

CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
Form 10-K  
March 11, 2010

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

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

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009

or

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 000-13222

CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania  
State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization

23-2265045  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

15 South Main Street, Mansfield,  
Pennsylvania  
(Address of principal executive offices)

16933  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area  
code (570) 662-2121

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

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

Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share  
(Title of class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Yes No

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes No

---

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

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

Yes No

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

Yes No

State the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was last sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common equity, as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter. \$53,368,585 as of June 30, 2009.

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date. 2,869,854 as of March 1, 2010

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Certain information required by Part III is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

II

---

Citizens Financial Services, Inc.  
Form 10-K  
INDEX

|   | Page    |
|---|---------|
| PART I  |         |
| ITEM 1 – BUSINESS   | 1 – 4   |
| ITEM 1A – RISK FACTORS  | 5 – 8   |
| ITEM 1B – UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS   | 8       |
| ITEM 2 – PROPERTIES   | 8       |
| ITEM 3 – LEGAL PROCEEDINGS  | 8       |
| ITEM 4 – [RESERVED]   | 8       |
| PART II   |         |
| ITEM 5 – MARKET FOR REGISTRANT’S COMMON EQUITY,<br>RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF<br>EQUITY SECURITIES | 9 – 10  |
| ITEM 6 – SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA  | 11      |
| ITEM 7 – MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF<br>FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATION                            | 12 – 38 |
| ITEM 7A – QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES<br>ABOUT MARKET RISK   | 38      |
| ITEM 8 – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA  | 39 – 75 |
| ITEM 9 – CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH<br>ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE                            | 76      |
| ITEM 9A(T) – CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES  | 76      |
| ITEM 9B – OTHER INFORMATION   | 76      |
| PART III  |         |
| ITEM 10 – DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE<br>GOVERNANCE   | 77      |
| ITEM 11 – EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION  | 77      |
| ITEM 12 – SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL<br>OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER<br>MATTERS              | 77 – 78 |
| ITEM 13 – CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED<br>TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE                                      | 78      |
| ITEM 14 – PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES  | 78      |
| PART IV   |         |
| ITEM 15 – EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES  | 79 – 80 |
| SIGNATURES  | 81      |

## PART I

### ITEM 1 – BUSINESS.

#### CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

Citizens Financial Services, Inc. (the “Company”), a Pennsylvania corporation, was incorporated on April 30, 1984. The Company is registered with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (“FRB”) as a bank holding company under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. Simultaneous with establishment of the Company in 1984, First Citizens National Bank (the “Bank”) became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. The Company is subject to regulation, supervision and examination by the FRB. In general, the Company is limited to owning or controlling banks and engaging in such other bank related activities.

Our Company is primarily engaged in the ownership and management of the Bank and its wholly-owned insurance agency subsidiary.

#### FIRST CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK

The Bank’s main office is located at 15 South Main Street, Mansfield, (Tioga County) Pennsylvania. The Bank’s primary market area consists of the Pennsylvania Counties of Bradford, Potter and Tioga in North Central Pennsylvania. It also includes Allegany, Steuben, Chemung and Tioga Counties in Southern New York. The economy is diversified and includes manufacturing industries, wholesale and retail trade, service industries, family farms and the production of natural resources of gas and timber. We are dependent geographically upon the economic conditions in north central Pennsylvania and the southern tier of New York. In addition to the main office, the Bank has 16 other full service branch offices in its market area.

The Bank is a full-service bank engaging in a broad range of banking activities and services for individual, business, governmental and institutional customers. These activities and services principally include checking, savings, time and deposit accounts; real estate, commercial, industrial, residential and consumer loans; and a variety of other specialized financial services. The Trust and Investment division of the Bank offers a full range of client investment, estate and retirement services through the Bank’s wholly owned insurance agency subsidiary, First Citizens Insurance Agency, Inc.

As of December 31, 2009, the Bank employed 158 full time employees and 26 part-time employees, resulting in 169 full time equivalent employees at our corporate offices and other banking locations.

#### COMPETITION

The banking industry in the Bank’s service area continues to be extremely competitive, both among commercial banks and with financial service providers such as consumer finance companies, thrifts, investment firms, mutual funds, insurance companies, credit unions and internet banks. The increased competition has resulted from changes in the legal and regulatory guidelines as well as from economic conditions. Mortgage banking firms, financial companies,

financial affiliates of industrial companies, brokerage firms, retirement fund management firms and even government agencies provide additional competition for loans and other financial services. The Bank is generally competitive with all competing financial institutions in its service area with respect to interest rates paid on time and savings deposits, service charges on deposit accounts and interest rates charged on loans.

Additional information related to our business and competition is included in Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations".

## SUPERVISION AND REGULATION

### GENERAL

The Company is registered as a bank holding company and is subject to supervision and regulation by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. The Company is considered a bank holding company. Bank holding companies are required to file periodic reports with and are subject to examination by the Federal Reserve Board. The Federal Reserve Board has issued regulations under the Bank Holding Company Act that require a bank holding company to serve as a source of financial and managerial strength to its subsidiary banks. As a result, the Federal Reserve Board, pursuant to such regulations, may require the Company to stand ready to use its resources to provide adequate capital funds to its bank subsidiary during periods of financial stress or adversity.

The Bank Holding Company Act prohibits the Company from acquiring direct or indirect control of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of any class of voting stock, or substantially all of the assets of, any bank, or from merging or consolidating with another bank holding company, without prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board. Additionally, the Bank Holding Company Act prohibits the Company from engaging in or from acquiring ownership or control of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of any class of voting stock of any company engaged in a non-banking business, unless such business has been determined by the Federal Reserve Board to be so closely related to banking as to be a proper incident thereto or, for financial holding companies, to be financial in nature or incidental thereto.

The Bank is a national bank and a member of the Federal Reserve System, and its deposits are insured (up to applicable limits) by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC"). The Bank is subject to regulation and examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), and to a much lesser extent, the Federal Reserve Board and the FDIC. The Bank is also subject to requirements and restrictions under federal and state law, including requirements to maintain reserves against deposits, and the interest that may be charged on loans, and limitations on the types of investments that may be made and the types of services that may be offered. The Bank is subject to extensive regulation and reporting requirements in a variety of areas, including helping to prevent money laundering, to preserve financial privacy and to properly report late payments, defaults and denials of loan applications. The Community Reinvestment Act requires the Bank to help meet the credit needs of the entire community where the Bank operates, including low and moderate income neighborhoods. The Bank's rating under the Community Reinvestment Act, assigned by the Comptroller of the Currency pursuant to an examination of the Bank, is important in determining whether the bank may receive approval for, or utilize certain streamlined procedures in, applications to engage in new activities. The Bank's present CRA rating is "Satisfactory." Various consumer laws and regulations also affect the operations of the Bank. In addition to the impact of regulation, commercial banks are affected significantly by the actions of the Federal Reserve Board as it attempts to control the money supply and credit availability in order to influence the economy.

#### CAPITAL ADEQUACY GUIDELINES

Bank holding companies are required to comply with the Federal Reserve Board's risk-based capital guidelines. The required minimum ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets (including certain off-balance sheet activities, such as standby letters of credit) is 8%. At least half of the total capital is required to be "Tier 1 capital," consisting principally of common shareholders' equity, less certain intangible assets. The remainder ("Tier 2 capital") may consist of certain preferred stock, a limited amount of subordinated debt, certain hybrid capital instruments and other debt securities, and a limited amount of the general loan loss allowance. The risk-based capital guidelines are required to take adequate account of interest rate risk, concentration of credit risk, and risks of nontraditional activities.

In addition to the risk-based capital guidelines, the Federal Reserve Board requires a bank holding company to maintain a leverage ratio of a minimum level of Tier 1 capital (as determined under the risk-based capital guidelines) equal to 3% of average total consolidated assets for those bank holding companies which have the highest regulatory examination ratings and are not contemplating or experiencing significant growth or expansion. All other bank holding companies are required to maintain a ratio of at least 1% above the stated minimum. The Bank is subject to largely similar capital requirements adopted by the OCC.

#### PROMPT CORRECTIVE ACTION RULES

The federal banking agencies have regulations defining the levels at which an insured institution would be considered "well capitalized," "adequately capitalized," "undercapitalized," "significantly undercapitalized" and "critically undercapitalized." Institutions that are classified as undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized or critically undercapitalized are subject to various supervision measures based on the degree of undercapitalization. The applicable federal bank regulator for a depository institution could, under certain circumstances, reclassify a "well-capitalized" institution as "adequately capitalized" or require an "adequately capitalized" or "undercapitalized"

institution to comply with supervisory actions as if it were in the next lower category. Such a reclassification could be made if the regulatory agency determines that the institution is in an unsafe or unsound condition (which could include unsatisfactory examination ratings). The Bank satisfies the criteria to be classified as “well capitalized” within the meaning of applicable regulations.

REGULATORY RESTRICTIONS ON DIVIDENDS

2

---



The Bank may not, under the National Bank Act, declare a dividend without approval of the OCC, unless the dividend to be declared by the Bank's Board of Directors does not exceed the total of: (i) the Bank's net profits for the current year to date, plus (ii) its retained net profits for the preceding two current years, less any required transfers to surplus. In addition, the Bank can only pay dividends to the extent that its retained net profits (including the portion transferred to surplus) exceed its bad debts. The Federal Reserve Board, the OCC and the FDIC have formal and informal policies which provide that insured banks and bank holding companies should generally pay dividends only out of current operating earnings, with some exceptions. The Prompt Corrective Action Rules, described above, further limit the ability of banks to pay dividends, because banks which are not classified as well capitalized or adequately capitalized may not pay dividends and no dividend may be paid which would make the Bank undercapitalized after the dividend. Those rules also authorize the Federal Reserve Board to prohibit a bank holding company from paying dividends under certain circumstances if its subsidiary bank is undercapitalized.

Under these policies and subject to the restrictions applicable to the Bank, the Bank could have declared, during 2009, without prior regulatory approval, aggregate dividends of approximately \$10.9 million, plus net profits earned to the date of such dividend declaration.

#### BANK SECRECY ACT

Under the Bank Secrecy Act (BSA), banks and other financial institutions are required to retain records to assure that the details of financial transactions can be traced if investigators need to do so. Banks are also required to report most cash transactions in amounts exceeding \$10,000 made by or on behalf of their customers. Failure to meet BSA requirements may expose the Bank to statutory penalties, and a negative compliance record may affect the willingness of regulating authorities to approve certain actions by the Bank requiring regulatory approval, including new branches.

#### INSURANCE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS

The Bank's deposits are insured up to applicable limits by the Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF) of the FDIC. The Deposit Insurance Fund is the successor to the Bank Insurance Fund and the Savings Association Insurance Fund, which were merged in 2006.

Under the FDIC's risk-based assessment system, insured institutions are assigned to one of four risk categories based on supervisory evaluations, regulatory capital levels and certain other factors, with less risky institutions paying lower assessments. An institution's assessment rate depends upon the category to which it is assigned. For calendar 2008, assessments ranged from five to forty-three basis points of each institution's deposit assessment base. Due to losses incurred by the DIF in 2008 as a result of failed institutions, and anticipated future losses, the FDIC adopted an across the board seven basis point increase in the assessment range for the first quarter of 2009. The FDIC made further refinements to its risk-based assessment that were effective April 1, 2009 and that effectively made the range seven to 77 1/2 basis points. The FDIC may adjust rates uniformly from one quarter to the next, except that no adjustment can deviate more than three basis points from the base scale without notice and comment rulemaking. No institution may pay a dividend if in default of the FDIC assessment.

The FDIC imposed on each insured institution a special emergency assessment of five basis points of total assets minus tier 1 capital, as of June 30, 2009 (capped at ten basis points of an institution's deposit assessment base on the same date) in order to cover losses to the Deposit Insurance Fund. That special assessment was collected on September 30, 2009. The FDIC provided for similar special assessments during the last fiscal two quarters of 2009, if deemed necessary. However, in lieu of further special assessments, the FDIC required insured institutions to prepay estimated quarterly risk-based assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009 through the fourth quarter of 2012. The estimated assessments, which include an assumed annual assessment base increase of 5%, were recorded as a prepaid expense asset as of December 30, 2009.

Due to the recent difficult economic conditions, deposit insurance per account owner has been raised to \$250,000 for all types of accounts until January 1, 2014. In addition, the FDIC adopted an optional Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program by which, for a fee, noninterest bearing transaction accounts would receive unlimited insurance coverage until December 31, 2009, subsequently extended until June 30, 2010. Certain senior unsecured debt issued by institutions and their holding companies between specified time frames could also be guaranteed by the FDIC through June 30, 2012, or in some cases, December 31, 2012. The Bank made a business decision to participate in the unlimited noninterest bearing transaction account coverage and the Bank and the Company opted to participate in the unsecured debt guarantee program.

In addition to the assessment for deposit insurance, institutions are required to make payments on bonds issued in the late 1980s by the financing corporation to recapitalize a predecessor deposit insurance funds. That payment is established quarterly and for the four quarters ended December 31, 2009 averaged 1.06 basis points of assessable deposits.

The FDIC has authority to increase insurance assessments. A significant increase in insurance premiums would likely have an adverse effect on the operating expenses and results of operations of the Bank. Management cannot predict what insurance assessment rates will be in the future.

Insurance of deposits may be terminated by the FDIC upon a finding that the institution has engaged in unsafe or unsound practices, is in an unsafe or unsound condition to continue operations or has violated any applicable law, regulation, rule, order or condition imposed by the FDIC or the OCC. The management of the Bank does not know of any practice, condition or violation that might lead to termination of deposit insurance.

#### EFFECT OF GOVERNMENT MONETARY POLICIES

The earnings and growth of the banking industry are affected by the credit policies of monetary authorities, including the Federal Reserve System. An important function of the Federal Reserve System is to regulate the national supply of bank credit in order to control recessionary and inflationary pressures. Among the instruments of monetary policy used by the Federal Reserve to implement these objectives are open market activities in U.S. Government Securities, changes in the discount rate on member bank borrowings and changes in reserve requirements against member bank deposits. These operations are used in varying combinations to influence overall economic growth and indirectly, bank loans, securities, and deposits. These variables may also affect interest rates charged on loans or paid on deposits. The monetary policies of the Federal Reserve authorities have had a significant effect on the operating results of commercial banks in the past and are expected to continue to have such an effect in the future.

In view of the changing conditions in the national economy and in the money markets, as well as the effect of actions by monetary and fiscal authorities including the Federal Reserve System, no prediction can be made as to possible changes in interest rates, deposit levels, loan demand or their effect on the business and earnings of the Company and the Bank. Additional information is included under the caption "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### RECENT LEGISLATION

**Troubled Asset Relief Program.** On October 3, 2008, the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 ("EESA") was enacted establishing the Troubled Asset Relief Program ("TARP"). On October 14, 2008, Treasury announced its intention to inject capital into U.S. financial institutions under the TARP Capital Purchase Program ("CPP") and since has injected capital into many financial institutions. The Board of Directors of the Company determined not to participate in the CPP.

**American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.** On February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("ARRA") was enacted. The ARRA, commonly known as the economic stimulus or economic recovery package, includes a wide variety of programs intended to stimulate the economy and provide for extensive infrastructure, energy, health, and education needs. In addition, ARRA imposes certain new executive compensation and corporate expenditure limits on all current and future TARP recipients until the institution has repaid Treasury, which is now permitted under ARRA without penalty and without the need to raise new capital, subject to Treasury's consultation with the recipient's appropriate regulatory agency.

**Future Legislation.** Various legislation affecting financial institutions and the financial industry is from time to time introduced in Congress. Such legislation may change banking statutes and the operating environment of the Company and its subsidiaries in substantial and unpredictable ways, and could increase or decrease the cost of doing business, limit or expand permissible activities or affect the competitive balance depending upon whether any of this potential legislation will be enacted, and if enacted, the effect that it or any implementing regulations, would have on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company or any of its subsidiaries. With the recent enactments of EESA and ARRA, the nature and extent of future legislative and regulatory changes affecting financial institutions is very unpredictable at this time.

In particular, the Obama Administration has proposed, and the Congress is considering, legislation that would restructure the regulation of depository institutions. Proposals range from the merger of the Office of Thrift

Supervision, which regulates federal savings associations, with the OCC, to the creation of an independent federal agency that would assume the regulatory responsibilities of the Office of Thrift Supervision, FDIC, OCC and Federal Reserve Board. The federal savings association charter would be eliminated and federal associations required to become banks under some proposals, although others would grandfather existing charters. Also proposed is the creation of a new federal agency to administer and enforce consumer and fair lending laws, a function that is now performed by the depository institution regulators. The federal preemption of state laws currently accorded federally chartered depository institutions would be reduced under certain proposals as well.

Enactment of any of these proposals could revise the regulatory structure imposed on the Company and Bank, which could result in more stringent regulation. At this time, management has no way of predicting the contents of any final legislation, or whether any legislation will be enacted at all.

## ITEM 1A – RISK FACTORS.

Changing interest rates may decrease our earnings and asset values.

Our net interest income is the interest we earn on loans and investments less the interest we pay on our deposits and borrowings. Our net interest margin is the difference between the yield we earn on our assets and the interest rate we pay for deposits and our other sources of funding. Changes in interest rates—up or down—could adversely affect our net interest margin and, as a result, our net interest income. Although the yield we earn on our assets and our funding costs tend to move in the same direction in response to changes in interest rates, one can rise or fall faster than the other, causing our net interest margin to expand or contract. Our liabilities tend to be shorter in duration than our assets, so they may adjust faster in response to changes in interest rates. As a result, when interest rates rise, our funding costs may rise faster than the yield we earn on our assets, causing our net interest margin to contract until the asset yields catch up. Changes in the slope of the “yield curve”—or the spread between short-term and long-term interest rates—could also reduce our net interest margin. Normally, the yield curve is upward sloping, meaning short-term rates are lower than long-term rates. Because our liabilities tend to be shorter in duration than our assets, when the yield curve flattens or even inverts, we could experience pressure on our net interest margin as our cost of funds increases relative to the yield we can earn on our assets.

Changes in interest rates also affect the value of the Bank’s interest-earning assets, and in particular the Bank’s securities portfolio. Generally, the value of fixed-rate securities fluctuates inversely with changes in interest rates. Unrealized gains and losses on securities available for sale are reported as a separate component of equity, net of tax. Decreases in the fair value of securities available for sale resulting from increases in interest rates could have an adverse effect on shareholders’ equity.

A continuation of recent turmoil in the financial markets could have an adverse effect on our financial position or results of operations.

Since 2008, United States and global financial markets have experienced severe disruption and volatility, and general economic conditions have declined significantly. Adverse developments in credit quality, asset values and revenue opportunities throughout the financial services industry, as well as general uncertainty regarding the economic, industry and regulatory environment, have had a marked negative impact on the industry. Dramatic declines in the U.S. housing market over the past two years, with falling home prices, increasing foreclosures and increasing unemployment, have negatively affected the credit performance of mortgage loans and resulted in significant write-downs of asset values by many financial institutions. The United States and the governments of other countries have taken steps to try to stabilize the financial system, including investing in financial institutions, and have also been working to design and implement programs to improve general economic conditions. Notwithstanding the actions of the United States and other governments, these efforts may not succeed in restoring industry, economic or market conditions and may result in adverse unintended consequences. Factors that could continue to pressure financial services companies, including the Company, are numerous and include (i) worsening credit quality, leading among other things to increases in loan losses and reserves, (ii) continued or worsening disruption and volatility in financial markets, leading to, among other things, continuing reductions in asset values, (iii) capital and liquidity concerns regarding financial institutions generally, (iv) limitations resulting from or imposed in connection with governmental actions intended to stabilize or provide additional regulation of the financial system, or (v) recessionary conditions that are deeper or last longer than currently anticipated.

Higher loan losses could require us to increase our allowance for loan losses through a charge to earnings.

When we loan money we incur the risk that our borrowers do not repay their loans. We reserve for loan losses by establishing an allowance through a charge to earnings. The amount of this allowance is based on our assessment of loan losses inherent in our loan portfolio. The process for determining the amount of the allowance is critical to our

financial results and condition. It requires subjective and complex judgments about the future, including forecasts of economic or market conditions that might impair the ability of our borrowers to repay their loans. We might underestimate the loan losses inherent in our loan portfolio and have loan losses in excess of the amount reserved. We might increase the allowance because of changing economic conditions. For example, in a rising interest rate environment, borrowers with adjustable-rate loans could see their payments increase. There may be a significant increase in the number of borrowers who are unable or unwilling to repay their loans, resulting in our charging off more loans and increasing our allowance. In addition, when real estate values decline, the potential severity of loss on a real estate-secured loan can increase significantly, especially in the case of loans with high combined loan-to-value ratios. The recent decline in the national economy and the local economies of the areas in which the loans are concentrated could result in an increase in loan delinquencies, foreclosures or repossessions resulting in increased charge-off amounts and the need for additional loan loss allowances in future periods. In addition, our determination as to the amount of our allowance for loan losses is subject to review by our primary regulator, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, as part of its examination process, which may result in the establishment of an additional allowance based upon the judgment of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency after a review of the information available at the time of its examination. Our allowance for loan losses amounted to \$4.9 million, or 1.07% of total loans outstanding and 72.36% of nonperforming loans, at December 31, 2009. Our allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2009 may not be sufficient to cover future loan losses. A large loss could deplete the allowance and require increased provisions to replenish the allowance, which would decrease our earnings. In addition, at December 31, 2009, we had 9 loan relationships that were performing according to their original terms with outstanding balances that exceeded \$3.0 million. However, the deterioration of one or more of these loans could result in a significant increase in our nonperforming loans and our provision for loan losses, which would negatively impact our results of operations.

Our emphasis on commercial real estate, agricultural and construction lending may expose us to increased lending risks.

At December 31, 2009, we had \$134.0 million in loans secured by commercial real estate, \$19.5 million in agricultural loans and \$5.6 million in construction loans. Commercial real estate loans, agricultural and construction loans represented 29.4%, 4.3% and 1.2%, respectively, of our loan portfolio. At December 31, 2009, we had \$2.9 million of reserves specifically allocated to these loan types. While commercial real estate, agricultural and construction loans are generally more interest rate sensitive and carry higher yields than do residential mortgage loans, these types of loans generally expose a lender to greater risk of non-payment and loss than single-family residential mortgage loans because repayment of the loans often depends on the successful operation of the property, the income stream of the borrowers and, for construction loans, the accuracy of the estimate of the property's value at completion of construction and the estimated cost of construction. Such loans typically involve larger loan balances to single borrowers or groups of related borrowers compared to single-family residential mortgage loans.

If we conclude that the decline in value of any of our investment securities is other than temporary, we are required to write down the value of that security through a charge to earnings.

We review our investment securities portfolio monthly and at each quarter-end reporting period to determine whether the fair value is below the current carrying value. When the fair value of any of our investment securities has declined below its carrying value, we are required to assess whether the decline is other than temporary. If we conclude that the decline is other than temporary, we are required to write down the value of that security through a charge to earnings. As of December 31, 2009, our investment portfolio included available for sale investment securities with a carrying value of \$193.6 million and an estimated fair value of \$198.6 million, which included unrealized losses on 33 securities totaling \$400,000. Changes in the expected cash flows of these securities and/or prolonged price declines may result in our concluding in future periods that the impairment of these securities is other than temporary, which would require a charge to earnings to write down these securities to their fair value. Any charges for other-than-temporary impairment would not impact cash flow, tangible capital or liquidity.

The Company's financial condition and results of operations are dependent on the economy in the Bank's market area.

The Bank's market area consists of the Pennsylvania Counties of Bradford, Potter and Tioga in North Central Pennsylvania and Allegany, Steuben, Chemung and Tioga Counties in Southern New York. As of December 31, 2009, management estimates that more than 93% of deposits and 84% of loans came from its market area. Because of the Bank's concentration of business activities in its market area, the Company's financial condition and results of operations depend upon economic conditions in its market area. Adverse economic conditions in our market area could reduce our growth rate, affect the ability of our customers to repay their loans and generally affect our financial condition and results of operations. Conditions such as inflation, recession, unemployment, high interest rates and short money supply and other factors beyond our control may adversely affect our profitability. We are less able than a larger institution to spread the risks of unfavorable local economic conditions across a large number of diversified economies. Any sustained period of increased payment delinquencies, foreclosures or losses caused by adverse market or economic conditions in the States of Pennsylvania and New York could adversely affect the value of our assets, revenues, results of operations and financial condition. Moreover, we cannot give any assurance we will benefit from any market growth or favorable economic conditions in our primary market areas if they do occur.

Increased and/or special Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation assessments will hurt our earnings

The recent economic recession has caused a high level of bank failures, which has dramatically increased FDIC resolution costs and led to a significant reduction in the balance of the Deposit Insurance Fund. As a result, the FDIC has significantly increased the initial base assessment rates paid by financial institutions for deposit insurance. Increases in the base assessment rate have increased our deposit insurance costs and negatively impacted our earnings. In addition, in May 2009, the FDIC imposed a special assessment on all insured institutions. Our special assessment,

which was reflected in earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 2009, was \$330,000. In lieu of imposing an additional special assessment, the FDIC required all institutions to prepay their assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009 and all of 2010, 2011 and 2012. Additional increases in the base assessment rate or additional special assessments would negatively impact our earnings.

The Company and the Bank operate in a highly regulated environment and may be adversely affected by changes in laws and regulations.



The Bank is subject to extensive regulation, supervision and examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, our chartering authority, and by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as insurer of its deposits. The Company is subject to regulation and supervision by the Federal Reserve Board. Such regulation and supervision govern the activities in which an institution and its holding company may engage, and are intended primarily for the protection of the insurance fund and for the depositors and borrowers of the Bank. The regulation and supervision by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation are not intended to protect the interests of investors in the Company's common stock. Regulatory authorities have extensive discretion in their supervisory and enforcement activities, including the imposition of restrictions on our operations, the classification of our assets and determination of the level of our allowance for loan losses. Any change in such regulation and oversight, whether in the form of regulatory policy, regulations, legislation or supervisory action, may have a material impact on our operations.

Proposed regulatory reform may have a material impact on our operations.

The Obama Administration has published a comprehensive regulatory reform plan that is intended to modernize and protect the integrity of the United States financial system and has offered, and the House of Representatives and Senate are currently considering, proposed legislation to accomplish these reforms. The Administration has also proposed the creation of a new federal agency, the Consumer Financial Protection Agency, that would be dedicated to protecting consumers in the financial products and services market. The creation of this agency could result in new regulatory requirements and raise the cost of regulatory compliance. In addition, legislation stemming from the reform plan could require changes in regulatory capital requirements, loan loss provisioning practices, and compensation practices. If implemented, the foregoing regulatory reforms may have a material impact on our operations. However, because the final legislation may differ significantly from the reform plan proposed by the President, we cannot determine the specific impact of any regulatory reform at this time.

Strong competition within the Bank's market area could hurt profits and slow growth.

The Bank faces intense competition both in making loans and attracting deposits. This competition has made it more difficult for the Bank to make new loans and at times has forced the Bank to offer higher deposit rates. Price competition for loans and deposits might result in the Bank earning less on loans and paying more on deposits, which would reduce net interest income. Competition also makes it more difficult to increase loans and deposits. As of June 30, 2009, which is the most recent date for which information is available, we held 33.0% of the deposits in Bradford, Potter and Tioga Counties, Pennsylvania, which was the second largest share of deposits out of eight financial institutions with offices in the area, and 5.2% of the deposits in Allegany County, New York, which was the fourth largest share of deposits out of five financial institutions with offices in this area. Competition also makes it more difficult to hire and retain experienced employees. Some of the institutions with which the Bank competes have substantially greater resources and lending limits than the Bank has and may offer services that the Bank does not provide. Management expects competition to increase in the future as a result of legislative, regulatory and technological changes and the continuing trend of consolidation in the financial services industry. The Bank's profitability depends upon its continued ability to compete successfully in its market area.

We rely on our management and other key personnel, and the loss of any of them may adversely affect our operations.

We are and will continue to be dependent upon the services of our executive management team. In addition, we will continue to depend on our ability to retain and recruit key commercial loan officers. The unexpected loss of services of any key management personnel or commercial loan officers could have an adverse effect on our business and financial condition because of their skills, knowledge of our market, years of industry experience and the difficulty of promptly finding qualified replacement personnel.

Environmental liability associated with lending activities could result in losses.

In the course of our business, we may foreclose on and take title to properties securing our loans. If hazardous substances were discovered on any of these properties, we could be liable to governmental entities or third parties for the costs of remediation of the hazard, as well as for personal injury and property damage. Many environmental laws can impose liability regardless of whether we knew of, or were responsible for, the contamination. In addition, if we arrange for the disposal of hazardous or toxic substances at another site, we may be liable for the costs of cleaning up and removing those substances from the site even if we neither own nor operate the disposal site. Environmental laws may require us to incur substantial expenses and may materially limit use of properties we acquire through foreclosure, reduce their value or limit our ability to sell them in the event of a default on the loans they secure. In addition, future laws or more stringent interpretations or enforcement policies with respect to existing laws may increase our exposure to environmental liability.

Failure to implement new technologies in our operations may adversely affect our growth or profits.

The market for financial services, including banking services and consumer finance services, is increasingly affected by advances in technology, including developments in telecommunications, data processing, computers, automation, Internet-based banking and telebanking. Our ability to compete successfully in our markets may depend on the extent to which we are able to exploit such technological changes. However, we can provide no assurance that we will be able properly or timely to anticipate or implement such technologies or properly train our staff to use such technologies. Any failure to adapt to new technologies could adversely affect our business, financial condition or operating results.

Our ability to pay dividends is limited by law.

Our ability to pay dividends to our shareholders largely depends on our receipt of dividends from the Bank. The amount of dividends that the Bank may pay to us is limited by federal laws and regulations. We also may decide to limit the payment of dividends even when we have the legal ability to pay them in order to retain earnings for use in our business.

Federal and state banking laws, our articles of incorporation and our by-laws may have an anti-takeover effect.

Federal law imposes restrictions, including regulatory approval requirements, on persons seeking to acquire control over us. Pennsylvania law also has provisions that may have an anti-takeover effect. These provisions may serve to entrench management or discourage a takeover attempt that shareholders consider to be in their best interest or in which they would receive a substantial premium over the current market price.

#### ITEM 1B – UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS.

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 2 – PROPERTIES.

The headquarters of the Company and Bank are located at 15 South Main Street, Mansfield, Pennsylvania. The building contains the central offices of the Company and Bank. Our bank owned fifteen banking facilities and leased three other facilities as of December 31, 2009. All buildings owned by the Bank are free of any liens or encumbrances.

The net book value of owned properties and leasehold improvements totaled \$11,421,586 as of December 31, 2009. The properties are adequate to meet the needs of the employees and customers. We have equipped all of our facilities with current technological improvements for data and word processing.

#### ITEM 3 - LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

The Company is not involved in any pending legal proceedings other than routine legal proceedings occurring in the ordinary course of business. Such routine legal proceedings in the aggregate are believed by management to be immaterial to the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

#### ITEM 4 – [RESERVED]

## PART II

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

The Company's stock is not listed on any stock exchange, but it is quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board under the trading symbol CZFS. Prices presented in the table below are bid prices between broker-dealers published by the OTC Bulletin Board and the Pink Sheets Electronic Quotation Service. The prices do not include retail markups or markdowns or any commission to the broker-dealer. The bid prices do not necessarily reflect prices in actual transactions. Cash dividends are declared on a quarterly basis and are summarized in the table below (also see dividend restrictions in Note 14 of the consolidated financial statements).

|                | 2009     |          | Dividends<br>declared<br>per share | 2008     |          | Dividends<br>declared<br>per share |
|----------------|----------|----------|------------------------------------|----------|----------|------------------------------------|
|                | High     | Low      |                                    | High     | Low      |                                    |
| First quarter  | \$ 19.80 | \$ 16.93 | \$ 0.240                           | \$ 21.78 | \$ 17.87 | \$ 0.230                           |
| Second quarter | 22.77    | 18.32    | 0.245                              | 23.27    | 20.05    | 0.235                              |
| Third quarter  | 24.00    | 20.79    | 0.245                              | 24.50    | 21.25    | 0.235                              |
| Fourth quarter | 25.30    | 23.05    | 0.300                              | 21.00    | 17.25    | 0.290                              |

The Company has paid dividends since April 30, 1984, the effective date of our formation as a bank holding company. The Company's Board of Directors intends to continue the dividend payment policy; however, future dividends necessarily depend upon earnings, financial condition, appropriate legal restrictions and other factors in existence at the time the Board of Directors considers a dividend policy. Cash available for dividend distributions to stockholders of the Company comes from dividends paid to the Company by the Bank. Therefore, restrictions on the ability of the Bank to make dividend payments are directly applicable to the Company. See "Note 14 – Regulatory Matters" to the consolidated financial statements.

Under the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988, the Company may pay dividends only if, after payment, the Company would be able to pay debts as they become due in the usual course of our business and total assets will be greater than the sum of total liabilities. The Federal Reserve Board has issued a policy statement regarding the payment of dividends by bank holding companies. In general, the Federal Reserve Board's policies provide that dividends should be paid only out of current earnings and only if the prospective rate of earnings retention by the bank holding company appears consistent with the organization's capital needs, asset quality, and overall financial condition. The Federal Reserve Board's policies also require that a bank holding company serve as a source of financial strength to its subsidiary banks by standing ready to use available resources to provide adequate capital funds to those banks during periods of financial stress or adversity and by maintaining the financial flexibility and capital-raising capacity to obtain additional resources for assisting its subsidiary banks where necessary. Furthermore, the Federal Reserve Board has authority to prohibit a bank holding company from paying a capital distribution where a subsidiary bank is undercapitalized. These regulatory policies could affect the ability of the Company to pay dividends or otherwise engage in capital distributions.

The Company distributed a 1% stock dividend on July 31, 2009 to all shareholders of record as of July 17, 2009.

As of February 9, 2010, the Company had approximately 1,528 stockholders of record. The computation of stockholders of record excludes individual participants in securities positions listings. The following table presents information regarding the Company's stock repurchases during the three months ended December 31, 2009:



| Period                | Total Number of Shares (or units Purchased) | Average Price Paid per Share (or Unit) | Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans of Programs | Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares (or Units) that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (1) (2) |
|-----------------------|---|--|---|---|
| 10/1/09 to 10/31/09   | -   | -                                      | -   | 54,505  |
| 11/1/09 to 11/30/09 - | -   | -                                      | -   | 54,505  |
| 12/1/09 to 12/31/09   | 3,780                                       | \$25.09                                | 3,780   | 50,725  |
| Total                 | 3,780                                       | \$25.09                                | 3,780   | 50,725  |

- (1) On January 7, 2006, the Company announced that the Board of Directors authorized the Company to repurchase up to 140,000 shares. The repurchases will be conducted through open-market purchases or privately negotiated transactions and will be made from time to time depending on market conditions and other factors. No time limit was placed on the duration of the share repurchase program. Any repurchased shares will be held as treasury stock and will be available for general corporate purposes.
- (2) On November 17, 2009, the Board of Directors authorized a Voluntary Shareholder Buy-Back Program under which shareholders owning less than 100 shares of the Company could voluntarily sell their shares to the Company at a purchase price of \$26.00 per share. The program expired on February 4, 2010. Under this program, 343 shares were purchased during the 4th quarter of 2009

## ITEM 6 - SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA.

The following table sets forth certain financial data as of and for each of the years in the five year period ended December 31, 2009:

| (in thousands, except share data)  | 2009       | 2008       | 2007       | 2006       | 2005       |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Interest income  | \$ 38,615  | \$ 37,238  | \$ 36,024  | \$ 32,851  | \$ 28,699  |
| Interest expense   | 13,231     | 14,058     | 16,922     | 14,953     | 11,000     |
| Net interest income  | 25,384     | 23,180     | 19,102     | 17,898     | 17,699     |
| Provision for loan losses  | 925        | 330        | 365        | 330        | 60         |
| Net interest income after provision  |            |            |            |            |            |
| for loan losses  | 24,459     | 22,850     | 18,737     | 17,568     | 17,639     |
| Non-interest income  | 5,708      | 5,245      | 5,114      | 4,712      | 4,688      |
| Investment securities gains (losses), net  | 139        | (4,089)    | (29)       | 4          | -          |
| Non-interest expenses  | 17,759     | 15,877     | 15,314     | 15,027     | 15,387     |
| Income before provision for income taxes   | 12,547     | 8,129      | 8,508      | 7,257      | 6,940      |
| Provision for income taxes   | 2,683      | 1,224      | 1,772      | 1,457      | 1,666      |
| Net income   | \$ 9,864   | \$ 6,905   | \$ 6,736   | \$ 5,800   | \$ 5,274   |
| Return on Assets (net income to average total assets)  | 1.42%      | 1.13%      | 1.16%      | 1.05%      | 1.04%      |
| Return on Equity (net income to average total equity)  | 17.65%     | 13.51%     | 14.38%     | 13.21%     | 12.63%     |
| Dividend Payout Ratio (dividends declared divided by net income)                                     | 29.92%     | 40.77%     | 37.86%     | 42.10%     | 44.28%     |
| Equity to Asset Ratio (average equity to average total assets, excluding other comprehensive income) | 8.02%      | 8.33%      | 8.10%      | 7.98%      | 8.20%      |
| Per share data:  |            |            |            |            |            |
| Net income (1)   | \$ 3.43    | \$ 2.40    | \$ 2.33    | \$ 1.98    | \$ 1.78    |
| Cash dividends (1)   | 1.03       | 0.98       | 0.89       | 0.83       | 0.79       |
| Book value (1) (2)   | 20.71      | 18.34      | 16.96      | 15.58      | 14.57      |
| Total investments  | \$ 198,582 | \$ 174,139 | \$ 120,802 | \$ 109,743 | \$ 102,602 |
| Loans, net (3)   | 451,496    | 428,436    | 419,182    | 410,897    | 379,139    |
| Total assets (3)   | 729,477    | 668,612    | 591,029    | 572,168    | 529,241    |
| Total deposits (3)   | 605,559    | 546,680    | 456,028    | 446,515    | 429,799    |
| Stockholders' equity   | 61,527     | 52,770     | 48,528     | 43,500     | 41,561     |

(1) Amounts were adjusted to reflect stock dividends.

(2) Calculation excludes accumulated other comprehensive income and unrecognized pension cost.

(3) Amounts in 2005 reflect the branch acquisition in the fourth quarter of 2005. Amounts in 2008 reflect the branch acquisition in the fourth quarter of 2008.



ITEM 7 – MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATION.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT

Forward-looking statements may prove inaccurate. We have made forward-looking statements in this document, and in documents that we incorporate by reference, that are subject to risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements include information concerning possible or assumed future results of operations of the Company, the Bank, First Citizens Insurance Agency, Inc. or the Company on a consolidated basis. When we use words such as “believes,” “expects,” “anticipates,” or similar expressions, we are making forward-looking statements. For a variety of reasons, actual results could differ materially from those contained in or implied by forward-looking statements:

- Interest rates could change more rapidly or more significantly than we expect.
- The economy could change significantly in an unexpected way, which would cause the demand for new loans and the ability of borrowers to repay outstanding loans to change in ways that our models do not anticipate.
- The stock and bond markets could suffer a significant disruption, which may have a negative effect on our financial condition and that of our borrowers, and on our ability to raise money by issuing new securities.
- It could take us longer than we anticipate implementing strategic initiatives designed to increase revenues or manage expenses, or we may be unable to implement those initiatives at all.
- Acquisitions and dispositions of assets could affect us in ways that management has not anticipated.
- We may become subject to new legal obligations or the resolution of litigation may have a negative effect on our financial condition.
  - We may become subject to new and unanticipated accounting, tax, or regulatory practices or requirements.
- We could experience greater loan delinquencies than anticipated, adversely affecting our earnings and financial condition. We could also experience greater losses than expected due to the ever increasing volume of information theft and fraudulent scams impacting our customers and the banking industry.
- We could lose the services of some or all of our key personnel, which would negatively impact our business because of their business development skills, financial expertise, lending experience, technical expertise and market area knowledge.

Except as required by applicable law and regulation, we assume no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements after the date on which they are made.

INTRODUCTION

The following is management’s discussion and analysis of the significant changes in financial condition, the results of operations, capital resources and liquidity presented in its accompanying consolidated financial statements for the Company. Our Company’s consolidated financial condition and results of operations consist almost entirely of the Bank’s financial condition and results of operations. Management’s discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes. Except as noted, tabular information is presented in thousands of dollars.

Our Company currently engages in the general business of banking throughout our service area of Potter, Tioga and Bradford counties in North Central Pennsylvania and Allegany, Steuben, Chemung and Tioga counties in Southern New York. We maintain our central office in Mansfield, Pennsylvania. Presently we operate 18 banking facilities, 17 of which operate as bank branches. In Pennsylvania, these offices are located in Mansfield, Blossburg, Ulysses, Genesee, Wellsboro, Troy, Sayre, Canton, Gillett, Millerton, LeRaysville, Towanda, the Wellsboro Weis Market store and the Mansfield Wal-Mart Super Center. In New York, our office is in Wellsville.

On November 21, 2008, the Bank acquired the Mansfield, Pennsylvania branch of the Elmira Savings Bank, ESB. The acquisition provided the Bank with approximately 40% of the deposit market share in Tioga County (see Note 18 to the consolidated financial statements).

Risk identification and management are essential elements for the successful management of the Company. In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to various types of risk, including interest rate, credit, liquidity and regulatory risk.

Interest rate risk is the sensitivity of net interest income and the market value of financial instruments to the direction and frequency of changes in interest rates. Interest rate risk results from various re-pricing frequencies and the maturity structure of the financial instruments owned by the Company. The Company uses its asset/liability and funds management policies to control and manage interest rate risk.

Credit risk represents the possibility that a customer may not perform in accordance with contractual terms. Credit risk results from loans with customers and the purchasing of securities. The Company's primary credit risk is in the loan portfolio. The Company manages credit risk by adhering to an established credit policy and through a disciplined evaluation of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses. Also, the investment policy limits the amount of credit risk that may be taken in the investment portfolio.

Liquidity risk represents the inability to generate or otherwise obtain funds at reasonable rates to satisfy commitments to borrowers and obligations to depositors. The Company has established guidelines within its asset/liability and funds management policy to manage liquidity risk. These guidelines include, among other things, contingent funding alternatives.

Reputational risk, or the risk to our business, earnings, liquidity, and capital from negative public opinion, could result from our actual or alleged conduct in a variety of areas, including legal and regulatory compliance, lending practices, corporate governance, litigation, ethical issues, or inadequate protection of customer information. We expend significant resources to comply with regulatory requirements. Failure to comply could result in reputational harm or significant legal or remedial costs. Damage to our reputation could adversely affect our ability to retain and attract new customers, and adversely impact our earnings and liquidity.

Regulatory risk represents the possibility that a change in law, regulations or regulatory policy may have a material effect on the business of the Company and its subsidiary. We can not predict what legislation might be enacted or what regulations might be adopted, or if adopted, the effect thereof on our operations. We can not anticipate additional requirements or additional compliance efforts regarding the Bank Secrecy Act or USA Patriot Act, or regulatory burdens regarding the ever increasing information theft and fraudulent activities impacting our customers and the banking industry in general.

Readers should carefully review the risk factors described in other documents our Company files with the SEC, including the annual reports on Form 10-K, the quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and any current reports on Form 8-K filed by us.

#### TRUST AND INVESTMENT SERVICES

Our Investment and Trust Services Division is committed to helping our customers meet their financial goals. The Trust Division offers professional trust administration, investment management services, estate planning and administration, custody of securities and individual retirement accounts. Assets held by the Bank in a fiduciary or agency capacity for its customers are not included in the consolidated financial statements since such items are not assets of the Bank. As of December 31, 2009, non-deposit investment products under management totaled \$46.2 million. Additionally, as summarized in the table below, the Trust Department had assets under management as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 of \$85.9 million and \$74.3 million, respectively. The increase is primarily due to an increase in the fair value of plan assets given the overall market increase in equity securities and mutual funds during 2009.

| (market values - in thousands) | 2009             | 2008             |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>INVESTMENTS:</b>            |                  |                  |
| Bonds                          | \$ 21,007        | \$ 20,842        |
| Stock                          | 18,754           | 14,771           |
| Savings and Money              |                  |                  |
| Market Funds                   | 10,396           | 10,068           |
| Mutual Funds                   | 34,001           | 26,614           |
| Mortgages                      | 836              | 1,070            |
| Real Estate                    | 931              | 978              |
| Miscellaneous                  | 8                | 1                |
| Cash                           | -                | 3                |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                   | <b>\$ 85,933</b> | <b>\$ 74,347</b> |
| <b>ACCOUNTS:</b>               |                  |                  |
| Trusts                         | 27,478           | 24,345           |
| Guardianships                  | 552              | 857              |
| Employee Benefits              | 31,781           | 26,722           |
| Investment Management          | 25,678           | 21,995           |
| Custodial                      | 444              | 428              |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                   | <b>\$ 85,933</b> | <b>\$ 74,347</b> |

Our Financial Consultants offer full service brokerage services throughout the Bank's market area. Appointments can be made at any Bank branch. The Financial Consultants provide financial planning and help our customers achieve their financial goals with their choice of mutual funds, annuities, health and life insurance. These products are made available through our insurance subsidiary, First Citizens Insurance Agency, Inc.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net income for the twelve months ended December 31, 2009 was \$9,864,000, which represents an increase of \$2,959,000, or 42.9%, when compared to the 2008 related period. Net income for the twelve months ended December 31, 2008 totaled \$6,905,000, an increase of \$169,000 from the 2007 related period. Earnings per share were \$3.43, \$2.40 and \$2.33 for the years ended 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

The following table sets forth certain performance ratios of our Company for the periods indicated:

|  | 2009   | 2008   | 2007   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Return on Assets (net income to average total assets)  | 1.42%  | 1.13%  | 1.16%  |
| Return on Equity (net income to average total equity)  | 17.65% | 13.51% | 14.38% |
| Dividend Payout Ratio (dividends declared divided by net income)                                     | 29.92% | 40.77% | 37.86% |
| Equity to Asset Ratio (average equity to average total assets, excluding other comprehensive income) | 8.02%  | 8.33%  | 8.10%  |

Net income is influenced by five key components: net interest income, provision for loan losses, non-interest income, non-interest expenses, and the provision for income taxes.

#### Net Interest Income

The most significant source of revenue is net interest income; the amount of interest earned on interest-earning assets exceeding interest incurred on interest-bearing liabilities. Factors that influence net interest income are changes in volume of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities as well as changes in the associated interest rates.

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

The following table sets forth our Company's average balances of, and the interest earned or incurred on, each principal category of assets, liabilities and stockholders' equity, the related rates, net interest income and rate "spread" created (dollars in thousands):

| Analysis of Average Balances and Interest Rates (1) |                        |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
|   | 2009                   |                     |                 | 2008                      |                     |                 | 2007                      |                     |                 |
|   | Average<br>Balance (1) | Average<br>Interest | Average<br>Rate | Average<br>Balance<br>(1) | Average<br>Interest | Average<br>Rate | Average<br>Balance<br>(1) | Average<br>Interest | Average<br>Rate |
| (dollars in<br>thousands)                           | \$                     | \$                  | %               | \$                        | \$                  | %               | \$                        | \$                  | %               |
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                       |                        |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |
| Short-term investments:                             |                        |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |
| Interest-bearing deposits at banks                  | 21,496                 | 43                  | 0.20            | 7,118                     | 57                  | 0.80            | 102                       | 5                   | 5.10            |
| Total short-term investments                        | 21,496                 | 43                  | 0.20            | 7,118                     | 57                  | 0.80            | 102                       | 5                   | 5.10            |
| Investment securities:                              |                        |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |
| Taxable   | 131,620                | 6,072               | 4.61            | 99,872                    | 5,013               | 5.02            | 95,417                    | 4,702               | 4.93            |
| Tax-exempt (3)                                      | 51,588                 | 3,325               | 6.45            | 36,016                    | 2,235               | 6.21            | 24,173                    | 1,451               | 6.00            |
| Total investment securities                         | 183,208                | 9,397               | 5.13            | 135,888                   | 7,248               | 5.33            | 119,590                   | 6,153               | 5.14            |
| Loans:  |                        |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |
| Residential mortgage loans                          | 203,526                | 14,743              | 7.24            | 211,958                   | 15,726              | 7.42            | 211,171                   | 15,640              | 7.41            |
| Commercial & agricultural loans                     | 182,326                | 12,606              | 6.91            | 156,873                   | 11,872              | 7.57            | 147,921                   | 11,740              | 7.94            |
| Loans to state & political subdivisions             | 46,415                 | 2,844               | 6.13            | 47,766                    | 2,998               | 6.28            | 45,259                    | 2,751               | 6.08            |
| Other loans   | 11,484                 | 1,020               | 8.88            | 11,849                    | 1,079               | 9.11            | 12,426                    | 1,150               | 9.25            |
| Loans, net of discount (2)(3)(4)                    | 443,751                | 31,213              | 7.03            | 428,446                   | 31,675              | 7.39            | 416,777                   | 31,281              | 7.51            |
| Total interest-earning assets                       | 648,455                | 40,653              | 6.27            | 571,452                   | 38,980              | 6.82            | 536,469                   | 37,439              | 6.98            |
| Cash and due from banks                             | 9,315                  |                     |                 | 9,548                     |                     |                 | 9,299                     |                     |                 |
| Bank premises and equipment                         | 11,876                 |                     |                 | 12,390                    |                     |                 | 12,773                    |                     |                 |
| Other assets  | 27,408                 |                     |                 | 19,756                    |                     |                 | 18,832                    |                     |                 |
| Total non-interest earning assets                   | 48,599                 |                     |                 | 41,694                    |                     |                 | 40,904                    |                     |                 |
| Total assets  | 697,054                |                     |                 | 613,146                   |                     |                 | 577,373                   |                     |                 |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>         |                        |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |
| Interest-bearing liabilities:                       |                        |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |                           |                     |                 |
| NOW accounts  | 123,225                | 971                 | 0.79            | 106,694                   | 1,314               | 1.23            | 95,098                    | 2,026               | 2.13            |
| Savings accounts                                    | 46,457                 | 147                 | 0.32            | 41,494                    | 153                 | 0.37            | 38,443                    | 137                 | 0.36            |

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

|  |         |        |       |         |        |       |         |        |       |
|--|---------|--------|-------|---------|--------|-------|---------|--------|-------|
| Money market accounts  | 42,186  | 337    | 0.80  | 45,073  | 828    | 1.84  | 50,189  | 1,787  | 3.56  |
| Certificates of deposit  | 305,777 | 9,767  | 3.19  | 242,751 | 9,197  | 3.79  | 225,590 | 9,413  | 4.17  |
| Total interest-bearing deposits  | 517,645 | 11,222 | 2.17  | 436,012 | 11,492 | 2.64  | 409,320 | 13,363 | 3.26  |
| Other borrowed funds   | 58,133  | 2,009  | 3.46  | 64,858  | 2,566  | 3.96  | 66,525  | 3,559  | 5.35  |
| Total interest-bearing liabilities                                     | 575,778 | 13,231 | 2.30  | 500,870 | 14,058 | 2.81  | 475,845 | 16,922 | 3.56  |
| Demand deposits  | 56,628  |        |       | 54,438  |        |       | 48,981  |        |       |
| Other liabilities  | 8,754   |        |       | 6,735   |        |       | 6,783   |        |       |
| Total non-interest-bearing liabilities                                 | 65,382  |        |       | 61,173  |        |       | 55,764  |        |       |
| Stockholders' equity   | 55,894  |        |       | 51,103  |        |       | 45,764  |        |       |
| Total liabilities & stockholders' equity                               | 697,054 |        |       | 613,146 |        |       | 577,373 |        |       |
| Net interest income  |         | 27,422 |       |         | 24,922 |       |         | 20,517 |       |
| Net interest spread (5)  |         |        | 3.97% |         |        | 4.01% |         |        | 3.42% |
| Net interest income as a percentage of average interest-earning assets |         |        | 4.23% |         |        | 4.36% |         |        | 3.82% |
| Ratio of interest-earning assets to interest-bearing liabilities       |         |        | 1.13  |         |        | 1.14  |         |        | 1.13  |

(1) Averages are based on daily averages.

(2) Includes loan origination and commitment fees.

(3) Tax exempt interest revenue is shown on a tax equivalent basis for proper comparison using a statutory federal income tax rate of 34%.

(4) Income on non-accrual loans is accounted for on a cash basis, and the loan balances are included in interest-earning assets.

(5) Interest rate spread represents the difference between the average rate earned on interest-earning assets and the average rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities.

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

Tax exempt interest revenue is shown on a tax-equivalent basis for proper comparison using a statutory, federal income tax rate of 34%. For purposes of the comparison, as well as the discussion that follows, this presentation facilitates performance comparisons between taxable and tax-free assets by increasing the tax-free income by an amount equivalent to the Federal income taxes that would have been paid if this income were taxable at the Company's 34% Federal statutory rate. Accordingly, tax equivalent adjustments for investments and loans have been made accordingly to the previous table for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively:

|   | 2009     | 2008     | 2007     |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Interest and dividend income                      |          |          |          |
| from investment securities (non-tax adjusted)     | \$ 8,310 | \$ 6,528 | \$ 5,626 |
| Tax equivalent adjustment                         | 1,130    | 777      | 532      |
| Interest and dividend income                      |          |          |          |
| from investment securities (tax equivalent basis) | \$ 9,440 | \$ 7,305 | \$ 6,158 |

|   | 2009      | 2008      | 2007      |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Interest and fees on loans (non-tax adjusted)     | \$ 30,305 | \$ 30,710 | \$ 30,398 |
| Tax equivalent adjustment                         | 908       | 965       | 883       |
| Interest and fees on loans (tax equivalent basis) | \$ 31,213 | \$ 31,675 | \$ 31,281 |

|  | 2009      | 2008      | 2007      |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Total interest income                      | \$ 38,615 | \$ 37,238 | \$ 36,024 |
| Total interest expense                     | 13,231    | 14,058    | 16,922    |
| Net interest income                        | 25,384    | 23,180    | 19,102    |
| Total tax equivalent adjustment            | 2,038     | 1,742     | 1,415     |
| Net interest income (tax equivalent basis) | \$ 27,422 | \$ 24,922 | \$ 20,517 |

The following table shows the tax-equivalent effect of changes in volume and rates on interest income and expense (in thousands):





## Analysis of Changes in Net Interest Income on a Tax-Equivalent Basis (1)

|  | 2009 vs. 2008 (1)   |                   |                 | 2008 vs. 2007 (1)   |                   |                 |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
|  | Change in<br>Volume | Change<br>in Rate | Total<br>Change | Change in<br>Volume | Change<br>in Rate | Total<br>Change |
| <b>Interest Income:</b>                    |                     |                   |                 |                     |                   |                 |
| <b>Short-term investments:</b>             |                     |                   |                 |                     |                   |                 |
| Interest-bearing<br>deposits at banks      | \$ (22)             | \$ 8              | \$ (14)         | \$ 53               | \$ (1)            | \$ 52           |
| <b>Investment securities:</b>              |                     |                   |                 |                     |                   |                 |
| Taxable                                    | 1,421               | (362)             | 1,059           | 223                 | 88                | 311             |
| Tax-exempt                                 | 1,001               | 89                | 1,090           | 733                 | 51                | 784             |
| Total investment<br>securities             | 2,422               | (273)             | 2,149           | 956                 | 139               | 1,095           |
| Total investment<br>income                 | 2,400               | (265)             | 2,135           | 1,009               | 138               | 1,147           |
| <b>Loans:</b>                              |                     |                   |                 |                     |                   |                 |
| Residential mortgage<br>loans              | (617)               | (366)             | (983)           | 58                  | 28                | 86              |
| Commercial &<br>agricultural loans         | 1,571               | (837)             | 734             | 568                 | (436)             | 132             |
| Loans to state &<br>political subdivisions | (84)                | (70)              | (154)           | 155                 | 92                | 247             |
| Other loans                                | (32)                | (27)              | (59)            | (53)                | (18)              | (71)            |
| Total loans, net of<br>discount            | 838                 | (1,300)           | (462)           | 728                 | (334)             | 394             |
| Total Interest Income                      | 3,238               | (1,565)           | 1,673           | 1,737               | (196)             | 1,541           |
| <b>Interest Expense:</b>                   |                     |                   |                 |                     |                   |                 |
| <b>Interest-bearing<br/>deposits:</b>      |                     |                   |                 |                     |                   |                 |
| NOW accounts                               | 258                 | (601)             | (343)           | 289                 | (1,001)           | (712)           |
| Savings accounts                           | 33                  | (39)              | (6)             | 11                  | 5                 | 16              |
| Money Market<br>accounts                   | (50)                | (441)             | (491)           | (167)               | (792)             | (959)           |
| Certificates of deposit                    | 1,440               | (870)             | 570             | 1,029               | (1,245)           | (216)           |
| Total interest-bearing<br>deposits         | 1,681               | (1,951)           | (270)           | 1,162               | (3,033)           | (1,871)         |
| Other borrowed funds                       | (251)               | (306)             | (557)           | (87)                | (906)             | (993)           |
| Total interest expense                     | 1,430               | (2,257)           | (827)           | 1,075               | (3,939)           | (2,864)         |
| Net interest income                        | \$ 1,808            | \$ 692            | \$ 2,500        | \$ 662              | \$ 3,743          | \$ 4,405        |

(1) The portion of total change attributable to both volume and rate changes, which cannot be separated, has been allocated proportionally to the change due to volume and the change due to rate prior to allocation.

## 2009 vs. 2008

Tax equivalent net interest income for 2009 was \$27,422,000 compared with \$24,922,000 for 2008, an increase of \$2,500,000 or 10.0%. The increased volume of interest earning assets of \$77.0 million generated an increase in interest income of \$3,238,000. The average rate on interest earning assets decreased from 6.82% in 2008 to 6.27% in

2009, which had the effect of decreasing interest income by \$1,565,000.

Total tax equivalent interest income from investment securities increased \$2,149,000 in 2009 from 2008. The average balance of investment securities increased \$47.3 million, which had an effect of increasing interest income by \$2,422,000 due to volume. The average balance of taxable securities increased \$31.7 million while tax-exempt securities increased by \$15.6 million, which had the effect of increasing interest income by \$1,421,000 and \$1,001,000, respectively. The average tax-effected yield on our investment portfolio decreased from 5.33% in 2008 to 5.13% in 2009. This had the effect of decreasing interest income by \$273,000 due to rate. The Company's strategy in 2009 was to invest available funds primarily in shorter, one-time callable agencies that offer higher coupon rates and are likely to be called as well as two to four year agency bullet structures. During 2009, we purchased \$64.1 million of U.S. agency obligations. While this strategy resulted in a decrease in the overall yield on our investments, it was implemented to stabilize the effective duration and average life of the portfolio in an upward rate environment and to take advantage of the steepness in the yield curve. The shorter term investments, while having lower yields, will provide sufficient cash flows that will permit reinvestment opportunities as market conditions improve. As a means to balance this strategy, we also purchased \$18.5 million of 15 to 20 year municipal bonds in order to obtain higher yields.

17

---

Loan income decreased \$462,000 in 2009 from 2008. The average balance of our loan portfolio increased by \$15.3 million in 2009 compared to 2008 resulting in an increase in interest income of \$838,000 due to volume. Offsetting this was a decrease in yield on total loans from 7.39% in 2008 to 7.03% in 2009 resulting in a decrease in interest income of \$1,300,000 due to rate.

Interest income on residential mortgage loans decreased \$983,000, of which \$617,000 was due to volume and \$366,000 was due to rate. The average balance decreased \$8.4 million due to the economic recession, higher unemployment rates and other negative economic factors that resulted in lower loan demand for non-conforming residential mortgages and home equity lines. With this said, the Company continues to strive to be the top mortgage lender within our service area by providing competitive products and exemplary service to our customers. During 2009, conforming loans totaling \$21,716,000 were closed and sold due to the historically low residential mortgage rates offered during 2009. The average balance of commercial and agricultural loans increased \$25.5 million from 2008 to 2009 primarily due to our emphasis to grow this segment of the loan portfolio. This had the positive impact of \$1,571,000 on total interest income due to volume. Offsetting this, the average yield on commercial and agricultural loans decreased from 7.57% in 2008 to 6.91% in 2009, decreasing interest income by \$837,000 due to rate. The decreasing yield was the result of competitive pressures to obtain and retain quality credits in the current economic environment.

Total interest expense decreased \$827,000 in 2009 compared to 2008. The decrease is primarily attributable to change in rate from 2.81% in 2008 to 2.30% in 2009, which had the effect of decreasing interest expense by \$2,257,000. The actions of the Federal Reserve and current economic downturn had the effect of decreasing our short-term borrowing costs as well as rates on deposit products, including shorter-term certificates of deposit and rate sensitive NOW and money market accounts. The average balance of interest bearing liabilities increased \$74.9 million from 2008 to 2009. This had the effect of increasing interest expense by \$1,430,000 due to volume.

The average balance of certificates of deposit increased \$63.0 million causing an increase in interest expense of \$1,440,000. Offsetting the increase in average balance was a decrease in the rate on certificates of deposit from 3.79% to 3.19% resulting in a decrease in interest expense of \$870,000. The average balance of NOW accounts also increased \$16.5 million accounting for an increase of \$258,000 in interest expense. The change in rate from 123 basis points to 79 basis points, contributed to an offset in interest expense of \$601,000 resulting in an overall decrease of \$343,000. The average balance of Money Market accounts decreased \$2.9 million accounting for a decrease of \$50,000 in interest expense. The change in rate from 184 basis points to 80 basis points also contributed to an offset in interest expense of \$441,000 resulting in an overall decrease of \$491,000. The average balance of borrowed funds decreased by \$6.7 million, resulting in a decrease in interest expense of \$251,000. The average interest rate paid on borrowed funds also decreased by 50 basis points accounting for a decrease in interest expense of \$306,000 due to rate.

Our net interest spread for 2009 was 3.97% compared to 4.01% in 2008. The current economic situation has resulted in a relatively steep yield curve. Should short-term and/or long-term interest rates move in such a way that results in a flattened or inverted yield curve, we would anticipate pressure on our margin.

#### 2008 vs. 2007

Tax equivalent net interest income for 2008 was \$24,922,000 compared with \$20,517,000 for 2007, an increase of \$4,405,000 or 21.5%. The increased volume of interest earning assets of \$35.0 million generated an increase in interest income of \$1,737,000. The average rate on interest earning assets decreased from 6.98% in 2007 to 6.82% in 2008, which had the effect of decreasing interest income by \$196,000.

Total tax equivalent interest income from investment securities increased \$1,095,000 in 2008 from 2007. The average balance of investment securities increased \$16.3 million, which had an effect of increasing interest income by \$956,000 due to volume. Of this amount, \$733,000 was from income on tax-exempt investment securities, where the

average balance increased \$11.8 million from 2007. The average tax-effected yield on our investment portfolio increased from 5.14% in 2007 to 5.33% in 2008. This had the effect of increasing interest income by \$139,000 due to rate. The Company's strategy in 2008 was to increase the size and duration of our investment portfolio, given the opportunity that general market conditions provided, which resulted in an increase in the overall yield on our investments.

Loan income increased \$394,000 in 2008 from 2007. The average balance of our loan portfolio increased by \$11.7 million in 2008 compared to 2007 resulting in an increase in interest income of \$728,000 due to volume. Offsetting this was a decrease in yield on total loans from 7.51% in 2007 to 7.39% in 2008 resulting in a decrease in interest income of \$334,000 due to rate.

Interest income on residential mortgage loans increased only \$86,000. The average balance increased only \$787,000 as issues facing the economy, financial markets and unemployment rates significantly impacted loan demand.

18

---

## Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

During 2008, the Federal Reserve decreased the federal funds rate by 425 basis points. This decrease as well as competitive pressures impacted loan yields, particularly yields on commercial and agricultural loans. The average yield on commercial and agricultural loans decreased from 7.94% in 2007 to 7.57% in 2008, decreasing interest income by \$436,000 due to rate. The average balance of commercial and agricultural loans increased \$9.0 million, increasing interest income \$568,000 due to volume.

Total interest expense decreased \$2,864,000 in 2008 compared to 2007. The average balance of interest bearing liabilities increased \$25.0 million from 2007 to 2008. This had the effect of increasing interest expense by \$1,075,000 due to volume. The average rate paid on interest bearing liabilities decreased from 3.56% to 2.81% due to decreasing interest rates. This resulted in a \$3,939,000 decrease in interest expense due to rate. Balances most affected were those that were indexed to a specific market rate.

As noted above, the federal funds rate decreased 425 basis points during 2008. This had an impact on the rates paid on short term deposits, top tier money market and NOW accounts, and on short term borrowing rates particularly from the Federal Home Loan Bank. The Company's liabilities, including borrowings and deposits, are shorter in nature and are more sensitive to short-term changes in interest rates. Our ability to decrease rates paid on short term liabilities faster than the average rates earned on interest earning assets resulted in an improvement in our net interest spread. Our net interest spread for 2008 was 4.01% compared to 3.42% in 2007.

### PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES

For the year ended December 31, 2009, we recorded a provision for loan losses of \$925,000, which represents an increase of \$595,000 over the same time period in 2008. This is the result of current economic conditions and an increase in non-performing loans as of December 31, 2009, which have impacted management's quarterly review of the allowance for loan losses (see also "Financial Condition – Allowance for Loan Losses and Credit Quality Risk").

### NON-INTEREST INCOME

The following table reflects non-interest income by major category for the periods ended December 31 (dollars in thousands):

|   | 2009            | 2008            | 2007            |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Service charges                           | \$ 3,612        | \$ 3,489        | \$ 3,210        |
| Trust                                     | 521             | 561             | 520             |
| Brokerage and insurance                   | 284             | 240             | 132             |
| Investment securities gains (losses), net | 139             | (4,089)         | (29)            |
| Gains on loans sold                       | 430             | 84              | 134             |
| Earnings on bank owned life insurance     | 492             | 362             | 331             |
| Other                                     | 369             | 509             | 787             |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>\$ 5,847</b> | <b>\$ 1,156</b> | <b>\$ 5,085</b> |

|        | 2009/2008 |        | 2008/2007 |  |
|--------|-----------|--------|-----------|--|
|        | Change    |        | Change    |  |
| Amount | %         | Amount | %         |  |

|  |    |       |        |    |         |        |
|--|----|-------|--------|----|---------|--------|
| Service charges                            | \$ | 123   | 3.5    | \$ | 279     | 8.7    |
| Trust                                      |    | (40)  | (7.1)  |    | 41      | 7.9    |
| Brokerage and insurance                    |    | 44    | 18.3   |    | 108     | 81.8   |
| Investment securities gains, (losses), net |    | 4,228 | -      |    | (4,060) | -      |
| Gains on loans sold                        |    | 346   | 411.9  |    | (50)    | (37.3) |
| Earnings on bank owned life insurance      |    | 130   | 35.9   |    | 31      | 9.4    |
| Other                                      |    | (140) | (27.5) |    | (278)   | (35.3) |
| Total                                      | \$ | 4,691 | 405.8  | \$ | (3,929) | (77.3) |

## 2009 vs. 2008

Non-interest income increased \$4,691,000 in 2009 from 2008, or 405.8%. We recorded investment securities gains totaling \$139,000 compared with a \$4,089,000 loss in 2008. In the third quarter of 2008, we recorded a non-recurring \$2,336,000 million other than temporary impairment charge related to our investment in Freddie Mac preferred stock and a \$1,796,000 other than temporary impairment charge on a Lehman Brothers corporate bond. The Lehman Brothers corporate bond was subsequently sold in the fourth quarter of 2008. During 2009, we elected to sell an agency bond that was likely to be called, several higher coupon mortgage-backed securities that were prepaying very quickly, and two corporate bonds for total gains of \$253,000. These gains were offset by losses incurred on the sales of three municipal securities and the sale of certain bank equity securities totaling \$60,000. Additionally, we recorded an additional \$54,000 other than temporary impairment charge on our Freddie Mac preferred stock.

Service charge income increased by \$123,000 in 2009 compared to 2008 and continues to be the Company's primary source of non-interest income. Service charge fees related to customers' usage of their debit cards increased by \$87,000, statement service charges increased by \$9,000 and fees charges to customers for non-sufficient funds increased by \$27,000. Management is currently evaluating regulatory changes, specifically to Regulation E, regarding fees charged to customers for non-sufficient funds, which could impact the level of fees that the Company realizes.

Gains on loans sold increased \$346,000 compared to last year, which is the result of the amount of refinancing due to favorable rates in the secondary markets during the economic downturn. Earnings on bank owned life insurance (BOLI) increased from \$362,000 in 2008 to \$492,000 in 2009. In the fourth quarter of 2008, we invested an additional \$3.4 million based upon an analysis of new employees and updated future employee benefit costs, resulting in additional BOLI income. Brokerage and insurance revenue increased by \$44,000 in 2009, as we continue to increase the principal amounts invested through us by our customers. Trust income decreased by \$40,000 in 2009 due to the economy's downturn and the affect it has had on the values of trust assets under management for the first half of 2009. Other income decreased \$140,000 primarily due to a decrease in rental income from other real estate owned properties as well a decrease in the gain from the sale of these properties in 2009 compared with last year.

## 2008 vs. 2007

Non-interest income decreased \$3,929,000 in 2008 from 2007, or 77.3%. Most notable, we recorded investment security losses totaling \$4,089,000 compared with a \$29,000 loss in 2007, which was due to the non-recurring, other than temporary impairment charges recorded in the third quarter of 2008 totaling \$4.1 million.

Service charge income increased by \$279,000 in 2008 compared to 2007. Service charge fees charged to customers for non-sufficient funds increased by \$162,000. Additionally, we increased ATM and related check card fee income by \$113,000 compared to last year as the Company continued to promote efforts to increase usage of debit cards by retail customers.

Brokerage and insurance revenue increased by \$108,000 in 2008, while trust revenues increased 7.9% to \$561,000 during 2008. Gains on sales of foreclosed properties decreased by \$315,000 in 2008 compared to 2007 primarily due to a pre-tax gain of \$381,000 recognized on a large commercial property that was sold in the second quarter of 2007.

## Non-interest Expenses

The following tables reflect the breakdown of non-interest expense and professional fees for the periods ended December 31 (dollars in thousands):

|                       | 2009     | 2008     | 2007     |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Salaries and employee | \$ 9,472 | \$ 8,725 | \$ 8,386 |



|                                |           |           |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| benefits                       |           |           |           |
| Occupancy                      | 1,179     | 1,162     | 1,151     |
| Furniture and<br>equipment     | 437       | 479       | 539       |
| Professional<br>fees           | 660       | 625       | 645       |
| Amortization<br>of intangibles | 160       | 145       | 144       |
| FDIC<br>insurance              | 1,200     | 156       | 54        |
| ORE<br>expenses                | 447       | 224       | 103       |
| Other                          | 4,204     | 4,361     | 4,292     |
| Total                          | \$ 17,759 | \$ 15,877 | \$ 15,314 |

20

---

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

|                                | 2009/2008       |   | 2008/2007        |             |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|-------------|
|                                | Amount          | % | Change<br>Amount | Change<br>% |
| Salaries and employee benefits | \$ 747          |   | 8.6 \$           | 4.0         |
| Occupancy                      | 17              |   | 1.5              | 1.0         |
| Furniture and equipment        | (42)            |   | (8.8)            | (11.1)      |
| Professional fees              | 35              |   | 5.6              | (3.1)       |
| Amortization of intangibles    | 15              |   | 10.3             | 0.7         |
| FDIC insurance                 | 1,044           |   | 669.2            | 188.9       |
| ORE expenses                   | 223             |   | 99.6             | 117.5       |
| Other                          | (157)           |   | (3.6)            | 1.6         |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>\$ 1,882</b> |   | <b>11.9 \$</b>   | <b>3.7</b>  |

|                         | 2009          | 2008          | 2007          |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Other professional fees | \$ 299        | \$ 316        | \$ 367        |
| Legal fees              | 129           | 129           | 111           |
| Examinations and audits | 232           | 180           | 167           |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>\$ 660</b> | <b>\$ 625</b> | <b>\$ 645</b> |

|                         | 2009/2008        |            | 2008/2007        |              |
|-------------------------|------------------|------------|------------------|--------------|
|                         | Change<br>Amount | %          | Change<br>Amount | %            |
| Other professional fees | \$ (17)          | (5.4)      | \$ (51)          | (13.9)       |
| Legal fees              | -                | -          | 18               | 16.2         |
| Examinations and audits | 52               | 28.9       | 13               | 7.8          |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>\$ 35</b>     | <b>5.6</b> | <b>\$ (20)</b>   | <b>(3.1)</b> |

2009 vs. 2008

Non-interest expenses for 2009 totaled \$17,759,000 which represents an increase of \$1,882,000, or 11.9%, compared with 2008 costs of \$15,877,000. Much of the increase is attributable to salary and benefit costs which increased

\$747,000. Base salaries and related payroll taxes increased \$262,000, primarily due to merit increases. Full time equivalent staffing was 169 employees for 2009 and 2008. Incentive costs increased \$165,000 compared to 2008 primarily due to the attainment of certain corporate goals and objectives. Insurance costs for employees increased by \$101,000 attributable to a significant increase in insurance premiums. Pension expense increased by \$229,000 compared to 2008, mostly attributable to a significant decline in the market value of plan assets during 2008 and the impact it had on the actuarial calculation of pension costs for 2009.

FDIC Insurance increased \$1,044,000 in 2009 primarily due to an increase in our FDIC deposit insurance assessments and a five basis point special assessment based on assets as of June 30, 2009, which was related to the continued failing of many banks across the country. The impact of the special assessment was approximately \$330,000. Also, in 2008 we recognized approximately \$209,000 in credits as a result of the Federal Deposit Insurance Reform Act of 2005. Credits related to this legislation were fully utilized by the end of 2008 with no remaining credits available for 2009. In lieu of imposing an additional special assessment, the FDIC required all institutions to prepay their assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009 and all of 2010, 2011 and 2012. These prepayments will be recognized as a charge to operations over the applicable three year period. Due to the uncertainty involving many financial institutions insured by the FDIC Insurance, the Company cannot predict whether the prepayment made in December 2009 will be enough to cover its future obligations through 2012 or whether an additional assessment will be required.

Expenses related with other real estate owned properties increased \$223,000 from 2008 to 2009. This increase is the result of a general increase in non-performing assets, with a significant component related to a customer with properties in New York State that have significant real estate taxes associated with them.

Furniture and equipment expenses decreased \$42,000 mainly due to a reduction in depreciation expense from assets that became fully depreciated during the year.

Exams and audits expenses increased by \$52,000 due to general increases and \$18,000 of costs incurred related to our audit of internal controls for Sarbanes Oxley. Although the audit requirement was delayed later in 2009 until 2010, audit fees and related expenses were already incurred.

#### 2008 vs. 2007

Non-interest expenses for 2008 totaled \$15,877,000 which represented an increase of \$563,000, or 3.7%, compared with 2007 costs of \$15,314,000. Much of the increase was attributable to salary and benefit costs increasing \$339,000. Base salaries and related payroll taxes increased \$191,000 primarily due to merit increases. The year to date full time equivalent staffing was 169 employees for 2008 compared to 170 employees for 2007. Incentive costs increased \$249,000 compared to 2007 primarily due to the attainment of certain corporate goals and objectives, as well as the implementation of a supplemental employee retirement plan for key management. Insurance costs for employees increased by \$70,000 attributable to a significant increase in insurance premiums. Pension expense decreased by \$187,000 compared to 2007. Effective January 1, 2008, the Company modified its defined benefit pension plan resulting in a reduction in expense.

Other expenses increased \$292,000 over 2007 mainly due to branch acquisition costs, an increase in the FDIC assessment and operational charge offs.

Furniture and equipment expenses decreased \$60,000 mainly due to a reduction in depreciation expense from assets that became fully depreciated during the year.

#### Provision For Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes was \$2,683,000 during 2009, \$1,224,000 during 2008 and \$1,772,000 for the 2007 related periods. The effective tax rates for 2009, 2008 and 2007 were 21.4% 15.1% and 20.8%, respectively. The tax rate for 2008 was impacted by the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, which permitted the write-down of the Freddie Mac preferred stock to be treated as an ordinary loss, allowing a tax benefit of approximately \$1,000,000.

Income before the provision for income taxes increased by \$4,418,000 in 2009 compared to 2008, while the provision for income taxes increased by \$1,459,000 when compared to 2008, the majority of which is attributable to the tax treatment of the Freddie Mac preferred stock discussed above. We have managed our effective tax rate by remaining invested in tax-exempt municipal loans and bonds. As such, the provision was impacted in 2009 by an increase in tax exempt bond and loan revenue.

We are also involved in three limited partnership agreements that established low-income housing projects in our market area. For tax purposes, we have recognized \$845,000 out of a total \$913,000 in tax credits from one project, \$308,000 out of a total \$385,000 in tax credits on the second project and \$172,000 out of a total of \$574,000 tax credits on the third project. \$547,000 in tax credits remain and will be taken over the next seven years.

#### FINANCIAL CONDITION

The following table presents ending balances (dollars in millions), growth and the percentage change during the past two years:

|              | 2009     |          | %      | 2008     |          | %      | 2007     |
|--------------|----------|----------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|
|              | Balance  | Increase | Change | Balance  | Increase | Change | Balance  |
| Total assets | \$ 729.5 | \$ 60.9  | 9.1    | \$ 668.6 | \$ 77.6  | 13.1   | \$ 591.0 |

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

|                                  |       |      |      |       |      |      |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|------|------|-------|------|------|-------|
| Total loans,<br>net              | 451.5 | 23.1 | 5.4  | 428.4 | 9.2  | 2.2  | 419.2 |
| Total<br>investments             | 198.6 | 24.5 | 14.1 | 174.1 | 53.3 | 44.1 | 120.8 |
| Total<br>deposits                | 605.6 | 58.9 | 10.8 | 546.7 | 90.7 | 19.9 | 456.0 |
| Total<br>stockholders'<br>equity | 61.5  | 8.7  | 16.5 | 52.8  | 4.3  | 8.9  | 48.5  |

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents totaled \$31.4 million at December 31, 2009 compared with \$19.9 million at December 31, 2008. The increase in cash and cash equivalents is the result of the Company's deposit growth and cash flows from the investment portfolio, as discussed in more detail below. Management actively measures and evaluates its liquidity through our Asset – Liability committee and believes its liquidity needs are satisfied by the current balance of cash and cash equivalents, readily available access to traditional funding sources, Federal Home Loan Bank financing, federal funds lines with correspondent banks, brokered certificates of deposit and the portion of the investment and loan portfolios that mature within one year. Management expects that these sources of funds will permit us to meet cash obligations and off-balance sheet commitments as they come due.

## Investments

### 2009

The Company's investment portfolio increased by \$24,443,000, or 14.1%, during the past year. During 2009, we purchased approximately \$61.4 million U.S. agency obligations, \$7.4 million of mortgage-backed securities, \$18.5 million of state and local obligations and \$125,000 of equity securities, which help offset the \$29.0 million of principal repayments and \$25.1 million of calls and maturities that occurred during the year. We also selectively sold \$10.7 million of bonds and equities at a net gain of \$193,000. We also recorded an additional \$54,000 other than temporary impairment charge on our Freddie Mac preferred stock. The market value of our investment portfolio increased approximately \$2.2 million in 2009 due to market fluctuations. Significant market recoveries were seen in our mortgage backed securities, state and local obligations and our corporate bonds. Excluding our short term investments consisting of monies held primarily at the Federal Reserve, the effective yield on our investment portfolio for 2009 was 5.13% compared to 5.33% for 2008 on a tax equivalent basis.

As mentioned above and seen in the table below, due to the economic downturn and the lowering of interest rates, we have experienced significant prepayments of our mortgage backed securities of \$29.0 million and calls on our agency bonds of \$25.1 million. Due to the amount of cash flow from the investment portfolio as well as an increase in deposits and a lack of opportunities in other investment types, our strategy has been to reinvest funds mainly in short-term agency bonds via purchases of \$61.4 million and longer-term municipal bond purchases of \$18.5 million. We believe this strategy will enable us to reinvest cash flows in the next one to four years with improved investment opportunities.

### 2008

The Company's investment portfolio increased \$53,337,000, or 44.1%, during 2008. During 2008, we purchased approximately \$42.1 million of mortgage-backed securities, \$12.7 million of U.S. agency obligations, and \$15.4 million of municipal bonds. Offsetting the purchases were \$11.5 million of principal repayments and \$3.5 million in maturities that occurred during 2008. Due to unusually wide credit spreads to treasuries, significant market opportunity existed to grow our investment portfolio during the latter half of 2008. In doing so, the effective yield on our portfolio for 2008 improved to 5.33% compared to 5.14% for 2007 on a tax equivalent basis. The market value of our investment portfolio increased approximately \$2.4 million in 2008 due to a decrease in interest rates and the realization of loss due to the Freddie Mac write-down and the sale of the Lehman Brothers corporate bond.

The following table shows the year-end composition of the investment portfolio for the five years ended December 31 (dollars in thousands):

| 2009   | % of  | 2008   | % of  | 2007   | % of  | 2006   | % of  | 2005   | % of  |
|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| Amount | Total | Amount | Total | Amount | Total | Amount | Total | Amount | Total |

Available-for-sale:

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

|   |    |         |       |    |         |       |    |         |       |    |         |       |    |         |       |
|---|----|---------|-------|----|---------|-------|----|---------|-------|----|---------|-------|----|---------|-------|
| U. S. Agency securities                       | \$ | 65,223  | 32.8  | \$ | 28,942  | 16.6  | \$ | 17,236  | 14.3  | \$ | 16,651  | 15.2  | \$ | 12,754  | 12.5  |
| Obligations of state & political subdivisions |    | 59,574  | 30.0  |    | 44,132  | 25.3  |    | 30,844  | 25.4  |    | 22,562  | 20.5  |    | 22,612  | 22.0  |
| Corporate obligations                         |    | 3,166   | 1.6   |    | 5,296   | 3.0   |    | 7,813   | 6.5   |    | 7,997   | 7.3   |    | 8,627   | 8.4   |
| Mortgage-backed securities                    |    | 70,194  | 35.3  |    | 95,407  | 54.8  |    | 62,642  | 51.9  |    | 59,875  | 54.6  |    | 55,852  | 54.4  |
| Equity securities                             |    | 425     | 0.3   |    | 362     | 0.2   |    | 2,267   | 1.9   |    | 2,658   | 2.4   |    | 2,757   | 2.7   |
| Total   | \$ | 198,582 | 100.0 | \$ | 174,139 | 100.0 | \$ | 120,802 | 100.0 | \$ | 109,743 | 100.0 | \$ | 102,602 | 100.0 |

23

---

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

The expected principal repayments (amortized cost) and average weighted yields for the investment portfolio as of December 31, 2009, are shown below (dollars in thousands). Expected principal repayments, which include prepayment speed assumptions for mortgage-backed securities, are significantly different than the contractual maturities detailed in Note 3 of the consolidated financial statements. Yields on tax-exempt securities are presented on a fully taxable equivalent basis, assuming a 34% tax rate.

|   | One Year or Less  |            | After One Year<br>to Five years |            | After Five Years<br>to Ten Years |            | After Ten Years   |            | Total             |            |
|---|-------------------|------------|---------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
|   | Amortized<br>Cost | Yield<br>% | Amortized<br>Cost               | Yield<br>% | Amortized<br>Cost                | Yield<br>% | Amortized<br>Cost | Yield<br>% | Amortized<br>Cost | Yield<br>% |
| Available-for-sale securities:                |                   |            |                                 |            |                                  |            |                   |            |                   |            |
| U.S. Agency securities                        | \$ 26,221         | 3.0        | \$ 36,916                       | 2.8        | \$ 1,446                         | 5.5        | \$ -              | -          | \$ 64,583         | 2.9        |
| Obligations of state & political subdivisions | 4,456             | 6.3        | 23,393                          | 6.2        | 30,163                           | 6.5        | 639               | 6.4        | 58,651            | 6.4        |
| Corporate obligations                         | -                 | -          | -                               | -          | 2,998                            | 5.6        | -                 | -          | 2,998             | 5.6        |
| Mortgage-backed securities                    | 20,420            | 4.3        | 42,316                          | 5.1        | 4,290                            | 5.6        | -                 | -          | 67,026            | 4.9        |
| Total available-for-sale                      | \$ 51,097         | 3.8        | \$ 102,625                      | 4.5        | \$ 38,897                        | 6.3        | \$ 639            | 6.4        | \$ 193,258        | 4.7        |

Approximately 79.5% of the amortized cost of debt securities is expected to mature, call or pre-pay within five years or less. Our Company expects that earnings from operations, the high liquidity level of the available-for-sale securities, growth of deposits and the availability of borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank and other third party banks will be sufficient to meet future liquidity needs. There are no securities from a single issuer representing more than 10% of stockholders' equity.

#### Loans

The Bank's lending efforts are focused within its market area located in North Central Pennsylvania and Southern New York. We originate loans primarily through direct loans to our existing customer base, with new customers generated by referrals from real estate brokers, building contractors, attorneys, accountants and existing customers. The Bank offers a variety of loans although historically most of our lending has focused on real estate loans including residential, commercial, agricultural, and construction loans. As of December 31, 2009, approximately 77% of our loan portfolio consisted of real estate loans. All lending is governed by a lending policy that is developed and maintained by us and approved by the Board of Directors.

Residential mortgage loans generally are written for terms of up to 25 years at a fixed rate or one, three, and five year adjustable rate mortgages. Loan to value ratios are usually 80% or less with exceptions for individuals with excellent credit and low debt to income and/or high net worth. Adjustable rate mortgages are tied to a margin above the Comparable Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh borrowing rate. Home equity loans are written with terms of up to 15 years at fixed rates. Home equity lines of credit are variable rate loans tied to the Prime Rate generally with a ten year draw period followed by a ten year repayment period. Home equity loans are typically written with a maximum 80% loan to value.

Commercial real estate loan terms are generally 20 years or less with one to five year adjustable rates. The adjustable rates are tied to a margin above the Comparable Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh borrowing rate with a maximum loan to value ratio of 80%. Where feasible, the Bank works with the United States Department of



Agriculture's (USDA) guaranteed loan program to offset risk and to further promote economic growth is our market area. During 2009, we originated \$6.4 million in USDA guaranteed commercial real estate loans.

Agriculture, and particularly dairy farming, is an important industry in our market area. Therefore the Bank has developed an agriculture lending team with significant experience that has a thorough understanding of this industry. Agricultural loans focus on character, cash flow and collateral, while also taking into account the particular risks of the industry. Loan terms are generally 20 years or less with one to five year adjustable rates. The adjustable rates are tied to a margin above the Comparable Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh borrowing rate with a maximum loan to value of 80%. The Bank is a preferred lender under the USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) and participates in the FSA guaranteed loan program.

24

---

The Bank, as part of its commitment to the communities it serves, is an active lender for projects by our local municipalities and school districts. These loans range from short term bridge financing to 20 year term loans for specific projects. These loans are typically written at rates that adjust at least every five years.

#### 2009

Total loans grew \$23.6 million in 2009 from a balance of \$432.8 million at the end of 2008 to \$456.4 million at the end of 2009. Total loans grew 5.4% in 2009 compared with a 2.2% loan growth rate in 2008.

Commercial real estate loans increased \$26.2 million in 2009 or 24.3% while commercial and other loans increased \$6.1 million, or 16.2%. Agricultural loans increased \$2.4 million in 2009 or 14.2%. The growth in commercial real estate, agricultural real estate and other commercial loans, despite the recession, reflects the Company's focus on commercial lending as a means to increase loan growth and obtain deposits from farmers and small businesses throughout our market area. We believe we have a strong team of experienced professionals that enable us to meet the needs of these customers within our service area. Commercial loan demand is subject to significant competitive pressures, the yield curve and the strength of the overall local, regional and national economy.

Residential real estate loans decreased \$4.1 million, while construction loans decreased \$5.5 million or 49.5%. There has been a decrease in loan demand for residential real estate, construction and consumer loans due to several economic factors. Recessionary pressures, higher unemployment, and a depressed housing market have had a negative impact on nonconforming, residential real estate mortgage and home equity loan growth. Conversely, loan demand for conforming mortgages, which the Company sells on the secondary market, has increased dramatically. We have sold \$21.7 million of loans in the secondary market compared to \$4.5 million in 2008, an increase of \$17.2 million. Residential mortgage lending is a principal business activity and our Company continues to offer a variety of competitively priced conforming, nonconforming and home equity mortgages that positions us a leading mortgage lender in our service area.

#### 2008

Total loans grew \$9.4 million, or 2.2%, in 2008 from a balance of \$423.4 million at the end of 2007 to \$432.8 million at the end of 2008. Commercial real estate loans increased \$7.4 million in 2008 or 7.3% while commercial and other loans increased \$3.3 million, or 9.5%. State and political subdivision loans also increased by \$3.0 million, or 6.6%.

Residential real estate loans decreased \$2.7 million primarily due to the lack of loan demand in the residential real estate market. Additionally, consumer loans decreased by \$1.4 million, or 10.9%. The economic recession which began during 2008, included increasing unemployment rates, a softening economy, tightened credit standards, low consumer confidence, and depressed financial markets all of which had a negative impact on our loan growth. Residential real estate loans totaled \$199.1 million and comprised 46.0% of the loan portfolio as of December 31, 2008 compared to 47.7% as of December 31, 2007. During 2008, \$4.4 million in conforming mortgage loans were originated and sold in the secondary market through Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, providing nearly \$52,000 of income in origination fees and premiums on loans sold.

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

Five Year Breakdown of Loans by Type as of December 31,

| (dollars in thousands)   | 2009       |       | 2008       |       | 2007       |       | 2006       |       | 2005       |       |
|--|------------|-------|------------|-------|------------|-------|------------|-------|------------|-------|
|  | Amount     | %     | Amount     | %     | Amount     | %     | Amount     | %     | Amount     | %     |
| Real estate:   |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |
| Residential  | \$ 194,989 | 42.7  | \$ 199,118 | 46.0  | \$ 201,861 | 47.7  | \$ 206,059 | 49.7  | \$ 195,628 | 51.1  |
| Commercial   | 133,953    | 29.4  | 107,740    | 24.9  | 100,380    | 23.7  | 94,122     | 22.7  | 82,128     | 21.5  |
| Agricultural   | 19,485     | 4.3   | 17,066     | 3.9   | 16,891     | 4.0   | 17,054     | 4.1   | 12,991     | 3.4   |
| Construction   | 5,619      | 1.2   | 11,118     | 2.6   | 11,330     | 2.7   | 7,027      | 1.7   | 7,245      | 1.9   |
| Loans to individuals for household, family and other purchases |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |
|  | 11,895     | 2.6   | 11,651     | 2.7   | 13,082     | 3.1   | 12,482     | 3.0   | 13,017     | 3.4   |
| Commercial and other loans                                     |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |
|  | 44,101     | 9.7   | 37,968     | 8.8   | 34,664     | 8.2   | 32,766     | 7.9   | 29,260     | 7.6   |
| State & political subdivision loans                            |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |
|  | 46,342     | 10.1  | 48,153     | 11.1  | 45,171     | 10.6  | 45,263     | 10.9  | 42,534     | 11.1  |
| Total loans  | 456,384    | 100.0 | 432,814    | 100.0 | 423,379    | 100.0 | 414,773    | 100.0 | 382,803    | 100.0 |
| Less allowance for loan losses                                 |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |            |       |
|  | 4,888      |       | 4,378      |       | 4,197      |       | 3,876      |       | 3,664      |       |
| Net loans  | \$ 451,496 |       | \$ 428,436 |       | \$ 419,182 |       | \$ 410,897 |       | \$ 379,139 |       |

|  | 2009/2008        |        | 2008/2007        |        |
|--|------------------|--------|------------------|--------|
|  | Change<br>Amount | %      | Change<br>Amount | %      |
| Real estate:   |                  |        |                  |        |
| Residential  | \$ (4,129)       | (2.1)  | \$ (2,743)       | (1.4)  |
| Commercial   | 26,213           | 24.3   | 7,360            | 7.3    |
| Agricultural   | 2,419            | 14.2   | 175              | 1.0    |
| Construction   | (5,499)          | (49.5) | (212)            | (1.9)  |
| Loans to individuals for household, family and other purchases |                  |        |                  |        |
|  | 244              | 2.1    | (1,431)          | (10.9) |
| Commercial and other loans                                     |                  |        |                  |        |
|  | 6,133            | 16.2   | 3,304            | 9.5    |
| State & political subdivision loans                            |                  |        |                  |        |
|  | (1,811)          | (3.8)  | 2,982            | 6.6    |
| Total loans  | \$ 23,570        | 5.4    | \$ 9,435         | 2.2    |

The following table shows the maturity of state and political subdivision loans, commercial and agricultural loans and commercial loans secured by real estate as of December 31, 2009, classified according to the sensitivity to changes in interest rates within various time intervals (in thousands). The table does not include any estimate of prepayments which significantly shorten the average life of all loans and may cause our actual repayment experience to differ from that shown below. Demand loans having no stated schedule of repayments and no stated maturity are reported as due in one year or less. The amounts shown below exclude net deferred loan costs or fees.

|  | Commercial,<br>municipal,<br>agricultural | Real estate<br>construction | Total      |
|--|---|-----------------------------|------------|
| Maturity of<br>loans:                  |   |                             |            |
| One year or less                       | \$ 8,869                                  | \$ -                        | \$ 8,869   |
| Over one year<br>through five<br>years | 32,860                                    | 305                         | 33,165     |
| Over five years                        | 202,152                                   | 5,314                       | 207,466    |
| Total                                  | \$ 243,881                                | \$ 5,619                    | \$ 249,500 |

Sensitivity of  
loans to changes  
in interest

rates - loans  
due after  
December 31,  
2010:

|  |            |          |            |
|--|------------|----------|------------|
| Predetermined<br>interest rate             | \$ 35,886  | \$ 985   | \$ 36,871  |
| Floating or<br>adjustable<br>interest rate | 199,126    | 4,634    | 203,760    |
| Total                                      | \$ 235,012 | \$ 5,619 | \$ 240,631 |

## Allowance For Loan Losses and Credit Quality Risk

The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level, which in management's judgment is adequate to absorb probable future loan losses inherent in the loan portfolio. The provision for loan losses is charged against current income. Loans deemed not collectable are charged-off against the allowance while subsequent recoveries increase the allowance. The following table presents an analysis of the change in the allowance for loan losses for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005:

|  | 2009     | 2008     | December 31,<br>2007 | 2006     | 2005     |
|--|----------|----------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance<br>at beginning of<br>period                                       | \$ 4,378 | \$ 4,197 | \$ 3,876             | \$ 3,664 | \$ 3,919 |
| Charge-offs:   |          |          |                      |          |          |
| Real estate:   |          |          |                      |          |          |
| Residential  | 76       | 31       | 64                   | 37       | 43       |
| Commercial   | 236      | 36       | 6                    | 86       | 61       |
| Agricultural   | 1        | 20       | -                    | -        | -        |
| Loans to<br>individuals for<br>household,<br>family and<br>other purchases | 80       | 44       | 103                  | 103      | 168      |
| Commercial and<br>other loans  | 153      | 115      | 13                   | 64       | 100      |

## Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

|  |            |            |            |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Total loans charged-off  | 546        | 246        | 186        | 290        | 372        |
| Recoveries:  |            |            |            |            |            |
| Real estate:   |            |            |            |            |            |
| Residential  | 1          | 6          | 2          | 6          | 2          |
| Commercial   | 1          | -          | 79         | 115        | 3          |
| Agricultural   | -          | 20         | -          | -          | -          |
| Loans to individuals for household, family and other purchases | 52         | 19         | 52         | 39         | 12         |
| Commercial and other loans                                     | 77         | 52         | 9          | 12         | 40         |
| Total loans recovered  | 131        | 97         | 142        | 172        | 57         |
| Net loans charged-off  | 415        | 149        | 44         | 118        | 315        |
| Provision charged to expense                                   | 925        | 330        | 365        | 330        | 60         |
| Balance at end of year   | \$ 4,888   | \$ 4,378   | \$ 4,197   | \$ 3,876   | \$ 3,664   |
| Loans outstanding at end of period                             | \$ 456,384 | \$ 432,814 | \$ 423,379 | \$ 414,773 | \$ 382,803 |
| Average loans outstanding, net                                 | \$ 442,921 | \$ 423,382 | \$ 411,927 | \$ 400,507 | \$ 371,147 |
| Non-performing assets:   |            |            |            |            |            |
| Non-accruing loans   | \$ 5,871   | \$ 2,202   | \$ 1,915   | \$ 1,668   | \$ 1,898   |
| Accrual loans - 90 days or more past due                       | 884        | 383        | 275        | 1,690      | 337        |
| Total non-performing loans                                     | \$ 6,755   | \$ 2,585   | \$ 2,190   | \$ 3,358   | \$ 2,235   |
| Foreclosed assets held for sale                                | 302        | 591        | 203        | 758        | 619        |
| Total non-performing assets                                    | \$ 7,057   | \$ 3,176   | \$ 2,393   | \$ 4,116   | \$ 2,854   |
| Net charge-offs to average loans                               | 0.09%      | 0.04%      | 0.01%      | 0.03%      | 0.08%      |
| Allowance to total loans                                       | 1.07%      | 1.01%      | 0.99%      | 0.93%      | 0.96%      |
| Allowance to total non-performing loans                        | 72.36%     | 169.36%    | 191.64%    | 115.43%    | 163.94%    |

|   |       |       |       |       |       |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Non-performing loans as a percent of loans  |       |       |       |       |       |
| net of unearned income                      | 1.48% | 0.60% | 0.52% | 0.81% | 0.58% |
| Non-performing assets as a percent of loans |       |       |       |       |       |
| net of unearned income                      | 1.55% | 0.73% | 0.57% | 0.99% | 0.75% |

The Company utilizes a disciplined and thorough loan review process based upon our internal loan policy approved by the Company's Board of Directors. The purpose of the review is to assess loan quality, analyze delinquencies, identify problem loans, evaluate potential charge-offs and recoveries, and assess general overall economic conditions in the markets served. An external independent loan review is performed on our commercial portfolio semi-annually for the Company. As part of this review, our underwriting process and loan grading system is evaluated.

Management believes it uses the best information available to make such determinations and that the allowance for loan losses is adequate as of December 31, 2009. However, future adjustments could be required if circumstances differ substantially from assumptions and estimates used in making the initial determination. A prolonged downturn in the economy, continued high unemployment rates, significant changes in the value of collateral and delays in receiving financial information from borrowers could result in increased levels of non-performing assets, charge-offs, loan loss provisions and reduction in income. Additionally, bank regulatory agencies periodically examine the Bank's allowance for loan losses. The banking agencies could require the recognition of additions to the allowance for loan losses based upon their judgment of information available to them at the time of their examination.

On a monthly basis, problem loans are identified and updated primarily using internally prepared past due reports. Based on data surrounding the collection process of each identified loan, the loan may be added or deleted from the monthly watch list. The watch list includes loans graded special mention, substandard, doubtful, and loss, as well as additional loans that management may choose to include. Watch list loans are continually monitored going forward until satisfactory conditions exist that allow management to upgrade and remove the loan from the watchlist. In certain cases, loans may be placed on non-accrual status or charged-off based upon management's evaluation of the borrower's ability to pay. All commercial loans, which include commercial real estate, agricultural real estate, state and political subdivision loans and other commercial loans, on non-accrual are evaluated quarterly for impairment.

The adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is subject to a formal, quarterly analysis by management of the Company. In order to better analyze the risks associated with the loan portfolio, the entire portfolio is divided into several categories. As stated above, loans on non-accrual status are specifically reviewed for impairment and given a specific reserve, if appropriate. Loans evaluated and not found to be impaired are included with other performing loans, by category, by their respective homogenous pools. Five year average historical loss factors are calculated for each pool and applied to the performing portion of the loan category. The historical loss factors for both reviewed and homogeneous pools are adjusted based upon the following qualitative factors:

- Level of and trends in charge-offs and recoveries
- Trends in volume, terms and nature of the loan portfolio
- Effects of any changes in risk selection and underwriting standards and any other changes in lending and recovery policies, procedures and practices
  - Changes in the quality of the Company's loan review system
  - Experience, ability and depth of lending management and other relevant staff
  - National, state, regional and local economic trends and business conditions
- Industry conditions including the effects of external factors such as competition, legal, and regulatory requirements on the level of estimated credit losses.
  - Existence and effect of any credit concentrations, and changes in the level of such concentrations



Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

The balance in the allowance for loan losses was \$4,888,000 or 1.07% of total loans as of December 31, 2009 as compared to \$4,378,000 or 1.01% of loans as of December 31, 2008. The \$510,000 increase is a result of a \$925,000 provision for loan losses less net charge-offs of \$415,000. The following table shows the distribution of the allowance for loan losses and the percentage of loans compared to total loans by loan category (dollars in thousands) as of December 31:

|  | 2009     |       | 2008     |       | 2007     |       | 2006     |       | 2005     |       |
|--|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|
|  | Amount   | %     | Amount   | %     | Amount   | %     | Amount   | %     | Amount   | %     |
| Real estate loans:   |          |       |          |       |          |       |          |       |          |       |
| Residential  | \$ 801   | 42.7  | \$ 694   | 46.0  | \$ 599   | 47.7  | \$ 614   | 49.7  | \$ 493   | 51.1  |
| Commercial, agricultural                                       | 2,864    | 33.6  | 2,303    | 28.8  | 2,128    | 27.7  | 1,676    | 26.8  | 1,551    | 24.9  |
| Construction   | 20       | 1.2   | 5        | 2.6   | -        | 2.7   | -        | 1.7   | -        | 1.9   |
| Loans to individuals for household, family and other purchases | 131      | 2.6   | 449      | 2.7   | 424      | 3.1   | 734      | 3.0   | 542      | 3.4   |
| Commercial and other loans                                     | 918      | 9.7   | 807      | 8.8   | 736      | 8.2   | 582      | 7.9   | 484      | 7.6   |
| State & political subdivision loans                            | 93       | 10.1  | 19       | 11.1  | 22       | 10.6  | 22       | 10.9  | 21       | 11.1  |
| Unallocated  | 61       | N/A   | 101      | N/A   | 288      | N/A   | 248      | N/A   | 573      | N/A   |
| Total allowance for loan losses                                | \$ 4,888 | 100.0 | \$ 4,378 | 100.0 | \$ 4,197 | 100.0 | \$ 3,876 | 100.0 | \$ 3,664 | 100.0 |

The following table identifies amounts of loans contractually past due 30 to 90 days and non-performing loans by loan category, as well as the change from December 31, 2008 to December 31, 2009 in non-performing loans (dollars in thousands). Non-performing loans include those loans that are contractually past due 90 days or more and non-accrual loans. Interest does not accrue on non-accrual loans. Subsequent cash payments received are applied to the outstanding principal balance or recorded as interest income, depending upon management's assessment of its ultimate ability to collect principal and interest.

|                | December 31, 2009    |                  |             |                      | December 31, 2008    |                  |             |                      |
|----------------|----------------------|------------------|-------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|-------------|----------------------|
|                | Non-Performing Loans |                  |             |                      | Non-Performing Loans |                  |             |                      |
|                | 30 - 90 Days         | 90 Days Past Due | Non-accrual | Total Non-Performing | 30 - 90 Days         | 90 Days Past Due | Non-accrual | Total Non-Performing |
| (in thousands) | Past Due             | Due              | Accruing    |                      | Past Due             | Due              | Accruing    |                      |
| Real estate:   |                      |                  |             |                      |                      |                  |             |                      |
| Residential    | \$ 1,629             | \$ 75            | \$ 775      | \$ 850               | \$ 1,041             | \$ 267           | \$ 689      | \$ 977               |
| Commercial     | 1,558                | 635              | 1,863       | 2,498                | 819                  | 114              | 1,453       | 1,586                |
| Agricultural   | 75                   | -                | 2,094       | 2,094                | 240                  | -                | -           | 240                  |
| Construction   | -                    | -                | 749         | 749                  | -                    | -                | -           | -                    |

|  |          |        |          |          |          |        |          |          |
|--|----------|--------|----------|----------|----------|--------|----------|----------|
| Loans to individuals for household, family and other purchases | 88       | 10     | 36       | 46       | 129      | 2      | -        |          |
| Commercial and other loans                                     | 610      | 164    | 354      | 518      | 112      | -      | 60       |          |
| Total nonperforming loans                                      | \$ 3,960 | \$ 884 | \$ 5,871 | \$ 6,755 | \$ 2,341 | \$ 383 | \$ 2,202 | \$ 2,341 |

29

| (in thousands)  | Change in<br>Non-Performing Loans<br>December 31, 2009 / 2008 |         |
|---|---|---------|
|   | Amount  | %       |
| Real estate:  |   |         |
| Residential   | \$ (107)  | (11.2)  |
| Commercial  | 931   | 59.4    |
| Agricultural  | 2,094   | -       |
| Construction  | 749   | -       |
| Loans to individuals for<br>household,<br>family and<br>other purchases | 44  | 2,200.0 |
| Commercial<br>and other loans   | 458   | 763.3   |
| Total<br>nonperforming<br>loans   | \$ 4,169  | 161.2   |

For the year ended December 31, 2009 we recorded a provision for loan losses of \$925,000 which compares to \$330,000 for the same period in 2008, an increase of \$595,000 or 180.0%. The significant increase is attributable to current economic conditions, an increase in non-performing loans as of December 31, 2009 and an increased level of charge-offs compared with the prior year. Non-performing loans increased \$4.2 million, or 161.2%, from December 31, 2008 mainly due to the following:

- An agricultural customer with total loans of \$3.0 million, \$2.3 million of which is an agricultural real estate loan and \$700,000 is a related construction loan. The current economic struggles of dairy farmers, caused primarily from decreased milk prices, have created cash flow difficulties for this customer. While we are hopeful that increased milk prices would significantly improve cash flows for this borrower and return them to current status, there is no certainty that this will occur. Without a sizable and sustained increase in milk prices, we will need to rely upon the collateral for repayment of interest and principal. A real estate appraisal was completed in October, 2009, which together with a collateral analysis on equipment and livestock, resulted in an updated collateral value of approximately \$4.0 million. Based upon this analysis, management determined not to allocate a specific reserve to this loan.
- A real estate rental property with loans of \$700,000 was placed on non-accrual due to inadequate cash flows. This loan was evaluated and found to be impaired and was subsequently written down in the third quarter of 2009 by \$175,000, to the net realizable value.
- A commercial real estate property with a loan balance of \$500,000 was past due 90 days as of December 31, 2009. The downturn in the economy has impacted commercial development activity and has negatively affected the customer's cash flow.

We have not experienced the significant decrease in the collateral values of local residential, commercial or agricultural real estate loan portfolios as seen in other parts of the country during this current economic downturn. Real estate market values in our service area did not realize the significant, and sometimes speculative, increases as seen in other parts of the country prior to the current economic downturn. As such, the collateral value of our real estate loans has not significantly deteriorated with the downturn. In addition, our market area is predominately centered in the Marcellus Shale natural gas exploration and drilling area. These natural gas exploration and drilling activities have significantly impacted the overall interest in real estate in our market area due to the related lease and royalty revenues associated with it. The natural gas activities have had a positive impact on the value of local real estate. Due to the relatively stable or increasing collateral values in our service area, management

determined not to increase the provision for loan losses and allowance for loan losses at the same magnitude as the increase in non-performing loans.

#### Bank Owned Life Insurance

In 2008 and 2003 the Company purchased \$3.4 and \$7.0 million, respectively, of bank owned life insurance to offset future employee benefit costs. The Bank is the sole beneficiary on the policies, and will provide the Bank with an asset that will generate earnings to partially offset the current costs of benefits, and eventually (at the death of the insured's) provide partial recovery of cash outflows associated with the benefits. As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the cash surrender value of the life insurance was \$12.7 and \$12.2 million, respectively. The change in cash surrender value, net of purchases, is recognized in the results of operations. The amounts recorded as non-interest income totaled \$492,000, \$362,000 and \$331,000 in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The Company evaluates annually the risks associated with the life insurance policies, including limits on the amount of coverage and an evaluation of the various carriers' credit ratings.

30

---

## Other Assets

### 2009

Other assets increased 19.6% in 2009 to \$9.7 million. The majority of this increase is the result of increases in prepaid federal depository insurance and regulatory stock of \$2,814,000 and \$586,000, respectively, offset by a decrease in the deferred income tax asset of \$1,288,000. The increase in the prepaid federal depository insurance was the result of actions taken by the FDIC, which are described above. The increase in regulatory stock was due to purchases made to meet the requirements of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh (the "FHLB") and correspondent banks. The majority of the decrease in the deferred income tax asset was the result of the activity related to the change in unrealized gains on investments, goodwill amortization and the change in the pension obligation.

### 2008

Other assets decreased 6.2% in 2008 to \$8.1 million. The majority of this decrease is the result of a decrease in regulatory stock of \$1,438,000 offset by an increase in the deferred income tax asset of \$594,000. The decrease in regulatory stock was the result of a sale of stock in excess of the requirements of the FHLB. The majority of the increase in the deferred income tax asset was the result of the activity related to the change in unrealized gains on investments, goodwill amortization, change in the pension obligation and the allowance for losses on available for sale securities. .

## Deposits

### 2009

As can be seen in the tables below, total deposits increased \$58.9 million in 2009, or 10.8%. The increase in deposits is due to several reasons. Our market has been positively impacted from the Marcellus Shale oil and gas exploration activities and we have developed products specifically targeting those that have benefited from this activity. Furthermore, the overall turbulence and volatility of the financial markets on a national and local level has resulted in customers seeking stability with strong, local community banks. Furthermore, our financial performance, reputation as a strong, local community bank, acquisitions of local competitors from institutions outside of our general market area and the fact that the Company did not participate in the Troubled Asset Relief Program Capital Purchase Program has positioned the Company as a leading financial institution within our service area.

Non-interest bearing deposits increased \$4.5 million, or 8.1% in 2009. As a percent to total, non-interest bearing deposits totaled 9.9% as of the end of 2009, which compares to 10.2% at the end of 2008. In order to manage our overall cost of funds, the Company continues to focus on adding low cost deposits by having a free checking product available for retail customers. We are also one of the few banks within our market to pay interest on a senior checking product. Additionally, our business development officers and branch personnel are focused on providing outstanding customer service and developing larger deposit relationships with our commercial customers.

NOW accounts increased by \$20.8 million, or 18.0%, and savings deposits increased \$4.6 million, or 10.4%, since the end of 2008. The increase in NOW accounts is due to state and local governmental agencies and our ability to meet their financial needs. Additionally, the Company implemented a new interest bearing checking account that rewards the customer based upon the usage of their debit cards and participation in other electronic services in order to qualify for higher interest rates earned on their deposits. Certificates of deposit increased \$28.5 million, or 9.8% from 2008. The increase in certificates of deposit is primarily due to customers shifting balances from lower paying deposit accounts into CD's in order to increase their return. As mentioned, oil and gas exploration activities also has had a

significant impact on this segment as well, with approximately \$26 million specifically in our Opportunity CD product as of December 31, 2009.

31

---

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

Our deposit growth funded our growth in loans of \$23.6 million, and in investments of \$24.4 million, and enabled us to decrease our borrowed funds by \$7.1 million while providing us with liquidity in this challenging economy.

2008

Total deposits increased \$90.7 million in 2008, or 19.9%. The increase in deposits was due to several reasons. Products developed specifically for the oil and gas exploration activities and customers seeking stability from familiar local banks due to the turbulent and volatile financial markets accounted for significant growth. Also, on November 21, 2008, our Company gained approximately \$16.9 million in deposits from a local branch acquisition (see Note 19 to the consolidated financial statements).

Non-interest bearing deposits increased \$4.6 million, or 9.0% in 2008. As a percent to total, non-interest bearing deposits totaled 10.2% as of the end of 2008, which compared to 11.2% at the end of 2007.

NOW accounts increased by \$15.5 million, or 15.5%, and savings deposits increased \$6.5 million, or 17.0%, since the end of 2007. Most of the increase in NOW accounts was due to state and local governmental agencies as well as \$4.7 million coming from the aforementioned branch acquisition. Money market deposit accounts decreased by \$9.6 million in 2008, a decrease of 18.8%, due mostly to customers seeking higher deposit rates since the Federal Reserve's actions decreased short term rates significantly during 2008.

Our deposit growth funded our growth in loans of \$9.4 million, our growth in investments of \$53.3 million, and enabled us to decrease our borrowed funds by \$19.1 million.

The following table shows the breakdown of deposits by deposit type (dollars in thousands):

|                               | 2009       |       | 2008       |       | 2007       |       |
|-------------------------------|------------|-------|------------|-------|------------|-------|
|                               | Amount     | %     | Amount     | %     | Amount     | %     |
| Non-interest-bearing deposits | \$ 60,061  | 9.9   | \$ 55,545  | 10.2  | \$ 50,944  | 11.2  |
| NOW accounts                  | 136,153    | 22.5  | 115,338    | 21.1  | 99,862     | 21.9  |
| Savings deposits              | 49,049     | 8.1   | 44,447     | 8.1   | 37,996     | 8.3   |
| Money market deposit accounts | 42,210     | 7.0   | 41,752     | 7.6   | 51,398     | 11.3  |
| Certificates of deposit       | 318,086    | 52.5  | 289,598    | 53.0  | 215,828    | 47.3  |
| Total                         | \$ 605,559 | 100.0 | \$ 546,680 | 100.0 | \$ 456,028 | 100.0 |

2009/2008 & 2008/2007

|                               | Change   |      | Change   |        |
|-------------------------------|----------|------|----------|--------|
|                               | Amount   | %    | Amount   | %      |
| Non-interest-bearing deposits | \$ 4,516 | 8.1  | \$ 4,601 | 9.0    |
| NOW accounts                  | 20,815   | 18.0 | 15,476   | 15.5   |
| Savings deposits              | 4,602    | 10.4 | 6,451    | 17.0   |
| Money market deposit accounts | 458      | 1.1  | (9,646)  | (18.8) |
|                               | 28,488   | 9.8  | 73,770   | 34.2   |

Certificates of  
deposit

|       |    |        |      |    |        |      |
|-------|----|--------|------|----|--------|------|
| Total | \$ | 58,879 | 10.8 | \$ | 90,652 | 19.9 |
|-------|----|--------|------|----|--------|------|

Remaining maturities of certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more are as follows (dollars in thousands):

|   | 2009       | 2008      | 2007      |
|---|------------|-----------|-----------|
| 3 months or less                              | \$ 9,161   | \$ 7,152  | \$ 9,489  |
| Over 3 months through 6 months                | 14,914     | 13,706    | 9,628     |
| Over 6 months through 12 months               | 33,702     | 26,554    | 11,226    |
| Over 12 months                                | 62,775     | 50,297    | 27,794    |
| Total   | \$ 120,552 | \$ 97,709 | \$ 58,137 |
| As a percent of total certificates of deposit | 37.90%     | 33.74%    | 26.94%    |



Deposits by type of depositor are as follows (dollars in thousands):

|  | 2009       |       | 2008       |       | 2007       |       |
|--|------------|-------|------------|-------|------------|-------|
|  | Amount     | %     | Amount     | %     | Amount     | %     |
| Individual,<br>partnerships<br>&<br>corporations | \$ 517,503 | 85.5  | \$ 465,234 | 85.1  | \$ 382,968 | 84.0  |
| United<br>States<br>government                   | 907        | 0.1   | 2,069      | 0.4   | 752        | 0.1   |
| State &<br>political<br>subdivisions             | 87,149     | 14.4  | 79,377     | 14.5  | 72,308     | 15.9  |
| Total  | \$ 605,559 | 100.0 | \$ 546,680 | 100.0 | \$ 456,028 | 100.0 |

#### Borrowed Funds

##### 2009

Borrowed funds decreased \$7.1 million during 2009, a decrease of 11.6%. As of December 31, 2009 we had \$39.0 million of term loans with the Federal Home Loan Bank compared with \$46.0 million outstanding as of December 31, 2008 (see Note 10 of the consolidated financial statements for additional information). During 2009, \$17.0 million of term loans matured. We strategically replaced these funds with \$10.0 million of new term loans at various maturities as a means of reducing our cost of funds, given the lower interest rates that prevailed during 2009. The significant increase in our deposits continued to limit our need for short term borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank during 2009 as the outstanding balance on these arrangements was \$0 at December 31, 2009 and 2008.

##### 2008

Borrowed funds decreased \$19.1 million during 2008, a decrease of 23.8%. As of December 31, 2008 we had \$46.0 million of term loans with the Federal Home Loan Bank compared with \$51.7 million outstanding as of December 31, 2007. During 2008, \$36.7 million of term loans matured, which were replaced with \$31.0 million of new term loans at various maturities. The significant increase in our deposits also resulted in a reduction in short term borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank from \$13.9 million as of December 31, 2007 to \$0 at December 31, 2008.

#### Stockholders' Equity

We evaluate stockholders' equity in relation to total assets and the risk associated with those assets. The greater our capital resources, the greater the likelihood of meeting our cash obligations and absorbing unforeseen losses. For these reasons, capital adequacy has been, and will continue to be, of paramount importance.

Our Board of Directors determines our dividend rate after considering our capital requirements, current and projected net income, and other factors. In 2009 and 2008, the Company paid out 29.9% and 40.8% of net income in dividends, respectively.

For the year ended December 31, 2009, the total number of common shares outstanding was 2,871,816. For comparative purposes, outstanding shares for prior periods were adjusted for the July 2009 stock dividend in computing earnings and cash dividends per share as detailed in Note 1 of the consolidated financial statements. During 2009, we also purchased 13,575 shares of treasury stock at a weighted average cost of \$21.11 per

share. The Company awarded 7,526 shares of restricted stock to employees and 900 shares to the Board of Directors under equity incentive programs. The Company also awarded 1,530 shares of stock to employees as an incentive for 2009.

There are currently three federal regulatory measures of capital adequacy. The Company's ratios meet the regulatory standards for well capitalized for 2009 and 2008, as detailed in Note 14 of the consolidated financial statements.

#### 2009

Stockholders' equity increased 16.6% in 2009 to \$61.5 million. Excluding accumulated other comprehensive income, which is the after-tax effect of unrealized holding gains and losses on available-for-sale securities, additional pension obligation and unrealized loss on interest rate swap, stockholders' equity increased \$6.7 million, or 12.8%. This increase is due to net income of \$9,864,000, offset by cash dividends of \$2,951,000 and the purchase of treasury stock of \$286,000. All of the Company's investment securities are classified as available-for-sale, making this portion of the Company's balance sheet more sensitive to the changing market value of investments. Accumulated other comprehensive income increased \$1,435,000 from December 31, 2008 as result of market value fluctuations. Total equity was approximately 8.4% of total assets as of December 31, 2009, compared to 7.9% of total assets as of December 31, 2008.

2008

Stockholders' equity increased 8.7% in 2008 to \$52.8 million. Excluding accumulated other comprehensive income, stockholders' equity increased \$3.9 million, or 7.9%. This increase was due to net income of \$6,905,000, offset by cash dividends of \$2,815,000 and purchase of treasury stock of \$271,000. Total equity was approximately 7.9% of total assets as of December 31, 2008, compared to 8.2% of total assets as of December 31, 2007.

## LIQUIDITY

Liquidity is a measure of the Company's ability to efficiently meet normal cash flow requirements of both borrowers and depositors. Liquidity is needed to meet depositors' withdrawal demands, extend credit to meet borrowers' needs, provide funds for normal operating expenses and cash dividends, and fund future capital expenditures.

To maintain proper liquidity, we use funds management policies along with our investment and asset liability policies to assure we can meet our financial obligations to depositors, credit customers and stockholders. Management monitors liquidity by reviewing loan demand, investment opportunities, deposit pricing and the cost and availability of borrowing funds. The Company's historical activity in this area can be seen in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows from investing and financing activities.

Cash generated by operating activities, investing activities and financing activities influences liquidity management. The most important source of funds is the deposits that are primarily core deposits (deposits from customers with other relationships). Short-term debt from the Federal Home Loan Bank supplements the Company's availability of funds as well as a line of credit arrangement with corresponding bank. Other sources of short-term funds include brokered CDs and the sale of loans, if needed.

The Company's use of funds is shown in the investing activity section of the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows, where the net loan activity is detailed. Other significant uses of funds are capital expenditures, purchase of loans and acquisition premiums. Surplus funds are then invested in investment securities.

Capital expenditures in 2009 totaled \$1,566,000, which included:

- § Additional expenditures to complete the new branch building in Troy totaling \$769,000 and for furniture and equipment for the Troy branch office of \$190,000.
  - § New branch office in Wellsboro, which is in process, totaling \$312,000.
  - § Roof repairs and other building improvements for the Canton branch \$54,000
- § Upgrades and new equipment associated with data processing branch capture and security totaling \$112,000.

Capital expenditures in 2008 totaled \$1,132,000, which included:

- § New branch office in Troy which was in process, totaling \$674,000.
- § Land, building, and equipment associated with branch acquisition totaling \$296,000.
- § New equipment associated with merchant and branch capture totaling \$77,000.
- § Upgrades to data processing and security equipment totaling \$73,000.

These expenditures will allow us to support our growth over the next decade, create greater operating efficiency and provide the customer with higher quality banking services.

The Bank achieves additional liquidity primarily from temporary or short-term investments in the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, investments that mature in less than one year and expected principal repayments from mortgage backed securities. The Bank also has a maximum borrowing capacity at the Federal Home Loan Bank of approximately \$263 million, inclusive of any outstanding amounts, as an additional source of liquidity. The Bank also had a federal fund line with a third party provider in the amount of \$10,000,000 as of December 31, 2009, which is

unsecured. Subsequent to year end, a borrower in custody agreement was established with the Federal Reserve Board in the amount of \$13.6 million, which is collateralized by \$22.7 million of municipal loans maintained in the Bank's possession.

34

---

The Company is a separate legal entity from the Bank and must provide for its own liquidity. In addition to its operating expenses, the Company is responsible for paying any dividends declared to its shareholders. The Company also has repurchased shares of its common stock. The Company's primary source of income is dividends received from the Bank. The Bank may not, under the National Bank Act, declare a dividend without approval of the OCC, unless the dividend to be declared by the Bank's Board of Directors does not exceed the total of: (i) the Bank's net profits for the current year to date, plus (ii) its retained net profits for the preceding two current years, less any required transfers to surplus. In addition, the Bank can only pay dividends to the extent that its retained net profits (including the portion transferred to surplus) exceed its bad debts. The Federal Reserve Board, the OCC and the FDIC have formal and informal policies which provide that insured banks and bank holding companies should generally pay dividends only out of current operating earnings, with some exceptions. The Prompt Corrective Action Rules, described above, further limit the ability of banks to pay dividends, because banks which are not classified as well capitalized or adequately capitalized may not pay dividends and no dividend may be paid which would make the Bank undercapitalized after the dividend. At December 31, 2009, the Company had liquid assets of \$4.9 million.

Apart from those matters described above, management does not currently believe that there are any current trends, events or uncertainties that would have a material impact on capital.

#### INTEREST RATE AND MARKET RISK MANAGEMENT

The objective of interest rate sensitivity management is to maintain an appropriate balance between the stable growth of income and the risks associated with maximizing income through interest sensitivity imbalances and the market value risk of assets and liabilities.

Because of the nature of our operations, we are not subject to foreign currency exchange or commodity price risk and, since the Company has no trading portfolio, it is not subject to trading risk.

Currently, our Company has equity securities that represent only 0.2% of our investment portfolio, and therefore equity risk is not significant.

The primary factors that make assets interest-sensitive include adjustable-rate features on loans and investments, loan repayments, investment maturities and money market investments. The primary components of interest-sensitive liabilities include maturing certificates of deposit, IRA certificates of deposit, repurchase agreements and short-term borrowings. Savings deposits, NOW accounts and money market investor accounts are considered core deposits and are not short-term interest sensitive (except for the top-tier money market investor and NOW accounts which are paid current market interest rates).

The following table shows the cumulative static gap (at amortized cost) for various time intervals (dollars in thousands):

## Maturity or Re-pricing of Company Assets and Liabilities as of December 31, 2009

|   | Within<br>Three<br>Months | Four to<br>Twelve<br>Months | One to<br>Two<br>Years | Two to<br>Three<br>Years | Three to<br>Five<br>Years | Over<br>Five<br>Years | Total      |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| <b>Interest-earning assets:</b>                   |                           |                             |                        |                          |                           |                       |            |
| Interest-bearing deposits<br>at banks             | \$ 21,944                 | \$ -                        | \$ -                   | \$ -                     | \$ -                      | \$ -                  | \$ 21,944  |
| Investment securities                             | 14,943                    | 45,083                      | 35,858                 | 24,574                   | 27,106                    | 46,065                | 193,629    |
| Residential mortgage<br>loans                     | 31,472                    | 50,903                      | 50,125                 | 32,974                   | 32,376                    | 2,758                 | 200,608    |
| Commercial and<br>agricultural loans              | 62,679                    | 25,568                      | 29,406                 | 20,888                   | 44,915                    | 14,083                | 197,539    |
| Loans to state &<br>political subdivisions        | 8,992                     | 2,871                       | 2,404                  | 10,655                   | 16,415                    | 5,005                 | 46,342     |
| Other loans                                       | 3,604                     | 2,647                       | 2,223                  | 1,290                    | 1,323                     | 808                   | 11,895     |
| Total interest-earning<br>assets                  | \$ 143,634                | \$ 127,072                  | \$ 120,016             | \$ 90,381                | \$ 122,135                | \$ 68,719             | \$ 671,957 |
| <b>Interest-bearing liabilities:</b>              |                           |                             |                        |                          |                           |                       |            |
| NOW accounts                                      | \$ 71,423                 | \$ -                        | \$ -                   | \$ -                     | \$ -                      | \$ 64,730             | \$ 136,153 |
| Savings accounts                                  | -                         | -                           | -                      | -                        | -                         | 49,049                | 49,049     |
| Money Market accounts                             | 32,154                    | -                           | -                      | -                        | -                         | 10,056                | 42,210     |
| Certificates of deposit                           | 36,668                    | 109,922                     | 65,666                 | 58,471                   | 41,035                    | 6,324                 | 318,086    |
| Short-term borrowing                              | 5,696                     | -                           | -                      | -                        | -                         | -                     | 5,696      |
| Long-term borrowing                               | 9,610                     | 1,749                       | 7,000                  | 5,608                    | 24,000                    | 452                   | 48,419     |
| Total interest-bearing<br>liabilities             | \$ 155,551                | \$ 111,671                  | \$ 72,666              | \$ 64,079                | \$ 65,035                 | \$ 130,611            | \$ 599,613 |
| Excess interest-earning<br>assets (liabilities)   | \$ (11,917)               | \$ 15,401                   | \$ 47,350              | \$ 26,302                | \$ 57,100                 | \$(61,892)            |            |
| Cumulative<br>interest-earning assets             | \$ 143,634                | \$ 270,706                  | \$ 390,722             | \$ 481,103               | \$ 603,238                | \$ 671,957            |            |
| Cumulative<br>interest-bearing<br>liabilities     | 155,551                   | 267,222                     | 339,888                | 403,967                  | 469,002                   | 599,613               |            |
| Cumulative gap                                    | \$ (11,917)               | \$ 3,484                    | \$ 50,834              | \$ 77,136                | \$ 134,236                | \$ 72,344             |            |
| Cumulative interest rate<br>sensitivity ratio (1) | 0.92                      | 1.01                        | 1.15                   | 1.19                     | 1.29                      | 1.12                  |            |

(1) Cumulative interest-earning assets divided by interest-bearing liabilities.

The previous table and the simulation models discussed below are presented assuming money market investment accounts and NOW accounts in the top interest rate tier are re-priced within the first three months. The loan amounts reflect the principal balances expected to be re-priced as a result of contractual amortization and anticipated early payoffs.

Gap analysis, one of the methods used by us to analyze interest rate risk, does not necessarily show the precise impact of specific interest rate movements on the Bank's net interest income because the re-pricing of certain assets and liabilities is discretionary and is subject to competition and other pressures. In addition, assets and liabilities within the same period may, in fact, be repaid at different times and at different rate levels. We have not experienced the kind of earnings volatility that might be indicated from gap analysis.

The Bank currently uses a computer simulation model to better measure the impact of interest rate changes on net interest income. We use the model as part of our risk management and asset liability management processes that will effectively identify, measure, and monitor the Bank's risk exposure. In this analysis, the Bank examines the results of movements in interest rates. The down 100 scenario assumes a parallel shift in rates to the extent possible based on current rates. The up 100 and 200 scenarios assume a parallel shift in interest rates and it is assumed that the change in interest rates is instantaneous. The up 400 over 24 month scenario assumes a parallel shift in rates to the extent possible and the change in rates is assumed to occur over a 24 month period. Assumptions are also made concerning prepayment speeds on mortgage loans and mortgage securities. The following is a rate shock analysis for the period indicated as of December 31, 2009 (dollars in thousands):

| Changes<br>in Rates | Prospective<br>One-Year<br>Net<br>Interest<br>Income | Change In                             | % Change                              |
|---------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                     |  | Prospective<br>Net Interest<br>Income | Prospective<br>Net Interest<br>Income |
| -100                | 26,292   | 104                                   | 0.40                                  |
| Base                | 26,188   | -                                     | -                                     |
| +100                | 26,120   | (68)                                  | (0.26)                                |
| +200                | 25,971   | (217)                                 | (0.83)                                |
| +400                | 25,993   | (195)                                 | (0.74)                                |
| Over 24<br>Months   |  |                                       |                                       |

The model makes estimates, at each level of interest rate change, regarding cash flows from principal repayments on loans and mortgage backed securities, call activity of other investment securities, and deposit selection, re-pricing and maturity structure. Because of these assumptions, actual results could differ significantly from these estimates which would result in significant differences in the calculated projected change on net interest income. Additionally, the changes above do not necessarily represent the level of change under which management would undertake specific measures to realign its portfolio in order to reduce the projected level of change.

#### GENERAL

The majority of assets and liabilities of a financial institution are monetary in nature and, therefore, differ greatly from most commercial and industrial companies that have significant investments in fixed assets or inventories. However, inflation does have an important impact on the growth of total assets and on non-interest expenses, which tend to rise during periods of general inflation. The actions of the Federal Reserve in managing short-term interest rates have a significant impact on our Company's interest rate risk. Depending upon short-term rates and the overall yield curve, the Company will vary its asset liability strategy in order to manage interest rate margins. The action of the Federal Reserve during 2009 to keep short-term interest rates low was in response to various economic data including a recessionary economy.

In 2006, legislation was passed regarding changes to FDIC deposit insurance. This legislation increased coverage for retirement accounts from \$100,000 to \$250,000, merged the two existing deposit insurance funds and indexed the insurance level for inflation. Furthermore, in 2008, due to the overall turbulence and volatility of the financial markets, FDIC deposit insurance coverage increased to \$250,000 for any deposit account through December 31, 2009, which was subsequently extended to June 2014. Non-transactional accounts are also fully insured regardless of balance through the same time period. The resulting premiums, although estimated, will result in significantly higher premiums than in the past, and/or could result in more volatility of the level of premiums charged to the Company.

Normal examinations of our Company are performed by the OCC. The last Community Reinvestment Act performance evaluation by the same agency resulted in a rating of "Satisfactory Record of Meeting Community Credit Needs."

Aside from those matters described in this annual report, we do not believe that there are any trends, events or uncertainties that would have a material adverse impact on future operating results, liquidity or capital resources. We are not aware of any current recommendations by the regulatory authorities which, if they were to be implemented, would have such an effect, although the general cost of compliance with numerous and multiple federal and state laws



and regulations does have, and in the future may have, a negative impact on the Company's results of operations.

#### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Company's accounting policies are integral to understanding the results reported. The accounting policies are described in detail in Note 1 of the consolidated financial statements. Our most complex accounting policies require management's judgment to ascertain the valuation of assets, liabilities, commitments and contingencies. We have established detailed policies and control procedures that are intended to ensure valuation methods are well controlled and applied consistently from period to period. In addition, the policies and procedures are intended to ensure that the process for changing methodologies occurs in an appropriate manner. The following is a brief description of our current accounting policies involving significant management valuation judgments.

### Other Than Temporary Impairment

All securities are evaluated periodically to determine whether a decline in their value is other than temporary and is a matter of judgment. For debt securities, management considers whether the present value of cash flows expected to be collected are less than the security's amortized cost basis (the difference defined as the credit loss), the magnitude and duration of the decline, the reasons underlying the decline and the Company's intent to sell the security or whether it is more likely than not that the Company would be required to sell the security before its anticipated recovery in market value, to determine whether the loss in value is other than temporary. Once a decline in value is determined to be other than temporary, if the Company does not intend to sell the security, and it is more-likely-than-not that it will not be required to sell the security, before recovery of the security's amortized cost basis, the charge to earnings is limited to the amount of credit loss. Any remaining difference between fair value and amortized cost (the difference defined as the non-credit portion) is recognized in other comprehensive income, net of applicable taxes. Otherwise, the entire difference between fair value and amortized cost is charged to earnings. For equity securities where the fair value has been significantly below cost for one year, the Company's policy is to recognize an impairment loss unless sufficient evidence is available that the decline is not other than temporary and a recovery period can be predicted.

### Allowance for Loan Losses

Arriving at an appropriate level of allowance for loan losses involves a high degree of judgment. The Company's allowance for loan losses provides for probable losses based upon evaluations of known and inherent risks in the loan portfolio.

Management uses historical information to assess the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses as well as the prevailing business environment; as it is affected by changing economic conditions and various external factors, which may impact the portfolio in ways currently unforeseen. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires significant estimates that may be susceptible to significant change, subjecting the Bank to volatility of earnings. The allowance is increased by provisions for loan losses and by recoveries of loans previously charged-off and reduced by loans charged-off. For a full discussion of the Company's methodology of assessing the adequacy of the reserve for loan losses, refer to Note 1 of the consolidated financial statements.

### Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

As discussed in Note 1 of the consolidated financial statements, the Company must assess goodwill and other intangible assets each year for impairment. This assessment involves estimating the fair value of the Company's reporting units. If the fair value of the reporting unit is less than its carrying value including goodwill, we would be required to take a charge against earnings to write down the assets to the lower value.

### Deferred Tax Assets

We use an estimate of future earnings to support our position that the benefit of our deferred tax assets will be realized. If future income should prove non-existent or less than the amount of the deferred tax assets within the tax years to which they may be applied, the asset may not be realized and our net income will be reduced. Management also evaluates deferred tax assets to determine if it is more likely than not that the deferred tax benefit will be utilized in future periods. If not, a valuation allowance is recorded. Our deferred tax assets are described further in Note 12 of the consolidated financial statements.

### ITEM 7A – QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

This information is included under Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.



## ITEM 8 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA.

Citizens Financial Services, Inc.  
Consolidated Balance Sheet

December 31,

(in thousands, except share  
data)

2009      2008

## ASSETS:

## Cash and cash equivalents:

|                     |    |        |    |        |
|---------------------|----|--------|----|--------|
| Noninterest-bearing | \$ | 9,505  | \$ | 9,692  |
| Interest-bearing    |    | 21,944 |    | 10,164 |

|                                 |  |        |  |        |
|---------------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Total cash and cash equivalents |  | 31,449 |  | 19,856 |
|---------------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|

|                               |  |         |  |         |
|-------------------------------|--|---------|--|---------|
| Available-for-sale securities |  | 198,582 |  | 174,139 |
|-------------------------------|--|---------|--|---------|

Loans (net of allowance for  
loan losses:

|                                  |  |         |  |         |
|----------------------------------|--|---------|--|---------|
| 2009, \$4,888; 2008,<br>\$4,378) |  | 451,496 |  | 428,436 |
|----------------------------------|--|---------|--|---------|

|                        |  |        |  |        |
|------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Premises and equipment |  | 12,227 |  | 12,762 |
|------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|

|                             |  |       |  |       |
|-----------------------------|--|-------|--|-------|
| Accrued interest receivable |  | 3,141 |  | 2,912 |
|-----------------------------|--|-------|--|-------|

|          |  |        |  |        |
|----------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Goodwill |  | 10,256 |  | 10,256 |
|----------|--|--------|--|--------|

|                           |  |        |  |        |
|---------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Bank owned life insurance |  | 12,667 |  | 12,176 |
|---------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|

|              |  |       |  |       |
|--------------|--|-------|--|-------|
| Other assets |  | 9,659 |  | 8,075 |
|--------------|--|-------|--|-------|

|              |    |         |    |         |
|--------------|----|---------|----|---------|
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ | 729,477 | \$ | 668,612 |
|--------------|----|---------|----|---------|

## LIABILITIES:

## Deposits:

|                     |    |        |    |        |
|---------------------|----|--------|----|--------|
| Noninterest-bearing | \$ | 60,061 | \$ | 55,545 |
|---------------------|----|--------|----|--------|

|                  |  |         |  |         |
|------------------|--|---------|--|---------|
| Interest-bearing |  | 545,498 |  | 491,135 |
|------------------|--|---------|--|---------|

|                |  |         |  |         |
|----------------|--|---------|--|---------|
| Total deposits |  | 605,559 |  | 546,680 |
|----------------|--|---------|--|---------|

|                |  |        |  |        |
|----------------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Borrowed funds |  | 54,115 |  | 61,204 |
|----------------|--|--------|--|--------|

|                          |  |       |  |       |
|--------------------------|--|-------|--|-------|
| Accrued interest payable |  | 2,037 |  | 2,233 |
|--------------------------|--|-------|--|-------|

|                   |  |       |  |       |
|-------------------|--|-------|--|-------|
| Other liabilities |  | 6,239 |  | 5,725 |
|-------------------|--|-------|--|-------|

|                   |  |         |  |         |
|-------------------|--|---------|--|---------|
| TOTAL LIABILITIES |  | 667,950 |  | 615,842 |
|-------------------|--|---------|--|---------|

## STOCKHOLDERS'

## EQUITY:

## Common Stock

\$1.00 par value;  
authorized 10,000,000  
shares;

issued 3,076,253 and  
3,048,289 shares

in 2009 and 2008,  
respectively

|  |  |       |  |       |
|--|--|-------|--|-------|
|  |  | 3,076 |  | 3,048 |
|--|--|-------|--|-------|

|                            |  |        |  |        |
|----------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Additional paid-in capital |  | 13,457 |  | 12,981 |
|----------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|

|                   |  |        |  |        |
|-------------------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Retained earnings |  | 47,353 |  | 41,034 |
|-------------------|--|--------|--|--------|

|  |  |       |  |    |
|--|--|-------|--|----|
| Accumulated other comprehensive income |  | 2,041 |  | 26 |
|--|--|-------|--|----|

Treasury stock, at cost:

|  |         |         |
|--|---------|---------|
| 204,437 and 200,918<br>shares for 2009 and<br>2008, respectively | (4,400) | (4,319) |
|--|---------|---------|

TOTAL

STOCKHOLDERS'

|        |        |        |
|--------|--------|--------|
| EQUITY | 61,527 | 52,770 |
|--------|--------|--------|

TOTAL LIABILITIES

AND STOCKHOLDERS'

|        |            |            |
|--------|------------|------------|
| EQUITY | \$ 729,477 | \$ 668,612 |
|--------|------------|------------|

See accompanying notes to  
consolidated financial  
statements.

Citizens Financial Services, Inc.  
Consolidated Statement of Income  
Year Ended December 31,

| (in thousands,<br>except per share<br>data)  | 2009          | 2008          | 2007          |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>INTEREST AND<br/>DIVIDEND<br/>INCOME:</b>                                       |               |               |               |
| Interest and fees on<br>loans  | \$ 30,305     | \$ 30,710     | \$ 30,398     |
| Interest-bearing<br>deposits with banks  | 43            | 57            | 5             |
| Investment<br>securities:  |               |               |               |
| Taxable  | 6,044         | 4,828         | 4,316         |
| Nontaxable   | 2,195         | 1,475         | 958           |
| Dividends  | 28            | 168           | 347           |
| <b>TOTAL INTEREST<br/>AND DIVIDEND<br/>INCOME</b>                                  | <b>38,615</b> | <b>37,238</b> | <b>36,024</b> |
| <b>INTEREST<br/>EXPENSE:</b>   |               |               |               |
| Deposits   | 11,222        | 11,492        | 13,363        |
| Borrowed funds   | 2,009         | 2,566         | 3,559         |
| <b>TOTAL INTEREST<br/>EXPENSE</b>  | <b>13,231</b> | <b>14,058</b> | <b>16,922</b> |
| <b>NET INTEREST<br/>INCOME</b>   | <b>25,384</b> | <b>23,180</b> | <b>19,102</b> |
| Provision for loan<br>losses   | 925           | 330           | 365           |
| <b>NET INTEREST<br/>INCOME AFTER<br/>PROVISION FOR<br/>    LOAN<br/>    LOSSES</b> | <b>24,459</b> | <b>22,850</b> | <b>18,737</b> |
| <b>NON-INTEREST<br/>INCOME:</b>  |               |               |               |
| Service charges  | 3,612         | 3,489         | 3,210         |
| Trust  | 521           | 561           | 520           |
| Brokerage and<br>Insurance   | 284           | 240           | 132           |
| Investment<br>securities gains<br>(losses), net                                    | 139           | (4,089)       | (29)          |
| Gains on loans sold  | 430           | 84            | 134           |
| Earnings on bank<br>owned life insurance   | 492           | 362           | 331           |
| Other  | 369           | 509           | 787           |
|  | <b>5,847</b>  | <b>1,156</b>  | <b>5,085</b>  |

|  |          |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|----------|
| TOTAL<br>NON-INTEREST<br>INCOME                |          |          |          |
| NON-INTEREST<br>EXPENSES:                      |          |          |          |
| Salaries and<br>employee benefits              | 9,472    | 8,725    | 8,386    |
| Occupancy                                      | 1,179    | 1,162    | 1,151    |
| Furniture and<br>equipment                     | 437      | 479      | 539      |
| Professional fees                              | 660      | 625      | 645      |
| Federal Depository<br>Insurance                | 1,200    | 156      | 54       |
| Other  | 4,811    | 4,730    | 4,539    |
| TOTAL<br>NON-INTEREST<br>EXPENSES              | 17,759   | 15,877   | 15,314   |
| Income before<br>provision for<br>income taxes | 12,547   | 8,129    | 8,508    |
| Provision for<br>income taxes                  | 2,683    | 1,224    | 1,772    |
| NET INCOME                                     | \$ 9,864 | \$ 6,905 | \$ 6,736 |
| NET INCOME -<br>EARNINGS PER<br>SHARE          | \$ 3.43  | \$ 2.40  | \$ 2.33  |
| CASH DIVIDENDS<br>PER SHARE                    | \$ 1.03  | \$ 0.98  | \$ 0.89  |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Citizens Financial Services, Inc.  
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity

| (in thousands,<br>except share data)  | Stock<br>Shares | Common<br>Amount | Additional<br>Paid-in<br>Capital | Retained<br>Earnings | Accumulated<br>Other<br>Comprehensive<br>Income (Loss) | Treasury<br>Stock | Total   |
|---|-----------------|------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|--|-------------------|---------|
|   |                 |                  |                                  |                      |  |                   |         |
| Balance, December 31, 2006  | 2,992,896       | \$ 2,993         | \$ 11,933                        | \$ 34,007            | \$ (1,737)   | \$ (3,696)        | 43,500  |
| Comprehensive income:   |                 |                  |                                  |                      |  |                   |         |
| Net income  |                 |                  |                                  | 6,736                |  |                   | 6,736   |
| Change in unrecognized pension costs, net of tax expense of \$256                           |                 |                  |                                  |                      | 496  |                   | 496     |
| Change in net unrealized loss on securities available-for-sale, net of tax expense of \$460 |                 |                  |                                  |                      | 893  |                   | 893     |
| Total comprehensive income  |                 |                  |                                  |                      |  |                   | 8,125   |
| Stock dividend  | 27,642          | 27               | 576                              | (603)                |  |                   |         |
| Purchase of treasury stock (25,818 shares)  |                 |                  |                                  |                      |  | (567)             | (567)   |
| Restricted stock awards   |                 |                  | (77)                             |                      |  | 77                | -       |
| Stock awards  |                 |                  | 7                                |                      |  | 13                | 20      |
| Cash dividends, \$.89 per share   |                 |                  |                                  | (2,550)              |  |                   | (2,550) |
| Balance, December 31, 2007  | 3,020,538       | 3,020            | 12,439                           | 37,590               | (348)  | (4,173)           | 48,528  |
| Comprehensive income:   |                 |                  |                                  |                      |  |                   |         |
| Net income  |                 |                  |                                  | 6,905                |  |                   | 6,905   |
| Change in unrecognized pension costs, net of tax benefit of \$511                           |                 |                  |                                  |                      | (991)  |                   | (991)   |
| Change in net unrealized gain on  |                 |                  |                                  |                      |  |                   |         |



|  |           |       |        |        |       |         |         |
|--|-----------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------|---------|
| securities   |           |       |        |        |       |         |         |
| available-for-sale,<br>net of tax expense<br>of \$820  |           |       |        |        | 1,592 |         | 1,592   |
| Change in net<br>unrealized loss on<br>interest rate<br>swap, net of tax<br>benefit of \$117               |           |       |        |        |       |         |         |
|  |           |       |        |        | (227) |         | (227)   |
| Total<br>comprehensive<br>income   |           |       |        |        |       |         | 7,279   |
| Stock dividend   | 27,751    | 28    | 618    | (646)  |       |         |         |
| Purchase of treasury<br>stock (11,928<br>shares)   |           |       |        |        |       |         | (271)   |
| Restricted stock<br>awards   |           |       |        |        |       |         | 106     |
|  |           |       | (106)  |        |       |         | -       |
| Restricted stock<br>vesting  |           |       |        |        |       |         | 28      |
|  |           |       | 28     |        |       |         | -       |
| Stock awards   |           |       |        |        |       |         | 19      |
|  |           |       | 2      |        |       |         | 21      |
| Cash dividends,<br>\$.98 per share   |           |       |        |        |       |         | (2,815) |
|  |           |       |        |        |       |         | (2,815) |
| Balance, December<br>31, 2008  |           |       |        |        |       |         |         |
|  | 3,048,289 | 3,048 | 12,981 | 41,034 | 26    | (4,319) | 52,770  |
| Comprehensive<br>income:   |           |       |        |        |       |         |         |
| Net income   |           |       |        |        | 9,864 |         | 9,864   |
| Change in<br>unrecognized<br>pension costs,<br>net of tax<br>expense of \$238                              |           |       |        |        |       |         |         |
|  |           |       |        |        | 463   |         | 463     |
| Change in net<br>unrealized gain on<br>securities<br>available-for-sale,<br>net of tax expense<br>of \$739 |           |       |        |        |       |         |         |
|  |           |       |        |        | 1,435 |         | 1,435   |
| Change in net<br>unrealized loss on<br>interest rate<br>swap, net of tax<br>expense of \$61                |           |       |        |        |       |         |         |
|  |           |       |        |        | 117   |         | 117     |
| Total<br>comprehensive<br>income   |           |       |        |        |       |         | 11,879  |
| Stock dividend   | 27,964    | 28    | 566    | (594)  |       |         |         |
| Purchase of treasury<br>stock (13,575  |           |       |        |        |       |         | (286)   |
|  |           |       |        |        |       |         | (286)   |

shares)

|                                  |              |          |           |           |          |            |         |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|---------|
| Restricted stock awards          |              |          | (147)     |           |          | 147        | -       |
| Restricted stock vesting         |              |          | 58        |           |          | -          | 58      |
| Stock awards                     |              |          | (1)       |           |          | 58         | 57      |
| Cash dividends, \$1.03 per share |              |          |           | (2,951)   |          |            | (2,951) |
| Balance, December 31, 2009       | 3,076,253 \$ | 3,076 \$ | 13,457 \$ | 47,353 \$ | 2,041 \$ | (4,400) \$ | 61,527  |

41

---

|   | 2009     | 2008       | 2007     |
|---|----------|------------|----------|
| Components of comprehensive income:   |          |            |          |
| Change in net unrealized gain (loss) on investment securities available-for-sale                              | \$ 1,527 | \$ (1,107) | \$ 874   |
| Change in unrecognized pension costs  | 463      | (991)      | 496      |
| Change in unrealized loss on interest rate swap   | 117      | (227)      | -        |
| Investment losses (gains) included in net income, net of tax (benefit) expense of \$47, (\$1,390), and (\$10) | (92)     | 2,699      | 19       |
| Total   | \$ 2,015 | \$ 374     | \$ 1,389 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Citizens Financial Services, Inc.  
Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows  
Year Ended December 31,

| (in thousands)  | 2009     | 2008     | 2007     |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities:   |          |          |          |
| Net income  | \$ 9,864 | \$ 6,905 | \$ 6,736 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: |          |          |          |
| Provision for loan losses   | 925      | 330      | 365      |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 654      | 641      | 741      |
| Amortization and accretion on investment securities                               | 486      | 12       | 124      |
| Deferred income taxes   | 245      | (782)    | 54       |
| Investment securities (gains) losses, net   | (139)    | 4,089    | 29       |
| Earnings on bank owned life insurance   | (492)    | (362)    | (331)    |
| Loss (gains) on sale of foreclosed assets held for sale                           | 10       | (81)     | (396)    |
| Realized gains on loans sold  | (430)    | (84)     | (134)    |
| Stock awards  | 115      | 49       | 20       |
| Originations of loans held for sale   | (21,715) | (4,365)  | (6,689)  |
| Proceeds from sales of loans held for sale  | 22,145   | 4,449    | 6,823    |
| Increase in accrued interest receivable   | (229)    | (390)    | (64)     |
| Increase in prepaid federal depository insurance                                  | (2,814)  | (5)      | (13)     |
| Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable                                   | (196)    | 34       | (88)     |
| Other, net  | 1,497    | (34)     | 912      |
| Net cash provided by operating activities   | 9,926    | 10,406   | 8,089    |
| Cash Flows from Investing Activities:   |          |          |          |
| Available-for-sale securities:  |          |          |          |
| Proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities                              | 10,730   | 387      | 18,859   |
| Proceeds from maturity and principal repayments of securities                     | 54,081   | 14,969   | 13,437   |
| Purchase of securities  | (87,427) | (70,382) | (42,155) |
|   | -        | 5,044    | 3,676    |

|  |          |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|----------|
| Proceeds from redemption of<br>Regulatory Stock          |          |          |          |
| Purchase of Regulatory Stock                             | (586)    | (3,606)  | (4,489)  |
| Net increase in loans                                    | (24,162) | (9,997)  | (8,624)  |
| Purchase of Loans  | -        | (267)    | -        |
| Purchase of bank owned life<br>insurance                 | -        | (3,436)  | -        |
| Purchase of premises, equipment<br>and software          | (1,566)  | (1,132)  | (462)    |
| Proceeds from sale of premises<br>and equipment          | 1,407    | 212      | -        |
| Proceeds from sale of foreclosed<br>assets held for sale | 637      | 565      | 1,075    |
| Deposit acquisition premium                              | -        | (1,718)  | -        |
| Net cash used in investing<br>activities                 | (46,886) | (69,361) | (18,683) |

|   |           |           |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities:</b>              |           |           |           |
| Net increase in deposits                                  | 58,879    | 73,762    | 9,513     |
| Deposits of acquired branches                             | -         | 16,889    | -         |
| Proceeds from long-term borrowings                        | 11,077    | 31,319    | 20,187    |
| Repayments of long-term borrowings                        | (17,576)  | (17,493)  | (4,406)   |
| Net increase (decrease) in short-term borrowed funds      | (590)     | (32,969)  | (11,209)  |
| Purchase of treasury stock                                | (286)     | (271)     | (567)     |
| Dividends paid  | (2,951)   | (2,815)   | (2,550)   |
| Net cash provided by financing activities                 | 48,553    | 68,422    | 10,988    |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents                 | 11,593    | 9,467     | 374       |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year            | 19,856    | 10,389    | 10,015    |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year                  | \$ 31,449 | \$ 19,856 | \$ 10,389 |
| <b>Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information:</b> |           |           |           |
| Interest paid   | \$ 13,427 | \$ 14,024 | \$ 17,010 |
| Income taxes paid   | \$ 2,390  | \$ 2,015  | \$ 1,485  |
| <b>Non-cash activities:</b>                               |           |           |           |
| Real estate acquired in settlement of loans               | \$ 357    | \$ 942    | \$ 124    |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Business and Organization

Citizens Financial Services, Inc. (individually and collectively, the “Company”), is headquartered in Mansfield, Pennsylvania, and provides a full range of banking and related services through its wholly owned subsidiary, First Citizens National Bank (the “Bank”), and its wholly owned subsidiary, First Citizens Insurance Agency, Inc. The Bank is a national banking association and operates seventeen full-service banking offices in Potter, Tioga and Bradford counties, Pennsylvania and Allegany County, New York. The Bank also provides trust services, including the administration of trusts and estates, retirement plans, and other employee benefit plans, along with a brokerage division that provides a comprehensive menu of investment services. The Bank serves individual and corporate customers and is subject to competition from other financial institutions and intermediaries with respect to these services. The Company is supervised by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, while the Bank is subject to regulation and supervision by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

A summary of significant accounting and reporting policies applied in the presentation of the accompanying financial statements follows:

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements are consolidated to include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiary, First Citizens National Bank, and its subsidiary, First Citizens Insurance Agency, Inc. These statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. All significant inter-company accounts and transactions have been eliminated in the consolidated financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the balance sheet date and revenues and expenses for the period. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates. Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change relate to determination of the allowance for loan losses and deferred tax assets and liabilities.

Operating Segments

Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 280, Segment Reporting, requires disclosures about an enterprise’s operating segments in financial reports issued to shareholders. The Statement defines an operating segment as a component of an enterprise that engages in business activities that generates revenue and incurs expense, and the operating results of which are reviewed by the chief operating decision maker in the determination of resource allocation and performance. While the Company’s chief decision makers monitor the revenue streams of the various Company’s products and services, operations are managed and financial performance is evaluated on a Company-wide basis. Consistent with our internal reporting, the Company’s business activities are reported as one segment, which is community banking.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits in banks and interest-earning deposits. Interest-earning deposits with original maturities of 90 or less are considered cash equivalents. Net cash flows are reported for loan, deposits and

short term borrowing transactions.

45

---



## Investment Securities

Investment securities at the time of purchase are classified as one of the three following types:

**Held-to-Maturity Securities** - includes securities that the Company has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity. These securities are reported at amortized cost. The Company had no held-to-maturity securities as of December 31, 2009 and 2008.

**Trading Securities** - includes debt and equity securities bought and held principally for the purpose of selling them in the near term. Such securities are reported at fair value with unrealized holding gains and losses included in earnings. The Company had no trading securities as of December 31, 2009 and 2008.

**Available-for-Sale Securities** - includes debt and equity securities not classified as held-to-maturity or trading securities that will be held for indefinite periods of time. These securities may be sold in response to changes in market interest or prepayment rates, needs for liquidity and changes in the availability of and yield of alternative investments. Such securities are reported at fair value, with unrealized holding gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported as a separate component of stockholders' equity, net of estimated income tax effect.

The amortized cost of investment in debt securities is adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts, computed by a method that results in a level yield. Gains and losses on the sale of investment securities are computed on the basis of specific identification of the adjusted cost of each security.

Securities are periodically reviewed for other-than-temporary impairment. For debt securities, management considers whether the present value of cash flows expected to be collected are less than the security's amortized cost basis (the difference defined as the credit loss), the magnitude and duration of the decline, the reasons underlying the decline and the Company's intent to sell the security or whether it is more likely than not that the Company would be required to sell the security before its anticipated recovery in market value, to determine whether the loss in value is other than temporary. Once a decline in value is determined to be other than temporary, if the Company does not intend to sell the security, and it is more-likely-than-not that it will not be required to sell the security, before recovery of the security's amortized cost basis, the charge to earnings is limited to the amount of credit loss. Any remaining difference between fair value and amortized cost (the difference defined as the non-credit portion) is recognized in other comprehensive income, net of applicable taxes. Otherwise, the entire difference between fair value and amortized cost is charged to earnings. For equity securities where the fair value has been significantly below cost for one year, the Company's policy is to recognize an impairment loss unless sufficient evidence is available that the decline is not other than temporary and a recovery period can be predicted. A decline in value that is considered to be other-than-temporary is recorded as a loss within non-interest income in the consolidated statement of income.

Common stock of the Federal Reserve Bank, Federal Home Loan Bank and correspondent banks represent ownership in institutions which are wholly owned by other financial institutions. These equity securities are accounted for at cost and are classified as other assets.

The fair value of investments, except certain state and municipal securities, is estimated based on bid prices published in financial newspapers or bid quotations received from securities dealers. The fair value of certain state and municipal securities is not readily available through market sources other than dealer quotations, so fair value estimates are based on quoted market prices of similar instruments, adjusted for differences between the quoted instruments and the instruments being valued.

## Loans

Interest on all loans is recognized on the accrual basis based upon the principal amount outstanding. The accrual of interest income on loans is discontinued when, in the opinion of management, doubt exists as to the ability to collect such interest. Payments received on non-accrual loans are applied to the outstanding principal balance or recorded as interest income, depending upon our assessment of our ultimate ability to collect principal and interest. Loans are returned to the accrual status when factors indicating doubtful collectability cease to exist.

The Company recognizes nonrefundable loan origination fees and certain direct loan origination costs over the life of the related loan as an adjustment of loan yield using the interest method.

#### Allowance For Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses represents the amount which management estimates is adequate to provide for probable losses inherent in its loan portfolio. The allowance method is used in providing for loan losses. Accordingly, all loan losses are charged to the allowance and all recoveries are credited to it. The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for loan losses which is charged to operations. The provision is based upon management's periodic evaluation of individual loans, the overall risk characteristics of the various portfolio segments, past experience with losses, the impact of economic conditions on borrowers, and other relevant factors. The estimates used in determining the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term.

Impaired loans are commercial, agricultural and commercial real estate loans for which it is probable that the Company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. The Company individually evaluates such loans for impairment and does not aggregate loans by major risk classifications. The definition of "impaired loans" is not the same as the definition of "non-accrual loans," although the two categories overlap. The Company may choose to place a loan on non-accrual status due to payment delinquency or uncertain collectability, while not classifying the loan as impaired if the loan is not a commercial, agricultural or commercial real estate loan. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status and collateral value. The amount of impairment for these types of impaired loans is determined by the difference between the present value of the expected cash flows related to the loan, using the original interest rate, and its recorded value; or, as a practical expedient in the case of a collateral dependent loan, the difference between the fair value of the collateral and the recorded amount of the loans.

Mortgage loans on one to four family properties and all consumer loans are large groups of smaller balance homogeneous loans and are measured for impairment collectively. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays, which is defined as 90 days or less, generally are not classified as impaired. Management determines the significance of payment delays on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of the delay, the borrower's prior payment record, and the amount of shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed.

#### Foreclosed Assets Held For Sale

Foreclosed assets acquired in settlement of loans are carried at the lower of cost or fair value less estimated costs to sell. Prior to foreclosure, the value of the underlying loan is written down to fair market value of the real estate or other assets to be acquired by a charge to the allowance for loan losses, if necessary. Any subsequent write-downs are charged against operating expenses. Operating expenses of such properties, net of related income and losses on disposition, are included in other expenses and gains and losses are included in other non-interest income.

#### Premises and Equipment

Premises and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation expense is computed on straight line and accelerated methods over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which range from 3 to 15 years for furniture, fixtures and equipment and 5 to 40 years for building premises. Repair and maintenance expenditures which extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized and other repair expenditures are expensed as incurred.

When premises or equipment are retired or sold, the remaining cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is credited to income or charged to expense, respectively.



### Intangible Assets

Intangible assets include core deposit intangibles, which are a measure of the value of consumer demand and savings deposits acquired in business combinations accounted for as purchases. The core deposit intangibles are being amortized from 3 to 5 ½ year life on a straight-line basis depending on the acquisition and are included in other assets. The recoverability of the carrying value of intangible assets is evaluated on an ongoing basis, and permanent declines in value, if any, are charged to expense.

### Goodwill

The Company accounts for goodwill in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 350-20 – Goodwill. This topic among other things, requires a two-step process for testing the impairment of goodwill on at least an annual basis. This approach could cause more volatility in the Company's reported net income because impairment losses, if any, could occur irregularly and in varying amounts. The Company performs an annual impairment analysis of goodwill. Based on the fair value of the reporting unit, no impairment of goodwill was recognized in 2009 or 2008.

### Bank Owned Life Insurance

The Company has purchased life insurance policies on certain officers, and is the sole beneficiary on those policies. Bank owned life insurance is recorded at its cash surrender value, or the amount that can be realized. Increases in the cash surrender value are recognized as other non-interest income.

### Income Taxes

The Company and the Bank file a consolidated federal income tax return. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are computed based on the difference between the financial statement basis and income tax basis of assets and liabilities using the enacted marginal tax rates. Deferred income tax expenses or benefits are based on the changes in the net deferred tax asset or liability from period to period.

### Employee Benefit Plans

The Company has a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan covering substantially all employees. It is the Company's policy to fund pension costs on a current basis to the extent deductible under existing tax regulations. Such contributions are intended to provide not only for benefits attributed to service to date, but also for those expected to be earned in the future.

The Company has a defined contribution, 401(k) plan covering eligible employees. The employee may also contribute to the plan on a voluntary basis, up to a maximum percentage allowable not to exceed the limits of Code Sections 401(k). Under the plan, the Company also makes contributions on behalf of eligible employees, which vest immediately..

The Company also has a profit-sharing plan for employees which provide tax-deferred salary savings to plan participants. The Company has a deferred compensation plan for directors who have elected to defer all or portions of their fees until their retirement or termination from service.

In 2006, the shareholders of the Company approved a restricted stock plan which covers eligible employees and non-employee corporate directors. Under the plan, awards are granted based upon performance related requirements and are subject to certain vesting criteria. Compensation cost related to restricted stock is recognized based on the market price of the stock at the grant date over the vesting period.

During 2008, the Company adopted a non-qualified supplemental executive retirement plan (“SERP”) for certain executives to compensate those executive participants in the Company’s noncontributory defined benefit pension plan whose benefits are limited by compensation limitations under current tax law. The SERP is considered an unfunded plan for tax and ERISA purposes and all obligations arising under the SERP are payable from the general assets of the Company. Expenses under the SERP are recognized as earned over the expected years of service.

### Mortgage Servicing Rights (MSR's)

The Company originates certain loans for the express purpose of selling such loans in the secondary market. The Company maintains all servicing rights for these loans. The loans held for sale are carried at lower of cost or market. Originated MSR's are recorded by allocating total costs incurred between the loan and servicing rights based on their relative fair values. MSR's are amortized in proportion to the estimated servicing income over the estimated life of the servicing portfolio.

### Derivative Financial Instruments

In December 2008, the Company entered into an interest rate swap derivative to convert floating-rate debt to fixed-rate debt. The Company's interest rate swap agreement involves an agreement to pay a fixed rate and receive a floating rate, at specified intervals, calculated on an agreed-upon notional amount. The debt and amounts that the Company hedges are determined based on our current business plan, prevailing market conditions and the current shape of the yield curve. The Company's objective in entering into this interest rate financial instrument is to mitigate its exposure to significant unplanned fluctuations in earnings caused by volatility in interest rates. As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the derivative instrument entered into was designated as a hedge of underlying exposures. The Company does not use this instrument for trading or speculative purposes. Derivative instruments used by the Company involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk, in the event a counter party should default, and market risk, as the instruments are subject to interest rate fluctuations. Credit risk is managed through the use of counterparty diversification and monitoring of counterparty financial condition.

All derivatives are recognized on the balance sheet at their fair value. To date, the derivative entered into by the Company qualifies for and is designated as a cash flow hedge. Changes in the fair value of a derivative that is highly effective, and that is designated and qualifies as a cash flow hedge to the extent that the hedge is effective, are recorded in other comprehensive income (loss) until earnings are affected by the variability of cash flows of the hedged transaction (e.g. until periodic settlements of a variable asset or liability are recorded in earnings). Any hedge ineffectiveness (which represents the amount by which the changes in the fair value of the derivative exceed the variability in the cash flows of the forecasted transaction) is recorded in current-period earnings. There was no net gain or loss recognized in earnings related to our derivative instruments during the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008.

### Comprehensive Income

The Company is required to present comprehensive income in a full set of general purpose financial statements for all periods presented. Other comprehensive income is comprised of unrealized holding gains (losses) on the available-for-sale securities portfolio, unrecognized pension costs, and unrealized gain (loss) on interest rate swap. The Company has elected to report the effects of other comprehensive income as part of the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity.

### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2009-01, Topic 105 - Generally Accepted Accounting Principles - FASB Accounting Standards Codification™ and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The Codification is the single source of authoritative nongovernmental U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Codification does not change current GAAP, but is intended to simplify user access to all authoritative GAAP by providing all the authoritative literature related to a particular topic in one place. Rules and interpretive releases of the SEC under federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. The Company adopted this standard for the interim reporting

period ending September 30, 2009. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the Company's results of operations or financial position.

In June 2008, the FASB issued accounting guidance related to determining whether instruments granted in share-based payment transactions are participating securities, which is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those years. This guidance clarified that instruments granted in share-based payment transactions can be participating securities prior to the requisite service having been rendered. A basic principle of this guidance is that unvested share-based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and are to be included in the computation of EPS pursuant to the two-class method. All prior-period EPS data presented (including interim financial statements, summaries of earnings, and selected financial data) are required to be adjusted retrospectively to conform with this guidance. This accounting guidance was subsequently codified into ASC Topic 260, Earnings Per Share. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's results of operations or financial position



In April 2009, the FASB issued new guidance impacting ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures. This ASC provides additional guidance in determining fair values when there is no active market or where the price inputs being used represent distressed sales. It reaffirms the need to use judgment to ascertain if a formerly active market has become inactive and in determining fair values when markets have become inactive. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material effect on the Company's results of operations or financial position.

In September 2006, the FASB issued an accounting standard related to fair value measurements, which was effective for the Company on January 1, 2008. This standard defined fair value, established a framework for measuring fair value, and expanded disclosure requirements about fair value measurements. On January 1, 2008, the provisions of this accounting standard became effective for the Company's financial assets and financial liabilities and on January 1, 2009 for nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities. This accounting standard was subsequently codified into ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures. See Note 16 for the necessary disclosures.

In August 2009, the FASB issued ASU No. 2009-05, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820) – Measuring Liabilities at Fair Value. This ASU provides amendments for fair value measurements of liabilities. It provides clarification that in circumstances in which a quoted price in an active market for the identical liability is not available, a reporting entity is required to measure fair value using one or more techniques. ASU 2009-05 also clarifies that when estimating a fair value of a liability, a reporting entity is not required to include a separate input or adjustment to other inputs relating to the existence of a restriction that prevents the transfer of the liability. ASU 2009-05 is effective for the first reporting period (including interim periods) beginning after issuance or fourth quarter 2009. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In April 2009, the FASB issued new guidance impacting ASC 825-10-50, Financial Instruments, which relates to fair value disclosures for any financial instruments that are not currently reflected on the balance sheet of companies at fair value. This guidance amended existing GAAP to require disclosures about fair value of financial instruments for interim reporting periods of publicly traded companies as well as in annual financial statements. This guidance is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In April 2009, the FASB issued new guidance impacting ASC 320-10, Investments — Debt and Equity Securities, which provides additional guidance designed to create greater clarity and consistency in accounting for and presenting impairment losses on securities. This guidance is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In June 2009, the FASB issued an accounting standard related to the accounting for transfers of financial assets, which is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2009, and interim periods within those fiscal years. This standard enhances reporting about transfers of financial assets, including securitizations, and where companies have continuing exposure to the risks related to transferred financial assets. This standard eliminates the concept of a “qualifying special-purpose entity” and changes the requirements for derecognizing financial assets. This standard also requires additional disclosures about all continuing involvements with transferred financial assets including information about gains and losses resulting from transfers during the period. This accounting standard was subsequently codified into ASC Topic 860, Transfers and Servicing. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company's results of operations

In December 2007, the FASB issued an accounting standard related to noncontrolling interests in consolidated financial statements, which is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after December 15, 2008. This standard establishes accounting and reporting standards for the noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. It clarifies that a noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary, which is sometimes referred

to as minority interest, is an ownership interest in the consolidated entity that should be reported as equity in the consolidated financial statements. Among other requirements, this statement requires consolidated net income to be reported at amounts that include the amounts attributable to both the parent and the noncontrolling interest. It also requires disclosure, on the face of the consolidated income statement, of the amounts of consolidated net income attributable to the parent and to the noncontrolling interest. This accounting standard was subsequently codified into ASC 810-10, Consolidation. The adoption of this standard did not have a material effect on the Company's financial statements.

On April 1, 2009, the FASB issued new authoritative accounting guidance under ASC Topic 805, Business Combinations, which became effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2008. ASC Topic 805 applies to all transactions and other events in which one entity obtains control over one or more other businesses. ASC Topic 805 requires an acquirer, upon initially obtaining control of another entity, to recognize the assets, liabilities and any non-controlling interest in the acquiree at fair value as of the acquisition date. Contingent consideration is required to be recognized and measured at fair value on the date of acquisition rather than at a later date when the amount of that consideration may be determinable beyond a reasonable doubt. This fair value approach replaces the cost-allocation process required under previous accounting guidance whereby the cost of an acquisition was allocated to the individual assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair value. ASC Topic 805 requires acquirers to expense acquisition-related costs as incurred rather than allocating such costs to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, as was previously the case under prior accounting guidance. Assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination that arise from contingencies are to be recognized at fair value if fair value can be reasonably estimated. If fair value of such an asset or liability cannot be reasonably estimated, the asset or liability would generally be recognized in accordance with ASC Topic 450, Contingencies. Under ASC Topic 805, the requirements of ASC Topic 420, Exit or Disposal Cost Obligations, would have to be met in order to accrue for a restructuring plan in purchase accounting. Pre-acquisition contingencies are to be recognized at fair value, unless it is a non-contractual contingency that is not likely to materialize, in which case, nothing should be recognized in purchase accounting and, instead, that contingency would be subject to the probable and estimable recognition criteria of ASC Topic 450, Contingencies. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In June 2009, the FASB issued new authoritative accounting guidance under ASC Topic 810, Consolidation, which amends prior guidance to change how a company determines when an entity that is insufficiently capitalized or is not controlled through voting (or similar rights) should be consolidated. The determination of whether a company is required to consolidate an entity is based on, among other things, an entity's purpose and design and a company's ability to direct the activities of the entity that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance. The new authoritative accounting guidance requires additional disclosures about the reporting entity's involvement with variable-interest entities and any significant changes in risk exposure due to that involvement as well as its affect on the entity's financial statements. The new authoritative accounting guidance under ASC Topic 810 will be effective January 1, 2010 and the Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company's financial position or results of operation.

On December 30, 2008, the FASB issued new authoritative accounting guidance under ASC Topic 715, Compensation—Retirement Benefits, which provides guidance related to an employer's disclosures about plan assets of defined benefit pension or other post-retirement benefit plans. Under ASC Topic 715, disclosures should provide users of financial statements with an understanding of how investment allocation decisions are made, the factors that are pertinent to an understanding of investment policies and strategies, the major categories of plan assets, the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure the fair value of plan assets, the effect of fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs on changes in plan assets for the period and significant concentrations of risk within plan assets. This guidance is effective fiscal year ending after December 15, 2009. The new authoritative accounting guidance under ASC Topic 715 became effective for the Company's financial statements for the year-ended December 31, 2009 and the required disclosures are reported in Note 11.

### Treasury Stock

The purchase of the Company's common stock is recorded at cost. At the date of subsequent reissue, the treasury stock account is reduced by the cost of such stock on a last-in-first-out basis.

### Cash Flows

The Company utilizes the net reporting of cash receipts and cash payments for deposit, short-term borrowing and lending activities. The Company considers amounts due from banks and interest-bearing deposits in banks as cash equivalents.

### Trust Assets and Income

Assets held by the Company in a fiduciary or agency capacity for its customers are not included in the consolidated financial statements since such items are not assets of the Company. In accordance with industry practice, fees are recorded on the cash basis and approximate the fees which would have been recognized on the accrual basis.

### Earnings Per Share

Earnings per share calculations give retroactive effect to stock dividends declared by the Company. The number of weighted average shares used in the earnings per share computations presented was 2,873,488, 2,878,907 and 2,896,689 for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

### Reclassification

Certain of the prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on net income or stockholders' equity.

## 2. RESTRICTIONS ON CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS

The Bank is required to maintain reserves, in the form of cash and balances with the Federal Reserve Bank, against its deposit liabilities. The amount of such reserves was \$1,023,000 and \$1,317,000 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Non-retirement account deposits with one financial institution are insured up to \$250,000 through June 2014. The Company maintains cash and cash equivalents with other financial institutions in excess of the insured amount.

## 3. INVESTMENT SECURITIES

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of investment securities at December 31, 2009 and 2008 were as follows (in thousands):

|                                   | Amortized | Gross<br>Unrealized<br>Gains | Gross<br>Unrealized<br>Losses | Estimated<br>Fair<br>Value |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| December 31,<br>2009              | Cost      |                              |                               |                            |
| Available-for-sale<br>securities: |           |                              |                               |                            |
| U.S. Agency<br>securities         | \$ 64,583 | \$ 888                       | \$ (248)                      | \$ 65,223                  |

|   |            |          |          |            |
|---|------------|----------|----------|------------|
| Obligations of state and political subdivisions | 58,651     | 1,085    | (162)    | 59,574     |
| Corporate obligations                           | 2,998      | 168      | -        | 3,166      |
| Mortgage-backed securities                      | 67,026     | 3,168    | -        | 70,194     |
| Equity securities                               | 371        | 54       | -        | 425        |
| Total available-for-sale securities             | \$ 193,629 | \$ 5,363 | \$ (410) | \$ 198,582 |

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

| December 31,<br>2008                            | Amortized<br>Cost | Gross<br>Unrealized<br>Gains | Gross<br>Unrealized<br>Losses | Estimated<br>Fair<br>Value |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Available-for-sale securities:                  |                   |                              |                               |                            |
| U.S. Agency securities                          | \$ 27,628         | \$ 1,314                     | \$ -                          | \$ 28,942                  |
| Obligations of state and political subdivisions | 44,188            | 424                          | (480)                         | 44,132                     |
| Corporate obligations                           | 5,964             | -                            | (668)                         | 5,296                      |
| Mortgage-backed securities                      | 93,037            | 2,437                        | (67)                          | 95,407                     |
| Equity securities                               | 545               | 20                           | (203)                         | 362                        |
| Total available-for-sale securities             | \$ 171,362        | \$ 4,195                     | \$ (1,418)                    | \$ 174,139                 |

The following table shows the Company's gross unrealized losses and estimated fair value, aggregated by investment category and length of time, that the individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at December 31, 2009 and 2008 (in thousands). As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Company owned 33 and 47 securities whose estimated fair value was less than their cost basis, respectively.

| December 31, 2009                                | Less than Twelve Months    |                               | Twelve Months or Greater   |                               | Total                      |                               |
|--|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
|  | Estimated<br>Fair<br>Value | Gross<br>Unrealized<br>Losses | Estimated<br>Fair<br>Value | Gross<br>Unrealized<br>Losses | Estimated<br>Fair<br>Value | Gross<br>Unrealized<br>Losses |
| U.S. Agency securities                           | \$ 28,665                  | \$ 248                        | \$ -                       | \$ -                          | \$ 28,665                  | \$ 248                        |
| Obligations of states and political subdivisions | 11,326                     | 120                           | 454                        | 42                            | 11,780                     | 162                           |
| Total securities                                 | \$ 39,991                  | \$ 368                        | \$ 454                     | \$ 42                         | \$ 40,445                  | \$ 410                        |

| December 31, 2008 | Less than Twelve Months |                     | Twelve Months or Greater |                     | Total             |       |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|
|                   | Estimated<br>Fair       | Gross<br>Unrealized | Estimated<br>Fair        | Gross<br>Unrealized | Estimated<br>Fair | Gross |

|  | Value     | Losses | Value    | Losses | Unrealized<br>Value | Losses   |
|--|-----------|--------|----------|--------|---------------------|----------|
| U.S. Agency securities                           | \$ -      | \$ -   | \$ -     | \$ -   | \$ -                | -        |
| Obligations of states and political subdivisions | 16,910    | 463    | 1,348    | 17     | 18,258              | 480      |
| Corporate obligations                            | 1,874     | 135    | 3,421    | 533    | 5,295               | 668      |
| Mortgage-backed securities                       | 9,413     | 67     | -        | -      | 9,413               | 67       |
| Total debt securities                            | 28,197    | 665    | 4,769    | 550    | 32,966              | 1,215    |
| Equity securities                                | 231       | 203    | -        | -      | 231                 | 203      |
| Total securities                                 | \$ 28,428 | \$ 868 | \$ 4,769 | \$ 550 | \$ 33,197           | \$ 1,418 |

The Company's investment securities portfolio contains unrealized losses on mortgage-related instruments or other agency securities issued or backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government or are generally viewed as having the implied guarantee of the U.S. government. For fixed maturity investments management considers whether the present value of cash flows expected to be collected are less than the security's amortized cost basis (the difference defined as the credit loss), the magnitude and duration of the decline, the reasons underlying the decline and the Company's intent to sell the security or whether it is more likely than not that the Company would be required to sell the security before its anticipated recovery in market value, to determine whether the loss in value is other than temporary. Once a decline in value is determined to be other than temporary, if the Company does not intend to sell the security, and it is more-likely-than-not that it will not be required to sell the security, before recovery of the security's amortized cost basis, the charge to earnings is limited to the amount of credit loss. Any remaining difference between fair value and amortized cost (the difference defined as the non-credit portion) is recognized in other comprehensive income, net of applicable taxes. Otherwise, the entire difference between fair value and amortized cost is charged to earnings. For equity securities where the fair value has been significantly below cost for one year, the Company's policy is to recognize an impairment loss unless sufficient evidence is available that the decline is not other than temporary and a recovery period can be predicted. The Company has concluded that any impairment of its investment securities portfolio outlined in the above table is not other than temporary and is the result of interest rate changes, sector credit rating changes, or company-specific rating changes that are not expected to result in the non-collection of principal and interest during the period.

Proceeds from sales of securities available-for-sale during 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$10,730,000, \$387,000 and \$18,859,000, respectively. The gross gains realized during 2009 consisted of realized gains of \$32,000, \$157,000, \$86,000 and \$21,000 from the sale of an agency security, two mortgage backed securities, a corporate bond and an equity security respectively. The gross losses incurred during 2009 were made up of realized losses of \$22,000, \$27,000 and \$54,000 from the sale of a corporate bond, three municipal securities and one equity security and an impairment charge of our Freddie Mac preferred stock in the amount of \$54,000. The gross losses incurred during 2008 were made up of a realized loss of \$1,796,000 on a sale of a corporate bond and an impairment charge of our Freddie Mac preferred stock in the amount of \$2,336,000. The gross gains realized during 2008 consisted of realized gains of \$13,000 and \$30,000 from the call of a municipal bond and the sale of an equity security. The gross gains realized during 2007 of \$166,000 were the result of the sale of 6 agency securities. The gross losses incurred during 2007 consisted of realized losses of \$19,000 and \$176,000 from the sale of an agency security and five mortgage backed securities. Gross gains and gross losses were realized as follows (in thousands):

|                    | 2009   | 2008       | 2007    |
|--------------------|--------|------------|---------|
| Gross gains        | \$ 296 | \$ 43      | \$ 166  |
| Gross losses       | 157    | 4,132      | 195     |
| Net gains (losses) | \$ 139 | \$ (4,089) | \$ (29) |

Investment securities with an approximate carrying value of \$144,880,000 and \$106,669,000 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, were pledged to secure public funds and certain other deposits as provided by law.

Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. The amortized cost and estimated fair value of debt securities at December 31, 2009, by contractual maturity, are shown below (in thousands):

| Amortized Cost | Estimated Fair Value |
|----------------|----------------------|
|----------------|----------------------|



Available-for-sale securities:

|   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| Due in one year or less                   | \$ 3,717   | \$ 3,797   |
| Due after one year through<br>five years  | 32,202     | 32,526     |
| Due after five years through<br>ten years | 32,880     | 33,784     |
| Due after ten years                       | 124,459    | 128,050    |
| Total                                     | \$ 193,258 | \$ 198,157 |

## 4. LOANS

The Company grants commercial, industrial, agricultural, residential, and consumer loans primarily to customers throughout Northcentral Pennsylvania and Southern New York. Although the Company has a diversified loan portfolio at December 31, 2009 and 2008, a substantial portion of its debtors' ability to honor their contracts is dependent on the economic conditions within these regions.

Major classifications of loans are as follows (in thousands):

|  | December 31, |            |
|--|--------------|------------|
|  | 2009         | 2008       |
| Real estate loans:   |              |            |
| Residential  | \$ 194,989   | \$ 199,118 |
| Commercial   | 133,953      | 107,740    |
| Agricultural   | 19,485       | 17,066     |
| Construction   | 5,619        | 11,118     |
| Loans to individuals for household, family and other purchases |              |            |
|  | 11,895       | 11,651     |
| Commercial and other loans                                     |              |            |
|  | 44,101       | 37,968     |
| State and political subdivision loans                          |              |            |
|  | 46,342       | 48,153     |
|  | 456,384      | 432,814    |
| Less allowance for loan losses                                 |              |            |
|  | 4,888        | 4,378      |
| Loans, net   | \$ 451,496   | \$ 428,436 |

Real estate loans serviced for Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, which are not included in the consolidated balance sheet, totaled \$49,225,000 and \$37,523,000 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

At December 31, 2009 and 2008, net unamortized loan fees and costs of \$1,176,000 and \$1,060,000, respectively, have been deducted from the carrying value of loans.

The Company had non-accrual loans, inclusive of impaired loans, of \$5,871,000 and \$2,202,000 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Interest income on loans would have increased by approximately \$331,000, \$112,000 and \$230,000 during 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively, if these loans had performed in accordance with their original terms.

Information with respect to impaired loans as of and for the year ended December 31 is as follows (in thousands):

|   | 2009     | 2008   | 2007   |
|---|----------|--------|--------|
| Impaired loans without related allowance for loan | \$ 4,345 | \$ 684 | \$ 796 |

|   |       |       |       |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| losses  |       |       |       |
| Impaired loans with related allowance for loan losses | 799   | 938   | 292   |
| Related allowance for loan losses                     | 115   | 108   | 146   |
| Average recorded balance of impaired loans            | 2,949 | 1,521 | 1,366 |
| Interest income recognized on impaired loans          | 22    | 156   | 25    |

Changes in the allowance for loan losses were as follows (in thousands):

|  | Year Ended December 31, |          |          |
|--|-------------------------|----------|----------|
|  | 2009                    | 2008     | 2007     |
| Balance, beginning of year                                   | \$ 4,378                | \$ 4,197 | \$ 3,876 |
| Provision charged to income                                  | 925                     | 330      | 365      |
| Recoveries on loans previously charged against the allowance | 131                     | 97       | 142      |
|  | 5,434                   | 4,624    | 4,383    |
| Loans charged against the allowance                          | (546)                   | (246)    | (186)    |
| Balance, end of year   | \$ 4,888                | \$ 4,378 | \$ 4,197 |

The following is a summary of the past due and non-accrual loans as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 (in thousands):

|                                | December 31, 2009        |                             |            |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
|                                | Past Due<br>30 - 89 days | Past Due<br>90 days or more | Nonaccrual |
| Real estate loans              | \$ 3,262                 | \$ 728                      | \$ 5,516   |
| Installment loans              | 106                      | 10                          | 1          |
| Commercial and all other loans | 592                      | 146                         | 354        |
| Total                          | \$ 3,960                 | \$ 884                      | \$ 5,871   |

|                                | December 31, 2008        |                             |            |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
|                                | Past Due<br>30 - 89 days | Past Due<br>90 days or more | Nonaccrual |
| Real estate loans              | \$ 2,099                 | \$ 381                      | \$ 2,142   |
| Installment loans              | 117                      | 2                           | -          |
| Commercial and all other loans | 125                      | -                           | 60         |
| Total                          | \$ 2,341                 | \$ 383                      | \$ 2,202   |

## 5. PREMISES &amp; EQUIPMENT

Premises and equipment are summarized as follows (in thousands):

|                                      | December 31, |          |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|----------|
|                                      | 2009         | 2008     |
| Land                                 | \$ 3,584     | \$ 3,890 |
| Buildings                            | 11,546       | 11,381   |
| Furniture, fixtures and<br>equipment | 7,572        | 7,318    |
| Construction in process              | 365          | 753      |
|                                      | 23,067       | 23,342   |
| Less: accumulated<br>depreciation    | 10,840       | 10,580   |
| Premises and equipment, net \$       | 12,227       | 12,762   |

Depreciation expense amounted to \$637,000, \$658,000 and \$716,000 for 2009, 2008, and 2007, respectively.

## 6. GOODWILL

A summary of goodwill is as follows (in thousands):

|                                    | December 31, |           |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
|                                    | 2009         | 2008      |
| Beginning carrying amount          | \$ 11,036    | \$ 9,385  |
| Add: amount related to acquisition | -            | 1,651     |
| Gross carrying amount              | \$ 11,036    | \$ 11,036 |
| Less: accumulated amortization     | 780          | 780       |
| Net carrying amount                | \$ 10,256    | \$ 10,256 |

The gross carrying amount of goodwill is tested for impairment on an annual basis. Based on the fair value of the reporting unit, no goodwill impairment loss was recognized in 2009, 2008 or 2007.

## 7. CORE DEPOSIT INTANGIBLE ASSETS

A summary of core deposit intangible assets is as follows (in thousands):

|                                    | December 31, |          |
|------------------------------------|--------------|----------|
|                                    | 2009         | 2008     |
| Beginning carrying amount          | \$ 3,619     | \$ 3,553 |
| Add: amount related to acquisition | -            | 66       |
| Gross carrying amount              | \$ 3,619     | \$ 3,619 |
| Less: accumulated amortization     | 3,570        | 3,410    |
| Net carrying amount                | \$ 49        | \$ 209   |

Amortization expense amounted to \$160,000, \$145,000 and \$144,000 for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The estimated amortization expense of intangible assets for each of the four succeeding fiscal years is as follows (in thousands):

|                                      |       |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| For the year ended December 31, 2010 | \$ 17 |
| For the year ended December 31, 2011 | 17    |
| For the year ended December 31, 2012 | 15    |
| Total                                | \$ 49 |

## 8. FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK (FHLB) STOCK

The Bank is a member of the FHLB system. Members are required to own a certain amount of stock based on the level of borrowings and other factors, and may invest in additional amounts. FHLB stock is carried at cost, classified

as a restricted security, and periodically evaluated for impairment. Because this stock is viewed as a long term investment, impairment is based on ultimate recovery of par value.

As of December 31, 2009, the Bank holds \$3,682,000 of stock in FHLB. In December 2008, the FHLB announced that due largely to a decline in the fair value of a segment of its mortgage-backed securities portfolio, it had suspended payment of dividends on the stock and made a decision to no longer purchase "excess stock" from its members. The Bank's stock is not transferrable and can only be redeemed by FHLB. Further deterioration in the financial condition of FHLB may lead management to a conclusion that the cost of the Bank's stock in FHLB is not recoverable, which would result in a charge to earnings for impairment of the Bank's holdings of the stock. As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the investment in FHLB is not deemed other-than-temporarily impaired based upon management's determination of the recoverability of par value.

## 9. DEPOSITS

Certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more amounted to \$120,552,000 and \$97,709,000 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Interest expense on certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more amounted to \$3,353,000, \$2,815,000 and \$2,864,000 for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, and 2007, respectively.

Following are maturities of certificates of deposit as of December 31, 2009 (in thousands):

|                                     |    |         |
|-------------------------------------|----|---------|
| 2010                                | \$ | 146,590 |
| 2011                                |    | 65,666  |
| 2012                                |    | 58,471  |
| 2013                                |    | 19,754  |
| 2014                                |    | 21,281  |
| Thereafter                          |    | 6,324   |
| Total<br>certificates of<br>deposit | \$ | 318,086 |

## 10. BORROWED FUNDS

| (dollars in<br>thousands)           | Securities                     | Treasury       |             |                   |              |           | Total     |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
|                                     | Sold Under                     | Direct         | FHLB        | Federal           | Notes        | Term      | Borrowed  |
|                                     | Agreements to<br>Repurchase(a) | Investments(b) | Advances(c) | Funds<br>Line (d) | Payable(e,f) | Loans(g)  | Funds     |
| 2009                                |                                |                |             |                   |              |           |           |
| Balance at<br>December 31           | \$ 7,615                       | \$ -           | \$ -        | \$ -              | \$ 7,500     | \$ 39,000 | \$ 54,115 |
| Highest balance at<br>any month-end | 9,114                          | -              | -           | -                 | 7,500        | 44,000    | 60,614    |
| Average balance                     | 8,360                          | -              | -           | 16                | 7,500        | 42,258    | 58,134    |
| Weighted average<br>interest rate:  |                                |                |             |                   |              |           |           |
| Paid during the<br>year             | 1.16%                          | 0.00%          | 0.00%       | 0.51%             | 5.87%        | 3.47%     | 3.41%     |
| As of year-end                      | 1.16%                          | 0.00%          | 0.00%       | 0.00%             | 5.87%        | 3.27%     | 3.28%     |
| 2008                                |                                |                |             |                   |              |           |           |
| Balance at<br>December 31           | \$ 7,704                       | \$ -           | \$ -        | \$ -              | \$ 7,500     | \$ 46,000 | \$ 61,204 |
| Highest balance at<br>any month-end | 9,125                          | 2,576          | 34,002      | -                 | 7,500        | 62,700    | 115,903   |
| Average balance                     | 8,493                          | 248            | 9,642       | -                 | 7,500        | 38,975    | 64,858    |
| Weighted average<br>interest rate:  |                                |                |             |                   |              |           |           |
| Paid during the<br>year             | 2.22%                          | 0.49%          | 2.93%       | 0.00%             | 6.18%        | 4.15%     | 3.94%     |
| As of year-end                      | 1.24%                          | 0.00%          | 0.00%       | 0.00%             | 5.86%        | 3.88%     | 3.80%     |
| 2007                                |                                |                |             |                   |              |           |           |
| Balance at<br>December 31           | \$ 7,291                       | \$ -           | \$ 13,857   | \$ -              | \$ 7,500     | \$ 51,700 | \$ 80,348 |



Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

|                                  |       |       |        |        |       |        |         |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|---------|
| Highest balance at any month-end | 9,737 | 3,400 | 40,979 | 10,000 | 7,500 | 52,700 | 124,316 |
| Average balance                  | 8,084 | 1,216 | 24,926 | 334    | 7,500 | 24,465 | 66,525  |
| Weighted average interest rate:  |       |       |        |        |       |        |         |
| Paid during the year             | 4.49% | 4.85% | 5.24%  | 4.92%  | 8.34% | 4.86%  | 5.35%   |
| As of year-end                   | 3.70% | 0.00% | 3.81%  | 0.00%  | 7.79% | 4.52%  | 4.61%   |

(a) Securities sold under agreements to repurchase mature within 5 years. The carrying value of the underlying securities pledged at December 31, 2009 and 2008 was \$9,994,000 and \$11,348,000, respectively.

(b) Treasury Direct Investments consist of notes issued under the U.S. Treasury Department's program of investing balances in interest-bearing demand notes insured by depository institutions.

(c) FHLB Advances consist of an "Open RepoPlus" agreement with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh. FHLB "Open RepoPlus" advances are short-term borrowings that bear interest based on the Federal Home Loan Bank discount rate or Federal Funds rate, whichever is higher. The Company has a borrowing limit of \$262,795,000, inclusive of any outstanding advances. FHLB advances are secured by a blanket security agreement that includes the Company's FHLB stock, as well as certain investment and mortgage-backed securities held in safekeeping at the FHLB and certain residential and commercial mortgage loans. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, the approximate carrying value of the securities collateral was \$31,747,000 and \$54,093,000, respectively.

(d) The federal funds line consists of an unsecured line from a third party bank at market rates. The Company has a borrowing limit of \$10,000,000, inclusive of any outstanding balances. No specific collateral is required to be pledged for these borrowings.

(e) In December 2003, the Company formed a special purpose entity ("Entity") to issue \$7,500,000 of floating rate obligated mandatory redeemable securities as part of a pooled offering. The rate was determined quarterly and floated based on the 3 month LIBOR plus 2.80. The Entity may redeem them, in whole or in part, at face value after December 17, 2008, and on a quarterly basis thereafter. The Company borrowed the proceeds of the issuance from the Entity in December 2003 in the form of a \$7,500,000 note payable. Debt issue costs of \$75,000 have been capitalized and fully amortized as of December 31, 2008. Under current accounting rules, the Company's minority interest in the Entity was recorded at the initial investment amount and is included in the other assets section of the balance sheet. The Entity is not consolidated as part of the Company's consolidated financial statements.

(f) In December, 2008, the Company entered into an interest rate swap agreement to convert floating-rate debt to fixed rate debt on a notional amount of \$7.5 million. The interest rate swap instrument involves an agreement to receive a floating rate and pay a fixed rate, at specified intervals, calculated on the agreed-upon notional amount. The differentials paid or received on interest rate swap agreements are recognized as adjustments to interest expense in the period. The interest rate swap agreement was entered into on December 17, 2008 and expires December 17, 2013. The fair value of the interest rate swap at December 31, 2009 and 2008 was a liability of \$166,000 and \$344,000, respectively, and is included within other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets.

(g) Term Loans consist of separate loans with a third party bank and the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh as follows (in thousands):

| Interest Rate | Maturity             | December<br>31,<br>2009 | December<br>31,<br>2008 |
|---------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Fixed:        |                      |                         |                         |
| 5.26%         | January 20,<br>2009  | -                       | 5,000                   |
| 3.99%         | February 25,<br>2009 | -                       | 2,000                   |
| 5.25%         | April 20, 2009       | -                       | 5,000                   |
| 2.57%         |                      | -                       | 2,000                   |

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

|                         |                      |                  |                  |
|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                         | September 3,<br>2009 |                  |                  |
| 3.80%                   | December 31,<br>2009 | -                | 3,000            |
| 3.23%                   | January 14,<br>2010  | 2,000            | 2,000            |
| 2.82%                   | May 10, 2010         | 1,000            | 1,000            |
| 3.12%                   | May 9, 2011          | 1,000            | 1,000            |
| 3.73%                   | July 11, 2011        | 2,000            | 2,000            |
| 3.79%                   | August 22,<br>2011   | 1,000            | 1,000            |
| 3.70%                   | September 6,<br>2011 | 1,000            | 1,000            |
| 3.62%                   | September 6,<br>2011 | 2,000            | 2,000            |
| 3.57%                   | May 7, 2012          | 2,000            | 2,000            |
| 3.36%                   | May 9, 2012          | 2,000            | 2,000            |
| 3.89%                   | September 5,<br>2012 | 1,000            | 1,000            |
| 2.72%                   | March 31, 2013       | 1,150            | -                |
| 2.58%                   | April 28, 2013       | 2,000            | -                |
| 2.37%                   | May 5, 2013          | 2,000            | -                |
| 3.75%                   | May 6, 2013          | 2,000            | 2,000            |
| 3.55%                   | May 9, 2013          | 2,000            | 2,000            |
| 2.26%                   | May 15, 2013         | 1,650            | -                |
| 3.42%                   | December 2,<br>2013  | 5,000            | 5,000            |
| 3.52%                   | December 5,<br>2013  | 5,000            | 5,000            |
| 2.80%                   | April 17, 2014       | 3,200            | -                |
| <b>Total term loans</b> |                      | <b>\$ 39,000</b> | <b>\$ 46,000</b> |

Following are maturities of borrowed funds as of December 31, 2009 (in thousands):

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| 2010 \$                       | 17,055 |
| 2011                          | 7,000  |
| 2012                          | 5,608  |
| 2013                          | 20,800 |
| 2014                          | 3,200  |
| 2015                          | 452    |
| Total<br>borrowed<br>funds \$ | 54,115 |

## 11. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

### Noncontributory Defined Benefit Pension Plan

The Bank sponsors a trustee, noncontributory defined benefit pension plan covering substantially all employees and officers. The plan calls for benefits to be paid to eligible employees at retirement based primarily upon years of service with the Bank and compensation rates near retirement. The Bank's funding policy is to make annual contributions, if needed, based upon the funding formula developed by the plan's actuary. For the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, contributions to the plan totaled \$750,000 and \$486,000, respectively.

The plan was amended, effective January 1, 2008, to cease eligibility for employees with a hire date of January 1, 2008 or later. In lieu of the pension plan, employees with a hire date of January 1, 2008 or later are eligible to receive, after meeting length of service requirements, an annual discretionary 401(k) plan contribution from the Bank equal to a percentage of an employee's base compensation. The contribution amount will be placed in a separate account within the 401(k) plan and will be subject to a vesting requirement. Contributions by the Company totaled \$2,000 and \$0 for 2009 and 2008, respectively.

The plan was also amended, effective January 1, 2008, for employees who are still eligible to participate. The amended plan calls for benefits to be paid to eligible employees based primarily upon years of service with the Bank and compensation rates during employment. Upon retirement or other termination of employment, employees can elect either an annuity benefit or a lump sum distribution of vested benefits in the plan.

The following table sets forth the obligation and funded status as of December 31 (in thousands):

|   | 2009     | 2008     |
|---|----------|----------|
| Change in benefit obligation            |          |          |
| Benefit obligation at beginning of year | \$ 7,114 | \$ 7,016 |
| Service cost                            | 330      | 324      |
| Interest cost                           | 424      | 407      |
| Actuarial (Gain) / Loss                 | 51       | (398)    |
| Benefits paid                           | (471)    | (235)    |
| Benefit obligation at end of year       | 7,448    | 7,114    |
| Change in plan assets                   | 5,149    | 6,313    |

|  |       |         |
|--|-------|---------|
| Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year |       |         |
| Actual return (loss) on plan assets            | 1,030 | (1,415) |
| Employer contribution                          | 750   | 486     |
| Benefits paid                                  | (471) | (235)   |
| Fair value of plan assets at end of year       | 6,458 | 5,149   |

|               |    |       |    |         |
|---------------|----|-------|----|---------|
| Funded status | \$ | (990) | \$ | (1,965) |
|---------------|----|-------|----|---------|

Amounts not yet recognized as a component of net periodic pension cost (in thousands):

Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss consists of:

|                    |    |       |    |       |
|--------------------|----|-------|----|-------|
| Net loss           | \$ | 2,179 | \$ | 2,922 |
| Prior service cost |    | (485) |    | (527) |
| Total              | \$ | 1,694 | \$ | 2,395 |

60

---

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

The accumulated benefit obligation for the defined benefit pension plan was \$7,147,000 and \$6,638,000 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Information where the accumulated benefit obligation is in excess of plan assets at December 31 is as follows (in thousands):

|                                | 2009     |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Projected benefit obligation   | \$ 7,448 |
| Accumulated benefit obligation | 7,147    |
| Fair value of plan assets      | 6,458    |

The components of net periodic benefit costs for the periods ending December 31 are as follows (in thousands):

|                               | 2009   | 2008   | 2007   |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Service cost                  | \$ 330 | \$ 324 | \$ 421 |
| Interest cost                 | 424    | 407    | 407    |
| Return on plan assets         | (415)  | (503)  | (468)  |
| Net amortization and deferral | 137    | 18     | 73     |
| Net periodic benefit cost     | \$ 476 | \$ 246 | \$ 433 |

The estimated net loss and prior service cost (benefit) that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive loss into the net periodic benefit cost in 2010 is \$110,300 and \$(42,600), respectively.

The weighted-average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations at December 31:

|                               | 2009  | 2008  |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Discount rate                 | 5.75% | 6.00% |
| Rate of compensation increase | 3.25% | 3.25% |



The weighted-average assumptions used to determine net periodic benefit cost for the year ended December 31:

|  | 2009  | 2008  | 2007  |
|--|-------|-------|-------|
| Discount rate                            | 6.00% | 6.00% | 5.75% |
| Expected long-term return on plan assets | 8.00% | 8.00% | 8.00% |
| Rate of compensation increase            | 3.25% | 3.25% | 3.25% |

The long-term rate of return on plan assets gives consideration to returns currently being earned on plan assets as well as future rates expected to be earned. The investment objective is to maximize total return consistent with the interests of the participants and beneficiaries, and prudent investment management. The allocation of the pension plan assets is determined on the basis of sound economic principles and is continually reviewed in light of changes in market conditions. Asset allocation favors equity securities, with a target allocation of 50-70%. The target allocation for debt securities is 30-50%. At December 31, 2009, the pension plan had a sufficient cash and money market position in order to re-allocate the equity portfolio for diversification purposes and reduce risk in the total portfolio. The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2009:

| (In thousands)            | December 31, 2009 |                 |             | Total           |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
|                           | Level I           | Level II        | Level III   |                 |
| Assets                    |                   |                 |             |                 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 682               |                 | \$          | 682             |
| Equity Securities         |                   |                 |             |                 |
| U.S. Companies            | 3,424             |                 |             | 2,424           |
| Mutual Funds              | 1,679             |                 |             | 1,679           |
| Corporate Bonds           | \$                | 906             |             | 906             |
| U.S. Agency Securities    |                   | 767             |             | 767             |
| <b>Total</b>              | <b>4,785</b>      | <b>\$ 1,673</b> | <b>\$ -</b> | <b>\$ 6,458</b> |

- (a) This category comprises mutual funds investing in domestic large-cap, mid-caps, small caps, international large cap, emerging markets and commodities.



Equity securities include the Company's common stock in the amounts of \$277,000 (4.3% of total plan assets) and \$217,500 (4.2% of total plan assets) at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

The Bank expects to contribute \$500,000 to its pension plan in 2010. Expected future benefit payments that the Bank estimates from its pension plan are as follows (in thousands):

|        |    |       |
|--------|----|-------|
| 2010   | \$ | 293   |
| 2011   |    | 281   |
| 2012   |    | 361   |
| 2013   |    | 263   |
| 2014   |    | 608   |
| 2015 - |    |       |
| 2019   |    | 3,151 |

### Defined Contribution Plan

The Company sponsors a voluntary 401(k) savings plan which eligible employees can elect to contribute up to the maximum amount allowable not to exceed the limits of IRS Code Sections 401(k). Under the plan, the Company also makes required contributions on behalf of the eligible employees. The Company's contributions vest immediately. Contributions by the Company totaled \$212,000 and \$203,000 for 2009 and 2008, respectively.

### Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan

The Company's directors may elect to defer all or portions of their fees until their retirement or termination from service. Amounts deferred under the plan earn interest based upon the highest current rate offered to certificate of deposit customers. Amounts deferred under the plan are not guaranteed and represent a general liability of the Company. Amounts included in interest expense on the deferred amounts totaled \$36,000, \$40,000 and \$47,000 for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

### Restricted Stock Plan

Effective April 18, 2006, shareholders of the Company approved the 2006 Restricted Stock Plan (the Plan). Employees and non-employee corporate directors are eligible to receive awards of restricted stock based upon performance related requirements. Awards granted under the Plan are in the form of the Company's common stock and are subject to certain vesting requirements including continuous employment or service with the Company. 100,000 shares of the Company's common stock have been authorized under the Plan, which terminates April 18, 2016. As of December 31, 2009, 84,067 shares remain available to be issued under the Plan. The Plan assists the Company in attracting, retaining and motivating employees to make substantial contributions to the success of the Company and to increase the emphasis on the use of equity as a key component of compensation.

During 2009 and 2008, 7,526 and 4,993 shares of restricted stock were awarded and 2,630 and 1,247 shares were vested. Compensation cost related to restricted stock is recognized based on the market price of the stock at the grant date over the vesting period. Compensation expense related to restricted stock was \$98,000, \$56,000 and \$23,000 for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

### Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan

During 2008, the Company adopted a non-qualified supplemental executive retirement plan ("SERP") for certain executives to compensate those executive participants in the Company's noncontributory defined benefit pension plan whose benefits are limited by compensation limitations under current tax law. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, an obligation of \$399,000 and \$188,000, respectively, was included in other liabilities for this plan in the consolidated balance sheet. Expenses related to this plan totaled \$211,000 and \$188,000 for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008.

## 12. INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes consists of the following (in thousands):

|                   | Year Ended December 31, |          |          |
|-------------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|
|                   | 2009                    | 2008     | 2007     |
| Currently payable | \$ 2,438                | \$ 2,006 | \$ 1,718 |
| Deferred tax      | 245                     | (782)    | 54       |

liability  
(asset)  
Provision  
for  
income  
taxes    \$    2,683    \$    1,224    \$    1,772

63

---

The following temporary differences gave rise to the net deferred tax assets at December 31, 2009 and 2008 (in thousands):

|   | 2009            | 2008            |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Deferred tax assets:                                  |                 |                 |
| Allowance for loan losses                             | \$ 1,662        | \$ 1,488        |
| Deferred compensation                                 | 592             | 588             |
| Merger & acquisition costs                            | 48              | 57              |
| Allowance for losses on available-for-sale securities | 1,015           | 985             |
| Pension and other retirement obligation               | 472             | 732             |
| Unrealized loss on interest rate swap                 | 56              | 117             |
| Other   | 66              | -               |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$ 3,911</b> | <b>\$ 3,967</b> |
| Deferred tax liabilities:                             |                 |                 |
| Premises and equipment                                | \$ (304)        | \$ (221)        |
| Investment securities accretion                       | (236)           | (161)           |
| Loan fees and costs                                   | (106)           | (125)           |
| Goodwill and core deposit intangibles                 | (1,201)         | (903)           |
| Low income housing tax credits                        | (56)            | (38)            |
| Mortgage servicing rights                             | (90)            | (52)            |
| Unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities     | (1,684)         | (945)           |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>(3,677)</b>  | <b>(2,445)</b>  |
| <b>Deferred tax asset, net</b>                        | <b>\$ 234</b>   | <b>\$ 1,522</b> |

No valuation allowance was established at December 31, 2009 and 2008, in view of the Company's ability to carryback to taxes paid in previous years and certain tax strategies, coupled with the anticipated future taxable income as evidenced by the Company's earnings potential.

The total provision for income taxes is different from that computed at the statutory rates due to the following items (in thousands):

|  | Year Ended December 31, |          |          |
|--|-------------------------|----------|----------|
|  | 2009                    | 2008     | 2007     |
| Provision at statutory rates on pre-tax income | \$ 4,260                | \$ 2,757 | \$ 2,892 |
| Effect of tax-exempt income                    | (1,372)                 | (1,178)  | (961)    |
|  | (187)                   | (187)    | (187)    |

|                                |          |          |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Low income housing tax credits |          |          |          |
| Bank owned life insurance      | (167)    | (123)    | (113)    |
| Nondeductible interest         | 123      | 125      | 133      |
| Valuation allowance            | -        | (191)    | 9        |
| Other items                    | 26       | 21       | (1)      |
| Provision for income taxes     | \$ 2,683 | \$ 1,224 | \$ 1,772 |
| Statutory tax rates            | 34%      | 34%      | 34%      |
| Effective tax rates            | 21.4%    | 15.1%    | 20.8%    |

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles prescribe a recognition threshold and a measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. Benefits from tax positions should be recognized in the financial statements only when it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained upon examination by the appropriate taxing authority that would have full knowledge of all relevant information. A tax position that meets the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold is measured at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50 percent likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. Tax positions that previously failed to meet the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold should be recognized in the first subsequent financial reporting period in which that threshold is met. Previously recognized tax positions that no longer meet the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold should be derecognized in the first subsequent financial reporting period in which that threshold is no longer met.

## 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Certain executive officers, corporate directors or companies in which they have 10 percent or more beneficial ownership were indebted to the Bank. Such loans were made in the ordinary course of business at the Bank's normal credit terms and do not present more than a normal risk of collection. A summary of loan activity for 2009 and 2008 with officers, directors, stockholders and associates of such persons is listed below (in thousands):

|                            | Year Ended December 31, |          |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------|
|                            | 2009                    | 2008     |
| Balance, beginning of year | \$ 3,163                | \$ 2,828 |
| New loans                  | 1,576                   | 1,499    |
| Repayments                 | (1,751)                 | (1,164)  |
| Balance, end of year       | \$ 2,988                | \$ 3,163 |

## 14. REGULATORY MATTERS

## Dividend Restrictions:

The approval of the Comptroller of the Currency is required for a national bank to pay dividends up to the Company if the total of all dividends declared in any calendar year exceeds the Bank's net income (as defined) for that year combined with its retained net income for the preceding two calendar years. Under this formula, the Bank can declare dividends in 2010 without approval of the Comptroller of the Currency of approximately \$10,937,000, plus the Bank's net income for 2010.

## Loans:

The Bank is subject to regulatory restrictions which limit its ability to loan funds to the Company. At December 31, 2009, the regulatory lending limit amounted to approximately \$6,845,000.

## Regulatory Capital Requirements:

Federal regulations require the Company and the Bank to maintain minimum amounts of capital. Specifically, each is required to maintain certain minimum dollar amounts and ratios of Total and Tier I capital to risk-weighted assets and of Tier I capital to average total assets.

In addition to the capital requirements, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act (FDICIA) established five capital categories ranging from "well capitalized" to "critically under-capitalized." Should any institution fail to meet the requirements to be considered "adequately capitalized", it would become subject to a series of increasingly restrictive regulatory actions.

As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Federal Reserve Board categorized the Company and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency categorized the Bank as well capitalized, under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as a well capitalized financial institution, Total risk-based, Tier I risk-based and Tier I leverage capital ratios must be at least 10%, 6% and 5%, respectively.

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

The following table reflects the Company's capital ratios at December 31 (dollars in thousands):

|  | 2009      |        | 2008      |        |
|--|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|
|  | Amount    | Ratio  | Amount    | Ratio  |
| Total capital (to risk weighted assets)  |           |        |           |        |
| Company                                  | \$ 62,751 | 13.77% | \$ 54,924 | 13.06% |
| For capital adequacy purposes            | 36,464    | 8.00%  | 33,652    | 8.00%  |
| To be well capitalized                   | 45,580    | 10.00% | 42,065    | 10.00% |
| Tier I capital (to risk weighted assets) |           |        |           |        |
| Company                                  | \$ 57,839 | 12.69% | \$ 50,546 | 12.02% |
| For capital adequacy purposes            | 18,232    | 4.00%  | 16,826    | 4.00%  |
| To be well capitalized                   | 27,348    | 6.00%  | 25,239    | 6.00%  |
| Tier I capital (to average assets)       |           |        |           |        |
| Company                                  | \$ 57,839 | 8.15%  | \$ 50,546 | 7.91%  |
| For capital adequacy purposes            | 28,381    | 4.00%  | 25,547    | 4.00%  |
| To be well capitalized                   | 35,478    | 5.00%  | 31,934    | 5.00%  |

The following table reflects the Bank's capital ratios at December 31 (dollars in thousands):

|   | 2009      |        | 2008      |        |
|---|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|
|   | Amount    | Ratio  | Amount    | Ratio  |
| Total capital (to risk weighted assets) |           |        |           |        |
| Bank                                    | \$ 57,182 | 12.56% | \$ 49,248 | 11.73% |
| For capital adequacy                    | 36,414    | 8.00%  | 33,593    | 8.00%  |

|  |    |               |    |               |
|--|----|---------------|----|---------------|
| purposes<br>To be well<br>capitalized          |    | 45,518 10.00% |    | 41,991 10.00% |
| Tier I capital (to<br>risk weighted<br>assets) |    |               |    |               |
| Bank   | \$ | 52,286 11.49% | \$ | 44,871 10.69% |
| For capital<br>adequacy<br>purposes            |    | 18,207 4.00%  |    | 16,796 4.00%  |
| To be well<br>capitalized                      |    | 27,311 6.00%  |    | 25,194 6.00%  |
| Tier I capital (to<br>average assets)          |    |               |    |               |
| Bank   | \$ | 52,286 7.38%  | \$ | 44,871 7.04%  |
| For capital<br>adequacy<br>purposes            |    | 28,348 4.00%  |    | 25,510 4.00%  |
| To be well<br>capitalized                      |    | 35,436 5.00%  |    | 31,887 5.00%  |

This annual report has not been reviewed, or confirmed for accuracy or relevance, by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

#### 15. OFF-BALANCE-SHEET RISK

The Company is a party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. These instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate or liquidity risk in excess of the amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheet.



The Company's exposure to credit loss from nonperformance by the other party to the financial instruments for commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit is represented by the contractual amount of these instruments. The Company uses the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as it does for on-balance sheet instruments.

Financial instruments, whose contract amounts represent credit risk at December 31, 2009 and 2008, are as follows (in thousands):

|                              | 2009     | 2008     |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Commitments to extend credit | \$87,745 | \$84,089 |
| Standby letters of credit    | 6,442    | 6,203    |

Commitments to extend credit are legally binding agreements to lend to customers. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of fees. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future liquidity requirements. The Company evaluates each customer's creditworthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained if deemed necessary by the Company on extension of credit is based on management's credit assessment of the counter party.

Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments issued by the Company to guarantee a financial agreement between a customer and a third party. Performance letters of credit represent conditional commitments issued by the Bank to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. These instruments are issued primarily to support bid or performance related contracts. The coverage period for these instruments is typically a one-year period with an annual renewal option subject to prior approval by management. Fees earned from the issuance of these letters are recognized during the coverage period. For secured letters of credit, the collateral is typically Bank deposit instruments or customer business assets.

We also offer limited overdraft protection as a non-contractual courtesy which is available to demand deposit accounts in good standing for business, personal or household use. The non-contractual amount of financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk at December 31, 2009 was \$11,150,000. The Company reserves the right to discontinue this service without prior notice.

During the year ended December 31, 2009, the Company entered into an agreement with a construction contractor for the construction of new branch totaling \$1.1 million. As of December 31, 2009, progress totaling approximately \$222,000 has been completed.

## 16. ESTIMATED FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted FASB ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, which, among other things, requires enhanced disclosures about assets and liabilities carried at fair value. FASB ASC Topic 820 establishes a hierarchal disclosure framework associated with the level of pricing observability utilized in measuring assets and liabilities at fair value. The three broad levels defined by FASB ASC Topic 820 hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the reported date.

I:

Level Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reported date. The nature of these assets and liabilities include items for which quoted prices are available but traded less frequently, and items that are fair valued using other financial instruments, the parameters of which can be directly observed.

Level Assets and liabilities that have little to no pricing observability as of the reported date. These items do not have two-way markets and are measured using management's best estimate of fair value, where the inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation.

Edgar Filing: CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - Form 10-K

The following tables present the assets reported on the consolidated balance sheet at their fair value as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 by level within the fair value hierarchy. As required by FASB ASC Topic 820, financial assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

| (In thousands)                                  | December 31, 2009 |           |           | Total     |
|---|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|   | Level 1           | Level II  | Level III |           |
| Fair value measurements on a recurring basis:   |                   |           |           |           |
| Securities available for sale:                  |                   |           |           |           |
| U.S. Agency securities                          |                   | \$ 65,223 |           | \$ 65,223 |
| Obligations of state and political subdivisions |                   | 59,574    |           | 59,574    |
| Corporate obligations                           |                   | 3,166     |           | 3,166     |
| Mortgage-backed securities                      |                   | 70,194    |           | 70,194    |
| Equity securities                               | \$ 425            |           |           | 425       |
| Trust Preferred Interest Rate Swap              |                   | (166)     |           | (166)     |
| Fair value measurements on non-recurring basis: |                   |           |           |           |
| Impaired Loans                                  |                   | 5,029     |           | 5,029     |
| Other real estate owned                         |                   | 101       |           | 101       |

| (In thousands)                                  | December 31, 2008 |           |           | Total     |
|---|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|   | Level 1           | Level II  | Level III |           |
| Fair value measurements on a recurring basis:   |                   |           |           |           |
| Securities available for sale:                  |                   |           |           |           |
| U.S. Agency securities                          |                   | \$ 28,942 |           | \$ 28,942 |
| Obligations of state and political subdivisions |                   | 44,132    |           | 44,132    |

|   |        |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|--------|
| Corporate obligations                           |        | 5,296  | 5,296  |
| Mortgage-backed securities                      |        | 95,407 | 95,407 |
| Equity securities                               | \$ 362 |        | 362    |
| Trust Preferred                                 |        |        |        |
| Interest Rate Swap                              |        | (330)  | (330)  |
| Fair value measurements on non-recurring basis: |        |        |        |
| Impaired Loans                                  |        | 1,514  | 1,514  |
| Other real estate owned                         |        | 169    | 169    |

68

---

The estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments are as follows (in thousands):

|                                    | December 31,       |                         |                    |                         |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
|                                    | 2009               |                         | 2008               |                         |
|                                    | Carrying<br>Amount | Estimated<br>Fair Value | Carrying<br>Amount | Estimated<br>Fair Value |
| Financial assets:                  |                    |                         |                    |                         |
| Cash and cash equivalents          | \$ 31,449          | \$ 31,449               | \$ 19,856          | \$ 19,856               |
| Available-for-sale securities      | 198,582            | 198,582                 | 174,139            | 174,139                 |
| Net loans                          | 451,496            | 466,967                 | 428,436            | 445,571                 |
| Bank owned life insurance          | 12,667             | 12,667                  | 12,176             | 12,176                  |
| Regulatory stock                   | 3,957              | 3,957                   | 3,371              | 3,371                   |
| Accrued interest receivable        | 3,141              | 3,141                   | 2,912              | 2,912                   |
| Financial liabilities:             |                    |                         |                    |                         |
| Deposits                           | \$ 605,559         | \$ 611,705              | \$ 546,680         | \$ 555,089              |
| Borrowed funds                     | 54,115             | 50,582                  | 61,204             | 60,823                  |
| Trust preferred interest rate swap | 166                |                         | 330                | 330                     |
| Accrued interest payable           | 2,037              | 2,037                   | 2,233              | 2,233                   |

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on relevant market information and information about the financial instrument. These estimates do not reflect any premium or discount that could result from offering for sale at one time the Company's entire holdings of a particular financial instrument. Because no market exists for a significant portion of the Company's financial instruments, fair value estimates are based on judgments regarding future expected loss experience, current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments and other factors. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions can significantly affect the estimates.

Estimated fair values have been determined by the Company using historical data, as generally provided in the Company's regulatory reports, and an estimation methodology suitable for each category of financial instruments. The Company's fair value estimates, methods and assumptions are set forth below for the Company's other financial instruments.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents:

The carrying amounts for cash and due from banks approximate fair value because they have original maturities of 90 days or less and do not present unanticipated credit concerns.

#### Accrued Interest Receivable and Payable:

The carrying amounts for accrued interest receivable and payable approximate fair value because they are generally received or paid in 90 days or less and do not present unanticipated credit concerns.

Available-For-Sale Securities:

The fair values of available-for-sale securities are based on quoted market prices as of the balance sheet date. For certain instruments, fair value is estimated by obtaining quotes from independent dealers.

Loans:

Fair values are estimated for portfolios of loans with similar financial characteristics. The fair value of performing loans has been estimated by discounting expected future cash flows. The discount rate used in these calculations is derived from the Treasury yield curve adjusted for credit quality, operating expense and prepayment option price, and is calculated by discounting scheduled cash flows through the estimated maturity using estimated market discount rates that reflect the credit and interest rate risk inherent in the loan. The estimate of maturity is based on the Company's historical experience with repayments for each loan classification, modified as required by an estimate of the effect of current economic and lending conditions.

Fair value for significant nonperforming loans is based on recent external appraisals. If appraisals are not available, estimated cash flows are discounted using a rate commensurate with the risk associated with the estimated cash flows. Assumptions regarding credit risk, cash flows, and discount rates are judgmentally determined using available market information and specific borrower information.

Bank Owned Life Insurance:

The carrying value of bank owned life insurance approximates fair value based on applicable redemption provisions.

Regulatory Stock:

The carrying value of regulatory stock approximates fair value based on applicable redemption provisions.

Deposits:

The fair value of deposits with no stated maturity, such as noninterest-bearing demand deposits, savings and NOW accounts, and money market accounts, is equal to the amount payable on demand. The fair value of certificates of deposit is based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rate is estimated using the rates currently offered for deposits of similar remaining maturities.

The deposits' fair value estimates do not include the benefit that results from the low-cost funding provided by the deposit liabilities compared to the cost of borrowing funds in the market, commonly referred to as the core deposit intangible.

Borrowed Funds:

Rates available to the Company for borrowed funds with similar terms and remaining maturities are used to estimate the fair value of borrowed funds.

Trust Preferred Interest Rate Swap:

The fair value of the trust preferred interest rate swap is based on a pricing model that utilizes a yield curve and information contained in the swap agreement.

## 17. CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION - PARENT COMPANY ONLY

CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

December 31,

| (in thousands)                             | 2009      | 2008      |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Assets:                                    |           |           |
| Cash                                       | \$ 4,909  | \$ 4,987  |
| Investment in subsidiary:                  |           |           |
| First Citizens National Bank               | 63,560    | 54,821    |
| Other assets                               | 856       | 962       |
| Total assets                               | \$ 69,325 | \$ 60,770 |
| Liabilities:                               |           |           |
| Other liabilities                          | \$ 298    | \$ 500    |
| Borrowed funds                             | 7,500     | 7,500     |
| Total liabilities                          | 7,798     | 8,000     |
| Stockholders' equity                       | 61,527    | 52,770    |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ 69,325 | \$ 60,770 |

CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF INCOME

Year Ended December 31,

| (in thousands)  | 2009     | 2008     | 2007     |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Dividends from:   |          |          |          |
| Bank subsidiary   | \$ 3,396 | \$ 3,284 | \$ 3,175 |
| Available-for-sale securities                                   | 15       | 21       | 12       |
| Total income  | 3,411    | 3,305    | 3,187    |
| Realized securities gains (losses)                              | (33)     | 30       | -        |
| Expenses  | 432      | 449      | 563      |
| Income before equity  |          |          |          |
| in undistributed earnings                                       |          |          |          |
| of subsidiary   | 2,946    | 2,886    | 2,624    |
| Equity in undistributed earnings - First Citizens National Bank | 6,918    | 4,019    | 4,112    |
| Net income  | \$ 9,864 | \$ 6,905 | \$ 6,736 |





CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended December 31,

| (in thousands)  | 2009     | 2008     | 2007     |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Cash flows from operating activities:   |          |          |          |
| Net income  | \$ 9,864 | \$ 6,905 | \$ 6,736 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: |          |          |          |
| Equity in undistributed earnings of subsidiaries                                  | (6,918)  | (4,019)  | (4,112)  |
| Investment securities (gains) losses, net   | 33       | (30)     | -        |
| Other, net  | 94       | 164      | 38       |
| Net cash provided by operating activities   | 3,073    | 3,020    | 2,662    |
| Cash flows from investing activities:   |          |          |          |
| Purchases of available-for-sale securities  | (125)    | (226)    | (226)    |
| Proceeds from the sale of available-for-sale securities                           | 211      | 162      | -        |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities                               | 86       | (64)     | (226)    |
| Cash flows from financing activities:   |          |          |          |
| Cash dividends paid   | (2,951)  | (2,815)  | (2,550)  |
| Purchase of treasury stock  | (286)    | (271)    | (567)    |
| Net cash used in financing activities   | (3,237)  | (3,086)  | (3,117)  |
| Net decrease in cash  | (78)     | (130)    | (681)    |
| Cash at beginning of year   | 4,987    | 5,117    | 5,798    |
| Cash at end of year   | \$ 4,909 | \$ 4,987 | \$ 5,117 |

## 18. ACQUISITIONS

On November 21, 2008, the Company acquired the Mansfield branch of the Elmira Savings Bank located in Mansfield, Pennsylvania. The acquisition included retail deposits of \$16,889,000 and loans of \$267,000. Land, building and certain other fixed assets were acquired with an approximate fair market value of \$296,000. The Company also recorded goodwill of \$1,651,000 and \$67,000 of core deposit intangible.

#### 19. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

In January 2010, a borrower in custody agreement was established with the Federal Reserve Board in the amount of \$13.6 million, which is collateralized by \$22.7 million of municipal loans maintained in the Company's possession.

## 20. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED QUARTERLY DATA (UNAUDITED)

| (in thousands, except share data)        |          | Three Months Ended, |          |          |  |
|--|----------|---------------------|----------|----------|--|
| 2009                                     | Mar 31   | Jun 30              | Sep 30   | Dec 31   |  |
| Interest income                          | \$ 9,597 | \$ 9,629            | \$ 9,667 | \$ 9,722 |  |
| Interest expense                         | 3,438    | 3,359               | 3,277    | 3,157    |  |
| Net interest income                      | 6,159    | 6,270               | 6,390    | 6,565    |  |
| Provision for loan losses                | 150      | 150                 | 400      | 225      |  |
| Non-interest income                      | 1,338    | 1,433               | 1,452    | 1,485    |  |
| Investment securities gains, net         | 16       | 102                 | -        | 21       |  |
| Non-interest expenses                    | 4,372    | 4,491               | 4,450    | 4,446    |  |
| Income before provision for income taxes | 2,991    | 3,164               | 2,992    | 3,400    |  |
| Provision for income taxes               | 645      | 692                 | 604      | 742      |  |
| Net income                               | \$ 2,346 | \$ 2,472            | \$ 2,388 | \$ 2,658 |  |
| Earnings Per Share                       | \$ 0.81  | \$ 0.86             | \$ 0.83  | \$ 0.93  |  |

|   |          | Three Months Ended, |            |          |  |
|---|----------|---------------------|------------|----------|--|
| 2008  | Mar 31   | Jun 30              | Sep 30     | Dec 31   |  |
| Interest income   | \$ 9,208 | \$ 9,186            | \$ 9,345   | \$ 9,499 |  |
| Interest expense  | 3,800    | 3,356               | 3,382      | 3,520    |  |
| Net interest income                                       | 5,408    | 5,830               | 5,963      | 5,979    |  |
| Provision for loan losses                                 | 120      | -                   | 105        | 105      |  |
| Non-interest income                                       | 1,209    | 1,318               | 1,365      | 1,353    |  |
| Investment securities losses, net                         | -        | -                   | (4,089)    | -        |  |
| Non-interest expenses                                     | 3,915    | 3,938               | 4,032      | 3,992    |  |
| Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes | 2,582    | 3,210               | (898)      | 3,235    |  |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes                      | 561      | 764                 | 154        | (255)    |  |
| Net (loss) income   | \$ 2,021 | \$ 2,446            | \$ (1,052) | \$ 3,490 |  |
| Earnings (Loss) Per Share                                 | \$ 0.70  | \$ 0.85             | \$ (0.36)  | \$ 1.21  |  |

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholder's and Board of Directors of  
Citizens Financial Services, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Citizens Financial Services, Inc. and subsidiary as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2009. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Citizens Financial Services, Inc. and subsidiary as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2009, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We were not engaged to examine management's assertion about the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, included in the accompanying Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion thereon.

/s/S.R. Snodgrass, A.C.

Wexford, Pennsylvania  
March 11, 2010

MANAGEMENT'S ANNUAL REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

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

A material weakness is a significant deficiency (as defined in Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Auditing Standard No. 2), or a combination of significant deficiencies, that results in there being more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis by management or employees in the normal course by management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009. In making this assessment, management used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in Internal Control-Integrated Framework. Based on this assessment, management believes that, as of December 31, 2009, the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this annual report.

/s/ Randall E. Black  
By: Randall E. Black  
President  
(Principal Executive Officer)  
Date: March 11, 2010

/s/ Mickey L. Jones  
By: Mickey L. Jones  
Treasurer  
(Principal Financial & Accounting Officer)  
Date: March 11, 2010



ITEM 9 – CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE.

None.

ITEM 9A(T) – CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

(a) Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company's management, including the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer, have evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's "disclosure controls and procedures," as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (the "Exchange Act"). Based upon their evaluation, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective for the purpose of ensuring that the information required to be disclosed in the reports that the Company files or submits under the Exchange Act with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") (1) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and (2) is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

(b) Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting

Management's annual report on internal control over financial reporting is incorporated herein by reference to Item 8 - the Company's audited Consolidated Financial Statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K

(c) Changes to Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the three months ended December 31, 2009 that have materially affected, or are reasonable likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 9B – OTHER INFORMATION.

None.



### PART III

#### ITEM 10 – DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

##### Directors

For information relating to the directors of the Company, the section captioned “Proposal 1. Election of Directors” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is incorporated by reference.

##### Executive Officers

For information relating to officers of the Company, the section captioned “Proposal 1. Election of Directors” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is incorporated by reference.

##### Compliance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act

For information regarding compliance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act, the section captioned “Other Information Relating to Directors and Executive Officers - Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference.

##### Disclosure of Code of Ethics

The Company has adopted a Code of Ethics that applies to directors, officers and employees of the Company and the Bank. A copy of the Code of Ethics is posted on the Company’s website at [www.firstcitizensbank.com](http://www.firstcitizensbank.com). The Company intends to satisfy the disclosure requirement under Item 10 of Form 8-K regarding an amendment to, or a waiver from, a provision of its Code of Ethics by posting such information on its website.

##### Corporate Governance

For information regarding the audit committee and its composition and the audit committee financial expert, the section captioned “Corporate Governance – Committees of the Board of Directors” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is incorporated by reference.

#### ITEM 11 – EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

##### Executive Compensation

For information regarding executive compensation, the sections captioned “Executive and Director Compensation” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference.

#### ITEM 12 – SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDERS MATTERS

(a) Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners Information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the section captioned “Stock Ownership” in the Company’s Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

(b)

Security Ownership of Management Information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the section captioned "Stock Ownership" in the Company's Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

(c) Changes in Control

Management of the Company knows of no arrangements, including any pledge by any person or securities of the Company, the operation of which may at a subsequent date result in a change in control of the registrant.

## (d) Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following table sets forth information as of December 31, 2009 about Company common stock that may be issued under the Company's 2006 Restricted Stock Plan. The plan was approved by the Company's stockholders.

| Plan Category  | Number of securities to be issued upon the exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights | Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights | Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in the first column) |
|--|---|---|---|
| Equity compensation plans approved by security holders     | n/a   | n/a   | 84,067  |
| Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders | n/a   | n/a   | n/a   |
| Total  | n/a   | n/a   | 84,067  |

## ITEM 13 – CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

## Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

For information regarding certain relationships and related transactions, the section captioned “Other Information Relating to Directors and Executive Officers - Transactions with Management” in the Company's Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is incorporated by reference.

## Director Independence

For information regarding director independence, the section captioned “Corporate Governance – Director Independence” in the Company's Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is incorporated by reference.

## ITEM 14 – PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

For information regarding the principal accountant fees and expenses the section captioned “Proposal 5. Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm” in the Company's Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is incorporated by reference.



PART IV

ITEM 15 – EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES.

(a) The following documents are filed as a part of this report:

1. The following financial statements are incorporated by reference in Item 8:

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm  
Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2009 and 2008  
Consolidated Statement of Income for the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007  
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity for the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007  
Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

2. All financial statement schedules are omitted because the required information is either not applicable, not required or is shown in the respective financial statement or in the notes thereto, which are incorporated by reference at subsection(a)(1) of this item.

3. The following Exhibits are filed herewith, or incorporated by reference as a part of this report.

- 3.1 Articles of Incorporation of Citizens Financial Services, Inc., as amended(1)
- 3.2 Bylaws of Citizens Financial Services, Inc.(2)
- 4 Instrument defining the rights of security holders (3)
  
- 10.1 \*Amended and Restated Executive Employment Agreement between Citizens Financial Services, Inc., First Citizens National Bank and Randall E. Black(4)
- 10.2 \*Consulting and Non-Compete Agreement between Citizens Financial Services, Inc., First Citizens National Bank and Richard E. Wilber(5)
- 10.3 \*Citizens Financial Services, Inc. Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan(6)
- 10.4 \*Citizens Financial Services, Inc. Directors' Life Insurance Program(7)
- 10.5 \*Citizens Financial Services, Inc. 2006 Restricted Stock Plan(8)
- 10.6 \*Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan(9)
- 10.7 \*Change in Control Agreement, between First Citizens National Bank, Citizens Financial Services, Inc. (as guarantor) and Terry B. Osborne (10)
- 10.8 \*Change in Control Agreement, between First Citizens National Bank, Citizens Financial Services, Inc. (as guarantor) and Mickey L. Jones (10)
- 21 List of Subsidiaries
- 23 Consent of S.R. Snodgrass, A.C., Certified Public Accountants
- 31.1 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer
- 31.2 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Financial Officer
- 32.1 Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer
- 32.2 Section 1350 Certification of Chief Financial Officer

\*Management contract or compensatory plan, contract or arrangement

- (1) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(i) to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2000, as filed with the Commission on May 11, 2000.
- (2) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2) to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, as filed with the Commission on December 24, 2009.
- (3) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, as filed with the commission on March 14, 2006.
- (4) Incorporated by reference to Form 8-K filed with the Commission on September 19, 2006.
- (5) Incorporated by Reference to Exhibit 10 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, as filed with the Commission on March 18, 2004.
- (6) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, as filed with the Commission on March 14, 2005.
- (7) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, as filed with the Commission on March 14, 2005.
- (8) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Form S-8, as filed with the Commission on August 29, 2006.
- (9) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, as filed with the Commission on March 12, 2009
- (10) Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K as filed with the Commission on January 22, 2010

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Citizens Financial Services, Inc.

(Registrant)

/s/ Randall E. Black  
By: Randall E. Black  
President  
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: March 11, 2010

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

| Signature and Capacity   | Date           |
|--|----------------|
| /s/ Randall E. Black<br>Randall E. Black, President, Director<br>(Principal Executive Officer) | March 11, 2010 |
| /s/ R. Lowell Coolidge<br>R. Lowell Coolidge, Director   | March 11, 2010 |
| /s/ Rudolph J. van der Hiel<br>Rudolph J. van der Hiel, Director                               | March 11, 2010 |
| /s/ Robert W. Chappell<br>Robert W. Chappell, Director   | March 11, 2010 |
| /s/ Mark L. Dalton<br>Mark L. Dalton, Director   | March 11, 2010 |
| /s/ R. Joseph Landy<br>R. Joseph Landy, Director   | March 11, 2010 |
| /s/ Roger C. Graham, Jr.<br>Roger C. Graham, Director  | March 11, 2010 |
| /s/ E. Gene Kosa<br>E. Gene Kosa, Director   | March 11, 2010 |

/s/ Rinaldo A. DePaola  
Rinaldo A. DePaola, Director

March 11, 2010

/s/ Thomas E. Freeman  
Thomas E. Freeman, Director

March 11, 2010

/s/ Mickey L. Jones  
Mickey L. Jones, Treasurer  
(Principal Financial & Accounting Officer)

March 11, 2010



