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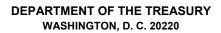
# FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Audit of the Federal Financing Bank's Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2023 and 2022

November 13, 2023

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November 13, 2023

# MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY YELLEN

FROM: Richard K. Delmar /s/ Deputy Inspector General

**SUBJECT:** Audit of the Federal Financing Bank's Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2023 and 2022

We hereby transmit the attached subject report. Under a contract monitored by our office, KPMG LLP (KPMG), a certified independent public accounting firm, audited the financial statements of the Federal Financing Bank (FFB) as of September 30, 2023 and 2022, and for the years then ended, provided a report on internal control over financial reporting, and on compliance with laws, regulations, and contracts tested. The contract required that the audit be performed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted government auditing standards, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Bulletin 24-01, *Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Statements,* and the Government Accountability Office/Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, *Financial Audit Manual.* 

In its audit of FFB, KPMG found

- the financial statements were fairly presented, in all material respects, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles;
- no deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that are considered material weaknesses; and
- no instances of reportable noncompliance with laws, regulations, and contracts tested.

In connection with the contract, we reviewed KPMG's reports and related documentation and inquired of its representatives. Our review, as differentiated from an audit performed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted government auditing standards, was not intended to enable us to express, and we do not express, an opinion on FFB's financial statements or conclusions about the effectiveness of internal control or compliance with laws and regulations. KPMG is responsible for the attached auditors' reports dated November 9, 2023, and the conclusions expressed in the report. However, our review disclosed no instances where KPMG did not comply, in all material respects, with U.S. generally accepted government auditing standards.

If you wish to discuss this report, please contact me at (202) 528-8997, or a member of your staff may contact Deborah Harker, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, at (202) 486-1420.

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Financial Statements

September 30, 2023 and 2022

(With Independent Auditors' Reports Thereon)

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Management's Discussion and Analysis (unaudited) September 30, 2023 and 2022 (Dollars in thousands)

#### Introduction

The Federal Financing Bank (the Bank) is a government corporation under the general supervision and direction of the Secretary of the Treasury. The Congress created the Bank in 1973, at the request of the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury). The Bank borrows from Treasury and lends to Federal agencies and to private entities that have Federal guarantees. The Bank also has debt obligations to the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund (CSR&DF).

#### Mission

The mission of the Bank is to reduce the costs of Federal and federally assisted borrowings, to coordinate such borrowings with the Government's overall fiscal policy, and to ensure that such borrowings are done in ways that least disrupt private markets. To accomplish this mission, the Bank exercises its statutory authority to purchase obligations issued, sold, or guaranteed by Federal agencies.

#### Objectives

The Bank was formed to be the vehicle through which Federal agencies finance programs involving the sale or placement of credit market instruments, including agency securities, guaranteed obligations, participation agreements, and the sale of assets. This objective is achieved in a manner consistent with the Federal Financing Bank Act of 1973 (12 U.S.C. 2281 et seq.) and its legislative history. However, guaranteed programs entailing large numbers of relatively small loans in which local origination and servicing are an integral part of the program are excluded from the Bank's activities.

The Bank makes funds available to Federal agencies and to federally guaranteed borrowers in accordance with agency program requirements. The Bank is capable of providing lending terms for a wide variety of loan structures. The methods used to determine interest rates charged by the Bank for terms such as prepayment provisions and service charges are applied consistently for all borrowers.

The lending policy of the Bank is flexible enough to preclude the need for agencies to accumulate pools of funds. This policy does not preclude the maintenance of liquidity reserves for those agencies that have such a need. In no case are funds provided by the Bank invested in private credit instruments outside of Federal agency programs or used to speculate in the market for public securities.

#### **Organizational Structure**

The Bank is subject to the general supervision and direction of the Secretary of the Treasury. The Board of Directors is comprised of the incumbents of the following Treasury offices: the Secretary of the Treasury, who as provided by law is the Chairman; the Deputy Secretary; the Under Secretary for Domestic Finance; the General Counsel; and the Fiscal Assistant Secretary.

The officers are incumbents of the following Treasury offices (corresponding Bank positions are in parentheses): the Under Secretary for Domestic Finance (President); the General Counsel (General Counsel); the Assistant Secretary for Financial Markets (Vice President); the Fiscal Assistant Secretary (Vice President); the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Finance (Vice President and Treasurer); the Director of Federal Program Finance (Vice President); and the Director, Office of Federal Lending (Secretary and Chief Financial Officer). A delegation by the Bank President authorizes any Bank Vice President, in consultation with any other Bank officer, to exercise the powers of the Presidency.

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The staff of the Bank is organized into four units: accounting, information technology, lending, and operations. Each functional unit is headed by a Director who reports to the Chief Financial Officer. The Director of Accounting is responsible for loan transactions, including but not limited to overseeing loan disbursements and repayments as well as managing accounting and financial reporting. The Director of Information Technology is responsible for management and oversight of the IT infrastructure, including but not limited to software development and maintenance of mission critical applications that support lending and accounting functions. The Director of Lending is responsible for loan administration functions, including but not limited to loan origination, loan structuring, and managing customer relationships. The Director of Operations is responsible for general management functions, including but not limited to budgeting, procurement, human resources, strategic planning, and facilities.

## Loan Programs Activity

The Bank makes funds available to Federal agencies and to federally guaranteed borrowers in accordance with agency program requirements. However, the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, commonly known as Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Act, the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, and the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 included provisions that have prohibited or limited the Bank's financing of certain loans.

#### Impact of Economic Conditions

All Bank assets are, or have a commitment to be, full faith and credit obligations of the U.S. government and economic conditions do not affect repayments to the Bank.

Loans backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government are the credit equivalent of Treasury securities. The Bank does not expect to suffer any credit losses from loans backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government.

# **United States Postal Service**

The United States Postal Service (USPS) is an independent establishment of the executive branch of the U.S. government, which borrows from the Bank to finance its capital improvements and operating expenses. The USPS has a total borrowing authority of \$15,000,000. The USPS had an outstanding loan balance of \$13,000,000 as of September 30, 2023.

# Credit Performance

The Bank has not incurred any credit-related losses on its loans as of the date of these statements, and as stated above, all Bank loans are, or have a commitment to be, full faith and credit obligations of the U.S. government.

# **Financial Highlights**

#### Statements of Income and Changes in Net Position Highlights

The following is a synopsis of the financial performance of the Bank for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023. Interest on loans increased \$680,239 to \$2,768,606 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023 compared to interest on loans of \$2,088,367 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022.

Revenue from servicing loans of \$426 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023 decreased from \$597 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022.

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Interest on borrowings increased \$423,371 to \$2,437,732 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023 compared to interest on borrowings of \$2,014,361 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022. For the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2023 after deducting administrative expenses of \$10,909, net income was \$320,391. This is an increase of \$255,519 from net income of \$64,872 for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2022.

#### Statements of Financial Position Highlights

Funds with Treasury at September 30, 2023, decreased to \$3,349,907 from the September 30, 2022 balance of \$3,766,070.

The loan portfolio (net loans receivable) increased \$56,565,030 from \$81,751,674 at September 30, 2022 to \$138,316,704 at September 30, 2023. The table below list the net increases and decreases contributing to the change in the loan portfolio, before amortization, for the year.

Programs	N	et change
Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture (RUS)	\$	2,734,510
Department of Energy (DOE)		1,164,736
Historically Black College and Universities, Department of Education (HBCU)		101,643
Community Development Financial Institution Fund (CDFI Fund), Department of Treasury		93,099
Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)		83,940
Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation (MARAD)		(15,953)
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (acting in its capacity as Receiver)		50,000,000
United States Postal Service (USPS)		3,000,000
Veterans Administration Transitional Housing Program		(97)

RUS's loan portfolio with the Bank increased \$2,734,510 to \$54,548,321 in 2023.

The HBCU loan portfolio grew by \$101,643 to \$371,765 in 2023. This increase represents the third consecutive year of growth in the HBCU portfolio after the Consolidated Appropriations Act (Act), 2021 (Pub. L. 116-260) forgave all outstanding HBCU loans as of December 27, 2020.

The extension of the Federal Financing Bank HUD-542 Risk Share Program at the end of FY22 resulted in a net increase of \$83,940 to an outstanding loan balance of \$2,799,909 for HUD and in an increase of the number of participating Housing Finance Agencies (HFA) in 2023. Currently, five additional HFAs are finalizing their documents to participate in the Federal Financing Bank HUD-542 Risk Share Program.

The DOE loan portfolio increased by \$1,164,736 to \$16,614,152 in 2023 in large part due to passage of the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (Pub.L. 17-169) on August 16, 2022. Further growth is expected in fiscal year 2024.

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In September 2023, the Bank executed a transaction in support of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), acting in its capacity as Receiver, wherein the Bank purchased a \$50,000,000 note issued by a trust created by a FDIC Receivership and backed by a guarantee from the FDIC in its corporate capacity. The note included a non-refundable prepaid call option fee of \$602,184.

After renewing its Note Purchase Agreement (NPA) with the Bank in 2023, the USPS borrowed \$3,000,000, its full borrowing authority allowed in any one year.

All of the loans in the Bank's portfolio are federally guaranteed or have a commitment to be full faith and credit obligations of the U.S. government. The Bank's borrowings increased by \$56,234,785 reflecting a related increase in loans receivable.

The Bank's net position increased to \$6,752,418 at September 30, 2023 from \$6,537,103 at September 30, 2022. The increase included net income of \$320,391 which was partially offset by losses of \$105,076 incurred related to the May 25, 2023, debt exchange with the CSR&DF.

On May 25, 2023, the Bank executed a three-party transaction with the CSR&DF and Treasury to help Treasury continue to finance the operations of the Federal government under the statutory debt limit. Specifically, the Bank exchanged special-issue Treasury debt obligations received from the CSR&DF of \$1,875,129 to extinguish borrowings from the Treasury of \$917,437, related capitalized interest of \$842,949, and related accrued interest payable of \$9,667 for certain debt obligations issued by the Bank under Section 9(b) of the Federal Financing Bank Act of 1973 (such obligations of the Bank being the Bank's 9(b) Obligations), and held by the Treasury. Additionally, the Bank received \$20,176 in related interest which was paid to the CSR&DF on June 30, 2023. The transactions resulted in the Bank owing debt to the CSR&DF instead of the Treasury and resulted in a loss of \$105,076 which represents a capital transaction with Treasury.

#### Performance Highlights

During fiscal year 2023, the Bank processed 48 new loan commitments. The interest rate was set or reset on 1,749 loans in fiscal year 2023 for new loans and maturity extensions. The Bank processed 126 prepayments and 36,082 loan payments in fiscal year 2023.

#### **Management Controls**

The Bank completed an in-depth testing of its internal accounting and administrative control procedures in accordance with OMB Circular No. A-123, *Management's Responsibility for Enterprise Risk Management and Internal Control*, as of September 30, 2023. Accordingly, we believe that the Bank's systems of internal accounting and administrative controls fully comply with the requirements for agency internal accounting and administrative control systems, providing reasonable assurance that they are achieving the intended objectives.



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## Independent Auditors' Report

Deputy Inspector General, U.S. Department of the Treasury and The Board of Directors, Federal Financing Bank:

## **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Federal Financing Bank, which comprise the statements of financial position as of September 30, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of income and changes in net position, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Federal Financing Bank as of September 30, 2023 and 2022, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

## Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Bulletin No. 24-01, *Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Statements*. Our responsibilities under those standards and OMB Bulletin No. 24-01 are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Federal Financing Bank and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Federal Financing Bank's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

#### Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and OMB Bulletin No. 24-01 will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are

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considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and OMB Bulletin No. 24-01, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Federal Financing Bank's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Federal Financing Bank's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the financial statements. The other information comprises the Management's Discussion and Analysis but does not include the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, we considered the Federal Financing Bank's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Federal Financing Bank's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Federal Financing Bank's internal control. We did not test all internal controls relevant to operating objectives as broadly defined by the *Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act of 1982*.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a



deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Federal Financing Bank's financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023 are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, and contracts, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* or OMB Bulletin No. 24-01.

#### Purpose of the Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

The purpose of the communication described in the Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and the Report on Compliance and Other Matters sections is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Federal Financing Bank's internal control or compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Washington, DC November 9, 2023

Statements of Financial Position September 30, 2023 and September 30, 2022 (Dollars in thousands)

	2023	2022
Assets:		
Funds with U.S. Treasury	\$ 3,349,907	3,766,070
Net loans receivable (note 2)	138,316,704	81,751,674
Accrued interest receivable	642,477	156,123
Total assets	\$ 142,309,088	85,673,867
Liabilities and Net Position:		
Liabilities:		
Net Borrowings (note 3)	\$ 135,302,798	79,068,013
Accrued interest payable	253,268	68,159
Other Liabilities	604	592
Total liabilities	135,556,670	79,136,764
Loan and interest credit commitments (notes 6 and 1(I))		
Net position:	6,752,418	6,537,103
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 142,309,088	85,673,867

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Statements of Income and Changes in Net Position

September 30, 2023 and September 30, 2022

(Dollars in thousands)

	2023	2022
Revenue:		
Interest on loans	\$ 2,768,606	2,088,367
Revenue from servicing loans	426	597
Total revenue	2,769,032	2,088,964
Expenses:		
Interest on borrowings	2,437,732	2,014,361
Administrative expenses	10,909	9,731
Total expenses	2,448,641	2,024,092
Net income	\$ 320,391	64,872
Net position:		
Beginning of year	\$ 6,537,103	6,472,231
Net income	320,391	64,872
Loss on extinguishment of borrowings treated as capital transactions (note 4)	(105,076)	-
End of year	\$ 6,752,418	6,537,103

See accompanying notes to financial statements

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Statements of Cash Flows

September 30, 2023 and September 30, 2022

(Dollars in thousands)

	2023	2022
Cash flows from operations:		
Net income	\$ 320,391	64,872
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operations:		
Amortization of call option on loans	(5,335)	-
Amortization of call option on borrowings	5,335	-
Capitalization of interest receivable	(7,365)	(740)
Capitalization of interest payable	154,951	187,254
Increase in accrued interest receivable	(486,354)	(5,225)
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable	194,776	(4,449)
Increase in other liabilities	12	84
Net cash provided by operations	176,411	241,796
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Loan disbursements	(59,886,722)	(6,595,456)
Loan collections	3,334,393	4,803,963
Net cash used in investing activities	(56,552,329)	(1,791,493)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Borrowings	61,761,851	6,595,456
Repayments of borrowings	(5,802,096)	(4,933,470)
Net cash provided by financing activities	55,959,755	1,661,986
Net (decrease) increase in cash	(416,163)	112,289
Funds with U.S. Treasury – beginning of the period	3,766,070	3,653,781
Funds with U.S. Treasury – end of the period	\$ 3,349,907	3,766,070
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Interest paid (net of amount capitalized)	\$ 2,082,669	1,831,555

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2023 and 2022 (Dollars in thousands)

#### (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Federal Financing Bank (the Bank) was created by the Federal Financing Bank Act of 1973 (12 USC 2281) as an instrumentality of the U.S. government and a body corporate under the general supervision of the Secretary of the Treasury (the Secretary). The budget and audit provisions of the Government Corporation Control Act apply to the Bank in the same manner as they apply to other wholly owned government corporations.

The Bank was established by Congress at the request of the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury), in order "to assure coordination of Federal and federally assisted borrowing programs with the overall economic and fiscal policies of the U.S. government, to reduce the cost of Federal and federally assisted borrowing from the public, and to assure that such borrowings are financed in a manner least disruptive of private financial markets and institutions." The Bank was given statutory authority to finance obligations issued, sold, or guaranteed by Federal agencies so that the Bank could meet these debt management objectives.

The Bank is authorized, with the approval of the Secretary, to issue publicly and have outstanding at any one-time obligations not in excess of \$15,000,000. Additionally, the Bank is authorized to issue obligations in unlimited amounts to Treasury which, at the discretion of the Secretary, may agree to purchase any such obligations.

#### (a) Basis of Presentation

The Bank has historically prepared its financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), based on standards issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), the private-sector standards-setting body. The Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) has indicated that financial statements prepared based upon standards promulgated by the FASB may also be regarded as in accordance with GAAP for those Federal entities, such as the Bank, that have issued financial statements based upon FASB standards in the past. Accordingly, consistent with historical reporting, the Bank's financial statements are presented in accordance with accounting and financial reporting standards promulgated by the FASB.

#### (b) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The Bank recognizes loans when they are issued and related repayments when they are received. The Bank recognizes borrowings when they are received and repayments when they are made. In addition, the Bank recognizes interest on loans, interest on investments, and revenue from servicing loans when they are earned and recognizes interest on borrowings and expenses when they are incurred.

#### (c) Funds with U.S. Treasury

As a government corporation, the Bank maintains a Fund Balance with Treasury and does not hold cash. For the purposes of the statements of cash flows, the funds with Treasury are considered cash.

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#### (d) Loans Receivable

The Bank issues loans to Federal agencies for their own use or to private sector borrowers whose loans are guaranteed by a Federal agency. When a Federal agency has to honor a guarantee because a private sector borrower defaults, the Federal agency must obtain an appropriation or use other resources to pay the Bank. All Bank assets are, or have a commitment to be, full faith and credit obligations of the U.S. government. Accordingly, the Bank has not recorded a reserve for default on any loans receivable.

#### (e) Prepaid call option premiums

In certain situations, a borrower will choose to purchase a call option for the right to prepay a loan at par. The premiums associated with these call options are prepaid and non-refundable. At the same time, premiums are paid by the Bank for related borrowings from Treasury. The Bank defers premiums collected from borrowers and premiums paid to Treasury. Related interest revenue and interest expense are recognized over the life of the loan using the interest method. Premiums collected are reported as part of net loan receivables and premiums paid are reported as part of net borrowings on the Statements of Financial Position.

#### (f) Interest on Loans

The Bank's general policy is to capture the liquidity premium between Treasury securities and private sector lending rates, and to charge a rate that reflects the risk inherent in a borrower or transaction, when such a rate will accomplish a broader goal. Under amendments to the Federal Credit Reform Act (FCRA), effective October 1, 1998, while the Bank is permitted to charge a spread on loans to government-guaranteed borrowers, the spread is not retained by the Bank, but rather is retained by the loan guarantor. In the event that this requirement results in the Bank being unable to fund its administrative expenses related to these loans, FCRA, as amended, states that the Bank may require reimbursement for administrative expense from loan guarantors.

#### (g) Capitalized Interest

In accordance with their loan agreements with the Bank, the Historically Black Colleges and Universities- Department of Education (HBCU), and the Department of Energy (DOE) have the option of deferring payments of interest on their loans until future periods. When HBCU or DOE elect, in advance, to defer interest payments, the accrued interest is recorded as capitalized interest receivable and added to the respective loan balance by the Bank. The Bank correspondingly capitalizes the interest payable on its related non-FCRA borrowings.

#### (h) Interest on Borrowings from Treasury

Interest rates, interest payable, and interest expense on borrowings from Treasury used to fund guaranteed loans that require the guaranteeing Federal agencies to comply with FCRA (2 USC 661(d)(3)) are determined annually by the borrowing agencies using FCRA and Office of Management and Budget guidelines. Interest on borrowings from Treasury for non-FCRA loans is based on the daily Treasury New Issue Curve (TNIC).

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2023 and 2022 (Dollars in thousands)

#### (i) Revenue from Servicing Loans

The Bank charges certain Rural Utilities Service (RUS) borrowers a loan service fee that is reported as revenue from servicing loans on the Statements of Income and Changes in Net Position. The Bank's loan servicing fee is equal to one-eighth of one percent more than the contractual interest rate with Treasury.

#### (j) Administrative Expenses

The Bank is subject to the general supervision and direction of the Secretary. As provided by law, the Secretary acts as Chairman of the Board of Directors. Employees of Treasury's Departmental Offices perform the Bank's management and operational functions, and its legal counsel is the General Counsel of the Treasury. The Bank reimburses Treasury for the facilities and services it provides. The amounts of such reimbursements are reported as administrative expenses in the Statements of Income and Changes in Net Position.

#### (k) Net Position

Net position is the residual difference between assets and liabilities and is composed of cumulative results of operations and prior capital transactions. The last capital transaction occurred when the Bank executed a debt exchange with the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund (CSR&DF) on May 25, 2023 as described in Note 4. The Bank can borrow from Treasury to meet its immediate cash needs and can also seek appropriations from Congress to make up for accumulated losses that will not be met by income.

Gains and losses related to early repayments of debt to Treasury in which there is no related prepayment by the Federal agency borrower are recognized immediately and treated as capital transactions in the Statements of Income and Changes in Net Position.

#### (I) Loan Commitments

The Bank is authorized to make commitments to purchase, and to purchase on terms and conditions determined by the Bank any obligation which is issued, sold, or guaranteed by a Federal agency. The Bank has offered Federal agencies the opportunity to enter into mutually beneficial agreements, which provide for the standardization of processes, documents, and conditions upon which the Bank will purchase obligations. A Note Purchase Agreement (NPA) generally sets forth processes, documents, and conditions precedent for the purchase of obligations issued by a Federal agency. A Program Financing Agreement (PFA) sets forth the processes, documents, and conditions precedent for the purchase of obligations guaranteed by a Federal agency. The Bank can purchase obligations under NPA's up to the lesser of individual agency legally authorized borrowing limits or amounts set forth in the NPA. The Bank may purchase obligations under PFAs up to amounts authorized in individual agency annual program appropriations. All NPAs and PFAs are renewed annually upon the request of the agency and at the discretion of the Bank, unless otherwise provided for in the agreement.

Loan commitments represent the Bank's obligations to fund loans under fully executed promissory notes less the amount of previous loans advanced under the note and expired commitments. The Bank often uses a future advance promissory note structure allowing a borrower the contractual right

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to take a single or multiple advances under a note during an agreed upon allowable period for advance.

#### (m) Classified Activities

The operating results of classified programs (those designated as classified by the U.S. Government which cannot be specifically described), if any, are included in our financial statements and are subjected to the same oversight and internal controls as our other programs.

#### (n) Tax-Exempt Status

The Bank is exempt from tax in accordance with Section 11(a) of the Federal Financing Bank Act of 1973 (12 USC 2281).

#### (o) Related Parties

The Bank conducts significant transactions in the ordinary course of business with the Department of Treasury and its components, which are considered related parties as defined by GAAP.

#### (2) Loans Receivable

Loans receivable represent the outstanding balances treated as loans to agencies. The Bank has the ability and intends to hold loans receivable until maturity or payoff. At September 30, 2023, the Bank had outstanding loans receivable of \$138,913,552. Certain of these loans were funded using FCRA borrowing procedures. The outstanding amount of loans funded using FCRA borrowing procedures was \$62,130,807 with interest rates ranging from 0.135% to 5.811%, a weighted average rate of 2.769%, and maturity dates ranging from October 2, 2023 to September 15, 2063. The remaining non-FCRA loans receivable of \$76,782,745 had interest rates ranging from 0.188% to 8.206%, a weighted average rate of 4.237%, and maturity dates ranging from October 2, 2023 to December 31, 2054.

In September 2023, the Bank executed a transaction in support of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), acting in its capacity as Receiver, wherein the Bank purchased a \$50,000,000 note issued by a trust created by an FDIC Receivership and backed by a guarantee from the FDIC in its corporate capacity. The note included a non-refundable prepaid call option fee of \$602,184 which gives the borrower the option to prepay the note at par. At September 30, 2023, the unamortized premium is \$596,848 after accreting \$5,335 of interest revenue in 2023.

At September 30, 2022, the Bank had outstanding loans receivable of \$81,751,674. The outstanding amount of loans funded using FCRA borrowing procedures was \$56,866,161 with interest rates ranging from 0.135% to 4.687%, a weighted average rate of 2.530%, and maturity dates ranging from October 3, 2022 to October 15, 2062. The remaining non-FCRA loans receivable of \$24,885,513 had interest rates ranging from 0.188% to 8.544%, a weighted average rate of 3.187%, and maturity dates ranging from November 10, 2022 to December 31, 2054.

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Loans receivable at September 30, 2023 and 2022, consist of the following:

Agency	_	2023	2022
Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture	\$	54,548,321	51,813,811
Department of Energy		16,614,152	15,449,416
Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Department of Education		371,765	270,122
Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Department of Treasury		1,242,211	1,149,112
Department of Housing and Urban Development		2,799,909	2,715,969
Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation		333,328	349,281
FDIC (Acting in its capacity as Receiver)		50,000,000	-
U.S Postal Service		13,000,000	10,000,000
Veterans Administration Transitional Housing Program	_	3,866	3,963
Total principal loans receivable		138,913,552	81,751,674
Less unamortized call option premiums	-	(596,848)	
Net loan receivable	=	\$ 138,316,704	81,751,674

The Bank has not incurred any credit-related losses on its loans as of the date of these statements. The loans receivable due within one year are \$11,788,661 and \$10,092,041 as of September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

## (3) Borrowings

Under the Federal Financing Bank Act of 1973, the Bank may, with the approval of the Secretary, borrow without limit from the Treasury.

For certain borrowings used to fund certain guaranteed loans based on FCRA, the interest rate is determined annually by the borrowing agencies using FCRA and Office of Management and Budget guidelines. At September 30, 2023, the Bank had \$61,952,375 of Treasury borrowings used to fund guaranteed loans based on FCRA with interest rates ranging from 0.818% to 3.61%, a weighted average rate of 2.515%, and maturity dates from September 30, 2050 to September 30, 2063. Under FCRA borrowing procedures, interest on borrowings from Treasury are not capitalized.

For the Bank's non-FCRA borrowings, repayments on Treasury borrowings generally match the terms and conditions of corresponding loans made by the Bank and bear interest at the respective rate, as determined by the Secretary, and are repayable at any time, unless the underlying note terms provide for an agreed upon no-call period. In October 2013, October 2015, and May 2023, certain borrowings from Treasury were

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refinanced under a debt limit transaction. At September 30, 2023, the Bank had \$68,455,065 of Treasury borrowings for non-FCRA related loans, with interest rates ranging from 0.458% to 7.854%, a weighted average rate of 4.307%, and maturity dates from October 2, 2023 to May 12, 2054.

At September 30, 2022, the Bank had \$56,635,126 of Treasury borrowings used to fund guaranteed loans based on FCRA with interest rates ranging from 1.3214% to 3.6100%, a weighted average rate of 2.511%, and maturity dates from September 30, 2050 to September 30, 2062. Treasury borrowings for non-FCRA related loans were \$17,585,879, with interest rates ranging from 0.458% to 7.854%, a weighted average rate of 2.981%, and maturity dates from November 10, 2022 to August 16, 2049.

In September 2023, as part of the financing in support of the transaction with FDIC, acting in its capacity as Receiver, the Bank paid a prepaid call option premium of \$602,184 to Treasury. A related interest expense of \$5,335 was recorded for the year ended September 30, 2023. There were no prepaid premiums or related interest expense in 2022.

Treasury may take certain extraordinary measures in the event that the public debt nears the statutory debt limit and a delay in raising the statutory debt limit occurs. During such a period, one option for Treasury is to exchange outstanding Treasury securities, which are subject to the debt limit, for securities of the Bank, which are not subject to the debt limit, within the investment portfolio of the CSR&DF. At September 30, 2023 and 2022, the Bank had borrowings of \$5,492,206 and \$4,847,008, respectively, from the CSR&DF, which is administered by the Office of Personnel Management. At September 30, 2023, these borrowings were at an interest rate range of 2.25% to 3.00%, an effective interest rate of 2.513%, and with maturity dates ranging from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2035. At September 30, 2022, these borrowings were at an interest rate range of 2.25% to 2.875%, an effective interest rate of 2.529%, and with maturity dates ranging from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2029.

The scheduled principal repayments below reflect maturities of the Bank's borrowings and do not necessarily match the maturities of assets in the Bank's loan portfolio. Scheduled principal repayments of borrowings before unamortized prepaid premiums as of September 30, 2023, are as follows:

Repayment date		Amount
2024	\$	11,561,386
2025		2,772,001
2026		3,555,061
2027		3,269,222
2028		53,127,292
2029 and thereafter	_	61,614,684
Total Principal Payments		135,899,646
Less unamortized call option premiums	_	(596,848)
Net borrowing	\$_	135,302,798

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#### (4) Capital Transactions

Total losses for capital transactions for the year ended September 30, 2023, totaled \$105,076 due to the loss recognized for the May 25, 2023 debt exchange with the CSR&DF.

On May 25, 2023, the Bank issued a debt obligation of \$1,875,129 under Section 9(a) of the Federal Financing Bank Act of 1973 to the CSR&DF in exchange for certain special-issue Treasury debt obligations (Specified Treasury Specials) issued by the Treasury and held by the CSR&DF. The Bank's 9(a) Obligations matched the coupon rates, the payment dates, the maturity dates and the redemption terms of the Specified Treasury Specials that the Bank received from the CSR&DF.

In this transaction, the Bank exchanged the Specified Treasury Specials received from the CSR&DF of \$1,875,129 to extinguish borrowings from the Treasury of \$917,437; related capitalized interest of \$842,949 and related accrued interest payable of \$9,667 for certain debt obligations issued by the Bank under Section 9(b) of the Federal Financing Bank Act of 1973 (such obligations of the Bank being the Bank's 9(b) Obligations) and held by the Treasury. Additionally, the Bank received \$20,176 in related interest which was paid to the CSR&DF on June 30, 2023.

As a result of this transaction, funds with Treasury increased by \$20,176, borrowings increased by \$114,743 and accrued interest payable increased by \$10,509. The transactions resulted in the Bank owing debt to the CSR&DF instead of Treasury and resulted in a loss of \$105,076 which represents a capital transaction with Treasury and is reported on the Statements of Income and Changes in Net Position.

There were no losses for capital transactions for the year ended September 30, 2022.

#### (5) Capitalized Interest

Capitalized interest receivable was \$178,432 and \$231,035, and the related capitalized interest payable was \$82,513 and \$773,819 as of September 30, 2023, and 2022, respectively. Capitalized interest receivable and payable are reported as part of the loans receivable and borrowing balances, respectively, on the Statements of Financial Position. The difference between capitalized interest receivable and capitalized interest payable is due to the effects of debt limit transactions on October 1, 2013, October 15, 2015, and May 25, 2023. These transactions altered the structure of existing debt and capitalized interest.

#### (6) Loan Commitments

The Bank makes loan commitments to extend credit to Federal program agencies based on the loan agreements executed between the parties. The loan commitments are not reported on the Statements of Financial Position and generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses. Since many of the loan commitments are expected to expire without being completely drawn upon, the total loan commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. The Bank uses the same credit policies in making loan commitments as it does for loans receivable reported on the Statements of Financial Position.

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The Bank funds loan commitments with its borrowing authority from Treasury. There is no exposure or credit risk related to these commitments.

The contract amounts and remaining loan commitments by program agency as of September 30, 2023, are as follows:

Agency		Contract Amounts	Remaining Loan Commitments
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-Deposit			
Insurance Fund (FDIC-DIF)	\$	100,000,000	100,000,000
Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation		10,000,000	10,000,000
National Credit Union Administration – Central			
Liquidity Facility		15,000,000	15,000,000
Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture		12,630,893	5,247,034
Department of Energy		3,078,103	1,782,348
Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Department of Treasury		655,000	440,328
Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Department of Education	_	703,750	592,939
Total commitments	\$	142,067,746	133,062,649

In addition to the above, the Bank has PFAs to purchase obligations guaranteed by the Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration (MARAD) and the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Financing Bank Section 542 Risk Share Program (HUD-542) and an NPA with the US Postal Service. MARAD, HUD-542 program, and US Postal Service activities are expected to continue in fiscal year 2024 but currently have no active commitments. Obligations purchased under the HUD-542 program are immediately disbursed upon transaction close. There are no outstanding commitments with the FDIC (acting in its capacity as Receiver) which is distinct from FDIC-DIF shown above.

## (7) Subsequent Events

The Bank has evaluated subsequent events from the balance sheet date through November 9, 2023, the date at which the financial statements were available to be issued and determined that there are no other items to accrue or disclose.



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