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DEAR UNION PLANTERS SHAREHOLDER:

We are pleased to offer you the opportunity to receive future Union Planters Proxy Statements and Annual Reports electronically over the Internet. In utilizing these services, you are not only improving the efficiency of your access to our proxy statements and annual reports, but you will also help Union Planters reduce printing and postage costs associated with our distribution.

Our Internet services are available to both our beneficial and registered shareholders. Registered shareholders maintain shares under their own name. Beneficial shareholders have shares deposited with a bank or brokerage firms. To access these Internet services shareholders must have an active email account and Internet services.

To enroll in the Internet program, go to *www.unionplanters.com*, click on **Investor Relations**, then on **Electronic Enrollment** and follow the instructions. If you hold Union Planters common stock through accounts with multiple brokers, you need to complete the process for each brokerage account. Upon completion of your enrollment, you will receive an e-mail confirming your election to use the Internet services.

Your enrollment in the Internet program will remain in effect as long as your account remains active or until you cancel it.

We are pleased to offer these services to our shareholders and encourage you to participate. Thank you for investing in Union Planters.

Sincerely,

JACKSON W. MOORE

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

March 7, 2003

## DEAR UNION PLANTERS SHAREHOLDER:

It is my pleasure to invite you to Union Planters Corporation s 2003 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. This year s meeting will be held at Union Planters Bank, National Association, 6200 Poplar Avenue, Main Floor, Memphis, Tennessee 38119 on April 17, 2003, at 1:00 p.m. CDT.

The formal notice of the meeting follows on the next page. In addition to the items of business described in the accompanying notice of annual meeting and the proxy statement, we will also discuss Union Planters 2002 performance and answer your questions. Enclosed with this proxy statement are your proxy card, a postage-paid envelope to return your proxy card and Union Planters 2002 Annual Report. We began mailing these materials to you on March 7, 2003.

Your vote is important. Whether you plan to attend the meeting or not, you may vote your shares via a toll-free telephone number or via the Internet or you may sign, date and mail the enclosed proxy card in the envelope provided. Instructions regarding all three methods of voting are contained on the proxy card. If you attend the meeting and prefer to vote in person, you may do so.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

JACKSON W. MOORE Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

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# NOTICE OF THE 2003 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Union Planters Corporation will be held on April 17, 2003, at 1:00 p.m. CDT, at Union Planters Bank, National Association, 6200 Poplar Avenue, Main Floor, Memphis, Tennessee 38119 for the following purposes:

- 1. to elect four Class I directors;
- to vote on the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent public accountants for the 2003 fiscal year; and

3. to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Shareholders of record at the close of business on February 19, 2003 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting.

Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, we urge you to vote your shares via a toll-free telephone number or via the Internet or by signing, dating and mailing the enclosed proxy card in the envelope provided.

By Order of the Board of Directors

E. JAMES HOUSE, JR. *Corporate Secretary* March 7, 2003

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#### INFORMATION ABOUT UNION PLANTERS CORPORATION

Union Planters is a bank holding company that conducts its business through its principal bank subsidiary, Union Planters Bank, National Association, and its other banking related subsidiaries. We have branches in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Tennessee and Texas. We offer a diversified range of financial services in the communities we serve, and we operate 762 banking offices and 965 automated teller machines. The address of our principal executive offices is 6200 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38119, and our telephone number at that address is (901) 580-6000. Our website is located at *www.unionplanters.com*.

#### INFORMATION ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEETING

#### Information about Attending the Annual Meeting

Our Annual Meeting will be held on April 17, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. CDT, at Union Planters Bank, National Association, 6200 Poplar Avenue, Main Floor, Memphis, Tennessee 38119.

#### Information about this Proxy Statement

We sent you these proxy materials because Union Planters Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting. If you own Union Planters common stock in more than one account, such as individually and also jointly with your spouse, you may receive more than one set of these proxy materials. To assist us in saving money and to provide you with better shareholder services, we encourage you to have all your accounts registered in the same name and address. You may do this by contacting our transfer agent, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, at (800) 937-5449. This proxy statement contains information that we are required to provide to you under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and is designed to assist you in voting your shares. On March 7, 2003, we began mailing these proxy materials to all shareholders of record at the close of business on February 19, 2003.

#### Information about Voting

Shareholders can vote in person at the Annual Meeting or by proxy. There are three ways to vote by proxy:

- By Telephone You can vote by telephone by calling toll-free 1-800-776-9437 and following the instructions on the proxy card;
- By Internet You can vote by Internet by following the instructions on the proxy card; or
- By Mail You can vote by mail by signing, dating and mailing the enclosed proxy card.

If your shares are held in the name of a bank, broker or other holder of record, you will receive instructions from the holder of record that you must follow in order for your shares to be voted. Telephone and Internet voting also will be offered to shareholders owning stock through certain banks and brokers. If your shares are not registered in your own name and you plan to attend the Annual Meeting and vote your shares in person, you should contact your broker or agent in whose name your shares are registered to obtain a broker s proxy card and bring it to the Annual Meeting in order to vote.

You may cast one vote for each share of common stock held by you on all matters presented, including one vote for each nominee for the election of directors. If you vote by proxy, the individuals named on the card (your proxy holders) will vote your shares in the manner you indicate. You may specify whether your shares should be voted for all, some or none of the nominees for director and whether your shares should be voted for or against the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent public accountants for Union Planters for the fiscal year

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2003. If you sign and return the card without indicating your instructions, your shares will be voted as follows:

- FOR the election of each of the four Class I nominees for director; and
- FOR the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent public accountants for the fiscal year 2003.

You may revoke or change your proxy at any time before it is exercised by sending a written revocation to Union Planters Corporate Secretary, E. James House, Jr., by providing another proxy dated later than the date of your proxy through telephone or Internet voting or by voting in person at the meeting. Your latest vote, whether by telephone, Internet, proxy card or in person, will be the one that is counted.

As of February 19, 2003, the record date for the Annual Meeting, there were 198,652,064 shares of common stock outstanding.

#### **Quorum Requirement**

A quorum is necessary to hold a valid meeting. If holders of a majority of all the shares of common stock entitled to vote at the meeting are present in person or by proxy, a quorum will exist. If you submit a valid proxy, whether by telephone, Internet or proxy card, or attend the meeting in person, your shares of common stock will be counted for the purpose of determining whether there is a quorum, even if you abstain from voting on some or all matters introduced at the meeting. Like abstentions, broker non-votes will be counted as present for establishing a quorum. A broker non-vote occurs when a broker votes on some matter on the proxy card but not on others because the broker does not have the authority to do so or chooses not to exercise its discretion.

#### Information about Votes Necessary for Action to be Taken

The four Class I nominees for director to be elected at the Annual Meeting will be elected at the meeting by a plurality of all the votes cast at the meeting, meaning that the four nominees for Class I director with the most votes will be elected. We do not permit cumulative voting in the election of directors.

The appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent public accountants for the fiscal year 2003 will be ratified if the votes cast in favor of the appointment exceed the votes cast in opposition.

Abstentions and broker non-votes will have no effect on the vote on the election of directors or the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent public accountants for the fiscal year 2003.

#### **Other Matters**

The Board of Directors does not know of any other matter that will be presented at the Annual Meeting other than the proposals discussed in this proxy statement. Under our Bylaws, generally no business besides the proposals discussed in this proxy statement may be transacted at the meeting. However, if any other matter properly comes before the Annual Meeting, your proxy holders will act on such matter in their discretion.

#### **Solicitation of Proxies**

Some of Union Planters directors and officers, who will receive no additional compensation, may solicit proxies in person, and by telephone, telegraph, telecopy, facsimile, or mail, from brokerage houses and other institutions, nominees, fiduciaries, and custodians, who will be required to forward the proxy materials to beneficial owners of Union Planters common stock. Union Planters will, upon request, reimburse such intermediaries for their reasonable expenses in forwarding proxy materials but will not pay fees, commissions, or other compensation.

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To assist the Board of Directors, Union Planters has retained American Stock Transfer & Trust Company to provide proxy solicitation services for a fee of \$3,500 plus customary expenses as part of the complete Registrar and Transfer Agency services provided by American Stock Transfer & Trust Company to Union Planters. Morrow & Company has also been retained to assist in the solicitation of proxies for an approximate fee of \$6,500 plus customary expenses. The providers of the proxy solicitation services are expected to communicate in person, or by telephone, telegraph, telecopy, facsimile, or mail with those shareholders who have not responded within a reasonable time to urge them to return their proxies. The cost of solicitation of proxies will be borne by Union Planters.

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

#### (PROPOSAL 1)

#### **Directors to be Elected**

Our charter provides for a classified Board of Directors. The Board of Directors is divided into three classes. Each class has as equal a number of directors as possible. The directors in each class serve a three-year term and only one full class is elected at each Annual Meeting. You are being asked to elect four directors to serve in Class I for a term to expire at the Annual Meeting to be held in 2006.

The Board of Directors has no reason to believe that any nominee for director will not be available for election. However, if a nominee is unavailable for election, the proxy holders may vote for another nominee proposed by the Board of Directors or the Board of Directors may reduce the number of directors to be elected at the Annual Meeting. Each nominee has agreed to be named in this proxy statement and to serve if elected.

#### Information About our Directors and Nominees

The following biographies show the age and principal occupations during the past five years of each of our directors, the date the director was first elected to the Board of Directors, and any directorships held by the director with any other public company or any registered investment company. Directors who are nominated for election at the Annual Meeting are identified by a check mark (ü). Ages are shown as of February 19, 2003.

Class I Directors and Nominees (Term expires at 2006 Annual Meeting)

ü James E. Harwood (Age 66)

Director of Union Planters since 1996

President, Sterling Equities, Inc. (business management advisory services) since November 1990

Director of SCB Computer Technology\*

ü Lou Ann Poynter (Age 56)

Director of Union Planters since 2001

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Hattiesburg Region of Union Planters Bank, National Association from 1997 to 2000 Executive Vice President, Union Planters Bank, National Association, Southeast Region from 2000 to 2001 Senior Executive Vice President, Union Planters and Union Planters Bank, National Association, Mortgage Banking Division, since 2001

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ü Michael S. Starnes (Age 57) Director of Union Planters since 2001 Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, M.S. Carriers, Inc. (transportation carrier) from 1978 to 2001 President, M.S. Carriers, Inc., a subsidiary of Swift Transportation Corporation, since June 2001 Director of RFS Hotel Investors\* Director of Mid-America Apartment Communities\* Director of Swift Transportation Corporation\* ü Richard A. Trippeer, Jr. (Age 63) Director of Union Planters since 1974 Retired: President, R.A. Trippeer, Inc. (investments) from 1974 to 1989 Class II Directors and Nominees (Term expires at 2004 Annual Meeting) Albert M. Austin (Age 75) Director of Union Planters since 1974 Chairman, Cannon, Austin & Cannon, Inc. (real estate) since September 1989 George W. Bryan (Age 58) Director of Union Planters since 1986 Senior Vice President, Sara Lee Corporation (Meat Group Division, meat processing and packaging) from 1989 to 2000 Chief Executive Officer, Sable Enterprises (investments) from 2000 to 2001 Chief Executive Officer, Old Waverly Investments, LLC since 2001 Robert R. Waller, M.D. (Age 66) Director of Union Planters since 2001 President Emeritus, Mayo Clinic from 1998 to 2002 Director of Hormel Foods Corporation\* Retired: Professor of Ophthalmology, Mayo Medical School from 1980 to 2002 Spence L. Wilson (Age 60)\*\* Director of Union Planters since 1996 President, Kemmons Wilson, Inc. (hotel development and management, resort time-sharing, home building, subdivision development, and private investment) since 1970 Class III Directors and Nominees (Term expires at 2005 Annual Meeting) Samuel W. Bartholomew, Jr. (Age 58) Director of Union Planters since 2001 Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Stokes Bartholomew Evans & Petree, P.A. (law firm) since 1977 Parnell S. Lewis, Jr. (Age 55) Director of Union Planters since 1996 President of Anderson-Tully Company (hardwood lumber products) from 1993 to 1999 Retired: Chief Executive Officer, River Investments, LLC (investments) from 1998 to 2001 4

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Jackson W. Moore (Age 54)\*\*

Director of Union Planters since 1986

President and Chief Operating Officer, Union Planters and Union Planters Bank, National Association from 1994 to 2000 Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Union Planters and Union Planters Bank, National Association since 2000 Jorge M. Perez (Age 53)

Director of Union Planters since 2001 President, The Related Group of Florida (real estate development) since 1979 John R. Roberts (Age 61)

Director of Union Planters since 2001 Director of Energizer Holdings, Inc.\* Retired: Managing Partner, Mid-South Region, Arthur Andersen LLP from 1993 to 1998 Executive Director, St. Louis Civic Programs

\* A corporation subject to the registration or reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or registered pursuant to the Investment Company Act of 1940.

\*\* S.L. Wilson is a brother-in-law of our Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, J.W. Moore. The board of directors unanimously recommends you vote FOR all of the nominees.

#### MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors is responsible for oversight of the operations of the Company. The Board of Directors has delegated certain of its authority to several committees of the Board of Directors to assist in its supervision of the overall affairs of the Company. The Board of Directors met five (5) times in 2002. In addition to meetings of the full Board of Directors, directors also attended meetings of committees of the Board of Directors. All of the directors attended at least 75% of all the meetings of the Board of Directors and the committees on which they served during the fiscal year 2002. Following the Annual Meeting, assuming the four nominees are elected, the Board of Directors will consist of thirteen (13) directors. The Board of Directors currently has the following standing committees which meet on a regularly scheduled basis: Audit, Compliance and Community Reinvestment Act, Executive, Loan, and Compensation/Nominations/Corporate Governance.

In addition to the meetings of the full Board of Directors and committee meetings, the non-management directors met two (2) times in 2002, with Albert M. Austin presiding as the chair of both meetings, to discuss certain affairs of the Company, including strategic issues and management performance.

#### Audit Committee

*General.* During 2002, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors held eight (8) meetings. The Audit Committee operates under a written charter, which is reviewed annually, that outlines its goals and objectives together with its duties and responsibilities. The committee reports its conclusions and activities to the full board regularly. The charter allows the members of the committee to retain and consult with independent advisors as necessary, without Board approval. The committee will continue to review and amend its charter to improve and expand its effectiveness based on emerging best practices and guidance from the New York Stock Exchange and Securities and Exchange Commission, as needed.

The primary objectives of the committee are to assist the full board with oversight of the integrity of the Company s financial statements and related financial information, including the adequacy and

effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting; the selection and evaluation of the qualifications and independence of the independent accountants; and the performance of the Company s internal audit function and independent accountants.

The duties and responsibilities of the committee with respect to the independent accountants include the selection, appointment and retention of the Company s independent accountants (subject to shareholder ratification); the evaluation of the independence of the independent accountants based on all relationships between the Company and the independent accountants; the evaluation of the quality-control procedures of the independent accountants based on a review of the most recent peer review results of the firm; the evaluation of the overall performance of the independent accountants; the review and approval of the annual audit plan of the independent accountants; and receipt and review of the required communications from the independent accountants, including their opinion on the annual audited financial statements and their reviews of the quarterly financial statements as well as any written communications between the independent accountants and management.

Additionally, the committee evaluates the integrity of the financial statements and the adequacy and effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting by reviewing applicable documentation and discussions with management, the independent accountants, and internal auditors; reviewing and discussing recommendations from the independent accountants, internal auditors and regulatory agencies to improve and strengthen the Company s internal control, including the status of the recommendations and the related corrective actions undertaken by management as necessary; reviewing and discussing any reported incidents of fraud, non-compliance with applicable laws or regulations, or other allegations; reviewing critical accounting policies, estimates, alternative accounting treatments, significant changes in the selection or application of accounting principles related to material items, including discussing these items with management and the independent accountants; discussing matters of concern relating to the financial statements or other results of the annual audit, including problems or difficulties, with management, the independent accountants, regulatory agencies or others as necessary; approving and reviewing the activities of the internal audit department, including approval of the annual audit plan, adequacy of the internal audit resources and evaluating the results of the internal auditors; reviewing the Company s overall risk management practices and processes and selected areas representing significant financial or business risk; discussing the quarterly and annual financial statements, management discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations, related press releases and other financial information provided to analysts and rating agencies with management and/or the independent accountants; reviewing and discussing with the chief executive officer and chief financial officer the certifications of periodic reports as required by the Securities and Exchange Commission; and meeting separately with management, internal auditors, independent accountants and others, as necessary.

Audit Committee Report. The Audit Committee is composed of five (5) directors who are independent as defined under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, which means that, among other things, these directors are not part of management of, or employed by, Union Planters and are free from any relationship that would interfere with their exercise of independent judgment as members of this committee. The committee operates under a written charter approved by the Board of Directors.

The committee reviews Union Planters financial reporting process on behalf of the Board of Directors. In fulfilling its responsibilities, the committee has reviewed and discussed the audited financial statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002, and this proxy statement with Union Planters management and the independent accountants. Management is responsible for our financial statements and the financial reporting process, including internal controls. The independent accountants are responsible for expressing an opinion on the conformity of those audited financial statements with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The committee has discussed with the independent accountants the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, *Communication with Audit Committees*, as amended by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 89, *Audit Adjustments*, and Statement on Auditing Standards

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No. 90, *Audit Committee Communications*. In addition, the committee has discussed with the independent accountants the accountants independence from Union Planters and its management including the matters in the written disclosures provided to the committee as required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1, *Independence Discussions with Audit Committees*. The committee has also considered whether the provision of non-audit services by the independent accountants to Union Planters is compatible with maintaining auditors independence and has pre-approved any non-audit services which may be performed by Union Planters independent accountants.

Based on the reviews and discussions referred to above, the committee recommended to the Board of Directors, and the Board of Directors has approved the inclusion of the audited financial statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 and this proxy statement, for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### Audit Committee

Parnell S. Lewis, Jr., Chair

George W. Bryan James E. Harwood John R. Roberts Robert R. Waller

#### **Compliance and Community Reinvestment Act Committee**

The Compliance and Community Reinvestment Act Committee held five (5) meetings in 2002. This committee monitors Union Planters Bank s overall regulatory compliance with specific focus on the Community Reinvestment Act and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors concerning Union Planters Bank s progress under the Community Reinvestment Act and the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act. This includes reviewing Union Planters Bank s small business, small farm, and home mortgage lending performance; equity investments; charitable contributions; and bank employee service hours that qualify under the above mentioned regulations. A major focus of this committee is overseeing the accuracy of the lending data reported to the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. The members of the Compliance and Community Reinvestment Act Committee are Parnell S. Lewis, Jr., Jorge M. Perez, Spence L. Wilson, John R. Roberts, Lou Ann Poynter, and James E. Harwood (Chair).

#### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee held seven (7) meetings in 2002. This committee is granted the power under our Bylaws to exercise all of the authority of the Board of Directors with respect to all matters other than certain actions which are not permitted under the Tennessee Business Corporation Act. The members of the Executive Committee are Albert M. Austin, Spence L. Wilson, Richard A. Trippeer, Jr., and Jackson W. Moore (Chair).

#### Loan Committee

The Loan Committee held five (5) meetings in 2002. This committee monitors the activities of the overall lending function utilizing information presented to it by management at regular quarterly meetings. This includes, but is not limited to, review of trends in outstanding credit relationships; key quality measures; significant borrowing relationships; large problem loans; industry concentrations; all significant lending policies; and, the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses. The committee also reviews all lending-related reports from the regulators, auditors, and internal personnel. The members of the Loan Committee are Samuel W. Bartholomew, Jr., Jorge M. Perez, Michael S. Starnes, Spence L. Wilson, Richard A. Trippeer, Jr., and Albert M. Austin (Chair).

#### Compensation/Nominations/Corporate Governance Committee

*General.* The Compensation/Nominations/Corporate Governance Committee held four (4) meetings in 2002. This committee makes recommendations to the Board of Directors as to the amount and form of executive officer compensation and administers our 1983 and 1992 Stock Incentive Plans and the 2002 Senior Management Performance Incentive Plan, and is authorized to grant stock options and award stock without further approval, except grants to directors. In addition, the Compensation/Nominations/Corporate Governance Committee proposes nominees for our Board of Directors and proposed the current nominees for election at the Annual Meeting and has new responsibilities which include reviewing, revising and maintaining the corporate governance policies and procedures of Union Planters, including maintaining compliance with any new corporate governance policies and procedures required as a result of the passage of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the adoption of related rules and regulations. The Compensation/Nominations/Corporate Governance Committee is the former Salary and Benefits Committee. The Board of Directors changed the name of the Salary and Benefits Committee to the Compensation/Nominations/Corporate Governance Committee and increased its responsibilities in July 2002.

*Compensation/Nominations/Corporate Governance Committee Report.* Within the past five (5) years, none of the committee members is or has been an officer or employee of Union Planters or any of its subsidiaries or has engaged in any business transaction with Union Planters or has any business relationship with Union Planters that is required to be disclosed in this proxy statement. The committee makes recommendations to the Board of Directors as to the amount and form of executive officer compensation and is responsible for granting long-term incentives including stock options and restricted stock.

#### Pay Philosophy

The compensation programs of Union Planters are designed to align compensation with business objectives and performance, and to enable Union Planters to attract, retain and reward executives who contribute to the long-term success of Union Planters. The committee believes that executive pay should be linked to performance. Therefore, Union Planters provides an executive compensation program which includes base pay, annual cash bonus and long-term incentive opportunities through the use of stock options and restricted stock.

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code imposes a limit, with certain exceptions, on the amount that a publicly-held corporation may deduct in any year for the compensation paid with respect to its five most highly compensated executive officers. While the committee cannot predict with certainty how Union Planters compensation tax deduction might be affected, the committee attempts to preserve the tax deductibility of all executive compensation while maintaining flexibility with respect to Union Planters compensation programs as described in this report. Consistent with this intention, cash awards under the 2002 Senior Management Performance Incentive Plan and options and certain other equity awards under the Amended and Restated 1992 Stock Incentive Plan are intended to qualify as performance-based compensation as defined under Section 162(m) of the Code so that they would be fully deductible. Additionally, Union Planters requires certain officers to defer receipt of restricted shares or certain cash special pay amounts if the receipt of the shares or relevant cash special pay amounts would cause an officer s compensation to exceed the Section 162(m) limitation.

#### Base Salary

Executive base salary is set annually based on job-related experience, individual performance and pay levels of similar positions at 30 peer financial institutions. Union Planters targets base pay at the 50th percentile of peer base pay. In determining compensation at peer financial institutions, Union Planters analyzes information from independent surveys. The surveys, which do not necessarily include the same financial institutions as included in the S&P 500 Banks Index (used in the performance graph), are chosen based on similarity of the surveyed financial institutions to Union Planters in terms of size, geographic region, and scope of services. In 2002, base salary of the five highest paid executive officers was generally comparable to the target 50th percentile of peer financial institutions.



## Annual Bonus

Under the 2002 Senior Management Performance Incentive Plan, as applied in 2002, if actual earnings per share (EPS) performance is within the EPS targets established by the committee, the plan calculates a bonus based on the target percentage of base salary that corresponds with actual EPS performance. During 2002, EPS performance met or exceeded the EPS targets established by the committee had sole discretion to decrease the actual bonus payment under the 2002 Senior Management Performance Incentive Plan.

#### Long-Term Incentives

In order to link the interests of Union Planters shareholders and senior management, Union Planters maintains the Amended and Restated 1992 Stock Incentive Plan. Stock options and restricted stock may be granted under the plan. Awards are based on position and individual performance. Among other conditions, stock options and restricted stock are granted subject to a vesting schedule. Options may be exercised after vesting. However, to encourage long-term share retention, shares acquired pursuant to option exercise must generally be held at least one year, or any profits from sale must be repaid to Union Planters.

For 2002, options were granted to the executive officers based on their positions and a subjective assessment of individual performances. Generally, equity-based incentive awards are targeted between the 50th and 75th percentiles of the competitive market. Union Planters utilizes the same surveys and peer financial institutions for this purpose as used in analyzing base salary and takes into consideration options and restricted stock that have already been granted.

#### 2002 Compensation for the Chief Executive Officer

Many of the same philosophies used in determining compensation for officers of Union Planters are used in determining compensation for our chief executive officer. The committee establishes each element of the chief executive officer s pay based on his achievement of specific financial and non-financial objectives. No specific weighting or formula is used to determine levels of compensation. Additionally, the committee takes into consideration an analysis of compensation at the peer financial institutions used to review compensation of other officers of Union Planters.

*Base Salary*. Jackson W. Moore s base annual salary in 2002 was \$760,000. This level positioned his base salary comparable to the 50th percentile of peer financial institutions.

*Annual Bonus.* The committee determines the chief executive officer s annual bonus based upon his performance relative to business objectives established at the beginning of the year and specific corporate targets, which in 2002 were based on EPS. Based on 2002 performance, the committee awarded Mr. Moore a bonus of \$1,100,000.

*Long-Term Incentives.* For 2002, the committee granted 550,000 stock options and awarded 54,000 shares of restricted stock to Mr. Moore as part of Union Planters long-term stock incentive plan.

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## Compensation/Nominations/Corporate Governance Committee

George W. Bryan, Chair

Albert M. Austin James E. Harwood Parnell S. Lewis, Jr. Michael S. Starnes Robert R. Waller, M.D.

#### DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Directors who are employees of Union Planters or any of its subsidiaries receive no fees for their services as directors. Directors who are not employees of Union Planters or any of its subsidiaries receive an annual retainer of \$44,000 including service on committees of the Board of Directors. Committee chairs receive an additional \$4,000 annually and Executive Committee members receive an additional \$2,000 annually. In addition, directors who are not employees of Union Planters receive an annual grant of stock options worth \$40,000 in the aggregate, based on the Black-Scholes model for determining the value per share of Union Planters common stock.

Individual directors may, at their option, defer the receipt of directors fees. Under alternatives available each year from 1987 through 2002, up to 100% of a director s annual Board of Directors and committee fees were deferrable. Such fees, plus interest, will be paid to the participating director or to his beneficiaries, as applicable, in monthly payments for a maximum ten-year period commencing on the earlier of (1) the death of the director; or (2) the later of (a) age 65 or (b) completion of five years participation in the fee deferral program. Five directors elected to enter into such nonqualified deferred compensation agreements for 2002. Beginning in 2002, individual directors could elect to receive Union Planters nonqualified stock options in lieu of fees. Two directors elected to receive such options for a portion or all of their 2002 fees. The number of options granted to each director was determined by dividing the applicable fee amount by the Black-Scholes model for determining the value per share of Union Planters common stock on the date of grant, January 2, 2002. Such options vested immediately upon grant and will terminate ten years from date of grant unless previously exercised.

#### UNION PLANTERS STOCK OWNERSHIP

#### BY DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The following table sets forth information regarding the beneficial ownership of shares of Union Planters common stock by the directors, the chief executive officer and the four other highest paid executive officers (the Named Executive Officers) as of February 19, 2003. Except as otherwise noted, the persons named in the table below have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares shown as beneficially owned by them.

Name	Number of Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned (1)(2)	Percentage of Shares of Outstanding Common Stock(3)
Albert M. Austin(4)	69,444	*
Samuel W. Bartholomew, Jr.	34,692	*
George W. Bryan	92,475	*
Bobby L. Doxey(4)	155,030	*
James E. Harwood(4)	125,081	*
Adolfo Henriques	181,022	*
Parnell S. Lewis, Jr.	28,383	*
Jackson W. Moore(4)	2,155,194	1.08%
Jorge M. Perez	32,600	*
Lou Ann Poynter	384,793	*

Name	Number of Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned (1)(2)	Percentage of Shares of Outstanding Common Stock(3)
John R. Roberts	40,803	*
Steven J. Schenck(4)	144,106	*
Michael S. Starnes	24,100	*
Richard A. Trippeer, Jr.	538,557	*
Robert R. Waller	22,600	*
John V. White, Jr.(4)	151,755	*
Spence L. Wilson	194,868	*
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Directors and Executive Officers as a group (17 persons)	4,375,503	2.18%

\* Indicates less than 1% of the shares of Union Planters common stock outstanding as of February 19, 2003.

- (2) Beneficial ownership includes those shares a director or executive officer has the power to vote, or the power to transfer.
- (3) For each individual and group included in the table, percentage ownership is calculated by dividing the number of shares beneficially owned by such person as described above by the sum of the 198,652,064 shares of common stock outstanding on February 19, 2003 and the number of shares of common stock that such person had the right to acquire on or within sixty (60) days of February 19, 2003, including, but not limited to, upon the exercise of options.
- (4) Includes shares of common stock in the following amounts resulting from the exercise of nonqualified options, the receipt of which shares has been deferred pursuant to an Irrevocable Stock Option Deferral Agreement or deferred pursuant to deferral requirement in connection with Section 162(m) limitation: A.M. Austin (2,782 shares); B.L. Doxey (2,260 shares); J.E. Harwood (30,775 shares); J.W. Moore (522,019 shares); S.J. Schenck (2,136); and J.V. White (2,829 shares).

#### SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Our directors and executive officers file reports with the SEC indicating the number of shares of any class of our equity securities they owned when they became a director or executive officer and, after that, any changes in their ownership of our equity securities. These reports are required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Based on our review of the reports, we believe that during fiscal year 2002 all of our officers and directors complied with the foregoing filing requirements.

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<sup>(1)</sup> Includes shares of common stock owned by relatives or held in trusts or partnerships for the benefit of relatives with respect to which named persons disclaim any beneficial interest. The number of shares of common stock beneficially owned by each person as of February 19, 2003 includes shares of common stock that such person had the right to acquire on or within sixty (60) days after February 19, 2003, including, but not limited to, upon the exercise of options.

#### EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

#### **Summary Compensation Table**

The table below shows the before-tax compensation for the Named Executive Officers.

	А	Annual Compensation			Long-Term Compensation (See Note 1)		
Name and Principal Position	Fiscal Year	Salary(\$)	Bonus(\$)	Other Annual Compensation (See Note 1)	Restricted Stock Awards(\$) (See Note 2)	Securities Underlying Options(#) (See note 3)	All Other Compensation(\$) (See Note 4)
J.W. Moore	2002	760,000	1,100,000	136,228	1,700,310	1,219,412	356,589
Chairman, President and		,		,	, ,		,
CEO	2001	700,000	560,000	202,889		1,146,216	287,977
of Union Planters and							
UPBNA	2000	572,000	400,400	297,571	1,944,543	427,500	134,732
B.L. Doxey	2002	329,167	325,500	37,702	425,078	127,406	59,000
Senior Executive Vice							
President	2001	292,500	270,000	31,804		114,332	9,022
and CFO	2000	229,000	125,000		330,000	100,500	
A. Henriques	2002	411,667	195,300	41,270	425,078	125,000	103,784
Senior Executive Vice							
President,	2001	383,333	280,000	37,775		112,500	96,829
Southern Banking Group Chief Executive and Head of	2000	354,000	240,000	19,000	62,775	63,000	61,836
Commercial Banking							
S.J. Schenck	2002	329,167	195,300	28,316	425,078	132,283	63,448
Senior Executive Vice President,	2001	277,083	255,000	23,244		112,500	59,813
Midwest Banking Group Chief	2000	237,000	150,000	18,300		63,000	29,694
Executive and Head of Credit Improvement	2000	257,000	150,000	18,500		03,000	29,094
J.V. White	2002	329,167	195,300	27,886	425,078	129,588	11,000
Senior Executive Vice							
President,	2001	268,750	255,000	22,048		114,033	8,266
Central Banking Group							
Chief	2000	150,000	162,500		287,500	123,000	
Executive and Head of Retail Banking and Financial							

Banking and Financial

Services

(1) Includes certain tax reimbursement payments in each year and, in the case of J.W. Moore, perquisites received in 2002 and 2000, including automobile expenses (\$23,216 in 2002) and financial planning services (\$31,527 in 2002 and \$40,528 in 2000).

(2) Grants of restricted stock in 2002 were earned pursuant to the Executive Performance Restricted Stock Plan based on exceeding targeted levels of operating earnings per share since 2001. Grantees have the right to vote and to receive dividends on restricted stock. Shares generally vest over 10 to 12 years (or to age 62 if earlier) in equal amounts annually and are subject to forfeiture for certain conditions. The aggregate market value as of December 31, 2002 (and number) of all shares of restricted stock that have been granted through December 31, 2002, and have not been released (or receipt deferred by) the Named Executive Officers were as follows: J.W. Moore \$6,673,091 (237,139 shares), B.L. Doxey \$785,106 (27,900 shares), A. Henriques \$737,268 (26,200 shares), S.J. Schenck \$664,808 (23,625 shares) and J.V. White \$731,668 (26,001 shares).

- (3) Option grants include reload grants as follows: J.W. Moore (623,130 in 2002 and 603,696 in 2001), B.L. Doxey (1,821 in 2002 and 1,512 in 2001), S.J. Schenck (7,283 in 2002) and J.V. White (3,730 in 2002 and 1,260 in 2001).
- (4) All Other Compensation for 2002 consists of: (i) 401(k) plan contributions of \$11,000 on behalf of each of J.W. Moore, B.L. Doxey, A. Henriques, S.J. Schenck and J.V. White; (ii) nonqualified deferred compensation plan matching contributions on behalf of J.W. Moore (\$301,500), B.L. Doxey (\$48,000), A. Henriques (\$74,500), and S.J. Schenck (\$52,448); and (iii) the economic benefit portion (i.e., the term life cost) of the premium paid in 2002 by Union Planters for the benefit of J.W. Moore (\$44,089) and A. Henriques (\$18,284) on certain life insurance policies.

## **Option/SAR Grants in Last Fiscal Year**

The following table is a summary of the aggregate amount of options granted to each of the Named Executive Officers during 2002 and the range of exercise prices for these options. A more detailed description of these options appears in the second table below.

	Number of Securitie Aggregate Option		
Name	Initial Grants(#)	Reloads(#)	Exercise Price(\$)
J.W. Moore	596,282	623,130	24.81 - 32.64
B.L. Doxey	125,585	1,821	24.81 - 33.45
A. Henriques	125,000	0	24.81
S.J. Schenck	125,000	7,283	24.81 - 33.17
J.V. White	125,858	3,730	24.81 - 33.34

The following table provides additional detail about the option grants summarized in the preceding table.

		Individual G	Frants					
	Number of Underlying O <sub>I</sub> (1	otions Granted	Granted to a i	Fotal Options Ill Employees n 2(%)	Exercise or			
Name	Initial	Reload(5)	Initial	Reload	Base Price (\$/Share)	Expiration Date	Grant Date Present Value(\$)(4)	
J.W. Moore		158,621 21,389		3.8 0.5	32.64 32.64	10/10/2011 7/5/2011	805,795 108,656	
		7,215		0.2	32.64	1/4/2011	35,714	
	24,736	124,310	0.6	2.9	32.64 32.64	12/20/210 7/8/2012	614,091 126,154	
		35,151 276,444		0.8 6.6	30.01 30.01	12/20/2010 1/7/2012	196,494 1,542,558	
	21,546 550,000		0.5 13.1		30.01 24.81	1/7/2012 10/8/2012	120,227 2,266,000	
Total	596,282(2)	623,130(2)	14.2	14.8				
B.L. Doxey	505	1,821	0.0	0.0	33.45	3/1/2010	9,815	
	585 125,000		3.0		33.45 24.81	4/25/2012 10/8/2012	3,229 515,000	
Total	125,585(3)	1,821(2)	3.0	0.0				
A. Henriques	125,000		3.0		24.81	10/8/2012	515,000	
Total	125,000(3)		3.0					
S.J. Schenck	125,000	7,283	3.0	0.2	33.17 24.81	12/20/2010 10/8/2012	40,493 515,000	
Total	125,000(3)	7,283(2)	3.0	0.2				

J.V. White		1,263		0.0	33.34	5/1/2010	6,757
	363		0.0		33.34	5/1/2012	1,986
	125,000		3.0		24.81	10/8/2012	515,000
		2,467		0.1	29.00	5/1/2010	11,570
	495		0.0		29.00	11/1/2012	2,450
Total	125,858(3)	3,730(2)	3.0	0.1			
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- (1) Generally, options may not be granted at less than the fair market value of the underlying shares on the date of grant, and will expire no later than ten years after the date of grant. Already owned shares of stock may be used as the consideration for exercise of the option, and a reload option will generally be granted in such cases. Generally, except in the event of certain qualifying terminations of service or the surrender of shares to pay the exercise price or tax withholding obligations with respect to an option, shares acquired by option exercise must be held at least one year or any profits from sale must be repaid to Union Planters. All options granted in 2002 have an exercise price equal to the underlying stock s fair market value on the grant date. Union Planters does not grant SARs.
- (2) Options granted in 2002 which vest immediately or in six months.
- (3) Options granted in 2002 of which 1/3 vest twelve months after the date of grant, an additional 1/3 vest 24 months after the date of grant and the final 1/3 vest 36 months after the date of grant, except for increments which otherwise would not vest until after age 62. Such increments vest immediately.
- (4) Present values were calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The model was applied using the individual grant dates and the exercise price and fair market value of Union Planters common stock on the grant date. It also assumed: (i) a risk-free rate of return based on the yield on a U.S. Government Zero Coupon bond with a term equal to the term of the stock grant which ranged from 3.98% to 5.60%; (ii) stock price volatility calculated using daily closing prices of the common stock of Union Planters for the expected term of the option ending on the grant date which ranged from 21.27% to 25.51%; (iii) a constant dividend yield on the respective grant dates based on the quarterly cash dividend rate per share paid by Union Planters on its common stock; and (iv) that the options would be exercised on the final day of their ten-year term. No discount from the theoretical value was taken to reflect the one-year waiting period prior to vesting, the restrictions on the transfer of the options, and the likelihood that the options will be exercised in advance of the final day of their term.
- (5) These option grants occurred automatically under the reload features of previously granted options, as to which the Named Executive Officer surrendered previously-owned shares to pay the exercise price of the option or to satisfy tax withholding obligations with respect to such exercise.

#### **Option/SAR Exercises and Fiscal Year-End Values**

The following table shows the number and value of stock options and stock appreciation rights (exercised and unexercised) for the Named Executive Officers.

	Shares Acquired on	Value	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options/ SARs at Fiscal Year-End(#)			ised In-the-Money Fiscal Year-End (2)
Name	Exercise(#)(1)(3)	Realized(\$)	Exercisable	Unexercisable	Exercisable	Unexercisable
J.W. Moore	738,834	3,693,898	1,046,639	336,271	1,831,500	0
B.L. Doxey	3,284	49,654	102,345	234,299	505,298	839,951
A. Henriques	0	0	137,850	221,000	403,787	717,368
S.J. Schenck	9,225	94,587	112,058	221,000	300,812	717,368
J.V. White	5,877	67,217	114,294	244,507	603,750	896,834

(1) Generally, except in the event of certain qualifying terminations of service or the surrender of shares to pay the exercise price or tax withholding obligations with respect to an option, shares acquired by option exercise must be held at least one year or any profits from sale must be repaid to Union Planters.

(2) Value is calculated as the difference between the closing market price of a share of common stock on December 31, 2002 (\$28.14 per share) and the exercise price of the options. No value is reported if the exercise price of the options exceeded the market price of a share of common stock on December 31, 2002.

(3) This column shows the number of shares underlying options exercised in 2002 by the Named Executive Officers. The actual number of shares received by these individuals from options exercised in 2002 (net of shares used to cover the exercise price and withheld to pay income tax) was:

Name	Shares
J.W. Moore	115,704
B.L. Doxey	1,463
A. Henriques	0
S.J. Schenck	1,943
J.V. White	2,147

#### Employment Contracts and Termination, Severance, and Change of Control Arrangements

Each of Jackson W. Moore, Bobby L. Doxey, Adolfo Henriques, Steven J. Schenck and John V. White, Jr. has an employment agreement with Union Planters.

*Employment Agreement of our Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer.* Mr. Moore s employment agreement, which was first entered into as of December 1, 1989, was amended and restated as of April 17, 1997, and then further amended on September 26, 2000. This agreement provides for a minimum base salary for Mr. Moore of \$650,000, and entitles him to receive certain other employee benefits and to participate in incentive bonus, stock option, and deferred compensation plans.

On December 31 of each year, the term of Mr. Moore s employment agreement is automatically extended for one year unless Union Planters provides at least 60 days prior notice to Mr. Moore. In any case, the term of the agreement may not be extended after Mr. Moore reaches age 65. If Union Planters provides prior notice to Mr. Moore that it is electing not to extend the term of the agreement, Mr. Moore may either remain until the end of the then-current term of his agreement, or may choose to terminate the agreement and be paid an amount equal to three times the sum of his highest base salary and highest annual bonus earned in any year during his employment (final highest earnings). In either case, all options, stock appreciation rights, and other awards in the nature of rights that may be exercised, and all awards of restricted stock, if any, issued to Mr. Moore under all stock incentive plans of Union Planters (collectively, incentive awards) will immediately vest and be exercisable and all restrictions thereon will lapse. In addition, Mr. Moore will have the right to elect within 90 days after the effective date of his termination of employment, either to receive a lump-sum cash-out of his stock options at the then-current spread value or to have the right to exercise such options from the date of termination through the remaining term of the options.

If termination of employment is for cause, Mr. Moore will be provided his base salary through the date of termination plus any annual incentive bonus that has been previously approved but not paid. In addition, Union Planters must, at its election, either effect a lump-sum cash-out of Mr. Moore s stock options (vested and unvested) at the then-current spread value, or declare all such options to be immediately vested and exercisable by Mr. Moore within one year from notice of his termination.

If termination of employment is due to death or disability, Mr. Moore will be provided his base salary through the date of termination plus any annual incentive bonus that has been previously approved but not paid, and will receive a severance payment equal to three times his final highest earnings. In either case, all incentive awards will immediately vest and be exercisable and all restrictions thereon will lapse. In addition, Mr. Moore or his estate will have the right to elect, within 90 days after the effective date of Mr. Moore s termination of employment, either to receive a lump-sum cash-out of his stock options at the then-current spread value or to have the right to exercise such options from the date of termination through the remaining term of the options.

The employment agreement also provides that in the event of a change in control of Union Planters (as defined in the agreement to include certain business combinations, acquisitions of stock or assets of Union Planters, or changes in Board of Directors composition), Mr. Moore will have the option to extend

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the term of his employment agreement for an additional three-year period, beginning on the later of the date of the renewal notice or the date on which the change in control occurs. Upon the commencement of any such renewal term, any remaining period of the then-current term of the employment agreement will be canceled. During the extended renewal term following a change in control, Mr. Moore may resign without penalty upon 90 days prior notice and receive a lump-sum payment equal to three times his final highest earnings. Also, in the event of a change in control, all deferred compensation, supplemental retirement benefits, and incentive awards will immediately vest and be exercisable and all restrictions thereon will lapse, and any stock or stock equivalents held in a deferred account on Mr. Moore s behalf will become immediately payable. With respect to benefits paid, accrued or accelerated by virtue of a change in control, the agreement requires Union Planters to make certain tax gross-up payments to cover Mr. Moore s income tax and excise tax liabilities with respect to such benefits, including tax liabilities associated with the gross-up payments.

*Other Employment Agreements.* The employment agreements of our other Named Executive Officers each specify a term and minimum base salary for the Named Executive Officer. The date on which the current term of each Named Executive Officer s employment expires is as follows: Mr. Doxey March 1, 2004; Mr. Henriques February 1, 2004; Mr. Schenck March 5, 2004; and Mr. White May 1, 2003. The employment agreements of Messrs. Doxey, Schenck and White provide that the term of the Named Executive Officer s employment is automatically extended for a one-year term unless prior notice of termination is given. Mr. Henriques employment agreement provides for an automatic extension of his employment for a two-year term unless prior notice of termination is given. The minimum annual base salary for each Named Executive Officer is as follows: Mr. Doxey \$275,000; Mr. Henriques \$330,000; Mr. Schenck \$225,000; and Mr. White \$225,000. In addition to the minimum base salary, each Named Executive Officer is entitled to additional cash and non-cash compensation generally based on performance.

Each of Messrs. Doxey s, Henriques, Schenck s and White s employment agreements provide for specific payments to be paid to the Named Executive Officer in the event his employment is terminated within some period after the date on which a change in control occurs.

Mr. Doxey s agreement generally provides that if he is terminated within one year of the date on which a change of control occurs, he will be entitled to the following: (1) any portion of his base salary that he had earned but had not been paid through termination; (2) any prior year s annual bonus that he had earned but had not been paid; (3) an additional lump sum payment equal to the base salary due for the remaining current term of his agreement, but not less than one year s base salary; and (4) certain additional benefits to which he is entitled under our plans and programs.

Mr. Henriques agreement provides that in the event of a change in control, his employment term will automatically extend for two years. Mr. Henriques agreement further provides that if he is terminated within two years of the date on which a change of control occurs, he will be entitled to the following: (1) a lump sum payment equal to the base salary due for the remaining current term of his agreement, but not less than two times his current base salary; (2) any prior year s annual bonus that he had earned but had not been paid and a prorated bonus equal to 75% of his then current base salary for the year in which his employment was terminated; and (3) certain additional benefits to which he is entitled under our plans and programs.

Mr. Schenck s agreement provides that if he is terminated within two years of the date on which a change of control occurs, he will be entitled to the following: (1) any portion of his base salary that he had earned but had not been paid; (2) a lump sum payment equal to his base salary and annual bonuses due for the remaining current term of his agreement, but not less than one year s current base salary and annual bonus; (3) any prior year s annual bonus that he had earned but had not been paid; and (4) certain additional benefits to which he is entitled under our plans and programs.

Mr. White s agreement provides that if he is terminated within three years of the date on which a change in control occurs, he will be entitled to the following: (1) a lump sum payment equal to three times the sum of his base salary and the highest annual bonus received by him during the three calendar

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years immediately preceding the change in control and (2) certain additional benefits to which he is entitled under our plans and programs. Mr. White s agreement further provides that on each anniversary of the date on which a change in control occurs, the three-year period will be automatically extended for an additional year unless either Union Planters or Mr. White give prior written notice to the other party that the three-year period will not be extended.

#### **Executive Benefit Plans**

Union Planters maintains two executive benefit plans for selected management employees. Eligibility is determined by the Compensation/Nominations/Corporate Governance Committee, which is also responsible for administering the plans.

The supplemental retirement plan provides a retirement income benefit at age 62 equal to a percentage of final average earnings as defined in the plan, with certain reductions described below. The benefit can be paid in either an equivalent lump sum amount or in annual or monthly installments. The plan is nonqualified and unfunded, and the amounts payable thereunder are not offset for social security or other amounts, except as described below.

Currently, Mr. Moore participates in the supplemental retirement plan. Supplemental annual retirement benefits payable under the plan at age 62 are equal to 65% of the sum of the executive s highest base salary and highest annual bonus during any year of employment, less an amount calculated as the present value of Union Planters cost of funds related to premiums paid on a split-dollar life insurance policy on the life of Mr. Moore and his spouse, which premiums will be reimbursed in full to Union Planters from the cash value of the policy. The annual supplemental retirement benefit under the plan is reduced 6% per year for early retirement after age 55 but before age 62. In addition, annual supplemental retirement benefits vest following a termination or a change in control as defined in the plan and the agreement with Mr. Moore. The estimated annual benefit payable to Mr. Moore under the plan if he were to retire at age 62, and assuming no increase in his base salary or annual bonus before then, is \$1,209,000. However, he has elected to take this benefit in a lump sum at retirement, which will be discounted to present value and further reduced by the present value of Union Planters cost of funds related to premiums paid on a split-dollar life insurance policy, as described above. Union Planters ceased making premium payments under such life insurance policy after July 30, 2002, to avoid any question that such premiums could be characterized as a personal loan prohibited by Section 402 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Consequently, the death benefit of such policy to Mr. Moore s beneficiary, and the premium reimbursement to Union Planters, will be substantially less than originally intended.

The deferred compensation plan allows participants to defer a portion of their cash compensation into a nonqualified savings plan. The plan credits interest annually equal to the greater of 120% of the mid-term applicable federal rate or the Union Planters common stock total investment return. In addition, Union Planters matches amounts deferred with up to a 25% company contribution based on various salary levels. The plan returns the compensation deferred plus interest earned upon termination of employment or earlier if otherwise elected by the participant.



#### COMPARISON OF FIVE YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN

The following graph and table set forth Union Planters cumulative shareholder return (assuming reinvestment of dividends) as compared to the Standard & Poor s 500 and the Standard & Poor s 500 Banks Index over a five-year period beginning December 31, 1997.

Note: The stock price performance shown on the graph and table below is not necessarily indicative of future price performance.

	December 31, 1997	December 31, 1998	December 31, 1999	December 31, 2000	December 31, 2001	December 31, 2002
Union Planters Corporation	\$100.00	\$ 69.71	\$ 63.74	\$ 61.02	\$ 80.44	\$ 78.80
S&P 500	\$100.00	\$128.34	\$155.14	\$141.13	\$124.40	\$ 97.08
S&P 500 Banks Index	\$100.00	\$105.98	\$ 91.68	\$108.61	\$108.61	\$107.62
NYSE Financial Indicator	\$100.00	\$107.44	\$109.10	\$139.44	\$130.93	\$115.56

In last year s proxy statement, Union Planters has included the NYSE Financial Indicator in the comparison chart. In future years, Union Planters does not plan to continue to use the NYSE Financial Indicator. Union Planters is replacing the NYSE Financial Indicator with the S&P 500 Banks Index. Union Planters believes inclusion of the S&P 500 Banks Index is more appropriate than the NYSE Financial Indicator because the S&P 500 Banks Index contains companies that are more comparable to Union Planters than does the NYSE Financial Indicator.

#### **RATIFICATION OF**

#### APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

#### (PROPOSAL 2)

The Audit Committee has appointed PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as the independent public accountants of Union Planters for its fiscal year ending December 31, 2003. The Audit Committee seeks to have the shareholders ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers. PricewaterhouseCoopers has served as the independent public accountants of Union Planters since 1985. Representatives of PricewaterhouseCoopers will be present at the Annual Meeting to respond to questions and to make a statement if they desire to do so. If the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers is not ratified by the shareholders, the Audit Committee may appoint other independent public accountants and will seek the

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shareholders ratification of such appointment at a subsequent shareholders meeting called for that purpose.

# The Audit Committee unanimously recommends you vote for the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as independent public accountants FOR fiscal year 2003.

#### INFORMATION ON FEES PAID TO INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

The following table shows the fees paid or accrued by Union Planters for the audit and other services provided by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for fiscal year 2002.

Audit Fees		\$ 1,057,256
Financial Information Systems Design and Implementation		
Fees(1)		7,510,182
All Other Fees		
Tax Services	\$2,399,422	
Internal Audit Services(2)	1,300,260	
Other		
		3,699,682
Total Fees		\$12,267,120

<sup>(1)</sup> These fees were paid to a unit of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP that was sold effective October 1, 2002. Union Planters does not plan to utilize PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for such services in future periods.

The Audit Committee has considered and determined that the provision of the non-audit services listed as Financial Information Systems Design and Implementation Fees and All Other Fees in the table above is compatible with maintaining the independence of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. While the Audit Committee believes that PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP maintained its independence during fiscal year 2002, the Audit Committee recognizes that the applicable provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and its related rules and regulations require Union Planters to alter the non-audit services provided by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP in fiscal year 2003. As described in the footnotes above, Union Planters has taken actions to comply with the applicable provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and its related rules and regulations with respect to the non-audit services that PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will provide to Union Planters in fiscal year 2003.

#### CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND TRANSACTIONS

During 2002 some of the directors and officers of Union Planters, and other persons and entities with which they are affiliated, were customers of, and had in the ordinary course of business banking transactions with, Union Planters subsidiary banks. All loans included in such transactions were made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral requirements, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons and, in the opinion of management, did not involve more than the normal risk of collectibility or present other unfavorable features. In 2002, Union Planters paid \$126,245 to Stokes Bartholomew Evans & Petree, P.A. for legal services. Samuel W. Bartholomew, one of our directors, is a partner and shareholder of Stokes Bartholomew Evans & Petree, P.A. and serves as its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

<sup>(2)</sup> Effective for 2003, Union Planters has engaged another public accounting firm to provide internal audit services and no longer plans to utilize PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for such recurring services in future periods.

#### **OTHER INFORMATION**

#### Shareholder Proposals for the 2004 Annual Meeting

Any shareholder proposals intended to be presented at Union Planters 2004 Annual Meeting of Shareholders must be received in writing by Union Planters at its principal executive offices no later than November 7, 2003, in order to be included in our proxy statement and form of proxy relating to the 2003 Annual Meeting. Also, as to any shareholder proposal that is not submitted for inclusion in the proxy statement and form of proxy relating to the 2004 Annual Meeting, but is instead sought to be presented directly to the shareholders at the 2004 Annual Meeting, management proxy holders will be allowed to use their discretionary voting authority to vote on the proposal if either (1) we do not receive notice of the proposal before the close of business on November 7, 2003, or (2) we receive notice of the proposal by that deadline and advise the shareholders in the proxy statement for the 2004 Annual Meeting about the nature of the proposal and how management intends to vote on the proposal.

#### **Annual Reports and Exhibits**

Union Planters Annual Report to Shareholders is enclosed with this proxy statement. Biographical information about our executive officers is included in Part I of the Annual Report on Form 10-K we are filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission for 2002, under the section entitled Executive Officers of the Registrant. Neither the Annual Report to Shareholders nor the Form 10-K is to be considered proxy-soliciting material except to the extent expressly incorporated by reference in this proxy statement.

Any shareholder who wishes to obtain a copy, without charge, of Union Planters Annual Report on Form 10-K for its fiscal year ended December 31, 2002, which includes financial statements and financial statement schedules, which is required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, may contact the Investors Relations Department, 6200 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38119, or at telephone number (901) 580-5540.

Please mark, date, sign, and return the enclosed proxy card (or vote by telephone or Internet) as promptly as possible, whether or not you plan to attend the meeting in person. If you do attend the meeting, you may still vote in person, since the proxy may be revoked at any time prior to its exercise by delivering to the Corporate Secretary of Union Planters a written revocation of the proxy.

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APPENDIX F

# UNION PLANTERS CORPORATION

# 2002 ANNUAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES

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# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Year Ended	61	
	2002	2001	% Change
	(Dolla		
Net earnings	\$ 528,987	\$ 443,550	19.3 %
Per common share:			
Basic	2.61	2.15	21.4
Diluted	2.59	2.13	21.6
Cash dividends	1.33	1.33	
Book value	16.21	15.56	4.2
Return on average assets	1.62%	1.30%	
Return on average common equity	16.55	14.34	
Net interest margin	4.43	4.20	
Net interest spread	3.96	3.53	
Balance sheet data(1)			
Assets	\$34,144,363	\$33,197,604	2.9 %
Earning assets	31,146,824	30,137,038	3.4
Loans, net of unearned income	22,774,732	23,163,039	(1.7)
Allowance for losses on loans	350,931	341,930	2.6
Deposits	23,330,440	23,430,502	(0.4)
Shareholders equity	3,226,282	3,223,741	0.1
Common shares outstanding (in thousands)	198,434	206,113	(3.7)
Capital ratios(1)			
Shareholders equity to total assets	9.45%	9.71%	
Leverage ratio	7.47	7.56	
Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets	9.40	9.75	
Total capital to risk-weighted assets	13.89	14.47	
Credit quality ratios			
Allowance for losses on loans/loans(1)	1.56%	1.48%	
Nonperforming loans/loans(1)	1.17	1.02	
Allowance for losses on loans/nonperforming loans(1)	133	145	
Nonperforming assets/loans and foreclosed properties(1)	1.51	1.31	
Provision for losses on loans/average loans	.86	.55	
Net charge-offs/average loans	.82	.53	

(1) At year-end.

All share and per share amounts throughout this document have been adjusted to reflect the three-for-two stock split completed in the second quarter of 2002.

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# UNION PLANTERS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

	Years Ended December 31,								
	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998				
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)								
Income Statement Data									
Net interest income	\$ 1,289,445	\$ 1,275,973	\$ 1,231,116	\$ 1,256,531	\$ 1,207,233				
Provision for losses on loans	(197,901)	(131,963)	(77,062)	(74,045)	(204,056)				
Investment securities gains (losses)	23,027	9,582	381	2,128	(9,074)				
Other noninterest income	763,427	760,089	559,021	510,582	577,833				
Noninterest expense	(1,111,087)	(1,238,262)	(1,102,840)	(1,076,364)	(1,200,014)				
Earnings before income taxes	766,911	675,419	610,616	618,832	371,922				
Income taxes	(237,924)	(231,869)	(201,306)	(208,834)	(146,316)				
Net earnings	\$ 528,987	\$ 443,550	\$ 409,310	\$ 409,998	\$ 225,606				
Per Common Share Data Net earnings									
Basic	\$ 2.61	\$ 2.15	\$ 2.01	\$ 1.92	\$ 1.07				
Diluted	2.59	2.13	2.00	1.92	1.05				
Cash dividends	1.33	1.33	1.33	1.33	1.03				
Book value	16.21	15.56	14.35	13.27	13.91				
Balance Sheet Data (at year-end)	10.21	15.50	14.55	13.27	15.91				
Total assets	\$34,144,363	\$33,197,604	\$34,720,718	\$33,280,353	\$31,691,953				
Loans, net of unearned income	22,774,732	23,163,039	23,957,494	21,446,400	19,576,826				
Allowance for losses on loans	350,931	341,930	335,452	342,300	321,476				
Investment securities	5,467,283	4,780,629	6,843,670	7,472,455	8,301,703				
Total deposits	23,330,440	23,430,502	23,113,383	23,372,116	24,896,455				
Short-term borrowing(1)	3,637,610	3,076,679	6,086,896	5,422,504	1,648,039				
Long-term debt(1)	5,057,010	5,070,079	0,000,090	5,422,504	1,040,059				
Parent company	890,017	878,626	379,303	379,656	378,249				
Subsidiary banks	1,897,756	1,858,073	1,559,668	738,114	1,060,483				
Total shareholders equity	3,226,282	3,223,741	2,920,054	2,776,109	2,984,078				
Average assets	32,617,526	34,209,871	33,882,405	32,902,370	30,744,326				
Average shareholders equity	3,203,027	3,100,945	2,807,672	2,980,664	2,931,703				
Average shares outstanding (in thousands)	5,205,027	5,100,745	2,007,072	2,700,004	2,951,705				
Basic	201.927	205,543	202,756	212,781	208,551				
Diluted	201,927	208,043	202,750	215,975	214,040				
Profitability and Capital Ratios	201,009	200,015	201,905	215,575	211,010				
Return on average assets	1.62%	1.30%	1.21%	1.25%	.73%				
Return on average common equity	16.55	14.34	14.63	13.80	7.71				
Net interest margin	4.43	4.20	4.11	4.36	4.40				
Net interest spread	3.96	3.53	3.41	3.69	3.60				
Loans/deposits (period-end)	97.62	98.86	103.65	91.76	78.63				
Common and preferred dividend	21.02	20.00	100.00	21.70	10.05				
payout ratio	51.05	61.92	66.62	69.93	113.67				
Shareholders equity/total assets	01100	01.72	00.02	07.70	110107				
(period-end)	9.45	9.71	8.41	8.34	9.42				
Average shareholders	,,,,,	,	0.11	0.01	2.12				
equity/average total assets	9.82	9.06	8.29	9.06	9.54				
	2.02	2.00	0.27	2.00	2.27				

Tier 1 capital/risk-weighted assets	9.40	9.75	8.63	9.50	13.34
Total capital/risk-weighted assets	13.89	14.47	11.47	12.69	16.78
Credit Quality Ratios(2)					
Allowance for losses on					
loans/period-end loans	1.56%	1.48%	1.42%	1.64%	1.71%
Nonperforming loans/total loans	1.17	1.02	.57	.62	.83
Allowance for losses on					
loans/nonperforming loans	133	145	249	264	206
Nonperforming assets/loans and					
foreclosed properties	1.51	1.31	.75	.80	.97
Provision for losses on					
loans/average loans	.86	.55	.34	.36	1.04
Net charge-offs/average loans	.82	.53	.36	.47	.95

(1) Reference is made to Note 9 to Union Planters consolidated financial statements for the components of short and long-term debt.

(2) Exclusive of FHA/VA loans, which represent minimal credit risk to Union Planters, and loans held for resale.

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## MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF RESULTS OF

#### **OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION**

The following provides a narrative discussion and analysis of the major trends affecting the results of operations and financial condition of Union Planters Corporation (Union Planters or the Company). This discussion supplements Union Planters consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes, which begin on page F-44 and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the related financial tables beginning on page F-34. Throughout this discussion, certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

#### **Key Performance Highlights for 2002**

Net earnings for 2002 were \$529.0 million, or \$2.59 per diluted share, compared to \$443.6 million, or \$2.13 per diluted share, in 2001.

Net earnings for 2002 represented a return on average assets of 1.62%, a return on average common equity of 16.55% and a return on average tangible common equity of 23.22%.

The net interest margin on a fully taxable-equivalent basis was 4.43% in 2002, compared to 4.20% in 2001 and 4.11% in 2000.

Average loans for 2002 decreased 4.4% to \$23.11 billion compared to 2001, and average earning assets decreased to \$29.68 billion, a decrease of 4.9%.

Nonperforming assets as a percentage of loans and foreclosed properties increased from 1.31% at December 31, 2001 to 1.51% at December 31, 2002.

Net charge-offs as a percentage of average loans were .82% for 2002 compared to .53% for 2001. The provision for losses on loans as a percentage of average loans was .86% for 2002 compared to .55% for 2001.

Noninterest income increased 2.2% in 2002 compared to 2001.

Noninterest expense decreased \$127.2 million, or 10.3%, due in part to newly issued accounting guidance that reduced goodwill amortization by \$43.0 million.

The expense and efficiency ratios, as adjusted for amortization of goodwill, mortgage servicing rights and other intangibles, were .81% and 50.02%, respectively, for 2002 compared to 1.08% and 54.65%, respectively, for 2001.

Key capital ratios include a tier-one capital to total risk-weighted assets ratio of 9.40% and a leverage ratio of 7.47% at December 31, 2002 compared to 9.75% and 7.56%, respectively, at December 31, 2001.

#### **Union Planters Overview**

Union Planters is headquartered in Memphis, Tennessee and is the largest bank holding company headquartered in Tennessee and is among the 30 largest bank holding companies based in the United States, with \$34.14 billion in total assets at December 31, 2002. Union Planters Bank, National Association (Union Planters Bank or UPB), the principal banking subsidiary, was founded in 1869 and operates in 12 states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Tennessee and Texas. Union Planters offers a full range of commercial and consumer financial solutions through a network of 762 banking offices, 965 ATMs and the resources of specialized business units and subsidiaries. Trust services include investment management, personal trust services, employee benefit administration and proprietary mutual funds. Investment and insurance services include annuities, brokerage, life insurance, home and auto insurance, commercial property and casualty insurance, crop and hail insurance, environmental insurance and title insurance. Union Planters provides a full range of mortgage products through Union Planters banking centers and a network of mortgage production offices. Capital Factors, Inc. (Capital Factors), based in Boca Raton, Florida, provides

receivable-based commercial financing and related fee-based credit, collection and management information services. Capital Factors has regional offices in Atlanta, Georgia; Charlotte, North Carolina; Dallas, Texas; Los Angeles, California; New York, New York; and an office specializing in financing to the rental car industry in San Ramon, California. Strategic Outsourcing, Inc. (SOI), based in Charlotte, North Carolina, provides professional employment services such as payroll administration, tax reporting, compliance, workers compensation, insurance and benefits management.

#### **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information**

This discussion contains certain forward-looking statements (as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995). These statements are contained in certain sections that follow, such as Net Interest Income, Efficiency, Income Taxes, Loans, Allowance for Losses on Loans and Interest Rate Risk. Forward-looking statements are not based on historical information, but rather are related to future operations, strategies, financial results or other developments. The words anticipate, project, expect, believe, intend, estimate, should, is likely. other expressions that indicate future events and trends identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are based on management s expectations as well as certain assumptions and estimates made by, and information available to, management at the time the statements are made. Examples of factors that could cause future results to vary from current management expectations include the following: the timing and amount of interest rate movements (which can have a significant impact on a financial institution); effects of changes in general economic conditions, as well as economic conditions in markets in which Union Planters conducts business and the impact in the United States of hostilities abroad; market and monetary fluctuations and uncertainties in the financial markets; inflation; competition within and outside the financial services industry; technology; risks inherent in originating loans, including prepayment risks, fluctuations in collateral values and changes in customer profiles; loan loss experience, the rate of loan charge-offs and the level of the provision for losses on loans; and changes in enacted tax rates and accounting principles. Additionally, the policies of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Federal Reserve), and insurance and securities regulatory agencies, unanticipated regulatory and judicial proceedings, unanticipated results in pending litigation or Internal Revenue Service examinations, changes in the laws, regulations and regulatory policies applicable to Union Planters and its subsidiaries, and Union Planters success in executing its business plans and strategies and managing the risks involved in the foregoing, could cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations. Union Planters assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements that are made from time to time.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The accounting and reporting policies of Union Planters and its subsidiaries conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and general practices within the financial services industry. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates. A summary of Union Planters significant accounting policies is contained in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. Union Planters considers its more critical accounting policies to consist of the allowance for losses on loans and the estimation of fair value, which are separately discussed below.

Allowance for Losses on Loans. The allowance for losses on loans represents management s best estimate of inherent losses in the existing loan portfolio. The allowance for losses on loans is increased by the provision for losses on loans charged to expense and reduced by loans charged off, net of recoveries. The provision for losses on loans is determined based on management s assessment of several factors: reviews and evaluations of specific loans, changes in the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, current and anticipated economic conditions and the related impact on specific borrowers and industry groups, historical loan loss experience, the level of classified and nonperforming loans and the results of regulatory examinations.

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Integral to the methodology for determining the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is portfolio segmentation and impairment measurement. Under the Company s methodology, loans are first segmented into 1) those comprising large groups of smaller-balance homogeneous loans, including single-family mortgages, that are collectively evaluated for impairment and 2) all other loans that are individually evaluated. Those loans in the second category are further segmented utilizing a defined grading system which involves categorizing loans by severity of risk based on conditions that may affect the ability of borrowers to repay their debt, such as current financial information, collateral valuations, historical payment experience, credit documentation, public information and current trends. The loans subject to credit classification represent the portion of the portfolio subject to the greatest credit risk and where adjustments to the allowance for losses on loans as a result of provisions and charge-offs are most likely to have a significant impact on operations.

A periodic review of selected credits (based on loan size and type) is conducted to identify loans with heightened risk or inherent losses and to assign risk grades. The primary responsibility for this review rests with the management personnel assigned with accountability for the credit relationship. This review is supplemented with periodic reviews by Union Planters credit review function, as well as periodic examination of both selected credits and the credit review process by the applicable regulatory agencies. The information from these reviews assists management in the timely identification of problems and potential problems and provides a basis for deciding whether the credit represents a probable loss or risk that should be recognized.

Loans are considered impaired if, based on current information and events, it is probable that Union Planters will be unable to collect the scheduled payments of principal or interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. The measurement of impaired loans is generally based on the fair value of the collateral for collateral-dependent loans. If the loan is not collateral-dependent, the measurement of impairment is based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the historical effective interest rate or the observable market price of the loan. In measuring the fair value of the collateral, management uses assumptions (e.g., discount rates) and methodologies (e.g., comparison to the recent selling price of similar assets) consistent with those that would be utilized by unrelated third parties. Impairment identified through this evaluation process is a component of the allowance for loan losses. If a loan that is individually evaluated for impairment is found to have none, it is grouped together with loans having similar characteristics (e.g., the same risk grade), and an allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level approximating average charge-offs for all loans with the same risk grade for the past three years. Management also applies judgment to alter slightly the historical average charge-off rate for developing trends in the economy, in industries and other factors. For portfolio loans that are evaluated for impairment as part of homogenous pools, an allowance is maintained for these loans at a level approximating the average charge-offs for the past three years. Management to alter slightly the historical average charge-off rate for developing trends in the economy in industries and other factors.

Changes in the financial condition of individual borrowers, in economic conditions, in historical loss experience and in the conditions of the various markets in which collateral may be sold may all affect the required level of the allowance for losses on loans and the associated provision for losses on loans.

*Estimation of Fair Value.* Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States require that certain assets and liabilities be carried on the balance sheet at fair value. Furthermore, the fair value of financial instruments is required to be disclosed as a part of the notes to the consolidated financial statements for other assets and liabilities. Fair values are volatile and may be influenced by a number of factors, including market interest rates, prepayment speeds, discount rates, the shape of yield curves and the credit worthiness of counterparties. Following is a discussion of the estimation of fair value for Union Planters more significant assets and liabilities:

Available for Sale Investment Securities and Trading Account Assets. Fair values for the majority of Union Planters available for sale investment securities are based on quoted market prices. In instances where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on the quoted prices of similar instruments with adjustment for relevant distinctions (e.g., size of issue, interest rate, etc.). For trading

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account assets, fair value is estimated giving consideration to the contractual interest rates, weighted-average maturities and anticipated prepayment speeds of the underlying instruments and market interest rates. The fair values of residual interests in loans securitized or sold are estimated through the use of a model based on prepayment speeds, weighted-average life, expected credit losses and an assumed discount rate.

*Loans Held for Resale.* Union Planters mortgage banking activities include the origination of mortgage loans for resale in secondary markets. Loans held for resale are carried at fair value on an aggregate basis due to designated hedging relationships. The fair value of loans held for resale is based on anticipated liquidation values which are determined by factors including: the interest rate, size and maturity of the underlying loans and associated investor demand for those loans; anticipated cash flows generated from the loans; the timing of sales; the value of underlying collateral; and the use of a discount rate. Loans held for resale also includes the fair value of certain derivative financial instruments associated with loans held for resale and the mortgage pipeline, which are discussed below. Changes in mortgage interest rates and in market conditions could adversely impact earnings in future periods as a result of valuation adjustments required if the fair value of the portfolio of loans held for resale falls below cost. Union Planters uses derivative financial instruments, as discussed below, to hedge the fair value of its loans held for resale against changes in mortgage interest rates.

*Mortgage Servicing Rights.* Mortgage servicing rights are stratified based on guarantor, origination period and interest rate of the underlying loans. The fair value of mortgage servicing rights strata is determined by discounted cash flow analysis through the use of a model. In developing estimates of expected future cash flows, management considers the available evidence, including the timing and amount of: prepayments, market discount rates, foreclosure rates, anticipated ancillary income, earnings credit on mortgagors escrow deposits and cost to service. On a periodic basis, this evidence is compared for reasonableness with peer institutions, industry surveys and, where applicable and available, bulk and flow servicing sale transactions.

The most significant assumptions in the determination of fair value are prepayment speeds used in the valuation of each stratum and the discount rate. The model utilized by Union Planters gives consideration to the following attributes affecting the overall prepayment speeds for the underlying portfolio of loans giving rise to the mortgage servicing rights:

Base prepayment speed, which reflects turnover in different housing markets.

Aging, which reflects the time after loan origination that it takes for prepayments to reach their maximum level given constant interest rates.

Points effect, which is based upon the difference between the coupon on the mortgage and prevailing interest rates. This reflects the different characteristics on no-point and low-point loans.

Lagged interest rate effect representing the lag between interest rate changes and prepayment changes.

Burnout arising from some borrowers having a greater propensity to prepay than others. As the fast prepaying borrowers leave a pool, the remaining borrowers are likely to prepay at slower rates.

Seasonality, which is incorporated as a series of monthly adjustments, accounting for the yearly cycle of prepayments.

Home price effect, which occurs when significant home price appreciation leads to an incentive to refinance. A favorable rate environment allows the borrower to access increased equity in their home at a relatively low rate.

Adjustable Rate Mortgage (ARM) to ARM refinancing, representing the incentive to move from one ARM to a lower rate ARM.

ARM to fixed refinancing, representing the incentive to move from an ARM to a fixed-rate mortgage.

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Prepayment speeds are adversely impacted by declines in mortgage interest rates. At December 31, 2002, an immediate 50 and 100 basis point decline in mortgage interest rates would have resulted in a decline in the fair value of mortgage servicing rights of \$52.0 million and \$130.8 million, respectively.

The discount rate represents an adjustment that a potential buyer might demand to compensate for risk inherent in the collection of the future cash flows.

Other Real Estate. The fair values of other real estate are typically determined based on appraisals by independent third parties. The fair value of individual properties is determined by applying one or more of three common valuation approaches (comparable sales, cost or income/discounted cash flows) appropriate in the circumstances. Factors such as interest rates and general economic conditions affect appraised values. Consequently, increases in interest rates and adverse changes in general economic conditions could result in impairment to the value of other real estate.

Derivative Financial Instruments. The fair values of derivative financial instruments are calculated via models using interest rates. The calculated valuations are periodically confirmed with recognized derivative dealers.

Union Planters has developed risk management programs and processes designed to manage market risk associated with certain of the Company s business activities. Interest rate risk is a predominant risk that further influences a number of other business risks such as pricing risk, prepayment risk, valuation risk, balance sheet management and funding risk. As part of its risk management program, the Company utilizes derivative financial instruments to manage interest rate risks associated with its balance sheet activities. At year-end the derivative financial instrument positions were fair value hedges of loans held for resale, certain deposits and debt.

Loan production activities include the origination or acquisition of mortgage loans, the warehousing of those loans in inventory and the resale of those loans to investors in the secondary market. The Company utilizes derivative financial instruments to protect and manage interest rate risk and pricing risk associated with its loans held for resale and its mortgage pipeline. The derivative financial instruments associated with loans held for resale are accounted for as fair value hedges in accordance with applicable accounting literature. The derivative financial instruments that are designed to manage the interest rate risk associated with the mortgage pipeline are not designated as hedges and are marked-to-market through earnings. Since a derivative financial instrument cannot be accounted for as a hedge of another derivative financial instrument, the mortgage pipeline is effectively accounted for as marked-to-market. The fair value of derivative financial instruments associated with loans held for resale and the mortgage pipeline are included in loans held for resale.

All derivative financial instruments are marked-to-market and recorded on the balance sheet with changes in fair value recorded in the statement of earnings. Additionally, as long as the derivative financial instruments designated as fair value hedges continue to meet effectiveness criteria as defined by accounting literature, changes in the fair value of the hedged item are also included on the balance sheet and in the statement of earnings. At the inception of the hedging relationship and at least quarterly thereafter, Union Planters assesses each fair value hedge to determine whether it is effective. Should any fair value hedge cease to meet the effectiveness criteria, changes in the fair value of the derivative financial instrument would continue to be included in the statement of earnings. However, changes in the fair value of the hedged item would no longer be included in the statement of earnings; rather, any increase or decrease in the fair value of the hedged item previously recorded on the balance sheet would be amortized into the statement of earnings over the remaining life of the hedged item.

The fair values of derivative financial instruments are impacted by movements in market interest rates. In each of the hypothetical market interest rate changes described below, the indicated changes in the fair value of the derivative financial instruments would have been significantly offset by changes in the fair value of the hedged items. At December 31, 2002, if market interest rates had increased 50 or 100 basis points, the aggregate fair value of Union Planters derivative financial instruments would have increased by \$38.5 million and \$74.3 million, respectively, with the fair value of hedged items decreasing



\$41.7 million and \$83.7 million, respectively. If market interest rates had decreased 50 or 100 basis points, the aggregate fair value of Union Planters derivative financial instruments would have decreased by \$46.7 million and \$90.0 million, respectively, with the fair value of hedged items increasing \$34.9 million and \$69.9 million, respectively.

*Goodwill*. Business combinations involving Union Planters acquisition of the equity interests or net assets of another enterprise or the assumption of net liabilities in an acquisition of branches constituting a business may give rise to goodwill. Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquired entity over the net of the amounts assigned to assets acquired and liabilities assumed in transactions accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. The value of goodwill is ultimately derived from Union Planters ability to generate net earnings after the acquisition. A decline in net earnings could be indicative of a decline in the fair value of goodwill and result in impairment. For that reason, goodwill is assessed for impairment at a reporting unit level at least annually using the present value of discounted cash flows. The calculation of cash flows for each reporting unit begins with an estimation for several trend scenarios in net earnings, taking into account anticipated effective tax rates, over the next 10 years, including historical, forecasted, high performance, low performance and worst-case trends. A terminal value, based on a five-year average historical earnings multiple, is added to each scenario at the end of 10 years to determine total cash flows. A discount factor, approximating the cost of capital, is then applied to each cash flow scenario to determine the present value. The present value of each scenario is then weighted based on the probability of occurrence as assessed by management. The resulting weighted average present value is compared to the recorded equity of each reporting unit. As long as the weighted average present value is greater, there is no impairment to goodwill. In the annual assessment for 2002, there was no impairment to goodwill for any reporting unit.

While Union Planters believes all assumptions utilized in its assessment of goodwill for impairment are reasonable and appropriate, changes in earnings, the effective tax rate, historical earnings multiples and the cost of capital could all cause different results for the calculation of the present value of future cash flows. The most sensitive of these assumptions is future earnings. Based on the 2002 assessment for impairment, a 30% decline in the amount of earnings for each reporting unit under the forecasted, high performance, low performance and worst-case trends would result in weighted average present values in excess of the recorded equity for each reporting unit and no impairment to goodwill.

The Company s management has discussed the development and selection of these critical accounting policies with the Directors Audit Committee, and the Directors Audit Committee has reviewed the Company s disclosure relating to them in this Management s Discussion and Analysis.

### **Business Combinations**

In 2002, Union Planters did not complete any business combinations. The table below presents the two business combinations completed over the last three years. Table 1 and Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements present additional information regarding business combinations.

Management s philosophy has been to provide additional diversification of the revenue sources and earnings of Union Planters through the acquisition of well-managed financial institutions. This strategy generally targets in-market institutions, institutions in contiguous markets and institutions having significant local market share. Business combinations are sought that provide the opportunity to enhance Union Planters existing product lines and to introduce new products and services. This strategy is also designed

to enhance Union Planters delivery system, to lower overall distribution costs, and to leverage existing banking and operational capabilities.

### **Business Combinations Completed Since January 1, 2000**

Institution Acquired	Date	State	Assets	Consideration	Accounting Method
				(Dollars in millions)	
Strategic Outsourcing, Inc.	4/00	North Carolina	\$ 20	\$45.9 in cash	Purchase
Jefferson Savings Bancorp, Inc.	2/01	Missouri	1,605	6.6 million shares of common stock	Purchase(1)
Total assets of acquired institutions			\$1,625		
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(1) Shares subsequently repurchased. See Capital and Dividends discussion on page F-29 for more information. CONSOLIDATED EARNINGS ANALYSIS

### **Net Earnings**

Net earnings for 2002 were a record \$529.0 million, or \$2.59 per diluted common share, an increase of 19.3% over the \$443.6 million, or \$2.13 per diluted share, reported for 2001. Net earnings for 2000 were \$409.3 million, or \$2.00 per diluted share. Net earnings for 2002 represented a return on average assets of 1.62%, a return on average common equity of 16.55% and a return on average tangible common equity of 23.22%, compared to 1.30%, 14.34% and 20.83%, respectively for 2001.

#### Net Interest Income

Net interest income is comprised of interest income and loan-related fees less interest expense. Net interest income is affected by a number of factors including the level, pricing, mix and maturity of earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities; interest rate fluctuations; and asset quality. For purposes of this discussion, net interest income is presented on a fully-taxable equivalent basis (FTE), which adjusts tax-exempt income to an amount that would yield the same after-tax income had the income been subject to taxation at the federal statutory income tax rate (currently 35% for Union Planters). Reference is made to Tables 2 and 3, which present Union Planters average balance sheet and volume/rate analysis for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2002.

Fully taxable-equivalent net interest income for 2002 was \$1.32 billion, a slight increase from \$1.31 billion in 2001 and from \$1.27 billion in 2000.

The net interest margin for 2002 was 4.43%, which compares to 4.20% and 4.11%, respectively, for 2001 and 2000. The net interest rate spread was 3.96% for 2002, an increase from 3.53% for 2001 and 3.41% for 2000.

Changes in net interest income and net interest margin since 2000 are the result of repositioning the balance sheet, which was largely completed during the first quarter of 2002. Reference is made to Union Planters average balance sheet, analysis of volume and rate changes, and Market Risk and Asset/Liability Management section, which follow this discussion, for additional information regarding the changes in net interest income and balance sheet repositioning initiatives.

*Management Initiatives.* Over the course of the year in 2002, management has established initiatives to reposition the balance sheet to make the most effective use of assets, liabilities and capital. In this effort, Union Planters has grown transaction and savings accounts, which consist of demand deposit accounts, unlimited transaction interest-bearing accounts and limited transaction savings accounts; refinanced long-term debt; focused on pricing of customer relationships; and enhanced management of interest rate risk. The reduction in the average rate paid for interest-bearing liabilities is attributable to these management initiatives and the lower interest rate environment. Reference is made to the Market Risk and Asset/Liability Management section for a discussion of the impact of changing interest rates.

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Focused management initiatives and a favorable interest rate environment also drove net interest margin performance in 2001. The key business drivers supporting growth in net interest income and improved net interest margin included:

Growth in full-year-average core deposits of \$.73 billion

Sale or reduction of low return assets, including investment securities and selected loan products totaling \$1.10 billion

Increased focus on customer and product pricing strategies

Sale of under-performing branches with higher rate deposit balances totaling \$1.00 billion

This improvement was accomplished while reducing the level of earnings risk to changes in market interest rates. Reference is made to the Market Risk and Asset/Liability Management discussion for more details on interest rate risk management activities.

*Impact of Market Interest Rates.* Throughout 2001, the Federal Reserve Bank steadily decreased the Federal Funds rate by a total of 475 basis points to 1.75% in an effort to stimulate economic growth. This decline in interest rates brought about increased prepayments on both loans and investment securities. In addition, the interest rates on variable rate loans were reset to the lower market interest rates. These factors combined to cause a reduction in interest income, which was more than offset by the decline in interest expense. This expense reduction resulted from repayment of higher-cost deposits and borrowing sources and reduced funding requirements that were an outgrowth of the management initiatives discussed elsewhere in this section.

In 2002, the Federal Reserve continued to decrease the Federal Funds rate from 1.75% at the end of 2001 to 1.25% at the end of 2002. This declining rate environment contributed to the decline in interest income. This decline was again more than offset by a decline in interest expense and resulted in modest growth in net interest income.

Interest Income. The following table presents a breakdown of average earning assets:

	Years	Years Ended December 31,			
	2002	2001	2000		
Average earning assets (in billions)	\$29.68	\$31.20	\$30.81		
Comprised of:					
Loans	78%	77%	74%		
Investment securities	16	18	24		
Loans held for resale	5	4	1		
Other earning assets	1	1	1		
Fully taxable-equivalent yield on average earning assets	6.50	7.72	8.32		

Taxable-equivalent interest income decreased 19.9% in 2002 to \$1.93 billion. The decrease was attributable primarily to the decline in the average yield on earning assets, which fell from 7.72% in 2001 to 6.50% in 2002 and reduced interest income \$337.2 million. The decline in yield is attributable primarily to the decline in market interest rates. The decrease in interest income was further affected by the decline in earning assets, principally loans and investment securities, which decreased interest income \$141.6 million. The yield on loans was 6.63% in 2002, compared to 8.03% in 2001. The yield on investment securities was 6.36% in 2002 and 6.73% in 2001. The lower yield on loans was the primary factor driving the decrease in the earning assets yield. In 2002, average loans decreased 4.4%, driven primarily by management s decision to allow certain single-family real estate loan portfolios, consumer loan portfolios and foreign loan portfolios to liquidate. The total of these, which decreased average loans by \$1.89 billion, or 7.8%, was partially offset by increases in the commercial real estate loans and home equity loans. The increases in these categories totaled \$787.7 million or 3.3%. Management anticipates modest loan growth during 2003. This is a forward-looking statement, and actual results could differ because of several factors, including those identified in the discussion of Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-

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Looking Information. Average investment securities continued to decrease in 2002 as a result of increasing prepayments in the lower interest rate environment and strategies designed to manage interest rate risk. In the fourth quarter, management began to increase the amount of the investment securities portfolio in order to maintain a targeted interest rate risk profile. Reference is made to the Market Risk and Asset/Liability Management discussion for more details on interest-rate risk management activities.

Average loans increased 5.9% in 2001. The key product drivers of the 2001 growth were real estate construction, commercial real estate and commercial financial and agricultural, the average of which increased 12.1% from December 31, 2000 to \$12.08 billion at December 31, 2001. These increases were somewhat offset by a decline in average consumer loans of 9.3% to \$2.55 billion at December 31, 2001. Average loans held for resale more than doubled to \$1.17 billion, net of loan securitizations and sales totaling \$1.94 billion. Loan demand slowed during the fourth quarter of 2001 due to the slowing economy. Average investment securities continued to decrease in 2001 as a result of management s strategy of reducing the proportion of investment securities to total earning assets as loan growth occurs. Reference is made to the Noninterest Income, Loan and Investments discussions for additional information regarding the changes in loans and investment securities.

In 2001, taxable-equivalent interest income was \$2.41 billion, a decrease of 6.0% compared to 2000. The decrease was attributable primarily to the decline in the average yield on earning assets, which fell from 8.32% in 2000 to 7.72% in 2001 and reduced interest income \$170.6 million. This decrease was somewhat offset by the growth of earning assets, principally loans, which increased interest income \$16.0 million. The lower yield on loans was the primary factor driving the decrease in the earning assets yield.

Interest Expense. The following table presents a breakdown of average interest-bearing liabilities:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
Average interest-bearing liabilities (in billions) Comprised of:	\$24.21	\$26.22	\$26.41
Deposits	78%	74%	73%
Short-term borrowings	11	16	22
FHLB advances, short- and medium-term bank notes, and other			
long-term debt	11	10	5
Rate paid on average interest-bearing liabilities	2.54	4.19	4.91

Interest expense was favorably impacted by management initiatives to reduce the wholesale funding requirements of the Company through a managed reduction in assets and through deposit growth strategies that emphasize the acquisition of low cost transaction and savings deposits. See the Management Initiatives discussion within this section. Creation of a suite of retail deposit products with competitive product features and pricing were the key drivers of the growth in transaction and savings deposits. Interest expense decreased \$484.4 million, or 44.1%, in 2002 compared to 2001. The decrease was attributable to the average rate paid for interest-bearing liabilities, which decreased from 4.19% in 2001 to 2.54% in 2002. This accounted for \$410.9 million of the decrease in interest expense and was due primarily to the falling interest-rate environment discussed previously. Additionally, interest expense declined \$73.5 million due to a \$2.01 billion decrease in average interest-bearing liabilities. Average interest-bearing liabilities were impacted by a \$1.70 billion decline in short-term borrowings, primarily short-term FHLB advances, a \$236 million decrease in long-term FHLB advances, a \$300 million increase of medium-term senior notes and a \$434 million decrease in interest-bearing deposits. A lower time deposit balance resulted partially from customer preferences for money market products over time deposits, which is an industry-wide trend. Reference is made to the discussion on Deposits for additional information on interest-bearing deposits.

In 2001, interest expense decreased \$198.4 million to \$1.10 billion. The decrease was attributable to the average rate paid for interest-bearing liabilities, which decreased from 4.91% in 2000 to 4.19% in 2001. This accounted for \$124.8 million of the decrease in interest expense and was due primarily to the falling interest-rate environment discussed previously. Additionally, interest expense decreased \$73.7 million due to a \$188.1 million decrease in interest-bearing liabilities. Average interest-bearing liabilities were impacted

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by a \$1.70 billion decline in short-term borrowings, primarily short-term FHLB advances, a \$1.33 billion increase in long-term debt including long-term FHLB advances, \$500 million in subordinated debentures, and a \$127 million increase in interest-bearing deposits.

#### **Provision for Losses on Loans**

The provision for losses on loans (the provision) is the charge to earnings that management determines to be necessary to maintain the adequacy of the allowance for losses on loans. In 2002, the provision was \$197.9 million, or ..86% of average loans, net of FHA/VA loans. This compares to a provision of \$132.0 million, or ..55% of average loans in 2001, and \$77.1 million, or ..34% of average loans in 2000.

The higher provision in 2002 compared to 2001 and 2000 is attributable to the growth in nonperforming loans and higher net charge-offs largely caused by the downturn in the economy. Reference is made to the Allowance for Losses on Loans and Nonperforming Assets discussions for additional information regarding loan charge-offs, the ratio of allowance for losses on loans to nonperforming loans and other items impacting the provision.

#### **Noninterest Income**

Noninterest income in 2002 was \$786.5 million, an increase of \$16.8 million from \$769.7 million in 2001 and compared to \$559.4 million in 2000. The major components of noninterest income are presented on the statement of earnings and in Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements. A discussion of the major components of noninterest income follows.

*Service Charges on Deposit Accounts.* Service charges on deposit accounts are fees received for services related to retail and commercial deposit products. These fees are the largest component of noninterest income. Service charges increased 6.4% in 2002 to \$232.2 million. This compares to \$218.3 million and \$182.0 million in 2001 and 2000, respectively. The increase in 2002 over 2001 is primarily attributable to the implementation of UPExcel pricing initiatives and increased volume of insufficient funds fees assessed. The increase in 2001 over 2000 was attributable to a more consistent administration of competitive pricing and collections on account relationships across the entire franchise. The growth of these fees is dependent on the level of deposits, the volume of customer transactions and competitive conditions in local markets.

*Mortgage Banking Revenues.* Mortgage banking revenues are comprised of mortgage servicing income, mortgage origination fees, gains or losses on the sale of mortgage loans, gains on the sale of mortgage servicing rights, changes in the fair values of derivatives on mortgage loans and other miscellaneous fees related to mortgage origination and servicing activities. Mortgage banking revenues increased 32.3% in 2002 to \$243.4 million. This compares to \$183.9 million in 2001 and \$117.9 million in 2000.

The low interest rate environment that characterized virtually all of 2001 increased mortgage loan production and mortgage refinancing activity over 2000 levels. The increased mortgage production in 2001 contributed to an 8.3% increase in mortgage servicing income to \$63.5 million, a 127.8% increase in origination and other miscellaneous mortgage fees to \$47.1 million, and a 334.0% increase in gain on sale of residential mortgages and capitalization of mortgage servicing rights to \$51.4 million. Mortgage interest rates fell even lower throughout 2002 resulting in further record production volume and an associated 9.0% increase in mortgage servicing income to \$69.2 million, a 15.6% increase in origination and other miscellaneous mortgage fees to \$54.4 million, and an 86.0% increase in gain on sale of residential mortgages and capitalization of mortgage fees to \$54.4 million, and an 86.0% increase in gain on sale of residential mortgages and capitalization of solve \$55.5 million.

Single-family mortgage loans originated were \$12.6 billion in 2002, compared to \$10.9 billion and \$4.8 billion in 2001 and 2000, respectively. In 2002, 2001 and 2000, \$11.8 billion, \$9.5 billion and \$2.8 billion of mortgage loan originations, respectively, were sold in the secondary market, and the balance was retained in Union Planters portfolio.

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At December 31, 2002, Union Planters single-family mortgage loan portfolio serviced for others totaled \$20.0 billion, or 247,700 loans, compared to \$16.2 billion and 241,700 loans, respectively, at December 31, 2001 and compared to \$13.7 billion and 237,000 loans, respectively at December 31, 2000.

*Merchant Services Income.* Merchant services income was primarily Union Planters merchant processing revenues. Income was earned by the conversion to cash of payments received by merchants from customers using credit cards, debit cards, purchase cards and private label credit cards. Merchant servicing income was \$12.0 million in 2002, compared to \$65.5 million in 2001 and \$37.0 million in 2000. The decline in 2002 is attributable to the sale of substantially all of the portfolio in the fourth quarter of 2001. The increase in 2001 over 2000 is attributable to a gain of \$23.4 million on the aforementioned sale of the portfolio, a \$3.1 million increase in merchant discounts and a \$2.0 million increase in other fees. As a result of the sale discussed above, Union Planters had minimal merchant servicing income after the third quarter of 2002 which resulted from a marketing and sales agreement with a third party.

*Factoring Commissions and Fees.* Commissions and fees earned from factoring activities were \$41.5 million in 2002, an increase from \$38.1 million in 2001 and compared to \$38.3 million in 2000. Factoring volume was \$3.99 billion in 2002, compared to \$3.70 billion and \$3.81 billion in 2001 and 2000, respectively. Factoring fees as a percentage of factored sales purchased have increased from .82% in 2000 and 2001 to .85% in 2002, due primarily to additional fees charged on accounts receivable purchased from debtors in possession.

*Professional Employment Organization, Net Revenues.* Net revenues (fees charged clients for services net of the direct costs to provide employees and services) were \$28.3 million in 2002, compared with \$21.9 million in 2001 and \$13.8 million in 2000. The net revenues resulted from fees of \$918.8 million, \$802.6 million and \$369.1 million in 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and direct costs of \$890.5 million, \$780.7 million and \$355.3 million, respectively. The increase in net revenues in 2002 over 2001 is primarily attributable to an increase in the pricing structure for these services as well as a \$4.3 million charge in 2001 related to additional workers compensation cost. The increase in 2001 over 2000 is primarily attributable to reporting a full year of operations in 2001, compared to approximately nine months in 2000, the year SOI was acquired.

*Bankcard Fees.* Bankcard fees for the usage of debit/ATM cards relate to the volume of debit, point-of-sale and ATM transactions and noncustomer usage of Union Planters ATMs. Union Planters had 965 ATMs at December 31, 2002, compared to 964 at December 31, 2001 and 1,065 at December 31, 2000. Union Planters ATMs by state are outlined on page F-20. These fees were \$38.8 million in 2002, an increase of 26.2% over the 2001 total of \$30.8 million, which represented an increase of 7.5% compared to 2000. The increases are due to the more consistent administration of pricing for bankcard products and services implemented in the fourth quarter of 2001, as well as an increase in transaction volume since the second quarter of 2001.

*Trust Service Income.* Trust service income represents fees from the administration of estates, personal trusts and employee benefit plans and investment advisory services. It also included stock transfer services, which were provided for a limited number of companies until Union Planters exited the stock transfer business in the fourth quarter of 2001. Trust service income in 2002 was \$28.1 million, a slight increase from \$28.0 million in 2001 and compared to \$26.4 million in 2000. At December 31, 2002, total assets under administration were \$8.3 billion, compared to \$9.8 billion and \$10.3 billion at December 31, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Of the assets under administration, managed assets were \$3.5 billion at December 31, 2002, compared to \$4.5 billion and \$5.3 billion at December 31, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The increased revenues in 2002 and 2001 on a lower base of assets under administration is due to more consistent administration of pricing for trust services. The decline in assets under administration is due to the combined effect of a decline in the number of trust accounts and the performance of the trust assets, which has been similar to that of the equities markets.

*Investment Securities Gains.* Investment securities transactions are an integral part of balance sheet and interest rate risk management activities and result in gains or losses being realized from the sale of

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securities. Securities gains were \$23.0 million in 2002, compared to \$9.6 million in 2001 and \$.4 million in 2000.

*Investment and Insurance Services.* Investment and insurance services income includes annuity sales income, insurance commissions and brokerage fee income, which are generated by Union Planters Financial Services Group. Revenues from these sources were \$54.9 million in 2002, compared to \$50.9 million in 2001 and \$47.7 million in 2000. Union Planters distributes these products primarily through the retail branch network, where there are currently over 1,800 licensed annuity and insurance agents. Brokerage fee income is generated through a centrally located discount brokerage operation. In addition, full-service registered representatives handle sales of investment products, primarily in the metropolitan markets served by Union Planters.

Annuity sales income is generated from commissions resulting from the sale of fixed-rate annuities. Income from annuity sales commissions was \$20.4 million in 2002, an increase from \$18.3 million in 2001 and compared to \$12.0 million in 2000. The increase in 2002 was attributable to the falling interest rate environment and stock market volatility that characterized 2002. The increase in 2001 was attributable to continued emphasis on identifying financial solutions for customers and developing relationship-management skills, as well as the falling interest rate environment and stock market volatility.

Insurance commission income is generated from the sale of debt protection products, mortgage, property and casualty, title and other bank-eligible insurance products. In 2002, insurance commissions were \$18.1 million, compared to \$16.3 million in 2001 and \$17.8 million in 2000. Union Planters owns a captive credit life underwriter that allows the Company to participate in underwriting gains. The increase in 2002 is primarily attributable to a \$1.4 million increase in title insurance commissions, a \$1.5 million increase in term life commissions and a \$.6 million increase in mortgage insurance commissions, offset by a \$.8 million decrease in property and casualty commissions. The decrease in 2001 was due to a \$.6 million decrease in property and casualty commissions and a \$.5 million decrease in mortgage insurance commissions, partially offset by a \$.5 million increase in title insurance commissions.

Brokerage fee income is generated through full-service and discount brokerage operations. Brokerage fee income in 2002 was \$15.6 million, a 2.2% decrease from the \$16.0 million in 2001. In 2000, these fees were \$17.9 million. The declines in 2002 and 2001 resulted from lower levels of trading in equity securities tied to market declines and volatility. This operation currently has approximately 375 licensed Series 6 and Series 7 platform agents as well as dedicated full service representatives.

Other Income. Significant changes in other components of noninterest income include:

Profits and commissions from trading activities relate to Union Planters SBA (Small Business Administration) trading operation, which buys, sells and securitizes government-guaranteed SBA pools and government-guaranteed portions of SBA loans. Profits and commissions from this operation were \$5.5 million in 2002, a decrease of \$2.6 million from 2001. In 2001, SBA trading profits and commissions were \$8.1 million, an increase of \$2.2 million from \$5.9 million in 2000. The fluctuations from year-to-year are directly attributable to the unusual level of volatility in the fixed income markets, uncertainty in the financial markets and the changing interest rate environment.

Union Planters has a limited partnership investment of \$11.5 million in VSIBG, a registered broker-dealer whose principal business is the purchase and sale of fixed income securities to institutional clients. This investment is accounted for under the equity method. Earnings from this investment decreased slightly to \$5.7 million in 2002, compared to \$5.9 million in 2001 and \$.6 million in 2000. The higher earnings in 2002 and 2001 over 2000 are due primarily to better performance in the bond markets compared to the equity markets over the past two years.

As part of a branch optimization project, Union Planters has sold or closed approximately 120 underperforming branches since the fourth quarter of 2000. The sales resulted in gains of \$5.4 million, \$44.8 million and \$2.8 million in 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The substantial

majority of the sales occurred in 2001, and correspondingly, the 2001 gain was much larger than the previous or succeeding year.

Union Planters had a \$3.2 million investment in a third-party Internet delivery company that developed Union Planters Internet delivery system, which was written off in 2001. In 2000, the accounting for this investment was changed from the equity method to the cost method, due to a decline in Union Planters ownership percentage and a reduction of Union Planters representation on the board of directors.

In 2000, Union Planters recognized a net gain of \$4.8 million related to the reversion of excess assets of a terminated pension plan of an acquired entity. There were no corresponding amounts in 2001 or 2002.

### Noninterest Expense

Noninterest expense decreased 10.3% in 2002 to \$1.11 billion, compared to \$1.24 billion and \$1.10 billion in 2001 and 2000, respectively. The components of noninterest expense are presented on the statement of earnings and in Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements. A discussion of the major components of noninterest expense follows.

*Salaries and Employee Benefits.* These expenses represent the largest category of noninterest expense and totaled \$536.8 million in 2002, a slight decrease from \$537.1 million in 2001 and an increase from \$508.4 million in 2000. The 2002 amount includes \$5.9 million, primarily severance, incurred in connection with the UPExcel project, which is discussed below, and excludes \$2.9 million capitalized for internally-developed software. The 2001 amount includes \$7.2 million, primarily severance, incurred in connection with the UPExcel project. The 2000 amount includes \$11.5 million of charges related to the settlement of executive contractual obligations and death benefits. Excluding these amounts salaries and employee benefits were \$530.9 million in 2002, \$529.9 million in 2001 and \$497.0 million in 2000. The increase in 2002 over 2001 is attributable to increases in salaries, incentive compensation and commissions paid to brokers in connection with record mortgage loan production during 2002. These increases were substantially offset by savings resulting from a reduction in the number of personnel. The 2001 increase is attributable to a 2001 purchase acquisition, salary increases, incentive compensation and severance pay, partially offset by savings resulting from a reduction in the number of personnel. At December 31, 2002, Union Planters had 10,836 full-time equivalent employees compared to 11,797 and 12,444, respectively, at December 31, 2001 and 2000.

*Net Occupancy and Equipment Expense.* Net occupancy expense was \$102.0 million in 2002, \$104.4 million in 2001 and \$93.1 million in 2000. Equipment expense was \$84.2 million for 2002, \$89.4 million for 2001 and \$84.7 million for 2000. The 2002 and 2001 amounts for net occupancy include \$.1 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, in expenses incurred in connection with the UPExcel project. Similarly, the 2002 and 2001 amounts for equipment expense include \$.8 million for 2002, a decrease of 1.4% from the \$103.3 million for 2001 and equipment expense was \$83.4 million in 2002, a decrease of 5.8% from the \$88.5 million for 2001. The decrease in 2002 from 2001 is attributable to better control over spending, renegotiated contracts with vendors, as well as a decrease in the number of banking locations. The growth in 2001 was driven by acquisitions and by investments in technology hardware and software and was slightly offset by the impact of branch sales during the year.

*Goodwill and Other Intangibles Amortization.* In 2002, goodwill and other intangibles amortization decreased \$43.7 million to \$21.9 million. This compares to \$65.6 million in 2001 and \$64.1 million in 2000. The decrease in 2002 over 2001 is attributable to the issuance of new accounting guidance requiring that amortization of most goodwill, including that associated with purchases of branches which constituted a business, be discontinued. The impact was an increase of \$.19 in diluted earnings per share in 2002. The pro-forma impact on diluted earnings per share for 2001 and 2000 would have been an increase of \$.19 and \$.17, respectively. The increase in 2001 over 2000 is related primarily to the acquisition of Jefferson

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Heritage and a full year of amortization in 2001 of the goodwill arising from the acquisition of SOI in 2000.

*Mortgage Intangibles Expense.* In 2002, mortgage intangibles expense, comprised of amortization expense as well as impairment in the carrying value as measured against fair value, was \$34.5 million compared to \$57.6 million in 2001 and \$19.9 million in 2000. The lower interest rate environment during 2002 and 2001 gave rise to record mortgage loan production in both years and additional mortgage servicing rights of \$156.6 million and \$94.7 million, respectively. This interest rate environment also resulted in increased prepayments and payoffs for both years, which accelerated the amortization of mortgage servicing rights and resulted in an impairment charge of \$21.8 million in 2001. As more fully discussed below, Union Planters changed to a new prepayment speed model during the third quarter of 2002. As a result of this change, a net recovery of previously recorded impairment of \$2.8 million was recognized during 2002.

Union Planters accounts for its mortgage servicing rights at the lower of cost or fair value; fair value is determined by discounted cash flow analysis. In accordance with relevant accounting literature, management considers all available evidence in developing estimates of the fair value of mortgage servicing rights, including the timing and amount of: expected future cash flows, market discount rates, prepayment speeds, foreclosure rates, anticipated ancillary income, earnings credit on mortgagors escrow deposits and cost to service. On a periodic basis, this evidence is compared for reasonableness with peer institutions, industry surveys and, where applicable and available, bulk and flow servicing sale transactions.

Management continually reassesses its processes and procedures across the Company. As a result of planned enhancements to its asset/liability risk measurement and management processes, in the third quarter of 2002, the Company began utilizing a new prepayment speed model for the valuation of all mortgage-related assets within the Company, including mortgage servicing rights. The Company chose this new model as it believes it results in a closer alignment of estimated prepayment speeds to actual experience and is a model already accepted in the banking industry. Furthermore, the Company believes the new model is more responsive to the underlying characteristics of its serviced mortgage loans.

As of June 30, 2002, the mortgage servicing rights for two strata of loans had impairment of \$11.9 million as measured using the Company s former prepayment speed model. As of that same date, utilizing the new model, the mortgage servicing rights for the same stratum of loans had an estimated fair value of \$42.1 million more than the value at which they had been recorded (unrealized appreciation). The impact of the change to the new modeling tool was a recovery in impairment during the third quarter of 2002 of the \$11.9 million previously recorded through June 30, 2002.

*UPExcel Project Expense.* During the first quarter of 2001, Union Planters began a strategic initiative, UPExcel, to drive significant new business growth and to better control costs. The UPExcel program was a comprehensive grass roots self-improvement project that, over an 18-month period ending December 31, 2002, was designed to enhance client service, identify opportunities for new revenue generation and expense savings, and result in more efficient and more profitable operations. At the end of the second quarter of 2001, the project was entering the final planning phase, after which implementation of the various initiatives was begun. Some of the changes resulting from the project were in place at December 31, 2001, including a new management structure and enhanced customer service through

certain delivery channels. Included in noninterest expense for 2002 and 2001 are \$15.8 million and \$30.9 million, respectively, of costs related to this project, which break down as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2002	2001
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Consulting fees	\$ 3,550	\$12,478
Salaries and employee benefits	5,876	7,173
Personnel related costs	681	1,443
Write-off of various assets sold or otherwise disposed of due to		
obsolescence and replaced with new processes and systems	4,169	7,897
Occupancy and equipment expense	938	1,904
Taxes other than income	600	
Total UPExcel expenses	\$15,814	\$30,895

Other Noninterest Expenses. Significant changes in other noninterest expenses in 2002 from 2001 include the following:

Credit-related expenses, including the costs of collection efforts as well as appraisal fees, costs of credit reports, recording fees and other expenses associated with the origination of loan products, increased \$17.3 million in 2002 to \$42.8 million. This compares to \$25.5 million in 2001 and \$8.7 million in 2000. The increase in credit-related expenses in both years is attributable to collection efforts resulting from the increases in delinquent loans and to increases in loan production, primarily mortgage loans.

Communications expense decreased \$5.8 million to \$29.5 million in 2002 compared to \$35.3 million in 2001 and \$37.1 million in 2000. The decrease in 2002 is due to a reduction in the number of long-distance carrier providers for voice and data as well as more favorable rates negotiated with the remaining carriers. The decrease in 2001 compared to 2000 is attributable to certain costs for the expansion of operations and the technology to support operations in twelve states that were incurred in 2000.

Postage and carrier expense decreased \$4.0 million in 2002 to \$26.6 million from \$30.6 million in 2001 and \$29.2 million in 2000. The decrease in 2002 is due to more favorable terms negotiated with carrier services, as well as branch sales occurring since the third quarter of 2001.

Stationary and supplies decreased \$3.4 million to \$19.7 million in 2002 compared to \$23.1 million in 2001 and \$26.2 million in 2000. The decrease in 2002 is due to improved procurement processes, favorable pricing negotiated with a primary approved vendor for these items and a reduction in the number of employees. The decrease in 2001 compared to 2000 is due to the sale of branches and the initial impact of certain UPExcel initiatives.

Merchant services expense declined to \$.3 million in 2002 from \$26.9 million in 2001 and compared to \$26.0 million in 2000 due to the sale of this nonstrategic business in the fourth quarter of 2001.

Legal fees increased \$7.2 million in 2002 to \$18.9 million compared to \$11.7 million in 2001 and \$12.3 million in 2000. The increase in 2002 is primarily due to a \$4.3 million increase in litigation reserves related to revisions in the range of probable losses of several cases in which the Company is a defendant, none of which are expected to have a material impact on the Company. The majority of the remaining increase relates to the cost of legal proceedings in a number of credit-related and other matters.

Other real estate expense increased \$3.7 million to \$11.1 million in 2002 compared to \$7.4 million in 2001 and \$6.3 million in 2000. The increase in 2002 is due to an increase in the number of foreclosed properties.

Miscellaneous charge-offs decreased \$19.4 million in 2002 to \$15.3 million, down from \$34.7 million in 2001 and \$18.0 million in 2000. The 2001 amount includes approximately \$7.7 million included in UPExcel expenses discussed above. The decrease in 2002 is primarily due to \$7.0 million in write-offs of software, equity investments and other items in 2001. These same write-offs account for the increase in 2001 compared to 2000.

### Efficiency

Productivity in the banking industry is commonly measured by the efficiency ratio, which measures the amount of expense dollars utilized to generate a dollar of revenue. Union Planters calculates this ratio by dividing noninterest expense less the amortization of goodwill, mortgage servicing rights and other intangibles, by the sum of fully taxable-equivalent net interest income and noninterest income. For 2002, the efficiency ratio was 50.02% compared to 54.65% for 2001. The 2002 improvement is attributable to the broad impact of UPExcel cost control initiatives and improved productivity. Consolidation and renegotiation of vendor contracts and improved controls over consumption reduced communications, equipment, postage and carrier, stationery and supplies, and other costs. Further, the branch optimization project reduced occupancy and other operating expenses. Management believes the ongoing impact of UPExcel initiatives will result in the growth of top line revenue while maintaining control over the growth of noninterest expense, which should continue to improve the efficiency ratio. This is a forward-looking statement, and actual results could differ because of several factors, including those identified in the discussion of Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information.

#### **Income Taxes**

Income taxes consist of provisions for federal and state income taxes totaling \$237.9 million in 2002, or an effective rate of 31.02%. This compares to applicable income taxes of \$231.9 million in 2001 and \$201.3 million in 2000, or effective tax rates of 34.33% and 32.97%, respectively. The variances from federal statutory rates (35%) are primarily attributable to the level of tax-exempt income from investment securities and loans, asset restructuring related to capital raising and state tax planning, and the effect of state income taxes. The decrease in the effective rate in 2002, as compared to 2001, is due to the change in the mix of taxable and nontaxable revenues and the change in accounting treatment for goodwill. Additionally, other tax strategies were initiated that are designed to enhance the Company sability to raise Tier I capital and have the added benefit of reducing both federal and state tax expense. The Company anticipates that its 2003 annualized effective tax rate will approximate or be slightly below that for 2002. This is a forward-looking statement, and actual results could differ because of several factors, including those identified in the discussion of Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information. The increase in the effective tax rate in 2001, as compared to 2000, was attributable to changes in the mix of taxable and nontaxable revenues, primarily tax-exempt income from investment securities.

In the second quarter of 2002, Union Planters finalized a routine examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The examination covered calendar years 1996 through 1998 and resulted in no material changes to the returns as filed.

At December 31, 2002, Union Planters had a net deferred tax asset of \$14.3 million, which is included in other assets. This compares to a net deferred asset of \$67.4 million at December 31, 2001. A significant portion of the decrease is attributable to the increase during 2002 in the deferred tax liability related to mortgage servicing rights. Management believes that the deferred tax asset will be fully realized, and, therefore, no valuation allowance has been provided. For additional information regarding Union Planters effective tax rates for all periods, and the components of the net deferred tax asset, see Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **BUSINESS SEGMENT REVIEW**

Union Planters is managed along both traditional and nontraditional banking lines. During 2002, Union Planters enhanced the way operating results are reported to and reviewed by management, including

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the allocation of certain expenses. As a result, Union Planters now has two reportable business segments, banking and mortgage banking. All business segment information for 2001 and 2000 has been restated on a basis consistent with that for 2002. For the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, banking accounted for 78%, 80% and 84%, respectively, of total revenues (the sum of net interest income and noninterest income), while mortgage banking accounted for 15%, 11% and 7%, respectively. For those same years, banking accounted for 85%, 98% and 98%, respectively, of earnings before taxes, while mortgage banking accounted for 15%, 4% and 2%, respectively.

Reference is made to Note 18 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding Union Planters lines of business reporting. The following table summarizes earnings before income taxes for banking, mortgage banking, the other operating units as a group and the parent company for the past three years:

	Earnin	Earnings (Loss) Before Taxes		
	2002	2001	2000	
	(I	(Dollars in millions)		
Banking operations	\$649.0	\$659.9	\$596.2	
Mortgage banking	116.1	23.7	11.7	
Other operating units	50.7	41.9	21.8	
Parent company(1)	(48.9)	(50.1)	(19.1)	
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Consolidated earnings before income taxes	\$766.9	\$675.4	\$610.6	

### (1) Net of the elimination of intercompany earnings and dividends.

*Banking.* The banking segment consists of traditional deposit taking and lending functions, including consumer, commercial and corporate lending, as well as the origination of mortgage loans both to be retained in the loan portfolio and to be sold into the secondary market; retail banking; on-line banking; and trade-finance activities. Listed below for the banking segment are the approximate percentages of total loans and deposits and the number of banking offices and ATMs by state as of December 31, 2002.

Ba	Percentage of Banking Operations		Number of	
Loans	Deposits	Banking Offices	ATMs	
2%	1%	19	22	
3	3	34	35	
20	17	72	79	
5	5	86	107	
9	8	72	84	
3	2	24	26	
5	5	29	30	
4	3	23	22	
11	11	116	119	
15	17	81	85	
21	26	191	337	
2	2	15	19	
100%	100%	762	965	

Earnings before income taxes were \$649.0 million in 2002 compared to \$659.9 million in 2001 and \$596.2 million in 2000.

Net interest income has been relatively flat over the past three years amounting to \$1.18 billion in 2002 compared to \$1.17 billion in 2001 and \$1.16 billion in 2000. Both 2002 and 2001 were years in which decreasing interest rates prevailed. This along with the runoff or sale of certain nonstrategic earning assets and underperforming branches resulted in decreased interest income on a fully tax-equivalent basis. The decrease in interest income has been accompanied by a decrease in interest expense, which resulted from

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the declining interest rate environment and several management initiatives, including a shift in the funding mix. Reference is made to the Management Initiatives discussion on page F-10 for additional information.

The provision for losses on loans was \$157.7 million in 2002, compared to \$92.6 million in 2001 and \$54.8 million in 2000. The increases in the provision are attributable to the growth in nonperforming loans and higher net charge-offs largely caused by the downturn in the economy.

Noninterest income was \$434.2 million in 2002, compared to \$471.1 million in 2001 and \$333.1 million in 2000. The decrease in 2002 compared to 2001 resulted principally from \$53.5 million less in merchant services income as a result of the sale of this nonstrategic portfolio in the fourth quarter of 2001 and \$39.4 million less in gains on branch sales as a result of substantially fewer branch sales in 2002 than in 2001. These decreases were significantly offset by a \$25.9 million increase in service charges on deposit accounts and other fees; a \$13.4 million increase in gains on sales of securities; and an \$8.1 million increase in bankcard fees. The increase in 2001 over 2000 resulted principally from a \$23.4 million

gain on the sale of the merchant services portfolio; a \$42.0 million increase in gains on branch sales; a \$38.8 million increase in service charges on deposit accounts and other fees; a \$9.2 million increase in gains on sales of securities; and a \$2.2 million increase in bankcard fees.

Noninterest expense was \$803.4 million in 2002 compared to \$886.1 million in 2001 and \$845.2 million in 2000. The decrease in 2002 compared to 2001 is attributable to a decrease of \$40.0 million in goodwill amortization as the result of new accounting guidance requiring that amortization of most goodwill, including that associated with branch purchases constituting a business, be discontinued; \$53.5 million less in merchant services expenses as a result of the sale of substantially all of the portfolio in the fourth quarter of 2001; and a \$12.3 million decrease in consulting fees principally related to the costs associated with the branch optimization and UPExcel projects in 2001. Noninterest expense was also reduced by the impact of numerous UPExcel cost reduction measures. These decreases were slightly offset by several smaller increases, including credit-related expenses. The increase in 2001 over 2000 is primarily attributable to \$12.5 million in UPExcel consulting fees and several write-offs arising from the UPExcel initiative aggregating \$7.9 million. These increases were offset by an \$11.5 million reduction in settlement of executive contractual obligations and several other smaller items.

*Mortgage Banking.* The mortgage banking segment of Union Planters includes the origination, sale and servicing of both fixed- and adjustable-rate single-family first mortgage loans. Union Planters has 28 mortgage production offices located in Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Texas and Washington. The types of loans originated include the following:

Loans that meet the standard underwriting policies and purchase limits established by the government agencies Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (conforming conventional loans)

Loans in amounts greater than Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac purchase limits (jumbo loans)

Loans insured or guaranteed under FHA and VA programs

Loans exclusively for sale to specific investors that conform to the requirements of such investors

Affordable housing loans in UPB s marketplaces

Loans that are considered portfolio product and retained by UPB as an asset

Mortgage loans in the mortgage banking segment are principally originated for sale into the secondary market, with the servicing rights typically retained. Certain originated loans are also retained in a portfolio of mortgage loans. Conforming conventional loans are mortgages eligible for secondary market purchase by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, Ginnie Mae or mortgage conduits. The government agency maximum loan limit is revised annually according to year-to-year changes in average purchase prices of conventionally financed single-family homes. When these loans are sold into the secondary market, they are typically pooled and exchanged for securities issued by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, which are sold to investment banking firms. Jumbo loans are conventional mortgages exceeding the maximum amount a government

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agency will purchase from a mortgage originator, and substantially all production of these loans is sold to private investors. FHA-insured and VA-guaranteed loans produced for sale in the secondary market are pooled to form Ginnie Mae mortgage-backed securities, which are sold to investment banking firms. Loans originated through the wholesale offices are purchased through approximately 3,000 approved mortgage brokers. A formal approval and monitoring process is in place to select all brokers, assess their performance and evaluate the credit quality of loans they originate. Mortgage brokers demonstrating unacceptable performance or insufficient loan activity are removed from UPB s program.

Union Planters ranks among the 30 largest residential mortgage loan servicers in the United States. The servicing portfolio includes Fannie Mae, Ginnie Mae, Freddie Mac and private investors loans, as well as loans owned by Union Planters.

Earnings before income taxes were \$116.1 million in 2002, compared to \$23.7 million in 2001 and \$11.7 million in 2000.

Net interest income was \$116.1 million in 2002, compared to \$91.6 million in 2001 and \$32.6 million in 2000. The average balances in loans held for resale were \$1.49 billion, \$1.17 billion and \$.37 billion in 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The increases in 2002 and 2001 in net interest income are primarily attributable to these higher average balances.

The provision for losses on loans was \$25.4 million in 2002, compared to \$28.0 million in 2001 and \$6.3 million in 2000. The increases in the provision are attributable to the growth in nonperforming loans, largely brokered home equity product, and higher net charge-offs largely caused by the downturn in the economy.

Noninterest income was \$184.1 million in 2002, compared to \$140.3 million in 2001 and \$99.9 million in 2000. The increases in 2002 and 2001 are attributable to the record mortgage loan production in the declining interest-rate environment characterizing both years. The record production gave rise to increases in mortgage servicing income, origination and other miscellaneous fees, and gains on sales of residential mortgages and capitalization of mortgage servicing rights.

Noninterest expense was \$158.7 million in 2002, compared to \$180.2 million in 2001 and \$114.4 million in 2000. The decrease in 2002 compared to 2001 is primarily attributable to a decrease of \$23.0 million in mortgage intangibles expense, which includes the amortization and impairment of mortgage servicing rights. Noninterest expense was also reduced by the impact of numerous UPExcel cost reduction measures. These decreases were significantly offset by an increase in variable expenses associated with production, including commissions and other expenses. The increase in 2001 compared to 2000 is primarily attributable to a \$37.7 million increase in mortgage intangibles expense as well as significant increases in credit-related expenses.

*Other Nonreportable Segments.* A wholly-owned subsidiary, Capital Factors, provides receivable-based commercial financing and related fee-based credit, collection and management information services to small-and medium-sized companies. Capital Factors purchases accounts receivable from its clients pursuant to factoring agreements, earning commissions and other fees in return for the services rendered to clients, including the outsourcing of accounts receivable management.

SOI, a wholly-owned subsidiary, was acquired in April 2000. SOI is one of the largest providers of professional employment services in the United States, which include workers compensation, employee benefit, payroll administration, safety and risk management services, human resource administration and compliance administration. Clients, which are typically small- or medium-sized businesses, are provided cost-effective approaches to critical human resources responsibilities and employer risks. These services complement other services offered to small- and medium-sized businesses by Union Planters.

In addition to Capital Factors and SOI discussed above, the following other nontraditional banking lines are managed on a separate basis:

*Financial Services* includes investment management, personal trust services, employee benefit administration, proprietary mutual funds, sales of bank-eligible insurance and investment products,

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including annuities, debt protection products and mortgage insurance products sold through Union Planters Bank s extensive platform distribution sales force, and full-service and discount brokerage services

*SBA Loan Trading* purchasing, packaging and securitizing the government-guaranteed portions of Small Business Administration (SBA) loans

## FINANCIAL CONDITION ANALYSIS

During 2002, Union Planters completed an initiative to improve the efficiency of the balance sheet. As a part of this repositioning, Union Planters sold selected investment securities, reduced low-return loan portfolios, sold branches with higher-rate deposits, targeted demand deposit growth and refinanced long-term debt. As a result, the percentage of average earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities increased from 119% in 2001 to 123% in 2002. At December 31, 2002, Union Planters reported total assets of \$34.14 billion and total liabilities of \$30.92 billion, increases of 2.9% and 3.2%, respectively, from December 31, 2001. Table 2 presents information on average balances for the three years ended December 31, 2002.

#### **Earning Assets**

Earning assets are composed of loans, loans held for resale, investment securities, trading account assets, federal funds sold, securities purchased under resale agreements and interest-bearing deposits at financial institutions. The net interest income from these assets accounted for 62% of Union Planters revenue stream in both 2002 and 2001. At December 31, 2002, earning assets totaled \$31.15 billion, compared to \$30.14 billion at year-end 2001. Average earning assets were \$29.68 billion in 2002, compared to \$31.20 billion in 2001. During 2002, the mix of earning assets shifted slightly as loans held for resale, home equity loans and investment securities all increased while single-family mortgages, commercial, financial and agricultural loans and consumer loans decreased.

#### Loans Held for Resale

These loans primarily represent mortgages to be sold in the secondary market and totaled \$2.40 billion at December 31, 2002, an increase from \$1.86 billion at December 31, 2001. Average loans held for resale totaled \$1.49 billion in 2002 and \$1.17 billion in 2001. The increase is attributable to the increased production in mortgage loans consistent with the lower interest rate environment prevailing throughout 2002.

#### **Investment Securities**

As part of its asset/liability management strategy, Union Planters classifies all of its investment securities as available for sale securities, which are carried on the balance sheet at fair value. This strategy gives management flexibility to actively manage the investment portfolio as market conditions and funding requirements change. The investment securities portfolio was \$5.47 billion at December 31, 2002, compared to \$4.78 billion at December 31, 2001. Average investment securities were \$4.63 billion and \$5.50 billion, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001.

At December 31, 2002, the investment portfolio had a net unrealized gain of \$106.2 million, which compares to a net unrealized gain of \$86.4 million at year-end 2001. The change is the result of market interest rates, which continued to decline in 2002. Management does not expect any losses to result from any unrealized losses in the portfolio, as maturities of securities and other funding sources should meet Union Planters liquidity needs. Any losses taken will result from strategic or discretionary decisions to adjust the investment portfolio. Reference is made to Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, which provides the composition of the investment portfolio for the last two years, along with a breakdown of the maturities and weighted average yields of the portfolio at December 31, 2002.

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U.S. Treasury and U.S. Government agency obligations represented a combined 59.4% of the investment securities portfolio at December 31, 2002, 66.4% of which are collateralized mortgage obligations (CMO) and mortgage-backed security issues. At December 31, 2001, 52.5% of the investment portfolio was U.S. Treasury and U.S. Government agency obligations, of which 83.5% were CMOs and mortgage-backed securities. Union Planters has some credit risk in the investment securities portfolio; however, management does not consider that risk to be significant and does not believe that cash flows will be significantly impacted. Reference is made to the Net Interest Income and Market Risk and Asset/Liability Management discussions for information regarding the market risk in the investment securities portfolio.

The limited credit risk in the investment securities portfolio at December 31, 2002 consisted of 18.9% of investment grade CMOs, of which 91% are rated A or greater; 13.7% municipal obligations, of which 91% are rated A or greater; and 8.0% other stocks and securities, greater than 91% of which are represented by Federal Reserve Bank and Federal Home Loan Bank stock.

#### Loans

Loans, net of unearned interest, are the largest classification within the earning assets of Union Planters and represented 78% of average earning assets in both 2002 and 2001. Loans, net of unearned income at December 31, 2002 totaled \$22.77 billion, compared to \$23.16 billion at year-end 2001. Average loans, net of unearned income, were \$23.11 billion in 2002, a decrease of \$1.07 billion, or 4.4%, from \$24.19 billion in 2001. Table 5 presents a five-year summary of the composition of the loan portfolio.

The various categories of loans are subject to varying levels of risk. Geographic diversification of the portfolio is one way management mitigates this risk. Union Planters loan portfolio is primarily spread over the 12 states in which it has banking locations and other geographic areas serviced by these locations. Reference is made to the table on page F-20, which presents the percentage of Union Planters loans by state for the banking operations. Single-family residential loan products (one-to-four family residential mortgages, FHA/VA government-insured/guaranteed loans and home equity lines of credit), which historically have low loan loss experience comprised 26% of the loan portfolio. Union Planters has a limited amount of foreign exposure, which comprises less than 1% of the loan portfolio. The foreign loans are primarily U.S. dollar trade finance loans to correspondent banks in Central and South America. There are no significant loans to foreign governments.

Union Planters loan portfolio is also diversified by the relative size of loans in the portfolio. The largest outstanding loan relationship, excluding accounts receivable factoring, at December 31, 2002 was \$41.3 million. The top 50 loan relationships totaled \$1.05 billion, or an average of \$20.9 million. Union Planters has an overall internal limit for loan relationships of \$50.0 million, subject to exception on a case-by-case basis. Lower sublimits have also been established for various risk classifications, subject to exception on a case-by-case basis.

*Single-Family Residential Loans.* Single-family residential loans, including FHA/VA government-insured/guaranteed loans, totaled \$4.47 billion at December 31, 2002, representing a 16% decrease compared to the \$5.30 billion total at December 31, 2001. These loans represented 20% of the loan portfolio at December 31, 2002. The decrease in single-family residential loans held in Union Planters portfolio is related to the combined impact of loans packaged and sold to unrelated third parties, repayments of loans in low earning portfolios management has chosen to liquidate and increased volume of loans paid off or refinanced in the current low interest rate environment.

*Commercial and Foreign Loans and Direct Leases.* Commercial, financial and agricultural loans, foreign loans and direct lease financing, totaled \$5.51 billion, or 24% of the portfolio, at December 31, 2002. This represents a 2% decrease compared to the December 31, 2001 balance of \$5.65 billion. Most of the loans in this category are made to small- and middle-market customers and are generally secured by receivables, inventory, equipment and other collateral.

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*Other Mortgage Loans.* This segment of the portfolio totaled \$6.36 billion, or 28% of the loan portfolio at December 31, 2002. This compares to \$6.13 billion at December 31, 2001. At December 31, 2002, loans for nonfarm nonresidential properties (commercial real estate) totaled \$5.03 billion, or 79% of this category, which compares to \$4.82 billion, or 79% at year-end 2001. Loans secured by multifamily residential properties and loans secured by farmland comprised 13% and 8%, respectively, of this category of the portfolio at December 31, 2002, which compares to 14% and 7%, respectively, at year-end 2001.

*Real Estate Construction Loans.* These loans totaled \$2.26 billion at December 31, 2002, or 10% of the loan portfolio, which compares to \$2.19 billion at December 31, 2001, or 9% of the loan portfolio. At year-end 2002, 26% of these loans were single-family construction loans, 40% were commercial construction loans and 34% were land development loans. These percentages were 37%, 36% and 27%, respectively, at year-end 2001.

*Consumer Loans.* This segment of the loan portfolio totaled \$1.99 billion at December 31, 2002, or 9% of the portfolio. This compares to consumer loans of \$2.34 billion, or 10% of the loan portfolio, at year-end 2001. Automobile loans comprise 55% of these loans, with the balance being loans to individual consumers for a variety of uses.

*Home Equity Loans.* These loans totaled \$1.54 billion at December 31, 2002, an increase of 64% compared to \$935.8 million at December 31, 2001. These loans are typically revolving, open-ended single-family residential loans that are made to consumers for various purposes.

Accounts Receivable Factoring. This category of the loan portfolio totaled \$666.7 million at December 31, 2002, a 4% increase from the December 31, 2001 total of \$640.3 million. Factoring includes asset-based loans, which are collateralized primarily by receivables owned by the borrowers, and accounts receivable purchased from clients pursuant to factoring agreements. Union Planters has purchased receivables from multiple factoring clients that are due from one customer that the factoring clients have in common, a multi-national retailer of consumer goods. The aggregate exposure to that customer was \$65 million at December 31, 2002. This exposure has been approved as an exception to the internal lending limit of \$50 million.

*Loan Outlook.* Consumer loan demand, especially for real estate-secured loans such as home equity lines of credit, was strong in 2002. Commercial loan demand picked up slightly in some markets but remained relatively weak as existing borrowers had lower borrowing requirements and new loan demand was limited due to low levels of economic activity. Increased commercial loan demand is expected once the economy begins to recover. Whether the high level of consumer loan demand is sustained in 2003 is subject to the level of interest rates and consumer sentiment about the economy and spending. This is a forward-looking statement, and actual results could differ because of several factors, including those identified in the discussion of Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information.

#### Allowance for Losses on Loans

The allowance for losses on loans (Allowance) at December 31, 2002 was \$350.9 million compared to \$341.9 million at December 31, 2001. Tables 6 and 7 provide detailed information regarding the Allowance for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2002. Union Planters loan portfolio has no significant concentration in terms of industry, geography, product type or size of individual borrowing relationship. While the timing of actual charge-off of loans for which reserves have been established is uncertain, management believes that all inherent loan losses have been adequately provided for in the allowance for loan losses. This is a forward-looking statement, and actual results could differ because of

several factors, including those identified in this discussion and in the discussion of Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information. Selected Allowance ratios are as follows:

	December 31,	
	2002	2001
Allowance to total loans, excluding FHA/VA loans	1.56%	1.48%
Allowance to nonperforming assets, excluding FHA/VA loans	102.53	113.20
Allowance to nonperforming loans, excluding FHA/VA loans	133.37	145.33

The Allowance is reviewed quarterly to assess the risk in the portfolio. This methodology includes assigning loss factors to loans with similar characteristics for which inherent probable loss can be assessed. The loss factors are based on historical experience as adjusted for current business and economic conditions and are applied to the respective portfolios to assist in determining the overall adequacy of the Allowance.

A periodic review of selected credits (based on loan size and type) is conducted to identify loans with heightened risk or inherent losses. The primary responsibility for this review rests with the management personnel assigned with accountability for the credit relationship. This review is supplemented with periodic reviews by Union Planters credit review function, as well as periodic examination of both selected credits and the credit review process by the applicable regulatory agencies. These reviews provide information, which assists management in the timely identification of problems and potential problems and provides a basis for deciding whether the credit represents a probable loss or risk that should be recognized.

The allowance for losses on loans as a percentage of nonperforming loans, excluding FHA/VA loans, was 133% at December 31, 2002, compared to 145% at December 31, 2001 and 249% at December 31, 2000. The decline in this percentage is attributable to the increase in nonperforming commercial, financial, agricultural, foreign and direct lease financing nonaccrual loans. During the fourth quarter of 2002, nonperforming loans decreased \$36.1 million, which represented the first significant decrease since mid-2000. Over the next 12 months, management expects that the level of nonperforming loans will continue to gradually improve assuming the economy begins to recover. This expectation does not necessarily mean that nonperforming loans are expected to decrease from each quarter to the next. These are forward-looking statements, and actual results could differ because of several factors, including those identified in this discussion and in the discussion of Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information.

Net charge-offs increased \$61.2 million in 2002 to \$188.9 million, which compares to \$127.7 million in 2001 and \$81.9 million in 2000. As a percentage of average loans, net charge-offs were .82% in 2002, ...53% in 2001 and .36% in 2000. The increase in net charge-offs is related to the continued weak economy. Management believes that net charge-offs peaked in the fourth quarter of 2002 but does not expect a significant decrease in the level of net charge-offs until late 2003, assuming the economy begins to recover. This is a forward-looking statement, and actual results could differ because of several factors, including those identified in this discussion and in the discussion of Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information.

### **Nonperforming Assets**

Nonperforming assets consist of nonaccrual loans, restructured loans and foreclosed properties, net of specific valuation allowances. Table 8 presents nonperforming assets in two categories, FHA/VA loans and all other loans. For this discussion and for the credit quality information presented herein, FHA/VA loans are reported separately because of their minimal exposure to principal loss.

Total nonperforming assets were \$342.3 million at December 31, 2002 an increase of 13% over \$302.1 million at December 31, 2001, bringing nonperforming assets to 1.0% of total assets at the end of 2002 compared to .91% at the end of 2001. As indicated above, the increase is primarily related to commercial, financial, agricultural, foreign and direct lease financing nonaccrual loans.

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*Nonperforming Loans Other than FHA/VA Loans.* Nonperforming loans (nonaccrual loans and restructured loans) increased \$27.8 million in 2002 to \$263.1 million, or 1.17% of loans, at December 31, 2002. This compares to \$235.3 million, or 1.02% of loans, at December 31, 2001.

Union Planters nonaccrual loans are primarily smaller, secured loans. At December 31, 2002, there were 14 nonaccrual loan relationships over \$3 million. The largest of these relationships totaled \$16.7 million and represents receivables from multiple factoring clients, all of whom have factored receivables from a common customer that is currently in bankruptcy proceedings. A specific reserve has been established for management s estimate of probable losses arising from this relationship. At December 31, 2001, eight loan relationships greater than \$3 million were considered nonaccrual, the largest of which was \$24.5 million. The average loan size of the nonaccrual loans at December 31, 2002 was \$134,000.

Loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest, which are not included in nonperforming assets, were \$195.3 million at December 31, 2002, or ...87% of loans. This compares to \$173.1 million, or .75% of loans at December 31, 2001. Consistent with industry practice, single-family residential mortgage loans are placed on nonaccrual status if the loan is not in the process of collection or is not well-secured.

A breakdown of nonaccrual loans and loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest, both excluding FHA/VA loans, follows:

	December 31,			
	Loans Pa Nonaccrual Loans 90 Days of			
Loan Type	2002	2001	2002	2001
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Commercial, financial, agricultural, foreign				
and direct lease financing	\$108,640	\$ 81,936	\$ 24,498	\$ 21,678
Real estate construction	36,960	21,046	2,395	7,981
Real estate mortgage:				
Secured by single-family residential	37,594	45,710	147,062	120,584
Secured by nonfarm, nonresidential	61,249	59,752	8,215	9,508
Multi-family	9,962	18,008	4,254	3,459
Secured by farmland	4,025	4,264	1,565	556
Home equity	2,940	1,659	3,333	3,644
Other consumer	1,239	2,030	4,025	5,682
Total	\$262,609	\$234,405	\$195,347	\$173,092

*FHA/VA Loans.* FHA/VA loans do not, in management s opinion, have traditional credit risk similar to the rest of the loan portfolio. Risk of principal loss is considered minimal due to the government guarantee. FHA/VA loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest totaled \$62.8 million at December 31, 2002, compared to \$47.6 million at December 31, 2001. The increase in the loans past due relates to the weak economy. At December 31, 2002 and 2001, \$1.5 million and \$1.9 million, respectively, of FHA/VA loans were placed on nonaccrual status by management because the contractual payment of interest by FHA/VA had stopped due to missed filing dates; however, no loss of principal is expected from these loans.

*Potential Problem Assets.* Potential problem assets consist of assets that are generally secured and are not currently considered nonperforming. They include those assets where information about possible credit problems has raised serious doubts as to the ability of the borrowers to comply with present repayment terms. Historically, such assets have been loans, which have typically become nonperforming. At December 31, 2002, Union Planters had potential problem assets (all loans) aggregating \$42.8 million, comprised of eight loans, the largest of which was \$21.0 million. This compares to potential problem assets

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(all loans) at December 31, 2001 aggregating \$75.3 million, comprised of 16 loans, the largest of which was \$19.8 million.

#### **Other Earning Assets**

Other earning assets increased \$173.9 million from December 31, 2001 to \$504.6 million at December 31, 2002 and include interest-bearing deposits at financial institutions, federal funds sold, securities purchased under agreements to resell and trading account assets. These assets averaged \$442.0 million in 2002 compared to \$336.8 million in 2001, less than 2% of earning assets in both periods. Trading account assets, the largest category, are comprised of government-guaranteed SBA pools and the government-guaranteed portion of SBA loans. Management considers these assets to have minimal credit risk given the government guarantee and minimal interest rate risk since most of the portfolio is comprised of variable rate assets. Trading account assets fluctuate depending on market conditions and demand. The other categories fluctuate depending on funding needs and investment opportunities.

#### Deposits

Union Planters deposit base is its primary source of liquidity and consists of deposits from the communities served in Union Planters twelve-state market area. Deposits were \$23.33 billion at December 31, 2002 and averaged \$23.39 billion for the year. This compares to period-end deposits of \$23.43 billion and average deposits of \$23.47 billion in 2001. The mix of deposits shifted slightly as time deposits declined and money market and checking account deposits increased. Tables 2 and 4 present the components of Union Planters average deposits. Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements presents the maturities of interest-bearing deposits at December 31, 2002.

The composition of average deposits over the last two years was as follows:

	Decem	ember 31,	
Type of Deposit	2002	2001	
Noninterest-bearing deposits	19%	18%	
Interest-bearing checking	14	13	
Money market deposits	24	20	
Savings deposits	6	6	
Other time deposits	30	35	
Certificates of deposit of \$100,000 and over	7	8	

### Borrowings

Total borrowings at December 31, 2002 were \$6.43 billion compared to \$5.81 billion at December 31, 2001 and were comprised of:

	Decem	December 31,		
Type of Borrowings	2002	2001		
		ars in ions)		
Short-term debt:				
Federal funds purchased	\$ 898.7	\$1,266.8		
Securities sold under agreement to repurchase	1,394.9	1,408.1		
Short-term Federal Home Loan Bank advances		400.0		
Overnight borrowings	1,341.6			
Other short-term debt	2.4	1.8		
Total sort-term debt	3,637.6	3,076.7		
Medium-term senior notes	600.0			
Long-term debt:				
Long-term Federal Home Loan Bank advances	960.0	1,461.2		
Subordinated notes	975.0	974.0		
Trust Preferred Securities	210.3	199.1		
Asset-backed securities	41.7	100.0		
Other long-term debt	.7	2.4		
Total long-term debt	2,187.7	2,736.7		
Total outstanding debt	\$6,425.3	\$5,813.4		

Short-term borrowings averaged \$2.54 billion in 2002, compared to \$4.24 billion in 2001. Average long-term debt in 2002 was \$2.43 billion, compared to \$2.61 billion in 2001. Outstanding borrowings shifted from long-term debt to short-term debt as the Company replaced higher cost FHLB advances with lower cost overnight borrowings. During the year, Union Planters issued \$600.0 million in medium-term notes; the average balance for the year was \$341.1 million compared to an average outstanding of \$41.9 million during 2001. Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements provides additional information regarding Union Planters borrowings.

#### **Capital and Dividends**

At December 31, 2002, Union Planters shareholders equity was \$3.23 billion, increasing \$2.6 million from December 31, 2001. Shareholders equity to total assets ratio was 9.45% and 9.71%, respectively.

The change in shareholders equity is attributable to retained net earnings (net earnings less common and preferred dividends paid) of \$258.6 million, a net increase in the unrealized gain/loss on available for sale securities of \$12.6 million and shares issued resulting from options exercised totaling \$24.2 million. These increases were mostly offset by shares purchased under Union Planters share repurchase plan and the repurchase of shares issued in connection with the acquisition of Jefferson Heritage, the total of which reduced shareholders equity \$292.8 million.

The Board of Directors authorized the repurchase from time to time of up to 25.7 million shares. During 2002, 5.0 million shares were repurchased, bringing the total repurchased under this authorization to 9.0 million. The Board of Directors also authorized the repurchase of 6.6 million shares issued in the Jefferson Heritage acquisition. During 2002, 3.0 million shares were repurchased under this authorization, which completed the acquisition of the shares issued.

During the second quarter of 2002, the Board of Directors declared a three-for-two stock split, in the form of a 50% stock dividend, on the shares of Union Planters common stock. The additional shares were distributed on June 6, 2002 to shareholders of record at the close of business on May 22, 2002. As a result of the stock split, 67.6 million shares were issued, and cash in the amount of \$.3 million was paid in lieu of fractional shares. All share and per share information has been adjusted for the impact of the split.

Union Planters declared cash dividends on its common stock of \$1.334 per share in 2002 and \$1.333 per share in 2001. In January 2003, a regular quarterly dividend of \$.3334 per share (\$1.334 per share



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annualized) was declared. Union Planters also declared and paid cash dividends of \$2.00 per share on its 8% Series E Convertible Preferred Stock in both 2002 and 2001. Management s goal is to maintain the common dividend amount at current levels.

The primary sources for payment of dividends by Union Planters to its shareholders and the share repurchase plan are dividends received from its lead bank, UPB, dividends from other subsidiaries, interest on loans to subsidiaries and interest on its available for sale investment securities. Payment of dividends by UPB and other banking subsidiaries are subject to various statutory limitations that are described in Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements. Reference is made to the Liquidity discussion for additional information regarding the parent company s liquidity.

Union Planters and its subsidiaries must comply with capital guidelines established by the banking regulatory agencies that supervise their operations. These agencies have adopted a system to monitor the capital adequacy of all insured financial institutions. The system includes ratios based on the risk weighting of on- and off-balance-sheet transactions. At December 31, 2002, Union Planters Tier 1 and Total risk-weighted capital ratios were 9.40% and 13.89%, respectively. These ratios compare to 9.75% and 14.47%, respectively, at December 31, 2001. The leverage ratio (Tier 1 capital divided by unweighted average quarterly total assets) was 7.47% at December 31, 2002, compared to 7.56% at December 31, 2001. Union Planters has consistently maintained regulatory capital ratios above the well capitalized standard.

Table 11, the statement of changes in shareholders equity and Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements present further information regarding Union Planters capital adequacy and changes in shareholders equity.

#### Market Risk and Asset/Liability Management

Union Planters assets and liabilities are principally financial in nature, and the resulting earnings, primarily net interest income, are subject to change as a result of fluctuations in market interest rates and the mix of the various assets and liabilities. Interest rates in the financial markets affect pricing decisions on assets and liabilities, and the resulting net interest income represents approximately 62% of Union Planters revenues for the year ended December 31, 2002. Consequently, a substantial part of Union Planters risk-management activities are devoted to managing interest rate risk. Currently, Union Planters does not have significant risks related to foreign exchange, commodities or equity risk.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Since one of the most important aspects of management s efforts to sustain long-term profitability for Union Planters is the management of interest rate risk, management s goal is to optimize net interest income within acceptable levels of interest rate and liquidity risk. To achieve this goal, a proper balance must be maintained between assets and liabilities with respect to size, maturity, repricing date, rate of return and degree of risk. Reference is made to the Investment Securities, Loans and Other Earning Assets discussions for additional information regarding the risks related to these items.

Union Planters Asset/Liability Management Committee (the ALCO Committee) oversees the management of interest rate risk, investments, capital and liquidity management activities. The ALCO Committee meets monthly and reviews the outlook for the economy and interest rates, Union Planters balance sheet structure, yields on earning assets and rates on interest-bearing liabilities, and the impact of anticipated business activities on these items. The primary method of analyzing and managing interest rate risk at Union Planters is simulation analysis (projecting net interest income under various interest rate and balance sheet assumptions).

Interest rate risk is evaluated by conducting balance sheet simulations to project net interest income for twelve months forward under various interest rate scenarios. Each of these scenarios is compared with a base case scenario wherein current market rates and current period balances are held constant for the simulation period.

The scenarios include immediate shocks to current rates of 200 basis points up, 100 basis points down and a most likely scenario in which current rates are moved according to management s expectations of changes in rates.

The results of these simulations are compared to policy guidelines approved by the ALCO Committee, which limit the change in net interest income to 20% of net earnings when compared with the base case (flat) scenario. Management targets a neutral interest rate risk profile.

The impact of changes in interest rates on net earnings, stated in terms of annual dollar amount and percentage of net earnings, are as follows:

	Decembe 2002	,	Decemb 200	,
		(Dollars i	n millions)	
Immediate 200 basis point rise in rates	\$ 32.6	6.2%	\$(12.4)	(2.8)%
Immediate 100 basis point decline in rates	(17.9)	(3.4)	(3.4)	(1.0)
Most likely change in rates(1)	1.6	.3	(0.9)	(1.0)

(1) The most likely change scenario at December 31, 2002 was that the federal funds rate will remain at 1.25% through August 2003 and then increase to 1.50% through December 2003. At December 31, 2001, the scenario reflects a 175 basis point increase in federal funds rate over the last 8 months of simulation.

The key assumptions used in simulation analysis include the following:

Prepayment rates on mortgage-related assets and fixed rate loans

Cash flows and repricings of all financial instruments

Changes in volumes and pricing

Future shapes of the yield curve

Relationship of market interest rates to each other (basis risk)

Credit spread

Deposit sensitivity

Management s financial plan

The assumptions are inherently uncertain, and, as a result, the simulation cannot precisely estimate net interest income nor predict the impact of higher or lower interest rates on net interest income. Actual results may differ from simulated results due to the timing, magnitude and frequency of interest rate changes, the difference between actual experience and the characteristics assumed, as well as changes in market conditions and management strategies.

The Rate Sensitivity Analysis, Table 9, illustrates the cash flows and repricings under a stable rate environment that are fundamental to the simulations used by management to manage the interest rate risk position of the Company:

*Liquidity.* Union Planters manages liquidity to assure its ability to meet current and future financial obligations in a timely manner. Union Planters primary sources of liquidity are its deposit base, borrowings and the ability to issue securities and debt instruments in the financial markets, as well as liquidation of available for sale securities and other interest-bearing investments.

At January 1, 2003, the parent company could have received dividends from subsidiaries of \$245.3 million without prior regulatory approval. The payment of dividends by Union Planters subsidiaries will be dependent on their future earnings and capital and liquidity considerations. Management believes that the parent company has adequate liquidity to meet its cash needs, including the payment of its regular dividends and servicing of its debt. During 2003, the parent company has long-term debt in the amount of \$74.5 million maturing.

Another source of liquidity is Union Planters ability to sell mortgage loans through whole loan sales to unaffiliated third parties and through securitization transactions utilizing qualifying special purpose



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entities as defined by applicable accounting literature. These transactions provide another source of liquidity. The structure of each securitization transaction has been evaluated and found to qualify for sale treatment resulting in the removal of the loans from Union Planters balance sheet. In each case, the qualification for sale treatment is based on criteria established by accounting literature, which requires each transaction to:

Isolate the sold assets from Union Planters in such a way that they are beyond the reach of Union Planters and its creditors, even in bankruptcy or other receivership.

Not prohibit each transferee from pledging or exchanging the loans received.

Not allow Union Planters to maintain effective control over the transferred assets through either 1) an agreement that both entitles and obligates Union Planters to repurchase or redeem the loans before their maturity or 2) the ability to unilaterally cause the holder to return specific loans, other than through a cleanup call.

In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, the qualifying special purpose entities utilized in the securitization of mortgage loans are not consolidated.

Union Planters also utilizes other special purpose entities in the securitization of factored receivables. These securitization transactions do not meet the sale criteria outlined above and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles are accounted for as collateralized borrowings. This accounting results in the consolidation of the special purpose entities and the inclusion on the balance sheet of both the factored receivables and the borrowing, represented by variable-rate asset backed certificates.

Union Planters has no transactions with special purpose entities other than in the securitization transactions described above.

*Off-Balance-Sheet Arrangements.* Consistent with practices in the banking industry and in the normal course of business, Union Planters becomes a party to various types of financial instruments to meet the financing needs of its customers. These instruments include commitments to extend credit to customers and standby, commercial and similar letters of credit. At December 31, 2002, Union Planters had outstanding commitments to extend credit, both conditionally and unconditionally cancelable, totaling \$5.86 billion and conditional letters of credit totaling \$613.8 million. Since many of the commitments to extend credit expire without being drawn upon, the commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. Reference is made to Note 16 to the consolidated financial statements where financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk are more fully discussed.

Union Planters securitizes mortgage loans through special purpose entities as described previously in the discussion on Liquidity.

Union Planters has no off-balance-sheet arrangements that, in management s view, will have a material effect on its liquidity or availability of or requirements for capital other than those discussed above.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The disclosures regarding the fair value of financial instruments are included in Note 17 to the consolidated financial statements along with a summary of the methods and assumptions used by management in determining fair value. The differences between the fair values and book values were primarily caused by differences between contractual and market interest rates at the respective year-ends. Fluctuations in the fair values will occur from period to period, due to changes in the composition of the balance sheet and changes in market interest rates.

#### **Effects of Inflation**

Since the majority of assets and liabilities of a financial institution are monetary in nature, a financial institution differs greatly from most commercial and industrial companies, which have significant investments in fixed assets and inventories. However, inflation does have an important impact on growth of

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total assets in the banking industry and the resulting need to increase equity capital at higher costs in order to maintain an appropriate shareholders equity to total assets ratio. Inflation also affects other expenses that tend to rise during periods of general inflation. Inflation levels also impact the level of interest rates and the shape of the yield curve, which can materially impact net interest income. This risk is managed through the risk rate management process described in the Interest Rate Risk section.

Management believes the most significant protection from the impact of inflation on financial results is Union Planters ability to react to changes in interest rates. Management attempts to maximize net interest income within acceptable levels of interest rate risk and liquidity.

#### **Fourth Quarter Results**

Net earnings for the fourth quarter of 2002 were \$136.5 million, or \$.68 per diluted share, an increase of 24% over the \$.55 per diluted share for the same period in 2001.

Fully taxable-equivalent net interest income for the fourth quarter of 2002 was \$331.7 million, up 1% from the fourth quarter of 2001. The increase in net interest income is attributable to specific initiatives aimed at strengthening the balance sheet while reducing interest rate risk. These initiatives have increased the net interest margin through lower funding costs due to a more favorable deposit mix and a focus on pricing at the relationship level. Reference is made to the Net Interest Income discussion.

The provision for losses on loans for the fourth quarter of 2002 was \$60.0 million, or 1.04% of average loans, compared to \$35.8 million, or .61% of average loans for the fourth quarter of 2001. Net charge-offs as a percentage of average loans were 1.14% for the quarter compared to .61% for the fourth quarter of 2001. The increase in the provision from and in net charge-offs over 2001 is the result of the continued weak economy. Nonperforming assets improved slightly compared to the third quarter of 2002.

Noninterest income for the fourth quarter of 2002 was \$234.4 million, an increase of \$13.1 million, or 6% from the fourth quarter of 2001. The increase is attributable to a \$43.7 million increase in mortgage banking revenues, an \$11.6 million investment securities gains and a \$7.3 million increase in service charges on deposit accounts. Increases were partly offset by a \$33.1 million decrease in merchant servicing income.

Noninterest expenses for the fourth quarter of 2002 were \$301.5 million, down \$30.6 million, or 9%, from the fourth quarter of 2001. The decrease resulted primarily from a \$10.9 million benefit due to the discontinuance of goodwill amortization, \$12.6 million less in miscellaneous charge-offs and a \$6.1 million decrease in mortgage intangibles expense.

The efficiency ratio (excluding amortization of goodwill, mortgage servicing rights and other intangibles) for the fourth quarter of 2002 was 50.69%, compared to 54.49% for the fourth quarter of 2001.

#### **Accounting Changes**

For information regarding accounting standards issued which will be adopted in future periods, refer to Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.



## Table 1. Balance Sheet Impact of Business Combinations

	2001	2000	
	Jefferson	SOI	
	(Dollars in t	housands)	
Assets			
Interest-bearing deposits at financial institutions	\$ 5,519	\$ 2	
Loans, net of unearned income	1,337,139		
Allowance for losses on loans	(5,753)		
Net loans	1,331,386		
Investment securities	41,824		
Intangible assets	46,499	46,501	
Cash and cash equivalents (1)	61,970	(39,620)	
Other real estate, net	3,713		
Premises and equipment	13,166	1,266	
Other assets	83,454	12,037	
Total assets	\$1,587,531	\$ 20,186	
	\$1,567,551	\$ 20,100	
Liabilities and shareholders equity			
Deposits	\$ 876,635	\$	
Other interest-bearing liabilities	547,030	383	
Other liabilities	20,535	19,803	
Shareholders equity	143,331		
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$1,587,531	\$ 20,186	
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(1) Cash paid for acquisitions has been netted with cash and cash equivalents. Note: There were no business combinations during 2002.

## Table 2. Average Balance Sheet and Average Interest Rates

	Years Ended December 31,										
	2002			2001			2000				
	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	FTE Yield/ Rate	A verage Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	FTE Yield/ Rate	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	FTE Yield/ Rate		
				(Dolla	ars in thousands	5)					
Assets											
Interest-bearing deposits at financial institutions Federal funds sold and securities purchased under	\$ 118,423	\$ 2,421	2.04%	\$ 44,510	\$ 2,047	4.60%	\$ 31,669	\$ 2,170	6.85%		
agreements to resell	82,818	1,437	1.74	61,116	2,213	3.62	79,777	5,072	6.36		
Trading account assets	240,733	9,563	3.97	231,180	15,836	6.85	216,866	16,806	7.75		
Loans held for resale	1,491,286	89,609	6.01	1,174,070	75,733	6.45	373,611	26,087	6.98		
Investment securities(1)(2)											
Taxable securities	3,810,245	230,355	6.05	4,355,636	281,741	6.47	6,027,238	387,505	6.43		
Tax-exempt securities	823,254	64,216	7.80	1,141,384	87,965	7.71	1,239,113	94,935	7.66		
Total investment											
securities	4,633,499	294,571	6.36	5,497,020	369,706	6.73	7,266,351	482,440	6.64		
Commercial, financial and											
agricultural loans	5,211,941	275,357	5.28	5,305,060	377,877	7.12	5,058,792	432,430	8.55		
Foreign loans	304,244	10,922	3.59	449,239	26,440	5.89	468,449	35,864	7.66		
Accounts receivable factoring	704,850	54,373	7.71	673,737	69,178	10.27	643,693	83,664	13.00		
Real estate construction loans	2,254,353	135,071	5.99	2,239,306	177,113	7.91	1,827,216	172,058	9.42		
Real estate mortgage loans Secured by 1-4 family											
residential	4,768,523	372,702	7.82	6,030,218	510,983	8.47	5,979,557	530,038	8.86		
FHA/VA government	,,.			-,, -	,		- , ,	,			
issued/guaranteed	165,851	13,207	7.96	252,924	22,147	8.76	420,681	36,882	8.77		
Nonfarm, nonresidential											
properties	4,916,236	331,704	6.75	4,534,866	364,447	8.04	3,890,643	329,009	8.46		
Multifamily (5 or more)											
residential	847,102	56,781	6.70	800,004	63,413	7.93	625,110	53,310	8.53		
Secured by farmland	481,568	32,612	6.77	433,022	35,260	8.14	387,679	34,204	8.82		
Home equity	1,216,066	63,597	5.23	809,780	62,904	7.77	631,435	62,007	9.82		
Consumer loans	2,153,610	180,247	8.37	2,552,893	226,415	8.87	2,815,187	254,964	9.06		
Direct lease financing	90,302	5,803	6.43	106,082	7,015	6.61	94,150	6,345	6.74		
Loans, net of unearned											
income $(1)(3)(4)$	23,114,646	1,532,376	6.63	24,187,131	1,943,192	8.03	22,842,592	2,030,775	8.89		
Total earning											
assets(1)(2)(3)(4)	29,681,405	1,929,977	6.50	31,195,027	2,408,727	7.72	30,810,866	2,563,350	8.32		
Cash and due from hereirs	742 115			277 211			906,399				
Cash and due from banks	742,115 550,686			777,311			/				
Premises and equipment	,			588,487			622,762				
Allowance for losses on loans	(344,120) 905,268			(340,422) 959,934			(345,245)				
Goodwill and other intangibles Other assets	905,268			1,029,534			966,718 920,905				
Total assets	\$32,617,526			\$34,209,871			\$33,882,405				
Liabilities and shareholders											
equity											
Money market accounts	\$ 5,612,928	85,125	1.52%	\$ 4,649,833	161,590	3.48%	\$ 3,836,818	164,662	4.29%		
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Interest-bearing checking	3,397,413	32,083	.94	3,143,605	43,054	1.37	3,238,841	48,538	1.50
Savings deposits	1,380,079	12,774	.93	1,346,492	19,274	1.43	1,465,482	21,294	1.45
Certificates of deposit of									
\$100,000 and over	1,603,142	55,672	3.47	2,012,495	109,887	5.46	2,330,670	138,381	5.94
Other time deposits	6,901,055	243,002	3.52	8,176,438	423,549	5.18	8,330,353	462,234	5.55
Total interest-bearing									
deposits	18,894,617	428,656	2.27	19,328,863	757,354	3.92	19,202,164	835,109	4.35
ucposits	10,094,017	420,050	2.27	19,520,005	151,554	5.72	19,202,104	055,107	4.55
Short-term borrowings									
Federal funds purchased and									
securities sold under									
agreements to repurchase	2,182,949	33,428	1.53	3,198,989	125,423	3.92	2,907,150	173,389	5.96
Short-term senior notes	_,,			-,,,			250,273	17,190	6.87
Other	353,982	2,824	.80	1,037,933	51,226	4.94	2,720,661	176,174	6.48
				-,					
Total short-term debt	2,536,931	36,252	1.43	4,236,922	176,649	4.17	5,878,084	366,753	6.24
	2,550,751	50,252	1.15	1,230,922	170,019	,	5,676,001	500,755	0.21
Long-term debt									
Federal Home Loan Bank									
advances	1,175,195	43,902	3.74	1,411.805	72,842	5.16	446.964	29,363	6.57
Subordinated capital notes	974,338	70,225	7.21	896,085	64,119	7.16	475,133	31,016	6.53
Medium-term senior notes	341,131	17,834	5.23	41,863	2,871	6.86	60,000	4,098	6.83
Trust Preferred Securities	201,239	12,670	6.30	199,098	16,511	8.29	199,062	16,511	8.29
Other	83,473	4,144	4.96	102,842	7,773	7.56	144,160	13,688	9.50
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Total long-term debt	2,775,376	148,775	5.36	2,651,693	164,116	6.19	1,325,319	94,676	7.14
Total long-ter in debt	2,775,570	146,775	5.50	2,031,093	104,110	0.19	1,323,319	94,070	/.14
Total interest-bearing									
liabilities	24,206,924	613,683	2.54	26,217,478	1,098,119	4.19	26,405,567	1,296,538	4.91
Noninterest-bearing demand	24,200,924	015,085	2.34	20,217,478	1,090,119	4.17	20,405,507	1,290,338	4.71
deposits	4,499,312			4,141,565			4,009,843		
deposits	4,499,312			4,141,505			4,009,843		
Total sources of funds	28,706,236	613,683		30,359,043	1,098,119		30,415,410	1,296,538	
Total sources of funds	20,700,230	015,005		50,557,045	1,070,119		50,715,410	1,270,550	
Other liabilities	708,263			749,883			659,323		
Shareholders equity	700,205			(T),005			057,525		
Preferred stock	13,395			18,091			20,241		
Common equity	3,189,632			3,082,854			2,787,431		
Common equity	5,107,052			5,002,054			2,707,431		