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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009

or

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

For the transition period from to

Commission File Number: 1-5273-1

Sterling Bancorp

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 13-2565216

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification)

650 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10019-6108

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

212-757-3300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. x Yes o No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T(17 CFR § 232.405) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

o Yes o No

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

Large Accelerated Filer o Accelerated Filer x Non-Accelerated Filer o Smaller Reporting Company o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). o Yes x No

As of October 31, 2009 there were 18,106,491 shares of common stock, \$1.00 par value, outstanding.

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STERLING BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

(dollars in thousands)

		ptember 30, 2009	December 31, 2008		
ASSETS					
Cash and due from banks	\$	31,188	\$	31,832	
Interest-bearing deposits with other banks		21,119		13,949	
Securities available for sale (at estimated fair value; pledged: \$105,856 in 2009 and \$334,048 in 2008)		327,109		492,797	
Securities held to maturity (pledged: \$264,985 in 2009 and \$206,726 in 2008) (estimated fair value: \$407,730 in 2009 and \$305,628 in 2008)		395,508		301,127	
Total investment securities		722,617		793,924	
Loans held for sale		25,782		23,403	
Loans held in portfolio, net of unearned discounts		1,207,788		1,184,585	
Less allowance for loan losses		19,099		16,010	
Loans, net		1,188,689		1,168,575	
Federal Reserve and Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost		9,832		12,705	
Customers' liability under acceptances		0		95	
Goodwill		22,901		22,901	
Premises and equipment, net		9,666		10,668	
Other real estate		1,837		1,544	
Accrued interest receivable		8,141		8,917	
Cash surrender value of life insurance policies		48,419		45,845	
Other assets		46,614		43,382	
	\$	2,136,805	\$	2,177,740	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Deposits					
Demand deposits	\$	470,404	\$	464,585	
Savings, NOW and money market deposits		545,829		564,205	
Time deposits		392,292		329,034	
Total deposits		1,408,525		1,357,824	
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase - customers		55.628		44.334	
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Short-term borrowings - FRB	135,000	100,000
Short-term borrowings - other	3,787	1,338
Long-term borrowings - FHLB	160,000	150,000
Long-term borrowings - subordinated debentures	25,774	25,774
Total harmonings	420.556	520 179
Total borrowings	420,556	539,178
Acceptances outstanding	0	95
Accrued interest payable	1,529	2,046
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	145,657	118,117
Total liabilities	1,976,267	2,017,260
Shareholders' equity		
Preferred stock, Series A, \$5 par value; \$1,000 liquidation value. Authorized 644,389 shares; issued 42,000 shares, respectively	39,990	39,440
Common stock, \$1 par value. Authorized 50,000,000 shares; issued 22,226,425 and 22,202,419	39,990	39,440
shares, respectively	22,227	22,203
Warrants to purchase common stock	2,615	2,615
Capital surplus	178,701	178,417
Retained earnings	15,467	19,088
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(13,294)	(16,259)
Common shares in treasury at cost, 4,119,934 and 4,107,191 shares, respectively	(85,168)	(85,024)
Total shareholders' equity	160,538	160,480
	\$ 2,136,805	\$ 2,177,740

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

STERLING BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)

(dollars in thousands, except per share)

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2009		2008	2009		2008	
INTEREST INCOME							
Loans	\$ 18,024	\$	20,387	\$ 53,840	\$	61,208	
Investment securities							
Available for sale	4,123		5,523	13,751		15,662	
Held to maturity	4,357		3,795	11,485		12,054	
FRB and FHLB stock	191		257	387		500	
Federal funds sold	0		7	0		8	
Deposits with other banks	27		11	46		30	
Total interest income	26,722		29,980	79,509		89,462	