
Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association

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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certify that we have reviewed the September 30, 2024 quarterly report of Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association, that the report has been prepared under the oversight of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors and in accordance with all applicable statutory or regulatory requirements, and that the information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

/s/ Jonathan Noe
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Thomas B. Whitaker
Chief Financial Officer

/s/ Joe Myers
Chairman of the Board

November 8, 2024

Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association

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

(dollars in thousands)

The following commentary reviews the financial condition and results of operations of Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association (Association) for the period ended September 30, 2024, with comparisons to prior periods. These comments should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements, notes to the financial statements and the 2023 Annual Report of the Association. The accompanying consolidated financial statements were prepared under the oversight of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

LOAN PORTFOLIO

The Association provides funds to farmers, rural homeowners and farm-related businesses for financing of short and intermediate-term loans and long-term real estate mortgage loans. The Association's loan portfolio contains a concentration of beef cattle, horse producers, row crops, and hay producers. While a large percentage of the loan portfolio is concentrated in these commodities, many of these operations are diversified within their enterprise, which reduces overall risk exposure. Additionally, risk associated with commodity concentration is reduced by the diversity of enterprises in the Association's territory and the borrowers' ability to supplement borrowings with non-farm income.

The total loan volume of the Association as of September 30, 2024, was \$768,791, an increase of \$55,055 as compared to \$713,736 at December 31, 2023. This growth is primarily the result of new loan originations and has been driven by demand in the short and intermediate-term portfolio.

ASSET QUALITY AND LOAN LOSS RESERVES

There is an inherent risk in the extension of any type of credit. Portfolio credit quality continues to be maintained at an acceptable level and credit administration remains satisfactory. Nonaccrual loans increased from \$872 at December 31, 2023, to \$1,229 at September 30, 2024. As a percent of total loans, nonaccrual loans were 0.16 percent and 0.12 percent at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. The increase in nonaccrual loans is expected, as nonaccrual levels at December 31, 2023 were extremely low. The increase marks a return to more normal levels.

Association management maintains an allowance for credit losses (ACL) in an amount considered sufficient to absorb estimated current and expected credit losses over the financial assets expected life. The most significant component of the Association's ACL is the allowance for credit losses on loans (ACLL). The ACLL at September 30, 2024, was \$2,522 or 0.33 percent of total loans compared to \$2,522 or 0.35 percent of total loans at December 31, 2023, and is considered by management to be adequate to cover estimated current and expected losses within the loan portfolio. See further detail on the Association's ACL within the Association's Annual Report and discussion of significant provision for credit loss within the *Results of Operations* below.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The Association's primary source of funding is provided by AgFirst Farm Credit Bank (the Bank) in the form of notes payable. See *Funding Sources* section below for additional detail on this relationship. Prior to January 1, 2024, the rate applied to the notes payable to the Bank included the Association's allocation of technology and software services provided by the Bank. Effective January 1, 2024, the Bank amended the line of credit agreement to exclude the Association's allocation of costs for Bank-provided services from the Direct Note rate. The master service agreement was also amended to bill the Association for these services separately on a monthly basis. This

change had a minimal effect on the Association’s net income but did result in a higher net interest margin as it effectively reclassifies the Association’s technology and software costs paid to the Bank from interest expense to noninterest expense. If this amendment had been in effect during 2023, the Association would have had lower interest expense and corresponding higher noninterest expense of \$499 and \$1,453 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, as shown in the tables below.

	For the three months ended			For the nine months ended		
	September 30, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 30, 2023*	September 30, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 30, 2023*
Interest Income	\$ 11,172	\$ 9,849	\$ 9,849	\$ 31,746	\$ 27,865	\$ 27,865
Interest Expense	5,890	5,220	4,721	16,117	13,956	12,503
Net Interest Income	5,282	4,629	5,128	15,629	13,909	15,362
Provision for Credit Losses	7	11	11	–	775	775
Noninterest Income	1,722	1,505	1,505	4,960	4,517	4,517
Noninterest Expense	3,363	2,427	2,926	9,203	7,339	8,792
Provision for Income Taxes	14	(7)	(7)	24	(6)	(6)
Net income	\$ 3,620	\$ 3,703	\$ 3,703	\$ 11,362	\$ 10,318	\$ 10,318
Net Interest Margin	2.77%	2.60%	2.89%	2.76%	2.68%	2.96%
Operating Efficiency Ratio	48.01%	39.57%	44.11%	44.70%	39.83%	44.23%

*reflects the pro-forma results if the amended notes payable rate had been in effect during 2023

For the three months ended September 30, 2024

Net income for the three months ended September 30, 2024, was \$3,620, a decrease of \$83 as compared to net income of \$3,703 for the same period ended in 2023. The primary driver of this decrease was an increase in purchased services expense related to fees charged by the bank for services.

For the three months ended September 30, 2024, net interest income was \$5,282 and the net interest margin was 2.77 percent. After adjusting the prior year for the notes payable rate amendment discussed above, net interest income was \$5,128, an increase of \$154, and the net interest margin was 2.89 percent, a decrease of 12 basis points for the three months ended September 30, 2024.

The provision for credit losses for the three months ended September 30, 2024, was \$7, a decrease of \$4 from the provision for credit losses of \$11 for the same period ended during the prior year. This decrease is primarily the result of a reduction in outstanding commitments to lend.

Noninterest income increased \$217 to \$1,722 during three months ended September 30, 2024, compared with same period ended in 2023 primarily due to an increase in loan fees and secondary market fees generated by strong loan growth.

For the three months ended September 30, 2024 noninterest expense was \$3,363. After adjusting the prior year for the notes payable rate amendment discussed above, noninterest expense was \$2,926, an increase of \$437 for the three months ended September 30, 2024. Beginning in the third quarter of 2024, the Bank increased the cost of services provided to the Association and this increase resulted in additional expenses of \$312 for the three months ended September 30, 2024.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2024

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2024, was \$11,362, an increase of \$1,044 as compared to net income of \$10,318 for the same period ended in 2023. The primary driver for this increase is the fact that a large provision for loan losses was taken in the same period of 2023, whereas none was taken in 2024.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2024, net interest income was \$15,629 and the net interest margin was 2.76 percent. After adjusting the prior year for the notes payable rate amendment discussed above, net interest income was \$15,362, an increase of \$267, and the net interest margin was 2.96 percent, a decrease of 20 basis points for the nine months ended September 30, 2024.

The provision for credit losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2024, was \$0, a decrease of \$775 from the provision for credit losses of \$775 for the same period ended during the prior year. A reversal of credit losses was taken early in the year that offsets the provision taken in the third quarter, which causes the provision for credit losses taken for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 to net to zero.

Noninterest income increased \$443 to \$4,960 during the first nine months of 2024 compared with the first nine months of 2023 primarily due to an increase in loan fee income that accompanied strong loan growth during the first nine months of 2024.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2024 noninterest expense was \$9,203. After adjusting the prior year for the notes payable rate amendment discussed above, noninterest expense was \$8,792, an increase of \$411 for the nine months ended September 30, 2024. Beginning in the third quarter of 2024, the Bank increased the cost of services provided to the Association and this increase resulted in additional expenses of \$312 for the nine months ended September 30, 2024.

FUNDING SOURCES

The principal source of funds for the Association is the borrowing relationship established with AgFirst Farm Credit Bank (the Bank) through a General Financing Agreement. The General Financing Agreement utilizes the Association’s credit and fiscal performance as criteria for establishing a line of credit on which the Association may draw funds. The Bank advances funds to the Association in the form of notes payable. The notes payable are segmented into variable rate and fixed rate sections. The variable rate note is utilized by the Association to fund variable rate loan advances and operating funds requirements. The fixed rate note is used specifically to fund fixed rate loan advances made by the Association. The total notes payable to the Bank at September 30, 2024, was \$637,505 as compared to \$588,371 at December 31, 2023.

CAPITAL RESOURCES

Total members’ equity at September 30, 2024, was \$155,350, an increase of \$11,521 from a total of \$143,829 at December 31, 2023. This increase is primarily the result of current year’s earnings. Total capital stock and participation certificates were \$4,637 on September 30, 2024, compared to \$4,494 on December 31, 2023. The increase was primarily due to issuance of stock and participation certificates as loan volume grew.

FCA sets minimum regulatory capital requirements with a capital conservation buffer for System banks and associations. Capital adequacy is evaluated using a number of regulatory ratios.

The following sets forth the regulatory capital ratios:

	Regulatory Minimum Including Buffer*	9/30/24	12/31/23	9/30/23
Permanent Capital Ratio	7.00%	19.04%	19.52%	19.74%
Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) Capital Ratio	7.00%	18.53%	19.33%	19.65%
Tier 1 Capital ratio	8.50%	18.53%	19.33%	19.65%
Total Regulatory Capital Ratio	10.50%	18.88%	19.71%	20.03%
Tier 1 Leverage Ratio**	5.00%	17.54%	18.12%	18.29%
Unallocated Retained Earnings (URE) and URE Equivalents	1.50%	16.95%	17.51%	17.69%

*Include full capital conservation buffers.

**The Tier 1 Leverage Ratio must include a minimum of 1.50% of URE and URE equivalents.

If the capital ratios fall below the minimum regulatory requirements, including the buffer amounts, capital distributions (equity redemptions, dividends, and patronage) and discretionary senior executive bonuses are restricted or prohibited without prior FCA approval. For all periods presented, the Association exceeded minimum regulatory requirements for all of the ratios.

REGULATORY MATTERS

On February 8, 2024, the FCA approved a final rule to amend its regulatory capital requirements to define and establish risk-weightings for High Volatility Commercial Real Estate (HVCRE) by assigning a 150 percent risk-weighting to such exposures, instead of the current 100 percent to reflect their increased risk characteristics. The rule further ensures comparability between FCA’s risk-weightings and the federal banking regulators. The final rule excludes certain acquisition, development, and construction loans that do not present as much risk and therefore do not warrant the risk weight for HVCRE. In addition, the final rule adds an exclusion for loans originated less than \$500,000. On October 16, 2024, the FCA extended the implementation date of this rule from January 1, 2025 to January 1, 2026.

On October 5, 2023, the Farm Credit Administration approved a final rule on cyber risk management that requires each System institution to develop and implement a comprehensive, written cyber risk management program. Each institution's cyber risk plan must require the institution to take the actions to assess internal and external risk factors, identify potential system and software vulnerabilities, establish a risk management program for the risks identified, develop a cyber risk training program, set policies for managing third-party relationships, maintain robust internal controls and establish board reporting requirements. The final rule will become effective on January 1, 2025.

NOTE: Shareholder investment in the Association is materially affected by the financial condition and results of operations of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank. Copies of AgFirst's annual and unaudited quarterly reports are available upon request free of charge by calling 1-800-845-1745, ext. 2764, or by writing Matthew Miller, AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, P.O. Box 1499, Columbia, SC 29202. Information concerning AgFirst Farm Credit Bank can also be obtained at their website, www.agfirst.com. Copies of the Association's annual and unaudited quarterly reports are also available upon request free of charge by calling 1-859-253-3249, or writing Thomas Whitaker, Chief Financial Officer, Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association, P.O. Box 4100, Lexington, KY 40544-4100, or accessing the website www.agcreditonline.com. The Association prepares an unaudited quarterly report within 40 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, except that no report need be prepared for the fiscal quarter that coincides with the end of the fiscal year of the institution.

Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association

Consolidated Balance Sheets

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2024 <i>(unaudited)</i>	December 31, 2023 <i>(audited)</i>
Assets		
Cash	\$ 439	\$ 835
Loans	768,791	713,736
Allowance for credit losses on loans	(2,522)	(2,522)
Net loans	766,269	711,214
Loans held for sale	30	—
Accrued interest receivable	9,634	8,003
Equity investments in other Farm Credit institutions	12,414	12,749
Premises and equipment, net	5,160	4,264
Accounts receivable	3,987	5,174
Other assets	105	51
Total assets	\$ 798,038	\$ 742,290
Liabilities		
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	\$ 637,505	\$ 588,371
Accrued interest payable	1,953	1,844
Patronage refunds payable	186	5,169
Accounts payable	513	1,194
Advanced conditional payments	66	79
Other liabilities	2,465	1,804
Total liabilities	642,688	598,461
Commitments and contingencies (Note 5)		
Members' Equity		
Capital stock and participation certificates	4,637	4,494
Retained earnings		
Allocated	102,818	102,850
Unallocated	47,895	36,485
Total members' equity	155,350	143,829
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$ 798,038	\$ 742,290

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association
Consolidated Statements of
Comprehensive Income

(unaudited)

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Interest Income				
Loans	\$ 11,172	\$ 9,849	\$ 31,746	\$ 27,865
Interest Expense	5,890	5,220	16,117	13,956
Net interest income	5,282	4,629	15,629	13,909
Provision for credit losses	7	11	—	775
Net interest income after provision for credit losses	5,275	4,618	15,629	13,134
Noninterest Income				
Loan fees	352	185	827	587
Patronage refunds from other Farm Credit institutions	1,363	1,314	3,943	3,920
Gains (losses) on sales of rural home loans, net	6	5	8	11
Gains (losses) on other transactions	—	—	—	(2)
Insurance Fund refunds	—	—	181	—
Other noninterest income	1	1	1	1
Total noninterest income	1,722	1,505	4,960	4,517
Noninterest Expense				
Salaries and employee benefits	1,684	1,605	5,055	4,844
Occupancy and equipment	108	98	301	285
Insurance Fund premiums	143	233	411	685
Purchased services	974	113	2,301	399
Data processing	37	32	108	85
Other operating expenses	417	346	1,027	1,041
Total noninterest expense	3,363	2,427	9,203	7,339
Income before income taxes	3,634	3,696	11,386	10,312
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	14	(7)	24	(6)
Net income	\$ 3,620	\$ 3,703	\$ 11,362	\$ 10,318
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—
Comprehensive income	\$ 3,620	\$ 3,703	\$ 11,362	\$ 10,318

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Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Members' Equity

(unaudited)

(dollars in thousands)

	Capital Stock and Participation Certificates	Retained Earnings		Total Members' Equity
		Allocated	Unallocated	
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 4,403	\$ 95,960	\$ 32,133	\$ 132,496
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle			2,541	2,541
Comprehensive income			10,318	10,318
Capital stock/participation certificates issued/(retired), net	48			48
Patronage distribution adjustment		(3,179)	3,174	(5)
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$ 4,451	\$ 92,781	\$ 48,166	\$ 145,398
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$ 4,494	\$ 102,850	\$ 36,485	\$ 143,829
Comprehensive income			11,362	11,362
Capital stock/participation certificates issued/(retired), net	143			143
Patronage distribution adjustment		(32)	48	16
Balance at September 30, 2024	\$ 4,637	\$ 102,818	\$ 47,895	\$ 155,350

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

(dollars in thousands, except as noted)
(unaudited)

Note 1 — Organization, Significant Accounting Policies, and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Organization

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association and its Production Credit Association (PCA) and Federal Land Credit Association (FLCA) subsidiaries (collectively, the Association). Descriptions of the organization and operations, the significant accounting policies followed, and the financial condition and results of operations for the Association as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, are contained in the 2023 Annual Report to Shareholders. These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the latest Annual Report to Shareholders.

Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments necessary for a fair statement of results for the periods presented. These adjustments are of a normal recurring nature, unless otherwise disclosed.

Certain amounts in the prior period's consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on the prior period net income or total capital as previously reported.

The results of any interim period are not necessarily indicative of those to be expected for a full year.

Significant Accounting Policies

The Association's accounting and reporting policies conform with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and practices in the financial services industry. To prepare the financial statements in conformity with GAAP, management must make estimates based on assumptions about future economic and market conditions (for example, unemployment, market liquidity, real estate prices, etc.) that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, income and expenses during the reporting period, and the related disclosures. Although these estimates contemplate current conditions and expectations of change in the future, it is reasonably possible that actual conditions may be different than anticipated, which could materially affect results of operations and financial condition.

Management has made significant estimates in several areas, including loans and allowance for credit losses (Note 2, *Loans and Allowance for Credit Losses*) and financial instruments (Note 4, *Fair Value Measurement*). Actual results could differ from those estimates.

For further details of significant accounting policies, see Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*, from the latest Annual Report.

Recently Issued or Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2023, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2023-09 - Income Taxes: Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures. The amendments in this standard require more transparency about income tax information through improvements to income tax disclosures primarily related to the rate reconciliation and income taxes paid information. The amendments in this standard require qualitative disclosure about specific categories of reconciling items and individual jurisdictions that result in a significant difference between the statutory tax rate and the effective tax rate. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2025. The adoption of this guidance is not expected to have a material impact on the Association's financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Note 2 — Loans and Allowance for Credit Losses

A summary of loans outstanding at period end follows:

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Real estate mortgage	\$ 540,799	\$ 517,712
Production and intermediate-term	196,526	170,861
Agribusiness:		
Processing and marketing	10,107	5,652
Farm-related business	6,591	7,038
Rural infrastructure:		
Communication	3,051	993
Power and water/waste disposal	859	792
Rural residential real estate	10,858	10,688
Total loans	<u>\$ 768,791</u>	<u>\$ 713,736</u>

A substantial portion of the Association's lending activities is collateralized, and exposure to credit loss associated with lending activities is reduced accordingly. The Association may purchase or sell participation interests with other parties in order to diversify risk, manage loan volume, and comply with FCA regulations.

The following table shows loans, classified under the FCA Uniform Loan Classification System, as a percentage of total loans by loan type as of:

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Real estate mortgage:		
Acceptable	98.14%	97.70%
OAEM	1.48	1.94
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.38	0.36
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Production and intermediate-term:		
Acceptable	97.68%	98.55%
OAEM	2.11	1.16
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.21	0.29
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Agribusiness:		
Acceptable	100.00%	62.29%
OAEM	-	37.71
Substandard/doubtful/loss	-	-
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Rural infrastructure:		
Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%
OAEM	-	-
Substandard/doubtful/loss	-	-
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Rural residential real estate:		
Acceptable	99.74%	97.29%
OAEM	0.07	2.44
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.19	0.27
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Total loans:		
Acceptable	98.10%	97.27%
OAEM	1.58	2.39
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.32	0.34
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

Accrued interest receivable on loans of \$9,634 and \$8,003 at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, has been excluded from the amortized cost of loans and reported separately in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The following tables provide an aging analysis of past due loans as of:

September 30, 2024						
	30 Through 89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total Past Due	Not Past Due or Less Than 30 Days Past Due	Total Loans	90 Days or More Past Due and Accruing
Real estate mortgage	\$ 3,652	\$ 591	\$ 4,243	\$ 536,556	\$ 540,799	\$ –
Production and intermediate-term	5,847	248	6,095	190,431	196,526	–
Agribusiness	51	–	51	16,647	16,698	–
Rural infrastructure	–	–	–	3,910	3,910	–
Rural residential real estate	227	–	227	10,631	10,858	–
Total	\$ 9,777	\$ 839	\$ 10,616	\$ 758,175	\$ 768,791	\$ –

December 31, 2023						
	30 Through 89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total Past Due	Not Past Due or Less Than 30 Days Past Due	Total Loans	90 Days or More Past Due and Accruing
Real estate mortgage	\$ 1,256	\$ 419	\$ 1,675	\$ 516,037	\$ 517,712	\$ 319
Production and intermediate-term	483	215	698	170,163	170,861	–
Agribusiness	–	–	–	12,690	12,690	–
Rural infrastructure	–	–	–	1,785	1,785	–
Rural residential real estate	–	–	–	10,688	10,688	–
Total	\$ 1,739	\$ 634	\$ 2,373	\$ 711,363	\$ 713,736	\$ 319

The following tables provide the amortized cost for nonaccrual loans with and without a related allowance for credit losses on loans as of:

September 30, 2024			
	Amortized Cost with Allowance	Amortized Cost without Allowance	Total
Nonaccrual loans:			
Real estate mortgage	\$ –	\$ 853	\$ 853
Production and intermediate-term	145	210	355
Rural residential real estate	–	21	21
Total	\$ 145	\$ 1,084	\$ 1,229

December 31, 2023			
	Amortized Cost with Allowance	Amortized Cost without Allowance	Total
Nonaccrual loans:			
Real estate mortgage	\$ –	\$ 519	\$ 519
Production and intermediate-term	106	218	324
Rural residential real estate	–	29	29
Total	\$ 106	\$ 766	\$ 872

The Association recognized \$18 and \$213 of interest income on nonaccrual loans during the three months ended September 30, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively. The Association recognized \$58 and \$234 of interest income on nonaccrual loans during the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively.

Reversals of interest income on loans that moved to nonaccrual status were not material for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and September 30, 2023.

A summary of changes in the allowance for credit losses is as follows:

	<u>September 30, 2024</u>
Allowance for Credit Losses on Loans:	
Balance at June 30, 2024	\$ 2,523
Charge-offs	(1)
Recoveries	—
Provision for credit losses on loans	—
Balance at September 30, 2024	<u>\$ 2,522</u>
Allowance for Credit Losses on Unfunded Commitments:	
Balance at June 30, 2024	\$ 56
Provision for unfunded commitments	7
Balance at September 30, 2024	<u>\$ 63</u>
Total allowance for credit losses	<u>\$ 2,585</u>
Allowance for Credit Losses on Loans:	
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$ 2,522
Charge-offs	(1)
Recoveries	1
Provision for credit losses on loans	—
Balance at September 30, 2024	<u>\$ 2,522</u>
Allowance for Credit Losses on Unfunded Commitments:	
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$ 63
Provision for unfunded commitments	—
Balance at September 30, 2024	<u>\$ 63</u>
Total allowance for credit losses	<u>\$ 2,585</u>
	<u>September 30, 2023</u>
Allowance for Credit Losses on Loans:	
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$ 2,522
Charge-offs	—
Recoveries	1
Provision for credit losses on loans	—
Balance at September 30, 2023	<u>\$ 2,523</u>
Allowance for Credit Losses on Unfunded Commitments:	
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$ 57
Provision for unfunded commitments	11
Balance at September 30, 2023	<u>\$ 68</u>
Total allowance for credit losses	<u>\$ 2,591</u>
Allowance for Credit Losses on Loans:	
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 4,417
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	(2,585)
Balance at January 1, 2023	<u>\$ 1,832</u>
Charge-offs	(61)
Recoveries	1
Provision for credit losses on loans	751
Balance at September 30, 2023	<u>\$ 2,523</u>
Allowance for Credit Losses on Unfunded Commitments:	
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ —
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	44
Balance at January 1, 2023	<u>\$ 44</u>
Provision for unfunded commitments	24
Balance at September 30, 2023	<u>\$ 68</u>
Total allowance for credit losses	<u>\$ 2,591</u>

Loan modifications may be granted to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty. Qualifying disclosable modifications are one, or a combination of, principal forgiveness, interest rate reduction, or a term or payment extension. Covenant waivers and modifications of contingent acceleration clauses are not considered term extensions. Modified loans to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty and activity on these loans were not material during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024. There were no material commitments to lend to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty whose loans have been modified at September 30, 2024.

Loans held for sale were \$30 and \$0 at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. Such loans are carried at the lower of cost or fair value.

Note 3 — Investments

Equity Investments in Other Farm Credit System Institutions

Equity investments in other Farm Credit System institutions are generally nonmarketable investments consisting of stock and participation certificates, allocated surplus, and reciprocal investments in other institutions regulated by the FCA. These investments are carried at cost and evaluated for impairment based on the ultimate recoverability of the par value rather than by recognizing temporary declines in value.

Associations are required to maintain ownership in AgFirst (AgFirst or the Bank) in the form of Class B or Class C stock as determined by the Bank. The Bank may require additional capital contributions to maintain its capital requirements. The Association owned 2.15 percent of the issued stock and allocated retained earnings of the Bank as of September 30, 2024 net of any reciprocal investment. As of that date, the Bank's assets totaled \$46.6 billion and shareholders' equity totaled \$2.0 billion. The Bank's earnings were \$189 million for the first nine months of 2024. In addition, the Association held investments of \$224 related to other Farm Credit institutions.

Note 4 — Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

Accounting guidance establishes a hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements to maximize the use of observable inputs, that is, inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. The hierarchy is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. A financial instrument's categorization within the hierarchy tiers is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The classifications within the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, quoted prices in markets that are not active; and inputs that are observable, or can be corroborated, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable and supported by little or no market activity. Valuation is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, and could include significant management judgment or estimation. Level 3 assets and liabilities also could include instruments whose price has been adjusted based on dealer quoted pricing that is different than the third-party valuation or internal model pricing.

For a complete discussion of the inputs and other assumptions considered in assigning various assets and liabilities to the fair value hierarchy levels, see the latest Annual Report to Shareholders.

There were no Level 3 assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the periods presented. The Association had no transfers of assets or liabilities into or out of Level 1 or Level 2 during the periods presented.

Fair values are estimated at each period end date for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. The following tables summarize assets measured at fair value at period end.

	September 30, 2024					
	Fair Value Measurement Using					Total Fair Value
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3			
Recurring assets						
Assets held in trust funds	\$	—	\$	—	\$	—
Nonrecurring assets						
Nonaccrual loans	\$	—	\$	—	\$	18
Other property owned	\$	—	\$	—	\$	—

	December 31, 2023					
	Fair Value Measurement Using			Level 3	Total Fair Value	
	Level 1	Level 2				
Recurring assets						
Assets held in trust funds	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Nonrecurring assets						
Nonaccrual loans	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Other property owned	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

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Assets held in trust funds

Assets held in trust funds, related to deferred compensation plans, are classified as Level 1. The trust funds include investments in securities that are actively traded and have quoted net asset value prices that are directly observable in the marketplace.

Nonaccrual loans

Fair values of nonaccrual loans are estimated to be the carrying amount of the loan less specific reserves. Certain loans evaluated for impairment under FASB guidance have fair values based upon the underlying collateral, as the loans were collateral-dependent. Specific reserves were established for these loans when the value of the collateral, less estimated cost to sell, was less than the principal balance of the loan. The fair value measurement process uses independent appraisals and other market-based information, but in many cases it also requires significant input based on management's knowledge of and judgment about current market conditions, specific issues relating to the collateral and other matters, and are therefore classified as Level 3.

Other property owned

For other property owned, the fair value is generally determined using formal appraisals of each individual property. These assets are held for sale. Costs to sell represent transaction costs and are not included as a component of the fair value of other property owned. If the process uses observable market-based information, the assets are classified as Level 2. If the process requires significant input based upon management's knowledge of and judgment about current market conditions, specific issues relating to the property and other matters, the assets are classified as Level 3.

Note 5 — Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

From time to time, legal actions are pending against the Association in which claims for money damages are asserted. On at least a quarterly basis, the Association assesses its liabilities and contingencies in connection with outstanding legal proceedings utilizing the latest information available. While the outcome of legal proceedings is inherently uncertain, on the basis of information presently available, management, after consultation with legal counsel, is of the opinion that the ultimate liability, if any, from these actions, would not be material in relation to the financial position of the Association. Because it is remote that the Association will incur a loss or the loss is not estimable, no liability has been recorded for any claims that may be pending.

Note 6 — Subsequent Events

The Association evaluated subsequent events and determined, there were none requiring disclosure through November 8, 2024, which was the date the financial statements were issued.