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FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended

September 30, 2013

OR

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

For the transition period from

to

Commission file number 0-27782

Dime Community Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 11-3297463

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. employer identification number)

209 Havemeyer Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(7718) 782-6200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (11) has filed all the reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (22) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

YES x NO o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.4.4405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

YES x NO o

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

LARGE ACCELERATED ACCELERATED NON-ACCELERATED SMALLER REPORTING

FILER o FILER x FILER o COMPANY o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

YES o NO x

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Classes of Common Stock Number of Shares Outstanding at November 6, 2013

\$.01 Par Value 36,598,503

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This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains a number of forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). These statements may be identified by use of words such as "anticipate," "believe," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "seek," "may," "outlook," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "should," "will," "would" and similar terms and phrases, including references to assumptions.

Forward-looking statements are based upon various assumptions and analyses made by Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. (the "Holding Company," and together with its direct and indirect subsidiaries, the "Company") in light of management's experience and its perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors it believes appropriate under the circumstances. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors (many of which are beyond the Company's control) that could cause actual conditions or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. These factors include, without limitation, the following:

the timing and occurrence or non-occurrence of events may be subject to circumstances beyond the Company's control:

there may be increases in competitive pressure among financial institutions or from non-financial institutions; thanges in the interest rate environment may reduce interest margins;

changes in deposit flows, loan demand or real estate values may adversely affect the business of The Dime Savings Bank of Williamsburgh (the "Bank");

changes in accounting principles, policies or guidelines may cause the Company's financial condition to be perceived differently;

changes in corporate and/or individual income tax laws may adversely affect the Company's business or financial condition;

general economic conditions, either nationally or locally in some or all areas in which the Company conducts business, or conditions in the securities markets or the banking industry may be less favorable than the Company currently anticipates;

legislation or regulatory changes may adversely affect the Company's business;

technological changes may be more difficult or expensive than the Company anticipates;

success or consummation of new business initiatives may be more difficult or expensive than the Company anticipates;

litigation or other matters before regulatory agencies, whether currently existing or commencing in the future, may delay the occurrence or non-occurrence of events longer than the Company anticipates; and The risks referred to in the section entitled "Risk Factors."

The Company has no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this document.

Item 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements
DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION (UNAUDITED)
(Dollars in thousands except share amounts)

| (Dollars in thousands except share amounts) | | | | |
|--|---------------|----|-------------|---|
| | September | | December | |
| | 30, 2013 | 3 | 31, 2012 | |
| ASSETS: | | | | |
| Cash and due from banks | \$\$65,713 | \$ | \$\$79,076 | |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | 65,713 | | 79,076 | |
| Investment securities held-to-maturity (estimated fair value of \$6,138 and \$6,267 at | | | | |
| September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively)(fully unencumbered) | 5,622 | | 5,927 | |
| Investment securities available-for-sale, at fair value (fully unencumbered): | 18,468 | | 32,950 | |
| Mortgage-backed securities available-for-sale, at fair value (fully unencumbered): | 34,226 | | 49,021 | |
| Trading securities | 5,262 | | 4,874 | |
| Loans: | | | | |
| Real estate, net | 3,666,939 | | 3,503,385 | |
| Other loans | 2,109 | | 2,423 | |
| Less allowance for loan losses | (20,540 |) | (20,550 |) |
| Total loans, net | 3,648,508 | | 3,485,258 | |
| Loans held for sale | - | | 560 | |
| Premises and fixed assets, net | 29,850 | | 30,518 | |
| Federal Home Loan Bank of New York ("FHLBNY") capital stock | 41,863 | | 45,011 | |
| Goodwill | 55,638 | | 55,638 | |
| Other assets | 110,175 | | 116,566 | |
| Total Assets | \$\$4,015,325 | \$ | \$3,905,399 | 9 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | | |
| Due to depositors: | | | | |
| Interest bearing deposits | \$\$2,438,914 | \$ | 52,320,285 | |
| Non-interest bearing deposits | 170,250 | | 159,144 | |
| Total deposits | 2,609,164 | | 2,479,429 | |
| Escrow and other deposits | 98,160 | | 82,753 | |
| FHLBNY advances | 772,500 | | 842,500 | |
| Trust Preferred securities payable | 70,680 | | 70,680 | |
| Other liabilities | 42,076 | | 38,463 | |
| Total Liabilities | 3,592,580 | | 3,513,825 | |
| Commitments and Contingencies | | | | |
| Stockholders' Equity: | | | | |
| Preferred stock (\$ 0.01 par, 9,000,000 shares authorized, none issued or outstanding at | | | | |
| September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012) | - | | - | |
| Common stock (\$ 0.01 par, 125,000,000 shares authorized, 52,692,461 shares and | | | | |
| 52,021,149 shares issued at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, | | | | |
| and 36,548,503 shares and 35,714,269 shares outstanding at September 30, 2013 and | | | | |
| December 31, 2012, respectively) | 526 | | 520 | |
| Additional paid-in capital | 250,105 | | 239,041 | |
| Retained earnings | 397,664 | | 379,166 | |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of deferred taxes | (9,460 |) | (9,640 |) |
| Unallocated common stock of Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") | (2,834 |) | (3,007 |) |
| Unearned Restricted Stock Award common stock | (3,693 |) | (3,122 |) |
| Common stock held by Benefit Maintenance Plan ("BMP") | (9,013 |) | (8,800 |) |

Treasury stock, at cost (16,143,958 shares and 16,306,880 shares at September 30, 2013

 and December 31, 2012, respectively)
 (200,550) (202,584)

 Total Stockholders' Equity
 422,745 391,574

 Total Liabilities And Stockholders' Equity
 \$4,015,325 \$3,905,399

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

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|--|-----------------|----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| | Three Months | | | |
| | Ended September | | Nine Months Ender September 30, | |
| | 30, | · | | • |
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Interest income: | 0.40.451 | 4.5.062 | 4120 201 | 0.1.10.505 |
| Loans secured by real estate | \$42,451 | - | \$130,291 | \$143,735 |
| Other loans | 25 | 28 | 74 | 76 |
| Mortgage-backed securities | 310 | 677 | 1,123 | 2,456 |
| Investment securities | 84 | 223 | 316 | 1043 |
| Federal funds sold and other short-term investments | 416 | 582 | 1,423 | 1,895 |
| Total interest income | 43,286 | 47,473 | 133,227 | 149,205 |
| Interest expense: | 4.000 | 7 202 | 1 7 2 10 | 16.110 |
| Deposits and escrow | 4,908 | 5,302 | 15,240 | 16,449 |
| Borrowed funds | 6,725 | 8,773 | 20,267 | 31,465 |
| Total interest expense | 11,633 | 14,075 | 35,507 | 47,914 |
| Net interest income | 31,653 | 33,398 | 97,720 | 101,291 |
| Provision for loan losses | 240 | 126 | 425 | 3,858 |
| Net interest income after provision for loan losses | 31,413 | 33,272 | 97,295 | 97,433 |
| Non-interest income: | | | | |
| Other than temporary impairment ("OTTI") losses: | - | - | - | (187) |
| Less: Non-credit portion of OTTI recorded in other comprehensive | | | | |
| income (before taxes) | - | - | - | 6 |
| Net OTTI recognized in earnings | - | - | - | (181) |
| Service charges and other fees | 1,015 | 1244 | 2,554 | 2,840 |
| Net mortgage banking income | 76 | 259 | 350 | 1,475 |
| Net gain on securities and other assets | 83 | 67 | 276 | 180 |
| Income from bank owned life insurance | 419 | 423 | 1,249 | 1,265 |
| Other | 415 | 581 | 1,197 | 1,772 |
| Total non-interest income | 2,008 | 2,574 | 5,626 | 7,351 |
| Non-interest expense: | | | | |
| Salaries and employee benefits | 8,459 | 8,245 | 25,730 | 25,751 |
| Stock benefit plan amortization expense | 1,007 | 975 | 2,985 | 2,884 |
| Occupancy and equipment | 2,697 | 2,527 | 7,735 | 7,431 |
| Federal deposit insurance premiums | 515 | 502 | 1,470 | 1,557 |
| Data processing costs | 858 | 746 | 2,533 | 2,223 |
| Other | 2,039 | 2,776 | 6,778 | 8,009 |
| Total non-interest expense | 15,575 | 15,771 | 47,231 | 47,855 |
| Income before income taxes | 17,846 | 20,075 | 55,690 | 56,929 |
| Income tax expense | 7,215 | 8,280 | 22,450 | 23,356 |
| Net income | \$10,631 | \$11,795 | \$33,240 | \$33,573 |
| Earnings per Share: | , , | . , | , , | , , |
| Basic | \$0.30 | \$0.34 | \$0.95 | \$0.98 |
| Diluted | \$0.30 | \$0.34 | \$0.95 | \$0.98 |
| CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME | | | , - | |
| (Dollars in thousands) | ,J 211 | , | | |
| Net Income | \$10,631 | \$11,795 | \$33,240 | \$33,573 |
| | 10 | 13 | 72 | 91 |
| | - 0 | | . – | |

| Amortization and reversal of net unrealized loss on securities transferred | | | | | | |
|--|----------|----------|----------|---|----------|---|
| from available-for-sale to held-to-maturity, net of taxes of \$8 and \$11 | | | | | | |
| during the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, | | | | | | |
| respectively, and \$58 and \$75 during the nine months ended September | | | | | | |
| 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively | | | | | | |
| Reduction in non-credit component of OTTI charge, net of taxes of \$4 | | | | | | |
| and \$6 during the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, | | | | | | |
| respectively, and \$13 and \$133 during the nine months ended September | | | | | | |
| 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively | 4 | 7 | 12 | | 161 | |
| Non-credit component of OTTI charge recognized during the period, net | | | | | | |
| of tax benefit of \$(3) during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 | - | - | - | | (3 |) |
| Reclassification adjustment for securities sold during the period, net of | | | | | | |
| taxes of \$(50) and \$(20) during the nine months ended September 30, | | | | | | |
| 2013 and 2012, respectively | - | - | (60 |) | (24 |) |
| Net unrealized securities gains (losses) arising during the period, net of | | | | | | |
| (tax benefits) taxes of \$74 and \$(6) during the three months ended | | | | | | |
| September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively and \$125 and \$(184) during | | | | | | |
| the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively | 90 | (7) | 156 | | (224 |) |
| Defined benefit plan adjustments, net of taxes of \$256 during the nine | | | | | | |
| months ended September 30, 2012 | - | - | - | | 312 | |
| Comprehensive Income | \$10,735 | \$11,808 | \$33,420 | | \$33,886 | |
| See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements. | | | | | | |
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DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (UNAUDITED) (Dollars in thousands)

| | Nine Mon September | r 30 | 0, | |
|--|-----------------------|------|------------------|----|
| G | 2013 | 4 | 2012 | |
| Common Stock (Par Value \$0.01): | \$ 52.0 | | Φ. 7.1 .6 | |
| Balance at beginning of period | \$520 | | \$516 | |
| Shares issued in exercise of options | 6 | | 3 | |
| Balance at end of period | 526 | | 519 | |
| Additional Paid-in Capital: | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of period | 239,041 | | 231,521 | |
| Stock options exercised | 8,972 | | 4,083 | |
| Forfeited restricted stock award shares returned to treasury stock | - | | (3 |) |
| Tax benefit of stock plans | 704 | | 349 | |
| Release from treasury stock for equity awards | 514 | | 217 | |
| Amortization of excess fair value over cost – ESOP stock and stock | k options expense 874 | | 1,025 | |
| Balance at end of period | 250,105 | | 237,192 | |
| Retained Earnings: | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of period | 379,166 | | 358,079 | |
| Net income for the period | 33,240 | | 33,573 | |
| Cash dividends declared and paid | (14,742 |) | (14,386 |) |
| Balance at end of period | 397,664 | | 377,266 | |
| Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss, net of tax: | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of period | (9,640 |) | (9,709 |) |
| Other comprehensive income recognized during the period, net of | tax 180 | | 313 | |
| Balance at end of period | (9,460 |) | (9,396 |) |
| ESOP: | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of period | (3,007 |) | (3,239 |) |
| Amortization of earned portion of ESOP stock | 173 | | 174 | |
| Balance at end of period | (2,834 |) | (3,065 |) |
| Unearned Restricted Stock Award Common Stock: | | | • | ĺ |
| Balance at beginning of period | (3,122 |) | (3,037 |) |
| Amortization of earned portion of restricted stock awards | 1,511 | | 1,370 | ĺ |
| Release from treasury stock for equity awards | |) | |) |
| Forfeited restricted stock award shares returned to treasury stock | - | | 32 | _ |
| Balance at end of period | (3,693 |) | (3,594 |) |
| Treasury Stock, at cost: | , | | | _ |
| Balance at beginning of period | (202,584 |) | (204,442 | 2) |
| Forfeited restricted stock award shares returned to treasury stock | - - | | (29 |) |
| Release from treasury stock for equity awards | 2,034 | | 1,887 | |
| Balance at end of period | (200,550 |)) | (202,584 | 4) |
| Common Stock Held by BMP: | (= 3 3,000 | , | ,- 0 | , |
| Balance at beginning of period | (8,800 |) | (8,655 |) |
| Release from treasury stock for equity awards | (213 |) | (145 |) |
| Balance at end of period | (9,013 |) | (8,800 |) |
| Zamanot at one of portor | (>,013 | , | (0,000 | , |

Total Stockholders' Equity \$422,745 \$387,538

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED) (Dollars in thousands)

| | Nine Mor Septembe | | | |
|--|----------------------|----|----------|---|
| | 2013 | | 2012 | |
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | | | | |
| Net Income | \$33,240 | | \$33,573 | |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | | | |
| Net gain on sale of loans originated for sale | (13 |) | (26 |) |
| Net loss on the sale of other assets | 21 | | - | |
| Net gain on sale of investment securities available-for-sale | (110 |) | (44 |) |
| Net gain on trading securities | (187 |) | (136 |) |
| Net depreciation and amortization | 2,064 | | 2,080 | |
| ESOP compensation expense | 889 | | 963 | |
| Stock plan compensation (excluding ESOP) | 1,669 | | 1,606 | |
| Write down of OREO | 180 | | - | |
| Provision for loan losses | 425 | | 3,858 | |
| Credit to reduce the liability for loans sold with recourse | (245 |) | (1,107 |) |
| OTTI charge for investment securities recognized in earnings | - | | 181 | |
| Increase in cash surrender value of Bank Owned Life Insurance | (1,249 |) | (1,265 |) |
| Deferred income tax provision (credit) | (740 |) | 47 | |
| Excess tax benefit of stock plans | (704 |) | (349 |) |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: | | | | |
| Origination of loans held for sale | (1,621 |) | (5,080 |) |
| Proceeds from sale of loans held for sale | 2,194 | | 8,741 | |
| Decrease in other assets | 8,935 | | 2,666 | |
| Increase in other liabilities | 3,859 | | 5,906 | |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 48,607 | | 51,614 | |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: | | | | |
| Proceeds from principal repayments of investment securities held-to-maturity | 514 | | 904 | |
| Proceeds from calls and principal repayments of investment securities available-for-sale | 14,750 | | 200,320 |) |
| Proceeds from sales of investment securities available-for-sale | 366 | | 313 | |
| Proceeds from sales of trading securities | 131 | | 171 | |
| Purchases of investment securities available-for-sale | (389 |) | (80,086 |) |
| Purchases of mortgage backed securities available-for-sale | - | | (23,186 |) |
| Purchases of trading securities | (332 |) | (1,691 |) |
| Principal collected on mortgage backed securities available-for-sale | 14,731 | | 34,021 | |
| Purchases of loans | (40,264 |) | (24,483 |) |
| Proceeds from the sale of loans | 4,387 | | 30,906 | |
| Net (increase) decrease in loans | (128,563 | 3) | 124,031 | |
| Proceeds from the sale of OREO | 564 | | - | |
| Purchases of fixed assets, net | (1,348 |) | (2,739 |) |
| Redemption of FHLBNY capital stock | 3,148 | | 7,853 | |
| Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities | (132,305 | 5) | 266,334 | + |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | | | |
| Net increase in due to depositors | 129,735 | | 75,465 | |
| Net increase in escrow and other deposits | 15,407 | | 39,254 | |
| | | | | |

| Repayment of Securities Sold Under Agreement to Repurchase ("REPOs") | - | | (40,000 |)) |
|--|----------|----|----------|-----|
| Repayment of FHLBNY advances | (130,000 |) | (172,27 | (5) |
| FHLBNY Advances | 60,000 | | - | |
| Cash dividends paid | (14,742 |) | (14,386 | ,) |
| Exercise of stock options | 8,978 | | 4,086 | |
| Release of stock for benefit plan awards | 253 | | - | |
| Excess tax benefit of stock plans | 704 | | 349 | |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | 70,335 | | (107,50) | 17) |
| (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS | (13,363 |) | 210,441 | 1 |
| CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD | 79,076 | | 44,260 | |
| CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS, END OF PERIOD | 65,713 | | 254,701 | 1 |
| SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION: | | | | |
| Cash paid for income taxes | \$23,683 | \$ | 522,531 | |
| Cash paid for interest | 35,411 | | 48,244 | |
| Loans transferred to held for sale | - | | 1,000 | |
| Loans transferred to OREO | 765 | | - | |
| Amortization of unrealized loss on securities transferred from available-for-sale to | | | | |
| held-to-maturity | 180 | | 142 | |
| Net decrease in non-credit component of OTTI | (24 |) | (288 |) |
| Adjustments to other comprehensive income from defined benefit plans, net of tax | - | | 312 | |
| See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements. | | | | |

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) (Dollars in thousands Except Per Share Amounts)

1.NATURE OF OPERATIONS

The Holding Company is a Delaware corporation and parent company of the Bank, a New York State chartered stock savings bank. The Holding Company's direct subsidiaries are the Bank, Dime Community Capital Trust 1 and 842 Manhattan Avenue Corp. The Bank's direct subsidiaries are Boulevard Funding Corp., Dime Insurance Agency Inc. (f/k/a Havemeyer Investments, Inc.), DSBW Preferred Funding Corporation, DSBW Residential Preferred Funding Corp., Dime Reinvestment Corp. and 195 Havemeyer Corp.

The Bank maintains its headquarters in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, New York and operates twenty-six full service retail banking offices located in the New York City ("NYC") boroughs of Brooklyn, Queens, and the Bronx, and in Nassau County, New York. The Bank's principal business is gathering deposits from customers within its market area and via the internet, and investing them primarily in multifamily residential, commercial real estate and mixed used loans, as well as mortgage-backed securities ("MBS"), obligations of the U.S. Government and Government Sponsored Enterprises ("GSEs"), and corporate debt and equity securities. All of the Bank's lending occurs in the greater NYC metropolitan area.

2. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the Company's financial condition as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the results of operations and statements of comprehensive income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2013, and the changes in stockholders' equity and cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012. The results of operations for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations for the remainder of the year ending December 31, 2013. Certain information and note disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") have been omitted pursuant to the rules and regulations of the U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

The preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Please see "Part I - Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Critical Accounting Policies" for a discussion of areas in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements utilizing significant estimates.

These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012 and notes thereto.

3. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In February 2013, The Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2013-02, "Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income" ("ASU 2013-02"), which seeks to improve the transparency of reporting reclassifications out of accumulated

other comprehensive income. The provisions of ASU 2013-02 are applicable to all companies that report items of other comprehensive income, such as the Company. ASU 2013-02 requires a presentation (either on the face of the statement where net income is presented or in the notes to the financial statements) of the effects on the line items of net income of significant amounts that have been reclassified in their entirety and in accordance with GAAP from accumulated other comprehensive income to net income in the same reporting period. ASU 2013-02 additionally requires a cross-reference to any other disclosures currently required under GAAP related to other reclassification items that, under GAAP, are not required to be reclassified in their entirety from accumulated other comprehensive income to net income in the same reporting period. ASU 2013-02 does not change the current requirements for reporting net income or other comprehensive income in the Company's financial statements. All information required to be presented or cross-referenced under ASU 2013-02 is currently required to be disclosed, in some capacity, in the financial statements under GAAP. The Company adopted ASU 2013-02 effective January 1, 2013. Adoption of ASU 2013-02 had no impact on the Company's consolidated financial condition or results of operations.

4. TREASURY STOCK

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The Holding Company did not repurchase any of its common stock into treasury during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 or 2012.

On April 30, 2013, 145,925 shares of the Holding Company's common stock were released from treasury in order to fulfill benefit obligations under the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan and 15,049 shares of treasury stock were released in order to fulfill benefit obligations under the BMP. The closing price of the Holding Company's common stock on that date was \$ 14.27, and the shares were released utilizing the average historical cost method.

On April 30, 2012, 141,289 shares of the Holding Company's common stock were released from treasury in order to fulfill benefit obligations under the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. The closing price of the Holding Company's common stock on that date was \$13.86, and the shares were released utilizing the average historical cost method. On May 1, 2012, 10,729 shares of treasury stock were released in order to fulfill benefit obligations under the BMP. The closing price of the Holding Company's common stock on that date was \$13.55, and the shares were released utilizing the average historical cost method.

5.OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The before and after tax amounts allocated to each component of other comprehensive income (loss) are presented in the table below. Reclassification adjustments related to securities available for sale are included in the line entitled net gain on securities and other assets in the accompanying consolidated statements of income.

| | | Ta | X | After |
|---|---------|----|---------|--------|
| | Pre-tax | Ex | pense | tax |
| | Amount | (B | enefit) | Amount |
| Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 | | | | |
| Securities held-to maturity and transferred securities: | | | | |
| Change in non-credit component of OTTI | \$8 | \$ | 4 | \$ 4 |
| Change in unrealized loss on securities transferred to held to maturity | 18 | | 8 | 10 |
| Total securities held-to-maturity and transferred securities | 26 | | 12 | 14 |
| Securities available-for-sale: | | | | |
| Reclassification adjustment for net gains included in net income | - | | - | - |
| Change in net unrealized gain during the period | 164 | | 74 | 90 |
| Total securities available-for-sale | 164 | | 74 | 90 |
| Total other comprehensive income | \$ 190 | \$ | 86 | \$ 104 |
| Three Months Ended September 30, 2012 | | | | |
| Securities held-to-maturity and transferred securities: | | | | |
| Change in non-credit component of OTTI | \$ 13 | \$ | 6 | \$ 7 |
| Change in unrealized loss on securities transferred to held to maturity | 24 | | 11 | 13 |
| Total securities held-to-maturity and transferred securities | 37 | | 17 | 20 |
| Securities available-for-sale: | | | | |
| Reclassification adjustment for net gains included in net income | - | | - | - |
| Change in net unrealized gain during the period | (13) | | (6 |) (7) |
| Total securities available-for-sale | (13) | | (6 |) (7) |
| Total other comprehensive income | \$ 24 | \$ | 11 | \$ 13 |

| | Pre-tax Amount | Tax Expense (Benefit) | After tax Amount |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 | | | |
| Securities held-to-maturity and transferred securities | | | |
| Change in non-credit component of OTTI | \$ 25 | \$ 13 | \$ 12 |
| Change in unrealized loss on securities transferred to held to maturity | 130 | 58 | 72 |
| Total securities held-to-maturity and transferred securities | 155 | 71 | 84 |
| Securities available-for-sale | | | |
| Reclassification adjustment for net gains included in net income | \$ (110) | \$ (50 | \$ (60) |
| Change in net unrealized gain during the period | 281 | 125 | 156 |
| Total securities available-for-sale | 171 | 75 | 96 |
| Defined benefit plans: | | | |
| Change in the net actuarial gain or loss | - | - | - |
| Total defined benefit plans | - | - | - |
| Total other comprehensive income | \$ 326 | \$ 146 | \$ 180 |
| Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012 | | | |
| Securities held-to-maturity and transferred securities: | | | |
| Change in non-credit component of OTTI | \$ 288 | \$ 130 | \$ 158 |
| Change in unrealized loss on securities transferred to held to maturity | 166 | 75 | 91 |
| Total securities held-to-maturity and transferred securities | 454 | 205 | 249 |
| Securities available-for-sale: | | | |
| Reclassification adjustment for net gains included in net income | (44) | (20 | (24) |
| Change in net unrealized gain during the period | (408) | (184) | (224) |
| Total securities available-for-sale | (452) | (204) | (248) |
| Defined benefit plans: | | | |
| Change in the net actuarial gain or loss | 568 | 256 | 312 |
| Total defined benefit plans | 568 | 256 | 312 |
| Total other comprehensive income | \$ 570 | \$ 257 | \$ 313 |

Activity in accumulated other comprehensive gain (loss), net of tax, was as follows:

| | Securities | | | Total |
|---|-------------|------------------|------------|---------------|
| | Held-to-Mat | urity | | Accumulated |
| | and | | Defined | Other |
| | Transferred | Securities | Benefit | Comprehensive |
| | Securities | Available-for-Sa | alePlans | Gain (Loss) |
| Balance as of January 1, 2013 | \$ (1,043 |) \$ 1,178 | \$(9,775) | \$ (9,640) |
| Other comprehensive income before reclassifications | 84 | 156 | - | 240 |
| Amounts reclassified from accumulated other | | | | |
| comprehensive loss | - | (60 |) - | (60) |
| Net other comprehensive income during the period | 84 | 96 | - | 180 |
| Balance as of September 30, 2013 | \$ (959 |) \$ 1,274 | \$(9,775) |) \$ (9,460) |
| Balance as of January 1, 2012 | \$ (1,316 |) 3,078 | \$(11,471) |) \$ (9,709) |
| Other comprehensive income before reclassifications | 249 | (224 |) 312 | 337 |
| Amounts reclassified from accumulated other | | | | |
| comprehensive loss | - | (24 |) - | (24) |
| Net other comprehensive income during the period | 249 | (248 |) 312 | 313 |

Balance as of September 30, 2012

\$ (1,067)

) \$ 2,830

\$(11,159) \$ (9,396

6. EARNINGS PER SHARE ("EPS")

Basic EPS is computed by dividing income attributable to common stock by the weighted-average common shares outstanding during the reporting period. Diluted EPS is computed using the same method as basic EPS, but reflects the potential dilution that would occur if "in the money" stock options were exercised and converted into common stock. In determining the weighted average shares outstanding for basic and diluted EPS, treasury stock and unallocated ESOP shares are excluded. Vested restricted stock award shares are included in the calculation of the weighted average shares outstanding for basic and diluted EPS. Unvested restricted stock award shares are recognized as a special class of securities under ASC 260.

The following is a reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of basic EPS and diluted EPS for the periods presented:

| | | | Nine Months I September 30, | |
|---|------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Net income per the Consolidated Statements of Income | \$10,631 | \$11,795 | \$33,240 | \$33,573 |
| Less: Dividends paid and earnings allocated to | | | | |
| participating securities | (44) | (46) | (135) | (137) |
| Income attributable to common stock | \$10,587 | \$11,749 | \$33,105 | \$33,436 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding, including | | | | |
| participating securities | 35,664,100 | 34,736,804 | 35,371,184 | 34,539,530 |
| Less: weighted average participating securities | (318,314) | (328,003) | (321,325) | (327,099) |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding | 35,345,786 | 34,408,801 | 35,049,859 | 34,212,431 |
| Basic EPS | \$0.30 | \$0.34 | \$0.95 | \$0.98 |
| Income attributable to common stock | \$10,587 | \$11,749 | \$33,105 | \$33,436 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding | 35,345,786 | 34,408,801 | 35,049,859 | 34,212,431 |
| Weighted average common equivalent shares outstanding | 181,717 | 89,016 | 107,788 | 75,348 |
| Weighted average common and equivalent shares | | | | |
| outstanding | 35,527,503 | 34,497,817 | 35,157,647 | 34,287,779 |
| Diluted EPS | \$0.30 | \$0.34 | \$0.95 | \$0.98 |

Common equivalent shares resulting from the dilutive effect of "in-the-money" outstanding stock options are calculated based upon the excess of the average market value of the Holding Company's common stock over the exercise price of outstanding in-the-money stock options during the period.

There were 761,193 and 1,330,792 weighted-average stock options outstanding for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, which were not considered in the calculation of diluted EPS since their exercise prices exceeded the average market price during the period. There were 919,821 and 1,323,076 weighted-average stock options outstanding for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, which were not considered in the calculation of diluted EPS since their exercise prices exceeded the average market price during the period.

7. ACCOUNTING FOR STOCK BASED COMPENSATION

During the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, the Holding Company and Bank maintained the Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. 2001 Stock Option Plan for Outside Directors, Officers and Employees and the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan (collectively the "Stock Plans"), which are discussed more fully in Note 15 to the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012, and which are subject to the accounting requirements of ASC 505-50 and ASC 718.

Stock Option Awards

Combined activity related to stock options granted under the Stock Plans during the periods presented was as follows:

| | At or for the Three | | | Nine | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|--|
| | Months End | led | Months Ended | | |
| | September 30, | | September 3 | 0, | |
| | 2013 2012 | | 2013 | 2012 | |
| Options outstanding – beginning of period | 2,273,733 | 2,830,302 | 2,456,137 | 2,893,760 | |

| Options granted Options exercised Options forfeited Options outstanding – end of period Intrinsic value of options exercised Compensation expense recognized Remaining unrecognized compensation expense Intrinsic value of outstanding options at period end Intrinsic value of vested options at period end | - (493,690) - 1,780,043 \$1,872 36 177 2,447 2,347 | (253,182) (5,625) 2,571,495 \$377 73 408 1,528 1,293 | (671,312) (4,782) 1,780,043 \$2,089 158 177 2,447 2,347 | 24,440 (339,693) (7,012) 2,571,495 \$779 236 408 1,528 1,293 |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| Intrinsic value of vested options at period end | , | * | , | , |
| Weighted average exercise price of vested options – end of period | 16.53 | 15.65 | 16.53 | 15.65 |
| 10 | | | | |

There were no grants of stock options during the three-month periods ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, or the nine months ended September 30, 2013. The weighted average fair value per option at the date of grant for stock options granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was estimated as follows:

| Total options granted | 24,440 |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Estimated fair value on date of grant | \$4.09 |
| | Black- |
| Pricing methodology utilized | Scholes |
| Expected life (in years) | 6.53 |
| Interest rate | 1.21 % |
| Volatility | 45.17 |
| Dividend yield | 4.04 |

Restricted Stock Awards

The Company, from time to time, issues restricted stock awards to outside directors and certain officers under the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. Typically, awards to outside directors fully vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, while awards to officers vest in equal annual installments over a four-year period.

The following is a summary of activity related to the restricted stock awards granted under the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan during the periods indicated:

| | At or for the | he Three | At or for the Nine | | |
|---|---------------|----------|--------------------|-----------|--|
| | Months Er | nded | Months Ended | | |
| | September | : 30, | September 30, | | |
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | |
| Unvested allocated shares – beginning of period | 318,314 | 328,003 | 328,003 | 324,454 | |
| Shares granted | - | - | 145,925 | 141,289 | |
| Shares vested | - | - | (155,614) | (135,369) | |
| Shares forfeited | - | - | - | (2,371) | |
| Unvested allocated shares – end of period | 318,314 | 328,003 | 318,314 | 328,003 | |
| Compensation recorded to expense | \$499 | \$471 | \$1,511 | \$1,370 | |

8. LOANS RECEIVABLE AND CREDIT QUALITY

Loans are reported at the principal amount outstanding, net of unearned fees or costs and the allowance for loan losses. Interest income on loans is recorded using the level yield method. Under this method, discount accretion and premium amortization are included in interest income. Loan origination fees and certain direct loan origination costs are deferred and amortized as yield adjustments over the contractual loan terms.

Credit Quality Indicators:

The Company categorizes loans into risk categories based on relevant information about the ability of borrowers to service their debt, such as: current financial information, historical payment experience, credit documentation, public information, and current economic trends, among other factors. The Company analyzes loans individually by classifying them as to credit risk. This analysis includes all non-homogeneous loans, such as multifamily residential, mixed use residential (i.e., loans in which the aggregate rental income of the underlying collateral property is generated from both residential and commercial units, but the majority of such income is generated from the residential units), mixed use commercial real estate (i.e., loans in which the aggregate rental income of the underlying collateral property is generated from both residential and commercial units, but the majority of such income is

generated from the commercial units), commercial real estate and construction and land acquisition loans, as well as one-to four family residential and cooperative apartment loans with balances in excess of the Fannie Mae ("FNMA") conforming loan limits for high-cost areas such as the Bank's primary lending area ("FNMA Limits") that are deemed to meet the definition of impaired. This analysis is performed on a quarterly basis. The Company uses the following definitions for risk ratings:

Special Mention. Loans classified as special mention have a potential weakness that deserves management's close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the loan or of the Bank's credit position at some future date.

Substandard. Loans classified as substandard are inadequately protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. Loans so classified have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the Bank will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.

Doubtful. Loans classified as doubtful have all the weaknesses inherent in those classified as substandard, with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of then existing facts, conditions, and values, highly questionable and improbable.

The Bank had no loans classified as Doubtful at both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. All loans not classified as Special Mention or Substandard were deemed pass loans at both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

The following is a summary of the credit risk profile of real estate loans (including deferred costs) by internally assigned grade as of the dates indicated:

| | Balance at September 30, 2013 | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|----|-------------|-------------|--|--|
| | One- to | | | | | | | | |
| | Four-Fami M ultifamily | | | | | | | | |
| | ResidentiaResidential | | | | | | | | |
| | and and Mixed Use | | | | | | | | |
| | Cooperat | i Re sidential | Commercial | Commercial | | | | | |
| Grade | Unit | Mixed Use | Real Estate | Real Estate | Co | onstruction | Total | | |
| Not Graded(1) | \$11,946 | \$- | \$ - | \$ - | \$ | - | \$11,946 | | |
| Pass | 57,397 | 2,845,551 | 323,687 | 361,417 | | - | 3,588,052 | | |
| Special Mention | 6,944 | 15,011 | 5,942 | 5,010 | | - | 32,907 | | |
| Substandard | 2,217 | 4,262 | 6,021 | 21,235 | | 299 | 34,034 | | |
| Total real estate loans | \$78,504 | \$2,864,824 | \$ 335,650 | \$ 387,662 | \$ | 299 | \$3,666,939 | | |

⁽¹⁾ Amount comprised of fully performing one- to four-family residential and cooperative unit loans with balances equal to or less than the FNMA Limits.

| | Balance at December 31, 2012 | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|----|------------|-------------|--|--|
| | One- to | | | | | | | | |
| | Four-Familyultifamily | | | | | | | | |
| | Residenti | ia Residential | | | | | | | |
| | and | and | Mixed Use | | | | | | |
| | Cooperat | i Re sidential | Commercial | Commercial | | | | | |
| Grade | Unit | Mixed Use | Real Estate | Real Estate | Co | nstruction | Total | | |
| Not Graded(1) | \$16,141 | \$- | \$ - | \$ - | \$ | - | \$16,141 | | |
| Pass | 66,415 | 2,665,410 | 326,053 | 363,299 | | - | 3,421,177 | | |
| Special Mention | 6,333 | 7,711 | 5,547 | 2,639 | | - | 22,230 | | |
| Substandard | 2,987 | 3,248 | 8,533 | 28,593 | | 476 | 43,837 | | |
| Total real estate loans | \$91,876 | \$2,676,369 | \$ 340,133 | \$ 394,531 | \$ | 476 | \$3,503,385 | | |

⁽¹⁾ Amount comprised of fully performing one- to four-family residential and cooperative unit loans with balances equal to or less than the FNMA Limits.

For consumer loans, the Company evaluates credit quality based on payment activity. Consumer loans that are 90 days or more past due are placed on non-accrual status, while all remaining consumer loans are classified and evaluated as performing.

The following is a summary of the credit risk profile of consumer loans by internally assigned grade:

| | Balance at | Balance at |
|-------|------------|------------|
| | September | December |
| Grade | 30, 2013 | 31, 2012 |

| Performing | \$ 2,107 | \$ 2,415 |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Non-accrual | 2 | 8 |
| Total | \$ 2,109 | \$ 2,423 |

The following is a breakdown of the past due status of the Company's investment in loans (excluding accrued interest and loans held for sale) as of the dates indicated:

At September 30, 2013

| | | | Loans 90 | | | | |
|---|---------|-------|-----------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------------|
| | | | Days or | | | | |
| | 30 to | 60 to | More | | | | |
| | 59 | 89 | Past Due | | | | |
| | Days | Days | and Still | | Total | | |
| | Past | Past | Accruing | Non-accrual | Past | | Total |
| | Due | Due | Interest | (1) | Due | Current | Loans |
| Real Estate: | | | | | | | |
| One- to four-family residential and | | | | | | | |
| cooperative unit | \$300 | \$155 | \$ - | \$ 1,136 | \$1,591 | \$76,913 | \$78,504 |
| Multifamily residential and residential | | | | | | | |
| mixed use | 2,152 | - | 1,398 | 1,993 | 5,543 | 2,859,281 | 2,864,824 |
| Mixed use commercial real estate | - | - | - | - | - | 335,650 | 335,650 |
| Commercial real estate | 1,154 | - | - | 5,707 | 6,861 | 380,801 | 387,662 |
| Construction | - | - | - | - | - | 299 | 299 |
| Total real estate | \$3,606 | \$155 | \$ 1,398 | \$ 8,836 | \$13,995 | \$3,652,944 | \$3,666,939 |
| Consumer | \$1 | \$1 | \$ - | \$ 2 | \$4 | \$2,105 | |