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FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2003 or

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____.

Commission File Number: 1-14100

IMPAC MORTGAGE HOLDINGS, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 33-0675505
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

1401 Dove Street, Newport Beach, California 92660
(Address of principal executive offices)

(949) 475-3600
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Title of each class	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	New York Stock Exchange
Preferred Share Purchase Rights	New York Stock Exchange

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 12b-2) Yes No

As of October 31, 2003 the aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was approximately \$791.7 million, based on the closing sales price of common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on that date. For purposes of the calculation only, in addition to affiliated companies, all directors and executive officers of the registrant have been deemed affiliates. There were 53,084,405 shares of common stock outstanding as of October 31, 2003.

IMPAC MORTGAGE HOLDINGS, INC.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

IMPAC MORTGAGE HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(in thousands, except per share data)
(unaudited)

	September 30, 2003	December 31, 2002
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ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 117,759	\$ 113,345
CMO collateral	7,429,061	5,149,680
Finance receivables	650,991	1,140,248
Mortgages held-for-sale	571,939	--
Mortgages held-for-investment	152,063	57,536
Allowance for loan losses	(39,122)	(26,602)
Accrued interest receivable	32,499	28,287
Derivative assets	17,919	14,931
Investment in Impac Funding Corporation	--	20,787
Due from affiliates	--	14,500
Other assets	93,036	39,061
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Total assets	\$ 9,026,145	\$ 6,551,773
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LIABILITIES		
CMO borrowings	\$ 7,261,703	\$ 5,041,751
Reverse repurchase agreements	1,236,007	1,168,029
Accumulated dividends payable	26,535	21,754
Other liabilities	71,766	16,751
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Total liabilities	8,596,011	6,248,285
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STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Preferred stock; \$0.01 par value; 7,500,000 shares authorized; none outstanding at September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002	--	--
Series A junior participating preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; 2,500,000 shares authorized; none outstanding at September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002	--	--
Common stock; \$0.01 par value; 200,000,000 shares authorized; 53,069,072 and 45,320,517 shares outstanding at September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002, respectively	531	453
Additional paid-in capital	575,436	479,298
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(23,486)	(41,721)
Net accumulated deficit:		
Cumulative dividends declared	(277,439)	(200,954)
Retained earnings	155,092	66,412
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Net accumulated deficit	(122,347)	(134,542)
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Total stockholders' equity	430,134	303,488
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Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 9,026,145	\$ 6,551,773
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

IMPAC MORTGAGE HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS and COMPREHENSIVE EARNINGS
(in thousands, except earnings per share data)
(unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
INTEREST INCOME:				
Mortgage assets	\$ 86,325	\$ 59,736	\$ 244,569	\$ 150,438
Other interest income	349	1,963	1,808	3,558
Total interest income	86,674	61,699	246,377	153,996
INTEREST EXPENSE:				
CMO borrowings	45,567	31,091	135,950	79,021
Reverse repurchase agreements	8,971	6,086	23,066	15,724
Other borrowings	891	1,413	2,705	2,942
Total interest expense	55,429	38,590	161,721	97,687
Net interest income	31,245	23,109	84,656	56,309
Provision for loan losses	7,820	5,361	21,363	13,302
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	23,425	17,748	63,293	43,007
NON-INTEREST INCOME:				
Gain on sale of loans	33,900	--	35,514	--
Gain on sale of securities	3,545	--	3,545	--
Equity in net earnings of Impac Funding Corporation	--	2,755	16,698	12,816
Loan servicing expense	(1,278)	--	(1,299)	--
Other income	749	1,222	2,906	3,219
Total non-interest income	36,916	3,977	57,364	16,035
NON-INTEREST EXPENSE:				
Personnel expense	10,551	534	12,045	1,326
General and administrative expense	5,057	533	7,657	1,099
Professional services	1,461	708	2,854	2,649
Amortization of mortgage servicing rights	1,203	--	1,203	--
Provision for repurchases	586	--	586	--
Mark-to-market loss on derivative instruments	156	--	156	--
(Gain) loss on disposition of other real estate owned	(642)	514	(1,076)	120
Write-down of investment securities available-for-sale	180	2	180	1,040
Total non-interest expense	18,552	2,291	23,605	6,234
Net earnings before taxes	41,789	19,434	97,052	52,808
Income taxes	8,372	--	8,372	--
Net earnings after taxes	33,417	19,434	88,680	52,808
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE EARNINGS:				
Unrealized holding gains (losses) on securities arising during period	1,602	(487)	(528)	(1,041)
Unrealized holding gains (losses) on hedging instruments arising during period	12,252	(13,818)	19,506	(23,112)
Reclassification of gains included in net earnings	(1,832)	(28)	(743)	(185)
Net unrealized gains (losses) arising during period ..	12,022	(14,333)	18,235	(24,338)
Other comprehensive earnings	\$ 45,439	\$ 5,101	\$ 106,915	\$ 28,470
NET EARNINGS PER SHARE:				
Basic	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.78	\$ 1.36
Diluted	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.75	\$ 1.34
DIVIDENDS PER COMMON SHARE				
	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.45	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.28

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

IMPAC MORTGAGE HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(in thousands)
(unaudited)

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002
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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net earnings	\$ 88,680	\$ 52,808
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Equity in net earnings of Impac Funding Corporation	(16,698)	(12,816)
Provision for loan losses	21,363	13,302
Amortization of loan premiums and securitization costs	48,359	26,185
Depreciation and amortization	666	--
Gain on disposition of other real estate owned	1,076	(120)
Gain on sale of investment securities available-for-sale	(3,545)	--
Write-down of investment securities available-for-sale	180	1,040
Impairment of mortgage servicing rights	1,203	--
Gain on sale of loans	35,514	--
Purchase of mortgages-held-for sale	(2,782,609)	--
Sale and principal reductions on mortgages held-for-sale	2,626,588	--
Net change in accrued interest receivable	(4,375)	(8,383)
Net change in deferred revenue	(6,365)	--
Net change in deferred taxes	10,417	--
Net change in other assets and liabilities	6,865	(1,994)
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Net cash provided by operating activities	27,319	70,022
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Net change in CMO collateral	(2,328,266)	(1,835,450)
Net change in finance receivables	34,408	(449,790)
Net change in mortgages held-for-investment	(108,412)	(258,888)
Cash received from acquisition of Impac Funding Corporation	23,510	--
Purchase of premises and equipment	(301)	--
Sale of investment securities available-for-sale	5,232	--
Proceeds from sale of other real estate owned, net	22,961	8,295
Dividend from Impac Funding Corporation	11,385	9,900
Net principal reductions on investment securities available-for-sale	6,206	5,480
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Net cash used in investing activities	(2,489,298)	(2,520,453)
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Net change in reverse repurchase agreements and other borrowings	67,651	693,583
Proceeds from CMO borrowings	3,971,993	2,433,254
Repayments of CMO borrowings	(1,752,041)	(666,154)
Dividends paid	(71,704)	(47,020)
Proceeds from sale of common stock	37,776	83,957
Proceeds from sale of common stock via equity distribution agreement	54,613	9,310
Additions to master servicing rights and mortgages servicing rights	(1,618)	--
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	3,702	754
Reductions on notes receivable-common stock	--	920
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Net cash provided by financing activities	2,310,372	2,508,604
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Net change in cash and cash equivalents	4,414	58,173
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	113,345	51,887
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Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 117,759	\$ 110,060
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

IMPAC MORTGAGE HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (continued)
(in thousands)
(unaudited)

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:		
Interest paid	\$ 160,898	\$ 96,398
NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS:		
Transfer of mortgages held-for-investment to CMO collateral	\$3,999,457	\$ 2,449,994
Transfer of mortgages to other real estate owned	26,678	11,219
Dividends declared and unpaid	26,535	19,309
Net unrealized gains (losses)	18,235	(24,338)
Issuance of shares for the purchase of Impac Funding Corporation	125	--

The following table presents the acquisition of the assets and liabilities of Impac Funding Corporation as of July 1, 2003 (in thousands):

ASSETS ACQUIRED	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 24,135
Mortgages held-for-sale	451,432
Accrued interest receivable	564
Goodwill	486
Other assets	71,377

Total assets	\$547,994
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LIABILITIES ASSUMED	
Warehouse borrowings	447,951
Other liabilities	73,206

Total liabilities	521,157

Total stockholders' equity	26,837

Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$547,994
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Net Assets Acquired:	
Investment in Impac Funding Corporation	\$ 26,087
Cash paid for common stock	625
Shares issued for common stock	125

	\$ 26,837
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1--Basis of Financial Statement Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc. (IMH) and subsidiaries, (collectively, the Company), have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2003 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2003. The accompanying consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto included in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002.

On July 1, 2003, IMH purchased all of the outstanding shares of voting common stock of Impac Funding Corp (IFC), which represents 1% of the economic interest of IFC, from Joseph R. Tomkinson, the Company's Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and director, William S. Ashmore, the Company's President, Chief Operating Officer and director and the Johnson Revocable Living Trust, of which Richard J. Johnson, the Company's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, is trustee. Each of Messer's. Tomkinson and Ashmore and the Johnson Revocable Living Trust owned one-third of the outstanding common stock of IFC. The purchase of IFC's common stock combined with the Company's existing ownership of all of IFC's preferred stock, which represents 99% of IFC's economic interest, resulted in the Company consolidating IFC as of July 1, 2003. Prior to July 1, 2003, the Company accounted for its investment in IFC using the equity method of accounting.

The Company's results of operations for the three-months ended September 30, 2003 include the financial results of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, which are IFC, IMH Assets Corporation (IMH Assets), Impac Warehouse Lending Group (IWLG) and Impac Multifamily Capital Corporation (IMCC). The Company's results of operations for the nine-months ended September 30, 2003 include the financial results of IFC for the six-months ended June 30, 2003 as "Equity in net earnings of Impac Funding Corporation," and the consolidation of IFC's results of operations for the three-months ended September 30, 2003 along with the financial results of IMH Assets, IWLG and IMCC, as stand alone entities, for the nine-months ended September 30, 2003.

The consolidated financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with GAAP. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make significant estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may differ materially from those estimates. Certain amounts in the prior periods' consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

Note 2--Business Summary

IMH is a mortgage real estate investment trust (REIT). Together with its subsidiaries the Company is primarily a nationwide acquirer and originator of non-conforming Alt-A mortgage loans (Alt-A mortgages). Alt-A mortgages are primarily first lien mortgages made to borrowers whose credit is generally within typical Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac guidelines, but have loan characteristics that make them non-conforming under those guidelines.

The Company operates three core businesses:

- o long-term investment operations;
- o mortgage operations; and
- o warehouse lending operations.

The long-term investment operations, conducted by IMH, IMH Assets and IMCC, invest primarily in adjustable and fixed rate Alt-A mortgages that are acquired and originated by the mortgage operations and small balance, multi-family mortgages (multi-family mortgages) originated by IMCC. This business primarily generates net interest income from

mortgages held for long-term investment. Investments in Alt-A mortgages and multi-family mortgages are financed with collateralized mortgage obligations (CMO) financing, warehouse facilities, proceeds from the sale of capital stock and cash.

The mortgage operations, conducted by IFC, acquire, originate, sell and securitize primarily adjustable and fixed rate Alt-A mortgages and, to a lesser extent, sub-prime mortgages (B/C mortgages). B/C mortgages are residential mortgages made to borrowers with lower credit ratings than borrowers of Alt-A mortgages and are normally subject to higher rates of loss and delinquency than Alt-A mortgages. The mortgage operations generate income by securitizing and selling loans to permanent investors, including the long-term investment operations, and, to a lesser extent, revenue from fees associated with mortgage servicing rights, master servicing agreements and interest income earned on mortgages held-for-sale. The mortgage operations use warehouse facilities provided by the warehouse lending operations, conducted by IWLG, to finance the acquisition and origination of mortgages.

The warehouse lending operations provide short-term financing to mortgage loan originators, including the mortgage operations, by funding mortgages from their closing date until they are sold to pre-approved investors. This business earns fees from warehouse transactions as well as net interest income from the difference between its cost of borrowings and the interest earned on warehouse advances.

Note 3--Earnings Per Share

The following table presents the computation of basic and diluted net earnings per share as if all stock options were outstanding for the periods indicated (in thousands, except net earnings per share):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
Numerator for earnings per share:				
Net earnings	\$ 33,417	\$ 19,434	\$ 88,680	\$ 52,808
Denominator for earnings per share:				
Basic weighted average number of common shares outstanding .	52,008	41,010	49,707	38,850
Net effect of dilutive stock options	1,135	766	1,003	662
Diluted weighted average of common and common equivalent shares	53,143	41,766	50,710	39,512
Net earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.78	\$ 1.36
Diluted	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.75	\$ 1.34

The Company had zero and 424 stock options outstanding during the three months ended September 30, 2003 and 2002, respectively, and 363,136 and 229,694 stock options outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and 2002, respectively, that were not considered in the calculation of diluted weighted average common and common equivalent shares because their effect was antidilutive.

Note 4--Stock Options

Stock options and awards may be granted to the directors, officers and employees of the Company. The exercise price for any non-qualified stock option (NQS0) or incentive stock option (ISO) granted may not be less than 100% (or 110% in the case of ISOs granted to an employee who is deemed to own in excess of 10% of the outstanding common stock) of the fair market value of the shares of common stock at the time the NQS0 or ISO is granted. Grants under stock option plans are made and administered by the board of directors. IMH currently maintains a 1995 Stock Option, Deferred Stock and Restricted Stock Plan (1995 Plan). During 2001, the board of directors and stockholders approved a new Stock Option, Deferred Stock and Restricted Stock Plan (2001 Plan). The 1995 Plan and the 2001 Plan shall collectively be referred to as the Stock Option Plans. Each of the Stock Option Plans provide for the grant of qualified incentive stock options (ISOs), non-qualified stock options (NQS0s), deferred stock, and restricted stock, and, in the case of the 2001 Plan, dividend equivalent rights and, in the case of the 1995 Plan, stock appreciation rights and limited stock appreciation rights awards (Awards). To enable IMH to deduct, in full, all amounts of ordinary income recognized by its executive officers in connection with the exercise of non-qualified stock options granted in the future, stockholders approved an amendment to

the 2001 Plan in June 2003 that limits the maximum number of shares for which stock options may be granted to any eligible employee in any fiscal year to 1,500,000 shares.

In December 2002 the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation - Transition and Disclosure" (SFAS 148), an amendment to FASB Statement No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," (SFAS 123). SFAS 148 amends SFAS 123 to provide alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. In addition, SFAS 148 amends the disclosure requirements of SFAS 123 to require prominent disclosures in both annual and interim financial statements. On December 15, 2002, IMH adopted the disclosure requirements of SFAS 148. SFAS 123 established financial accounting standards for stock-based employee compensation plans, which permits management to choose either a fair value based method or an intrinsic value based method of accounting for its stock-based compensation arrangements in accordance with APB Opinion No. 25 (APB 25). SFAS 123 requires pro forma disclosures of net earnings (loss) computed as if the fair value based method had been applied in financial statements of companies that continue to follow the intrinsic value method in accounting for such arrangements under APB 25. SFAS 123 applies to all stock-based employee compensation plans in which an employer grants shares of its stock or other equity instruments to employees except for employee stock ownership plans. SFAS 123 also applies to plans in which the employer incurs liabilities to employees in amounts based on the price of the employer's stock, i.e., stock option plans, stock purchase plans, restricted stock plans and stock appreciation rights. The statement also specifies the accounting for transactions in which a company issues stock options or other equity instruments for services provided by non-employees or to acquire goods or services from outside suppliers or vendors.

As of September 30, 2003, the Company had fixed stock option plans that it accounted for using the intrinsic value method in accordance with APB 25 and which did not require the recognition of compensation expense. However, if compensation expense for stock-based compensation plans had been recognized using the fair value based method consistent with SFAS 123, as amended by SFAS 148, net earnings and earnings per share would have been reduced to the pro forma amounts indicated below (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
Net earnings as reported	\$ 33,417	\$ 19,434	\$ 88,680	\$ 52,808
Total stock-based employee compensation expense using the fair value method	(346)	(324)	(618)	(485)
Pro forma net earnings	\$ 33,071	\$ 19,110	\$ 88,062	\$ 52,323
Net earnings per share as reported:				
Basic	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.78	\$ 1.36
Diluted	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.75	\$ 1.34
Pro forma net earnings:				
Basic	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.77	\$ 1.35
Diluted	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.46	\$ 1.74	\$ 1.32

The derived fair value of stock options granted during the third quarter of 2003 and 2002 was approximately \$1.09 and \$1.21, respectively, per stock option, which is derived based on the stock option date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions:

	For the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003	For the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002
Risk-free interest rate.....	1.22%	1.45%
Expected lives (in years).....	4	3-10
Expected volatility.....	28.83%	35.07%
Expected dividend yield.....	10.00%	10.00%

Note 5--Segment Reporting

The Company internally reviews and analyzes its operating segments as follows:

- o the long-term investment operations invest primarily in Alt-A mortgages acquired by the mortgage operations and multi-family mortgages originated by IMCC;
- o the warehouse lending operations provide warehouse financing to affiliated companies and to non-affiliated customers, some of which are correspondents of the mortgage operations, to finance mortgages; and
- o the mortgage operations acquire and originate primarily Alt-A mortgages and, to a lesser extent, B/C mortgages and second mortgages from its network of third party correspondents, mortgage brokers and retail customers.

The following table presents business segment information for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	Long-Term Investment Operations	Warehouse Lending Operations	Mortgage Operations	Inter- Company (1)	Consolidated
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Balance Sheet Items as of September 30, 2003:					

CMO collateral and mortgages					
held-for-investment	\$ 7,581,124	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 7,581,124
Loans held-for-sale	--	--	571,939	--	571,939
Finance receivables	--	1,288,972	--	(637,981)	650,991
Total assets	8,065,715	1,347,623	692,548	(1,079,741)	9,026,145
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 670,001	\$ 110,886	\$ 27,043	\$ (377,796)	\$ 430,134
Income Statement Items for the Three Months Ended September 30, 2003:					

Net interest income	\$ 18,933	\$ 8,073	\$ 4,239	\$ --	\$ 31,245
Provision for loan losses	7,072	748	--	--	7,820
Non-interest income	3,831	1,536	31,549	--	36,916
Non-interest expense	1,252	1,348	24,324	--	26,924
Net earnings	\$ 14,440	\$ 7,513	\$ 11,464	\$ --	\$ 33,417
Income Statement Items for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003:					

Net interest income	\$ 59,340	\$ 21,078	\$ 10,430	\$ (6,192)	\$ 84,656
Provision for loan losses	19,423	1,940	--	--	21,363
Non-interest income (2)	4,882	4,235	82,271	(34,024)	57,364
Non-interest expense	3,905	3,749	64,370	(40,047)	31,977
Net earnings	\$ 40,894	\$ 19,624	\$ 28,331	\$ (169)	\$ 88,680

(1) Elimination of inter-company balance sheet and income statement items.

(2) Includes 99% of earnings from the mortgage operations as equity in net earnings of IFC for the first six months of 2003.

The following table presents business segment information for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	Long-Term Investment Operations	Warehouse Lending Operations	Inter- Company	Consolidated
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Balance Sheet Items as of September 30, 2002:				
CMO collateral and mortgages held-for-investment	\$ 4,280,203	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 4,280,203
Finance receivables	--	916,439	--	916,439
Total assets	4,636,313	1,258,645	(498,701)	5,396,257
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 423,361	\$ 85,320	\$ (234,153)	\$ 274,528
Income Statement Items for the Three Months Ended September 30, 2002:				
Net interest income	\$ 17,556	\$ 5,553	\$ --	\$ 23,109
Provision for loan losses	5,016	345	--	5,361
Non-interest income (3)	(174)	1,396	2,755	3,977
Non-interest expense	1,300	991	--	2,291
Net earnings	\$ 11,066	\$ 5,613	\$ 2,755	\$ 19,434
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Income Statement Items for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002:				
Net interest income	\$ 43,618	\$ 12,691	\$ --	\$ 56,309
Provision for loan losses	12,418	884	--	13,302
Non-interest income (3)	(132)	3,351	12,816	16,035
Non-interest expense	3,633	2,601	--	6,234
Net earnings	\$ 27,435	\$ 12,557	\$ 12,816	\$ 52,808
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(3) Includes 99% of earnings from the mortgage operations as equity in net earnings of IFC.

Note 6--Allowance for Loan Losses

A provision is recorded for losses on mortgages held-for-investment, mortgages held as CMO collateral and finance receivables at an amount that management believes is sufficient to provide adequate protection against estimated inherent losses for the subsequent twelve-month period in accordance with GAAP. The Company provides for loan losses by maintaining a ratio of allowance for loan losses to mortgages held as CMO collateral, finance receivables and mortgages held-for-investment within a range of 40 basis points to 45 basis points. As of September 30, 2003, the ratio of allowance for loan losses to mortgages provided for was 47 basis points as allowance for loan losses increased to \$39.1 million.

The allowance for loan losses is reduced by losses incurred for mortgages deemed to be uncollectible, delinquent mortgages sold at a loss and the write-down of mortgages to the fair market value of real estate acquired through foreclosure proceedings. Subsequent recoveries on mortgages previously charged off are credited back to the allowance. The provision for estimated loan losses is primarily based on historical loss statistics, including cumulative loss percentages and loss severity, of similar mortgages. The provision for loan losses is also determined based on the following:

- o management's judgment of the net loss potential of mortgages based on prior loan loss experience;
- o changes in the nature and volume of the mortgage portfolio;
- o value of the underlying collateral;
- o delinquency trends; and
- o current economic conditions that may affect the borrowers' ability to pay.

The following table presents activity for allowance for loan losses for the periods shown (in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
Beginning balance	\$ 33,384	\$ 16,934	\$ 26,602	\$ 11,692
Provision for loan losses	7,820	5,361	21,363	13,302
Charge-offs, net of recoveries ..	(2,082)	(731)	(8,843)	(3,430)
Ending balance	\$ 39,122	\$ 21,564	\$ 39,122	\$ 21,564

As of September 30,

	2003	2002
Allowance for loan losses as a percentage of mortgages held as CMO collateral, finance receivables and mortgages held for investment	0.47%	0.45%(1)

(1) Recalculation of prior period percentage to reflect exclusion of affiliated finance receivables upon consolidation of IFC.

Note 7--Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Company follows a hedging program intended to limit its exposure to changes in interest rates primarily associated with cash flows on CMO borrowings and also enters into forward commitments and derivative instruments to mitigate changes in the value of its "locked pipeline" of fixed rate mortgages. The locked pipeline are mortgages that have not yet been acquired, however, the mortgage operations has committed to acquire the mortgages in the future at pre-determined rates through rate-lock commitments. The Company seeks to hedge exposure to the variability in future cash flows attributable to the variability of one-month London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR), which is the underlying index of adjustable rate CMO borrowings. The Company also monitors on an ongoing basis the prepayment risks that arise in fluctuating interest rate environments. The Company's hedging program is formulated with the intent to offset the potential adverse effects of changing interest rates on cash flows on CMO borrowings resulting from the following:

- o interest rate adjustment limitations on CMO collateral due to periodic and lifetime interest rate cap features;
- o basis risk; and
- o mismatched interest rate adjustment periods between mortgages held as CMO collateral and CMO borrowings.

The Company primarily acquires for long-term investment six-month LIBOR adjustable rate mortgages (ARMs) and hybrid ARMs. Six-month LIBOR ARMs are generally subject to periodic and lifetime interest rate caps. This means that the interest rate of each ARM is limited to upwards or downwards movements on its periodic interest rate adjustment date, generally six months, or over the life of the mortgage loan. Periodic caps limit the maximum interest rate change, which can occur on any interest rate change date to generally a maximum of 1% per semiannual adjustment. Also, each ARM has a maximum lifetime interest rate cap. Generally, borrowings are not subject to the same periodic or lifetime interest rate limitations. During a period of rapidly increasing or decreasing interest rates, financing costs would increase or decrease at a faster rate than the periodic interest rate adjustments on mortgages would allow, which could effect net interest income. In addition, if market rates were to exceed the maximum interest rates of our ARMs, borrowing costs would increase while interest rates on ARMs would remain constant.

Basis risk results as the basis, or interest rate index, of mortgages and borrowings are tied to different interest indices. For instance, six-month LIBOR ARMs are indexed to six-month LIBOR while CMO and reverse repurchase borrowings are indexed to one-month LIBOR. Therefore, the Company receives interest income based on six-month LIBOR plus a spread but pays interest expense based on one-month LIBOR plus a spread. These indices typically move in unison but may vary in unequal amounts.

Cash flows are subject to risk from the mismatched nature of interest rate adjustment periods on mortgages and interest rates on the related borrowings. Six-month LIBOR mortgages can adjust upwards or downwards every six months, subject to periodic cap limitations, while adjustable rate CMO borrowings adjust every month. Additionally, the Company has hybrid ARMs, which have an initial fixed interest rate period generally ranging from two to three years, and to a lesser extent five years, which subsequently convert to six-month LIBOR ARMs. Again, during a rapidly increasing or

decreasing interest rate environment, financing costs would increase or decrease more rapidly than would interest rates on mortgages, which would remain fixed until their next interest rate adjustment date.

To mitigate exposure to the effect of changing interest rates on cash flows on CMO borrowings, the Company purchases or sells financial instruments primarily in the form of interest rate swap agreements (swaps) and, to a lesser extent, interest rate cap agreements (caps) and interest rate floor agreements (floors), collectively referred to as (derivatives). A swap is generally a contractual agreement that obligates one party to receive or make cash payments based on an adjustable rate index and the other party to receive or make cash payments based on a fixed rate. Swaps have the effect of fixing borrowing costs on a similar amount of mortgages and, as a result, can reduce the interest rate variability of borrowings. A purchase or sale of a cap or floor is a contractual agreement for which the Company may pay or receive a fee. If prevailing interest rates reach levels specified in the cap or floor agreement, the Company may either receive or pay cash. The Company's objective is to lock in a reliable stream of cash flows when interest rates fall below or rise above certain levels. For instance, when interest rates rise, borrowing costs may increase at greater speeds than the underlying collateral supporting the borrowings. Derivatives hedge the variability of forecasted cash flows attributable to CMO borrowings and protect net interest income by providing cash flows at certain triggers during changing interest rate environments. Counter-parties on derivatives that are deposited into a CMO trust must have AAA credit ratings while counter-parties on derivatives that are not deposited into a CMO trust generally have an A or above credit rating as determined by various credit rating agencies.

SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," as amended by SFAS No. 137 and SFAS No. 138, collectively, (SFAS 133), established accounting and reporting standards for derivatives, including a number of derivatives embedded in other contracts and for hedging activities. It requires that an entity recognize all derivatives as either assets or liabilities in the statement of financial position and measure those instruments at fair value. If specific conditions are met, a derivative may be specifically designated as (1) a hedge of the exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognized asset or liability or an unrecognized firm commitment; (2) a hedge of the exposure to variable cash flows of a forecasted transaction; or (3) a hedge of the foreign currency exposure of a net investment in a foreign operation, an unrecognized firm commitment, an available for sale security or a foreign-currency-denominated forecasted transaction. On January 1, 2001, IMH adopted SFAS 133 and the fair value of derivatives were reflected in financial condition and results of operations. On August 10, 2001, the Derivatives Implementation Group (DIG) of the FASB published DIG G20, which further interpreted SFAS 133. On October 1, 2001, IMH adopted the provisions of DIG G20 and net income and accumulated other comprehensive income were adjusted by the amount needed to reflect the cumulative impact of adopting the provisions of DIG G20.

Caps qualify as derivatives under provisions of SFAS 133. The hedging instrument is the specific LIBOR cap that is hedging the LIBOR based CMO borrowings. The nature of the risk being hedged is the variability of the cash flows associated with the LIBOR borrowings. Prior to the adoption of DIG G20, the Company assessed the hedging effectiveness of its caps utilizing only the intrinsic value of the caps. DIG G20 allows the Company to utilize the terminal value of the caps to assess effectiveness. DIG G20 also allows for amortization of the initial fair value of the caps over the life of the caps based on the maturity date of the individual caplets. Upon adoption of DIG G20 net income and accumulated other comprehensive income were adjusted by the amount needed to reflect the cumulative impact of adopting the provisions of DIG G20. Subsequent to the adoption of DIG G20, caps are considered effective hedges and are marked to market each reporting period with the entire change in market value being recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income.

Floors and swaps qualify as cash flow hedges under the provisions of SFAS 133. The hedging instrument is the specific LIBOR floor or swap that is hedging the LIBOR based CMO borrowings. The nature of the risk being hedged is the variability of the cash flows associated with the LIBOR borrowings. Prior to DIG G20, these derivatives were marked to market with the entire change in the market value of the intrinsic component recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income each reporting period. The time value component of these agreements were marked to market and recognized in non-interest expense in the statement of operations. Subsequent to the adoption of DIG G20, these derivatives are marked to market with the entire change in the market value recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income. Effectiveness of derivatives is measured by the fact that the hedged item, CMO borrowings, and the derivative are based on one-month LIBOR. As both instruments are tied to the same index, the hedge is expected to be highly effective both at inception and on an ongoing basis. The Company assesses the effectiveness and ineffectiveness of the hedging instruments at the inception of the hedge and at each reporting period. Based on the fact that, at inception, the critical terms of the hedges and forecasted CMO borrowings are the same, the Company has concluded that the changes in cash flows attributable to the risk being hedged are expected to be substantially offset by the derivatives, subject to subsequent assessments that the critical terms have not changed.

The mortgage operations records the fair market value of its locked pipeline of fixed rate mortgages as it qualifies as a derivative under the provisions of SFAS 133, however, it does not qualify for hedging treatment. Therefore, the locked pipeline and the related fair market value of derivatives is marked to market each reporting period along with a corresponding entry to non-interest expense. The mortgage operations also enter into forward commitments and derivatives to lock in the forecasted sale profitability of fixed rate mortgages held-for-sale. The mortgage operations generally sells mortgage back securities, call or buys put options on U.S. Treasury bonds and mortgage-backed securities and swaps to hedge against adverse movements of interest rates affecting the value of mortgages held-for-sale. The risk in writing a call option is that the mortgage operations give up the opportunity for profit if the market price of the mortgage increases and the option is exercised. The mortgage operations has the additional risk of not being able to enter into a closing transaction if a liquid secondary market does not exist. The risk of buying a put option is limited to the premium paid for the put option. These hedges are treated as cash flow hedges under the provisions of SFAS 133 to hedge forecasted transactions with the entire change in market value of the hedges recorded through accumulated other comprehensive income.

The following tables present certain information related to derivatives and the related component in the financial statements as of September 30, 2003 (in thousands):

	Fair Value of Derivatives	Index	Related Amount in OCI	Unamortized Derivative Premiums	Related Amount in Derivative Asset Account	Related Amount in CMO Collateral
Derivatives not associated with CMOs ..	\$ (10,906)	1 mo. LIBOR	\$ (9,309)	\$ (1,318)	\$ (10,906)	\$ --
Cash in margin account	28,825	N/A	--	--	28,825	--
Derivatives associated with CMOs.....	(15,792)	1 mo. LIBOR	(18,875)	3,083	--	(15,792)
Fannie Mae forward commitments hedging mortgages held-for-sale	(1,707)	N/A	(990)	--	--	--
Fannie Mae forward commitments hedging pipeline	(3,862)	N/A	--	--	--	--
Value of locked pipeline	8,862	N/A	--	--	--	--
Totals	<u>\$ 5,420</u>		<u>\$ (29,174)</u>	<u>\$ 1,765</u>	<u>\$ 17,919</u>	<u>\$ (15,792)</u>

	Amount in Earnings	Amount in Deferred Taxes	Related Amount in Loans Held for Sale	Related Amount in Other Assets/Liabilities
Fannie Mae forward commitments hedging mortgages held-for-sale	--	717	(1,707)	--
Fannie Mae forward commitments hedging pipeline	(3,644)	--	--	(3,862)
Value of locked pipeline	3,488	--	--	8,862
Totals	<u>\$ (156)</u>	<u>\$ 717</u>	<u>\$ (1,707)</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>

The following table presents certain information related to derivatives and the related component in the financial statements as of December 31, 2002 (in thousands):

	Fair Value of Derivatives	Index	Related Amount in OCI	Unamortized Derivative Premiums	Related Amount in Derivative Asset Account	Related Amount in CMO Collateral
Derivatives not associated with CMOs...	\$ (15,515)	1 mo. LIBOR	\$ (9,693)	\$ (5,822)	\$ (15,515)	\$ --
Cash in margin account	30,446	N/A	--	--	30,446	--
Derivatives associated with CMOs	(30,332)	1 mo. LIBOR	(39,464)	9,132	--	(30,332)
99% of OCI activity at IFC	--	Fannie Mae	(1,035)	--	--	--
Totals	<u>\$ (15,401)</u>		<u>\$ (50,192)</u>	<u>\$ 3,310</u>	<u>\$ 14,931</u>	<u>\$ (30,332)</u>

Note 8--Income Taxes

The Company operates so as to qualify as a REIT under the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). Requirements for qualification as a REIT include various restrictions on ownership of IMH's stock, requirements concerning distribution of taxable income and certain restrictions on the nature of assets and sources of income. A REIT must distribute at least 90% of its taxable income to its stockholders of which 85% must be distributed within the taxable year in order to avoid the imposition of an excise tax and the remaining balance may extend until timely filing of its tax return in its subsequent taxable year. Qualifying distributions of its taxable income are deductible by a REIT in computing its taxable income. If in any tax year the Company should not qualify as a REIT, it would be taxed as a corporation and distributions to the stockholders would not be deductible in computing taxable income. If the Company were to fail to qualify as a REIT in any tax year, it would not be permitted to qualify for that year and the succeeding four years. The Company has federal and state net operating loss tax carry-forwards of \$18.7 million, which expire in the year 2020, that are available to offset 2003 and future taxable income.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities of the mortgage operations are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax base. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

Note 9--Gain on Sale of Loans

The Company recognizes gains or losses on the sale of mortgages when the sales transaction settles or upon the securitization of mortgages when the risks of ownership have passed to the purchasing party. Gains and losses may be increased or decreased by the amount of any servicing released premiums received and costs associated with the acquisition or origination of mortgages. Gains on the sale of loans or securities by the mortgage operations to the long-term investment operations are eliminated in consolidation. A transfer of financial assets in which control is surrendered is accounted for as a sale to the extent that consideration other than a beneficial interest in the transferred assets is received in the exchange. Liabilities and derivatives incurred or obtained by the transfer of financial assets are required to be measured at fair value, if practicable. Also, servicing assets and other retained interests in the transferred assets must be measured by allocating the previous carrying value between the asset sold and the interest retained, if any, based on their relative fair values at the date of transfer. To determine the value of the securities, the Company estimates future rates of prepayments, prepayment penalties to be received, delinquencies, defaults and default loss severity and their impact on estimated cash flows.

Note 10--Acquisitions

On July 1, 2003, IMH purchased from Joseph R. Tomkinson, IMH's Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and a director, William S. Ashmore, IMH's Chief Operating Officer, President and a director, and the Johnson Revocable Living Trust, of which Richard J. Johnson, IMH's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, all of the outstanding shares of common stock of IFC for aggregate consideration of \$750,000 which resulted in goodwill of approximately \$486,000. The fairness opinion related to the purchase of IFC, as rendered by an independent financial advisor, and the subsequent transaction was approved by the board of directors. The common stock of IFC represents 1% of the economic interest in IFC. IMH currently owns all of the outstanding common and preferred stock of IFC, which represents 100% of the interest in IFC. Each of Messer's, Tomkinson and Ashmore and the Johnson Revocable Living Trust owned one-third of the outstanding common stock of IFC. As a result of acquiring 100% of IFC's common stock, as of July 1, 2003 IMH consolidates IFC. The Company will not reclassify prior periods' financial statements to conform to the current presentation.

Note 11--Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In November 2002, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 45, Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness to Others, an interpretation of FASB Statements No. 5, 57 and 107 and a rescission of FASB Interpretation No. 34 (FIN 45). FIN 45 elaborates on the disclosures to be made by a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under guarantees issued. FIN 45 also clarifies that a guarantor is required to recognize, at inception of a guarantee, a liability for the fair value of the obligation undertaken. The initial recognition and measurement provisions of FIN 45 are applicable to guarantees issued or modified after December 31, 2002 and are not expected to have a material effect on the Company's financial statements. The disclosure requirements are effective for financial statements of interim or annual periods ending after December 15, 2002.

In December 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation - Transition and Disclosure" (SFAS 148), an amendment of SFAS No. 123 "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," (SFAS 123). SFAS 148 amends SFAS 123 to provide alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. In addition, SFAS 148 amends the disclosure requirements of SFAS 123 to require prominent disclosures in both annual and interim financial statements. Certain portions of the disclosure modifications are required for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2002 and are included in the notes to these consolidated financial statements. The Company has adopted the disclosure requirement of SFAS 148 and will continue to account for stock options using the intrinsic value method.

In January 2003, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an interpretation of ARB No. 51" (FIN 46). FIN 46 addresses the consolidation by business enterprises of variable interest entities as defined in FIN 46. FIN 46 applies immediately to variable interests in variable interest entities created after January 31, 2003 and to variable interests in variable interest entities obtained after January 31, 2003. For non-public enterprises, such as IFC, with a variable interest in a variable interest entity created before February 1, 2003 FIN 46 is applied to the enterprise no later than the end of the first reporting period beginning after June 15, 2003. On July 1, 2003, IMH purchased all of the outstanding shares of voting common stock of IFC. As a result of acquiring 100% of IFC's common stock, as of July 1, 2003 IMH consolidates IFC. The Company will not reclassify prior periods' financial statements to conform to the current presentation.

SFAS No. 149, "Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" (SFAS 149), clarifies and amends financial accounting and reporting for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts and for hedging activities under SFAS 133. In general, SFAS 149 is effective for contracts entered into or modified after September 30, 2003 and for hedging relationships designated after September 30, 2003. It is anticipated that the financial impact of SFAS 149 will not have a material effect on the Company.

SFAS No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity" (SFAS 150), establishes standards for how an issuer classifies and measures certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity that have been presented either entirely as equity or between the liabilities section and the equity section of the statement of financial position. SFAS 150 is effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. It is anticipated that the financial impact of SFAS 150 will not have a material effect on the Company.

Note 12--Subsequent Events

Recently, there have been a large number of fires in certain areas of California. Although, we have a large percentage of loans secured by properties in California, we do not anticipate the fires to have a material impact on our results of operations.

ITEM 2: MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Forward-Looking Statements

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements, some of which are based on various assumptions and events that are beyond our control, may be identified by reference to a future period or periods or by the use of forward-looking terminology, such as "may," "will," "believe," "expect," "plan," "anticipate," "continue," or similar terms or variations on those terms or the negative of those terms. Actual results could differ materially from those set forth in forward-looking statements, including, among other things, failure to achieve projected earning levels, the timely and successful implementation of strategic initiatives, the ability to generate sufficient liquidity, the ability to access the capital markets, interest rate fluctuations on our assets that differ from those on our liabilities, changes in prepayment rates on our mortgage assets, changes in assumptions regarding estimated loan losses or interest rates, the availability of financing and, if available, the terms of any financing, changes in estimations of acquisition and origination and resale pricing of mortgages, changes in markets which we serve, changes in general market and economic conditions and other factors described in this quarterly report. For a discussion of the risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements see "Risk Factors" in this quarterly report. We do not undertake, and specifically disclaim any obligation, to publicly release the results of any revisions that may be made to any forward-looking statements to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events or circumstances after the date of such statements.

Financial Highlights for the Third Quarter of 2003

- o Earnings per diluted share increased to \$0.63 compared to \$0.58 for the second quarter of 2003 and \$0.47 for the third quarter of 2002;
- o Estimated taxable income per diluted share was \$0.61 compared to \$0.56 for the second quarter of 2003 and \$0.61 for the third quarter of 2002 (refer to reconciliation of net earnings to estimated taxable income below);
- o Cash dividends declared per share were \$0.50 for the second and third quarters of 2003 compared to \$0.45 for the third quarter of 2002 and we expect to declare and pay at least a \$0.50 cash dividend during the fourth quarter of 2003;
- o Total assets increased to \$9.0 billion as of September 30, 2003 compared to \$6.6 billion as of December 31, 2002 and \$5.4 billion as of September 30, 2002;
- o Book value per share increased 21% to \$8.11 as of September 30, 2003 compared to \$6.70 as of December 31, 2002 and \$6.40 as of September 30, 2002;
- o Total market capitalization increased to \$859.2 million as of September 30, 2003 compared to \$521.2 million as of December 31, 2002 and \$478.4 million as of September 30, 2002;
- o Dividend yield as of September 30, 2003 was 12.35%, based on an annualized third quarter cash dividend of \$0.50 per share and closing stock price of \$16.19 per share as of September 30, 2003;
- o Return on average assets and equity was 1.56% and 34.82% compared to 1.52% and 34.48% for the second quarter of 2003 and 1.64% and 29.27% for the third quarter of 2002;
- o The mortgage operations, acquired and originated \$2.7 billion of primarily non-conforming Alt-A mortgages, or "Alt-A mortgages," compared to \$1.9 billion for the second quarter of 2003 and \$1.7 billion for the third quarter of 2002;
- o The long-term investment operations retained \$1.4 billion of primarily Alt-A mortgages compared to \$806.6 million for the second quarter of 2003 and \$1.1 billion for the third quarter of 2002;

- o Novelle Financial Services, Inc., an originator of sub-prime, or "B/C mortgages," and an operating unit of the mortgage operations, originated \$138.7 million of B/C mortgages compared to \$105.7 million for the second quarter of 2003 and \$126.0 million for the third quarter of 2002;
- o Impac Multifamily Capital Corporation originated \$90.0 million of small balance, multi-family mortgages, or "multi-family mortgages," compared to \$74.1 million for the second quarter of 2003 and \$42.1 million for the first quarter of 2003; and
- o Average short-term warehouse advances made by the warehouse lending operations to non-affiliated customers increased to \$666.8 million compared to \$551.8 million for the second quarter of 2003 and \$347.7 million for the third quarter of 2002.

General and Business Operations

Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms "we," "us," and "our" refer to Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc., or "IMH," a Maryland corporation incorporated in August 1995, and its subsidiaries, IMH Assets Corp., or "IMH Assets," Impac Warehouse Lending Group, Inc., or "IWLG," Impac Multifamily Capital Corporation, or "IMCC," and Impac Funding Corporation, or "IFC." IFC became a wholly-owned subsidiary of IMH in July 2003. References to IMH are made to differentiate IMH, the publicly traded company, as a separate entity from IMH Assets, IWLG, IMCC and IFC.

We are a mortgage real estate investment trust, or "REIT." Together with our subsidiaries we are primarily a nationwide acquirer and originator of Alt-A mortgages and, to a lesser extent, an originator of multi-family mortgages and B/C mortgages.

Alt-A mortgages are primarily first lien mortgages made to borrowers whose credit is generally within typical Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac guidelines, but have loan characteristics that make them non-conforming under those guidelines. Some of the principal differences between mortgages purchased by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and Alt-A mortgages are as follows:

- o credit and income histories of the mortgagor;
- o documentation and/or verification required for approval of the mortgagor; and
- o applicable debt-to-income ratios.

Alt-A mortgages that we acquire and originate may not have certain documentation or verifications that are required by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. In addition, the borrower's debt to income ratio, if calculated at all, may be higher than those allowed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac. Therefore, in making our credit decisions, we are more reliant upon the borrower's credit score and the adequacy of the underlying collateral. We believe that Alt-A mortgages provide an attractive net earnings profile by producing higher yields without commensurately higher credit losses than other types of mortgages. Since 1999 we have acquired and originated primarily Alt-A mortgages.

B/C mortgages that we originate are residential mortgages made to borrowers with lower credit ratings than borrowers of higher credit quality mortgages and are normally subject to higher rates of loss and delinquency than Alt-A mortgages. As a result, B/C mortgages normally bear a higher rate of interest and are typically subject to higher fees, including greater prepayment fees and late payment penalties, than Alt-A mortgages. In general, greater emphasis is placed upon the value of the mortgaged property and, consequently, the quality of appraisals and less upon the credit history of the borrower in underwriting B/C mortgages.

We also provide warehouse and repurchase financing to originators of mortgages. Our goal is to generate consistent reliable income for distribution to our stockholders primarily from earnings generated by our mortgage assets. We operate the following core businesses:

- o long-term investment operations;
- o mortgage operations; and
- o warehouse lending operations.

The long-term investment operations invest in adjustable and fixed rate Alt-A mortgages originated by our mortgage operations and, to a lesser extent, multi-family mortgages originated by IMCC. This business primarily generates net interest income from mortgages held for long-term investment. Our investment in mortgages is financed with collateralized mortgage obligations, or "CMO," financing, short-term borrowings under reverse repurchase agreements, proceeds from the sale of capital stock and cash.

The mortgage operations acquire, originate, sell and securitize adjustable and fixed rate Alt-A mortgages and, to a lesser extent, B/C mortgages. Our mortgage operations generate income by securitizing and selling loans to permanent investors, including our long-term investment operations, and, to a lesser extent, revenue from net interest income earned on mortgages held-for-sale, fees associated with mortgage servicing rights and master servicing agreements. Our mortgage operations use warehouse facilities provided by the warehouse lending operations to finance the acquisition and origination of mortgages.

The warehouse lending operations provide short-term financing to mortgage loan originators, including the mortgage operations, by funding mortgages from their closing date until they are sold to pre-approved investors. This business earns fees from warehouse transactions as well as net interest income from the difference between its cost of borrowings and interest earned on warehouse advances.

Consolidation of IFC

On July 1, 2003, we entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement with Joseph R. Tomkinson, our Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and a director, William S. Ashmore, our Chief Operating Officer, President and a director, and the Johnson Revocable Living Trust, of which Richard J. Johnson, our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, is trustee, whereby we purchased all of the outstanding shares of voting common stock of IFC for aggregate consideration of \$750,000. The fairness opinion related to the purchase price of IFC, as rendered by an independent financial advisor, and the subsequent transaction was approved by our board of directors. The common stock of IFC represents 1% of the economic interest in IFC. We currently own all of the outstanding non-voting preferred stock of IFC, which represents 99% of the economic interest in IFC. Each of Messer's, Tomkinson and Ashmore and the Johnson Revocable Living Trust owned one-third of the outstanding common stock of IFC. As a result of acquiring 100% of IFC's common stock, as of July 1, 2003 IMH consolidates IFC. The Company will not reclassify prior periods' financial statements to conform to the current presentation.

Available Information

Our Internet website address is www.impacompanies.com. We make our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and proxy statement for our annual stockholders' meetings, as well as any amendments to those reports, available free of charge through our website as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or "SEC." You can learn more about us by reviewing our SEC filings on our website by clicking on "Investor Relations" located on our home page. The SEC also maintains a website at www.sec.gov that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding SEC registrants, including IMH.

Critical Accounting Policies

We define critical accounting policies as those that are important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results of operations and require estimates and assumptions based on our judgment of changing market conditions and the performance of our assets and liabilities at any given time. In determining which accounting policies meet this definition, we considered our policies with respect to the valuation of our assets and liabilities and estimates and assumptions used in determining those valuations. We believe the most critical accounting issues that require the most complex and difficult judgments and that are particularly susceptible to significant change to our financial condition and results of operations including the following:

- o allowance for loan losses; and
- o derivative instruments.

Allowance for loan losses. We provide an allowance for loan losses for mortgages held as CMO collateral, finance receivables and mortgages held-for-investment. In evaluating the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses management

takes several items into consideration. For instance, a detailed analysis of historical loan performance data is accumulated and reviewed. This data is analyzed for loss performance and prepayment performance by product type, origination year and securitization issuance. The results of that analysis are then applied to the current mortgage portfolio and an estimate is created. In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 5, management believes that pooling of mortgages with similar characteristics is an appropriate methodology in which to evaluate the allowance for loan losses. In addition, management acknowledges that there are mortgages in the mortgage portfolio that were acquired and not underwritten to our specific underwriting guidelines.

Management also recognizes that there are qualitative factors that must be taken into consideration when evaluating and measuring potential impairment in the mortgage portfolio. These items include, but are not limited to, economic indicators that may affect the borrower's ability to pay, changes in value of collateral, political factors and industry statistics. For additional information regarding provision for loan losses refer to "Results of Operations" below.

Derivative instruments. The mortgage operations enter into forward commitments and derivative transactions to mitigate changes in the value of its "locked pipeline" of fixed rate mortgages. The locked pipeline are mortgages that have not yet been acquired, however, the mortgage operations has committed to acquire the mortgages in the future at pre-determined rates through rate-lock commitments. The mortgage operations records the fair market value of its locked pipeline as it qualifies as a derivative instrument under the provisions of SFAS 133, however, it does not qualify for hedging treatment. Therefore, the locked pipeline and the related fair market value of derivative instruments are marked to market each reporting period along with a corresponding entry to non-interest expense.

Results of Operations and Financial Condition

Results of Operations - For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2003 as compared to the Three Months Ended September 30, 2002

Net earnings increased 72% to \$33.4 million, or \$0.63 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$19.4 million, or \$0.47 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2002. The third quarter-over-quarter increase in net earnings of \$14.0 million was primarily due to the following:

- o \$8.1 million increase in net interest income; and
- o \$8.7 million increase in net earnings of the mortgage operations;
- o which were partially offset by a \$2.5 million increase in provision for loan losses.

Taxable Income

Estimated taxable income was \$32.5 million, or \$0.61 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$25.5 million, or \$0.61 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2002. When we file our annual tax returns there are certain adjustments that we make to net earnings and taxable income due to differences in the nature and extent that revenues and expenses are recognized under the two methods. For instance, to calculate taxable income we can only deduct loan loss provisions to the extent that we incurred actual loan losses as compared to net earnings, which require a deduction of loan loss provisions to derive net earnings. To maintain REIT status, we are required to distribute a minimum of 90% of our annual taxable income to our stockholders. Because we pay dividends based on taxable income, dividends may be more or less than net earnings. We believe that the disclosure of estimated taxable income, which is a non-GAAP financial measurement, is useful information for our investors.

The following table presents a reconciliation of net earnings to estimated taxable income for the periods indicated (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002
Net earnings	\$ 33,417	\$ 19,434
Adjustments to net earnings:		
Provision for loan losses	7,820	5,361
Dividend from the mortgage operations	11,000	4,208
Tax deduction for actual loan losses	(2,082)	(731)
Tax loss on sale of investment securities available-for-sale	(1,180)	--
Recovery of previously charged-off investment securities available-for-sale ..	(4,999)	--
Net earnings of the mortgage operations	(11,464)	--
Equity in net earnings of IFC	--	(2,755)
Estimated taxable income (1)	\$ 32,512	\$ 25,517
Estimated taxable income per diluted share (1)	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.61

(1) Excludes the deduction for dividends paid and the availability of a deduction attributable to net operating tax loss carry-forwards, if any.

The following table presents dividends declared and paid in 2003 that will be applied to taxable income for 2003:

Period Covered	Stockholder Record Date	Per Share Dividend Amount
Quarter ended December 31, 2002	January 2, 2003	\$ 0.48
Quarter ended March 31, 2003	April 4, 2003	\$ 0.50
Quarter ended June 30, 2003	July 3, 2003	\$ 0.50
Quarter ended September 30, 2003	October 3, 2003	\$ 0.50

In addition, we expect to declare and pay at least a dividend distribution of \$0.50 per share during the fourth quarter of 2003 which combined with the dividends previously declared and paid during 2003 should be sufficient to meet REIT taxable income distribution requirements for the year. Upon filing our 2002 tax return, we had federal and state net operating loss tax carry-forwards of \$18.7 million, which may or may not offset taxable income in 2003 or in subsequent years.

The increase in third quarter-over-quarter net earnings was driven by record mortgage acquisitions and originations. During the third quarter of 2003, the mortgage operations acquired and originated \$2.7 billion of mortgages compared to \$1.7 billion during the third quarter of 2002. An additional \$90.0 million of multi-family mortgages were originated by IMCC during the third quarter of 2003. Mortgages acquired through correspondents as bulk acquisitions, which are generally not underwritten through our proprietary automated underwriting system, were \$932.2 million, or 34% of total mortgage acquisitions and originations, during the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$237.3 million, or 14% of total mortgage acquisitions and originations, during the third quarter of 2002.

The following table summarizes the principal balance of mortgage acquisitions and originations by the mortgage operations by loan characteristic for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2003		2002	
	Principal Balance	%	Principal Balance	%
By Loan Type:				
Fixed rate first trust deed	\$1,244,444	45	\$ 552,751	33
Fixed rate second trust deed	45,417	2	24,032	1
Adjustable rate:				
Six-month London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") ARMs .	452,924	17	724,101	43
Six-month LIBOR hybrids (1)	993,623	36	379,102	23
Total adjustable rate	1,446,547	53	1,103,203	66
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations	\$2,736,408	100	\$1,679,986	100
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By Production Channel:				
Correspondent acquisitions:				
Flow	\$1,270,677	46	\$1,021,222	61
Bulk	932,187	35	237,263	14
Total correspondent acquisitions	2,202,864	81	1,258,485	75
Wholesale and retail originations	394,884	14	295,518	18
Novelle Financial Services, Inc.	138,660	5	125,983	7
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations	\$2,736,408	100	\$1,679,986	100
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By Credit Quality:				
Alt-A mortgages	\$2,589,974	95	\$1,545,239	92
B/C mortgages (2)	146,434	5	134,747	8
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations	\$2,736,408	100	\$1,679,986	100
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By Purpose:				
Purchase	\$1,260,247	46	\$ 985,755	59
Refinance	1,476,161	54	694,231	41
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations	\$2,736,408	100	\$1,679,986	100
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By Prepayment Penalty:				
With prepayment penalty	\$1,867,746	68	\$1,372,735	82
Without prepayment penalty	868,662	32	307,251	18
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations	\$2,736,408	100	\$1,679,986	100
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(1) Mortgages are fixed rate for initial two to ten year periods and subsequently adjust to the indicated index plus a margin.

(2) The third quarter of 2003 and 2002 includes \$138.7 million and \$126.0 million, respectively, of B/C mortgages originated by Novelle Financial Services, Inc., that are subsequently held-for-sale or sold to third party investors for cash gains.

As a result of record mortgage acquisitions and originations, we retained \$1.4 billion of mortgages during the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$1.1 billion during the third quarter of 2002. The increase in mortgage acquisitions by the long-term investment operations and the growth of our warehouse lending operations resulted in significant growth of our mortgage portfolio. The mortgage portfolio grew 69% to \$8.8 billion as of September 30, 2003 compared to \$5.2 billion as of September 30, 2002, which in turn generated higher levels of net interest income.

The following table summarizes the principal balance of mortgages acquired from the mortgage operations and originated by the long-term investment operations by loan characteristic for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2003		2002	
	Principal Balance	%	Principal Balance	%
Volume by Type:				
Adjustable rate	\$1,326,364	92	\$ 892,092	82
Fixed rate	108,679	8	200,004	18
Total Mortgage Acquisitions .	<u>\$1,435,043</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>\$1,092,096</u>	<u>100</u>
Volume by Product:				
Six-month LIBOR ARMs	\$ 357,636	25	\$ 619,225	57
Six-month LIBOR hybrids (1) ...	968,728	67	272,867	25
Fixed rate first trust deeds ...	108,679	8	200,004	18
Fixed rate second trust deeds ..	--	0	--	0
Total Mortgage Acquisitions .	<u>\$1,435,043</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>\$1,092,096</u>	<u>100</u>
Volume by Credit Quality:				
Alt-A mortgages	\$1,339,512	94	\$1,086,719	100
Multi-family mortgages	90,022	6	--	0
B/C mortgages	5,509	0	5,377	0
Total Mortgage Acquisitions .	<u>\$1,435,043</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>\$1,092,096</u>	<u>100</u>
Volume by Purpose:				
Purchase	\$ 839,870	59	\$ 681,739	62
Refinance	595,173	41	410,357	38
Total Mortgage Acquisitions .	<u>\$1,435,043</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>\$1,092,096</u>	<u>100</u>
Volume by Prepayment Penalty:				
With prepayment penalty	\$1,087,377	76	\$ 913,959	84
Without prepayment penalty	347,666	24	178,137	16
Total Mortgage Acquisitions .	<u>\$1,435,043</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>\$1,092,096</u>	<u>100</u>

(1) Mortgages are fixed rate for initial two to ten year periods and subsequently adjust to the indicated index plus a margin.

Net interest income increased by \$8.1 million to \$31.2 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$23.1 million for the third quarter of 2002. The third quarter-over-quarter increase in net interest income was primarily due to a \$3.8 billion increase in average Mortgage Assets, which increased to \$8.4 billion for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$4.6 billion for the third quarter of 2002 as the long-term investment operations retained \$4.8 billion of primarily Alt-A mortgages from the mortgage operations and \$207.4 million of multi-family mortgages since the end of the third quarter of 2002. We retain mortgages acquired and originated by the mortgage operations and multi-family mortgages originated by IMCC that fit within our criteria, which are generally ARMs and fixed rate mortgages ("FRMs") with good credit profiles, insurance enhancements, when we require, and prepayment penalty features. Growth of the warehouse lending operations also contributed to an increase in net interest income for the third quarter of 2003 as average finance receivables to non-affiliated customers increased 92% to \$666.8 million compared to \$347.7 million for the third quarter of 2002.

We earn interest income primarily on Mortgage Assets, which includes CMO collateral, mortgages held-for-investment, mortgages held-for-sale, finance receivables and investment securities available-for-sale, and, to a lesser extent, interest income earned on cash and cash equivalents and due from affiliates. Interest expense is primarily interest paid on borrowings on Mortgage Assets, which include CMO borrowings, reverse repurchase agreements and borrowings on investment securities available-for-sale, and, to a lesser extent, interest expense paid on due to affiliates. We also receive or make cash payments on derivative instruments as an adjustment to the yield on Mortgage Assets or borrowings on Mortgage Assets depending on whether certain specified contractual interest rate levels are reached.

The following table summarizes average balance, interest and weighted average yield on Mortgage Assets and borrowings on Mortgage Assets for the third quarters of 2003 and 2002 and include interest income on Mortgage Assets and interest expense related to borrowings on Mortgage Assets only (in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2003			For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2002		
	Average Balance	Interest	Yield	Average Balance	Interest	Yield
MORTGAGE ASSETS						
Investment securities available-for-sale (1) ..	\$ 18,148	\$ 2,804	61.80%	\$ 28,442	\$ 362	5.09%
CMO collateral (2)	6,682,380	60,976	3.65	3,725,003	48,286	5.19
Mortgages held-for-sale (3)	648,698	10,621	6.55	--	--	--
Mortgages held-for-investment (4)	348,028	3,591	4.13	131,267	1,665	5.07
Finance receivables:						
Affiliated (5)	--	--	--	377,922	4,358	4.61
Non-affiliated	666,771	8,333	5.00	347,691	5,065	5.83
Total finance receivables	666,771	8,333	5.00	725,613	9,423	5.19
Total Mortgage Assets	<u>\$8,364,025</u>	<u>\$ 86,325</u>	<u>4.13%</u>	<u>\$4,610,325</u>	<u>\$ 59,736</u>	<u>5.18%</u>
BORROWINGS						
CMO borrowings	\$6,544,740	\$ 45,567	2.78%	\$3,635,351	\$ 31,091	3.42%
Reverse repurchase agreements	1,555,992	8,972	2.31	816,923	6,086	2.98
Borrowings secured by investment securities (6)	794	832	419.1	9,255	431	18.63
Total borrowings on Mortgage Assets	<u>\$8,101,526</u>	<u>\$ 55,371</u>	<u>2.73%</u>	<u>\$4,461,529</u>	<u>\$ 37,608</u>	<u>3.37%</u>
Net interest spread (7)			1.40%			1.81%
Net interest margin (8)			1.48%			1.92%

- (1) Principal recovery on previously charged-off investment securities inflated the yield during the third quarter of 2003.
- (2) Includes amortization of acquisition costs and net cash payments on derivative instruments allocated to specific CMOs.
- (3) Mortgages held-for-sale were acquired via the acquisition of Impac Funding Corporation on July 1, 2003.
- (4) Includes amortization of acquisition costs and net cash payments on derivative instruments not allocated to specific CMOs.
- (5) Advances to subsidiaries and affiliates have been eliminated during the third quarter of 2003 due to the consolidation of the mortgage operations.
- (6) Payments and excess cash flows received from the investment securities collateralizing this loan are used to pay down the outstanding borrowings. The payments are received from a collateral base that is in excess of the borrowings. Therefore, while the payment amounts should remain relatively stable, the average balance of the borrowings will continue to decrease. These borrowings were paid off during the third quarter of 2003. The yield reflects discount and securitization costs that were recorded as interest expense upon repayment of borrowings.
- (7) Net interest spread is calculated by subtracting the weighted average yield on total borrowings on Mortgage Assets from the weighted average yield on total Mortgage Assets.
- (8) Net interest margin is calculated by subtracting interest expense on total borrowings on Mortgage Assets from interest income on total Mortgage Assets and then dividing by the total average balance for Mortgage Assets.

The increase in net interest income was offset, in part, by a decrease in net interest margins on Mortgage Assets, which declined 44 basis points to 1.48% for the third quarter of 2003 compared to 1.92% for the third quarter of 2002. Although net interest margins declined third quarter-over-quarter, net interest margins improved from 1.36% during the second quarter of 2003. The overall decrease in net interest margins during the third quarter of 2003 as compared to the third quarter of 2002 was primarily the result of a decline in net interest margins on CMO collateral, which declined 93 basis points to 0.92% for the third quarter of 2003 as compared to 1.85% for the third quarter of 2002. This decline was due to a number of factors as follows:

- o interest rate resets on mortgages;
- o higher composition of FRMs; and
- o net cash payments on derivative instruments.

Interest rate resets on mortgages. At the time mortgages were retained for long-term investment, six-month ARMs had initial coupons above the fully-indexed rate, which is the margin on the mortgage plus the index. Upon the mortgage interest rate reset date, interest rates on six-month LIBOR ARMs adjusted downward to the fully-indexed rate. The reset to lower coupons on these mortgages during low interest rate environments is consistent with our strategy to mitigate the borrower's propensity to refinance their mortgage, which we believe will extend the duration of the mortgages. Six-month LIBOR hybrids acquired for long-term investment during the first nine months of 2001 with initial fixed interest rate periods of two years subsequently converted to six-month LIBOR ARMs, which resulted in those mortgages resetting to lower adjustable interest rates during the first nine months of 2003. Additionally, the decline in interest rates during 2003 and 2002 resulted in record refinancing activity, which in turn resulted in increased mortgage prepayments. We reinvested the proceeds from mortgage prepayments in lower yielding Mortgage Assets. As a result of the combination of these factors, the interest rate spread differential between six-month LIBOR ARMs and adjustable rate CMO borrowings compressed. The weighted average coupon of mortgages held as CMO collateral was 5.71% as of September 30, 2003 compared to 6.88% as of September 30, 2002.

Higher composition of FRMs. We generally earn smaller net interest margins on FRMs financed with fixed rate CMO borrowings than on ARMs financed with adjustable rate CMO borrowings. In order to compensate CMO bondholders for investing in fixed rate CMOs, which generally have longer lives than adjustable rate CMOs and are fixed over the life of the investment, we must pay a higher yield on the bonds in much the same way that long-term certificates of deposit generally have higher yields than short-term certificates of deposit. In other words, we are compensating fixed rate CMO bondholders for the risk that market interest rates may rise while interest rates on the CMO bonds will remain fixed. Therefore, overall net interest margins on CMO collateral declined during the third quarter of 2003 compared to the third quarter of 2002, in part, because we acquired and retained more FRMs for long-term investment. As of September 30, 2003 18% of mortgages held as CMO collateral were FRMs compared to 9% of FRMs held as CMO collateral as of September 30, 2002. However, we believe that FRMs generally have longer lives than ARMs, generate cash flows over a longer time horizon and produce a comparable return on average equity as on ARMs.

Net cash payments on derivative instruments. The notional amount of derivative instruments rose as we acquired derivative instruments as interest rate hedges for CMO borrowings, which were used to finance the retention of \$4.8 billion of mortgages by the long-term investment operations since the end of the third quarter of 2002. The increase in the notional amount of derivative instruments combined with the decline of short-term interest rates increased net cash payments made on derivative instruments. We acquire derivative instruments to offset possible increased CMO borrowing costs resulting from changing interest rates. As a result, net cash payments and amortization from derivative instruments was \$14.1 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$6.3 million for the third quarter of 2002. The goal of our interest rate hedging policy is to provide stable net interest margins and cash flows to our investors in various interest rate environments. Our interest rate hedging strategy is designed to protect net interest margins and net earnings from changing interest rates, which, absent interest rate hedging instruments, would in all likelihood have an adverse effect on both. We believe that our interest rate hedging policy is sound and net interest margins will remain relatively stable even if interest rates change from current levels.

In addition to the positive contribution of net interest income to consolidated net earnings, net earnings from the mortgage operations increased \$8.7 million to \$11.5 million during the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$2.8 million during the third quarter of 2002. This increase was primarily due to an increase in gain on sale of loans, which was the result of an increase in loan sales volume combined with greater profitability per loan sold. The sale of Alt-A mortgages and multi-family mortgages to third party investors and the completion of CMOs during the third quarter of 2003 resulted in gain on sale of loans of \$33.9 million compared to gain on sale of loans of \$13.7 million for the third quarter of 2002. Of the \$2.7 billion of mortgage acquisitions and originations during the third quarter of 2003, the mortgage operations sold \$1.3 billion of mortgages to third party investors and \$1.3 billion to the long-term investment. This compares to \$371.8 million of mortgages sold to third party investors and \$1.1 billion of mortgages sold to the long-term investment operations during the third quarter of 2002. The long-term investment operations also completed \$1.6 billion of CMOs during the third quarter of 2003 as compared to \$696.5 million of CMOs completed during the third quarter of 2002. Gain on sale of loans was 127 basis points on total loan sales volume of \$2.7 billion for the third quarter of 2003 compared to 93 basis points on total loan sales volume of \$1.5 billion for the third quarter of 2002.

Gain on sale of loans includes the difference between the price we acquire and originate mortgages and the price we receive upon the sale or securitization of mortgages plus or minus direct mortgage origination revenue and costs, i.e. loan and underwriting fees, commissions, appraisal review fees, document expense, etc. Gain on sale of loans acquired and originated by the mortgage operations also includes a premium for the sale of mortgage servicing rights upon the sale or

securitization of mortgages. All mortgages sold or securitized during the third quarter of 2003 were done so on a servicing released basis, which results in substantially all cash gains. In order to minimize risks associated with the accumulation of our mortgages, we seek to securitize or sell our mortgages more frequently by creating smaller transactions, thereby reducing our exposure to interest rate risk and price volatility during the accumulation period of mortgages.

The following table summarizes the principal balance of mortgages sold for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002
Real estate mortgage investment conduits ("REMICs")	\$ 400,000	\$ --
Whole loan sales to third party investors	931,160	371,834
Loan sales to the long-term investment operations ..	1,345,021	1,092,096
Total sales	\$2,676,181	\$1,463,930

Non-interest expense increased to \$18.6 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$2.3 million for the third quarter of 2002 as non-interest expense of the mortgage operations was consolidated during the third quarter of 2003. However, for comparative purposes, when including non-interest expense of the mortgage operations for the third quarter of 2002, consolidated non-interest expense was \$12.8 million. The \$5.8 million increase in non-interest expense includes the following:

- o \$4.2 million increase in operating expense, which includes personnel expense, professional services and general and administrative expense; and
- o \$3.1 million decrease in mark-to-market gain on derivative instruments;

which were partially offset by the following:

- o \$1.2 million decrease in loss on disposition of other real estate owned; and
- o \$738,000 decrease in provision for repurchases.

Operating expense increased 33% to \$17.1 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$12.9 million for the third quarter of 2002. This increase was primarily due to a 59% increase in mortgage acquisitions and originations by the mortgage operations to \$2.7 billion for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$1.7 billion for the third quarter of 2002, which resulted in an increase in staff levels. However, operational efficiencies created by IDASL combined with the higher level of correspondent bulk acquisitions during the third quarter of 2003 resulted in lower per loan correspondent acquisition costs as compared to the third quarter of 2002. Bulk mortgage acquisitions generally require less staffing and corresponding personnel expense and other operating expense than mortgages acquired on a flow, or loan-by-loan basis.

The following table summarizes the mortgage operations weighted average fully-loaded production cost to acquire or originate a single mortgage by production channel for the periods indicated (in basis points of mortgage acquisition or origination):

Production Channel	Company/Division	For the Three Months Ended September 30,	
		2003	2002
Correspondent acquisitions	Impac Funding Corporation	42.96	77.53
Wholesale/retail originations	Impac Lending Group	92.82	95.59
B/C originations	Novelle Financial Services, Inc.	205.06	197.65
Total Weighted Average Production Cost.....		58.37	78.77

Fully-loaded cost to acquire or originate a single mortgage is based on mortgage production costs, including sales commissions which are a component of gain on sale of loans in the financial statements, and corporate administrative costs, including human resources, accounting, management information systems, corporate administration and marketing. Mortgage production costs exclude other non-production related expenses, including amortization and impairment of mortgage servicing rights, mark-to-market gain on derivative instruments and write-down of investment securities.

The mark-to-market gain on derivative instruments was due to a fair market valuation of the mortgage pipeline and derivative instruments acquired to hedge interest rates on those mortgages until close and eventual sale or securitization. The \$3.1 million decrease in mark-to-market gain on derivative instruments was due to a \$239.9 million decrease in the mortgage operations' locked pipeline of fixed rate mortgages, which declined to \$261.4 million as of September 30, 2003 compared to \$501.3 million as of June 30, 2003.

Gain on disposition of other real estate owned was \$642,000 for the third quarter of 2003 compared to a loss on disposition of other real estate owned of \$514,000 for the third quarter of 2002. When we acquire real estate through foreclosure proceedings we record a write-down on foreclosed property to a percentage of appraised value or a real estate broker's price opinion. Gain or loss on disposition of other real estate owned results when there is a difference between the initial write-down on foreclosed property and the ultimate proceeds received upon disposition of foreclosed property. During the third quarter of 2003 the initial write-downs on foreclosed property were in excess of the proceeds received on the sale of real estate owned, which resulted in a gain. The opposite occurred on real estate disposition during the third quarter of 2002. We monitor the relationship between the appraised value or broker's price opinion and the sales price of other real estate owned in the context of current market conditions, including changes in real estate values. The percentage write-down of newly acquired real estate to appraised value or broker's price opinion is adjusted accordingly based on the past sales performance of real estate dispositions.

Provision for loan losses were \$7.8 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$5.4 million for the third quarter of 2002. The provision for estimated loan losses are primarily based on historical loss statistics, including cumulative loss percentages and loss severity, of similar mortgages in our mortgage portfolio. The loss percentage is used to determine the estimated inherent losses in the mortgage portfolio. The provision for loan losses is also determined based on the following:

- o management's judgment of the net loss potential of mortgages based on prior loan loss experience;
- o changes in the nature and volume of the mortgage portfolio;
- o value of the collateral;
- o delinquency trends; and
- o current economic conditions that may affect the borrowers' ability to pay.

Financial Condition

The following table presents selected financial data for the periods indicated (in thousands, except per share data):

	As of and for the Quarter Ended,		
	September 30, 2003	December 31, 2002	September 30, 2002
Book value per share	\$ 8.11	\$ 6.70	\$ 6.40
Return on average assets	1.56%	1.49%	1.64%
Return on average equity	34.82%	31.37%	29.27%
Assets to equity ratio	20.98:1	21.59:1	19.66:1
Debt to equity ratio	19.76:1	20.48:1	18.56:1
Allowance for loan losses as a percentage of mortgages held as CMO collateral, finance receivables and mortgages held for investment(1)	0.47%	0.45%	0.45%
Mortgages 90+ days delinquent and other real estate owned	\$ 194,086	\$ 130,614	\$ 105,610
Mortgages 90+ days delinquent and other real estate owned as a percentage of total assets	2.14%	1.99%	1.96%
Mortgages owned 60+ days delinquent	\$ 231,153	\$ 161,260	\$ 120,078
60+ day delinquency of mortgages owned	2.88%	3.22%	2.92%

(1) Recalculation of prior period percentage to reflect exclusion of affiliated finance receivables upon consolidation of IFC.

Total assets grew 36% to \$9.0 billion as of September 30, 2003 compared to \$6.6 billion as of December 31, 2002 as the long-term investment operations retained \$3.6 billion of adjustable and fixed rate Alt-A mortgages and \$206.2 million of multi-family mortgages during the first nine months of 2003. Due to the retention and subsequent securitization of \$4.0

billion of CMOs during the first nine months of 2003, CMO collateral increased to \$7.4 billion as of September 30, 2003 compared to \$5.1 billion as of December 31, 2002.

The warehouse lending operations also grew as average finance receivables to non-affiliated customers increased 92% to \$666.8 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$347.7 million for the third quarter of 2002. As of September 30, 2003 the warehouse lending operations had approved warehouse lines available to non-affiliated customers of \$956.0 million representing 64 clients compared to \$665.0 million in approved warehouse lines to 61 clients as of December 31, 2002.

Due to record mortgage acquisitions and originations for the third quarter of 2003, average mortgages held for sale increased 63% to \$647.5 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$396.2 for the third quarter of 2002. The mortgage operations had a locked pipeline of fixed rate mortgages in process of \$261.4 million as of September 30, 2003 compared to \$501.3 million as of June 30, 2003. We anticipate the majority of the locked pipeline will close during the fourth quarter of 2003.

During the third quarter of 2003, we exercised our right to call some of our investment securities that we subsequently sold for a \$3.5 million gain. In addition, we used the proceeds from the sale of investment securities that secured higher yielding borrowings to repay those borrowings.

The following table presents detail on Mortgage Assets for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	September 30, 2003	December 31, 2002
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Investment securities available-for-sale--		
Subordinated securities collateralized by mortgages	\$ 9,641	\$ 17,710
Net unrealized gain (1)	5,705	8,355
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Carrying value of investment securities available-for-sale	15,346	26,065
Mortgages held-for-sale--		
Mortgages held-for-sale	567,725	--
Unamortized net premiums on mortgages	4,214	--
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Carrying value of mortgages held-for-sale	571,939	--
CMO collateral--		
CMO collateral, unpaid principal balance	7,301,516	5,082,208
Unamortized net premiums on mortgages	110,129	75,987
Securitization expenses	33,208	21,817
Fair value of derivative instruments	(15,792)	(30,332)
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Carrying value of CMO collateral	7,429,061	5,149,680
Finance receivables (2)--		
Due from affiliates (3)	--	476,227
Due from non-affiliated customers	650,991	664,021
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Carrying value of finance receivables	650,991	1,140,248
Mortgages held-for-investment--		
Mortgages held-for-investment, unpaid principal balance	150,126	56,898
Unamortized net premiums on mortgages	1,757	566
Deferred costs	180	72
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Carrying value of mortgages held-for-investment	152,063	57,536
Allowance for loan losses	(39,122)	(26,602)
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Carrying value of Mortgage Assets	\$ 8,780,278	\$ 6,346,927
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- (1) Unrealized gains on investment securities available-for-sale is a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss in stockholders' equity.
- (2) Outstanding advances on warehouse lines that the warehouse lending operations make to affiliates and non-affiliated customers.
- (3) Advances to affiliates were eliminated as the financial results of the mortgage operations consolidate as of July 1, 2003.

We believe that in order for us to generate positive cash flows and earnings we must successfully manage the following primary operational and market risks:

- o credit risk;
- o prepayment risk;
- o liquidity risk; and
- o interest rate risk.

Credit Risk. We manage credit risk by investing in high credit quality Alt-A mortgages that are acquired and originated by our mortgage operations and multi-family mortgages originated by IMCC, adequately providing for loan losses and actively managing delinquencies and defaults.

We believe that by improving the overall credit quality of our mortgage portfolio, we can consistently generate stable future cash flow and earnings for our stockholders. During the third quarter of 2003, we retained adjustable and fixed rate Alt-A mortgages from the mortgage operations with an original weighted average credit score of 701 and an original weighted average LTV ratio of 77%. We primarily acquire non-conforming "A" or "A-" credit quality mortgages, collectively, Alt-A mortgages. As defined by us, A credit quality mortgages generally have a credit score of 640 or better and A- credit quality mortgages generally have a credit score of between 600 and 639 while B/C mortgages generally have credit scores of 599 and below. As a comparison, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac generally purchase conforming mortgages with credit scores greater than 620. As of September 30, 2003, the original weighted average credit score of mortgages held as CMO collateral was 691 and the original weighted average LTV ratio was 79%.

In addition to retaining mortgages from our mortgage operations, IMCC originated \$206.2 million of multi-family mortgages IMCC during the first nine months of 2003. IMCC was formed to primarily originate adjustable rate multi-family mortgages with high credit quality, conservative debt service ratios and low LTV ratios with balances generally ranging from \$250,000 to \$2.0 million. Multi-family mortgages provide greater asset diversification on our balance sheet as multi-family mortgages typically have higher interest rate spreads and longer lives than residential mortgages. All multi-family mortgages originated during the first nine months of 2003 had interest rate floors with prepayment penalty periods ranging from three to five years.

We believe that we adequately provide for loan losses by maintaining a ratio of allowance for loan losses to mortgages held as CMO collateral, finance receivables and mortgages held-for-investment within a range of 40 basis points to 45 basis points. As of September 30, 2003, the ratio of allowance for loan losses to mortgages provided for was 47 basis points as allowance for loan losses increased to \$39.1 million. However, as mortgages held as CMO collateral season, there is generally a historical upward curve whereby some mortgages will move through the delinquency cycle with the expectation that some of the delinquent mortgages will eventually be acquired through foreclosure proceedings and sold at a gain or loss. Mortgages acquired during 2001 and 2000 reflect this pattern which resulted in an increase in actual loan losses to \$2.1 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$731,000 for the third quarter of 2002. Mortgages held as CMO collateral acquired during 2003 and 2002 are unseasoned mortgages and have not experienced material losses as of September 30, 2003.

We monitor our sub-servicers to make sure that they perform loss mitigation, foreclosure and collection functions according to our servicing guidelines. This includes an effective and aggressive collection effort in order to minimize the proportion of mortgages, which become seriously delinquent. However, when resolving delinquent mortgages, sub-servicers are required to take timely and aggressive action. The sub-servicer is required to determine payment collection under various circumstances, which will result in maximum financial benefit. This is accomplished by either working with the borrower to bring the mortgage current or by foreclosing and liquidating the property. We perform ongoing review of mortgages that display weaknesses and believe that we maintain adequate loss allowance on the mortgages. When a borrower fails to make required payments on a mortgage and does not cure the delinquency within 60 days, we generally record a notice of default and commence foreclosure proceedings. If the mortgage is not reinstated within the time permitted by law for reinstatement, the property may then be sold at a foreclosure sale. In foreclosure sales, we generally acquire title to the property. As of September 30, 2003 our mortgage portfolio included 2.88% of mortgages that were 60 days or more delinquent compared to 3.22% as of December 31, 2002.

The following table summarizes mortgages in our mortgage portfolio that were 60 or more days delinquent for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	At September 30, 2003	At December 31, 2002
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60-89 days delinquent	\$ 50,921	\$ 41,762
90 or more days delinquent	36,313	33,822
Foreclosures	134,218	74,597
Delinquent bankruptcies	9,701	11,079
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Total 60 or more days delinquent	\$ 231,153	\$ 161,260
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Seriously delinquent assets consist of mortgages that are 90 days or more delinquent, including loans in foreclosure and delinquent bankruptcies. When real estate is acquired in settlement of loans, referred to as other real estate owned, the mortgage is written-down to a percentage of the property's appraised value or broker's price opinion. As of September 30, 2003, seriously delinquent assets and other real estate owned as a percentage of total assets was 2.14% compared to 1.99% as of December 31, 2002.

The following table summarizes mortgages in our mortgage portfolio that were seriously delinquent and other real estate owned for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	At September 30, 2003	At December 31, 2002
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90 or more days delinquent	\$ 180,232	\$ 119,498
Other real estate owned	13,854	11,116
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Total	\$ 194,086	\$ 130,614
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Prepayment Risk. 74% of Alt-A mortgages retained by the long-term investment operations during the third quarter of 2003 had prepayment penalty features ranging from one to five years and as of September 30, 2003, 81% of mortgages held as CMO collateral had active prepayment penalties compared to 70% as of September 30, 2002. In addition, our six-month LIBOR ARMs do not have specified interest rate floors. Therefore, in declining interest rate environments, coupons on the mortgages may decline to levels that do not give the borrower an incentive to refinance. During the third quarter of 2003 constant prepayment rates of mortgages held as CMO collateral was 29% compared to 33% for the third quarter of 2002.

Liquidity Risk. We employ a leveraging strategy to increase assets by financing our mortgage portfolio primarily with CMO borrowings, reverse repurchase agreements and capital and then using cash proceeds to acquire additional Mortgage Assets. We acquire adjustable and fixed rate mortgages from the mortgage operations and multi-family mortgages from IMCC and finance the acquisition of those mortgages with reverse repurchase agreements, which is referred to as the accumulation period. After accumulating a pool of adjustable and fixed rate mortgages, generally between \$200 million and \$1.0 billion, we securitize the mortgages in the form of CMOs. Our strategy is to securitize our mortgages every 30 to 45 days in order to reduce the accumulation period that mortgages are outstanding on short-term warehouse or reverse repurchase facilities, thereby reducing our exposure to margin calls on these facilities. CMOs are classes of bonds that are sold to investors in mortgage-backed securities and as such are not subject to margin calls. In addition, CMOs generally require a smaller initial cash investment as a percentage of mortgages financed than does interim warehouse and reverse repurchase financing.

Because of the historically favorable prepayment and loss rates of our high credit quality Alt-A mortgages, we have received favorable credit ratings on our CMOs from credit rating agencies, which has reduced our required initial capital investment as a percentage of mortgages securing CMO financing. The ratio of total assets to total equity, or "leverage ratio," was 20.98 to 1 as of September 30, 2003 compared to 21.59 to 1 as of December 31, 2002 and 19.66 to 1 as of September 30, 2002. With increased leverage, we have been able to grow our balance sheet by efficiently using available capital while maintaining adequate levels of liquidity. We monitor our leverage ratio and liquidity levels to insure that we are adequately protected against adverse changes in market conditions. For additional information regarding liquidity refer to "Liquidity and Capital Resources" below.

Interest Rate Risk. Refer to Item 3. "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk."

Results of Operations

Results of Operations - For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003 as compared to the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002

Net earnings increased 68% to \$88.7 million, or \$1.75 per diluted share, for the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$52.8 million, or \$1.34 per diluted share, for the first nine months of 2002. The period-over-period increase in net earnings of \$35.9 million was primarily due to the following:

- o \$28.4 million increase in net interest income; and
- o \$15.4 million increase in net earnings of the mortgage operations;
- o which were partially offset by an \$8.1 million increase in provision for loan losses.

Taxable Income

Estimated taxable income was \$89.2 million, or \$1.76 per diluted share, for the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$59.8 million, or \$1.51 per diluted share, for the first nine months of 2002.

The following table presents a reconciliation of net earnings to estimated taxable income for the periods indicated (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002
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Net earnings	\$ 88,680	\$ 52,808
Adjustments to net earnings:		
Provision for loan losses	21,363	13,302
Dividend from the mortgage operations	22,385	9,900
Tax deduction for actual loan losses	(8,843)	(3,430)
Tax loss on sale of investment securities available-for-sale	(1,180)	--
Recovery of previously charged-off investment securities available-for-sale	(4,999)	--
Net earnings of the mortgage operations	(11,464)	--
Equity in net earnings of IFC	(16,698)	(12,816)
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Estimated taxable income (1)	\$ 89,244	\$ 59,764
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Estimated taxable income per diluted share (1)	\$ 1.76	\$ 1.51
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(1) Excludes the deduction for dividends paid and the availability of a deduction attributable to net operating tax loss carry-forwards, if any.

The increase in period-over-period net earnings was driven by record mortgage acquisitions and originations. During the first nine months of 2003 the mortgage operations acquired and originated \$6.4 billion of mortgages compared to \$4.3 billion during the first nine months of 2002. An additional \$206.2 million of multi-family mortgages were originated by IMCC during the first nine months of 2003 compared to none during the first nine months of 2002 as IMCC was formed in July 2002. Mortgages acquired through our correspondent channel as bulk acquisitions, which are generally not underwritten through IDASL, were \$1.6 billion, or 25% of total mortgage acquisitions and originations, during the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$453.8 million, or 11% of total mortgage acquisitions and originations, during the first nine months of 2002.

The following table summarizes the principal balance of mortgage acquisitions and originations by the mortgage operations by loan characteristic for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2003		2002	
	Principal Balance	%	Principal Balance	%
By Loan Type:				
Fixed rate first trust deed	\$3,130,037	49	\$1,319,446	31
Fixed rate second trust deed	99,224	1	61,719	1
Adjustable rate:				
Six-month LIBOR ARMs	1,376,026	22	1,875,105	44
Six-month LIBOR hybrids (1)	1,802,921	28	995,520	24
Total adjustable rate	3,178,947	50	2,870,625	68
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations .	\$6,408,208	100	\$4,251,790	100
By Production Channel:				
Correspondent acquisitions:				
Flow	\$3,399,605	53	\$2,718,871	64
Bulk	1,595,632	25	453,827	11
Total correspondent acquisitions	4,995,237	78	3,172,698	75
Wholesale and retail originations				
Novelle Financial Services, Inc.	1,062,071	17	787,317	18
Novelle Financial Services, Inc.	350,900	5	291,775	7
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations .	\$6,408,208	100	\$4,251,790	100
By Credit Quality:				
Alt-A mortgages	\$6,031,313	94	\$3,940,267	93
B/C mortgages (2)	376,895	6	311,523	7
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations .	\$6,408,208	100	\$4,251,790	100
By Purpose:				
Purchase	\$2,886,647	45	\$2,473,125	58
Refinance	3,521,561	55	1,778,665	42
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations .	\$6,408,208	100	\$4,251,790	100
By Prepayment Penalty:				
With prepayment penalty	\$4,897,549	76	\$3,291,851	77
Without prepayment penalty	1,510,659	24	959,939	23
Total Mortgage Acquisitions and Originations .	\$6,408,208	100	\$4,251,790	100

(1) Mortgages are fixed rate for initial two to ten year periods and subsequently adjust to the indicated index plus a margin.

(2) The first nine months of 2003 and 2002 includes \$350.9 million and \$291.8 million, respectively, of B/C mortgages originated by Novelle Financial Services, Inc., which are subsequently held-for-sale or sold to third party investors for cash gains.

As a result of record mortgage acquisitions and originations, we retained \$3.8 billion of mortgages during the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$2.7 billion during the first nine months of 2002. The increase in mortgage acquisitions by the long-term investment operations and the growth of our warehouse lending operations resulted in significant growth of our mortgage portfolio. The mortgage portfolio grew 69% to \$8.8 billion as of September 30, 2003 compared to \$5.2 billion as of September 30, 2002, which in turn generated higher levels of net interest income.

The following table summarizes the principal balance of mortgages acquired from the mortgage operations and originated by the long-term investment operations by loan characteristic for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2003		2002	
	Principal Balance	%	Principal Balance	%
Volume by Type:				
Adjustable rate	\$3,111,514	82	\$2,479,017	93
Fixed rate	680,535	18	200,871	7
Total Mortgage Acquisitions ..	\$3,792,049	100	\$2,679,888	100
Volume by Product:				
Six-month LIBOR ARMs	\$1,203,717	32	\$1,727,198	65
Six-month LIBOR hybrids (1)	1,907,798	50	751,819	28
Fixed rate first trust deeds	673,791	18	200,560	7
Fixed rate second trust deeds	6,743	0	311	0
Total Mortgage Acquisitions ..	\$3,792,049	100	\$2,679,888	100
Volume by Credit Quality:				
Alt-A mortgages	\$3,568,153	95	\$2,667,877	100
Multi-family mortgages	206,201	5	--	0
B/C mortgages	17,695	0	12,011	0
Total Mortgage Acquisitions ..	\$3,792,049	100	\$2,679,888	100
Volume by Purpose:				
Purchase	\$1,986,152	52	\$1,652,564	62
Refinance	1,805,897	48	1,027,324	38
Total Mortgage Acquisitions ..	\$3,792,049	100	\$2,679,888	100
Volume by Prepayment Penalty:				
With prepayment penalty	\$3,074,048	81	\$2,050,608	77
Without prepayment penalty	718,001	19	629,280	23
Total Mortgage Acquisitions ..	\$3,792,049	100	\$2,679,888	100

(1) Mortgages are fixed rate for initial two to ten year periods and subsequently adjust to the indicated index plus a margin.

Net interest income increased by \$28.4 million to \$84.7 million for the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$56.3 million for the first nine months of 2002. The period-over-period increase in net interest income was primarily due to a \$3.8 billion increase in average Mortgage Assets, which increased to \$7.6 billion for the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$3.8 billion for the first nine months of 2002 as the long-term investment operations retained \$4.8 billion of primarily Alt-A mortgages from the mortgage operations and \$207.4 million of multi-family mortgages since the end of the third quarter of 2002. We retain Alt-A mortgages acquired and originated by the mortgage operations and multi-family mortgages originated by IMCC that fit within our criteria, which are generally ARMs and FRMs with good credit profiles, insurance enhancements, when we require, and prepayment penalty features. Growth of the warehouse lending operations also contributed to an increase in net interest income for the first nine months of 2003 as average finance receivables to non-affiliated customers increased 108% to \$581.1 million compared to \$279.3 million for the first nine months of 2002.

The following table summarizes average balance, interest and weighted average yield on Mortgage Assets and borrowings on Mortgage Assets for the first nine months of 2003 and 2002 and includes interest income on Mortgage Assets and interest expense related to borrowings on Mortgage Assets only (in thousands):

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003			For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002		
	Average Balance	Interest	Yield	Average Balance	Interest	Yield
MORTGAGE ASSETS						
Investment securities available-for-sale (1) ..	\$ 22,703	\$ 6,126	35.98%	\$ 29,806	\$ 1,449	6.48%
CMO collateral (2)	6,189,396	185,839	4.00	2,981,957	120,487	5.39
Mortgages held-for-sale (3)	218,158	10,621	6.49	--	--	--
Mortgages held-for-investment (4)	237,585	9,369	5.26	81,195	2,865	4.70
Finance receivables:						
Affiliated (5)	345,255	10,513	4.06	397,980	13,542	4.54
Non-affiliated	581,100	22,101	5.07	279,273	12,095	5.77
Total finance receivables	926,355	32,614	4.69	677,253	25,637	5.05
Total Mortgage Assets	\$7,594,197	\$244,569	4.29%	\$3,770,211	\$150,438	5.32%
BORROWINGS						
CMO borrowings	\$6,058,805	\$135,950	2.99%	\$2,894,017	\$ 79,021	3.64%
Reverse repurchase agreements	1,290,996	23,066	2.39	706,696	15,724	2.97
Borrowings secured by investment securities (6)	3,622	2,316	85.26	10,760	1,455	18.03
Total borrowings on Mortgage Assets	\$7,353,423	\$161,332	2.93%	\$3,611,473	\$ 96,200	3.55%
Net interest spread (7)			1.36%			1.77%
Net interest margin (8)			1.46%			1.92%

(1) Principal recovery on a previously charged-off security inflated the yield during 2003.

(2) Includes amortization of acquisition costs and net cash payments on derivative instruments allocated to specific CMOs.

(3) Mortgages held-for-sale were acquired via the acquisition of Impac Funding Corporation on July 1, 2003.

(4) Includes amortization of acquisition costs and net cash payments on derivative instruments not allocated to specific CMOs.

(5) Advances to subsidiaries and affiliates have been eliminated during the third quarter of 2003 due to the consolidation of the mortgage operations.

(6) Payments and excess cash flows received from the investment securities collateralizing this loan are used to pay down the outstanding borrowings. The payments are received from a collateral base that is in excess of the borrowings. Therefore, while the payment amounts should remain relatively stable, the average balance of the borrowings will continue to decrease. These borrowings were paid off during the third quarter of 2003. The yield reflects discount and securitization costs that were recorded as interest expense upon repayment of borrowings.

(7) Net interest spread is calculated by subtracting the weighted average yield on total borrowings on Mortgage Assets from the weighted average yield on total Mortgage Assets.

(8) Net interest margin is calculated by subtracting interest expense on total borrowings on Mortgage Assets from interest income on total Mortgage Assets and then dividing by the total average balance for Mortgage Assets.

The increase in net interest income was offset, in part, by a decrease in net interest margins on Mortgage Assets, which declined 46 basis points to 1.46% for the first nine months of 2003 compared to 1.92% for the first nine months of 2002. The overall decrease in net interest margins during the first nine months of 2003 as compared to the first nine months of 2002 was primarily the result of a decline in net interest margins on CMO collateral, which declined 44 basis points to 0.60% for the first nine months of 2003 as compared to 1.04% for the first nine months of 2002. This decline was due to a number of factors as follows:

- o interest rate resets on mortgages;
- o higher composition of FRMs; and
- o net cash payments on derivative instruments.

For detailed information regarding the effect of these factors on net interest margins on Mortgage Assets refer to the same discussion in "Results of Operations--For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2003 as compared to the Three Months Ended September 30, 2002" as the discussion also applies to the first nine months of 2003 compared to the first nine months of 2002.

In addition to the positive contribution of net interest income to consolidated net earnings, net earnings from the mortgage operations increased \$15.4 million to \$28.3 million during the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$12.9 million during the first nine months of 2002. This increase was primarily due to an increase in gain on sale of loans, which was the result of an increase in loan sales volume combined with greater profitability per loan sold. The sale of Alt-A mortgages and multi-family mortgages to third party investors and the completion of CMOs during the first nine months of 2003 resulted in gain on sale of loans of \$86.3 million compared to gain on sale of loans of \$49.4 million for the first nine months of 2002. Of the \$6.4 billion of mortgage acquisitions and originations during the first nine months of 2003, the mortgage operations sold \$2.8 billion of mortgages to third party investors and \$3.6 billion was sold to the long-term investment operations. This compares to \$1.3 billion of mortgages sold to third party investors and \$2.7 billion of mortgages sold to the long-term investment operations during the first nine months of 2002. The long-term investment operations also completed \$4.0 billion of CMOs during the first nine months of 2003 as compared to \$2.4 billion of CMOs completed during the first nine months of 2002. Gain on sale of loans was 135 basis points on total loan sales volume of \$6.4 billion for the first nine months of 2003 compared to 125 basis points on total loan sales volume of \$4.0 billion for the first nine months of 2002.

Gain on sale of loans includes the difference between the price we acquire and originate mortgages and the price we receive upon the sale or securitization of mortgages plus or minus direct mortgage origination revenue and costs, i.e. loan and underwriting fees, commissions, appraisal review fees, document expense, etc. Gain on sale of loans acquired and originated by the mortgage operations also includes a premium for the sale of mortgage servicing rights upon the sale or securitization of mortgages. All mortgages sold or securitized during the third quarter of 2003 were done so on a servicing released basis, which results in substantially all cash gains. In order to minimize risks associated with the accumulation of our mortgages, we seek to securitize or sell our mortgages more frequently by creating smaller transactions, thereby reducing our exposure to interest rate risk and price volatility during the accumulation period of mortgages.

The following table summarizes the principal balance of mortgages sold for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2003	2002
REMICs	\$ 887,500	\$ 599,952
Whole loan sales to third party investors	1,933,008	680,422
Loan sales to the long-term investment operations	3,585,848	2,679,888
Total sales	\$6,406,356	\$3,960,262

Non-interest expense increased to \$23.6 million for the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$6.2 million during the first nine months of 2002. However, for comparative purposes, when including non-interest expense of the mortgage operations for the first nine months of 2002, non-interest expense was \$51.2 million for the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$39.9 million for the first nine months of 2002. The \$11.3 million increase in non-interest expense includes the following:

- o \$13.4 million increase in operating expense, including personnel expense, professional services and general and administrative expense; and
- o \$779,000 increase in amortization of MSR's;

which was partially offset by the following:

- o \$1.2 million decrease in loss on disposition of other real estate owned;
- o \$860,000 decrease in write-down on investment securities; and
- o \$681,000 decrease in provision for repurchases.

Operating expense increased 37% to \$49.9 million for the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$36.5 million for the first nine months of 2002. This increase was primarily due to a 49% increase in mortgage acquisitions and originations by the mortgage operations to \$6.4 billion for the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$4.3 billion for the first nine months of 2002 that resulted in an increase in staff levels. However, operational efficiencies created by IDASL combined with the higher level of correspondent bulk acquisitions during the first nine months of 2003 resulted in lower per loan correspondent acquisition costs as compared to the first nine months of 2002. Bulk mortgage acquisitions generally require less staffing and corresponding personnel expense and other operating expense than mortgages acquired on a flow, or loan-by-loan basis.

The following table summarizes the mortgage operations weighted average fully-loaded production cost to acquire or originate a single mortgage by production channel for the periods indicated (in basis points of mortgage acquisition or origination):

Production Channel	Company/Division	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
		2003	2002
Correspondent acquisitions	Impac Funding Corporation	55.40	78.64
Wholesale/retail originations	Impac Lending Group	96.84	99.65
B/C originations	Novelle Financial Services, Inc.	239.57	235.43
Total Weighted Average Production Cost.....		72.35	84.90

Fully-loaded cost to acquire or originate a single mortgage is based on mortgage production costs, including sales commissions which are a component of gain on sale of loans in the financial statements, and corporate administrative costs, including human resources, accounting, management information systems, corporate administration and marketing. Mortgage production costs exclude other non-production related expenses, including amortization and impairment of mortgage servicing rights, mark-to-market gain (loss) from SFAS 133 and write-down of investment securities.

Gain on disposition of other real estate owned was \$1.1 million for the first nine months of 2003 compared to a loss on disposition of other real estate owned of \$120,000 for the first nine months of 2002. When we acquire real estate through foreclosure proceedings we record a write-down on foreclosed property to a percentage of appraised value or a real estate broker's price opinion. Gain or loss on disposition of other real estate owned results when there is a difference between the initial write-down on foreclosed property and the ultimate proceeds received upon disposition of foreclosed property. During the first nine months of 2003 the initial write-downs on foreclosed property were in excess of the proceeds received on the sale of real estate owned, which resulted in a gain. The opposite occurred on real estate disposition during the first nine months of 2002.

Provision for loan losses were \$21.4 million for the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$13.3 million for the first nine months of 2002. The provision for estimated loan losses are primarily based on historical loss statistics, including cumulative loss percentages and loss severity, of similar mortgages in our mortgage portfolio. The loss percentage is used to determine the estimated inherent losses in the mortgage portfolio. The provision for loan losses is also determined based on the following:

- o management's judgment of the net loss potential of mortgages based on prior loan loss experience;
- o changes in the nature and volume of the mortgage portfolio;
- o value of the collateral;
- o delinquency trends; and
- o current economic conditions that may affect the borrowers' ability to pay.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We recognize the need to have funds available for our operating businesses and our customers' demands for obtaining short-term warehouse financing until the settlement or sale of mortgages with us or with other investors. It is our policy to have adequate liquidity at all times to cover normal cyclical swings in funding availability and mortgage demand and to allow us to meet abnormal and unexpected funding requirements. We plan to meet liquidity needs through normal

operations with the goal of avoiding unplanned sales of assets or emergency borrowing of funds. Toward this goal, our Asset/Liability Committee, or "ALCO," is responsible for monitoring our liquidity position and funding needs.

We believe that current liquidity levels, available financing facilities and liquidity provided by operating activities will adequately provide for our projected funding needs and asset growth. However, any future margin calls and, depending upon the state of the mortgage industry, terms of any sale of mortgage assets may adversely affect our ability to maintain adequate liquidity levels or may subject us to future losses. Our operating businesses primarily use available funds as follows:

- o acquisition and origination of mortgages;
- o provide short-term warehouse advances to affiliates and non-affiliates; and
- o pay common stock dividends.

Acquisition and origination of mortgages. During the first nine months of 2003 the mortgage operations acquired and originated \$6.4 billion of primarily Alt-A mortgages. Initial capital invested in Alt-A mortgages includes premiums paid when mortgages are acquired and originated. The mortgage operations paid weighted average premiums of 2.02% on the principal balance of mortgages acquired during the first nine months of 2003. Capital invested in mortgages is outstanding until we sell or securitize mortgages, which is one of the reasons we attempt to sell or securitize mortgages every 30 to 45 days.

The long-term investment operations retained \$3.6 billion of primarily Alt-A mortgages from the mortgage operations and originated \$206.2 million of multi-family mortgages for long-term investment. Initial capital invested in mortgages includes premiums paid upon acquisition of mortgages and the equity required to finance mortgages with short-term reverse repurchase agreements. Equity requirements to finance Alt-A mortgages with reverse repurchase agreements generally range from between 2% and 5% of the principal balance of the mortgage depending on the collateral provided. Equity requirements to finance multi-family mortgages with reverse repurchase agreements is approximately 13% of the principal balance of the mortgage depending on the collateral provided.

Multi-family mortgages are financed with a \$125.0 million warehouse facility that expires in April 2004. When the long-term investment operations accumulates a pool of mortgages, generally ranging from \$200.0 million to \$1.0 billion, the mortgages are financed through the issuance of CMOs. When we complete CMOs, our total initial capital investment in CMOs ranges from approximately 3% to 5% of the principal balance of Alt-A mortgages and approximately 8% to 15% for multi-family mortgages, depending on premiums paid upon acquisition of mortgages, costs paid for completion of CMOs, costs to acquire derivative instruments and initial capital investment in CMOs required to achieve desired credit ratings. Therefore, we also attempt to securitize our mortgages through CMO financing every 30 to 45 days as total capital invested in CMOs is generally less than cash required for reverse repurchase financing and is not subject to margin calls.

Provide short-term warehouse advances to affiliates and non-affiliates. We utilize uncommitted warehouse facilities with various lenders to provide short-term warehouse financing to affiliates and non-affiliated customers of the warehouse lending operations. The warehouse lending operations provide short-term financing to non-affiliated customers from the closing of the mortgages to their sale or other settlement with investors. The warehouse lending operations generally finances between 90% and 98% of the lesser of the unpaid principal balance or fair market value of mortgages, which equates to a cash requirement of between 2% and 10%, at prime rate plus or minus a spread. As of September 30, 2003, the warehouse lending operations had \$956.0 million in approved warehouse lines available to non-affiliated customers of which \$651.0 million was outstanding. Due to a heavy volume of originations at the end of September 2003 some non-affiliates were granted temporary increases in their warehouse facilities, most of which expire in November 2003.

Affiliates had \$29.4 million in pledge accounts with the warehouse lending operations as of September 30, 2003, which allows them to finance approximately 100% of the fair market value of their mortgages at prime minus 0.50%. The mortgage operations has uncommitted warehouse line agreements to obtain financing of up to \$600.0 million from the warehouse lending operations to provide interim mortgage financing during the period that the mortgage operations accumulates mortgages until the mortgages are securitized or sold. As of September 30, 2003 the warehouse lending operations had \$572.4 million in outstanding warehouse advances to the mortgage operations, excluding pledge balances.

Our ability to meet liquidity requirements and the financing needs of our customers is subject to the renewal of our credit and repurchase facilities or obtaining other sources of financing, if required, including additional debt or equity from

time to time. Any decision our lenders or investors make to provide available financing or capital to us in the future will depend upon a number of factors, including:

- o our compliance with the terms of our existing credit arrangements;
- o our financial performance;
- o industry and market trends in our various businesses;
- o the general availability of and rates applicable to financing and investments;
- o our lenders or investors resources and policies concerning loans and investments; and
- o the relative attractiveness of alternative investment or lending opportunities.

Our operating businesses are primarily funded as follows:

- o CMO borrowings and reverse repurchase agreements;
- o sale and securitization of mortgages;
- o cash proceeds from the issuance of securities; and
- o cash flows from our CMO portfolio.

CMO borrowings and reverse repurchase agreements. We use reverse repurchase agreements and CMO borrowings to fund substantially all of our warehouse advances to affiliates and non-affiliated customers and the acquisition of mortgages to be held for long-term investment.

As we accumulate mortgages for long-term investment, we finance the acquisition of mortgages primarily through borrowings on reverse repurchase agreements with third party lenders. Since 1995 we have primarily used an uncommitted repurchase facility with a major investment bank to finance substantially all warehouse advances to affiliates and non-affiliates and mortgages acquired for long-term investment, as needed. However, during 2002 and 2003 we added \$750.0 million of new warehouse facilities with other lenders to finance asset growth, which includes \$75.0 million of committed warehouse facilities and \$50.0 million of uncommitted warehouse facilities to fund multi-family mortgages. The new warehouse facilities provide us with a higher aggregate credit limit to fund the acquisition and origination of mortgages at terms comparable to those we have received in the past and the flexibility of having financial relationships with a larger cross-section of financial institutions. As of September 30, 2003 the warehouse lending operations had \$1.2 billion outstanding on warehouse facilities with various lenders.

We expect to continue to use short-term warehouse facilities to fund the acquisition of mortgages. If we cannot renew or replace maturing borrowings, we may have to sell, on a whole loan basis, the mortgages securing these facilities, which, depending upon market conditions, may result in substantial losses. Additionally, if for any reason the market value of our mortgages securing warehouse facilities decline, our lenders may require us to provide them with additional equity or collateral to secure our borrowings, which may require us to sell mortgages at substantial losses.

In order to mitigate the liquidity risk associated with reverse repurchase agreements, we attempt to securitize or sell our mortgages between 30 and 45 days and extend only short-term interim financing to non-affiliated customers. Although securitizing mortgages more frequently adds operating and securitization costs, we believe the added cost is offset as more liquidity is provided with less interest rate and price volatility as the accumulation and holding period of mortgages is shortened. When we have accumulated a sufficient amount of mortgages, we issue CMOs and convert short-term advances under reverse repurchase agreements to long-term CMO borrowings. The use of CMOs provides the following benefits:

- o allows us to lock in our financing cost over the life of the mortgages securing the CMO borrowings;
- o eliminates margin calls on the borrowings that are converted from reverse repurchase agreements to CMO financing; and

- o limits losses associated with collateral securing CMOs to our equity investment.

During the first nine months of 2003 we completed \$4.0 billion of CMOs, of which \$3.3 billion was adjustable rate CMOs and \$656.8 million was fixed rate CMOs, to provide long-term financing for the acquisition and origination of \$3.8 billion of Alt-A and multi-family mortgages. Because of the credit profile, historical loss performance and prepayment characteristics of our mortgages, we have been able to borrow a higher percentage against mortgages held as CMO collateral, which means that we have to provide less initial capital upon completion of CMOs. Equity in CMOs is established at the time CMOs are issued at levels sufficient to achieve desired credit ratings on the securities from credit rating agencies. Total credit loss exposure is limited to the capital invested in the CMOs at any point in time. We also determine the amount of equity invested in CMOs based upon the anticipated return on equity as compared to estimated proceeds from additional debt issuance. By decreasing the amount of equity we are required to invest in our CMOs to maintain desired credit ratings, we have been able to effectively utilize available cash to acquire additional mortgage assets.

Sale and securitization of mortgages. When the mortgage operations accumulates a sufficient amount of mortgages, generally between \$200.0 million and \$1.0 billion, it sells or securitizes its mortgages. The mortgage operations sold \$3.6 billion of mortgages to the long-term investment operations during the first nine months of 2003, \$1.9 billion of mortgages to third party investors and \$888.0 million was securitized as REMICs. The mortgage operations sold mortgage servicing rights on substantially all mortgages during the first nine months of 2003. The sale of mortgage servicing rights generated substantially all cash gains, which was used to acquire and originate additional mortgages. In order to mitigate interest rate and market risk, the mortgage operations attempts to sell and securitize mortgages between 30 and 45 days. Since we rely significantly upon sales and securitizations to generate cash proceeds to repay borrowings and to create credit availability, any disruption in our ability to complete sales and securitizations may require us to utilize other sources of financing, which, if available at all, may be on unfavorable terms. In addition, delays in closing sales and securitizations of our mortgages increase our risk by exposing us to credit and interest rate risk for this extended period of time.

Cash proceeds from the issuance of securities. In December 2001, we filed a shelf registration statement with the SEC that allows us to sell up to \$300.0 million of securities, including common stock, preferred stock, debt securities and warrants. During the nine months ended September 30, 2003 we issued approximately 3.5 million shares of common stock from our shelf registration statement, in the form of a public offering, and received net cash proceeds of approximately \$37.8 million.

Pursuant to an equity distribution agreement with UBS Securities, LLC, we also sold 2.1 million and 3.9 million shares and received net proceeds of approximately \$30.1 million and \$54.6 million of common stock from our shelf registration statement during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003, respectively. During each of the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003 UBS Securities, LLC received a commission of 3% of the gross sales price per share of the shares of common stock sold pursuant to the equity distribution agreement, which amounted to an aggregate commission of \$933,000 and \$1.7 million, respectively.

As of September 30, 2003, approximately \$77.7 million in securities were available for issuance under our shelf registration statement. By issuing new shares periodically throughout the year we believe that we were able to utilize new capital more efficiently and profitably.

Cash flows from our CMO portfolio. During the first nine months of 2003 mortgages held as CMO collateral, which was the majority of our mortgage portfolio, generated excess principal and interest cash flows of \$96.4 million. We receive excess principal and interest cash flows on mortgages held as CMO collateral after distributions are made to investors in CMOs to the extent cash or other collateral required to maintain desired credit ratings on the CMOs is fulfilled. Excess principal and interest cash flows represent the difference between principal and interest payments on the mortgages less the following:

- o interest paid to bondholders;
- o pro-rata early principal prepayments paid to bondholders;
- o servicing fees paid to mortgage servicers;
- o premiums paid to mortgage insurers; and

- o actual losses incurred on disposition of real estate acquired in settlement of mortgages.

Cash Flows

Operating Activities - Net cash provided by operating activities was \$27.3 million during the first nine months of 2003 compared to net cash provided by operating activities of \$70.0 million during the same period of 2002. Net earnings of \$88.7 million provided most of the cash flows from operating activities during the first nine months of 2003.

Investing Activities - Net cash used in investing activities was \$2.5 billion during the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$2.5 billion during the same period of 2002. Net cash flows of \$2.3 billion were used in investing activities to acquire and originate mortgages, net of mortgage principal repayments.

Financing Activities - Net cash provided by financing activities was \$2.3 billion during the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$2.5 billion during the same period of 2002. CMO financing provided net cash flows of \$2.2 billion, net of debt reduction, from financing activities.

Inflation

The consolidated financial statements and corresponding notes to the consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GAAP, which require the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars without considering the changes in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. The impact of inflation is reflected in the increased costs of our operations. Unlike industrial companies, nearly all of our assets and liabilities are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates have a greater impact on our performance than do the effects of general levels of inflation. Inflation affects our operations primarily through its effect on interest rates, since interest rates normally increase during periods of high inflation and decrease during periods of low inflation. During periods of increasing interest rates, demand for mortgages and a borrower's ability to qualify for mortgage financing in a purchase transaction may be adversely affected. During periods of decreasing interest rates, borrowers may prepay their mortgages, which in turn may adversely affect our yield and subsequently the value of our portfolio of mortgage assets.

Risk Factors

Risks Related To Our Businesses

A prolonged economic downturn or recession would likely result in a reduction of our mortgage origination activity which would adversely affect our financial results.

The United States economy has undergone and may in the future, undergo, a period of slowdown, which some observers view as a recession. An economic downturn or a recession may have a significant adverse impact on our operations and our financial condition. For example, a reduction in new mortgages will adversely affect our ability to expand our mortgage portfolio, our principal means of increasing our earnings. In addition, a decline in new mortgage activity will likely result in reduced activity for our warehouse lending operations and our long-term investment operations. In the case of our mortgage operations, a decline in mortgage activity may result in fewer loans that meet its criteria for purchase and securitization or sale, thus resulting in a reduction in interest income and fees and gain on sale of loans. We may also experience larger than previously reported losses on our investment portfolio due to a higher level of defaults or foreclosures on our mortgages.

If we are unable to generate sufficient liquidity we will be unable to conduct our operations as planned.

If we cannot generate sufficient liquidity, we will be unable to continue to grow our operations, grow our asset base, maintain our current hedging policy and pay dividends. We have traditionally derived our liquidity from four primary sources:

- o financing facilities provided to us by others to acquire or originate mortgage assets;
- o whole loan sales and securitizations of acquired or originated mortgages;
- o our issuance of equity and debt securities;

- o excess cash flow from our CMO portfolio; and
- o earnings from operations.

We cannot assure you that any of these alternatives will be available to us, or if available, that we will be able to negotiate favorable terms. Our ability to meet our long-term liquidity requirements is subject to the renewal of our credit and repurchase facilities and/or obtaining other sources of financing, including additional debt or equity from time to time. Any decision by our lenders and/or investors to make additional funds available to us in the future will depend upon a number of factors, such as our compliance with the terms of our existing credit arrangements, our financial performance, industry and market trends in our various businesses, the lenders' and/or investors' own resources and policies concerning loans and investments, and the relative attractiveness of alternative investment or lending opportunities. If we cannot raise cash by selling debt or equity securities, we may be forced to sell our assets at unfavorable prices or discontinue various business activities. Our inability to access the capital markets could have a negative impact on our earnings growth and also our ability to pay dividends.

Any significant margin calls under our financing facilities would adversely affect our liquidity and may adversely affect our financial results.

Prior to the fourth quarter of 1998, we generally had no difficulty in obtaining favorable financing facilities or in selling acquired mortgages. However, during the fourth quarter of 1998, the mortgage industry experienced substantial turmoil as a result of a lack of liquidity in the secondary markets. At that time, investors expressed unwillingness to purchase interests in securitizations due, in part, to:

- o the lack of financing to acquire these securitization interests;
- o the widening of returns expected by institutional investors on securitization interests over the prevailing Treasury rate; and
- o market uncertainty.

As a result, many mortgage originators, including us, were unable to access the securitization market on favorable terms. This resulted in some companies declaring bankruptcy. Originators, like us, were required to sell loans on a whole loan basis and liquidate holdings of mortgage-backed securities to repay short-term borrowings. However, the large amount of mortgages available for sale on a whole loan basis affected the pricing offered for these mortgages, which in turn reduced the value of the collateral underlying the financing facilities. Therefore, many providers of financing facilities initiated margin calls. Margin calls resulted when our lenders evaluated the market value of the collateral securing our financing facilities and required us to provide them with additional equity or collateral to secure our borrowings.

Our financing facilities were short-term borrowings and due to the turmoil in the mortgage industry during the latter part of 1998 many traditional providers of financing facilities were unwilling to provide facilities on favorable terms, or at all. Our current financing facilities continue to be short-term borrowings and we expect this to continue. If we cannot renew or replace maturing borrowings, we may have to sell, on a whole loan basis, the loans securing these facilities, which, depending upon market conditions, may result in substantial losses.

We incurred losses for fiscal years 1997, 1998 and 2000 and may incur losses in the future.

During the year ended December 31, 2000 we experienced a net loss of \$54.2 million. The net loss incurred during 2000 included accounting charges of \$68.9 million. The accounting charges were the result of write-downs of non-performing investment securities secured by mortgages and additional increases in the provision for loan losses to provide for the deterioration of the performance of collateral supporting specific investment securities. During the year ended December 31, 1998 we experienced a net loss of \$5.9 million primarily as the mortgage industry experienced substantial turmoil as a result of a lack of liquidity in the secondary markets, which caused us to sell mortgages at losses to meet margin calls on our financing facilities. During the year ended December 31, 1997 we experienced a net loss of \$16.0 million. The net loss incurred during 1997 included an accounting charge of \$44.4 million that was the result of expenses related to the termination and buyout of our management agreement with Imperial Credit Advisors, Inc. We cannot be certain that revenues will remain at current levels or improve or that we will be profitable in the future, which could prevent us from effectuating our business strategy.

If we are unable to complete securitizations or if we experience delayed mortgage loan sales or securitization closings, we could face a liquidity shortage which would adversely affect our operating results.

We rely significantly upon securitizations to generate cash proceeds to repay borrowings and replenish our borrowing capacity. If there is a delay in a securitization closing or any reduction in our ability to complete securitizations we may be required to utilize other sources of financing, which, if available at all, may be on unfavorable terms. In addition, delays in closing a mortgage sales or securitizations of our mortgages increase our risk by exposing us to credit and interest rate risks for this extended period of time. Furthermore, gains on sales from certain of our securitizations represent a significant portion of our earnings. Several factors could affect our ability to complete securitizations of our mortgages, including:

- o conditions in the securities and secondary markets;
- o credit quality of the mortgages acquired or originated through our mortgage operations;
- o volume of our mortgage loan acquisitions and originations;
- o our ability to obtain credit enhancements; and
- o lack of investors purchasing higher risk components of the securities.

If we are unable to sell a sufficient number of mortgages at a premium or profitably securitize a significant number of our mortgages in a particular financial reporting period, then we could experience lower income or a loss for that period, which could have a material adverse affect on our operations. We cannot assure you that we will be able to continue to profitably securitize or sell our loans on a whole loan basis, or at all.

The market for first loss risk securities, which are securities that take the first loss when mortgages are not paid by the borrowers, is generally limited. In connection with our REMIC securitizations, we endeavor to sell all securities subjecting us to a first loss risk. If we cannot sell these securities, we may be required to hold them for an extended period, subjecting us to a first loss risk.

Our borrowings and use of substantial leverage may cause losses.

Our use of collateralized mortgage obligations may expose our operations to credit losses.

To grow our investment portfolio, we borrow a substantial portion of the market value of substantially all of our investments in mortgages in the form of CMOs. Historically, we have borrowed approximately 98% of the market value of such investments. There are no limitations on the amount we may borrow, other than the aggregate value of the underlying mortgages. We currently use CMOs as financing vehicles to increase our leverage, since mortgages held for CMO collateral are retained for investment rather than sold in a secondary market transaction.

Retaining mortgages as collateral for CMOs exposes our operations to greater credit losses than does the use of other securitization techniques that are treated as sales because as the equity holder in the security, we are allocated losses from the liquidation of defaulted loans first prior to any other security holder. Although our liability under a collateralized mortgage obligation is limited to the collateral used to create the collateralized mortgage obligation, we generally are required to make a cash equity investment to fund collateral in excess of the amount of the securities issued in order to obtain the appropriate credit ratings for the securities being sold, and therefore obtain the lowest interest rate available, on the CMOs. If we experience greater credit losses than expected on the pool of loans subject to the CMO, the value of our equity investment will decrease and we would have to increase the allowance for loan losses on our financial statements.

If we default under our financing facilities or if the value of collateral is less than the amount borrowed, we may be forced to liquidate the collateral at prices less than the amount borrowed.

If we default under our financing facilities, our lenders could force us to liquidate the collateral. If the value of the collateral is less than the amount borrowed, we could be required to pay the difference in cash. Furthermore, if we default under one facility, it would generally cause a default under our other facilities. If we were to declare bankruptcy, some of our reverse repurchase agreements may obtain special treatment and our creditors would then be allowed to liquidate the

collateral without any delay. On the other hand, if a lender with whom we have a reverse repurchase agreement declares bankruptcy, we might experience difficulty repurchasing our collateral, or enforcing our claim for damages, and it is possible that our claim could be repudiated and we could be treated as an unsecured creditor. If this occurs, our claims would be subject to significant delay and we may receive substantially less than our actual damages or nothing at all.

If we are forced to liquidate, we may have few unpledged assets for distribution to unsecured creditors.

We have pledged a substantial portion of our assets to secure the repayment of CMOs issued in securitizations and our financing facilities. We will also pledge substantially all of our current and future mortgages to secure borrowings pending their securitization or sale. The cash flows we receive from our investments that have not yet been distributed or pledged or used to acquire mortgages or other investments may be the only unpledged assets available to our unsecured creditors if we were liquidated.

Interest rate fluctuations may adversely affect our operating results.

Our operations, as a mortgage loan acquirer and originator or a warehouse lender, may be adversely affected by rising and falling interest rates. Interest rates have been low over the past few years; however any increase in interest rates may discourage potential borrowers from refinancing mortgages, borrowing to purchase homes or seeking second mortgages. This may decrease the amount of mortgages available to be acquired or originated by our mortgage operations and decrease the demand for warehouse financing provided by our warehouse lending operations, which could adversely affect our operating results. If short-term interest rates exceed long-term interest rates, there is a higher risk of increased loan prepayments, as borrowers may seek to refinance their fixed and adjustable rate mortgages at lower long-term fixed interest rates. Increased loan prepayments could lead to a reduction in the number of loans in our investment portfolio and reduce our net interest income.

We are subject to the risk of rising mortgage interest rates between the time we commit to purchase mortgages at a fixed price through the issuance of individual, bulk or other rate-locks and the time we sell or securitize those mortgages. An increase in interest rates will generally result in a decrease in the market value of mortgages that we have committed to purchase at a fixed price, but have not been sold or securitized or have not been properly hedged. As a result, we may record a smaller gain, or even a loss, upon the sale or securitization of those mortgages.

We may experience losses if our liabilities re-price at different rates than our assets.

Our principal source of revenue is net interest income or net interest spread from our investment portfolio, which is the difference between the interest we earn on our interest earning assets and the interest we pay on our interest bearing liabilities. The rates we pay on our borrowings are independent of the rates we earn on our assets and may be subject to more frequent periodic rate adjustments. Therefore, we could experience a decrease in net interest income or a net interest loss because the interest rates on our borrowings could increase faster than the interest rates on our assets. If our net interest spread becomes negative, we will be paying more interest on our borrowings than we will be earning on our assets and we will be exposed to a risk of loss.

Additionally, the rates paid on our borrowings and the rates received on our assets may be based upon different indices. If the index used to determine the rate on our borrowings, typically one-month LIBOR, increases faster than the indices used to determine the rates on our assets, such as six-month LIBOR or the prime rate, we will experience a declining net interest spread, which will have a negative effect on our profitability, and may result in losses.

An increase in our adjustable interest rate borrowings may decrease the net interest margin on our adjustable rate mortgages.

Our mortgage portfolio includes mortgages that are six-month LIBOR hybrids. These are mortgages with fixed interest rates for an initial period of time, after which they begin bearing interest based upon short-term interest rate indices and adjust periodically. We generally fund mortgages with adjustable interest rate borrowings having interest rates that are indexed to short-term interest rates and adjust periodically at various intervals. To the extent that there is an increase in the interest rate index used to determine our adjustable interest rate borrowings and that increase is not offset by a corresponding increase in the rates at which interest accrues on our assets or by various interest rate hedges that we have in place at any given time, our net interest margin will decrease or become negative. We may suffer a net interest loss on our adjustable rate mortgages that have interest rate caps if the interest rates on our related borrowings increase.

Adjustable rate mortgages typically have interest rate caps, which limit interest rates charged to the borrower during any given period. Our borrowings are not subject to similar restrictions. As a result, in a period of rapidly increasing interest rates, the interest rates we pay on our borrowings could increase without limitation, while the interest rates we earn on our adjustable rate mortgage assets would be capped. If this occurs, our net interest spread could be significantly reduced or we could suffer a net interest loss.

Increased levels of early prepayments of mortgages may accelerate our expenses and decrease our net income.

Mortgage prepayments generally increase on our adjustable rate mortgages when fixed mortgage interest rates fall below the then-current interest rates on outstanding adjustable rate mortgages. Prepayments on mortgages are also affected by the terms and credit grades of the mortgages, conditions in the housing and financial markets and general economic conditions. If we acquire mortgages at a premium and they are subsequently repaid, we must expense the unamortized premium at the time of the prepayment. We could possibly lose the opportunity to earn interest at a higher rate over the expected life of the mortgage. Also, if prepayments on mortgages increase when interest rates are declining, our net interest income may decrease if we cannot reinvest the prepayments in mortgage assets bearing comparable rates.

We generally acquire mortgages on a servicing released basis, meaning we acquire both the mortgages and the rights to service them. This strategy requires us to pay a higher purchase price or premium for the mortgages. If the mortgages that we acquire at a premium prepay faster than originally projected, generally accepted accounting principles require us to write down the remaining capitalized premium amounts at a faster speed than was originally projected, which would decrease our current net interest income.

We undertake additional risks by acquiring and investing in mortgages.

We may be subject to losses on mortgages for which we do not obtain credit enhancements.

We do not obtain credit enhancements such as mortgage pool or special hazard insurance for all of our mortgages and investments. Generally, we require mortgage insurance on any mortgage with a loan-to-value ratio greater than 80%. During the time we hold mortgages for investment, we are subject to risks of borrower defaults and bankruptcies and special hazard losses that are not covered by standard hazard insurance. If a borrower defaults on a mortgage that we hold, we bear the risk of loss of principal to the extent there is any deficiency between the value of the related mortgaged property and the amount owing on the mortgage loan and any insurance proceeds available to us through the mortgage insurer. In addition, since defaulted mortgages, which under our financing arrangements are mortgages that are generally 60 to 90 days delinquent in payments, may be considered negligible collateral under our borrowing arrangements, we could bear the risk of being required to own these loans without the use of borrowed funds until they are ultimately liquidated or possibly sold at a loss.

Our mortgage products expose us to greater credit risks.

We are an acquirer and originator of Alt-A mortgages, B/C mortgages and multi-family mortgages. These are mortgages that generally may not qualify for purchase by government-sponsored agencies such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Our operations may be negatively affected due to our investments in these mortgages. Credit risks associated with these mortgages may be greater than those associated with conforming mortgages. The interest rates we charge on these mortgages are often higher than those charged for conforming loans in order to compensate for the higher risk and lower liquidity. Lower levels of liquidity may cause us to hold loans or other mortgage-related assets supported by these loans that we otherwise would not hold. By doing this, we assume the potential risk of increased delinquency rates and/or credit losses as well as interest rate risk. Additionally, the combination of different underwriting criteria and higher rates of interest leads to greater risk, including higher prepayment rates and higher delinquency rates and/or credit losses.

Lending to our type of borrowers may expose us to a higher risk of delinquencies, foreclosures and losses.

Our market includes borrowers who may be unable to obtain mortgage financing from conventional mortgage sources. Mortgages made to such borrowers generally entail a higher risk of delinquency and higher losses than mortgages made to borrowers who utilize conventional mortgage sources. Delinquency, foreclosures and losses generally increase during economic slowdowns or recessions. The actual risk of delinquencies, foreclosures and losses on mortgages made to our borrowers could be higher under adverse economic conditions than those currently experienced in the mortgage lending industry in general.

Further, any material decline in real estate values increases the loan-to-value ratios of mortgages previously made by us, thereby weakening collateral coverage and increasing the possibility of a loss in the event of a borrower default. Any sustained period of increased delinquencies, foreclosures or losses after the mortgages are sold could adversely affect the pricing of our future loan sales and our ability to sell or securitize our mortgages in the future. In the past, certain of these factors have caused revenues and net income of many participants in the mortgage industry, including us, to fluctuate from quarter to quarter.

Our use of second mortgages exposes us to greater credit risks.

Our security interest in the property securing second mortgages is subordinated to the interest of the first mortgage holder and the second mortgages have a higher combined loan-to-value ratio than does the first mortgage. If the value of the property is equal to or less than the amount needed to repay the borrower's obligation to the first mortgage holder upon foreclosure, our second mortgage loan will not be repaid.

The geographic concentration of our mortgages increases our exposure to risks in those areas.

We do not set limitations on the percentage of our mortgage asset portfolio composed of properties located in any one area (whether by state, zip code or other geographic measure). Concentration in any one area increases our exposure to the economic and natural hazard risks associated with that area. Historically, a majority of our mortgage acquisitions and originations by the mortgage operations, mortgages held for investment by our long term investment operations and loans financed by our warehouse lending operations were secured by properties in California and, to a lesser extent, Florida. For instance, certain parts of California have experienced an economic downturn in past years and California and Florida have suffered the effects of certain natural hazards. Declines in those residential real estate markets may reduce the values of the properties collateralizing the mortgages, increase foreclosures and losses and have material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial condition.

Furthermore, if borrowers are not insured for natural disasters, which are typically not covered by standard hazard insurance policies, then they may not be able to repair the property or may stop paying their mortgages if the property is damaged. This would cause increased foreclosures and decrease our ability to recover losses on properties affected by such disasters. This would have a material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial condition.

Representations and warranties made by us in our loan sales and securitizations may subject us to liability.

In connection with our securitizations, we transfer mortgages acquired and originated by us into a trust in exchange for cash and, in the case of a CMO, residual certificates issued by the trust. The trustee will have recourse to us with respect to the breach of the standard representations and warranties made by us at the time such mortgages are transferred. While we generally have recourse to our customers for any such breaches, there can be no assurance of our customers' abilities to honor their respective obligations. Also, we engage in bulk whole loan sales pursuant to agreements that generally provide for recourse by the purchaser against us in the event of a breach of one of our representations or warranties, any fraud or misrepresentation during the mortgage origination process, or upon early default on such mortgage. We generally limit the potential remedies of such purchasers to the potential remedies we receive from the customers from whom we acquired or originated the mortgages. However, in some cases, the remedies available to a purchaser of mortgages from us may be broader than those available to us against the sellers of the mortgages and should a purchaser enforce its remedies against us, we may not always be able to enforce whatever remedies we have against our customers. Furthermore, if we discover, prior to the sale or transfer of a loan, that there is any fraud or misrepresentation with respect to the mortgage and the originator fails to repurchase the mortgage, then we may not be able to sell the mortgage or we may have to sell the mortgage at a discount.

In the ordinary course of our business, we are subject to claims made against us by borrowers and trustees in our securitizations arising from, among other things, losses that are claimed to have been incurred as a result of alleged breaches of fiduciary obligations, misrepresentations, errors and omissions of our employees, officers and agents (including our appraisers), incomplete documentation and our failure to comply with various laws and regulations applicable to our business. Any claims asserted against us may result in legal expenses or liabilities that could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial condition.

A substantial interruption in our use of iDASLg2 may adversely affect our level of mortgage loan acquisitions and originations.

We utilize the Internet in our business principally for the implementation of our automated mortgage origination program, iDASLg2, which stands for the second generation of Impac Direct Access System for Lending. iDASLg2 allows our customers to pre-qualify borrowers for various mortgage programs based on criteria requested from the borrower and renders an automated underwriting decision by issuing an approval of the mortgage loan or a referral for further review or additional information. Substantially, all of our correspondents submit mortgages through iDASLg2 and all wholesale mortgages delivered by mortgage brokers are directly underwritten through the use of iDASLg2. iDASLg2 may be interrupted if the Internet experiences periods of poor performance, if our computer systems or the systems of our third-party service providers contain defects, or if customers are reluctant to use or have inadequate connectivity to the Internet. Increased government regulation of the Internet could also adversely affect our use of the Internet in unanticipated ways and discourage our customers from using our services. If our ability to use the Internet in providing our services is impaired, our ability to originate or acquire mortgages on an automated basis could be delayed or reduced. Furthermore, we rely on a third party hosting company in connection with the use of iDASLg2. If the third party hosting company fails for any reason, and adequate back-up is not implemented in a timely manner, it may delay and reduce those mortgage acquisitions and originations done through iDASLg2. Any substantial delay and reduction in our mortgage acquisitions and originations will reduce our net earnings for the applicable period.

We are subject to risks of operational failure that are beyond our control.

Substantially all of our operations are located in Newport Beach, California and San Diego, California. Our systems and operations are vulnerable to damage and interruption from fire, flood, telecommunications failure, break-ins, earthquake and similar events. Our operations may also be interrupted by power disruptions, including rolling black-outs implemented in California due to power shortages. We do not maintain alternative power sources. Furthermore, our security mechanisms may be inadequate to prevent security breaches to our computer systems, including from computer viruses, electronic break-ins and similar disruptions. Such security breaches or operational failures could expose us to liability, impair our operations, result in losses, and harm our reputation.

Competition for mortgages is intense and may adversely affect our operations.

We compete in acquiring and originating Alt-A, B/C and multi-family mortgages and issuing mortgage-backed securities with other mortgage conduit programs, investment banking firms, savings and loan associations, banks, thrift and loan associations, finance companies, mortgage bankers, insurance companies, other lenders, and other entities purchasing mortgage assets.

We also face intense competition from Internet-based lending companies where entry barriers are relatively low. Some of our competitors are much larger than we are, have better name recognition than we do, and have far greater financial and other resources. Government-sponsored entities, in particular Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, are also expanding their participation in the Alt-A mortgage industry. These government-sponsored entities have a size and cost-of-funds advantage over us that allows them to price mortgages at lower rates than we are able to offer. This phenomenon may seriously destabilize the Alt-A mortgage industry. In addition, if as a result of what may be less-conservative, risk-adjusted pricing, these government-sponsored entities experience significantly higher-than-expected losses, it would likely adversely affect overall investor perception of the Alt-A mortgage industry because the losses would be made public due to the reporting obligations of these entities.

The intense competition in the Alt-A mortgage industry has also led to rapid technological developments, evolving industry standards and frequent releases of new products and enhancements. As mortgage products are offered more widely through alternative distribution channels, such as the Internet, we may be required to make significant changes to our current retail and wholesale structure and information systems to compete effectively. Our inability to continue enhancing our current Internet capabilities, or to adapt to other technological changes in the industry, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, liquidity and results of operations.

The need to maintain mortgage loan volume in this competitive environment creates a risk of price competition in the Alt-A mortgage industry. Competition in the industry can take many forms, including interest rates and costs of a loan, less stringent underwriting standards, convenience in obtaining a loan, customer service, amount and term of a loan and marketing and distribution channels. Price competition would lower the interest rates that we are able to charge borrowers, which would lower our interest income. Price-cutting or discounting reduces profits and will depress earnings if sustained for any length of time. If our competition uses less stringent underwriting standards we will be pressured to do so as well, resulting in greater loan risk without being able to price for that greater risk. Our competitors may lower their underwriting standards to increase their market share. If we do not relax underwriting standards in the face of competition, we may lose

market share. Increased competition may also reduce the volume of our loan originations and acquisitions. Any increase in these pricing and credit pressures could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, liquidity and results of operations.

We are exposed to potential credit losses in providing warehouse financing.

As a warehouse lender, we lend money to mortgage bankers on a secured basis and we are subject to the risks associated with lending to mortgage bankers, including the risks of fraud, borrower default and bankruptcy, any of which could result in credit losses for us. Our claims as a secured lender in a bankruptcy proceeding may be subject to adjustment and delay.

If actual prepayments or defaults with respect to mortgages serviced occurs more quickly than originally assumed, the value of our mortgage servicing rights would be subject to downward adjustment.

When we purchase mortgages that include the associated servicing rights, the allocated cost of the servicing rights is reflected on our financial statements as mortgage servicing rights. To determine the fair value of these servicing rights, we use assumptions to estimate future net servicing income including projected discount rates, mortgage loan prepayments and credit losses. If actual prepayments or defaults with respect to loans serviced occur more quickly than we originally assumed, we would have to reduce the carrying value of our mortgage servicing rights. We do not know if our assumptions will prove correct.

Our operating results may be adversely affected by the results of our hedging activities.

To offset the risks associated with our mortgage operations, we enter into transactions designed to hedge our interest rate risks. To offset the risks associated with our long-term investment operations, we attempt to match the interest rate sensitivities of our adjustable rate mortgage assets held for investment with the associated financing liabilities. Our management determines the nature and quantity of the hedging transactions based on various factors, including market conditions and the expected volume of mortgage loan purchases. We do not limit management's use of certain instruments in such hedging transactions. While we believe that we properly hedge our interest rate risk, we may not, and in some cases will not, be permitted to use hedge accounting as established by FASB under the provisions of SFAS 133 to account for our hedging activities. The effect of our hedging strategy may result in some volatility in our quarterly earnings as interest rates go up or down. It is possible that there will be periods during which we will incur losses on hedging activities. In addition, if the counter parties to our hedging transactions are unable to perform according to the terms of the contracts, we may incur losses. While we believe we prudently hedge our interest rate risk, our hedging transactions may not offset the risk of adverse changes in net interest margins.

A reduction in the demand for our loan products may adversely affect our operations.

The availability of sufficient mortgages meeting our criteria is dependent in part upon the size and level of activity in the residential real estate lending market and, in particular, the demand for Alt-A mortgages, which is affected by:

- o interest rates;
- o national economic conditions;
- o residential property values; and
- o regulatory and tax developments.

If our mortgage purchases decrease, we will have:

- o decreased economies of scale;
- o higher origination costs per loan;
- o reduced fee income;

- o smaller gains on the sale of non-conforming mortgages; and
- o an insufficient volume of loans to generate securitizations which thereby causes us to accumulate mortgages over a longer period.

Our delinquency ratios and our performance may be adversely affected by the performance of parties who sub-service our mortgages.

We contract with third-party sub-servicers for the sub-servicing of all the mortgages in which we retain servicing rights, including those in our securitizations. Our operations are subject to risks associated with inadequate or untimely servicing. Poor performance by a sub-servicer may result in greater than expected delinquencies and losses on our mortgages. A substantial increase in our delinquency or foreclosure rate could adversely affect our ability to access the capital and secondary markets for our financing needs. Also, with respect to mortgages subject to a securitization, greater delinquencies would adversely impact the value of any interest-only, equity interest, principal-only and subordinated securities we hold in connection with that securitization.

In a securitization, relevant agreements permit us to be terminated as servicer or master servicer under specific conditions described in these agreements, such as the failure of a sub-servicer to perform certain functions within specific time periods. If, as a result of a sub-servicer's failure to perform adequately, we were terminated as servicer of a securitization, the value of any servicing rights held by us would be adversely affected.

We are a defendant in purported class actions and may not prevail in these matters.

Class action lawsuits and regulatory actions alleging improper marketing practices, abusive loan terms and fees, disclosure violations, improper yield spread premiums and other matters are risks faced by all mortgage originators, particularly those in the Alt-A market. We are a defendant in six purported class actions, (including an action that was dismissed but there has been a notice of an appeal) pending in six different states. Five of which allege generally that the loan originator improperly charged fees in violation of various state lending or consumer protection laws in connection with mortgages that we acquired. Although the suits are not identical, they generally seek unspecified compensatory damages, punitive damages, pre- and post-judgment interest, costs and expenses and rescission of the mortgages, as well as a return of any improperly collected fees. The other purported class action claims damages for sending out unsolicited faxes and seek statutory and treble damages. These actions are in the early stages of litigation and, accordingly, it is difficult to predict the outcome of these matters. We believe we have meritorious defenses to the actions and intend to defend against them vigorously; however, an adverse judgment in any of these matters could have a material adverse effect on us.

Regulatory Risks

We may be subject to fines or other penalties based upon the conduct of our independent brokers or correspondents.

The mortgage brokers and correspondents from which we obtain loans have parallel and separate legal obligations to which they are subject. While these laws may not explicitly hold the originating lenders responsible for the legal violations of mortgage brokers, increasingly federal and state agencies have sought to impose such liability. Previously, for example, the United States Federal Trade Commission, or "FTC," entered into a settlement agreement with a mortgage lender where the FTC characterized a broker that had placed all of its loan production with a single lender as the "agent" of the lender; the FTC imposed a fine on the lender in part because, as "principal," the lender was legally responsible for the mortgage broker's unfair and deceptive acts and practices. The United States Justice Department in the past has sought to hold a sub-prime mortgage lender responsible for the pricing practices of its mortgage brokers, alleging that the mortgage lender was directly responsible for the total fees and charges paid by the borrower under the Fair Housing Act even if the lender neither dictated what the mortgage broker could charge nor kept the money for its own account. Accordingly, we may be subject to fines or other penalties based upon the conduct of our independent mortgage brokers or correspondents.

We are no longer able to rely on the Alternative Mortgage Transactions Parity Act to preempt certain state law restrictions on prepayment penalties, which may cause us to be unable to compete effectively with financial institutions that are exempt from such restrictions on ARMs.

The value of a mortgage depends, in part, upon the expected period of time that the mortgage will be outstanding. If a borrower pays off a mortgage in advance of this expected period, the holder of the mortgage does not realize the full value expected to be received from the mortgage. A prepayment penalty payable by a borrower who repays a mortgage earlier

than expected helps discourage such a prepayment or helps offset the reduction in value resulting from the early payoff. Prepayment penalties are an important feature on the mortgages we acquire or originate.

Certain state laws restrict or prohibit prepayment penalties on mortgages. Until July 1, 2003, we had historically relied on the federal Alternative Mortgage Transactions Parity Act, or the "Parity Act," and related regulations issued by the Office of Thrift Supervision, or "OTS," to preempt state limitations on prepayment penalties on ARMs. The Parity Act was enacted to extend to financial institutions other than federally chartered depository institutions the federal preemption which federally chartered depository institutions enjoy. However, on September 25, 2002, the OTS issued final regulations that reduce the scope of the Parity Act preemption. The OTS subsequently delayed the effective date of the final regulations until July 1, 2003. The National Home Equity Mortgage Association has filed a lawsuit against the OTS challenging the OTS's authority to issue the regulations. The court held in favor of the OTS's authority. NHEMA has appealed this decision. However, pending the appeal, we may not rely on the Parity Act to preempt state restrictions on prepayment penalties. It is possible any appellate decision may again find in favor of the OTS, in which case we will not be able to rely on the Parity Act to preempt state restrictions on prepayment penalties. The elimination of this federal preemption could have a material adverse affect on our ability to compete effectively with financial institutions that will continue to enjoy federal preemption of state restrictions on prepayment penalties on ARMs.

Violation of various federal and state laws may result in losses on our loans.

- o Applicable state laws generally regulate interest rates and other charges, require certain disclosure, and require licensing of the lender. In addition, other state laws, public policy and general principles of equity relating to the protection of consumers, unfair and deceptive practices and debt collection practices may apply to the origination, servicing and collection of our loans. Mortgage loans are also subject to federal laws, including:
 - o the Federal Truth-in-Lending Act and Regulation Z promulgated thereunder, which require certain disclosures to the borrowers regarding the terms of the loans;
 - o the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and Regulation B promulgated thereunder, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of age, race, color, sex, religion, marital status, national origin, receipt of public assistance or the exercise of any right under the Consumer Credit Protection Act, in the extension of credit;
 - o the Fair Credit Reporting Act, which regulates the use and reporting of information related to the borrower's credit experience;
 - o the Depository Institutions Deregulation and Monetary Control Act of 1980, which preempts certain state usury laws; and
 - o the Alternative Mortgage Transaction Parity Act of 1982, which preempts certain state lending laws which regulate alternative mortgage transactions.

Violations of certain provisions of these federal and state laws may limit our ability to collect all or part of the principal of or interest on the loans and in addition could subject us trust to damages and administrative enforcement and could result in the mortgagors rescinding the loans whether held by us or subsequent holders of the loans.

Our operations may be adversely affected if we are subject to the Investment Company Act.

We intend to conduct our business at all times so as not to become regulated as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. The Investment Company Act exempts entities that are primarily engaged in the business of purchasing or otherwise acquiring mortgages and other liens on and interests in real estate.

In order to qualify for this exemption we must maintain at least 55% of our assets directly in mortgages, qualifying pass-through certificates and certain other qualifying interests in real estate. Our ownership of certain mortgage assets may be limited by the provisions of the Investment Company Act. If the Securities and Exchange Commission adopts a contrary interpretation with respect to these securities or otherwise believes we do not satisfy the above exception, we could be required to restructure our activities or sell certain of our assets. To insure that we continue to qualify for the exemption we may be required at times to adopt less efficient methods of financing certain of our mortgage assets and we may be precluded from acquiring certain types of higher-yielding mortgage assets. The net effect of these factors will be to lower our net interest income. If we fail to qualify for exemption from registration as an investment company, our ability to use

leverage would be substantially reduced, and we would not be able to conduct our business as described. Our business will be materially and adversely affected if we fail to qualify for this exemption.

New regulatory laws affecting the mortgage industry may increase our costs and decrease our mortgage origination and acquisition.

The regulatory environments in which we operate have an impact on the activities in which we may engage, how the activities may be carried out, and the profitability of those activities. Therefore, changes to laws, regulations or regulatory policies can affect whether and to what extent we are able to operate profitably. For example, , recently enacted and proposed local, state and federal legislation targeted at predatory lending could have the unintended consequence of raising the cost or otherwise reducing the availability of mortgage credit for those potential borrowers with less than prime-quality credit histories, thereby resulting in a reduction of otherwise legitimate Alt-A lending opportunities. Similarly, recently enacted and proposed local, state and federal privacy laws and laws prohibiting or limiting marketing by telephone, facsimile, email and the Internet may limit our ability to cross market and our ability to access potential loan applicants. We cannot provide any assurance that the proposed laws, rules and regulations, or other similar laws, rules or regulations, will not be adopted in the future. Adoption of these laws and regulations could have a material adverse impact on our business by substantially increasing the costs of compliance with a variety of inconsistent federal, state and local rules, or by restricting our ability to charge rates and fees adequate to compensate us for the risk associated with certain loans.

Some states have enacted, or may enact, laws or regulations that prohibit inclusion of some provisions in mortgage loans that have mortgage rates or origination costs in excess of prescribed levels, and require that borrowers be given certain disclosures prior to the consummation of such mortgage loans. Our failure to comply with these laws could subject us to monetary penalties and could result in the borrowers rescinding the mortgage loans, whether held by us or subsequent holders. Lawsuits have been brought in various states making claims against assignees of these loans for violations of state law.

Risks Related To Our Status As a REIT

We may not pay dividends to stockholders.

REIT provisions of the Internal Revenue Code generally require that we annually distribute to our stockholders at least 90% of all of our taxable income. These provisions restrict our ability to retain earnings and thereby renew capital for our business activities. We may decide at a future date to terminate our REIT status, which would cause us to be taxed at the corporate levels and cease paying regular dividends. In addition, for any year that we do not generate taxable income, we are not required to declare and pay dividends to maintain our REIT status. For instance, due to losses incurred in 2000, we did not declare any dividends from September 2000 until September 2001.

To date, a portion of our taxable income and cash flow has been attributable to our receipt of dividend distributions from the mortgage operations. The mortgage operations is not a REIT and is not, therefore, subject to the above-described REIT distribution requirements. Because the mortgage operations is seeking to retain earnings to fund the future growth of our mortgage operations business, its board of directors may decide that the mortgage operations should cease making dividend distributions in the future. This would materially reduce the amount of our taxable income and in turn, would reduce the amount we would be required to distribute as dividends.

If we fail to maintain our REIT status, we may be subject to taxation as a regular corporation.

We believe that we have operated and intend to continue to operate in a manner that enables us to meet the requirements for qualification as a REIT for federal income tax purposes. We have not requested, and do not plan to request, a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service that we qualify as a REIT.

Moreover, no assurance can be given that legislation, new regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions will not significantly change the tax laws with respect to qualification as a REIT or the federal income tax consequences of such qualification. Our continued qualification as a REIT will depend on our satisfaction of certain asset, income, organizational and stockholder ownership requirements on a continuing basis.

If we fail to qualify as a REIT, we would not be allowed a deduction for distributions to stockholders in computing our taxable income and would be subject to federal income tax at regular corporate rates. We also may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax. Unless we are entitled to relief under specific statutory provisions, we could not elect to be taxed

as a REIT for four taxable years following the year during which we were disqualified. Therefore, if we lose our REIT status, the funds available for distribution to you would be reduced substantially for each of the years involved. Failure to qualify as a REIT could adversely affect the value of our common stock.

Potential characterization of distributions or gain on sale as unrelated business taxable income to tax-exempt investors.

If (1) all or a portion of our assets are subject to the rules relating to taxable mortgage pools, (2) we are a "pension-held REIT," (3) a tax-exempt stockholder has incurred debt to purchase or hold our common stock, or (4) the residual REMIC interests we buy generate "excess inclusion income," then a portion of the distributions to and, in the case of a stockholder described in (3), gains realized on the sale of common stock by such tax-exempt stockholder may be subject to Federal income tax as unrelated business taxable income under the Internal Revenue Code.

Classification as a taxable mortgage pool could subject us or certain of our stockholders to increased taxation.

If we have borrowings with two or more maturities and, (1) those borrowings are secured by mortgages or mortgage-backed securities and, (2) the payments made on the borrowings are related to the payments received on the underlying assets, then the borrowings and the pool of mortgages or mortgage-backed securities to which such borrowings relate may be classified as a taxable mortgage pool under the Internal Revenue Code. If any part of our Company were to be treated as a taxable mortgage pool, then our REIT status would not be impaired, but a portion of the taxable income we recognize may, under regulations to be issued by the Treasury Department, be characterized as "excess inclusion" income and allocated among our stockholder to the extent of and generally in proportion to the distributions we make to each stockholder. Any excess inclusion income would:

- o not be allowed to be offset by a stockholder's net operating losses;
- o be subject to a tax as unrelated business income if a stockholders were a tax-exempt stockholder;
- o be subject to the application of federal income tax withholding at the maximum rate (without reduction for any otherwise applicable income tax treaty) with respect to amounts allocable to foreign stockholders; and
- o be taxable (at the highest corporate tax rate) to us, rather than to our stockholders, to the extent the excess inclusion income relates to stock held by disqualified organizations (generally, tax-exempt companies not subject to tax on unrelated business income, including governmental organizations).

Based on advice of our tax counsel, we take the position that our existing financing arrangements do not create a taxable mortgage pool.

We may be subject to possible adverse consequences as a result of limits on ownership of our shares.

Our charter limits ownership of our capital stock by any single stockholder to 9.5% of our outstanding shares unless waived by the board of directors. Our board of directors may increase the 9.5% ownership limit. In addition, to the extent consistent with the REIT provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, our board of directors may, pursuant to our articles of incorporation, waive the 9.5% ownership limit for a stockholder or purchaser of our stock. In order to waive the 9.5% ownership limit our board of directors must require the stockholder requesting the waiver to provide certain representations to the Company to ensure compliance with the REIT provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. Our charter also prohibits anyone from buying shares if the purchase would result in us losing our REIT status. This could happen if a share transaction results in fewer than 100 persons owning all of our shares or in five or fewer persons, applying certain broad attribution rules of the Internal Revenue Code, owning more than 50% (by value) of our shares. If you or anyone else acquires shares in excess of the ownership limit or in violation of the ownership requirements of the Internal Revenue Code for REITs, we:

- o will consider the transfer to be null and void;
- o will not reflect the transaction on our books;
- o may institute legal action to enjoin the transaction;
- o will not pay dividends or other distributions with respect to those shares;

- o will not recognize any voting rights for those shares;
- o may redeem the shares; and
- o will consider the shares held in trust for the benefit of a charitable beneficiary as designated by us.

The trustee shall sell the shares held in trust and the owner of the excess shares will be entitled to the lesser of:

- (a) the price paid by the owner;
- (b) if the owner did not purchase the excess shares, the closing price for the shares on the national securities exchange on which IMH is listed on the day of the event causing the shares to be held in trust; or
- (c) the price received by the trustee from the sale of the shares.

Limitations on acquisition and change in control ownership limit.

The 9.5% ownership limit discussed above may have the effect of precluding acquisition of control of our Company by a third party without consent of our board of directors.

Risks Related To Ownership Of Our Common Stock

Our share prices have been and may continue to be volatile.

Historically, the market price of our common stock has been volatile. The market price of our common stock is likely to continue to be highly volatile and could be significantly affected by factors including:

- o the amount of dividends paid;
- o availability of liquidity in the securitization market;
- o loan sale pricing;
- o margin calls by warehouse lenders or changes in warehouse lending rates;
- o unanticipated fluctuations in our operating results;
- o prepayments on mortgages;
- o valuations of securitization related assets;
- o cost of funds; and
- o general market conditions.

In addition, significant price and volume fluctuations in the stock market have particularly affected the market prices for the common stock of mortgage REIT companies such as ours. These broad market fluctuations have adversely affected and may continue to adversely affect the market price of our common stock. If our results of operations fail to meet the expectations of securities analysts or investors in a future quarter, the market price of our common stock could also be materially adversely affected and we may experience difficulty in raising capital.

Sales of additional common stock may adversely affect its market price.

To sustain our growth strategy we intend to raise capital through the sale of equity. The sale or the proposed sale of substantial amounts of our common stock in the public market could materially adversely affect the market price of our common stock or other outstanding securities. We do not know the actual or perceived effect of these offerings, the timing of these offerings, the dilution of the book value or earnings per share of our securities then outstanding; and the effect on

the market price of our securities then outstanding. In December 2001 we filed a shelf registration statement with the SEC, which allows us to sell up to \$300.0 million of securities, including common stock, preferred stock, debt securities and warrants. As of September 30, 2003, we have sold approximately \$222.3 million (gross proceeds) worth of common stock from our shelf registration statement and we may sell additional securities worth approximately \$77.7 million (gross proceeds) from this shelf registration statement in the future. We have also registered an aggregate of 3,620,069 shares of common stock in connection with our 2001 Stock Option, Deferred Stock and Restricted Stock Plan. As of September 30, 2003, our 1995 Stock Option, Deferred Stock and Restricted Stock Plan had 383,212 shares reserved and available for issuance and that were registered. The sale of a large amount of shares or the perception that such sales may occur, could adversely affect the market price for our common stock or other outstanding securities.

ITEM 3: QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We focus on effectively managing the various operational and market risks associated with our businesses. We believe that the most critical of those risks are:

- o credit risk;
- o prepayment risk;
- o liquidity risk; and
- o interest rate risk.

We manage credit risk by acquiring high-credit quality Alt-A mortgages from the mortgage operations with favorable credit profiles and in certain circumstances by acquiring mortgages with mortgage insurance enhancements, as we deem appropriate, which reduces our effective loan-to-value ratio. Our belief is that high-credit quality Alt-A mortgages will result in favorable foreclosure rates and will result in favorable loss rates. We also believe that we maintain an adequate allowance for loan losses to provide for future loan losses. We manage mortgage prepayment risk by acquiring the majority of Alt-A mortgages from the mortgage operations with prepayment penalty features. We manage liquidity risk by frequently securitizing or selling our mortgages. We securitize mortgages through the issuance of CMOs and REMICs which we attempt to do every 30 to 45 days. By frequently securitizing our mortgages, we reduce the volume of mortgages that are financed with short-term reverse repurchase agreements at any given time. The issuance of CMOs convert short-term reverse repurchase borrowings, which are subject to margin calls if the value of the mortgages collateralizing reverse repurchase borrowings decline, to long-term CMO financing that are not subject to margin calls. By securitizing mortgages as REMICs or selling mortgages as whole loan sales, ownership of the mortgages transfers to the trust in the case of REMICs and to the buyer in the case of whole loan sales. For additional information regarding these risks refer to Item 2. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

Although we manage credit, prepayment and liquidity risk in the normal course of business, we consider interest rate risk to be a significant market risk, which could potentially have the largest material effect on our financial condition and results of operations. Since a significant portion of our revenues and earnings are derived from net interest income, we strive to manage our interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities to generate what we believe to be an appropriate contribution from net interest income. When interest rates fluctuate, profitability can be adversely affected by changes in the fair market value of our assets and liabilities and by the interest spread earned on interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. We derive income from the differential spread between interest earned on interest-earning assets and interest paid on interest-bearing liabilities. Any change in interest rates affects income received and expense paid from assets and liabilities in varying and typically in unequal amounts. Changing interest rates may compress our interest rate margins and adversely affect overall earnings.

Interest rate risk management is the responsibility of ALCO, which reports results of interest rate risk analysis to the board of directors on a quarterly basis. ALCO is comprised of the senior executives of the mortgage operations and warehouse lending operations. ALCO establishes policies that monitor and coordinate sources, uses and pricing of funds. ALCO also attempts to reduce the volatility in net interest income by managing the relationship of interest rate sensitive assets to interest rate sensitive liabilities. In addition, various modeling techniques are used to value interest sensitive mortgage-backed securities, including interest-only securities. The value of mortgage-backed securities is determined using a discounted cash flow model using prepayment rate, discount rate and credit loss assumptions. Our investment securities portfolio is available-for-sale, which requires us to perform market valuations of the securities in order to properly record the portfolio. We continually monitor interest rates of our investment securities portfolio as compared to prevalent interest rates in the market. We do not currently maintain a securities trading portfolio and are not exposed to market risk as it relates to trading activities.

ALCO follows an interest rate hedging program intended to limit our exposure to changes in interest rates primarily associated with cash flows on our adjustable rate CMO borrowings. Our primary objective is to hedge our exposure to the variability in future cash flows attributable to the variability of one-month LIBOR, which is the underlying index of our adjustable rate CMO borrowings. We also monitor on an ongoing basis the prepayment risks that arise in fluctuating interest rate environments. Our interest rate hedging program is formulated with the intent to attempt to offset the potential adverse effects of changing interest rates on cash flows on adjustable rate CMO borrowings resulting from the following:

- o interest rate adjustment limitations on mortgages held as CMO collateral due to periodic and lifetime interest rate cap features; and
- o mismatched interest rate adjustment periods between mortgages held as CMO collateral and CMO borrowings.

We acquire for long-term investment six-month LIBOR ARMs and six-month LIBOR hybrids. Six-month LIBOR ARMs are generally subject to periodic and lifetime interest rate caps. This means that the interest rate of each ARM is limited to upwards or downwards movements on its periodic interest rate adjustment date, generally nine months, or over the life of the mortgage. Periodic caps limit the maximum interest rate change, which can occur on any interest rate change date to generally a maximum of 1% per semi-annual adjustment. Also, each ARM has a maximum lifetime interest rate cap. Generally, borrowings are not subject to the same periodic or lifetime interest rate limitations. During a period of rapidly increasing or decreasing interest rates, financing costs would increase or decrease at a faster rate than the periodic interest rate adjustments on mortgages would allow, which could affect net interest income. In addition, if market rates were to exceed the maximum interest rates of our ARMs, borrowing costs would increase while interest rates on ARMs would remain constant.

We also acquire hybrid ARMs that have initial fixed interest rate periods generally ranging from two to three years and, to a lesser extent, five to seven years, which subsequently convert to six-month LIBOR ARMs. During a rapidly increasing or decreasing interest rate environment financing costs would increase or decrease more rapidly than would interest rates on mortgages, which would remain fixed until their next interest rate adjustment date. In order to provide some protection against any resulting basis risk shortfall on the related liabilities, we purchase derivative instruments. Derivative instruments are based upon the principal balance that would result under assumed prepayment speeds.

We measure the sensitivity of our net interest income to changes in interest rates affecting interest sensitive assets and liabilities using simulations. As part of various interest rate simulations, we calculate the effect of potential changes in interest rates on our interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and their affect on overall earnings. The simulations assume instantaneous and parallel shifts in interest rates and to what degree those shifts affect net interest income. First, we estimate our net interest income for the next twelve months using period-end balance sheet data and 12-month projections of the following:

- o future interest rates using forward yield curves, which are market consensus estimates of future interest rates;
- o acquisition of derivative instruments;
- o mortgage prepayment rate assumptions; and
- o mortgage acquisitions.

We refer to this 12-month projection of net interest income as the "base case." Once the base case has been established, we "shock" the base case with instantaneous and parallel shifts in interest rates in 100 basis point increments upward and downward to plus and minus 200 basis points. Calculations are made for each of the defined instantaneous and parallel shifts in interest rates over or under the forward yield curve used to determine the base case and include any associated changes in projected mortgage prepayment rates caused by changes in interest rates. The results of each 100 basis point change in interest rates are then compared against the base case to determine the estimated change to net interest income. The simulations consider the affect of interest rate changes on interest sensitive assets and liabilities as well as derivative instruments. The simulations also consider the impact that instantaneous and parallel shifts in interest rates have on prepayment rates and the resulting affect of accelerating or decelerating amortization rates of premium and securitization costs on net interest income.

The use of derivative instruments to hedge changes in interest rates is an integral part of our strategy to limit interest rate risk. Therefore, net interest income may be significantly impacted by cash payments we are required to make or cash payments we receive on derivative instruments. The amount of cash payments or cash receipts on derivative instruments is determined by (1) the notional amount of the derivative instrument and (2) current interest rate levels in relation to the various strike prices of derivative instruments during a particular time period.

We believe our quantitative risk has not materially changed since our disclosures under Item 7A. "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk" in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002.

ITEM 4: CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of September 30, 2003, our Chief Executive Officer, or "CEO," and Chief Financial Officer, or "CFO," performed an evaluation of the effectiveness and the operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rules 13a - - 15(e) or 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Based on that evaluation, the CEO and CFO concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2003.

Changes in Internal Controls

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by paragraph (d) Rule 13a-15 or 15d-15 under the Exchange Act that occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2003 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1: LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

On October 14, 2003, an action was filed in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois as Case No. 03 CH17085 entitled Fast Forward Solutions, LLC v. Novelle Financial Services, Inc. The complaint contains allegations of a class action and alleges that the defendant sent out unsolicited faxes in violation of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, the Illinois Consumer Fraud Act, and Illinois Common Law. The plaintiff is seeking statutory and treble damages.

With respect to the complaint captioned Frazier, et al. v. Preferred Credit, et al, which had been pending in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Case No. CT004762-01, until it was dismissed on July 31, 2002, with a motion for reconsideration denied on March 7, 2003, as described in IMH's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002, on July 31, 2003 the plaintiffs filed a new complaint captioned, Frazier, et al v. Impac Funding Corp., et al, Case No. 03-2565 DP, in the same court. The causes of action in the new action are materially identical to the causes of action stated in the 2001 action, though the number of defendants is reduced.

With respect to the complaint captioned Deborah Searcy, Shirley Walker, et al. vs. Impac Funding Corporation, Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc. et. al., which is described in IMH's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002, in March 2003, the plaintiffs filed an amended complaint adding certain defendants, including an Impac-related entity, and dropping others, including certain Impac-related entities, and we have been served with the amended complaint. A motion to dismiss the amended complaint has been filed. Please refer to IMH's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 regarding the Searcy action.

We believe that we have meritorious defenses to these complaints and we intend to defend the claims vigorously. Nevertheless, litigation is uncertain and we may not prevail in the lawsuits and can express no opinion as to their ultimate outcome. Please refer to our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 and our subsequent quarterly reports on form 10-Q regarding other litigation and claims.

We are a party to other litigation and claims, which are normal in the course of our operations. While the results of such other litigation and claims cannot be predicted with certainty, we believe the final outcome of such other matters will not have a material adverse effect on IMH.

ITEM 2: CHANGES IN SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) On July 1, 2003, IMH purchased from Joseph R. Tomkinson, William S. Ashmore and the Johnson Revocable Living Trust all of the outstanding shares of voting common stock of IFC, for aggregate consideration of \$750,000. Each of Messers. Tomkinson and Ashmore and the Johnson Revocable Living Trust owned one-third

of the outstanding common stock of IFC. Mr. Tomkinson elected to receive \$125,000 worth of his consideration for the sale of his IFC shares of common stock in the form of 7,687 shares of IMH common stock.

Exemption from the registration is claimed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") in reliance on Section 4(2) of the Securities Act or Rule 506 of Regulation D promulgated thereunder. The purchaser represented his intention to acquire the securities for investment only and not with a view to, or for the sale in connection with, any distribution thereof and an appropriate legend was affixed to the certificate evidencing the securities in such transaction. No brokers or dealers were involved in the transaction and no commissions were paid. The purchaser had adequate access to information about us.

ITEM 3: DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 4: SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

None.

ITEM 5: OTHER INFORMATION

None.

ITEM 6: EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

(a) Exhibits:

- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Item 601(b)(31) of Regulation S-K, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Item 601(b)(31) of Regulation S-K, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1 Certifications of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

(b) Reports on Form 8-K:

Current Report on Form 8-K, dated July 15, 2003, reporting Items 5 and 7, relating to the purchase of IFC common stock and new employment agreements entered into with certain executive officers.

Current Report on Form 8-K, dated August 4, 2003, reporting Items 7 and 12, relating to a press release reporting financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2003.

Current Report on Form 8-K, dated August 29, 2003, reporting Item 9 relating to the posting of our unaudited Monthly Fact Sheet.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

IMPAC MORTGAGE HOLDINGS, INC.

/s/ Richard J. Johnson
by: Richard J. Johnson
Executive Vice President
and Chief Financial Officer
(authorized officer of registrant and principal financial officer)

Date: November 5, 2003

CERTIFICATION

I, Joseph R. Tomkinson, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and we have:
 - a. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal controls over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls over financial reporting.

/s/ Joseph R. Tomkinson
Joseph R. Tomkinson
Chief Executive Officer
November 5, 2003

CERTIFICATION

I, Richard J. Johnson, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and we have:
 - a. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal controls over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls over financial reporting.

/s/ Richard J. Johnson
Richard J. Johnson
Chief Financial Officer
November 5, 2003

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED
PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the quarterly report of Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2003 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), each of the undersigned, in the capacities and on the dates indicated below, hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to his knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Joseph R. Tomkinson
Joseph R. Tomkinson
Chief Executive Officer
November 5, 2003

/s/ Richard J. Johnson
Richard J. Johnson
Chief Financial Officer
November 5, 2003

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc. and will be retained by Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.