples' allowance for loan losses and loan credit quality can be found later in this discussion under the caption "Allowance for Loan Losses".

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Non-Interest Income

Deposit account service charges also comprised a sizable portion of Peoples' second quarter non-interest revenue. The following table details Peoples' deposit account service charges:

		Thr	onths En	Six Months Ended						
	Ju	ne 30,	March 31,		Ju	ne 30,	June 30,			
(Dollars in	2	2008	2	8002	2	2007	2	2008	2	2007
thousands)										
Overdraft fees	\$	1,704	\$	1,504	\$	1,725	\$	3,208	\$	3,231
Non-sufficient		436		402		493		838		930
funds fees										
Other fees and		235		389		227		624		652
charges										
Total deposit	\$	2,375	\$	2,295	\$	2,445	\$	4,670	\$	4,813
account service										
charges										

The amount of deposit account service charges, particularly overdraft and non-sufficient funds fees, is largely dependent on the timing and volume of customer activity. As a result, the amount ultimately recognized by Peoples can fluctuate each quarter.

Insurance commissions also comprised a significant portion of Peoples' second quarter non-interest income. The following table details Peoples' insurance commissions:

	Jui	Three Months Ended June 30, March 31, June 30,						Six Months Ended June 30,			
(Dollars in	2	2008	2	2008	2	2007	2	2008	2	2007	
thousands) Property and casualty insurance	\$	1,995	\$	1,917	\$	2,178	\$	3,912	\$	4,163	
Life and health insurance		163		145		168		308		308	
Credit life and accident and health insurance		51		33		51		84		81	
Performance based commissions		16		835		12		851		807	
Total insurance commissions	\$	2,225	\$	2,930	\$	2,409	\$	5,155	\$	5,359	

Property and casualty insurance sales commissions continue to be challenged by tighter pricing margins within the insurance industry caused by insurance companies reducing premiums to attract market share. The bulk of the performance based commission income is received annually by Peoples during the first quarter and is based on a combination of factors, including loss experience of insurance policies sold, production volumes and overall financial performance of the insurance industry during the preceding year.

The following tables detail Peoples' trust and investment revenues and related assets under management:

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		Thr	onths En	5	Six Mon	ths En	ded			
	Ju	ne 30,	March 31,			ne 30,		Jun	e 30,	
(Dollars in	2	8008	2	8008	2	2007	2	2008	2	007
thousands)										
Fiduciary	\$	1,162	\$	987	\$	1,041	\$	2,149	\$	1,968
Brokerage		241		259		245		500		461
Total trust and	\$	1,403	\$	1,246	\$	1,286	\$	2,649	\$	2,429
investment income										

	June 30,		March 31,		December 31,		Jı	ane 30,
(Dollars in thousands)		2008		2008		2007		2007
Trust assets under	\$	770,714	\$	775,834	\$	797,443	\$	766,417
management								
Brokerage assets under	\$	216,930	\$	221,340	\$	223,950	\$	209,858
management								
Total managed assets	\$	987,644	\$	997,174	\$	1,021,393	\$	976,275

Both fiduciary and brokerage revenues are based in part on the value of assets under management. Over the last several quarters, Peoples has been successful in attracting new clients, which has increased assets under management over the past twelve months and generated additional revenues in 2008. However, the recent downturn in the financial markets has tempered the overall growth in assets and caused the decline in asset value since year-end 2007.

Peoples' e-banking revenues totaled \$1.0 million in the second quarter of 2008, up 13% over 2007's second quarter and up 10% from the first quarter of 2008. Through six months of 2008, e-banking revenues were up 12% compared to the first half of 2007. Sustained increases in debit card activity were the key drivers of the higher revenue levels in 2008. At June 30, 2008, Peoples had 40,761 deposit accounts with debit cards, or 59% of all eligible deposit accounts, compared to 38,415 accounts and a 55% penetration rate a year ago. Peoples' customers used debit cards to complete \$133.1 million of transactions for the six months ended June 30, 2008, up 20% from \$111.3 million a year ago.

Non-Interest Expense

Salary and employee benefit costs remain Peoples' largest non-interest expense, accounting for over 50% of the total non-interest expense. The following table details Peoples' salaries and employee benefit costs:

	Three Months Ended							Six Months Ended		
	Jui	ne 30,	N	March 31,	Ju	ne 30,	Jur	ne 30,	Ju	ne 30,
(Dollars in thousands)	2	8008		2008	2	2007	2	800	2	2007
Salaries and wages	\$	4,453	\$	4,503	\$	4,345	\$	8,956	\$	8,803
Sales-based and incentive		823		1,223		988		2,046		2,132
compensation										
Employee benefits		1,024		997		913		2,021		1,905
Stock-based compensation		107		252		95		359		239
Payroll taxes and other		499		585		529		1,084		1,088
employment-related costs										
Total salaries and	\$	6,906	\$	7,560	\$	6,870	\$ 1	14,466	\$	14,167
employee benefit costs										
Full-time equivalent										
employees:										
Actual at end of period		554		556		556		554		556
Average during the period		556		556		555		556		552

Normal annual merit increases have resulted in higher base salaries during 2008, although mostly offset by larger amounts of salaries attributed to loan origination costs. While increased insurance and investment sales activity has produced additional sales-based compensation for both the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, this increase has been negated by lower incentive plan expense tied to Peoples' full year 2008 results of operation. Peoples' employee benefit costs consist of expenses related to Peoples' medical insurance, retirement savings and pension plans. While employee medical benefit costs have increased steadily in recent periods, Peoples has experienced only a modest increased in employee benefit costs, due to a lower pension expense.

The additional stock-based compensation expense in 2008 reflects the impact of annual equity-based incentive awards made in February 2008 to employees and directors. Compensation expense is generally recognized over the vesting period. However, Peoples must immediately recognize the entire expense for awards to employees who are eligible for retirement at the grant date, which accounted for \$127,000 of the first quarter 2008 expense and was the major driver of the decline during the second quarter of 2008. Stock-based compensation expense in each of the final two quarters of 2008 should be comparable to the second quarter expense based on the current equity awards outstanding.

Peoples' net occupancy and equipment expense was comprised of the following:

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	Three Months Ended							Six Months Ended			
	Ju	ne 30,	Ma	rch 31,	Jui	ne 30,	Ju	ne 30,	Jui	ne 30,	
(Dollars in thousands)	2	8008	2	8008	2	2007	2	2008	2	007	
Depreciation	\$	550	\$	525	\$	556	\$	1,076	\$	1,093	
Repairs and maintenance		360		372		358		732		711	
costs											
Net rent expense		157		174		157		332		310	
Property taxes, utilities and		332		355		281		685		570	
other costs											
Total net occupancy and	\$	1,399	\$	1,426	\$	1,352	\$	2,825	\$	2,684	
equipment expense											

While net occupancy and equipment costs for the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, were up compared to the same periods a year ago, management continues to monitor capital expenditures and explore opportunities to enhance Peoples' operating efficiency. Still, Peoples will continue to make investments designed to improve customer service and/or produce long-term benefits which may impact future expense levels.

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In the second quarter of 2008, Peoples decreased professional fees 28% from the prior year and 25% on a linked quarter basis, through a lower utilization of external legal services. On a year-to-date basis, professional fees decreased 14% from a year ago, reflecting a general decline in the use of third-party professional services and consultants

E-banking expense, which is comprised of bankcard and internet-based banking costs, was down 7% in the second quarter of 2008 compared to the second quarter of 2007, due largely to lower internet banking costs. On a year-to-date basis, e-banking expense is up 3%, primarily the result of customers completing a larger percentage of their transactions using their debit cards and Peoples' internet banking service. However, the increase was partially offset by Peoples first quarter 2008 adjustment of the litigation-related liabilities associated with its membership in the Visa USA network originally recorded in the fourth quarter of 2007.

Income Tax Expense

Peoples' effective tax rate was 26.0% on a year-to-date basis through June 30, 2008, which represents management's current estimate for the full year 2008 and an increase from the effective rate of 23.3% for the full year 2007. The higher projected effective tax rate for 2008 is based on the estimated utilization of tax credits in 2008 compared to 2007.

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Investment Securities

The following table details Peoples' available-for-sale investment portfolio:

(Dollars in thousands)	ine 30, 2008	arch 31, 2008	D	ecember 31, 2007	ine 30, 2007
Obligations of U.S. Treasury and	\$ 191	\$ 194	\$	197	\$ 214
government agencies					
Obligations of U.S.	32,869	37,285		84,457	119,824
government-sponsored enterprises					
Obligations of states and political	65,389	68,684		69,247	58,302
subdivisions					
Mortgage-backed securities	423,356	401,191		358,683	319,556
Other securities	54,402	43,744		29,647	32,836
Total investment securities, at	\$ 576,207	\$ 551,098	\$	542,231	\$ 530,732
fair value					
Total amortized cost	\$ 577,436	\$ 543,365	\$	535,979	\$ 534,883
Net unrealized (loss) gain	\$ (1,229)	\$ 7,733	\$	6,252	\$ (4,151)

During the first six months of 2008, management grew Peoples' investment portfolio to mitigate the impact of commercial loan payoffs on interest income levels and took action to reduce credit and interest rate exposures in Peoples' investment portfolio. In addition, management has reinvested the principal runoff from the portfolio into mortgage-backed securities and corporate securities. These actions account for much of the change in the investment portfolio composition compared to June 30, 2007. Peoples will continue to manage its investment portfolio and may adjust the size or composition based on, among other factors, changes in the loan portfolio, liquidity needs and interest rate conditions.

Peoples' investment in obligations of U.S. government-sponsored enterprises has included preferred stock issued by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. In the first half of 2008, Peoples reduced its holding of these preferred stocks due to the uncertainty surrounding these entities. At June 30, 2008, Peoples' remaining investment was limited to a single Fannie Mae preferred stock issuance with a fair value of \$1.9 million. Peoples recognized a \$260,000 other-than-temporary impairment charge in the second quarter of 2008 related to the remaining preferred stock. There were no other securities within the investment portfolio identified by management as other-than-temporarily impaired at June 30, 2008.

In July 2008, Peoples sold its remaining Fannie Mae preferred stock, which completely eliminates all investments in preferred stocks issued by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac from its portfolio. As a result of the sale, Peoples will recognize a pre-tax loss of \$594,000 in the third quarter of 2008.

Peoples' other investment securities consist solely of shares of the Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") of Cincinnati and Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland. These restricted equity securities do not have readily determinable fair values and are carried at cost since Peoples does not exercise significant influence. The following table details Peoples' other investment securities:

(Dollars in thousands)		ine 30, 2008	arch 31, 2008		ecember 31, 2007		ne 30, 2007
FHLB of Cincinnati stock	\$	19,323	\$ 19,066	\$	18,820	\$	18,820
Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland stock	·	4,412	4,412	·	4,412	·	4,378
Total other investment securities,	\$	23,735	\$ 23,478	\$	23,232	\$	23,198
at cost							

Loans
The following table details total outstanding loans:

(D. II	June 30,	March 31,	December 31,	June 30,
(Dollars in thousands)	2008	2008	2007	2007
Loan balances:				
Commercial,	\$ 499,043	\$ 498,426	\$ 513,847	\$ 468,241
mortgage				
Commercial, other	186,346	180,523	171,937	177,651
Real estate, mortgage	234,870	237,366	237,641	243,080
Real estate,	53,170	72,326	71,794	96,690
construction				
Home equity lines of	44,595	43,101	42,706	43,118
credit				
Consumer	83,605	81,108	80,544	77,482
Deposit account	3,223	2,879	2,472	2,147
overdrafts				
Total loans	\$1,104,852	\$1,115,729	\$1,120,941	\$1,108,409
Percent of loans to total				
loans:				
Commercial,	45.2%	44.7%	45.8%	42.2%
mortgage				
Commercial, other	16.9%	16.2%	15.3%	16.0%
Real estate, mortgage	21.3%	21.3%	21.2%	21.9%
Real estate,	4.8%	6.5%	6.4%	8.7%
construction				
Home equity lines of	4.0%	3.9%	3.8%	3.9%
credit				
Consumer	7.5%	7.1%	7.3%	7.1%
Deposit account	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
overdrafts				
Total percentage	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
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Overall, loan production remained steady in the first half of 2008, although payoffs exceeded new production causing a slight reduction in loan balances. Contributing to the decline in the second quarter was the \$6.4 million charge-down of the impaired commercial real estate construction loan indentified during the quarter, which is included in the real estate construction loan category above. This loan was originated in 2006 with an Ohio-based customer to finance the purchase of an apartment complex in the Tampa, Florida area and the subsequent conversion of a portion of the apartments to condominium units.

Residential real estate loan balances continue to be impacted by customer demand for long-term, fixed-rate mortgages, which Peoples generally sells to the secondary market with the servicing rights retained. Peoples' serviced real estate loan portfolio continues to increase steadily, reaching \$182.3 million at June 30, 2008 versus \$176.7 million at December 31, 2007 and \$172.3 million at June 30, 2007.

Peoples experienced consumer loan growth during the second quarter of 2008, due mainly to the efforts of Peoples' indirect lending area. Peoples' indirect lending activity involves the origination of consumer loans primarily through automobile dealers and comprises a significant portion of Peoples' consumer loans. Management remains committed to originating quality consumer loans based on sound underwriting practices and appropriate loan pricing discipline, which could limit opportunities for future growth.

Overall, Peoples has had minimal lending activity outside its primary market areas, with total out-of-market loans comprising \$108.2 million, or approximately 10% of total outstanding loan balances, at June 30, 2008. Included in this amount are \$68.8 million of loans located in Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky. Of the remaining \$39.4 million of loans, the largest concentrations are in Arizona and Florida, with outstanding balances of \$10.1 million and \$8.5 million, respectively, at June 30, 2008. In all other states, the aggregate outstanding balance in the state was less than \$5 million at June 30, 2008. Except for the previously-mentioned impaired loan, these loans are performing in accordance with their original terms. The majority of the Arizona properties are retail and office centers in the Phoenix area securing loans to an experienced Ohio-based real estate developer.

Loan Concentration

Peoples' loans consist of credits to borrowers spread over a broad range of industrial classifications, with no concentration of loans to borrowers engaged in the same or similar industries that exceeds 10% of total loans. Peoples currently has no loans to foreign entities that exceed 1% of total assets. Peoples' largest concentration of loans consists of credits to borrowers in the lodging and lodging related industry. Those loans totaled \$50.5 million at June 30, 2008, or 10.1% of total outstanding commercial real estate loans, compared to \$50.6 million, or 9.8%, at December 31, 2007. Loans to borrowers in the assisted living facilities and nursing homes industry also represent a significant portion of Peoples' commercial real estate loans, totaling \$48.0 million at June 30, 2008 and \$54.0 million at December 31, 2007, or 9.6% and 10.5%, respectively. These credits were subjected to Peoples' normal commercial underwriting standards and did not present more than the normal amount of risk assumed in Peoples' other commercial lending activities.

These lending opportunities typically have arisen due to the growth of these industries in markets served by Peoples or in neighboring areas, and also from sales associates' efforts to develop these lending relationships. Management believes these industrial concentrations do not pose abnormal risk when compared to the risk assumed in other types of lending since these credits have been subjected to Peoples' normal commercial underwriting standards, which include an evaluation of the financial strength, market expertise and experience of the borrowers and principals in these business relationships. In addition, a sizeable portion of the loans to lodging and lodging-related companies is spread over various geographic areas.

Allowance for Loan Losses
The following table presents changes in Peoples' allowance for loan losses:

	Th	ree Months End	led	Six Mon	Six Months Ended			
	June 30,	March 31,	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,			
(Dollars in thousands)	2008	2008 2007		2008	2007			
Allowance for loan								
losses:	Φ 15.052	¢ 15.710	ф 14 <i>5</i> 12	¢ 15710	¢ 14.500			
Allowance for loan	\$ 15,953	\$ 15,718	\$ 14,513	\$ 15,718	\$ 14,509			
losses, beginning of								
period Gross charge-offs:								
Commercial	6,989	1,018	537	8,007	1,561			
Real estate	316	178	94	494	120			
Consumer	212	233	143	445	580			
Overdrafts	203	209	191	412	349			
Credit card	_	_	_		_			
Total gross	7,720	1,638	965	9,358	2,610			
charge-offs								
Recoveries:								
Commercial	89	156	14	245	750			
Real estate	22	18	108	40	121			
Consumer	64	132	114	196	285			
Overdrafts	55	122	58	177	163			
Credit card	1	8	3	9	4			
Total recoveries	231	436	297	667	1,323			
Net charge-offs:								

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Commercial	6,900	862	523	7,762	811
Real estate	294	160	(14)	454	(1)
Consumer	148	101	29	249	295
Overdrafts	148	87	133	235	186
Credit card	(1)	(8)	(3)	(9)	(4)
Total net charge-offs	7,489	1,202	668	8,691	1,287
Provision for loan losses	6,765	1,437	847	8,202	1,470
Allowance for loan	\$ 15,229	\$ 15,953	\$ 14,692	\$ 15,229	\$ 14,692
losses, end of period					

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	Three	Months Ended		Six Months Ended		
	June 30,	March 31,	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,	
	2008	2008	2007	2008	2007	
Ratio of net charge-offs	to average loans (annualized):				
Commercial	2.49%	0.31%	0.19%	1.40%	0.14%	
Real estate	0.11%	0.05%	- %	0.08%	- %	
Consumer	0.05%	0.04%	0.01%	0.05%	0.05%	
Overdrafts	0.05%	0.03%	0.05%	0.04%	0.03%	
Credit card	- %	- %	- %	- %	- %	
Total ratio of net	2.70%	0.43%	0.25%	1.57%	0.22%	
charge-offs to average						
loans						

The higher gross charge-offs for the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, compared to the prior year periods, reflect the previously-mentioned \$6.4 million charge-down on the impaired \$12.6 million commercial real estate loan during the second quarter of 2008, which is included in the commercial category above. In comparison, first quarter 2008 gross charge-offs included a \$1.0 million loss on a single, unrelated \$8 million commercial loan relationship comprised of two loans secured by commercial real estate. Second quarter 2008 gross recoveries were comparable to a year ago, although down on a year-to-date basis, due to a \$609,000 recovery that occurred during the first quarter of 2007 on a group of commercial loans charged-off in 2002.

The allowance for loan losses is allocated among the loan categories based upon management's consistent, quarterly procedural discipline, which includes consideration of changes in loss trends and loan quality. However, the entire allowance for loan losses is available to absorb loan losses in any loan category. The following details the allocation of the allowance for loan losses:

	June 30,		M	March 31,		December 31,		une 30,
(Dollars in thousands)		2008		2008		2007		2007
Commercial	\$	12,415	\$	13,611	\$	14,147	\$	12,911
Real estate		1,339		983		419		958
Consumer		1,229		1,124		868		554
Overdrafts		246		235		284		269
Total allowance for	\$	15,229	\$	15,953	\$	15,718	\$	14,692
loan losses								
As a percentage of total loans		1.38%		1.43%		1.40%		1.33%

The significant allocation of the allowance to commercial loans reflects the higher credit risk associated with this type of lending and the size of this loan category in relationship to the entire loan portfolio. The allowance allocated to the real estate and consumer loan categories is based upon Peoples' allowance methodology for homogeneous pools of loans, which includes consideration of changes in loss experience and total loan balances.

Asset quality remains a key focus, as management emphasizes loan underwriting quality more than loan growth. The following table details Peoples' nonperforming assets:

	Jun	e 30,	Mar	ch 31,	De	cember 31,	Jur	ie 30,
(Dollars in thousands)	20	800	20	800	2	007	2	007
Loans 90+ days past due	\$	290	\$	438	\$	378	\$	313

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Nonaccrual loans	20,910	17,061	8,980		7,096
Total nonperforming loans	21,200	17,499	9,358		7,409
Other real estate owned	411	343	343		213
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 21,611	\$ 17,842	\$ 9,701	\$	7,622
Nonperforming loans as a percent	1.92%	1.57%	0.83%		0.67%
of total loans					
Nonperforming assets as a percent	1.13%	0.94%	0.51%		0.41%
of total assets					
Allowance for loan losses as a					
percent of					
nonperforming loans	71.8%	91.2%	168.0%		198.3%

The increased amount of non-performing loans during the first half of 2008 was due to the previously-mentioned impaired loan written down to \$6.2 million net value being placed on nonaccrual status during the second quarter and a \$7.0 million, unrelated commercial loan being placed on nonaccrual status during the first quarter of 2008. No specific reserves were made for these loans at June 30, 2008, since they have been charged down to the estimated net realizable fair value of the underlying collateral, resulting in a lower allowance for loan losses to nonperforming loans ratio at June 30, 2008.

The following tables summarize loans classified as impaired:

	Ju	ne 30,	Ma	rch 31,	D	ecember 31,	Jui	ne 30,
(Dollars in	2	2008	2	2008	2	2007	2	2007
thousands)								
Impaired loans with an allocated	\$	10,867	\$	7,193	\$	8,457	\$	8,151
allowance for loan losses								
Impaired loans with no allocated		11,383		12,432		4,453		11,039
allowance for loan losses								
Total impaired	\$	22,250	\$	19,625	\$	12,910	\$	19,190
loans								
Allowance for loan losses	\$	1,591	\$	1,565	\$	2,498	\$	1,812
allocated to impaired loans								

	Т	hree Mor June		Ended	,	Six Months Ended June 30,			
(Dollars in	,	2008	4	2007	2008		2007		
thousands)									
Average	\$	20,938	\$	19,640	\$	18,262	\$	19,576	
investment in									
impaired loans									
Interest income	\$	227	\$	344	\$	317	\$	678	
recognized on									
impaired loans									

Peoples has not allocated a portion of the allowance for loan losses to certain impaired loans because those loans either have been written-down previously to the amount expected to be collected or possess characteristics indicative of Peoples' ability to collect the remaining outstanding principal from the sale of collateral and/or enforcement of guarantees by the principals.

Overall, management believes the allowance for loan losses was adequate at June 30, 2008, based on all information currently available. Still, there can be no assurance that Peoples' allowance for loan losses will be adequate to cover future losses or that the amount of nonperforming loans will remain at current levels, especially considering the current economic uncertainty that exists and the concentration of commercial loans in Peoples' loan portfolio.

Deposits

The following table details Peoples' deposit balances:

June 30,	March 31,	December 31,	June 30,
2008	2008	2007	2007

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(Dollars in				
thousands)				
Retail certificates of	\$ 557,406	\$ 549,439	\$ 499,684	\$ 517,910
deposit				
Interest-bearing	202,063	211,708	191,359	179,430
transaction accounts				
Money market	172,048	156,206	153,299	149,791
deposit accounts				
Savings accounts	116,485	114,433	107,389	115,691
Total retail	1,048,002	1,031,786	951,731	962,822
interest-bearing				
deposits				
Brokered certificates	39,781	39,756	59,589	66,601
of deposits				
Total	1,087,783	1,071,542	1,011,320	1,029,423
interest-bearing				
deposits				
Non-interest-bearing	193,265	177,449	175,057	173,675
deposits				
Total deposit	\$ 1,281,048	\$ 1,248,991	\$1,186,377	\$1,203,098
balances				

The growth in retail certificates of deposit ("CDs") during the first six months of 2008 has been largely attributable to Peoples attracting approximately \$62 million of funds from customers outside its primary market area, primarily school districts, government entities and credit unions located in the Midwest, instead of using higher-costing brokered CDs. Money market balances were up at June 30, 2008, due to Peoples offering more competitive rates. The fluctuations in interest-bearing transaction accounts primarily reflect seasonal changes in governmental deposit balances related to the timing of tax revenue collections and subsequent disbursements. Non-interest-bearing deposits grew 9% during the second quarter of 2008, attributable to higher commercial balances. Since year-end 2007, non-interest-bearing balances have increased 10%, from higher consumer and commercial balances of \$10.3 million and \$8.4 million, respectively.

The retail deposit growth has allowed Peoples to reduce brokered CD balances since June 30, 2007. The majority of \$39.8 million of brokered CDs at June 30, 2008, will mature during the third quarter of 2008. Management anticipates Peoples will be able to replace those funds with other, lower-costing funds, such as retail deposits or borrowed funds, assuming interest rates do not rise rapidly.

Borrowed Funds

The following details Peoples' short-term and long-term borrowings:

(Dollars in thousands) Short-term borrowings:	June 30, 2008]	March 31, 2008	De	2007	ine 30, 2007
FHLB advances	\$ 102,500	\$	121,000	\$	187,500	\$ 198,800
National market repurchase agreements	_		_		_	5,000
Retail repurchase agreements	26,870		33,866		35,041	31,205
Total short-term borrowings	\$ 129,370	\$	154,866	\$	222,541	\$ 235,005
Long-term borrowings:						
FHLB advances	\$ 103,885	\$	104,226	\$	83,229	\$ 68,010
National market	150,000		133,750		148,750	113,750
repurchase agreements						
Total long-term	\$ 253,885	\$	237,976	\$	231,979	\$ 181,760
borrowings						
Subordinated notes held	\$ 22,478	\$	22,469	\$	22,460	\$ 22,443
by subsidiary trusts						
Total borrowed	\$ 405,733	\$	415,311	\$	476,980	\$ 439,208
funds						

Since December 31, 2007, Peoples has reduced the level of borrowed funds, primarily its short-term FHLB advances, using the retail deposit growth. The short-term FHLB advances consist of overnight borrowings and fluctuate daily based on Peoples' liquidity needs. Long-term borrowings have increased since June 30, 2007, in connection with management's interest rate management strategies. The level and composition of Peoples' borrowed funds may change in future quarters, as management will continue to use a combination of short-term and long-term borrowings to manage the interest rate risk of the balance sheet.

Capital/Stockholders' Equity

In the second quarter of 2008, Peoples increased its dividend 4.5% to \$0.23 per share, from the \$0.22 per share declared for both the first quarter of 2008 and second quarter of 2007. Through six months of 2008, Peoples declared dividends of \$4.7 million, or 61.5% of earnings, compared to \$4.7 million, or 42.3% of earnings, a year ago. Management anticipates Peoples continuing its 42-year history of consistent dividend growth in future periods, although the restrictions and limitations disclosed in Peoples' 2007 Form 10-K may prohibit Peoples from paying dividends even when sufficient cash is available.

At June 30, 2008, Peoples' tangible capital ratio, defined as tangible equity as a percentage of tangible assets, was 7.30% versus 7.42% at year-end 2007 and 7.14% at June 30, 2007, due to a greater increase in tangible equity compared to tangible assets versus June 30, 2007. In addition, both Peoples and Peoples Bank were well above the minimum standards for a well-capitalized institution under the regulatory capital guidelines.

During 2008, Peoples has been less active with treasury stock purchases, as management has focused on maintaining Peoples' strong capital position, especially considering the uncertainty that currently exists in the financial markets and

economy as a whole. Through six months of 2008, Peoples has repurchased 13,600 of its common shares, at an average price of \$21.59, under its announced stock repurchase program, compared to 240,000 common shares, at an average price of \$28.15, in the first half of 2007.

Interest Rate Sensitivity and Liquidity

While Peoples is exposed to various business risks, the risks relating to interest rate sensitivity and liquidity are typically the most complex and dynamic risks that can materially impact future results of operations and financial condition. The objective of Peoples' asset/liability management ("ALM") function is to measure and manage these risks in order to optimize net interest income within the constraints of prudent capital adequacy, liquidity and safety. This objective requires Peoples to focus on interest rate risk exposure and adequate liquidity through its management of the mix of assets and liabilities, their related cash flows and the rates earned and paid on those assets and liabilities. Ultimately, the ALM function is intended to guide management in the acquisition and disposition of earning assets and selection of appropriate funding sources.

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Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk ("IRR") is one of the most significant risks for Peoples, and the entire financial services industry, primarily arising in the normal course of business of offering a wide array of loans and deposits to its customers, as well as the diversity of its own investment portfolio and borrowed funds. IRR is the potential for economic loss due to future interest rate changes that can impact both the earnings stream as well as fair values of financial assets and liabilities. Peoples' exposure to IRR is due primarily to differences in the maturity or repricing of earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. In addition, other factors, such as prepayments of loans and investment securities or early withdrawal of deposits, can expose Peoples to IRR and impact interest costs or revenue streams.

Peoples has charged the Asset-Liability Committee (the "ALCO") with the overall management of IRR. Peoples' ALCO has established an IRR management policy that sets minimum requirements and guidelines for monitoring and managing the level and amount of IRR. There have been no material changes to these policies or methods used by the ALCO to assess IRR from those disclosed in Peoples' 2007 Form 10-K.

While the ALCO uses various methods to assess and monitor the level of Peoples' IRR, the ALCO predominantly relies on simulation modeling in its overall management of IRR since it estimates the impact of potential changes in interest rates on Peoples' future earnings and projected fair value of equity. The following table illustrates the estimated impact of an immediate and sustained change in interest rates (dollars in thousands):

Change	Estim	ated (Dec	rease) Increa	Estimated Decrease							
in											
Interest	in	Net Inter	est Income		in Ec	onomic V	alue of Equi	ity			
Rate											
(in											
Basis	June 30,	2008	December 3	31, 2007	June 30, 2008 December 31, 2007						
Points)											
200	\$ (2,521)	(4.4)%	\$ (5,276)	(9.7)%	\$(12,278)	(4.6)%	\$(19,186)	(7.6)%			
100	(747)	(1.3)%	(2,264)	(4.2)%	(4,259)	(1.6)%	(7,930)	(3.1)%			
(100)	65	- %	1,152	2.1 %	(3,177)	(1.2)%	(3,691)	(1.5)%			
(200)	\$ (1,322)	(2.3)%	\$ 1,234	2.3 %	\$(20,075)	(7.5)%	\$(15,915)	(6.3)%			

This table uses a standard, parallel shock analysis for assessing the IRR to net interest income and the economic value of equity. A parallel shock means all points on the yield curve (one year, two year, three year, etc.) are directionally shocked the same amount of basis points up or down (one basis point is equal to 0.01%). Although a parallel shock table can give insight into the current direction and magnitude of IRR inherent in the balance sheet, interest rates do not always move in a complete parallel manner during interest rate cycles. These nonparallel movements in interest rates, commonly called yield curve steepening or flattening movements, tend to occur during the beginning and end of an interest rate cycle. To understand Peoples' exposure to nonparallel rate shifts, management conducts more advanced interest rate shock scenarios to better understand its exposure to these types of shifts.

In the first half of 2008, Peoples' balance sheet became less liability sensitive due to management's efforts to move to a more neutral IRR position, given the uncertainty regarding future interest rate changes. Management selectively increased and extended the maturities of borrowed funds and retail CDs, thereby reducing its level of overnight funding. Due to these changes in its liability mix, management has reduced Peoples' net interest income at risk in an "up 100 basis point" rate shock as of June 30, 2008. In the last six months, these shifts changed the net interest income at risk in a "down 100 basis point" rate shock from an increase to basically neutral as of June 30, 2008.

While Peoples' balance sheet positioning at June 30, 2008, shows a reduction in net interest income for various parallel rate shock scenarios, these shocks do not take into account Peoples positioning along the curve or ALCO's ability to

take appropriate actions, when necessary, to further minimize the impact of changes in interest rates on future earnings. Management believes a further reduction in short-term rates does not guarantee a similar decline in long term rates, given the current low rates across the yield curve and the presence of core inflation. As a result, Peoples could experience minimal change in net interest income if a further decline in overnight interest rates was to occur.

Due to the current steep yield curve and prospects for future rate increases, Peoples continues to maximize net interest income in the base case while protecting income against future rate increases. While there is uncertainty regarding the timing of future rate increases, management believes the current steep yield curve is signaling the next short-term rate movement to be up.

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Liquidity

In addition to IRR management, another major objective of the ALCO is to maintain a sufficient level of liquidity. The ALCO defines liquidity as the ability to meet anticipated and unanticipated operating cash needs, loan demand and deposit withdrawals, without incurring a sustained negative impact on profitability. The ALCO's liquidity management policy sets limits on the net liquidity position of Peoples and the concentration of non-core funding sources, both wholesale funding and brokered deposits.

For the six months ended June 30, 2008, Peoples' operating activities provided net cash of \$17.9 million and financing activities provided \$19.0 million, of which \$35.5 million was used in Peoples' investing activities. As a result, total cash and cash equivalents increased \$1.3 million since year-end 2007. Purchases of new investment securities exceeded the cash flows from maturities, calls and principal payments and accounted for most of the cash used in investing activities. In comparison, cash and cash equivalents decreased \$2.0 million in the first half of 2007. Financing activities consumed net cash of \$26.7 million, due mostly to a reduction in deposit balances, while cash provided by operating and investing activities was \$11.7 million and \$13.0 million, respectively. The cash from investing activities was comprised mostly of payoffs and principal payments on loans.

At June 30, 2008, Peoples had available borrowing capacity of approximately \$336 million through its wholesale funding sources, up approximately \$75 million compared to year-end 2007. Borrowing capacity increased as the newly added retail deposits were used to pay down short-term borrowings. Peoples also had unpledged investment securities of approximately \$60 million that can be utilized as an additional source of liquidity, which was unchanged from December 31, 2007. Management believes the current balance of cash and cash equivalents, along with the availability of other funding sources, will allow Peoples to meet anticipated cash obligations, as well as special needs and off-balance sheet commitments.

Off-Balance Sheet Activities and Contractual Obligations

Peoples routinely engages in activities that involve, to varying degrees, elements of risk that are not reflected in whole or in part in the Consolidated Financial Statements. These activities are part of Peoples' normal course of business and include traditional off-balance sheet credit-related financial instruments, interest rate contracts and commitments to make additional capital contributions in low-income housing tax credit investments. Traditional off-balance sheet credit-related financial instruments continue to represent the most significant of Peoples' off-balance sheet exposure. The following table details the total contractual amount of loan commitments and standby letters of credit:

	June 30,	M	Iarch 31,	De	ecember 31,	June 30,
(Dollars in	2008		2008		2007	2007
thousands)						
Loan	\$ 253,489	\$	205,795	\$	176,835	\$ 187,222
commitments						
Standby	45,526		45,654		34,200	42,446
letters of						
credit						

Management does not anticipate Peoples' current off-balance sheet activities will have a material impact on future results of operations and financial condition based on historical experience and recent trends.

Effects of Inflation on Financial Statements

Substantially all of Peoples' assets relate to banking and are monetary in nature. As a result, inflation does not impact Peoples to the same degree as companies in capital-intensive industries in a replacement cost environment. During a period of rising prices, a net monetary asset position results in a loss in purchasing power and conversely a net

monetary liability position results in an increase in purchasing power. The opposite would be true during a period of decreasing prices. In the banking industry, typically monetary assets exceed monetary liabilities. The current monetary policy targeting low levels of inflation has resulted in relatively stable price levels. Therefore, inflation has had little impact on Peoples' net assets.

ITEM 3: QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK The information called for by this item is provided under the caption "Interest Rate Sensitivity and Liquidity" under "ITEM 2 - MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION" in this Form 10-Q, and is incorporated herein by reference.

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ITEM 4: CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Peoples' management, with the participation of Peoples' President and Chief Executive Officer and Peoples' Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, has evaluated the effectiveness of Peoples' disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) (the "Exchange Act") as of June 30, 2008. Based upon that evaluation, Peoples' President and Chief Executive Officer and Peoples' Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer have concluded that:

- (a) information required to be disclosed by Peoples in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and other reports Peoples files or submits under the Exchange Act would be accumulated and communicated to Peoples' management, including its President and Chief Executive Officer and its Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure;
- (b) information required to be disclosed by Peoples in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and other reports Peoples files or submits under the Exchange Act would be recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms; and
- (c) Peoples' disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the fiscal quarter covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in Peoples' internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during Peoples' fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2008, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, Peoples' internal control over financial reporting.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1: LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

In the ordinary course of their respective businesses or operations, Peoples or one of its subsidiaries may be named as a plaintiff, a defendant, or a party to a legal proceeding or any of their respective properties may be subject to various pending and threatened legal proceedings and various actual and potential claims. In view of the inherent difficulty of predicting the outcome of such matters, Peoples cannot state what the eventual outcome of any such matters will be; however, based on current knowledge and after consultation with legal counsel, management believes that these proceedings will not have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position, results of operations or liquidity of Peoples.

ITEM 1A: RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes from those risk factors previously disclosed in "ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS" of Part I of Peoples' 2007 Form 10-K. Those risk factors are not the only risks Peoples faces. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to management or that management currently deems to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect Peoples' business, financial condition and/or operating results.

ITEM 2: UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

The following table details repurchases by Peoples and purchases by "affiliated purchasers" as defined in Rule 10b-18(a)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, of Peoples' common shares during the three months ended June 30, 2008;

					(d)
				(c)	Maximum
				Total Number of	Number of
	(a)			Common Shares	Common Shares
	Total Number		(b)	Purchased as Part	that May Yet Be
	of Common	Av	erage Price	of Publicly	Purchased Under
	Shares		Paid per	Announced Plans	the Plans or
	Purchased		Share	or Programs (1)	Programs (1)(2)
April 1 –	381(3)	\$	25.75(3)	_	461,400
30, 2008					
May 1 –	2,749(4)	\$	23.89(4)	_	461,400
31, 2008					
June 1 –	_	\$	_	13,600	447,800
30, 2008					
Total	3,130	\$	21.89	13,600	447,800

⁽¹⁾ Information reflects solely the stock repurchase program originally announced on November 9, 2007, which authorizes the repurchase of up to 500,000 common shares, with an aggregate purchase price of not more than \$14 million and expires on December 31, 2008.

Information reflects maximum number of common shares that may be purchased at the end of the period indicated.

- (3) Information reflects solely common shares acquired to satisfy tax withholding requirements related to stock-based compensation awards granted under Peoples' equity plans.
- (4) Information includes 1,870 common shares purchased at an average price of \$24.12 in open market transactions by Peoples Bank under the Rabbi Trust Agreement establishing a rabbi trust holding assets to provide payment of the benefits under the Peoples Bancorp Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors of Peoples Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries, 226 common shares acquired at an average price of \$23.37 to satisfy tax withholding requirements related to stock-based compensation awards granted under Peoples' equity plans and 653 common shares acquired at an average price of \$23.43 as payment for the exercise price of options granted under Peoples' equity plans.

ITEM 3: DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

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ITEM 4: SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

No response required.

ITEM 5: OTHER INFORMATION

None.

ITEM 6: EXHIBITS

The exhibits required to be filed with this Form 10-Q are attached hereto or incorporated herein by reference. For a list of such exhibits, see "Exhibit Index" beginning at page 35.

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SIGNATURES

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

PEOPLES BANCORP INC.

Date: August By:/s/ MARK F. BRADLEY

6, 2008

Mark F. Bradley President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: August EDWARD G. SLOANE

6, 2008 By:/s/

Edward G. Sloane

Chief Financial Officer and

Treasurer

EXHIBIT INDEX

PEOPLES BANCORP INC. QUARTERLY REPORT ON FORM 10-Q FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Exhibit Number	Description	Exhibit Location
3.1(a)	Amended Articles of Incorporation of Peoples Bancorp Inc. (as filed with the Ohio Secretary of State on May 3, 1993)	Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(a) to the Registration Statement on Form 8-B of Peoples Bancorp Inc. ("Peoples") filed July 20, 1993 (File No. 0-16772)
3.1(b)	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended Articles of Incorporation of Peoples Bancorp Inc. (as filed with the Ohio Secretary of State on April 22, 1994)	Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(a)(2) to Peoples' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1997 (File No. 0-16772) ("Peoples' 1997 Form 10-K")
3.1(c)	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended Articles of Incorporation of Peoples Bancorp Inc. (as filed with the Ohio Secretary of State on April 9, 1996)	Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(a)(3) to Peoples' 1997 Form 10-K
3.1(d)	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended Articles of Incorporation of Peoples Bancorp Inc. (as filed with the Ohio Secretary of State on April 23, 2003)	Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(a) to Peoples' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2003 (File No. 0-16772) ("Peoples' March 31, 2003 Form 10-Q")
3.1(e)	Amended Articles of Incorporation of Peoples Bancorp Inc. (reflecting amendments through April 23, 2003) [For SEC reporting compliance purposes only not filed with Ohio Secretary of State]	Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(b) to Peoples' March 31, 2003 Form 10-Q
3.2(a)	Code of Regulations of Peoples Bancorp Inc.	Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(b) to Peoples' Registration Statement on Form 8-B filed July 20, 1993 (File No. 0-16772)
3.2(b)	Certified Resolutions Regarding Adoption of Amendments to Sections 1.03, 1.04,	Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(c) to Peoples' March

1.05, 1.06, 1.08, 1.10, 2.03(C), 2.07, 2.08, 2.10 and 6.02 of the Code of Regulations of Peoples Bancorp Inc. by shareholders on April 10, 2003

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3.2(c) Certificate regarding adoption of amendments to Sections 3.01, 3.03, 3.04, 3.05, 3.06, 3.07, 3.08 and 3.11 of the Code of Regulations of Peoples Bancorp Inc. by shareholders on April 8, 2004.

Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(a) to Peoples' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2004 (File No. 0-16772)

3.2(d) Certificate regarding adoption of amendments to Sections 2.06, 2.07, 3.01 and 3.04 of Peoples Bancorp Inc.'s Code of Regulations by the shareholders on April 13, 2006

Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Peoples' Current Report on Form 8-K dated and filed on April 14, 2006 (File No. 0-16772)

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Exhibit Number	Description	Exhibit Location	
3.2(e)	Code of Regulations of Peoples Bancorp Inc. (reflecting amendments through April 13, 2006) [For SEC reporting compliance purposes only]	Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(b) to Peoples' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2006 (File No. 0-16772)	
10	Change in Control Agreement, adopted May 21, 2008, between Peoples Bancorp Inc. and Edward G. Sloane*	Filed herewith	
31.1	Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) [President and Chief Executive Officer]	Filed herewith	
31.2	Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) [Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer]	Filed herewith	
32	Section 1350 Certification	Filed herewith	
* Management compensation plan			
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