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**UNITED STATES  
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**Amendment No. 1  
to  
Form S-1  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**Patriot National Bancorp, Inc.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Connecticut**  
*(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)*

**6021**  
*(Primary Standard Industrial  
Classification Code Number)*  
**900 Bedford Street  
Stamford, Connecticut 06901  
(203) 324-7500**

**06-1559137**  
*(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)*

*(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)*

**Charles F. Howell**  
*President*

**Robert F. O'Connell**  
*Senior Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer*

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*Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:*  
As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

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If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933 check the following box:

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**The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.**

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*The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.*

**Subject to Completion dated September 8, 2006**

**PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS**

**1,100,000 Shares  
Common Stock**

**PATRIOT NATIONAL BANCORP, INC.**

We are offering shares of our common stock. Our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "PNBK." Due in part to our common stock being thinly traded on the NASDAQ Global Market, the last reported sale price of our common stock, which was \$27.15 per share on September 6, 2006, may not accurately reflect its value in a more liquid and efficient market. By comparison, the weighted average closing sale price for our common stock from September 21, 2005, the closing date of our 2005 Rights Offering, to September 6, 2006 was \$22.96. The public offering price of our common stock to be sold in this offering may, therefore, be less than the last reported sale price on the NASDAQ Global Market. No determination has yet been made as to the price of the shares to be sold in this offering. The public offering price of our common stock to be sold in this offering will be determined based on negotiations with our underwriter.

**Investing in our common stock involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8.**

	<u>Per Share</u>	<u>Total</u>
Price to public	\$	\$
Underwriting discount(1)	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to Patriot National Bancorp, Inc.	\$	\$

(1) Certain of our executive officers and directors and an advisor to our chairman have indicated an intention to purchase at least \$3 million of the shares to be sold in this offering at the public offering price. The underwriting discount for shares sold to our executive officers, directors and employees and advisors to our chairman will be 2% of the aggregate purchase price, up to an aggregate of \$10 million, while the underwriting discount for all other shares sold in this offering will be 6% of the aggregate purchase price.

We have granted the underwriter a 30-day option to purchase up to 165,000 additional shares of common stock at the public offering price, less the underwriting discount, to cover over-allotments, if any.

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

**These securities are not savings accounts, deposits or other obligations of any bank and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency.**

The underwriter expects to deliver the shares to purchasers against payment in New York, New York on or about \_\_\_\_\_, 2006, subject to customary closing conditions.

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Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P.

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The date of this prospectus is \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

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As a prospective investor, you should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not, and the underwriter has not, authorized anyone to provide prospective investors with information different from that contained in this prospectus. If anyone provides you with additional, different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. This prospectus is not an offer to sell nor is it seeking an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information included in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date of this prospectus. Our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and/or future prospects may have changed since that date.

In this prospectus we rely on and refer to information and statistics regarding the banking industry, Fairfield County, Connecticut, Westchester County, New York and the greater New York City metropolitan area. We obtained this market data from independent publications or other publicly available information. Although we believe these sources are reliable, we have not independently verified and do not guarantee the accuracy and completeness of this information.



## Prospectus Summary

*This summary highlights only some of the information contained in this prospectus and does not contain all the information you should consider in making your investment decision. You should read carefully the entire prospectus, including the "Risk Factors" section and the financial statements and notes to those financial statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus, before making an investment decision. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this prospectus assumes that the underwriter will not exercise its option to purchase additional shares to cover over-allotments.*

In this prospectus, we frequently use the terms "we," "our" and "us" to refer to Patriot National Bancorp, Inc. and our subsidiary, Patriot National Bank.

### ***Our Company***

We are the bank holding company for Patriot National Bank, the largest publicly-held commercial bank headquartered in Fairfield County, Connecticut. We conduct our operations solely through the Bank. We and the Bank are headquartered at our main office in Stamford, Connecticut, approximately 40 miles east of New York City. The Bank began operations in 1994 and was reorganized as our subsidiary in 1999. The Bank has ten branch office locations serving customers located in the Fairfield County communities of Stamford, Greenwich, Old Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport. In addition, we have loan production offices in Stamford, Connecticut, Melville (Long Island), New York and New York City, New York. During the fourth quarter of this year, we plan to open four additional branch offices in the Connecticut communities of Fairfield, Fairfield Center, Milford and Trumbull. In addition, in July 2006, we entered into an agreement to acquire a small bank branch office in New York City, New York. As of July 21, 2006, this branch had deposits of approximately \$4.1 million. Although this branch is located in New York City, the primary reason for this acquisition is to permit us to expand our branch locations into Westchester County, New York, which is adjacent to Fairfield County, Connecticut. We do not anticipate further branch office expansion in New York City.

The Bank offers a broad range of commercial and consumer banking services with an emphasis on serving the needs of small and medium-sized businesses, commercial real estate investors and builders, professionals such as accountants and attorneys, as well as individuals. The Bank offers commercial real estate and construction loans to area businesses and developers, commercial loans to area businesses, as well as one- to four-family residential mortgage loans, home improvement loans and home equity lines of credit to individuals. The Bank offers consumer and commercial deposit accounts such as checking accounts, insured money market accounts, time certificates of deposit, and savings accounts. As of June 30, 2006, on a consolidated basis, we had total assets of \$559.0 million, net loans of \$450.5 million, total deposits of \$472.6 million and total shareholders' equity of \$31.7 million.

### ***Investment Highlights***

#### *Growth*

The strategic and operational leadership of our management team has resulted in significant growth in our assets, loans, deposits and net income over the past four and one half years. From December 31, 2001 through June 30, 2006, we have grown:

Total assets from \$202.6 million to \$559.0 million;

Net loans from \$135.7 million to \$450.5 million;

Total deposits from \$183.3 million to \$472.6 million; and

Non-interest bearing deposits from \$17.0 million to \$50.9 million.

During this period of growth, we have also emphasized the importance of a disciplined credit culture and have been successful in maintaining strong asset quality. Net loan charge-offs from December 31, 2001 to June 30, 2006 totaled \$5,000. We had an aggregate of \$5.2 million of



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non-performing loans at June 30, 2006, which constituted 0.9% of total assets at such date. These non-performing loans included two loans in the aggregate amount of \$3.4 million that were adequately collateralized and in the process of collection, and one loan in the amount of \$1.1 million that was adequately collateralized and current as to principal and interest payments. The Bank is considered a well-capitalized institution under applicable regulations, with a total risk-based capital ratio of 10.70% and a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of 9.45% at June 30, 2006.

### *Market Overview*

Our market is located within the greater New York City metropolitan area, and is highly dependent on the economy of New York City. Our primary market area encompasses the Fairfield County communities where our branches are located. From these branches, we also provide lending services in adjoining areas of Fairfield County and neighboring Westchester County, New York. In addition, we have established loan production offices in Melville (Long Island) and New York City, New York.

In 2005, the population of Fairfield County was estimated to be approximately 903,000 people, which represents approximately 25% of the population of Connecticut. The estimated median household income in 2004 was over \$73,000, more than 50% higher than the estimated median household income for the United States of approximately \$44,700. In June 2006, unemployment in Fairfield County was reported to be 3.9% compared to 4.1% for Connecticut and 4.6% for the United States.

Westchester County, New York shares similar demographics with neighboring Fairfield County. In 2005, the population of Westchester County was estimated to be approximately 941,000 people, which represents approximately 5% of the population of the greater New York City metropolitan area. The estimated median household income in 2004 was approximately \$70,100 compared to approximately \$44,700 estimated in the United States. In June 2006, unemployment in Westchester County was reported to be 3.9% compared to 4.9% for New York City, 4.6% for New York State and 4.6% for the United States.

As of June 30, 2006, the Bank had \$472.6 million of total deposits. As of June 30, 2005, the most recent date such information is available, the Bank had approximately 1.62% of the approximately \$22.7 billion of total deposits within Fairfield County. As of June 30, 2005, total deposits within Westchester County exceeded \$27.8 billion. Consequently, there are substantial opportunities for the Bank to continue to grow its market share of deposits within its primary market area.

Fairfield and Westchester Counties are home to a large number of Fortune 500 corporate headquarters, including Pitney Bowes, Clairiol, Xerox, GE Capital and Time Warner Cable in Connecticut, and IBM Corporation, Pepsico Incorporated, New York Life Insurance and Snapple Beverage Group/Motts, Inc. in New York. Many senior executives and employees of these and other businesses based in the greater New York City metropolitan area reside within our market area. Our market is also characterized by a large number of small and medium-sized businesses that have developed to meet the needs of the community. We are focused on serving these individuals and small to medium-size businesses.

### *Experienced Management Team*

Our growth since 2001 is primarily due to our experienced team of banking executives:

Angelo De Caro, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, is a former partner and senior financial officer of Goldman Sachs & Co. Mr. De Caro served on the executive committees of Goldman Sachs Swiss Private Bank and Goldman Sachs Trust Services. Mr. De Caro has extensive experience in financial management and risk analysis and his responsibilities at

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Goldman Sachs included auditing, tax and financial controls. He has focused us on our strategic growth objectives with respect to both our loan portfolio and core deposits.

Charles F. Howell, our President, and the Chief Executive Officer of the Bank, has over 30 years of banking experience in Fairfield County, including prior service as the president of a bank and as the chief operating officer and chief lending officer at another bank.

Robert F. O'Connell, our Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, has experience as a CPA in a major national accounting firm and has served as a senior executive officer and CFO of four other banks over a 30-year period. He also has responsibility for operations, retail banking and human resources.

Philip W. Wolford, our Chief Operating Officer, has over 30 years of banking experience and has been a senior executive officer of three banks. Mr. Wolford served as the controller of a large New York City savings bank and has had responsibility for operations, information technology, compliance, retail banking and loan operations. He has been with the Bank since it opened in 1994.

Our other four senior officers have over 100 years of combined banking and mortgage banking experience. We have also hired several senior commercial lenders with considerable experience and business relationships from other banks and financial institutions in our market area, and we expect to hire additional experienced lenders as we continue to grow.

### ***Growth Strategy***

We continue to attract new customers by providing a targeted line of commercial and consumer financial services while maintaining our reputation for excellent service, professionalism and integrity. Our goal is to maintain our growth strategy from our base in Fairfield County, Connecticut. We will continue to emphasize growth over profitability for the foreseeable future as we pursue this strategy. We believe that by continuing to grow through branch expansion, we will be able to create long-term value for our shareholders. Our strategy for achieving our growth objectives includes the following:

*Expand our geographical footprint.* We are the largest, independently owned commercial bank headquartered in Fairfield County. We believe that Fairfield County and neighboring areas of Connecticut with similar demographics continue to offer attractive opportunities for additional branch expansion. Our management is very familiar with Fairfield County and regularly evaluates opportunities to establish new bank branches by reviewing market demographics with a view towards loan and deposit growth, customer accessibility, proximity to competitors, renovation costs, and suitability. Financial institution consolidation within Fairfield County in recent years has confused brand loyalties, disrupted banking relationships and inconvenienced customers with branch office relocations and consolidations. In some cases, we have been able to lease existing bank branch buildings, which is an efficient and cost-effective alternative to building new facilities. We have received regulatory approval to open four additional branches, three in Fairfield County and one in the neighboring town of Milford, in New Haven County, Connecticut, all of which we plan to bring into service during the fourth quarter of this year.

Fairfield County shares similar demographics with neighboring Westchester County, New York. We have provided lending services in Westchester County for many years from our base in Connecticut. We now intend to open full service branch locations in Westchester County. In July 2006, we entered into an agreement with another financial institution to acquire a small branch office and assume the lease at 45 West End Avenue, New York, New York. This acquisition, which we expect to complete before the end of 2006, subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals, will allow us to establish additional bank branch offices in Westchester County, our primary reason for the New York City branch acquisition. We do not anticipate further branch office expansion in New York City. We have signed a letter of intent to lease a facility in Bedford, in Westchester County, New York. Initially, we plan to

operate this facility as a loan production office. Following the completion of our acquisition of the New York City bank branch office, we plan to apply during the first quarter of 2007 for regulatory approval to operate the Bedford loan production office as a full service bank branch office.

We typically establish loan production offices in areas where we have the opportunity to acquire lenders with a local following. We currently have loan production offices in Melville (Long Island) and New York City, New York. We may open additional loan production offices in other areas of metropolitan New York in the future. Except for the acquisition of a mortgage brokerage business in 1999 and our current agreement to acquire the small branch office in New York City, we have not historically supplemented our growth through acquisitions.

*Increase our deposit balances.* We focus on increasing our core deposits, which consist of non-interest-bearing demand accounts, NOW accounts, savings accounts, money market deposit accounts and certificates of deposit in amounts less than \$100,000. We have grown our core deposits from \$157.9 million at December 31, 2001 to \$351.6 million at June 30, 2006 with a weighted average interest rate of 2.8% as of June 30, 2006. We intend to continue to increase our core deposits by capturing deposits from new and existing loan customers, and by attracting new depositors who seek a high level of personalized banking services. We believe that our personalized service and our role in providing commercial real estate and construction loans in the local business community distinguishes us from most of our competitors, many of which are larger banks and other institutions with a regional or national focus.

*Increase the number and size of our loans.* We seek to expand and attract new lending relationships, particularly residential construction, commercial real estate and commercial business loans. Additional capital will allow us to retain a greater portion of loans originated and to better meet the lending needs of our borrowers. Our growth strategy is to continue to maintain a strong loan-to-deposit ratio.

*Attract and retain experienced lending professionals.* Our senior management team includes individuals with extensive experience and business contacts in the Fairfield County and metropolitan New York City areas. We seek to hire additional experienced commercial lenders with strong business relationships and knowledge of our market areas both to enhance our presence in existing markets as well as in new locations as we continue to grow. We also consider the availability of experienced lenders in connection with our plans to establish new branch locations. This strategy will be particularly important as we expand on our current lending operations in Westchester County with investments in new branch office locations. During the six months ended June 30, 2006, we hired four experienced lenders from local competitors, and a fifth lender joined us in August, 2006. All of these new employees are from our market area and have extensive lending experience, business contacts and relationships in the region. We intend to identify similarly credentialed individuals as we open new branch offices in Westchester County. We have also increased our credit analysis and administrative functions to support the current and anticipated expansion of our lending sales staff.

#### ***Office and Other Information***

Our principal executive offices are located at 900 Bedford Street, Stamford, Connecticut 06901, and our telephone number is (203) 324-7500. Our Internet address is [www.pnbk.com](http://www.pnbk.com). The information contained on our web site is not part of this prospectus.

**The Offering**

<i>Common stock offered by us</i>	1,100,000 shares. <sup>(1)</sup>
<i>Common stock to be outstanding immediately after this offering</i>	4,339,494 shares. <sup>(2)</sup>
<i>Net proceeds</i>	The net proceeds from this offering are expected to be approximately \$23.1 million based on the assumptions set forth under "Use of Proceeds" without giving effect to any exercise of the underwriter's over-allotment option.
<i>Use of proceeds</i>	We currently intend to contribute substantially all of the net proceeds of this offering to the Bank. The Bank intends to utilize the proceeds to enhance capital to further its branch expansion program and for general corporate purposes. We believe that by continuing to grow the Bank, we will be able to create long-term value for our shareholders. The net proceeds of this offering will be invested initially in primarily short-term investments.
<i>Dividend policy</i>	We historically have paid cash dividends. In the quarter ended June 30, 2006, we declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.045 per share of common stock. We intend to continue to pay dividends, but our payment of dividends in the future will depend on a number of factors. We cannot assure you that we will continue to pay dividends or that the amount of dividends we pay will not be reduced in the future. See "Dividend Policy."
<i>NASDAQ symbol</i>	Our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "PNBK."

- (1) Certain of our executive officers and directors and an advisor to our chairman have indicated an intention to purchase at least \$3 million of the shares to be sold in this offering at the public offering price. At our request, the underwriter has advised us that it will reserve shares for this purpose. Any reserved shares which are not purchased will be offered by the underwriter to the general public on the same basis as the other shares offered by this prospectus.
- (2) The number of shares of common stock that will be outstanding after this offering includes 3,239,494 shares outstanding as of August 15, 2006, but does not include (i) 165,000 shares of common stock issuable pursuant to the underwriter's over-allotment option; and (ii) 65,000 shares of common stock reserved for issuance upon exercise of stock options with a weighted-average exercise price of \$10.13, which have been granted and remained outstanding as of August 15, 2006.

**Risk Factors**

Before investing you should carefully consider the matters set forth under "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8 of this prospectus for a discussion of risks related to an investment in our common stock.

## Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data

We have derived the selected consolidated financial and other data for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 from our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. We have derived the selected consolidated financial and other data for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 from our audited consolidated financial statements that are not included in this prospectus. The selected consolidated financial data as set forth below as of June 30, 2006 and 2005, and for the six months ended June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2005, have been derived from our unaudited financial statements which are included elsewhere in this prospectus. We have prepared the unaudited financial statements on a basis consistent with our audited annual financial statements. In our opinion, the unaudited financial statements include all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of our results of operations and financial condition for these periods. Our operating results for the six months ended June 30, 2006 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the entire year ending December 31, 2006. You should read the selected consolidated financial information below in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements and notes related to those financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Years Ended December 31,				
	2006	2005	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001

(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

## Selected Operating Data:

Interest and dividend income	\$ 17,193	\$ 11,403	\$ 25,149	\$ 18,678	\$ 15,215	\$ 12,605	\$ 13,723
Interest expense	7,614	4,495	10,270	7,009	5,588	4,765	6,867
Net interest income	9,579	6,908	14,879	11,670	9,626	7,840	6,856
Provision for loan losses	924	360	1,110	556	563	468	250
Noninterest income	1,212	1,532	3,229	2,702	4,814	4,114	3,510
Noninterest expense	8,434	7,008	14,634	12,257	11,659	9,813	8,676
Net income	907	638	1,407	926	1,341	1,052	876

## Per Share Data:

Basic income per share	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.37
Diluted income per share	0.28	0.25	0.51	0.37	0.55	0.43	0.36
Dividends per share	0.085	0.075	0.155	0.135	0.115	0.095	0.060
Weighted average shares outstanding Basic	3,230,649	2,488,247	2,696,676	2,449,679	2,400,879	2,400,525	2,400,488
Weighted average shares outstanding Diluted	3,257,349	2,537,133	2,738,718	2,502,691	2,443,236	2,427,314	2,426,501
Common shares outstanding at end of period	3,230,649	2,489,391	3,230,649	2,486,391	2,408,607	2,400,525	2,400,525
Book value per share	9.82	8.06	9.71	7.95	7.80	7.73	7.25
Tangible book value per share(1)	9.54	7.69	9.42	7.57	7.41	7.34	6.86

As of December 31,

	June 30, 2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
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## Balance Sheet Data:

Cash and due from banks	\$ 8,542	\$ 7,221	\$ 6,670	\$ 4,024	\$ 5,386	\$ 7,544
Federal funds sold	13,600	6,500	37,500	15,000	3,000	12,700
Short term investments	169	2,247	11,460	10,431	3,349	6,789
Investment securities	75,896	80,991	78,259	92,331	61,721	35,817
Loans, net	450,452	364,244	263,875	214,421	170,795	135,680
Total assets	559,006	470,641	405,047	342,469	248,497	202,569
Total deposits	472,629	419,075	367,005	289,992	217,911	183,264
Total borrowings	51,248	17,248	16,248	31,301	10,293	839
Total shareholders' equity	31,735	31,375	19,756	18,780	18,545	17,406

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At or for the Six Months Ended June 30,		At or for the Year Ended December 31,				
2006	2005	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001

(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

**Selected Financial Ratios and Other Data(2):**

Return on average assets	0.36%	0.31%	0.33%	0.26%	0.46%	0.47%	0.46%
Return on average equity	5.67	6.36	6.00	4.74	7.09	5.82	5.10
Interest rate spread(3)	3.30	3.08	3.13	3.02	3.10	3.31	3.11
Net interest margin(4)	3.83	3.45	3.54	3.35	3.41	3.67	3.75
Non-interest expense to average assets	3.31	3.42	3.41	3.52	4.13	4.59	4.75
Efficiency ratio(5)	78.16	83.03	80.82	85.28	80.74	82.09	83.69
Tangible capital to tangible assets(6)	5.52	4.61	6.48	4.66	5.23	7.12	8.17

**Regulatory Capital Ratios(7):**

Tier I capital to average total assets	7.53%	6.44%	8.56%	6.79%	7.51%	6.99%	8.15%
Tier I capital to total risk-weighted assets	9.59	8.86	11.45	9.04	10.00	9.13	9.61
Total capital to total risk-weighted assets	10.84	10.49	12.70	10.70	11.87	10.39	10.74

**Asset Quality Ratios:**

Non-performing loans(8) as a percent of gross loans	1.14%	0.82%	0.60%	1.51%	0.14%	0.79%	2.14%
Non-performing assets as a percent of total assets	0.93	0.60	0.47	1.00	0.09	0.56	1.46
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of gross loans	1.21	1.26	1.25	1.31	1.35	1.37	1.38
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of total non-performing loans	106.06	153.27	207.60	86.12	931.43	172.76	64.12
Number of full-service customer facilities	10	10	10	9	7	4	4

- (1) Represents the result of total shareholders' equity minus goodwill, divided by the number of shares outstanding
- (2) All ratios are annualized where appropriate.
- (3) Represents the difference between the weighted average yield on interest-earning assets and the weighted average cost of interest-bearing liabilities.
- (4) Represents net interest income as a percent of average interest-earning assets.
- (5) Represents non-interest expense divided by the sum of net interest income and noninterest income.
- (6) Represents total consolidated common equity, less intangibles, divided by total consolidated assets, less intangibles.
- (7) See note 14 to our audited consolidated financial statements for additional information about our regulatory capital positions and requirements and the regulatory capital positions and requirements of the Bank.
- (8) Consists of loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing, and loans placed on non-accrual status.



## Risk Factors

*An investment in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks described below before making an investment decision. You should also refer to the other information in this prospectus, including our financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our business operations. If any of the following risks actually occur, our business, results of operations and financial condition could suffer. In that event, the trading price of our common stock could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment in our common stock. The risks discussed below also include forward-looking statements, and our actual results may differ substantially from those discussed in these forward-looking statements.*

*The shares of common stock offered through this prospectus are not savings accounts, deposits or other obligations of a bank and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or FDIC, or any other governmental agency.*

### **Risks Related to our Business**

#### **We intend to continue our emphasis on growth over earnings for the foreseeable future.**

We have actively sought growth of our institution in recent years, by opening additional branches, initiating internal growth programs, completing one acquisition of a mortgage brokerage company and contracting to acquire a small branch office in New York City. We may not be able to sustain our historical rate of growth or may not even be able to continue to grow at all. Various factors, such as economic conditions and competition, may impede or prohibit us from opening new branches. In addition, we may not be able to obtain the financing necessary to fund additional growth and we may not be able to find suitable candidates for acquisition.

Sustaining our growth has placed significant demands on our management as well as on our administrative, operational and financial resources. We have received regulatory approval to open four new branch offices, which we currently plan to bring into service during the fourth quarter of 2006. We expect our acquisition of the small branch office in New York City, which had deposits of approximately \$4.1 million at July 21, 2006, will close before the end of 2006, subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals. We expect to open additional branch offices in Connecticut and Westchester County, New York in the near future. In August 2006, we signed a letter of intent to lease a facility in Bedford, New York. Integrating these new branch offices, particularly the four branch offices scheduled to open during the fourth quarter of 2006, will place increased demands on the time and resources of our management, and may temporarily distract management's attention from our day-to-day business. We cannot assure you that we will successfully integrate new branch offices into our operations, or that we will achieve anticipated benefits from opening new branch offices or achieve earnings results in the future similar to those that we have achieved in the past.

For us to continue to manage our growth, we must continue to:

attract and retain qualified management and experienced bankers;

find suitable markets for expansion;

find suitable, affordable branch office locations;

attract funding to support additional growth;

maintain our asset quality;

maintain adequate regulatory capital; and

maintain adequate controls.

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Although we believe that our earnings will increase as we build our franchise, earnings are expected to continue to be adversely affected by the costs of opening new branches and the time necessary to build a customer base at each new branch.

If we are unable to continue our historical levels of growth, or if our growth comes at greater financial expense than has been incurred in the past, we may not be able to achieve our financial goals and our profitability may be adversely affected.

### **We will be expanding into a new geographic market in which our current senior management has limited experience.**

We intend to expand into Westchester County and the surrounding counties in New York State. In July 2006, we entered into an agreement with another financial institution to acquire a small branch office in New York City, New York, which had deposits of approximately \$4.1 million at July 21, 2006. We expect this acquisition will close before the end of 2006, subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals. This acquisition will allow us to establish additional bank branch offices in Westchester County, New York, which is the primary reason for the acquisition. We do not anticipate further branch expansion in New York City. We have signed a letter of intent to lease a facility in Bedford, in Westchester County, New York. Initially, we plan to operate this facility as a loan production office. Following the completion of our acquisition of the New York City bank branch office, we plan to apply during the first quarter of 2007 for regulatory approval to operate the Bedford loan production office as a full service bank branch office.

The vast majority of our current deposits and loans are derived from and made to customers who live and work in Fairfield County, Connecticut. Although we believe that the demographics for Westchester County, New York closely resemble those of Fairfield County, Connecticut, we do not currently conduct significant deposit activity in New York State. Our senior management team includes several individuals with substantial banking experience in Connecticut, but with less experience in New York. Our ability to compete effectively in New York State will depend in part on our ability to hire and retain key employees who know the Westchester County market better than we do.

### **We have no experience opening bank branch offices in Westchester County, New York.**

Historically, our investment in capital equipment to open a new branch office has ranged between \$315,000 and \$450,000. However, total branch operating costs also include a variety of variable costs, including the prevailing rental rates in the local branch office area, the size of the branch, the availability of facilities that are ready to be operated as bank branches, and the number of employees. We have not opened branches in Westchester County in the past and we may not be able to estimate accurately the variable costs associated with opening branch offices in this area. If we underestimate these variable costs, then the branches that we establish in these areas may prove to be more costly than anticipated and, as a further consequence, our branch expansion program may be delayed or reduced in scope, or both, which may have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

### **Because we intend to increase our commercial real estate, construction and commercial business loan originations, our lending risk will increase, and downturns in the real estate market could adversely affect our earnings.**

Commercial real estate, construction and commercial business loans generally have more risk than residential mortgage loans. Both commercial real estate and construction loans, for example, often involve larger loan balances concentrated with single borrowers or groups of related borrowers as compared to single-family residential loans. Construction loans are secured by the property under construction, the value of which is uncertain prior to completion. Thus, it is more difficult to evaluate accurately the total loan funds required to complete a project and the related loan-to-value ratios.

Speculative construction loans involve additional risk because the builder does not have a contract for the sale of the property at the time of construction.

Because the repayment of commercial real estate, construction and commercial business loans depends on the successful management and operation of the borrower's properties or related businesses, repayment of such loans can be affected by adverse conditions in the real estate market or the local economy. As of June 30, 2006, 76.3% of our total loan portfolio was secured by real estate located in Fairfield County, Connecticut and Westchester County, New York. As a result, a downturn in the real estate market, especially within our market area, could adversely impact the value of properties securing these loans. Our ability to recover on defaulted loans by selling the underlying real estate would be diminished, and we would be more likely to suffer losses on defaulted loans. As our commercial real estate, construction and commercial business loan portfolios increase, the corresponding risks and potential for losses from these loans may also increase. The additional capital provided through the net proceeds of this offering will enable the Bank to increase the size of individual and relationship loans, which may exacerbate these risks.

**Our business is subject to various lending and other economic risks that could adversely impact our results of operations and financial condition.**

*Changes in economic conditions, particularly an economic slowdown in Fairfield County, Connecticut and the New York metropolitan area, could hurt our financial performance.* Our business is directly affected by political and market conditions, broad trends in industry and finance, legislative and regulatory changes, changes in governmental monetary and fiscal policies, and inflation, all of which are beyond our control. A deterioration in economic conditions, in particular an economic slowdown within Fairfield County, Connecticut and/or the New York metropolitan area, could result in the following consequences, any of which may hurt our business materially:

loan delinquencies may increase;

problem assets and foreclosures may increase;

demand for our products and services may decline; and

assets and collateral associated with our loans, especially real estate, may decline in value, thereby reducing a customer's borrowing power.

*We may suffer losses in our loan portfolio despite our underwriting practices.* We seek to mitigate the risks inherent in our loan portfolio by adhering to specific underwriting practices. These practices include analysis of a borrower's prior credit history, financial statements, tax returns and cash flow projections, valuation of collateral based on reports of independent appraisers and verification of liquid assets. Although we believe that our underwriting criteria are appropriate for the various kinds of loans we make, we may incur losses on loans that meet our underwriting criteria, and these losses may exceed the amounts set aside as reserves in our allowance for loan losses.

**Our allowance for loan losses may not be adequate to cover actual losses.**

Like all financial institutions, we maintain an allowance for loan losses to provide for loan defaults and non-performance. Our allowance for loan losses may not be adequate to cover actual loan losses, and future provisions for loan losses could materially and adversely affect our operating results. Our allowance for loan losses is based on an evaluation of the risks associated with our loans receivable as well as our prior experience. A substantial portion of our loans are unseasoned and lack an established record of performance. To date, we have experienced negligible losses. The amount of future losses is susceptible to changes in economic, operating and other conditions, including changes in interest rates, that may be beyond our control, and these losses may exceed current estimates. Federal regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, review our loans and assess the adequacy of

the allowance for loan losses. While we believe that our allowance for loan losses is adequate to cover current losses, we cannot assure you that we will not need to increase our allowance for loan losses or that regulators will not require us to increase this allowance. Either of these occurrences could materially and adversely affect our earnings and profitability.

**Our business is subject to interest rate risk and variations in interest rates may negatively affect our financial performance.**

We are unable to predict fluctuations of market interest rates, which are affected by many factors, including:

inflation;

recession;

a rise in unemployment;

tightening money supply; and

domestic and international disorder and instability in domestic and foreign financial markets.

Changes in the interest rate environment may reduce our profits. We realize income from the differential or "spread" between the interest earned on loans, securities and other interest-earning assets, and interest paid on deposits, borrowings and other interest-bearing liabilities. Net interest spreads are affected by the difference between the maturities and repricing characteristics of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. We are vulnerable to a decrease in interest rates because our interest-earning assets generally have shorter durations than our interest-bearing liabilities. As a result, material and prolonged decreases in interest rates would decrease our net interest income. In contrast, an increase in the general level of interest rates may adversely affect the ability of some borrowers to pay the interest on and principal of their obligations. Accordingly, changes in levels of market interest rates could materially and adversely affect our net interest spread, asset quality, levels of prepayments and cash flow as well as the market value of our securities portfolio and overall profitability.

Fee income derived from mortgage brokerage activities is also affected by interest rate fluctuations. Generally, increases in interest rates often lead to decreases in home refinancing activity, thus reducing the number of mortgage loans we originate.

**Our investment portfolio includes securities which are sensitive to interest rates and variations in interest rates may adversely impact our profitability.**

At June 30, 2006, our securities portfolio aggregated \$72.1 million, all of which was classified as available-for-sale, and was comprised of mortgage-backed securities which are insured or guaranteed by U.S. government agencies or government-sponsored enterprises, U.S. government agency securities and money market preferred equity securities. These securities amounted to approximately 12.9% of our total assets and are sensitive to interest rate fluctuations. The unrealized gains or losses in our available-for-sale portfolio are reported as a separate component of shareholders' equity. As a result, future interest rate fluctuations may impact shareholders' equity, causing material fluctuations from quarter to quarter. Failure to hold our securities until payments are received on mortgage-backed securities or until maturity on other investments or until market conditions are favorable for a sale could adversely affect our earnings and profitability.

**We are dependent on our management team, and the loss of our senior executive officers or other key employees could impair our relationship with our customers and adversely affect our business and financial results.**

Our success is dependent upon the continued services and skills of Angelo De Caro, Charles F. Howell, Robert F. O'Connell, Philip W. Wolford and other senior officers including Martin G. Noble, our chief lender, Marcus Zavattaro, our residential lending sales manager, and John Kantzas, a founder and an executive vice president. While we have employment agreements containing non-competition provisions with Messrs. Howell, O'Connell and Zavattaro, these agreements do not prevent any of them from terminating their employment with us. The unexpected loss of services of one or more of these key personnel could have an adverse impact on our business because of their skills, knowledge of our market, years of industry experience and the difficulty of promptly finding qualified replacement personnel.

Our success also depends, in part, on our continued ability to attract and retain experienced commercial lenders and residential mortgage originators, as well as other management personnel. The loss of the services of several of such key personnel could adversely affect our growth strategy and prospects to the extent we are unable to replace such personnel. In the past year, we have hired several experienced commercial loan officers who have strong business relationships in order to expand and enhance our current deposit and commercial banking operations. Competition for commercial lenders and residential mortgage originators is strong within the commercial banking and mortgage banking industries, and we may not be successful in retaining or attracting additional personnel necessary to maintain our growth plans.

**A breach of information security could negatively affect our earnings.**

Increasingly, we depend upon data processing, communication and information exchange on a variety of computing platforms and networks, and over the internet to conduct our business. We cannot be certain that all of our systems are entirely free from vulnerability to attack, despite safeguards we have instituted. In addition, we rely on the services of a variety of vendors to meet our data processing and communication needs. If information security is breached, information can be lost or misappropriated, resulting in financial loss or costs to us or damages to others. These costs or losses could materially exceed the amount of insurance coverage, if any, which would have an adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. In addition, the Bank's reputation could be harmed, which also could materially adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

**Changing regulation of corporate governance and public disclosure.**

Recently enacted laws, regulations and standards relating to corporate governance and public disclosure, including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, new SEC regulations and NASDAQ Global Market rules, are adding to the responsibilities that companies such as ours have. These laws, regulations and standards are subject to varying interpretations, and as a result, their application in practice may evolve over time as new guidance is provided by regulatory and governing bodies, which could make compliance more difficult and result in higher costs due to ongoing revisions to disclosure and governance practices. We are committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance and public disclosure. As a result, our efforts to comply with evolving laws, regulations and standards have resulted in, and are likely to continue to result in, increased general and administrative expenses and a diversion of management time and attention from revenue-generating activities to compliance activities. In addition, during our fiscal year ending December 31, 2007, we will be required to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the related regulations regarding our required assessment of our internal controls over financial reporting and our external auditors' audit of that assessment. In order to prepare for this, we will need to commit significant financial and managerial

resources beginning in 2006. If we do not effectively comply with these laws, regulations and standards, our reputation may be harmed.

*Risks Related to the Offering*

**We may sell the shares of common stock in this offering at a price below the recent trading price of our common stock and, as a result, the market price of our common stock may decline after the stock offering.**

The price per share at which we sell our common stock in this offering may be less than the market price of our common stock on the date the offering is completed. Our common stock is thinly traded and, as a result, the current market price may not accurately reflect the current market value of our common stock. The weighted average closing sale price of our common stock from September 21, 2005, the closing date of our 2005 Rights Offering, to September 6, 2006, is \$22.96 per share. The last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market on September 6, 2006 was \$27.15. If the public offering price is less than the current market price for our common stock, some purchasers in this offering may be inclined to immediately sell shares of common stock to try to realize a profit. Any such sales, depending on the volume and timing, is likely to cause the market price of our common stock to decline. Also, because stock prices generally fluctuate over time, we cannot assure you that you will be able to sell shares after this offering at a price equal to or greater than the actual purchase price. You should consider these possibilities in deciding whether to purchase shares of common stock in this offering and the timing of any sale of those shares after the offering.

**The trading volume in our common stock has been low, and the sale of a substantial number of shares in the public market could depress the price of our stock and make it difficult for you to sell your shares.**

Our common stock has traded on the NASDAQ Global Market since August 29, 2006. Previously, it was listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market. Our common stock is thinly traded. Thinly traded stock can be more volatile than stock trading in an active public market. We cannot predict the extent to which an active public market for our common stock will develop or be sustained after this offering. In recent years, the stock market has experienced a high level of price and volume volatility, and market prices for the stock of many companies have experienced wide price fluctuations that have not necessarily been related to operating performance.

We cannot predict what effect future sales of our common stock in the market, or the availability of shares of our common stock for sale in the market, will have on the market price of our common stock. So, we cannot assure you that sales of substantial amounts of our common stock in the market, or the potential for large amounts of market sales, would not cause the price of our common stock to decline.

**We have broad discretion in the use of proceeds of this offering.**

We have not designated the anticipated net proceeds of this offering for specific uses. Accordingly, our management will have considerable discretion in the application of the net proceeds of this offering and you will not have the opportunity, as part of your investment decision, to assess whether the proceeds are being used appropriately. See "Use of Proceeds."

**Future common stock offerings may reduce the ownership percentage of our current shareholders.**

In certain circumstances, our board of directors has the authority, without any vote of our shareholders, to issue shares of our authorized but unissued stock, as we are doing in this offering. In the future, we may issue additional securities, through public or private offerings, in order to raise

additional capital. Any such issuance would dilute the percentage of ownership interest of existing shareholders.

***Risks Related to the Ownership of our Common Stock***

**We may be unable to pay dividends in the future.**

Our shareholders may receive dividends out of legally available funds if, and when, they are declared by our board of directors. Our policy has been to pay dividends out of cash in excess of the needs of the business. Our most recent quarterly cash dividend was at a rate of \$0.045 per share.

Federal Reserve Board policy restricts our ability to pay dividends, and we cannot assure you that we will pay dividends on our common stock in the future. Federal Reserve Board policy states that bank holding companies should pay cash dividends on common stock only out of net income available over the past year and only if prospective earnings retention is consistent with the organization's expected future needs and financial condition. The policy provides that a bank holding company should not maintain a level of cash dividends that undermines its ability to serve as a source of strength to its banking subsidiaries. In addition, the terms of the junior subordinated debt we issued in connection with the issuance of trust preferred securities by a statutory trust formed by us contains restrictions on our ability to pay dividends. We may incur additional indebtedness in the future that may prohibit or further restrict our ability to declare and pay dividends. Our ability to declare and pay dividends on the common stock may be restricted in the future due to state corporation laws, our financial condition and results of operations, capital requirements, covenants contained in our various financing agreements, management's assessment of future capital needs and other factors considered by our board of directors.

Our principal source of funds to pay dividends is cash dividends that we receive from Patriot National Bank. The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency regulates the Bank's dividend payments and must approve dividend payments in advance if the total of all dividends declared by the Bank's board of directors in any year will exceed (1) the total of the Bank's net profits for that year, plus (2) the Bank's retained net profits of the preceding two years, less any required net transfers to surplus. See "Supervision and Regulation Payment of Dividends."

**Our executive officers, directors and advisors to our Chairman own sufficient shares of our common stock to significantly affect the results of any shareholder vote.**

Our executive officers and directors beneficially own approximately 31.5% of our common stock. After giving effect to the proposed purchase by certain executive officers and directors of approximately \$1 million of our common stock to be sold in this offering, our executive officers and directors will beneficially own 24.6% of our common stock after completion of this offering at an assumed public offering price of \$22.96 per share (based on the weighted average closing sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market and NASDAQ Global Market from September 21, 2005, the closing date of our 2005 Rights Offering, to September 6, 2006). Mr. De Caro, our chairman, beneficially owns approximately 22.9% of our common stock. After giving effect to his proposed purchase of approximately \$200,000 of our common stock to be sold in this offering, at an assumed public offering price of \$22.96 per share, Mr. De Caro will beneficially own 17.3% of our common stock after completion of this offering. In addition, two shareholders who serve as advisors to our chairman beneficially own 5.8% and 4.6%, respectively, of our common stock. One of these shareholders, Donald C. Opatrny, has indicated an intention to purchase \$2 million of our common stock to be sold in this offering. After completion of this offering, and after giving effect to Mr. Opatrny's proposed purchase at an assumed public offering price of \$22.96 per share, Mr. Opatrny will beneficially own 5.5% of our common stock, and the other advisor will beneficially own 4.3% of our common stock. As a result, our executive officers, directors and advisors to the chairman have the

ability to significantly influence the outcome of matters requiring a shareholder vote, including the election of our board of directors, amendments to our organizational documents, or approval of any merger, sale of assets or other major corporate transaction. The interests of these individuals may differ from yours and these individuals may be able to delay or prevent us from entering into transactions that would result in a change in control, including transactions in which our shareholders might otherwise receive a premium over the then current market price for their shares. See "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management" and "Description of Capital Stock."

**Anti-takeover provisions in our certificate of incorporation, our shareholder rights plan, and employment and change of control agreements may adversely affect the price of our common stock.**

We have in place several measures that could have the effect of discouraging take-over attempts. Several senior executive officers have employment agreements or change of control agreements that require lump sum payments and the immediate vesting of unvested stock grants and stock options upon a change of control. Our certificate of incorporation allows our board to issue, without shareholder approval, preferred stock having such voting rights, preferences and special rights as the board may determine. The issuance of such preferred stock could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire us. In addition, in April 2004, our board adopted a shareholder rights plan that could make it more difficult for a person to acquire a controlling interest in our common stock. Under the shareholder rights plan, a dividend of one common stock purchase right was distributed on each outstanding share of our common stock. Each right entitles a shareholder to buy 8.152 shares of our common stock at a price of \$60. The rights remain attached to the common stock until they become exercisable upon certain triggering events, including the acquisition of more than 15% of our common stock by any person or the commencement of a tender offer or exchange offer for our common stock. We are entitled to redeem the rights at \$0.001 per right at any time before the trigger date. These measures could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire control of our company, even if the change in control might be beneficial to our shareholders. This could discourage potential takeover attempts and could adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

**Your shares are not an insured deposit.**

Your investment in our common stock will not be a bank deposit and will not be insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any other government agency. Your investment will be subject to investment risk, and you must be capable of affording the loss of your entire investment.

***Risks related to our industry***

**Strong competition within our market area may limit our growth and profitability.**

Competition in the banking and financial services industry is intense. The Fairfield County, Connecticut and the greater New York City metropolitan areas, including the Westchester County area, have a high concentration of financial institutions including large money center and regional banks, community banks and credit unions. Some of our competitors offer products and services that we currently do not offer, such as private banking and trust services. Many of these competitors have substantially greater resources and lending limits than we do and may offer certain services that we do not or cannot provide. Price competition for loans and deposits might result in us earning less on our loans and paying more on our deposits, which reduces net interest income. We expect competition to increase in the future as a result of legislative, regulatory and technological changes. Our profitability depends upon our continued ability to successfully compete in our market area.



**Government regulation may have an adverse effect on our profitability and growth.**

We are subject to extensive regulation, supervision and examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, or the OCC, as our chartering authority, by the FDIC, as insurer of deposits, and by the Federal Reserve Board as regulator of our holding company. Changes in state and federal banking laws and regulations or in federal monetary policies could adversely affect our ability to maintain profitability and continue to grow. For example, new legislation or regulation could limit the manner in which we may conduct our business, including our ability to obtain financing, attract deposits, make loans and achieve satisfactory interest spreads. Many of these regulations are intended to protect depositors, the public and the FDIC, not shareholders. In addition, the burden imposed by federal and state regulations may place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to competitors who are less regulated. The laws, regulations, interpretations and enforcement policies that apply to us have been subject to significant, and sometimes retroactively applied, changes in recent years, and may change significantly in the future. Future legislation or government policy may also adversely affect the banking industry or our operations.

**Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward Looking Statements**

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf. The presentations, and certain of the other disclosure in this prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference, including any statements preceded by, followed by or which include the words "may," "could," "should," "will," "would," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend," "plan," "assume" or similar expressions constitute forward-looking statements.

These forward-looking statements, implicitly and explicitly, include the assumptions underlying the statements and other information with respect to our beliefs, plans, objectives, goals, expectations, anticipations, estimates, intentions, financial condition, results of operations, future performance and business, including our expectations and estimates with respect to our revenues, expenses, earnings, return on equity, return on assets, efficiency ratio, asset quality and other financial data and capital and performance ratios.

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in our forward-looking statements are reasonable, these statements involve risks and uncertainties which are subject to change based on various important factors (some of which are beyond our control). The following factors, among others, could cause our financial performance to differ materially from our goals, plans, objectives, intentions, expectations, and other forward-looking statements:

The effects of opening new branches;

Adverse changes in the economic condition of Fairfield County or the greater New York City metropolitan area;

Adverse changes in the local real estate market, as most of our loans are concentrated in Fairfield County, Connecticut and Westchester County, New York, and the substantial majority of these loans have real estate as collateral;

The strength of the United States economy in general and the strength of the regional and local economies in which we conduct operations;

Geopolitical conditions, including acts or threats of terrorism, actions taken by the United States or other governments in response to acts or threats of terrorism and/or military conflicts which could impact business and economic conditions in the United States and abroad;

The effects of, and changes in, trade, monetary and fiscal policies and laws, including interest rate policies of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System;

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Inflation, interest rate, market and monetary fluctuations;

Our timely development of new products and services in a changing environment, including the features, pricing and quality compared to the products and services of our competitors;

The effects of any decision by us to engage in any business in which we have not historically been permitted to engage;

The willingness of users to substitute competitors' products and services for our products and services;

The impact of changes in financial services policies, laws and regulations, including laws, regulations and policies concerning taxes, banking, securities and insurance, and the application thereof by regulatory bodies;

Technological changes;

Changes in consumer spending and savings habits;

Regulatory or judicial proceedings; and

The other risks set forth under "Risk Factors."

If one or more of the factors affecting our forward-looking information and statements proves incorrect, then our actual results, performance or achievements could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, forward-looking information and statements contained in this prospectus. Therefore, we caution you not to place undue reliance on our forward-looking information and statements.

We do not intend to update our forward-looking information and statements, whether written or oral, to reflect change. All forward looking statements attributable to us are expressly qualified by these cautionary statements.

### Use of Proceeds

We estimate that the net proceeds from the sale of our common stock in this offering will be approximately \$23.1 million after deducting the underwriting discount and our estimated offering expenses. If the underwriter exercises its over-allotment option in full, we estimate that our net proceeds will be approximately \$26.4 million. In each case, this assumes a public offering price of \$22.96 per share (based on the weighted average closing sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market and the NASDAQ Global Market from September 21, 2005, the closing date of our 2005 Rights Offering, to September 6, 2006). We have also assumed that \$3 million of the shares will be sold to our executive officers, directors and an advisor to our chairman at an underwriting discount of 2% while the underwriting discount for all other shares to be sold in this offering will be 6%. The amount of net proceeds would increase up to \$280,000 if our executive officers, directors and employees and advisors to our chairman purchase more than \$3 million of shares in the offering, up to an aggregate of \$10 million, due to the lower underwriting discount on shares sold to these purchasers. No determination has been made as to the public offering price and no assurance can be made as to whether the public offering price will be higher or lower than the price used for this estimate.

We currently intend to contribute substantially all of the net proceeds of this offering to the Bank. The Bank intends to utilize the proceeds to enhance capital to further its branch expansion program and for general corporate purposes.

Our management will retain broad discretion in the allocation of the net proceeds of this offering. Until we designate the use of net proceeds, we will invest them temporarily in liquid short-term investments. The precise amounts and timing of our use of the net proceeds will depend upon market

conditions and the availability of other funds, among other factors. From time to time, we may engage in additional capital financings as we determine to be appropriate based upon our needs and prevailing market conditions. These additional capital financings may include the sale of other securities.

### Dividend Policy

Our policy has been to pay dividends out of funds in excess of the needs of the business. We have declared cash dividends to our shareholders on a quarterly basis since the second quarter of 2001 and have increased the cash dividends paid per share from time to time. In the second quarter of 2006, our board of directors increased the quarterly cash dividend to \$0.045 per share.

Our ability to pay future dividends on our common stock depends on the Bank's ability to pay dividends to us. In accordance with OCC rules and regulations, the Bank may continue to pay dividends only if the total amount of all dividends that will be paid, including the proposed dividend, by the Bank in any calendar year does not exceed the total of the Bank's retained net income of that year to date, combined with the retained net income of the preceding two years, unless the proposed dividend is approved by the OCC. In addition, the OCC and/or the FDIC may impose further restrictions on dividends. We currently intend to continue to pay cash dividends, subject to compliance with Federal Reserve Board policy, OCC rules and regulations, state corporation laws, our financial condition and results of operations, capital requirements, covenants contained in our various financing agreements, management's assessment of future capital needs and other factors considered by our board of directors.

### Market Price of Common Stock

The following table sets forth, for the fiscal quarters indicated, the high and low sales prices of our common stock, as reported on the NASDAQ Capital Market and the NASDAQ Global Market, and the cash dividends declared. Our common stock has traded on the NASDAQ Global Market since August 29, 2006. Previously, it was listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market.

	High and Low Sales Prices Common Stock		Cash Dividends Declared
	High	Low	
<b>Fiscal Year 2004</b>			
First Quarter	\$ 16.25	\$ 12.26	\$ 0.030
Second Quarter	15.25	14.03	0.035
Third Quarter	14.99	13.51	0.035
Fourth Quarter	18.60	13.64	0.035
<b>Fiscal Year 2005</b>			
First Quarter	\$ 18.40	\$ 17.00	\$ 0.035
Second Quarter	19.96	18.05	0.040
Third Quarter	19.45	18.01	0.040
Fourth Quarter	21.64	18.50	0.040
<b>Fiscal Year 2006</b>			
First Quarter	\$ 26.05	\$ 20.00	\$ 0.040
Second Quarter	30.24	23.75	0.045
Third Quarter (Through September 6, 2006)	30.50	27.15	N/A

On September 6, 2006, there were approximately 670 holders of record of our common stock. On September 6, 2006, the most recent practicable date before the date of this prospectus, the high and low sales prices per share of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market were \$27.75 and \$27.15, respectively.

### Capitalization

The following table shows our capitalization as of June 30, 2006 on an actual and an as adjusted basis to give effect to the receipt and application of the net proceeds from the offering. The as adjusted capitalization assumes that 1,100,000 shares of common stock are sold by us at a price per share of \$22.96 and that the net proceeds from the offering, after deducting the estimated offering expenses payable by us, are approximately \$23.1 million (based upon the assumptions set forth under the caption "Use of Proceeds").

	June 30, 2006	
	Actual	As Adjusted for the Offering
(in thousands, except per share and share data)		
<b>Borrowings:</b>		
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings	\$ 43,000	\$ 43,000
Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trust	8,248	8,248
	<u>51,248</u>	<u>51,248</u>
Total borrowings(1)	\$ 51,248	\$ 51,248
<b>Shareholders' Equity:</b>		
Preferred stock, no par value per share; 1,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding		
Common stock, \$2.00 par value per share; 60,000,000 shares authorized; 3,230,649 shares issued and outstanding, actual; 4,330,649 shares issued and outstanding, as adjusted(2)	\$ 6,461	\$ 8,661
Additional paid-in capital	21,709	42,645
Retained earnings	4,940	4,940
Accumulated other comprehensive loss net unrealized loss on available for sale securities, net of taxes	(1,375)	(1,375)
	<u>31,735</u>	<u>54,871</u>
Total shareholders' equity	\$ 31,735	\$ 54,871
<b>Bancorp capital ratios(3)</b>		
Tangible capital to tangible assets(4)	5.52%	9.28%
Tier 1 capital (to average assets)	7.53	11.37
Tier 1 capital (to risk weighted assets)	9.59	14.95
Total capital (to risk weighted assets)	10.84	16.20

(1) In addition to the indebtedness reflected above, we had total deposits of \$472.6 million at June 30, 2006.

(2) The as adjusted number of shares of common stock to be outstanding after this offering includes the number of shares outstanding as of June 30, 2006 and reflects the sale of 1,100,000 shares of common stock in this offering. This total excludes: (i) 73,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding options as of such date, at a weighted average exercise price of \$10.13, 8,000 shares of which were issued upon exercise of stock options after June 30, 2006; and (ii) 845 shares of our common stock issued to five outside directors on July 13, 2006. As of August 15, 2006, there were 65,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of outstanding stock options and we did not have any shares available for future grant under our stock option plan.

(3) See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Liquidity Capital" and "Supervision and Regulation." The as adjusted ratios assume the initial deployment of the net proceeds of this offering in short-term assets with a 20%

risk-weighting under applicable regulations.

- (4) Represents total consolidated common equity, less intangibles, divided by total consolidated assets, less intangibles.

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

**Summary**

We are the bank holding company for the Bank, the largest publicly-held commercial bank headquartered in Fairfield County, Connecticut. We and the Bank are headquartered in Stamford, Connecticut, approximately 40 miles east of New York City. The Bank has ten branch office locations serving customers located in the Fairfield County communities of Stamford, Greenwich, Old Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport. In addition, we have loan production offices in Stamford, Connecticut, Melville (Long Island), New York and New York City, New York.

We have received regulatory approval to open four additional branches in Fairfield, Fairfield Center and Trumbull in Fairfield County, and Milford in New Haven County, Connecticut, which we plan to bring into service during the fourth quarter of this year. Based on our experience in opening new branch offices, capital expenditures have ranged between \$315,000 and \$450,000. The capital expenditures for the new locations could be significantly higher. In addition, in July 2006, we entered into an agreement with another financial institution to acquire a small branch office and assume the lease at 45 West End Avenue, New York, New York. The acquisition of the New York City branch, which we expect to complete before the end of 2006, subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals, will allow us to expand into Westchester County, New York by establishing new bank branches. This is the primary reason for the branch acquisition. We do not anticipate further branch expansion in New York City. We have signed a letter of intent to lease a facility in Bedford, in Westchester County, New York. Initially, we plan to operate this facility as a loan production office. Following the completion of our acquisition of the New York City bank branch office, we plan to apply during the first quarter of 2007 for regulatory approval to operate the Bedford loan production office as a full service bank branch office. We plan to continue to open additional branches in Fairfield County, Connecticut and Westchester County, New York in the future.

The Bank offers a broad range of commercial and consumer banking services with an emphasis on serving the needs of small and medium-sized businesses, commercial real estate investors and builders, professionals such as accountants and attorneys, as well as individuals. We offer consumer and commercial deposit accounts such as checking accounts, insured money market accounts, time certificates of deposit, and savings accounts and also offer commercial real estate and construction loans to area businesses and developers, commercial loans to area businesses, as well as home mortgages, home improvement loans and home equity lines of credit to individuals. The Bank also solicits and processes conventional mortgage applications from consumers on behalf of permanent investors and originates loans for sale. Revenues are generated from loan brokerage and application processing fees received from permanent investors and gains and origination fees from loans sold.

**June 30, 2006 compared to December 31, 2005**

Our total assets increased \$88.4 million, or 19%, to \$559.0 million at June 30, 2006 from \$470.6 million at December 31, 2005. The increase in the total assets was primarily attributable to an increase in net loans of \$86.3 million, or 24%, to \$450.5 million at June 30, 2006 from \$364.2 million at December 31, 2005, which increase resulted directly from our strategy to grow our total loan portfolio. As part of this strategy, we hired four additional lenders in the six months ended June 30, 2006, and one additional lender joined us in August, 2006. We also expect expenses to increase as a result of hiring these new lenders. The available for sale securities portfolio decreased \$6.6 million, or 8%, to \$72.1 million at June 30, 2006 from \$78.7 million at December 31, 2005. Loan growth was funded primarily through an increase in deposits and borrowings. Deposits increased \$53.5 million to \$472.6 million at June 30, 2006 from \$419.1 million at December 31, 2005. Interest-bearing deposits increased \$51.5 million, or 14%, and non-interest bearing deposits increased \$2.1 million, or 4% at June 30, 2006 as compared to December 31, 2005. Borrowings increased \$34.0 million to \$51.2 million

at June 30, 2006 from \$17.2 million at December 31, 2005. Total shareholders' equity increased \$361,000 to \$31.7 million at June 30, 2006 from \$31.4 million at December 31, 2005.

**Critical Accounting Policies**

In the ordinary course of business, we have made a number of estimates and assumptions relating to reporting results of operations and financial condition in preparing our financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates under different assumptions and conditions. We believe the following discussion addresses our only critical accounting policy, which is the policy that is most important to the presentation of our financial results. This policy requires management's most difficult, subjective and complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. We have reviewed this critical accounting policy and estimates with our Loan Committee and our Audit Committee.

We believe the allowance for loan losses is a critical accounting policy that requires the most significant judgments and estimates used in preparation of our consolidated financial statements. Refer to the discussion below under the caption "Allowance for Loan Losses" on pages 27 and 42 and note 1 to the audited consolidated financial statements on page F-9 for a detailed description of our estimation process and methodology related to the allowance for loan losses.

**Financial Condition**

Our total assets increased \$88.4 million, or 19%, to \$559.0 million at June 30, 2006 from \$470.6 million at December 31, 2005. Cash and cash equivalents increased \$6.3 million, or 40%, to \$22.3 million at June 30, 2006 as compared to \$16.0 million at December 31, 2005 primarily due to a high volume of customer deposits at the end of the quarter which were deposited to our correspondent accounts and invested in federal funds sold. Cash and due from banks and federal funds sold increased \$1.3 million and \$7.1 million, respectively, while short term investments decreased \$2.1 million at June 30, 2006 as compared to December 31, 2005.

**Investments**

The following table is a summary of the investment portfolio at fair value as of the dates indicated:

	<b>June 30, 2006</b>	<b>December 31, 2005</b>
	(in thousands)	
U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency Obligations	\$ 16,318	\$ 16,477
Mortgage-backed securities	49,828	56,195
Money market preferred equity securities	6,000	6,000
Total investments	\$ 72,146	\$ 78,672

Available for sale securities decreased \$6.6 million, or 8%, to \$72.1 million at June 30, 2006 from \$78.7 million at December 31, 2005. This decrease was due to principal payments on mortgage-backed securities.

**Federal Home Loan Bank Stock**

The increase in the FHLB stock of \$1.4 million is attributable to the increase in FHLB advances; the Bank's investment in FHLB stock is based partially on the amount of FHLB advances outstanding.

The following table presents the maturity distribution of available for sale investment securities at June 30, 2006 and the weighted average yield of such securities. The weighted average yields were calculated based on the amortized cost and effective yields to maturity of each security.

	<u>One year or less</u>	<u>Over one through five years</u>	<u>Over five through ten years</u>	<u>Over ten years</u>	<u>No maturity</u>	<u>Total(1)</u>	<u>Weighted Average Yield</u>
(dollars in thousands)							
U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency obligations	\$	\$ 17,000	\$	\$	\$	\$ 17,000	3.59%
Mortgage-backed securities					51,365(2)	51,365	4.33
Money market preferred equity securities					6,000	6,000	3.44
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 17,000</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 57,365</b>	<b>\$ 74,365</b>	<b>4.09%</b>
<b>Weighted average yield</b>		<b>% 3.59%</b>		<b>%</b>	<b>% 4.24%</b>	<b>4.09%</b>	

(1) Reflects amortized cost as opposed to fair value. See note 3 to our audited consolidated financial statements and note 2 to our unaudited consolidated financial statements.

(2) Our mortgage-backed securities generally have original terms to maturity of 10 or more years. However, original terms to maturity do not reflect the expected average lives of the mortgage-backed securities. We expect the average lives of our mortgage-backed securities to be substantially less than their contractual terms because of, among other things, amortization and prepayments.

The following table presents a summary of investments for any issuer that exceeds 10% of shareholders' equity at June 30, 2006.

	<u>Amortized Cost</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
(in thousands)		
<b>Available for sale securities:</b>		
U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency obligations	\$ 17,000	\$ 16,318
U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency mortgage backed securities	51,365	49,828



**Loans**

The following table is a summary of the Bank's loan portfolio at the dates shown:

	At			
	June 30, 2006		December 31, 2005	
	Amount	Percentage of Total Loans	Amount	Percentage of Total Loans
(dollars in thousands)				
<b>Real Estate</b>				
Commercial	\$ 154,149	33.72%	\$ 129,179	34.95%
Residential	94,410	20.65	77,392	20.94
Construction	165,889	36.28	107,233	29.01
Commercial	15,763	3.45	15,592	4.22
Consumer installment	1,349	0.30	1,107	0.30
Consumer home equity	25,637	5.60	39,097	10.58
<b>Total loans</b>	<b>\$ 457,197</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$ 369,599</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Premiums on purchased loans	316		367	
Net deferred fees	(1,550)		(1,135)	
Allowance for loan losses	(5,511)		(4,588)	
<b>Loans, net</b>	<b>\$ 450,452</b>		<b>\$ 364,244</b>	

Our net loan portfolio increased \$86.3 million, or 24%, to \$450.5 million at June 30, 2006 from \$364.2 million at December 31, 2005 primarily due to an increase in construction loans of \$58.7 million, an increase in commercial real estate loans of \$25.0 million and an increase in residential real estate loans of \$17.0 million, partially offset by a decrease in home equity loans of \$13.5 million. These increases were primarily the result of our strategy to expand these loan categories in our total loan portfolio. Although short term interest rates have increased, the growth in loans reflects the continued strong real estate market in the Fairfield County, Connecticut and Westchester County, New York areas in which we primarily conduct our business.

At June 30, 2006, the net loan to deposit ratio was 95% and the net loan to total assets ratio was 81%. At December 31, 2005, the net loan to deposit ratio was 87% and the net loan to total assets ratio was 77%. Based on loan applications in process and the recent and planned hiring of additional loan officers, management anticipates continued loan growth during the remainder of 2006.

The Bank employs a diversified credit administration process. All loans are underwritten by a credit analyst who is not the loan originator and each loan requires at least three signatures. All loans are monitored on an on-going basis using a nine point risk rating system. The Bank engages an outside loan review company to perform annual loan reviews, with a target of reviewing loans totaling 75% of the loan portfolio. The review includes all new loans made during the year in excess of \$250,000.

*Commercial Real Estate Loans.* We offer adjustable-rate and fixed-rate mortgage loans secured by commercial real estate. Our commercial real estate loans are generally secured by office or retail buildings, as well as owner-occupied properties and investment one- to four-family residential properties located in our market area and used for business or residential rentals. We intend to continue to grow this segment of our loan portfolio. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$154.1 million of commercial real estate loans outstanding, which constituted 33.7% of our total loan portfolio at that date.

We originate adjustable-rate commercial real estate loans for terms up to 25 years. Interest rates and payments on these loans typically adjust every five years after a five-year initial fixed period. Interest rates and payments on our adjustable rate loans generally are fixed at rates over the Federal

Home Loan Bank of Boston amortizing advance rate. There are no adjustment period or lifetime interest rate caps. Loans are secured by first mortgages that generally do not exceed 75% of the property's appraised value. At June 30, 2006, the largest outstanding commercial real estate loan was \$3.4 million which is secured by a first mortgage on an office/warehouse facility in Norwalk, Connecticut and is performing according to its original terms as of such date.

On a very selective basis, we also originate fixed-rate commercial real estate loans. The amount of fixed-rate commercial real estate loans in our portfolio at June 30, 2006 was \$23.9 million, or 16% of total commercial real estate loans. The longest term of any fixed-rate commercial real estate loan in the portfolio was 25 years.

Loans secured by commercial real estate generally have larger balances and involve a greater degree of risk than one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. Of primary concern in commercial real estate lending is the borrower's creditworthiness and the feasibility and cash flow potential of the property. Payments on loans secured by income properties often depend on successful operation and management of the properties. As a result, repayment of such loans may be subject to adverse conditions in the real estate market or the economy. As of June 30, 2006, three loans totaling \$4.5 million, or 3% of our commercial real estate loans, were non-accrual loans.

To monitor cash flows on income properties, we require borrowers and loan guarantors, if any, to provide annual financial statements. We generally require a minimum debt service coverage ratio of 1.25. In reaching a decision on whether to make a commercial real estate loan, we consider the net operating income of the property, the borrower's expertise, credit history and profitability and the value of the underlying property. In addition, with respect to commercial real estate rental properties, we will consider the term of the leases and the quality of the tenants. Loan size for a borrower is generally limited to 85% of our legal lending limit. We require title insurance on all commercial real estate loans. An environmental survey or environmental insurance is generally required for commercial real estate loans secured by office buildings, shopping centers, or industrial properties or properties that had previous industrial uses.

*One- to Four-Family Residential Loans.* We originate residential mortgage loans to enable borrowers to purchase or refinance existing homes or to construct new residential dwellings in our market area. We include in our portfolio adjustable-rate mortgage loans with terms up to 30 years. Borrower demand for adjustable-rate loans versus fixed-rate loans is a function of the level of interest rates, the expectations of changes in the level of interest rates, the difference between the interest rates and loan fees offered for fixed-rate mortgage loans and the initial period interest rates and loan fees for adjustable-rate loans. The relative number of adjustable-rate versus fixed-rate mortgage loans that can be originated at any time is largely determined by the demand for each in a competitive environment and the effect each has on our interest rate risk. The loan fees charged, interest rates and other provisions of mortgage loans are determined by us on the basis of our own pricing criteria and competitive market conditions. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$94.4 million, or 20.6% of total loans, invested in residential real estate loans.

Our adjustable-rate mortgage loans are generally based on a 30-year amortization schedule. Interest rates and payments on our adjustable-rate mortgage loans adjust annually after either of a three- or five-year initial fixed period. The maximum amount by which the interest rate may be increased or decreased is generally 2% per adjustment period and the lifetime interest rate cap is generally 6% over the initial interest rate of the loan.

While one- to four-family residential real estate loans are normally originated with up to 30-year terms; such loans typically remain outstanding for substantially shorter periods because borrowers often prepay their loans in full upon sale of the property pledged as security or upon refinancing the original loan. Therefore, average loan maturity is a function of, among other factors, the level of purchase and

sale activity in the real estate market, prevailing interest rates and the interest rates payable on outstanding loans.

We generally make adjustable rate mortgage loans with a loan-to-value ratio of up to 80% only when secured by first liens on owner-occupied one- to four-family residences with a maximum debt ratio of 38%, or 42% including property taxes. We require all properties securing mortgage loans in excess of \$250,000 to be appraised by an independent appraiser. We require title insurance on all first mortgage loans. Borrowers must obtain hazard insurance, or flood insurance for loans secured by property located in a flood zone, before closing the loan.

*Construction Loans.* We originate loans to individuals and builders to finance the construction of residential dwellings. To a significantly lesser extent, we also make construction loans for commercial development projects, including condominiums, apartment buildings, and owner-occupied properties used for businesses. Our construction loans generally provide for the payment of interest only during the construction phase, which is usually 18 to 24 months. At the end of the construction phase, the loan generally converts to a permanent mortgage loan if owner-occupied, or is repaid upon sale if made to a builder. We generally limit the amount of a construction loan to 80% of our legal lending limit. Loans generally can be made with a maximum loan to value ratio of 65% of the "as completed" appraised value or 75% of the cost of the project, whichever is less. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$165.9 million, or 36.3% of total loans, invested in construction. At June 30, 2006, the largest outstanding residential construction loan commitment was for \$5.5 million, of which \$3.0 million was outstanding at June 30, 2006, and is performing as to its original terms as of such date. At June 30, 2006, there were no outstanding commercial construction loans. Before making a commitment to fund a construction loan, we require an appraisal of the property by an independent licensed appraiser. We also will require additional inspections of the property before disbursement of funds during the term of the construction loan.

Construction financing is generally considered to involve a higher degree of risk of loss than long-term financing on improved, occupied real estate. Risk of loss on a construction loan depends largely upon the accuracy of the initial estimate of the property's value at completion of construction or development and the estimated cost (including interest) of construction. During the construction phase, a number of factors could result in delays and cost overruns. If the estimate of construction costs proves to be inaccurate, we may be required to advance funds beyond the amount originally committed to permit completion of the development, although we generally require that an interest reserve be established at closing. If the estimate of value proves to be inaccurate, we may be confronted, at or before the maturity of the loan, with a project having a value which is insufficient to assure full repayment. As a result of the foregoing, construction lending often involves the disbursement of substantial funds with repayment dependent, in part, on the success of the ultimate project rather than the ability of the borrower or guarantor to repay principal and interest. If we are forced to foreclose on a project before or at completion due to a default, there can be no assurance that we will be able to recover all of the unpaid balance of, and accrued interest on, the loan as well as related foreclosure and holding costs. We generally limit speculative construction loans (loans for which there is not a contract for sale at the time of construction financing) to two for any one borrower at any one time. We also have internal guidelines which limit speculative construction loans to not more than 35% of the total loan portfolio. We may exceed the guidelines from time to time due to the uncertainty of forecasting cash flows on specific loan projects. At June 30, 2006, speculative construction loans constituted 30% of the total loan portfolio.

*Commercial Loans.* We make commercial business loans to a variety of small businesses primarily in our market area. We offer a variety of commercial lending products, the maximum amount of which is limited by our in-house loans-to-one-borrower limit of 85% of our legal lending limit. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$15.8 million, or 3.5% of total loans, invested in commercial loans.

Commercial loans are secured by business assets other than real estate, such as accounts receivable, business equipment and inventory. We originate lines of credit to finance the working capital needs of businesses to be repaid by seasonal cash flows or to provide a period of time during which the business can borrow funds for planned equipment purchases. These lines of credit generally have a one-year term. We also offer time notes, stand-by letters of credit and Small Business Administration guaranteed loans. Time notes are short-term loans and will only be granted on the basis of a defined source of repayment of principal and interest from a specific foreseeable event.

When making commercial loans, we consider the financial statements of the borrower, the borrower's payment history of both corporate and personal debt, the debt service capabilities of the borrower, the projected cash flows of the business, the viability of the industry in which the borrower operates and the value of the collateral.

Unlike residential mortgage loans, which generally are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from his or her employment or other income, and which are secured by real property whose value tends to be more easily ascertainable, commercial loans are of higher risk and typically are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from the cash flow of the borrower's business. As a result, the availability of funds for the repayment of commercial loans may depend substantially on the success of the business itself. Loans are generally made on a recourse basis with the personal guarantee of the business principal. Further, any collateral securing such loans may depreciate over time, may be difficult to appraise and may fluctuate in value.

*Home Equity and Consumer Loans.* We offer home equity loans and lines of credit as well as consumer loans. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$27.0 million, or 5.9% of total loans, invested in home equity and consumer loans.

Home equity loans and lines of credit have adjustable rates of interest that are indexed to the Wall Street Journal prime rate. We offer home equity loans with maximum combined loan-to-value ratios of 75%. A home equity line of credit may be drawn down by the borrower for an initial period of ten years from the date of the loan agreement. During this period, the borrower has the option of paying, on a monthly basis, either principal and interest or only interest. If not renewed, the borrower has to pay back the amount outstanding under the line of credit over a term not to exceed 15 years, beginning at the end of the ten-year line of credit period.

We also offer consumer loans, primarily as an accommodation to existing customers. The procedures for underwriting consumer loans include an assessment of the applicant's payment history on other debts and ability to meet existing obligations and payments on the proposed loans. Although the applicant's creditworthiness is a primary consideration, the underwriting process also includes a comparison of the value of the collateral, if any, to the proposed loan amount.

Home equity loans and lines of credit, and consumer loans generally entail greater risk than do other loans, particularly in the case of consumer loans that are unsecured or secured by assets that depreciate rapidly. In such cases, repossessed collateral for a defaulted loan may not provide an adequate source of repayment for the outstanding loan and the remaining deficiency often does not warrant further substantial collection efforts against the borrower. In addition, loan collections depend on the borrower's continuing financial stability, and therefore are more likely to be adversely affected by job loss, divorce, illness or personal bankruptcy. Furthermore, the application of various federal and state laws, including federal and state bankruptcy and insolvency laws, may limit the amount which can be recovered on such loans.

*Loan Approval Procedures and Authority.* Our lending activities follow written, non-discriminatory, underwriting standards and loan origination procedures established by our board of directors and management. Every loan is underwritten by a credit analyst other than the loan origination officer and at least three signatures are required for every loan. The Bank's credit committee has the authority to

approve loan amounts up to \$500,000. Loan amounts up to \$2.5 million must be approved by the management loan committee. Loan amounts over \$2.5 million must be approved by the loan committee of the board of directors. We do not expect to change our approval limits following the completion of this offering.

*Loans to One Borrower.* The maximum amount that we may lend to one borrower and the borrower's related entities is limited, by regulation, generally to 15% of our stated capital and reserves. At June 30, 2006, our regulatory limit on loans to one borrower was \$6.7 million. At that date, our largest lending relationship with a single borrower was \$6.5 million. The relationship consists of three loans each of which is secured by a first mortgage on residential properties in Greenwich, Connecticut. The loans were performing in accordance with the original repayment terms at June 30, 2006. The contribution of substantially all of the net proceeds of the offering to the Bank will have the effect of increasing the Bank's loan to one borrower limit to approximately \$10 million.

*Maturities and Sensitivities of Loans to Changes in Interest Rates.* The following table presents the maturities of loans in the Bank's portfolio at June 30, 2006, by type of loan. The amounts are shown based on contractual terms to maturity or scheduled amortization excluding potential repayments. Loans with no stated schedule of repayment and no stated maturity are reported as due in one year or less.

	Due in one year or less	Due after one year through five years	Due after five years	Total
(in thousands)				
Commercial real estate	\$ 27,033	\$ 40,781	\$ 86,335	\$ 154,149
Residential real estate	6,829	3,986	83,595	94,410
Construction loans	89,939	55,565	20,385	165,889
Commercial loans	8,118	7,141	504	15,763
Consumer installment	1,221	128		1,349
Consumer home equity	36	4,207	21,394	25,637
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 133,176</b>	<b>\$ 111,808</b>	<b>\$ 212,213</b>	<b>\$ 457,197</b>
Fixed rate loans	\$ 10,716	\$ 18,217	\$ 2,636	\$ 31,569
Variable rate loans	122,460	93,591	209,577	425,628
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 133,176</b>	<b>\$ 111,808</b>	<b>\$ 212,213</b>	<b>\$ 457,197</b>

#### *Allowance for Loan Losses*

The allowance for loan losses is established as losses are estimated to have occurred through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance.

The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a regular basis by management and is based upon management's periodic review of the collectibility of the loans in light of historical experience, the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral and prevailing economic conditions. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available.

A substantial portion of our loans are unseasoned and lack an established record of performance due to product mix and the growth of the portfolio. Approximately 31% of the loans in our total loan portfolio were originated during the six months ended June 30, 2006, and 37%, 14%, and 11% were originated in the years ended 2005, 2004, and 2003, respectively. Approximately 7% of the loans in our

loan portfolio were originated in periods before 2003. Our construction loans, which generally are underwritten with maturities of 18 to 24 months, represent 29.0% of gross loans at December 31, 2005 and 36.3% as of June 30, 2006. In addition, approximately 67.8% of the growth in the overall loan portfolio during 2005 and 33.0% of the growth in the first half of 2006 came from products other than construction loans with 2005 showing an increase of \$68.8 million in non-construction loans and the first half of 2006 increasing by \$28.9 million. To date, we have experienced negligible losses. We take into account the lack of seasoning in the portfolio by utilizing historical industry loss data in addition to management's assessment of current trends, economic conditions and portfolio behavioral characteristics when assigning loan loss factors in our risk rating system.

The allowance consists of specific, general and unallocated components. The specific component relates to loans that are considered impaired. A risk rating system is utilized to measure the adequacy of the general component of the allowance for loan losses. Under this system, each loan is assigned a risk rating between one and nine, which has a corresponding loan loss factor assigned, with a rating of "one" being the least risk and a rating of "nine" reflecting the most risk or a complete loss. Risk ratings are assigned based upon the recommendation of the credit analyst and the originating loan officer and confirmed by the loan committee at the initiation of the transactions and are reviewed and changed, when necessary during the life of the loan. Loan loss reserve factors are multiplied against the balances in each risk rating category to arrive at the appropriate level for the allowance for loan losses. Loans assigned a risk rating of "six" or above are monitored more closely by the credit administration officers. The unallocated portion of the allowance reflects our estimate of probable but undetected losses inherent in the portfolio; such estimates are influenced by uncertainties in economic conditions, delays in obtaining information, including unfavorable information about a borrower's financial condition, difficulty in identifying triggering events that correlate perfectly to subsequent loss rates, and risk factors that have not yet manifested themselves in loss allocation factors. Loan quality control is continually monitored by management subject to oversight by the board of directors through its members who serve on the loan committee. It is also reviewed by the full board of directors on a monthly basis. The methodology for determining the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is consistently applied; however, revisions may be made to the methodology and assumptions based on historical information related to charge-off and recovery experience and our evaluation of the current loan portfolio.

Based upon this evaluation, management believes the allowance for loan losses of \$5.5 million at June 30, 2006, which represents 1.21% of gross loans outstanding, is adequate, under prevailing economic conditions, to absorb losses on existing loans. Nevertheless, there can be no assurance that additions to such allowance will not be necessary in future periods. At December 31, 2005, the allowance for loan losses was \$4.6 million or 1.24% of gross loans outstanding.

The accrual of interest income on loans is discontinued whenever reasonable doubt exists as to its collectibility and generally is discontinued when loans are past due 90 days, based on contractual terms, as to either principal or interest. When the accrual of interest income is discontinued, all previously accrued and uncollected interest is reversed against interest income. The accrual of interest on loans past due 90 days or more, including impaired loans, may be continued if the loan is well secured, and it is believed all principal and accrued interest income due on the loan will be realized, and the loan is in the process of collection. A non-accrual loan is restored to an accrual status when it is no longer delinquent and collectibility of interest and principal is no longer in doubt.

We consider all non-accrual loans and restructured loans to be impaired. In most cases, loan payments that are past due less than 90 days, based on contractual terms, are considered minor collection delays and the related loans are not considered to be impaired. We consider consumer installment loans to be pools of smaller balance homogeneous loans, which are collectively evaluated for impairment.

*Analysis of Allowance for Loan Losses*

The changes in the allowance for loan losses for the periods shown are as follows:

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30, 2006	June 30, 2005
(in thousands)		
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 4,588	\$ 3,481
Charge-offs	(1)	
Recoveries		
Net charge-offs	(1)	
Additions charged to operations	924	360
Balance at end of period	\$ 5,511	\$ 3,841
Ratio of net (charge-offs) recoveries during the period to average loans outstanding during the period	(0.0)%	(0.0)%

*Allocation of the Allowance for Loan Losses*

The following table sets forth the allocation of the allowance for loan losses by category at the dates shown:

	June 30, 2006		December 31, 2005	
	Amount (dollars in thousands)	Percent of loans in each category to total loans	Amount (dollars in thousands)	Percent of loans in each category to total loans
Balance at end of each period applicable to:				
Real Estate:				
Commercial	\$ 1,892	33.72%	\$ 1,607	34.95%
Residential	379	20.65	511	20.94
Construction	2,898	36.28	1,963	29.01
Commercial	153	3.45	164	4.22
Consumer installment	14	0.30	10	0.30
Consumer home equity	148	5.60	260	10.58
Unallocated	27	N/A	73	N/A
Total:	\$ 5,511	100.00%	\$ 4,588	100.00%

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### *Non-Accrual, Past Due and Restructured Loans*

The following table presents non-accruing loans and past due loans at the dates indicated:

	<b>June 30, 2006</b>	<b>December 31, 2005</b>
(dollars in thousands)		
Loans delinquent over 90 days but still accruing interest	\$ 734	\$ 275
Non-accruing loans	4,462	1,935
	<b>5,196</b>	<b>2,210</b>
<b>Total non-performing loans</b>	<b>\$ 5,196</b>	<b>\$ 2,210</b>
Percentage of total loans	1.14%	0.60%
Percentage of total assets	0.93%	0.47%
Additional income on non-accrual loans if recognized on an accrual basis	\$ 56	\$ 6

There were no loans at June 30, 2006 that were considered as "troubled debt restructurings," nor did we have any other real estate owned as of such date.

### *Potential Problem Loans*

The \$4.5 million in non-accruing loans at June 30, 2006 was comprised of three loans. One loan in the amount of \$1.1 million matured in June 2005. The loan is adequately collateralized and the borrower has continued to make principal and interest payments. However, the borrower is currently in bankruptcy proceedings. We expect that the borrower will seek other financing upon emerging from bankruptcy, which we expect will be used to repay outstanding indebtedness to us. While no assurance can be given, we expect that this will occur during the fourth quarter of 2006. The remaining two loans in the aggregate amount of \$3.4 million are in the process of collection and are adequately collateralized. In July, 2006, the Bank obtained a judgment for strict foreclosure on one of these loans in the amount of \$840,000 with an effective date of September 26, 2006 and a judgment on the second loan in the amount of \$2.6 million with an effective date of December 2, 2006. The \$1.9 million of non-accruing loans at December 31, 2005 was comprised of two loans, both of which are included in the non-accruing loans at June 30, 2006.

At June 30, 2006, we had no loans, other than those disclosed in the table above, for which management has significant doubts as to the ability of the borrower to comply with the present repayment terms.

### *Deposits*

The following table is a summary of the Bank's deposits at the dates shown:

	<b>June 30, 2006</b>	<b>December 31, 2005</b>
(in thousands)		
Non-interest bearing:	\$ 50,892	\$ 48,797
Interest-bearing:		
NOW	33,609	25,383
Savings	25,206	20,090
Money market	45,795	57,799
Time certificates, less than \$100,000	196,086	168,566
Time certificates, \$100,000 or more	121,041	98,440
	<b>421,737</b>	<b>370,278</b>
<b>Total interest-bearing</b>	<b>421,737</b>	<b>370,278</b>
<b>Total deposits</b>	<b>\$ 472,629</b>	<b>\$ 419,075</b>





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Total deposits increased \$53.5 million to \$472.6 million at June 30, 2006 from \$419.1 million at December 31, 2005. Non-interest bearing deposits increased \$2.1 million primarily due to fluctuations in personal and commercial checking accounts. Interest-bearing deposits increased \$51.4 million to \$421.7 million at June 30, 2006 from \$370.3 million at December 31, 2005. Money market deposit accounts decreased \$12.0 million primarily due to the rising rate environment which has influenced customers to transfer funds into fixed rate certificates of deposit with us and with our competitors. Savings accounts and certificates of deposit increased \$5.1 million and \$50.1 million, respectively. The growth in certificates of deposit is the result of the competitive rates we continue to offer in order to grow deposits, as well as, to remain a viable source of deposit products in our market which is becoming increasingly more competitive.

As of June 30, 2006, the Bank's maturities of time deposits were as follows:

	<u>\$100,000 or greater</u>	<u>Less than \$100,000</u>	<u>Totals</u>
	(in thousands)		
Three months or less	\$ 34,233	\$ 50,918	\$ 85,151
Three to six months	12,854	25,598	38,452
Six months to one year	26,001	46,942	72,943
Over one year	47,953	72,628	120,581
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 121,041</b>	<b>\$ 196,086</b>	<b>\$ 317,127</b>
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

### ***Borrowings***

At June 30, 2006, total borrowings were \$51.2 million, representing an increase of \$34.0 million as compared to total borrowings of \$17.2 million at December 31, 2005. The increase in borrowings supplemented deposit inflow in order to fund loan demand.

The following table sets forth short term borrowing amounts along with the respective interest rates and maturities at June 30, 2006:

Federal Home Loan Bank advances:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Average Amount Outstanding</u>
\$ 2,000,000	07/12/06	4.980%	\$ 895,028
4,000,000	07/14/06	5.220	375,691
5,000,000	07/17/06	5.140	1,298,343
6,000,000	07/17/06	5.270	497,238
8,000,000	08/09/06	5.170	2,342,541
5,000,000	09/13/06	5.080	3,038,674
2,000,000	09/20/06	5.440	121,547
3,000,000	10/10/06	5.220	1,359,116
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>\$ 35,000,000</b>		<b>5.185%</b>	<b>\$ 9,928,178</b>
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

The maximum amount of short-term borrowings outstanding under our Federal Home Loan Bank advances during the six months ended June 30, 2006 was \$36.0 million.

### ***Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements***

There have been no significant changes in our off-balance sheet arrangements which primarily consist of commitments to lend, during the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2006.

**Average Balance Sheet and Rate/Volume Analysis**

The following table presents average balance sheets (daily averages), interest income, interest expense and the corresponding yields earned and rates paid:

	Three Months Ended, June 30,						Fluctuations in Interest Income/Expense(1) Due to change in:		
	2006			2005					
	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Rate(2)	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Rate(2)	Volume	Rate	Total
(dollars in thousands)									
<b>Interest-earning assets:</b>									
Loans(3)	\$ 439,255	\$ 8,312	7.57%	\$ 296,628	\$ 4,922	6.64%	\$ 2,624	\$ 766	\$ 3,390
Investments(4)	77,608	765	3.94	89,089	763	3.43	(363)	365	2
Federal funds sold and other cash equivalents	6,199	76	4.90	17,674	124	2.81	(277)	229	(48)
<b>Total interest-earning assets</b>	<b>523,062</b>	<b>9,153</b>	<b>7.00%</b>	<b>403,391</b>	<b>5,809</b>	<b>5.76%</b>	<b>1,984</b>	<b>1,360</b>	<b>3,344</b>
Cash and due from banks	6,717			4,976					
Premises and equipment, net	2,347			2,111					
Allowance for loan losses	(5,284)			(3,760)					
Other	6,712			6,536					
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 533,554</b>			<b>\$ 413,254</b>					
<b>Interest-bearing liabilities:</b>									
Deposits	\$ 404,769	\$ 3,596	3.55%	\$ 321,639	\$ 2,036	2.53%	609	951	1,560
FHLB Borrowings	33,593	422	5.02	18,000	151	3.36	172	99	271
Trust Preferred Securities	8,248	166	8.05	8,248	128	6.21		38	38
Other borrowings	148	2	5.41				2		2
<b>Total interest bearing liabilities</b>	<b>446,758</b>	<b>4,186</b>	<b>3.75%</b>	<b>347,887</b>	<b>2,315</b>	<b>2.66%</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>1,871</b>
Demand deposits	50,496			42,312					
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	4,108			2,930					
Shareholders' equity	32,192			20,125					
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>\$ 533,554</b>			<b>\$ 413,254</b>					
<b>Net interest income</b>		<b>\$ 4,967</b>			<b>\$ 3,494</b>		<b>\$ 1,201</b>	<b>\$ 272</b>	<b>\$ 1,473</b>
Interest margin			3.80%			3.46%			
Interest spread			3.25%			3.10%			

(1) The rate volume analysis reflects the changes in net interest income arising from changes in interest rates and from asset and liability volume, including changes attributable to both changes in rates and volume. The change in interest attributable to volume includes changes in interest attributable to

changes in both rates and volume.

- (2) All ratios are annualized where appropriate.
- (3) Includes non-accruing loans.
- (4) Yields are calculated at historical cost and excludes the effects of unrealized gain or loss on available for sale securities.

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*Average Balance Sheet and Rate/Volume Analysis*

The following table presents average balance sheets (daily averages), interest income, interest expense and the corresponding yields earned and rates paid:

	Six Months Ended, June 30,						Fluctuations in Interest Income/Expense(1) Due to change in:		
	2006			2005					
	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Rate(2)	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Rate(2)	Volume	Rate	Total
(dollars in thousands)									
<b>Interest-earning assets:</b>									
Loans(3)	\$ 414,761	\$ 15,510	7.48%	\$ 292,072	\$ 9,592	6.56%	\$ 4,438	\$ 1,480	\$ 5,918
Investments(4)	78,775	1,539	3.90	89,461	1,570	3.51	(370)	338	(32)
Federal funds sold and other cash equivalents	6,230	144	4.62	19,489	241	2.47	(245)	148	(97)
<b>Total interest-earning assets</b>	<b>499,766</b>	<b>17,193</b>	<b>6.88%</b>	<b>401,022</b>	<b>11,403</b>	<b>5.69%</b>	<b>3,823</b>	<b>1,966</b>	<b>5,789</b>
Cash and due from banks	6,148			4,755					
Premises and equipment, net	2,337			2,056					
Allowance for loan losses	(5,072)			(3,671)					
Other	6,528			6,216					
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 509,707</b>			<b>\$ 410,378</b>					
<b>Interest-bearing liabilities:</b>									
Deposits	\$ 391,995	\$ 6,682	3.41%	\$ 323,816	\$ 4,028	2.49%	962	1,692	2,654
FHLB Borrowings	25,084	608	4.86	13,083	224	3.41	264	122	386
Trust Preferred Securities	8,248	320	7.78	8,248	243	5.89		78	78
Other borrowings	171	4	4.68				4		4
<b>Total interest bearing liabilities</b>	<b>425,498</b>	<b>7,614</b>	<b>3.58%</b>	<b>345,147</b>	<b>4,495</b>	<b>2.60%</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>1,892</b>	<b>3,122</b>
Demand deposits	48,065			42,169					
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	4,160			2,981					
Shareholders' equity	31,984			20,081					
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>\$ 509,707</b>			<b>\$ 410,378</b>					
<b>Net interest income</b>	<b>\$ 9,579</b>			<b>\$ 6,908</b>			<b>\$ 2,593</b>	<b>\$ 74</b>	<b>\$ 2,667</b>
Interest margin			3.83%			3.45%			
Interest spread			3.30%			3.08%			

(1) The rate volume analysis reflects the changes in net interest income arising from changes in interest rates and from asset and liability volume, including changes attributable to both changes in rates and volume. The change in interest attributable to volume includes changes in interest attributable to changes in both rates and volume.

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All ratios are annualized where appropriate.

- (3) Includes non-accruing loans.
- (4) Yields are calculated at historical cost and excludes the effects of unrealized gain or loss on available for sale securities.

*Results of Operations*

*General*

Our net income for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 of \$508,000 (\$0.16 basic and diluted income per share) represents an increase of \$157,000, or 45%, as compared to net income of \$351,000 (\$0.14 basic and diluted income per share) for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. For the six-month period ended June 30, 2006, net income of \$907,000 (\$0.28 basic and diluted income per share) represents an increase of \$269,000, or 42%, as compared to net income of \$638,000 (\$0.26 basic income per share and \$0.25 diluted income per share) for the six months ended June 30, 2005.

Interest income increased \$3.3 million, or 58%, to \$9.2 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to \$5.8 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. For the six months ended June 30, 2006, interest income increased \$5.8 million, or 51%, to \$17.2 million as compared to \$11.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2005. These increases were primarily due to the increase in the loan portfolio combined with increases in interest rates.

Interest expense increased \$1.9 million, or 81%, to \$4.2 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to \$2.3 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. Interest expense increased \$3.1 million, or 69%, to \$7.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2006 as compared to \$4.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2005. These increases were primarily due to an increase in interest rates as well as to increases in the average balances of interest-bearing deposits and borrowings.

Non-interest income decreased \$240,000, or 29%, to \$581,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to \$821,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. For the six months ended June 30, 2006, non-interest income decreased \$320,000, or 21%, to \$1.2 million as compared to \$1.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2005. These decreases were primarily due to a decrease in mortgage brokerage and referral fees attributable to an increase in long term interest rates which resulted in a decrease in the volume of refinance and purchase transactions.

Noninterest expenses increased \$770,000, or 21%, to \$4.4 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 from \$3.6 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. For the six months ended June 30, 2006, noninterest expenses increased \$1.4 million, or 20%, to \$8.4 million from \$7.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2005. These increases were primarily due to increases in salaries and benefits, occupancy and data processing and other outside services.

*Interest income and expense*

An increase in average earning assets of \$119.7 million, or 30%, combined with an increase in interest rates increased our interest income \$3.3 million, or 58%, to \$9.2 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to \$5.8 million for the same period in 2005. Interest and fees on loans increased \$3.4 million, or 69%, to \$8.3 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to \$4.9 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. This increase was primarily the result of the increase in the average outstanding balances of the loan portfolio followed by the impact of an increase in interest rates. Interest income on investments remained relatively stable. The decrease in interest income from the reduction in the portfolio due to principal payments on mortgage backed securities was offset by an increase in the interest rates on the remaining portfolio. Interest income on federal funds and other cash equivalents decreased as a result of a decrease in the average balances partially offset by an increase in short term interest rates. For the six months ended June 30, 2006, interest and dividend income was \$17.2 million which represents an increase of \$5.8 million, or 51%, as compared to interest and dividend income of \$11.4 million for the same period last year. This increase was due to the reasons cited earlier.

Total interest expense for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 of \$4.2 million represents an increase of \$1.8 million, or 81%, as compared to the same period last year. The increase in interest expense was

primarily the result of higher interest rates paid on interest bearing liabilities. An increase in total average interest bearing liabilities of \$98.9 million, or 28%, for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to the 2005 quarter also contributed to the increase in interest expense. The increase in interest rates combined with the increase in the average balances of deposit accounts of \$83.1 million, or 26%, resulted in an increase in interest expense of \$1.6 million, or 77%, for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to the 2005 quarter. Average FHLB advances increased \$15.6 million, or 87%, for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to the 2005 quarter. The increase in average balances combined with the increase in the interest rates paid on FHLB advances resulted in an increase in interest expense of \$271,000, or 179%, for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to the 2005 quarter. The increase in the index to which our junior subordinated debt is tied resulted in an increase in interest expense of \$38,000, or 30%, for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to the 2005 quarter. For the six months ended June 30, 2006 total interest expense increased \$3.1 million, or 69%, to \$7.6 million from \$4.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2005. This increase in interest expense was due to the reasons cited earlier.

As a result of the above, our net interest income increased \$1.5 million, or 42%, to \$5.0 million for the three months ended June 30 2006 as compared to \$3.5 million for the same period last year. Net interest income increased \$2.7 million, or 39%, to \$9.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2006 as compared to \$6.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2005.

#### *Provision for loan losses*

The provision for loan losses charged to operations for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 was \$351,000 as compared to \$100,000 for the same period last year. For the six months ended June 30, 2006, the provision for loan losses was \$924,000 as compared to \$360,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2005. These increases were due to the growth in the loan portfolio and the credit risk factors assigned thereto and not to any adverse changes in the credit quality of the loan portfolio or in non-performing loans.

An analysis of the changes in the allowance for loan losses is presented under "Allowance for Loan Losses."

#### *Noninterest income*

Noninterest income decreased \$240,000, or 29%, to \$581,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2006 from \$821,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2005. A decrease in the volume of loans placed with outside investors resulted in a decrease in mortgage brokerage and referral fee income of \$199,000 and a decrease in loan origination and processing fee income of \$18,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2006 as compared to the three months ended June 30, 2005. Fees and service charges for the three months ended June 30, 2006 decreased \$13,000, or 8%, as compared to the same period last year; this decrease was primarily due to a decrease in the volume of insufficient and uncollected funds transactions. Other income decreased \$9,000 as compared to the same period last year which reflected the settlement of an insurance claim.

For the six months ended June 30, 2006, noninterest income decreased \$320,000, or 21%, to \$1.2 million as compared to \$1.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2005. This decrease was due to the reasons cited above.

#### *Noninterest expenses*

Noninterest expenses increased \$770,000, or 21%, to \$4.4 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 from \$3.6 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. Salaries and benefits expense increased \$390,000, or 18%, to \$2.6 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 from \$2.2 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. This increase was primarily due to staff additions, including the full year impact of those additions associated with an additional branch location established in June 2005, as compared



to last year, as well as to increases in loan and deposit production sales and incentive compensation and salary increases made during the last quarter of 2005. Occupancy and equipment expense, net, increased \$197,000, or 40%, to \$689,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 from \$492,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 due to the establishment of an additional branch location during the second quarter of 2005, the leasing of additional space for the Bank's lending and credit administration functions during the last quarter of 2005, lease expense payments during 2006 for branches under renovation, and a new metropolitan New York loan production office. Data processing and other outside services increased \$140,000, or 57%, to \$384,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2006 from \$244,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2005. A significant part of this increase was due to an increase in personnel placement fees, information technology consulting and data processing expenses. The increase in data processing expenses was a result of the growth in the branch network as well as to increases due to ongoing maintenance charges for the implementation of new products and services. Increased activity in advertising and promotional expenses resulted in an increase in these expenses of \$37,000, or 33%, to \$151,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2006 from \$113,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2005.

For the six months ended June 30, 2006 noninterest expenses increased \$1.4 million, or 20%, to \$8.4 million as compared to \$7.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2005. Salaries and benefits expense increased 15% or \$655,000 to \$4.9 million and occupancy and equipment expense, net, increased \$350,000, or 36%, for the six months ended June 30, 2006 as compared to the six months ended June 30, 2005. Data processing and other outside services and advertising and promotional expenses increased \$323,000 and \$72,000, respectively. These increases were due to similar reasons cited earlier.

#### *Income Taxes*

We recorded income tax expense of \$295,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 as compared to \$239,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. For the six months ended June 30, 2006, we recorded \$526,000 in income tax expense as compared to \$434,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2005. These changes were primarily related to the change in pre-tax income and the exclusion for state tax purposes of certain holding company expenses. The effective tax rates for the quarters ended June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2005 were 37% and 40%, respectively; the effective tax rates for the six months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005 were 37% and 40%, respectively.

#### *Liquidity*

Liquidity is the ability to meet current and future financial obligations of a short-term nature. Our primary sources of funds consist of deposit inflows, loan repayments, cash flow from mortgage-backed securities, maturities and sales of investment securities and borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston. While maturities and scheduled amortization of loans and securities are predictable sources of funds, deposit flows and mortgage prepayments are greatly influenced by general interest rates, economic conditions and competition.

Our liquidity ratio was 17% at June 30, 2006. The liquidity ratio is defined as the percentage of liquid assets to total assets. The following categories of assets as described in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets are considered liquid assets: cash and due from banks, federal funds sold, short term investments and available for sale securities. Liquidity is a measure of our ability to generate adequate cash to meet financial obligations. We expect that the initial cost of capital equipment to open each new branch office will range between \$315,000 and \$450,000. Thereafter, new deposits generated through the branch are expected to provide additional sources of liquidity. The principal cash requirements of a financial institution are to cover downward fluctuations in deposit accounts and increases in its loan portfolio. Management believes our short-term assets have sufficient liquidity to

cover loan demand, potential fluctuations in deposit accounts, the costs related to opening new branch offices and to meet other anticipated cash operating requirements.

We regularly adjust our investments in liquid assets based upon our assessment of (1) expected loan demand, (2) expected deposits flows, (3) yields available on securities and (4) the objectives of our asset/liability management and liquidity policies. Excess liquid assets are invested generally in short-term investments and short- and intermediate-term U.S. Government agency obligations. Our most liquid assets are cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments. The levels of these assets depend on the timing of and projections for deposit flows, loan fundings and payments from the loan and investment portfolios. At June 30, 2006, cash and cash equivalents totaled \$22.3 million. Securities classified as available-for-sale, which provide additional sources of liquidity, totaled \$72.1 million at June 30, 2006. In addition, at June 30, 2006, we had the ability to borrow a total of approximately \$73.5 million from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, which includes an overnight line of credit of \$2.0 million. On June 30, 2006, we had advances outstanding of \$43.0 million, none of which were under the overnight line of credit. The Bank also has arranged an overnight line of credit of \$3.0 million from a correspondent bank. At June 30, 2006, there were no amounts outstanding under that line. At June 30, 2006, the Bank also had the ability to borrow \$10.0 million under a repurchase agreement. There were no amounts outstanding under the agreement on that date.

At June 30, 2006, we had \$166.2 million in loan commitments outstanding, which included \$74.6 million in undisbursed construction loans, \$32.5 million in unused home equity lines of credit, and \$11.6 million in commercial lines of credit. In addition, there were \$46.8 million in commitments outstanding for loans that had not yet closed, \$34.9 million of which were commitments for construction loans. Certificates of deposit due within one year of June 30, 2006 totaled \$196.5 million, or 42% of total deposits. We believe that the large percentage of deposits in shorter-term certificates of deposit reflects customers' hesitancy to invest their funds in longer term certificates in the current interest rate environment. If these maturing certificates of deposit do not remain with us, we will be required to seek other sources of funds, including other certificates of deposit and borrowings. Depending on market conditions, we may be required to pay higher rates on such deposits or other borrowings than we currently pay on the certificates of deposit due on or before June 30, 2007. We had \$120.6 million in certificates of deposit maturing beyond one year at June 30, 2006. This provided a stable cost-effective funding source in a rising rate environment. Additionally, we maintain a shorter duration in our securities portfolio to provide necessary liquidity to compensate for any deposit outflows. We believe, however, based on past experience, that a significant portion of our certificates of deposit will remain with us. We have the ability to attract and retain deposits by adjusting the interest rates offered.

### *Capital*

The following table illustrates our regulatory capital ratios at June 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively:

	<b>June 30, 2006</b>	<b>December 31, 2005</b>
Total risk-based capital	10.84%	12.70%
Tier 1 risk-based capital	9.59	11.45
Leverage capital	7.53	8.56

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The following table illustrates the Bank's regulatory capital ratios at June 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively:

	<b>June 30, 2006</b>	<b>December 31, 2005</b>
Total risk-based capital	10.70%	12.52%
Tier 1 risk-based capital	9.45	11.27
Leverage capital	7.42	8.42

Capital adequacy is one of the most important factors used to determine the safety and soundness of individual banks and the banking system. Based on the above ratios, the Bank is considered to be "well capitalized" under applicable regulations. To be considered "well-capitalized," an institution must generally have a leverage capital ratio of at least 5%, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of at least 6%, and a total risk-based capital ratio of at least 10%.

The decrease in capital ratios during 2006 was primarily due to the growth of the Bank.

Management continuously assesses the adequacy of the Bank's capital with the goal to maintain its "well capitalized" classification. Management's strategic and capital plans contemplate various alternatives to raise additional capital to support the continued growth of the Bank.

### *Market Risk*

Market risk is defined as the sensitivity of income to fluctuations in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, equity prices, commodity prices and other market-driven rates or prices. Based upon the nature of our business, market risk is primarily limited to interest rate risk, which is the impact that changing interest rates have on current and future earnings.

*Qualitative Aspects of Market Risk.* Our goal is to maximize long term profitability while minimizing our exposure to interest rate fluctuations. The first priority is to structure and price our assets and liabilities to maintain an acceptable interest rate spread while reducing the net effect of changes in interest rates. In order to accomplish this, the focus is on maintaining a proper balance between the timing and volume of assets and liabilities re-pricing within the balance sheet. One method of achieving this balance is to originate variable rate loans for the portfolio and purchase short term investments to offset the increasing short term re-pricing of the liability side of the balance sheet. In fact, many of our interest bearing deposit products have no contractual maturity. Customers may withdraw funds from their accounts at any time and deposit balances may therefore run off unexpectedly due to changing market conditions. Additionally, loans and investments with longer term rate adjustment frequencies are matched against longer term deposits and borrowings to lock in a desirable spread.

The exposure to interest rate risk is monitored by our Management Asset and Liability Committee consisting of senior management personnel. The committee meets on a monthly basis, or more frequently, if needed. The committee reviews the interrelationships within the balance sheet to maximize net interest income within acceptable levels of risk. This committee reports to the board of directors on a monthly basis regarding its activities.

The Board Asset and Liability Committee, or ALCO, meets quarterly. That committee monitors the interest rate risk analysis, reviews investment transactions during the period and determines compliance with Bank policies.

*Quantitative Aspects of Market Risk.* We analyze our interest rate sensitivity position to manage the risk associated with interest rate movements through the use of interest income simulation and GAP analysis. The matching of assets and liabilities may be analyzed by examining the extent to which such assets and liabilities are "interest sensitive." An asset or liability is said to be interest rate sensitive within a specific time period if it will mature or reprice within that time period.

Our goal is to manage asset and liability positions to moderate the effects of interest rate fluctuations on net interest income. Interest income simulations are completed quarterly and presented to the Board ALCO Committee. The simulations provide an estimate of the impact of changes in interest rates on net interest income under a range of assumptions. Changes to these assumptions can significantly affect the results of the simulations. The simulation incorporates assumptions regarding the potential timing in the repricing of certain assets and liabilities when market rates change and the changes in spreads between different market rates.

Simulation analysis is only an estimate of our interest rate risk exposure at a particular point in time. We continually review the potential effect changes in interest rates could have on the repayment of rate sensitive assets and funding requirements of rate sensitive liabilities.

We have established interest rate risk guidelines measured by a behavioral GAP analysis calculated at the one year cumulative GAP level and a net interest income and economic value of portfolio equity simulation model measured by a 200 basis point interest rate shock.

The table below sets forth an approximation of our exposure to changing interest rates using our behavioral GAP analysis as a percentage of estimated net interest income and estimated net portfolio value using interest income simulation. The calculations use projected repricing of assets and liabilities at June 30, 2006 on the basis of contractual maturities, anticipated repayments and scheduled rate adjustments.

	<b>Basis Points</b>	<b>Interest Rate Risk Guidelines</b>	<b>At June 30, 2006</b>
Gap percentage total		+/-15%	4.39%
Net interest income	200	+/-15	9.14
	-200	+/-15	(11.23)
Net portfolio value	200	+/-25	(6.61)
	-200	+/-25	(1.55)

Our interest rate risk position was within guidelines in all categories at June 30, 2006. We monitor our entire interest rate risk position on an ongoing basis and evaluate strategies to maintain all categories within guidelines.

The table below sets forth examples at June 30, 2006 of changes in estimated net interest income and the estimated net portfolio value based on projected scenarios of interest rate increases and decreases. The analysis indicates the interest rate risk embedded in our portfolio should interest rates instantaneously rise or fall. The results are derived by adding to or subtracting from all current rates; however, there are certain limitations to this type of analysis. Interest rate changes are rarely instantaneous and this analysis may also overstate the impact of short term repricings.

Projected Interest Rate Scenario	Net Interest Income			Net Portfolio Value		
	Estimated Value	\$ Change from Base	% Change from base	Estimated Value	\$ Change from Base	% Change from base
+200	\$ 20,874	\$ 1,748	9.14%	\$ 45,944	\$ (3,250)	(6.61)%
+100	20,014	888	4.64	47,888	(1,306)	(2.65)
BASE	19,126			49,194		
-100	18,179	(946)	(4.95)	49,950	756	1.54
-200	16,979	(2,147)	(11.23)	48,429	(765)	(1.55)

*Impact of Inflation and Changing Prices*

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared in terms of historical dollars, without considering changes in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. Unlike most

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industrial companies, virtually all of the assets and liabilities of a financial institution are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates have a more significant impact on a financial institution's performance than the general levels of inflation. Interest rates do not necessarily move in the same direction or in the same magnitude as the prices of goods and services. Notwithstanding this, inflation can directly affect the value of loan collateral, in particular, real estate. Inflation, or disinflation, could significantly affect our earnings in future periods.

### Year ended December 31, 2005 compared to year ended December 31, 2004

Total assets at December 31, 2005 amounted to \$470.6 million, an increase of \$65.6 million, or 16%, from December 31, 2004 and a new record high. The increase in the total assets was primarily attributable to a 38% increase in net loans, to \$364.2 million from \$263.9 million at December 31, 2004. The available for sale securities portfolio increased \$2.4 million, or 3%, to \$78.7 million from \$76.3 million at December 31, 2004. Loan growth was funded through an increase in deposits as well as by reductions in federal funds and short-term investments. Deposits increased \$52.1 million, or 14%, to \$419.1 million at December 31, 2005; interest-bearing deposits increased \$45.9 million, or 14%, and non-interest bearing deposits increased \$6.2 million, or 15%. Borrowings increased \$1.0 million and were used during the year to supplement deposit inflow to fund loan growth. Shareholders' equity increased \$11.6 million; this increase was the result of the stock offering in 2005 and the exercise of certain stock options combined with the increase in retained earnings from net income, net of dividend payments. The increase in shareholders' equity was partially offset by the increase in accumulated other comprehensive loss due to unrealized losses on the available for sale securities portfolio.

Our earnings were \$1.4 million (\$0.52 basic income per share and \$0.51 diluted income per share) in 2005 compared to \$926,000 (\$0.38 basic income per share and \$0.37 diluted income per share) in 2004. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in interest and dividend income of \$6.5 million. Net interest income for the year ended December 31, 2005 increased \$3.2 million, or 28%, to \$14.9 million as compared to \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2004. Non-interest expense increased to \$14.6 million in 2005 from \$12.3 million in 2004, primarily as a result of increased salary and benefits expenses as well as increased occupancy costs.

### Financial Condition

Our total assets increased \$65.6 million, or 16%, to \$470.6 million at December 31, 2005 from \$405.0 million at December 31, 2004. The growth in total assets was funded primarily by deposit growth of \$52.1 million and \$11.0 million in capital raised through the rights offering completed in 2005. Federal funds sold and short term investments decreased \$31.0 million and \$9.2 million, respectively.

### Investments

The following table is a summary of the Bank's investment portfolio valued at fair value at December 31 for the years shown.

	2005	2004	2003
	(in thousands)		
U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency obligations	\$ 16,477	\$ 14,823	\$ 11,866
Mortgage-backed securities(1)	56,195	52,446	66,697
Money market preferred equity securities	6,000	9,000	12,000
	\$ 78,672	\$ 76,269	\$ 90,563

- (1) At December 31, 2005, consisted of \$1.1 million of U.S. Government agency mortgage-backed securities and \$55.1 million of U.S. Government sponsored agency mortgage-backed securities, all of which are scheduled to reprice within four years.

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Total investments increased \$2.4 million, or 3%, to \$78.7 million at December 31, 2005 as compared to \$76.3 million at December 31, 2004. Purchases of U.S. Government agency and sponsored-agency obligations and mortgage backed securities were partially offset by principal payments on mortgage-backed securities and redeemed money market preferred equity instruments.

The Bank generally looks to invest in instruments of shorter term duration, or with a variable return, to mitigate against interest rate risk. The Bank's investment focus is ancillary to its principal asset focus on loans. The Bank's objective is to provide an alternate source of low-risk investments when demand for loans is weak. The Bank's investments are designed to provide and maintain liquidity in a high-quality, low-risk diversified portfolio of investments which may also be used as collateral for pledging requirements. Investments are determined by the Bank's Chief Financial Officer and Chief Executive Officer, based on the Bank's investment policy and direction provided by an Asset Liability Committee comprised of the Bank's five most senior officers. The investment activity and interest rate risk position are also reviewed on a quarterly basis by the Asset Liability Committee of the board of directors.

The following table presents the maturity distribution of available for sale investment securities at December 31, 2005 and the weighted average yield of such securities. The weighted average yields were calculated based on the amortized cost and effective yields to maturity of each security.

	One year or less	Over one through five years	Over five through ten years	Over ten years	No maturity	Total(1)	Weighted Average Yield
(dollars in thousands)							
U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency obligations	\$	\$ 16,999	\$	\$	\$	\$ 16,999	3.59%
Mortgage-backed securities					57,454(2)	57,454	4.33%
Money market preferred equity securities					6,000	6,000	3.44%
Total	\$	\$ 16,999	\$	\$	\$ 63,454	\$ 80,453	4.11%
Weighted average yield		% 3.59%		%	%	4.25%	4.11%

(1) Reflects amortized cost as opposed to fair value. See note 3 to our audited consolidated financial statements and note 2 to our unaudited financial statements.

(2) Our mortgage-backed securities generally have original terms to maturity of 10 or more years. However, original terms to maturity do not reflect the expected average lives of the mortgage-backed securities. We expect the average lives of our mortgage-backed securities to be substantially less than their contractual terms because of, among other things, amortization and prepayments.

The following table presents a summary of investments for any issuer that exceeds 10% of shareholders' equity at December 31, 2005.

	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
(in thousands)		
<b>Available for sale securities:</b>		
U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency obligations	\$ 16,999	\$ 16,477
U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency mortgage backed securities	57,454	56,195

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*Loans*

The following table is a summary of the Bank's loan portfolio at December 31 for the years shown.

At December 31,

	2005		2004		2003		2002		2001	
	Amount (dollars in thousands)	Percentage of Total Loans	Amount (dollars in thousands)	Percentage of Total Loans	Amount (dollars in thousands)	Percentage of Total Loans	Amount (dollars in thousands)	Percentage of Total Loans	Amount (dollars in thousands)	Percentage of Total Loans
<b>Real Estate:</b>										
Commercial	\$ 129,179	35.0%	\$ 106,771	39.9%	\$ 96,339	44.1%	\$ 65,967	38.0%	\$ 60,482	43.9%
Residential	77,392	20.9	36,966	13.8	21,773	10.0	27,012	15.5	7,501	5.4
Construction	107,233	29.0	74,599	27.8	57,122	26.2	39,209	22.6	26,215	19.0
Commercial	15,592	4.2	17,562	6.5	15,533	7.1	13,022	7.5	14,649	10.7
Consumer installment	1,107	0.3	1,387	0.5	1,862	0.9	1,757	1.0	1,232	0.9
Consumer home equity	39,097	10.6	30,875	11.5	25,608	11.7	26,812	15.4	27,771	20.1
Total loans	\$ 369,599	100.00%	\$ 268,160	100.00%	\$ 218,237	100.00%	\$ 173,779	100.00%	\$ 137,850	100.00%
Premiums	367		314							
Net deferred fees	(1,135)		(1,117)		(881)		(612)		(276)	
Allowance for loan losses	(4,588)		(3,482)		(2,935)		(2,372)		(1,894)	
Loans, net	\$ 364,244		\$ 263,875		\$ 214,421		\$ 170,795		\$ 135,680	

The Bank's net loan portfolio increased \$100.3 million, or 38%, to \$364.2 million at December 31, 2005 from \$263.9 million at December 31, 2004. Loan growth was funded through an increase in total deposits as well as by reductions in federal funds sold and short-term investments. At December 31, 2005, the net loan to deposit ratio was 87%, and the net loan to asset ratio was 77%. At December 31, 2004, the net loan to deposit ratio was 72% and the net loan to asset ratio was 65%.

Despite a period of rising short-term interest rates, the yield curve was relatively flat and longer-term rates have remained lower; therefore, loan activity continued to remain strong and the volume of new loans far exceeded principal reductions and payoffs.

*Allowance for Loan Losses*

Based upon our evaluation of loan losses described above, we believe the allowance for loan losses of \$4.6 million at December 31, 2005, which represents 1.24% of gross loans outstanding, is adequate, under prevailing economic conditions, to absorb losses on existing loans. Nevertheless, there can be no assurance that additions to such allowance will not be necessary in future periods. At December 31, 2004, the allowance for loan losses was \$3.5 million or 1.31% of gross loans outstanding.

*Analysis of Allowance for Loan Losses*

	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
	(dollars in thousands)				
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 3,481	\$ 2,934	\$ 2,372	\$ 1,894	\$ 1,645
Charge-offs	(3)	(9)	(1)		(2)
Recoveries				10	1
Net (charge-offs) recoveries	(3)	(9)	(1)	10	(1)

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	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Additions charged to operations	1,110	556	563	468	250
Balance at end of period	\$ 4,588	\$ 3,481	\$ 2,934	\$ 2,372	\$ 1,894
Ratio of net (charge-offs) recoveries during the period to average loans outstanding during the period	(0.00)%	(0.01)%	(0.00)%	0.01%	(0.00)%



*Allocation of the Allowance for Loan Losses*

The following table sets forth the allocation of the allowance for loan losses by category at the dates indicated.

Balance at end of each period applicable to	Amounts (dollars in thousands)					Percent of loans in each category to total loans				
	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Real Estate:										
Commercial	\$ 1,607	\$ 1,319	\$ 1,183	\$ 893	\$ 833	34.95%	39.82%	44.15%	37.97%	43.88%
Residential	511	304	230	276	153	20.94%	13.78%	9.98%	15.54%	5.44%
Construction	1,963	1,358	972	726	348	29.01%	27.82%	26.17%	22.56%	19.02%
Commercial	164	185	155	129	142	4.22%	6.55%	7.12%	7.49%	10.63%
Consumer installment	10	11	12	11	14	0.30%	0.52%	0.85%	1.01%	0.89%
Consumer home equity	260	233	285	283	296	10.58%	11.51%	11.73%	15.43%	20.14%
Unallocated	73	71	97	54	108	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,588</b>	<b>\$ 3,481</b>	<b>\$ 2,934</b>	<b>\$ 2,372</b>	<b>\$ 1,894</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

*Non-Accrual, Past Due and Restructured Loans*

The following table is a summary of non-accrual and past due loans at December 31 of each of the last five years.

	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
	(dollars in thousands)				
Loans delinquent over 90 days still accruing	\$ 275	\$ 373	\$ 165	\$ 1,172	\$ 1,300
Non-accruing loans	1,935	3,669	150	201	1,654
	<b>\$ 2,210</b>	<b>\$ 4,042</b>	<b>\$ 315</b>	<b>\$ 1,373</b>	<b>\$ 2,954</b>
% of Total Loans	0.60%	1.51%	0.14%	0.79%	2.14%
% of Total Assets	0.47%	1.00%	0.09%	0.56%	1.46%
Additional income on non-accrual loans if recognized on an accrual Basis	\$ 6	\$ 18	\$ 18	\$ 67	\$ 159

There were no loans in 2005 or 2004 that were considered as "troubled debt restructurings." We did not have any other real estatemowned during the periods presented.

*Potential Problem Loans*

The \$1.9 million of non-accruing loans at December 31, 2005 consisted of two loans, both of which were well collateralized and in the process of collection. Both loans were current as to principal and interest payments at December 31, 2005.

At December 31, 2005, the Bank had no loans other than those described above, as to which management had significant doubts as to the ability of the borrowers to comply with the present repayment terms.

**Deposits**

The following table is a summary of the Bank's deposits at December 31 for each of the years shown.

	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>
	(in thousands)		
Non-interest bearing	\$ 48,797	\$ 42,584	\$ 30,477
Interest bearing			
NOW	25,383	26,815	22,850
Savings	20,090	22,104	23,793
Money market	57,799	72,451	69,504
Time certificates, less than \$100,000	168,566	131,765	92,575
Time certificates, \$100,000 or more	98,440	71,287	50,794
Total interest bearing	370,278	324,421	259,515
Total deposits	\$ 419,075	\$ 367,005	\$ 289,992

Total deposits increased \$52.1 million, or 14%, to \$419.1 million at December 31, 2005 from \$367.0 million at December 31, 2004. Non-interest bearing deposits increased \$6.2 million, or 15%, to \$48.8 million at December 31, 2005 from \$42.6 million at December 31, 2004. Interest bearing deposits increased \$45.9 million, or 14%, to \$370.3 million at December 31, 2005 from \$324.4 million at December 31, 2004. Based upon the Bank's continued expansion and the increased penetration into the areas served by the Bank, commercial demand accounts increased \$2.6 million, or 10%, at December 31, 2005 compared to the prior year and personal demand accounts increased \$1.6 million, or 13%, at December 31, 2005 compared to the prior year. During 2005, the Bank established its tenth branch banking office which contributed significantly to the annual growth in deposits. The promotional campaign conducted in conjunction with the opening of the new branch contributed significantly to the growth of deposits in established branches. Certificates of deposit increased \$64.0 million in the year ended 2005, which represented an increase of 32% when compared to the prior year. A significant portion of the growth in certificates of deposit was attributable to the promotional campaign conducted in conjunction with the new branch opening as well as to the transfer of funds from lower rate products, which decreased as compared to the prior year. The increase in certificates of deposit greater than \$100,000 of \$27.2 million was the result of successful sales efforts and branch expansion. These balances exclude brokered deposits. Money market fund and savings accounts decreased \$14.7 million and \$2.0 million, respectively, in the year ended 2005 as compared to 2004. A portion of these decreases represented transfers to certificates of deposit as a result of promotional campaigns and general increases in interest rates offered on certificates of deposit accounts. The Bank continues to offer attractive interest rates in the very competitive Fairfield County marketplace in order to attract additional deposits to fund loan growth.

As of December 31, 2005, the Bank's maturities of time deposits were as follows:

	<b>\$100,000 or greater</b>	<b>Less than \$100,000</b>	<b>Totals</b>
	(in thousands)		
Three months or less	\$ 13,340	\$ 27,240	\$ 40,580
Three to six months	16,671	27,017	43,688
Six months to one year	27,952	53,228	81,180
Over one year	40,477	61,081	101,558
Total	\$ 98,440	\$ 168,566	\$ 267,006

**Borrowings**

Borrowings increased \$1.0 million to \$17.2 million at December 31, 2005 compared to December 31, 2004.

Borrowings are comprised of Federal Home Loan Bank advances and junior subordinated debentures.

The following table sets forth short-term borrowing amounts along with the respective interest rates and maturities at December 31, 2005:

Federal Home Loan Bank advances:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Average amount outstanding</u>
\$5,000,000	03/13/2006	4.490%	\$ 273,973
1,000,000	05/01/2006	2.490%	1,000,000
<u>\$6,000,000</u>		<u>4.156%</u>	<u>\$ 1,273,973</u>

The maximum amount of short term borrowings outstanding under Federal Home Loan Bank advances during 2005 was \$15,000,000.

We issued trust preferred securities in 2003. These securities are shown as junior subordinated debt on our consolidated balance sheets and \$8.2 million of principal remained outstanding on December 31, 2005. These securities bear interest at the three-month LIBOR plus 3.15%, mature on March 26, 2033 and can be redeemed at our election beginning in 2008. The trust preferred securities supplement our Tier 1 capital based on applicable regulatory guidelines. These securities are described in greater detail in note 7 to our audited consolidated financial statements.

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*Average Balance and Rate/Volume Analysis*

The following table presents average balance sheets (daily averages), interest income, interest expense and the corresponding yields earned and rates paid:

	2005			2004			2005 vs. 2004 Fluctuations Interest Income/Expense(3) Due to change in:		
	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Rate	Average Balance	Interest Average Balance	Average Rate	Volume	Rate	Total
<b>Interest earning assets:</b>									
Loans(2)	\$ 316,058	\$ 21,561	6.82%	\$ 239,239	\$ 15,632	6.53%	\$ 4,824	\$ 1,105	\$ 5,929
Short term investments	6,466	178	2.75%	8,356	105	1.26%	(19)	92	73
Investments(4)	87,164	3,094	3.55%	87,631	2,752	3.14%	(15)	357	342
Federal funds sold	10,311	316	3.06%	12,733	189	1.48%	(30)	157	127
<b>Total interest earning assets</b>	<b>419,999</b>	<b>25,149</b>	<b>5.99%</b>	<b>347,959</b>	<b>18,678</b>	<b>5.37%</b>	<b>4,760</b>	<b>1,711</b>	<b>6,471</b>
Cash and due from banks	5,117			4,159					
Allowance for loan losses	(3,897)			(3,190)					
Other	8,446			8,017					
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 429,665</b>			<b>\$ 356,945</b>					
<b>Interest bearing liabilities:</b>									
Time certificates	\$ 224,526	\$ 8,040	3.58%	\$ 156,623	\$ 4,901	3.13%	\$ 1,895	\$ 1,244	\$ 3,139
Savings accounts	21,792	277	1.27%	23,666	294	1.24%	(22)	5	(17)
Money market accounts	67,943	862	1.27%	70,264	867	1.23%	(29)	24	(5)
NOW accounts	26,072	188	0.72%	23,107	152	0.66%	19	17	36
FHLB advances	10,422	374	3.59%	14,197	372	2.62%	(84)	86	2
Subordinated debt	8,248	528	6.40%	8,248	380	4.61%		148	148
Other borrowings	34	1	2.94%	2,469	42	1.70%	(23)	(18)	(41)
<b>Total interest bearing liabilities</b>	<b>359,037</b>	<b>10,270</b>	<b>2.86%</b>	<b>298,574</b>	<b>7,008</b>	<b>2.35%</b>	<b>1,756</b>	<b>1,506</b>	<b>3,262</b>
Demand deposits	43,813			36,456					
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	3,380			2,362					
Shareholders' equity	23,435			19,553					
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>\$ 429,665</b>			<b>\$ 356,945</b>					
Net interest income		\$ 14,879			\$ 11,670		\$ 3,004	\$ 205	\$ 3,209
Interest margin			3.54%			3.35%			
Interest Spread			3.13%			3.02%			

(1) The rate volume analysis reflects the changes in net interest income arising from changes in interest rates and from asset and liability volume, including mix. The change in interest attributable to volume includes changes in interest attributable to mix.

(2) Includes non-accruing loans.

(3)

Favorable/(unfavorable) fluctuations.

- (4) Yields are calculated at historical cost and excludes the effects of unrealized gain or loss on available for sale securities.

***Results of Operations***

*General*

For the year ended December 31, 2005, we earned \$1.4 million (\$0.52 basic income per share and \$0.51 diluted income per share), an increase of 52% as compared to 2004 when we earned \$926,000 (\$0.38 basic income per share and \$0.37 diluted income per share).

Interest income increased \$6.4 million to \$25.1 million in 2005 as compared to 2004 when interest income was \$18.7 million. This increase was primarily due to the growth in the loan portfolio combined with a general increase in interest rates.

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Interest expense increased \$3.3 million, or 47%, to \$10.3 million in 2005 compared to \$7.0 million in 2004. The increase in interest expense was due to the increase in total deposits as well as a general increase in interest rates.

Noninterest income increased \$527,000, or 20%, to \$3.2 million in 2005 from \$2.7 million in 2004. An increase in the volume and size of loan transactions resulted in an increase in mortgage brokerage and referral fee income of \$386,000, or 22%.

Noninterest expenses for 2005 totaled \$14.6 million which represented an increase of \$2.3 million, or 19%, over 2004. The higher operating costs were primarily the result of the full year impact in 2005 of the two branch offices opened in 2004, the new branch office opened in 2005 and increased commission expense.

### *Interest income and expense*

Our net interest income increased \$3.2 million, or 28%, to \$14.9 million in 2005 from \$11.7 million in 2004. An increase in average earning assets of \$72.0 million, or 21%, increased our interest income \$6.5 million, or 35%, to \$25.1 million in 2005 from \$18.7 million in 2004. Average loans outstanding increased \$76.8 million, or 32%, led by growth in construction and real estate loans, which reflected the strength of the local real estate market. The increase in the yields on investments was partially offset by a decrease in the volume of investments resulting in a net increase in interest and dividends on investments of \$342,000. Higher yields on federal funds sold and short term investments, partially offset by a decrease in the average balances of both, resulted in increases in interest income of \$127,000 and \$73,000, respectively. Total average interest bearing liabilities increased by \$60.4 million, or 20%; average certificates of deposit and NOW accounts increased by \$67.9 million and \$3.0 million, respectively; average money market deposits and savings deposits decreased \$2.3 million and \$1.9 million, respectively; average FHLB advances and other borrowings decreased \$3.8 million and \$2.4 million, respectively. Interest expense increased to \$10.3 million in 2005 from \$7.0 million in 2004. Interest expense on certificates of deposit increased \$3.1 million as a result of higher average outstanding balances combined with an increase in the cost of funds for that portfolio to 3.58% in 2005 from 3.13% in 2004. Rising interest rates also contributed to the increase in the interest expense on subordinated debentures of \$148,000, or 39%, to \$528,000 in 2005 from \$380,000 in 2004, resulting in an increase in the cost of the debt to 6.40% in 2005 from 4.61% in 2004.

### *Provision for loan losses*

The provision for loan losses charged to operations for the year ended December 31, 2005 of \$1.1 million represented an increase of \$554,000 as compared to the provision of \$556,000 for the year ended December 31, 2004. This increase was due to the loan growth and the credit risk factors applied against the portfolio and not to any adverse changes in the credit quality of the loan portfolio or in non-performing loans.

An analysis of the changes in the allowance for loan losses is presented under the discussion entitled "Allowance for Loan Losses."

### *Noninterest income*

Noninterest income increased \$527,000, or 20%, to \$3.2 million in 2005 from \$2.7 million in 2004. An increase in the volume and size of loan transactions resulted in an increase in mortgage brokerage and referral fees of \$386,000, or 22.5%, to \$2.1 million in 2005 from \$1.7 million in 2004. Increases in deposit accounts and transaction volumes resulted in an increase in fees and service charges of \$97,000, or 21%, to \$562,000 for the year ended December 31, 2005 from \$465,000 for the year ended December 31, 2004. Other noninterest income increased \$50,000, or 44.0%, to \$161,000 for the year

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ended December 31, 2005 from \$111,000 for the year ended December 31, 2004. This increase was primarily due to increased fees from debit card transactions and the settlement of an insurance claim.

### *Noninterest expenses*

Noninterest expenses increased \$2.3 million, or 19%, to \$14.6 million in 2005 from \$12.3 million in 2004. Salaries and benefits increased \$1.5 million, or 19%, in 2005 as compared to 2004, primarily due to staff additions resulting from the full year impact in 2005 of the two branches opened in 2004 and one branch opened in 2005 and higher levels of commissions as a direct result of the increase in the revenue generated by mortgage brokerage activities. Higher staffing levels and incentive compensation also resulted in higher payroll taxes, employee benefit costs and the expenses associated with training programs. Occupancy and equipment expenses increased \$375,000, or 22%, to \$2.1 million in 2005 from \$1.7 million in 2004. This increase was primarily due to the full year impact in 2005 of opening two new branch offices in 2004 and of opening one branch in 2005. For the year ended December 31, 2005, data processing and other outside service expenses increased \$345,000, or 43%, to \$1.1 million from \$803,000 for the year ended December 31, 2004. A significant portion of this increase was due to increased personnel placement fees, data processing expenses and information technology consulting fees. The increase in data processing expenses is a result of the growth in the branch network as well as to increased ongoing maintenance charges for the implementation of additional products and services.

Management believes that additional branch offices will contribute to our future growth and earnings. While opening new branches will result in increased operating expenses, the openings will be strategically planned to maintain profitable operations.

Management regularly reviews loan and deposit rates and attempts to price our products competitively. With assistance from our investment advisors, we track our mix of asset/liability maturities and strive to maintain a reasonable match. Performance ratios are reviewed monthly by management and the board and are used to set strategies.

### *Income Taxes*

The provision for income taxes of \$957,000 in 2005 and \$633,000 for 2004 represents the tax expense recognized for both federal and state income tax. The effective tax rate for both 2005 and 2004 was 40.5%.

### **Liquidity**

Our liquidity ratio was 20% and 33% at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively. The liquidity ratio is defined as the percentage of liquid assets to total assets. The following categories of assets as described in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets are considered liquid assets: cash and due from banks, federal funds sold, short term investments and available for sale securities. Liquidity is a measure of our ability to generate adequate cash to meet financial obligations. We expect that the initial cost of capital equipment to open each new branch office will range between \$315,000 and \$450,000. Thereafter, new deposits generated through the branch are expected to provide additional sources of liquidity. The principal cash requirements of a financial institution are to cover downward fluctuations in deposit accounts and increases in its loan portfolio. Management believes our short-term assets have sufficient liquidity to cover loan demand, potential fluctuations in deposit accounts, the costs related to opening new branch offices and to meet other anticipated cash operating requirements.

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At December 31, 2005, cash and cash equivalents and securities classified as available for sale were \$16.0 million and \$78.7 million, respectively. In addition, at December 31, 2005, we had the ability to borrow a total of approximately \$99.9 million from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, which included a \$2 million overnight line of credit. At December 31, 2005, we had Federal Home Loan Bank advances outstanding of \$9.0 million, none of which were under the overnight line of credit. At December 31, 2005, we also had available a \$3 million overnight line of credit from a correspondent bank as well as the ability to borrow \$10 million under a repurchase agreement. There were no amounts outstanding under either arrangement at December 31, 2005.

The following table presents our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2005:

	(in thousands)				
	Total	Less than one year	One to three years	Three to five years	More than five years
Certificates of deposit	\$ 267,006	\$ 165,448	\$ 63,039	\$ 38,519	\$
Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trust	8,248				8,248
FHLB advances	9,000	6,000	3,000		
Operating lease obligations	11,829	1,436	2,600	2,314	5,479
<b>Total contractual obligations</b>	<b>\$ 296,083</b>	<b>\$ 172,884</b>	<b>\$ 68,639</b>	<b>\$ 40,833</b>	<b>\$ 13,727</b>

The following table presents our off-balance sheet commitments as of December 31, 2005. These commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee by the borrower. Since these commitments could expire without being drawn upon or are contingent upon the customer adhering to the terms of the agreements, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

	(in thousands)
Future loan commitments	\$ 55,365
Unused lines of credit	37,819
Undisbursed construction loans	40,399
Financial standby letters of credit	216
<b>Total commitments</b>	<b>\$ 133,799</b>



## Business

### Our Company

We are a Connecticut corporation which was organized in 1999 for the purpose of becoming a one-bank holding company for the Bank, a national banking association headquartered in Stamford, Connecticut. Our reorganization into the holding company form became effective in December 1999. Upon consummation of the reorganization, each outstanding share of common stock of the Bank was converted into the right to receive one share of our common stock and each outstanding option or warrant to purchase Bank common stock became an option or warrant to purchase an equal number of shares of our common stock.

The Bank commenced operations as a national bank on August 31, 1994. The Bank has ten branch office locations serving customers located in the Fairfield County communities of Stamford, Greenwich, Old Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport. In addition, we have loan production offices in Stamford, Connecticut, Melville (Long Island), New York and New York City, New York.

We have received regulatory approval to open four additional new branches in Fairfield, Fairfield Center and Trumbull in Fairfield County, and Milford in New Haven County, Connecticut, which we plan to bring into service during the fourth quarter of this year. In addition, in July 2006, we entered into an agreement with another financial institution to acquire a small branch office and assume the lease at 45 West End Avenue, New York, New York. This acquisition, which we expect to complete before the end of 2006, subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals, will allow us to expand into Westchester County, New York by establishing new bank branches. This is the primary reason for the branch acquisition. We do not anticipate further branch expansion in New York City. We have signed a letter of intent to lease a facility in Bedford, in Westchester County, New York. Initially, we plan to operate this facility as a loan production office. Following the completion of our acquisition of the New York City bank branch office, we plan to apply during the first quarter of 2007 for regulatory approval to operate the Bedford loan production office as a full service bank branch office. The Bank plans to continue to open additional branches in Fairfield County and surrounding areas in Connecticut, Westchester County, New York and potentially Nassau County, New York in the future.

In June, 1999, we acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of three affiliated residential mortgage companies doing business in Connecticut, New Jersey and New York. We consolidated the mortgage brokerage business into the Bank's mortgage lending activities. Prior to April 1, 2006, each of the mortgage brokerage business and the commercial banking business were reportable segments. The activities of the former mortgage brokerage segment have since been expanded to include the products and services that were offered by the former commercial banking segment. These activities developed in such a manner that they are now indistinguishable from the lending activities of the commercial bank. As a result, we no longer report the mortgage brokerage business as a separate segment.

In March, 2003, we formed Patriot National Statutory Trust I for the sole purpose of issuing trust preferred securities and investing the proceeds in subordinated debentures issued by us. We primarily invested the funds from the issuance of the debt in the Bank, which in turn used the proceeds to fund general operations of the Bank.

We offer a broad range of consumer and commercial banking services with an emphasis on serving the needs of individuals, small and medium-sized businesses and professionals. We offer commercial real estate and construction loans to area businesses and developers. Real estate loans made to individuals include one- to four-family residential mortgage loans, home improvement loans, bridge loans and home equity lines of credit. Other personal loans include lines of credit, installment loans and credit cards. Commercial loans offered to small and medium-sized businesses include secured and

unsecured loans to service companies, real estate developers, manufacturers, restaurants, wholesalers, retailers and professionals doing business in our market area.

We offer consumer and commercial deposit accounts that include: checking accounts, interest-bearing "NOW" accounts, insured money market accounts, time certificates of deposit, savings accounts and IRA's (Individual Retirement Accounts). Other services include money orders, traveler's checks, ATM's (automated teller machines), internet banking and debit cards. In addition, we may in the future offer Keogh accounts and other financial services.

We also solicit and process residential mortgage loan applications from consumers on behalf of permanent investors and originate loans for sale. Revenues are generated from loan and application processing fees received from the permanent investors, and gains and origination fees from loans sold. We have three loan production offices: one in Stamford, Connecticut, a second office in Melville, (Long Island), New York and a third office in New York City, New York.

Our customer base is diversified so that there is not a concentration of either loans or deposits within a single industry, a group of industries, a single person or groups of people. We do not depend on one or a few major customers for either our deposit or lending activities, the loss of any one of which would have a material adverse effect on our business.

The majority of our deposits come from residents and businesses located in Stamford, Greenwich, Old Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport and surrounding communities in Connecticut. We have focused our attention on serving the segments of our market area historically served by community banks. We compete in our market by providing a high level of personalized and responsive banking service for which we believe there is a need. Our primary market area is bordered by New York State to the west, the Town of Ridgefield to the north, the Town of Bridgeport to the east, and Long Island Sound to the south.

Our loan customers extend beyond Stamford, Greenwich, Old Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport to include nearby towns in Fairfield County, Connecticut, and towns in Westchester County, New York, although our loan business is not necessarily limited to these areas. We also make loans from our loan production offices in Melville (Long Island) and New York City, New York. While we do not currently hold or intend to attract significant deposit or loan business from major corporations with headquarters in the Fairfield County area, we believe that the service, professional and related businesses which have been attracted to this area, as well as the individuals that reside in this area, represent our current and potential customers.

As we expand with full service bank branches into Westchester County, New York, we will seek deposits from residents and businesses located in the Westchester County area in addition to increasing our loan production efforts.

In the normal course of business and subject to applicable government regulations, we invest a portion of our assets in investment securities, which may include certain debt and equity securities, including U.S. government securities. An objective of our investment policy is to seek to optimize our return on assets while limiting our exposure to interest rate movements and to maintain adequate levels of liquidity.

Our employees perform most routine day-to-day banking transactions at our main office and branch locations. However, we have entered into a number of arrangements with third parties for banking services such as correspondent banking, check clearing, data processing services, credit card processing and armored carrier service.

## **Competition**

We compete with a variety of financial institutions in our market area. Most of these institutions have greater financial resources and capitalization than we do, which gives them higher lending limits and the ability to conduct larger advertising campaigns to attract business. Generally, the larger institutions offer services such as trust and international banking which we are not equipped to offer directly. Currently, when the need arises, we make arrangements with correspondent institutions to provide such services. In the future, if we desire to offer trust services, prior approval of the OCC will be required. To attract business in this competitive environment, we rely on local promotional activities and personal contacts by officers, directors and shareholders and on our ability to offer personalized services.

Stamford, Greenwich, Old Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport are presently served by approximately 182 branches of commercial banks and savings banks, most of which are offices of banks which have headquarters outside of the area or are subsidiaries of bank or financial holding companies whose headquarters are outside of the state or areas served by us. In addition to banks with branches in the same areas as us, there are numerous banks and financial institutions serving the communities surrounding these areas, which also draw customers from Stamford, Greenwich, Old Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport, posing significant competition to us for deposits and loans. Many of these banks and financial institutions are well established and well capitalized.

There are approximately 19 commercial banks with branch banking offices in the Westchester County and New York City market area. In addition, a number of other depository institutions compete in this market including savings banks, savings and loan associations, credit unions and brokerage houses. To the extent that we are able to successfully open branch office locations in Westchester County, these branches will compete with local offices of large New York City commercial banks. Other financial institutions, such as mutual funds, finance companies, factoring companies, mortgage bankers and insurance companies, will also compete with our Westchester county branches for both loans and deposits. We are new to the Westchester County deposit gathering market, and significantly smaller in size than most of our competitors. In addition, many non-bank competitors are not subject to the same extensive federal regulations that govern bank holding companies and federally insured banks.

In recent years, intense market demands, economic pressures and significant legislative and regulatory actions have eroded banking industry classifications which were once clearly defined and have increased competition among banks, as well as other financial institutions. This increase in competition has caused banks and other financial service institutions to diversify their services and become more cost effective as a result of competition with one another and with new types of financial service companies, including non-bank competitors. The impact on us of federal legislation authorizing increased services by financial holding companies and interstate branching of banks has resulted in increased competition. These events have resulted in increasing homogeneity in the financial services offered by banks and other financial institutions. The impact on banks and other financial institutions of these market dynamics and legislative and regulatory changes has been increased customer awareness of product and service differences among competitors and increased merger activity.

## ***Office Properties***

Our corporate headquarters and main branch banking office are located at 900 Bedford Street, Stamford, Connecticut. The building is leased by the Bank as are its nine other branch banking offices and three loan production offices. The Bank will also lease the four new branch office locations scheduled to open in 2006. In addition, we lease space for additional parking at our main office. We will assume an existing lease for the branch located at 45 West End Avenue, New York, New York in connection with the acquisition of the branch.

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Lease commencement dates for office locations range from July 1, 2002 to January 1, 2006 and lease expiration dates fall between June 30, 2007 and December 31, 2015. After December 31, 2005 we entered into two leases for new branch locations with lease expiration dates during 2016 and 2021. The definitive expiration dates depend on the lease commencement dates. Most of our leases contain rent escalation provisions as well as renewal options for one or more additional terms. Our leased space is in good condition, covered by adequate insurance and sufficient for our current needs.

We have sublet and licensed excess space in three of our locations, one to a retail store and two to one of our directors for office space. See "Management Transactions with Management and Others."

### *Employees*

As of June 30, 2006, we had 105 full-time employees and six part-time employees. None of our employees is covered by a collective bargaining agreement, and we believe that our relationship with our employees is good.

### *Legal Proceedings*

Neither we nor the Bank have any pending legal proceedings, other than ordinary routine litigation incidental to our business, to which we or the Bank is a party or any of our property is subject.

## **Supervision and Regulation**

As a bank holding company, our operations are subject to regulation, supervision and examination by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Board. The Federal Reserve Board has established capital adequacy guidelines for bank holding companies that are similar to the OCC's capital guidelines applicable to the Bank. The Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, or the BHC Act limits the types of companies that a bank holding company may acquire or organize and the activities in which it or they may engage. In general, bank holding companies and their subsidiaries are only permitted to engage in, or acquire direct control of any company engaged in, banking or in a business so closely related to banking as to be a proper incident thereto. Federal legislation enacted in 1999 authorizes certain entities to register as financial holding companies. Registered financial holding companies are permitted to engage in businesses, including securities and investment banking businesses, which are prohibited to bank holding companies. While the creation of financial holding companies is evolving, to date there has been no significant impact on us.

Under the BHC Act, we are required to file annually with the Federal Reserve Board a report of our operations. We, the Bank and any other subsidiaries are subject to examination by the Federal Reserve Board. In addition, we will be required to obtain the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board to acquire, with certain exceptions, more than 5% of the outstanding voting stock of any bank or bank holding company, to acquire all or substantially all of the assets of a bank or to merge or consolidate with another bank holding company. Moreover, we, the Bank and any other subsidiaries are prohibited from engaging in certain tying arrangements in connection with any extension of credit or provision of any property or services. The Bank is also subject to certain restrictions imposed by the Federal Reserve Act on issuing any extension of credit to us or any of its subsidiaries or making any investments in the stock or other securities thereof and on the taking of such stock or securities as collateral for loans to any borrower. If we want to engage in businesses permitted to financial holding companies but not to bank holding companies, we would need to register with the Federal Reserve Board as a financial holding company.

### **Payment of Dividends**

The Federal Reserve Board has issued a policy statement on the payment of cash dividends by bank holding companies, which expresses the Federal Reserve Board's view that a bank holding

company should pay cash dividends only to the extent that bank holding company's net income for the past year is sufficient to cover both the cash dividend and a rate of earnings retention that is consistent with the bank holding company's capital needs, asset quality and overall financial condition. The Federal Reserve Board has also indicated that it would be inappropriate for a company experiencing serious financial problems to borrow funds to pay dividends. Furthermore, under the prompt corrective action regulations adopted by the Federal Reserve Board pursuant to applicable law, the Federal Reserve Board may prohibit a bank holding company from paying any dividends if the bank holding company's bank subsidiary is classified as "undercapitalized."

A bank holding company is required to give the Federal Reserve Board prior written notice of any purchase or redemption of its outstanding equity securities if the gross consideration for the purchase or redemption, when combined with the net consideration paid for all such purchases or redemptions during the preceding 12 months, is equal to 10% or more of its consolidated retained earnings. The Federal Reserve Board may disapprove such a purchase or redemption if it determines that the proposal would constitute an unsafe or unsound practice or would violate any law, regulation, Federal Reserve Board order, or any condition imposed by, or written agreement with, the Federal Reserve Board.

The Riegle-Neal Interstate Banking and Branching Efficiency Act of 1994 was enacted to ease restrictions on interstate banking. Effective September 29, 1995, the Riegle-Neal Act allows the Federal Reserve Board to approve an application of an adequately capitalized and adequately managed bank holding company to acquire control of, or acquire all or substantially all of the assets of, a bank located in a state other than such holding company's state, without regard to whether the transaction is prohibited by the laws of any state. The Federal Reserve Board may not approve the acquisition of a bank that has not been in existence for the minimum time period (not exceeding five years) specified by the statutory law of the host state. The Riegle-Neal Act also prohibits the Federal Reserve Board from approving an application if the applicant (and its depository institution affiliates) controls or would control more than 10% of the insured deposits in the United States or 30% or more of the deposits in the target bank's home state or in any state in which the target bank maintains a branch. The Riegle-Neal Act does not affect the authority of states to limit the percentage of total insured deposits in the state which may be held or controlled by a bank or bank holding company to the extent that such limitation does not discriminate against out-of-state banks or bank holding companies. Individual states may also waive the 30% statewide concentration limits contained in the Riegle-Neal Act.

We are subject to capital adequacy rules and guidelines issued by the OCC, the Federal Reserve Board and the FDIC and the Bank is subject to capital adequacy rules and guidelines issued by the OCC. These substantially identical rules and guidelines require us to maintain certain minimum ratios of capital to adjusted total assets and/or risk-weighted assets. Both we and the Bank comply with these rules and guidelines. Under the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvements Act of 1991, the federal regulatory agencies are required to implement and enforce these rules in a stringent manner. We are also subject to applicable provisions of Connecticut law insofar as they do not conflict with, or are not otherwise preempted by Federal banking law.

The Bank's operations are subject to regulation, supervision and examination by the OCC and the FDIC.

Federal and state banking regulations regulate, among other things, the scope of the business of a bank, a bank holding company or a financial holding company, the investments a bank may make, deposit reserves a bank must maintain, the nature and amount of collateral for certain loans a bank makes, the establishment of branches and the activities of a bank with respect to mergers and acquisitions. The Bank is a member of the Federal Reserve System and is subject to applicable provisions of the Federal Reserve Act and regulations thereunder. The Bank is subject to the federal

regulations promulgated pursuant to the Financial Institutions Supervisory Act to prevent banks from engaging in unsafe and unsound practices, as well as various other federal and state laws and consumer protection laws. The Bank is also subject to the comprehensive provisions of the National Bank Act.

The OCC regulates the number and locations of the branch offices of a national bank. The OCC may only permit a national bank to maintain branches in locations and under the conditions imposed by state law upon state banks. At this time, applicable Connecticut banking laws do not impose any material restrictions on the establishment of branches by Connecticut banks throughout Connecticut. New York law does not impose any material restrictions on the establishment of branches by New York banks throughout New York, except that New York banks are prohibited from opening branches in a town with fewer than 50,000 residents if the headquarters of another New York chartered bank is located in that town.

The earnings and growth of us, the Bank and the banking industry are affected by the monetary and fiscal policies of the United States Government and its agencies, particularly the Federal Reserve Board. The Open Market Committee of the Federal Reserve Board implements national monetary policy to curb inflation and combat recession. The Federal Reserve Board uses its power to adjust interest rates in United States Government securities, the Discount Rate and deposit reserve retention rates. The actions of the Federal Reserve Board influence the growth of bank loans, investments and deposits. They also affect interest rates charged on loans and paid on deposits. The nature and impact of any future changes in monetary policies cannot be predicted.

In addition to other laws and regulations, we are subject to the Community Reinvestment Act, or the CRA, which requires the federal bank regulatory agencies, when considering certain applications involving us or the Bank, to consider our record of helping to meet the credit needs of the entire community, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. The CRA was originally enacted because of concern over unfair treatment of prospective borrowers by banks and over unwarranted geographic differences in lending patterns. Existing banks have sought to comply with CRA in various ways; some banks have made use of more flexible lending criteria for certain types of loans and borrowers (consistent with the requirement to conduct safe and sound operations), while other banks have increased their efforts to make loans to help meet identified credit needs within the consumer community, such as those for home mortgages, home improvements and small business loans. For example, this may include participation in various government insured lending programs, such as Federal Housing Administration insured or Veterans Administration guaranteed mortgage loans, Small Business Administration loans, and participation in other types of lending programs such as high loan-to-value ratio conventional mortgage loans with private mortgage insurance. To date, the market area from which we draw much of our business is Stamford, Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport, which locations are characterized by a very diverse ethnic, economic and racial cross-section of the population. As we continue to expand, the market areas served by us will continue to evolve. We have not and will not adopt any policies or practices, which discourage credit applications from, or unlawfully discriminate against, individuals or segments of the communities served by us.

In 2001, the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001, or the USA Patriot Act, was enacted to further strengthen domestic security following the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. The USA Patriot Act amends various federal banking laws, particularly the Bank Secrecy Act, with the intent to curtail money laundering and other activities that might be undertaken to finance terrorist actions. Financial institutions in the United States are required to enhance already established anti-money laundering policies, procedures and audit functions and ensure that controls are reasonably designed to detect instances of money laundering through certain correspondent or private banking accounts. Financial institutions are also required to verify customer identification, maintain verification records and cross check names of new customers against government lists of known or suspected terrorists. The USA Patriot Act was recently

reauthorized and modified with the enactment of The USA Patriot Act Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005.

In 2002, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 was enacted, the primary purpose of which is to protect investors through improved corporate governance and heightened responsibilities of, and disclosures by, public companies. The Act contains provisions for the limitations of services that external auditors may provide as well as requirements for the credentials of audit committee members. In addition, the principal executive and principal financial officers are required to certify in quarterly and annual reports that they have reviewed the report; and based on the officers' knowledge, the reports accurately present the financial condition and results of operations of the company and contain no untrue statement or omission of material fact. The officers also certify their responsibility for establishing and maintaining a system of internal controls which insure that all material information is made known to the officers; this certification also includes the evaluation of the effectiveness of disclosure controls and procedures and their impact upon financial reporting. Section 404 of the Act requires that each annual report include an internal control report which states that it is the responsibility of management to establish and maintain an adequate internal control structure and procedures for financial reporting, as well as an assessment by management of the effectiveness of the internal control structure and procedures for financial reporting. This section further requires that the external auditors attest to, and report on, the assessment made by management. In September 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, extended the Section 404 compliance deadline for non-accelerated filers such as us (issuers with non-affiliated public float of less than \$75 million) to require compliance beginning with the first fiscal year ending on or after July 15, 2007. This one year extension will provide smaller companies, such as us, with the necessary opportunity to more thoroughly evaluate their systems of internal controls.

We do not anticipate that compliance with applicable federal and state banking laws will have a material adverse effect on our business or the business of the Bank. Neither we nor the Bank have any material patents, trademarks, licenses, franchises, concessions and royalty agreements or labor contracts, other than the charter granted to the Bank by the OCC. The Bank has, however, registered the trademark "Patriot" and the corresponding logo with the State of Connecticut Trademark Office. Compliance by us and the Bank with federal, state and local provisions which have been enacted or adopted regulating or otherwise relating to the discharge of material into the environment is not expected to have a material effect upon our capital expenditures, earnings or competitive position.

**Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management**

The table below provides certain information about beneficial ownership of our common stock as of August 15, 2006. The table shows information for:

each person, or group of affiliated persons, who is known to us to beneficially own more than 5% of our common stock;

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