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Fourth Quarter Market Update

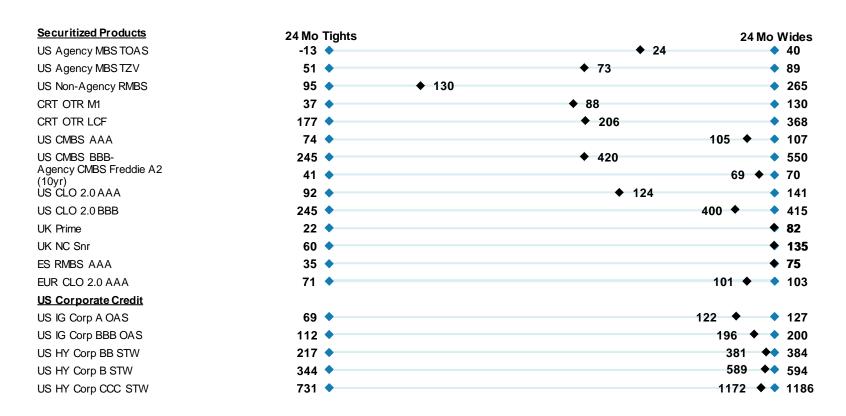
Quarter Ended:	12/31/2018	9/30/2018	Q/Q	6/30/2018	Q/Q	3/31/2018	Q/Q	12/31/2017	Q/Q	9/30/2017
<u>UST (%)⁽¹⁾</u>										
<u>031 (%)**</u> 2Y UST	2.49	2.82	-0.33	2.53	+0.29	2.27	+0.26	1.88	+0.39	1.48
5YUST	2.51	2.95	-0.44	2.74	+0.21	2.56	+0.18	2.21	+0.35	1.94
10YUST	2.68	3.06	-0.38	2.86	+0.20	2.74	+0.12	2.41	+0.33	2.33
30Y UST	3.01	3.21	-0.20	2.99	+0.22	2.97	+0.02	2.74	+0.23	2.86
2Y10Y Spread	0.20	0.24	-0.04	0.33	-0.09	0.47	-0.14	0.52	-0.05	0.85
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<u>US Dollar Swaps (%)⁽¹⁾</u>										
2Y SWAP	2.66	2.99	-0.33	2.79	+0.20	2.58	+0.21	2.08	+0.50	1.74
5Y SWAP	2.57	3.07	-0.50	2.89	+0.18	2.71	+0.18	2.24	+0.47	2.00
10Y SWAP	2.71	3.12	-0.41	2.93	+0.19	2.79	+0.14	2.40	+0.39	2.29
<u>LIBOR (%)⁽¹⁾</u>										
1mo	2.50	2.26	+0.24	2.09	+0.17	1.88	+0.21	1.56	+0.32	1.23
3mo	2.81	2.40	+0.41	2.34	+0.06	2.31	+0.03	1.69	+0.62	1.33
1mo3mo Spread	0.30	0.14	+0.16	0.25	-0.11	0.43	-0.18	0.13	+0.30	0.10
Mortgage Rates (%) ⁽²⁾	4.05	4.20	0.44	4.00	.0.47	4.00	.0.40	2.04	0.45	2.40
15Y 30Y	4.25 4.55	4.39 4.72	-0.14 -0.17	4.22 4.55	+0.17 +0.17	4.09 4.44	+0.13 +0.11	3.64 3.99	+0.45 +0.45	3.42 3.83
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FNMA Pass-Thrus ⁽¹⁾										
30Y 3.5	\$99.83	\$98.39	+\$1.44	\$99.45	-\$1.06	\$100.20	-\$0.75	\$102.73	-\$2.53	\$103.05
30Y 4.0	\$101.83	\$100.95	+\$0.88	\$101.92	-\$0.97	\$102.61	-\$0.69	\$104.61	-\$2.00	\$105.27
30Y 4.5	\$103.45	\$103.14	+\$0.31	\$104.08	-\$0.94	\$104.70	-\$0.62	\$106.42	-\$1.72	\$107.33
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Libor-based OAS (bps) ⁽³⁾										
FNMA 30Y 3.5 OAS	29.4	22.0	7.4	21.5	0.5	23.8	-2.3	17.2	6.6	20.0
FNMA 30Y 4.0 OAS	30.4	28.2	2.2	26.9	1.3	28.3	-1.4	19.9	8.4	18.4
FNMA 30Y 4.5 OAS	50.1	34.3	15.8	31.3	3.0	32.7	-1.4	15.4	17.3	8.6
Libor-based ZSpread (bps) ⁽⁴⁾										
FNMA 30Y 3.5 ZSpread	74.1	58.3	15.8	62.7	-4.4	67.4	-4.7	65.5	1.9	72.9
FNMA 30Y 4.0 ZSpread	87.8	73.1	14.7	75.8	-2.7	78.6	-2.8	67.7	10.9	72.1
FNMA 30Y 4.5 ZSpread	98.8	81.0	17.8	78.1	2.9	79.0	-0.9	50.2	28.8	53.1
FNMA 30Y 4.5 ZSpread	98.8	81.0	17.8	78.1	2.9	79.0	-0.9	50.2	28.8	53.1

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Fourth Quarter Highlights



Overall Results	 Net Loss: \$(10.1) million or \$(0.80) per share Economic Return: (5.7%) for the quarter Net Interest Margin: 1.12%; Adjusted Net Interest Margin⁽¹⁾: 1.11%
Core Earnings ⁽²⁾	 Core Earnings: \$4.0 million or \$0.32 per share Adjusted Core Earnings⁽¹⁾: \$4.0 million or \$0.32 per share
Shareholders' Equity & BVPS ⁽³⁾	 Shareholders' equity: \$153.8 million Book value per share: \$12.30 Estimated book value per share as of 1/31/2019: \$12.75⁽⁴⁾
Portfolio	 Agency RMBS Portfolio: \$1.53 billion⁽³⁾ Weighted average prepayment speed on fixed-rate specified pools of 6.6% CPR for the quarter Portfolio turnover of 22% Average pay-ups on specified pools of 0.58%⁽³⁾ Non-Agency RMBS Portfolio: \$11.2 million⁽³⁾
Leverage ⁽³⁾	 Debt-to-equity ratio: 9.6:1 Net mortgage assets-to-equity ratio of 8.7:1⁽⁵⁾
Dividend	 Declared fourth quarter dividend of \$0.34 per share (paid in January 2019) Annualized dividend yield of 11.7% based on closing price of \$11.67 on 2/8/2019
Share Repurchase Program	 Repurchased 202,493 shares during the quarter, or approximately 1.6%, at an average price of \$10.54
Expense Ratio	 3.0% of shareholders' equity on an annualized basis



As of January 2, 2019⁽¹⁾

- With a weak fourth quarter, yield spreads on many US corporate credit and European products finished 2018 near their 24-month wide levels, although a portion of this widening reversed for most products in January 2019
- Relative to its 24-month range, US Non-Agency RMBS has held up relatively well

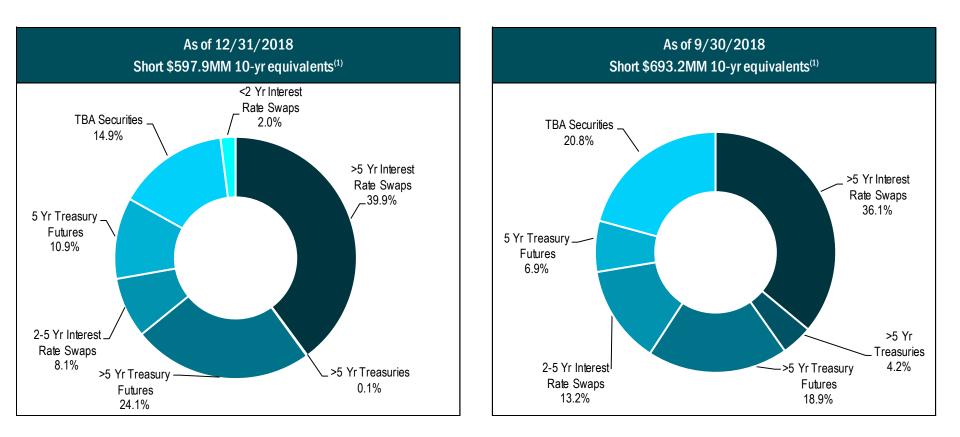
Summary of Financial Results

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	Quarter Ended 1	2/31	/2018		Quarter Endec	d 9/	30/2018
(\$ in thousands except per share amounts)		Р	Per Share ⁽¹⁾			F	Per Share ⁽¹⁾
Interest Income	\$ 13,875			\$	13,171		
Interest Expense	(9,084)				(8,519)		
Total Net Interest Income	\$ 4,791			\$	4,652		
Total Other Gain (Loss) ⁽²⁾	\$ 464			\$	388		
Total Expenses	\$ 1,232			\$	1,331		
Total Expenses as % of Average Equity, Annualized ⁽³⁾	3.00%				3.04%		
Core Earnings ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 4,023	\$	0.32	\$	3,709	\$	0.29
Less: Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment ⁽⁵⁾	31				(398)		
Adjusted Core Earnings ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 3,992	\$	0.32	\$	4,107	\$	0.32
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss):							
RMBS	\$ 10,803			\$	(11,180)		
Interest Rate Hedges	(24,900)				8,417		
Total Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss)	\$ (14,097)			\$	(2,763)		
Net Income (Loss)	\$ (10,074)	\$	(0.80)	\$	946	\$	0.07
Adjusted Weighted Average Yield ⁽⁷⁾	3.46%				3.26%		
Cost of Funds	-2.35%				-2.14%		
Adjusted Net Interest Margin ⁽⁶⁾	1.11%				1.12%		
Shareholders' Equity	\$ 153,822	\$	12.30	\$	170,230	\$	13.40

		Dece	ember 31, 20	18			Sept	tember 30, 20	018	
(In thousands)	Current Principal	Fair Value	Average Price ⁽¹⁾	Cost	Average Cost ⁽¹⁾	Current Principal	Fair Value	Fair Value Average Cost		Average Cost ⁽¹⁾
Agency RMBS ⁽²⁾										
15-year fixed rate mortgages	\$ 135,537	\$ 137,531	\$ 101.47	\$ 138,844	\$ 102.44	\$ 145,249	\$ 145,769	\$ 100.36	\$ 151,319	\$ 104.18
20-year fixed rate mortgages	7,267	7,505	103.28	7,842	107.91	7,687	7,866	102.33	8,287	107.81
30-year fixed rate mortgages	1,237,047	1,273,514	102.95	1,294,517	104.65	1,273,788	1,297,612	101.87	1,335,573	104.85
ARMs	17,752	18,243	102.77	18,969	106.86	18,513	19,051	102.91	19,735	106.60
Reverse mortgages	70,991	75,904	106.92	77,322	108.92	70,938	75,049	105.80	77,510	109.26
Total Agency RMBS	1,468,594	1,512,697	103.00	1,537,494	104.69	1,516,175	1,545,347	101.92	1,592,424	105.03
Non-Agency RMBS	13,755	11,233	81.66	9,431	68.56	14,418	11,952	82.90	9,908	68.72
Total RMBS ⁽²⁾	1,482,349	1,523,930	102.81	1,546,925	104.36	1,530,593	1,557,299	101.74	1,602,332	104.69
Agency Interest Only RMBS	n/a	16,366	n/a	16,740	n/a	n/a	18,684	n/a	17,601	n/a
Total mortgage-backed securities		1,540,296		1,563,665			1,575,983		1,619,933	
U.S. Treasury securities sold short	(360)	(374)	103.89	(362)	100.56	(26,816)	(26,367)	98.33	(26,412)	98.49
Reverse repurchase agreements	379	379	100.00	379	100.00	26,769	26,769	100.00	26,769	100.00
Total		\$1,540,301		\$1,563,682			\$1,576,385		\$1,620,290	



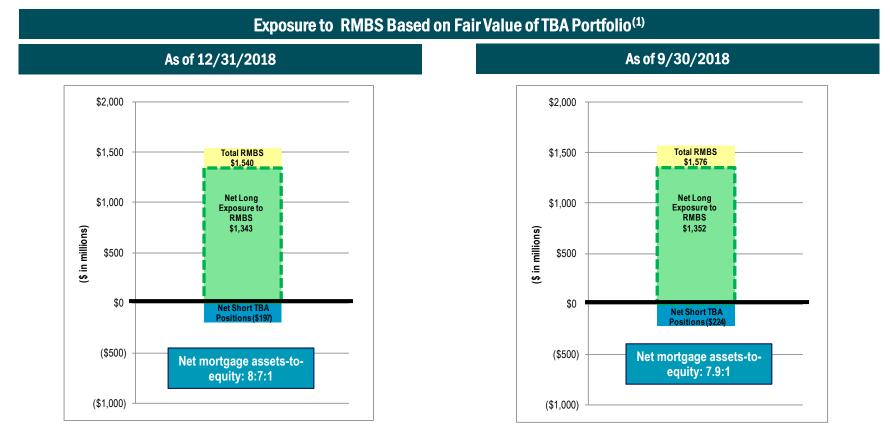


We hedge along the entire yield curve to protect against volatility, defend book value and more thoroughly control interest rate risk

Shorting "generic" pools (or TBAs) allows EARN to significantly reduce interest rate risk and basis risk in its Agency portfolio

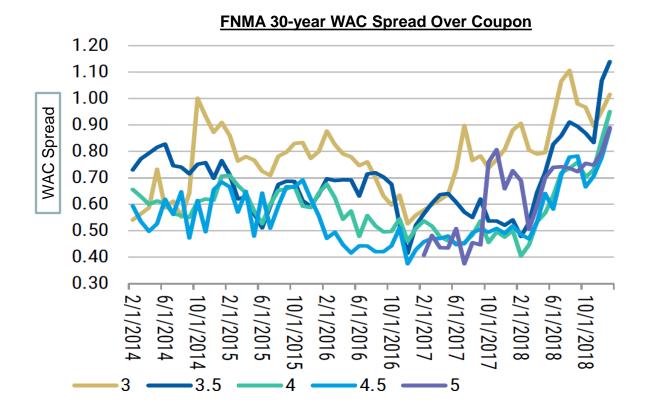
We also hedge interest rate risk with swaps, U.S. Treasury securities, futures, and swaptions





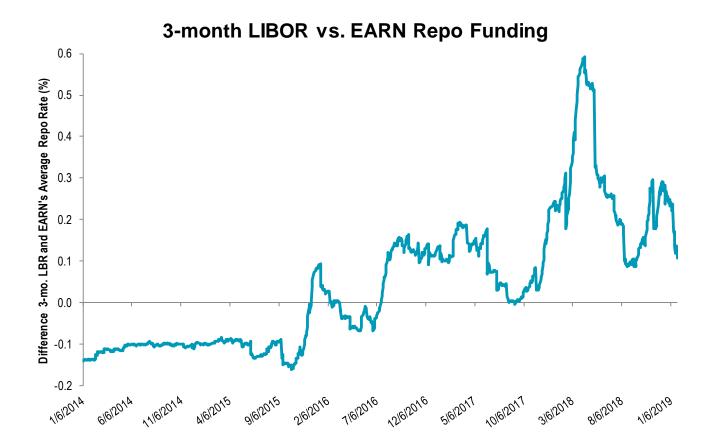
- EARN carries lower net effective mortgage exposure than our "headline" leverage would suggest
 - Our net mortgage assets-to-equity⁽²⁾ ratio was 8.7:1 versus our debt-to-equity ratio of 9.6:1 as of December 31, 2018
- Use of TBA short positions as hedges:
 - Helps drive outperformance in especially volatile quarters
 - When interest rates spike, TBA short positions not only extend with specified pool assets, but they tend to extend more than specified pool assets, which dynamically and automatically hedges a correspondingly larger portion of our specified pool portfolio





- The spread between WAC and underlying coupon has been increasing in FNMAs
- This is particularly challenging for TBAs now that the Fed is no longer net adding Agency RMBS
- This dynamic adds to the benefits of specified pools versus TBAs





- While the spread between the Agency repo funding rate and 3-month LIBOR has widened significantly since the end of 2017, and still remains positive, it has recently tightened
- EARN's cost of funds should benefit from the spread differential between our repo rate and 3-month LIBOR as the floating/receiving leg of our swaps reset higher
 - This funding advantage is only available to the leveraged investor
 - Only a small portion of the Agency investor base uses leverage: notably, mREITs and hedge funds
 - Funding advantage is supportive of Core Earnings



- 1. Take advantage of relative value trading opportunities that we believe will emerge as a diminishing Fed footprint and market volatility lead to more pricing dislocations
- 2. Dial up and down our MBS exposure aggressively in response to market opportunities
- 3. Supplement earnings with book value accretion via share repurchases when stock price is deeply discounted
- 4. Take advantage of higher asset yields to rotate portfolio, in order to recharge Net Interest Margin and drive Core Earnings
- 5. Capitalize on investment opportunities that emerge as volatility returns to the market

- Our hedging strategy and the high liquidity of our portfolio enable us to take advantage of investment opportunities

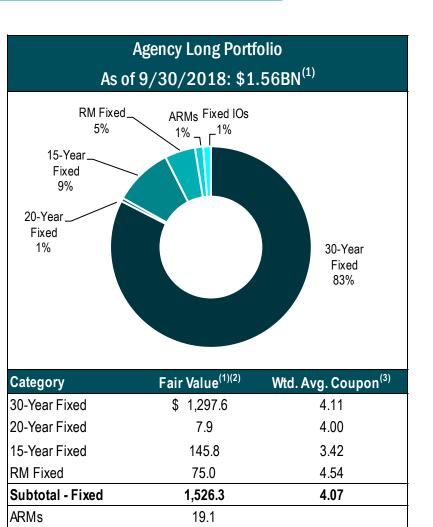


Supplemental Slides





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	Agency Long Portf	
As of	12/31/2018: \$1	.53BN ⁽¹⁾
RM Fixed 5% 15-Year Fixed 9% 20-Year Fixed 1%	ARMs Fixed IOs	30-Year Fixed 83%
Category	Fair Value ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Wtd. Avg. Coupon ⁽³⁾
30-Year Fixed	\$ 1,273.6	4.22
20-Year Fixed	7.5	4.00
15-Year Fixed	137.5	3.56
RM Fixed	75.9	4.61
Subtotal - Fixed	1,494.5	4.18
	1,494.5	4.10
ARMs	18.2	4.10
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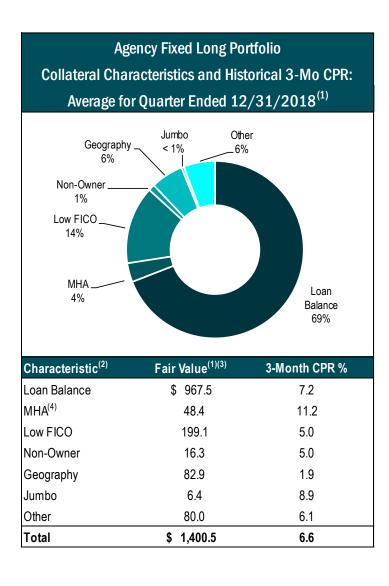
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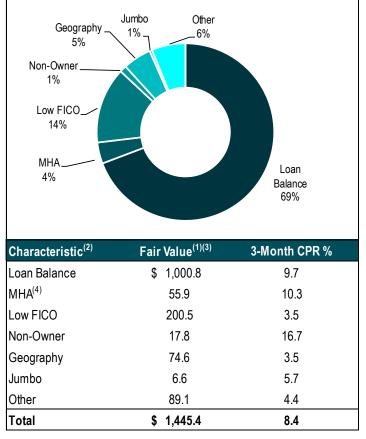
Fixed IOs

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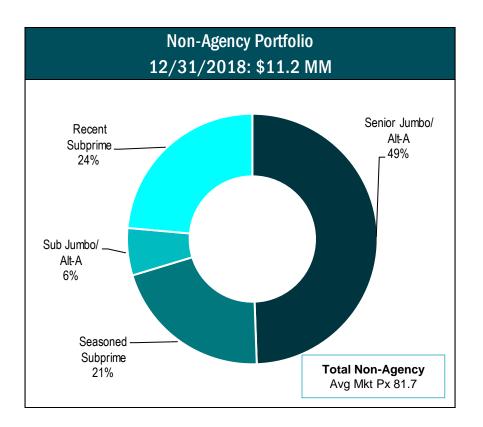




Agency Fixed Long Portfolio Collateral Characteristics and Historical 3-Mo CPR: Average for Quarter Ended 9/30/2018⁽¹⁾







- We continue to maintain a small but high-yielding portfolio of non-Agency RMBS
- May increase allocation to sector should more attractive entry points arise

		Dec	ember 31, 20	18		Sej	otember 30, 2	2018
			Weig	hted Average			Wei	ghted Average
Remaining Days to Maturity		orrowings utstanding	Interest Rate	Remaining Days to Maturity		orrowings itstanding	Interest Rate	Remaining Days to Maturity
	(II	n thousands)		-	(In	thousands)		-
30 days or less	\$	512,505	2.45%	16	\$	346,841	2.21%	15
31-60 days		594,199	2.56%	46		721,514	2.25%	45
61-90 days		359,861	2.71%	75		342,650	2.36%	77
91-120 days		-	-	-		89,627	2.30%	108
151-180 days		14,996	2.72%	177		-	-	-
Total	\$	1,481,561	2.56%	44	\$	1,500,632	2.27%	49

- Outstanding borrowings are with 12 counterparties as of December 31, 2018
- Cost of repo increased as LIBOR increased
- Availability from both existing and new lending counterparties remains strong

(\$ in thousands)			Estimated Cha	ange ir	n Fair Value	
	50 Basis Poin	t Declin	e in Interest Rates		50 Basis Point Increa	se in Interest Rates
	Market Value	;	% of Total Equity		Market Value	% of Total Equity
Agency RMBS—ARM Pools	\$	149	0.10%	\$	(164)	-0.11%
Agency RMBS—Fixed Pools and IOs	2	22,816	14.83%		(31,368)	-20.39%
TBAs	(3,398)	-2.21%		4,452	2.89%
Non-Agency RMBS		226	0.15%		(227)	-0.15%
Interest Rate Swaps	(1	3,438)	-8.74%		12,893	8.38%
U.S. Treasury Securities		(26)	-0.02%		24	0.02%
U.S. Treasury Futures	(9,358)	-6.08%		9,072	5.90%
Repurchase and Reverse Repurchase Agreements		(890)	-0.58%		890	0.58%
Total	\$ (3,919)	-2.55%	\$	(4,428)	-2.88%

(\$ in thousands)

		Fixed Payer In	terest Rate Swap		
Maturity	Notional Amount	Fair Value	Weighted Average Pay Rate	Weighted Average Receive Rate	Weighted Average Years to Maturity
2020-2022	\$ 320,080	\$ 4,777	1.94%	2.59%	2.39
2023-2025	80,222	762	2.30%	2.59%	5.53
2026-2043	239,328	(1,528)	2.66%	2.57%	10.36
Total	\$ 639,630	\$ 4,011	2.26%	2.58%	5.77

		Fixed Receiver	Interest Rate Swap		
Maturity	Notional Amount	Fair Value	Weighted Average Pay Rate	Weighted Average Receive Rate	Weighted Average Years to Maturity
2023-2025	(59,562)	406	2.79%	2.72%	4.98
2026-2043	(33,620)	435	2.79%	2.85%	12.96
Total	\$ (93,182)	\$ 841	2.79%	2.77%	7.86

		Fu	itures
	Notional Amount	Fair Value	Remaining Months to Expiration
U.S. Treasury Futures	\$ (301,300)	\$ (7,830)	3



		Three Month Period Ended			Year Ended		
	Dece	December 31, 2018		September 30, 2018		December 31, 2018	
(In thousands except share amounts)							
INTEREST INCOME (EXPENSE)							
Interest income	\$	13,875	\$	13,171	\$	54,553	
Interest expense		(9,084)		(8,519)		(32,519)	
Total net interest income		4,791		4,652		22,034	
EXPENSES							
Management fees to affiliate		579		641		2,547	
Professional fees		182		198		831	
Compensation expense		79		136		591	
Insurance expense		74		74		296	
Other operating expenses		318		283		1,243	
Total expenses		1,232		1,332		5,508	
OTHER INCOME (LOSS)							
Net realized gains (losses) on securities		(9,787)		(8,402)		(23,377)	
Net realized gains (losses) on financial derivatives		3,066		4,058		19,378	
Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on securities		20,524		(2,636)		(12,391)	
Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on financial derivatives		(27,436)		4,606		(11,431)	
Total other income (loss)		(13,633)	_	(2,374)		(27,821)	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	(10,074)	\$	946	\$	(11,295)	
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE							
Basic and Diluted	\$	(0.80)	\$	0.07	\$	(0.88)	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING		12,619,912		12,693,989		12,811,366	
CASH DIVIDENDS PER SHARE:							
Dividends declared	\$	0.34	\$	0.37	\$	1.45	

	As of						
		December 31, 2018 September 30, 2018			December 31, 2017 ⁽¹⁾		
In thousands except share amounts)							
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	18,585	\$	41,016	\$	56,117	
Mortgage-backed securities, at fair value		1,540,296		1,575,983		1,685,998	
Due from brokers		24,051		27,044		26,754	
Financial derivatives-assets, at fair value		11,839		23,049		8,792	
Reverse repurchase agreements		379		26,769		81,461	
Receivable for securities sold		74,197		52,531		21,606	
Interest receivable		5,607		5,675		5,784	
Other assets		612		717		575	
Total Assets	\$	1,675,566	\$	1,752,784	\$	1,887,087	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY							
LIABILITIES							
Repurchase agreements	\$	1,481,561	\$	1,500,632	\$	1,597,206	
Payable for securities purchased		11,275		36,539		3,830	
Due to brokers		1,325		8,298		489	
Financial derivatives-liabilities, at fair value		16,559		333		1,863	
U.S. Treasury securities sold short, at fair value		374		26,367		81,289	
Dividend payable		4,252		4,700		4,936	
Accrued expenses		838		704		728	
Management fee payable to affiliate		579		641		725	
Interest payable		4,981		4,340		3,318	
Total Liabilities	\$	1,521,744	\$	1,582,554	\$	1,694,384	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY							
Preferred shares, par value \$0.01 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized;							
(0 shares issued and outstanding, respectively)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Common shares, par value \$0.01 per share, 500,000,000 shares authorized;							
(12,507,213, 12,703,474 and 13,340,217 shares issued and outstanding,		125		127		134	
Additional paid-in-capital		230,888		232,967		240,062	
Accumulated deficit		(77,191)		(62,864)		(47,493	
Total Shareholders' Equity		153,822		170,230		192,703	
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$	1,675,566	\$	1,752,784	\$	1,887,087	
Per Share Information							
Common shares, par value \$0.01 per share	\$	12.30	\$	13.40	\$	14.45	

	Three Month Period Ended				
(In thousands except share amounts)	Dece	ember 31, 2018	September 30, 2018		
Net Income (Loss)	\$	(10,074)	\$	946	
Less:					
Net realized gains (losses) on securities		(9,787)		(8,402)	
Net realized gains (losses) on financial derivatives, excluding					
periodic payments ⁽²⁾		3,102		2,777	
Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on					
securities		20,524		(2,636)	
Change in net unrealized gains and (losses)					
on financial derivatives, excluding accrued periodic					
payments ⁽³⁾		(27,936)		5,499	
Subtotal		(14,097)		(2,762)	
Core Earnings	\$	4,023	\$	3,708	
Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment		31		(398)	
Adjusted Core Earnings	\$	3,992	\$	4,106	
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding		12,619,912	-	12,693,989	
Core Earnings Per Share	\$	0.32	\$	0.29	
Adjusted Core Earnings Per Share	\$	0.32	\$	0.32	

About Ellington



Ellington Profile As of 12/31/2018 Founded: 1994	\$7.6	16	26	25%
Founded.1994Employees:>150Investment Professionals:65Global offices:3	Billion in assets under management as of 12/31/2018 ⁽¹⁾	Employee-partners own the firm ⁽²⁾	Years of average industry experience of senior portfolio managers	Ownership of EARN by Blackstone Tactical Opportunity Funds

Ellington and its Affiliated Management Companies

- Our external manager Ellington Residential Mortgage Management LLC is part of the Ellington family of SEC-registered investment advisors⁽³⁾. Ellington and its affiliates manage Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT (EARN), Ellington Financial LLC (EFC), multi-investor hedge funds, separately managed accounts, and opportunistic private funds
- Time-tested infrastructure and proprietary resources in trading, research, risk management, and operational support
- Founding partners each have advanced academic training in mathematics and engineering, including among them several Ph.D.'s and Master's degrees

Industry-Leading Research & Trading Expertise

- Sophisticated proprietary models for prepayment and credit analysis
- Approximately 25% of employees dedicated to research and infrastructure development
- Structured credit trading experience and analytical skills developed since the firm's founding 24 years ago
- Ellington's portfolio managers are among the most experienced in the MBS sector and the firm's analytics have been developed over its 24-year history

Endnotes



Slide 3 – Fourth Quarter Market Update

- (1) Source: Bloomberg
- (2) Source: Mortgage Bankers Association via Bloomberg
- (3) LIBOR-based Option Adjusted Spread measures the additional yield spread over LIBOR that an asset provides at its current market price after taking into account any interest rate options embedded in the asset.
- (4) LIBOR-based Zero-volatility spread (Z-spread) measures the additional yield spread over LIBOR that the projected cash flows of an asset provide at the current market price of the asset.

Slide 4 – Fourth Quarter Highlights

- (1) Adjusted Core Earnings and Adjusted Net Interest Margin represent Core Earnings and Net Interest Margin, respectively, in each case excluding the effect of the Catch-Up Premium Amortization Adjustment on interest income. See slide 22, endnote 1 for definition of Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment.
- (2) Core Earnings and Adjusted Core Earnings are non-GAAP financial measures. See slide 22 for a reconciliation of Core Earnings and Adjusted Core Earnings to Net Income (Loss).
- (3) As of December 31, 2018.
- (4) Estimated book value per share as of January 31, 2019 is unaudited and subject to change, and any such change could be material. There can be no assurance that our estimated book value per share as of January 31, 2019 is indicative of what our results are likely to be for the three month period ending March 31, 2019 or in future periods, and we undertake no obligation to update or revise our estimated book value per share for any period prior to issuance of financial statements for such period.
- (5) We define our net mortgage assets-to-equity ratio as the net aggregate market value of our mortgage-backed securities (including the underlying market values of our long and short TBA positions) divided by total shareholders' equity. As of December 31, 2018 the market value of our mortgage-backed securities and our net short TBA position was \$1.540 billion and \$(197.2) million, respectively, and total shareholders' equity was \$153.8 million.

Slide 5 – Relative Yield Spreads

(1) As of date varies for certain securitized products as follows:

11/30/2018 for EUR CLO 2.0 AAA; 12/19/2018 for CRT OTR M1; 12/21/2018 for CRT OTR LCF; 12/27/2018 for UK Prime, UK NC Snr, ES RMBS AAA; 12/28/2018 for US CMBS AAA, US CMBS BBB-, US CLO 2.0 AAA, US CLO 2.0 BBB

Slide 6 – Summary of Financial Results

- (1) Shareholders' Equity per share is calculated using shares outstanding at the end of the period. All other per share amounts are calculated using the weighted average shares outstanding for the quarter.
- (2) Total Other Gain (Loss) represents net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on periodic settlements of interest rate swaps.
- (3) Average equity is calculated using month end values.
- (4) Core Earnings is a non-GAAP financial measure. See slide 22 for a reconciliation of Core Earnings to Net Income (Loss).
- (5) See slide 22, endnote 1 for definition of Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment.
- (6) Adjusted Core Earnings and Adjusted Net Interest Margin represent Core Earnings and Net Interest Margin, respectively, in each case excluding the effect of the Catch-Up Premium Amortization Adjustment on interest income.
- (7) Adjusted Weighted Average Yield represents the weighted average yield on our portfolio, excluding the impact of the Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment.

Slide 7 – Portfolio Summary

- (1) Represents the dollar amount (not shown in thousands) per \$100 of current principal of the price or cost for the security.
- (2) Excludes Agency IOs.



Slide 8 – Agency Interest Rate Hedging Portfolio

(1) "10-year equivalents" for a group of positions represent the amount of 10-year U.S. Treasury securities that would be expected to experience a similar change in market value under a standard parallel move in interest rates.

Slide 9 – Dynamic Hedging Strategy

- (1) Net short TBA positions represents the current market value of the underlying Agency RMBS (on a forward delivery basis) as of December 31, 2018 and September 30, 2018. The net carrying value of the TBA positions as of December 31, 2018 and September 30, 2018 on the Consolidated Balance Sheet was \$(1.7) million and \$1.1 million, respectively.
- (2) We define our net mortgage assets-to-equity ratio as the net aggregate market value of our mortgage-backed securities (including the underlying market values of our long and short TBA positions) divided by total shareholders' equity.

Slide 10 – Weighted Average Coupon Spreads Have Been Increasing

(1) Source: Morgan Stanley Research, eMBS

Slide 11 - Spread Differential: 3-mo. LIBOR vs. Repo Funding Rate

(1) Chart compares LIBOR on each day to the average rate of EARN's repo financing outstanding on that day. Because repo financing may be entered into for an extended term at a rate fixed at the beginning of the term, the average outstanding repo rate on a given day may reflect rates set in a rate environment weeks or months before that day. The average rate on outstanding repo financing on that day.

Slide 14 – Agency Portfolio Summary

- (1) Does not include long TBA positions with a notional value of \$95.1 million and a market value of \$96.8 million as of December 31, 2018. Does not include long TBA positions with a notional value of \$128.0 million and a market value of \$129.3 million as of September 30, 2018.
- (2) Fair value shown in millions.
- (3) Represents weighted average net pass-through rate.

Slide 15 – CPR Breakout of Agency Fixed Long Portfolio

- (1) Does not include long TBA positions, reverse mortgage pools, or fixed rate IOs.
- (2) Classification methodology may change over time as market practices change.
- (3) Fair value shown in millions.
- (4) "MHA" indicates those pools where underlying borrowers have participated in the Making Homes Affordable program.

Slide 17 – Repo Borrowings

(1) As of December 31, 2018 and September 30, 2018, the Company had no outstanding borrowings other than under repurchase agreements.

Slide 18 – Interest Rate Sensitivity Analysis

(1) Based on the market environment as of December 31, 2018. Results are based on forward-looking models, which are inherently imperfect, and incorporate various simplifying assumptions. Therefore, the table above is for illustrative purposes only and actual changes in interest rates would likely cause changes in the actual value of our portfolio that would differ from those presented above, and such differences might be significant and adverse.



Slide 19 - Interest Rate Hedging as of December 31, 2018

- (1) Notional amount represents the principal balance of the underlying Agency RMBS.
- (2) Cost basis represents the forward price to be paid for the underlying Agency RMBS.
- (3) Market value represents the current market value of the underlying Agency RMBS (on a forward delivery basis) as of December 31, 2018.
- (4) Net carrying value represents the difference between the market value of the TBA contract as of December 31, 2018 and the cost basis, and is included in Financial derivatives-assets, at fair value and Financial derivatives-liabilities, at fair value on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Slide 21 – Balance Sheet

(1) Derived from audited financial statements as of December 31, 2017.

Slide 22 – Reconciliation of Core Earnings to Net Income (Loss)

- (1) Core Earnings consists of net income (loss), excluding realized and change in net unrealized gains and (losses) on securities and financial derivatives, and, if applicable, items of income or loss that are of a non-recurring nature. Core Earnings includes net realized and change in net unrealized gains (losses) associated with payments and accruals of periodic payments on interest rate swaps. Adjusted Core Earnings represents Core Earnings excluding the effect of the Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment on interest income. The Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment is a quarterly adjustment to premium amortization triggered by changes in actual and projected prepayments on our Agency RMBS (accompanied by a corresponding offsetting adjustment to realized and unrealized gains and losses). The adjustment is calculated as of the beginning of each quarter based on our then assumptions about cashflows and prepayments, and can vary significantly from quarter to quarter. Core Earnings are supplemental non-GAAP financial measures. We believe that Core Earnings and Adjusted Core Earnings provide information useful to investors because they are metrics that we use to assess our performance and to evaluate the effective net yield provided by the portfolio. Moreover, one of our objectives is to generate income from the net interest margin on the portfolio, and Core Earnings and Adjusted Core Earnings are used to help measure the extent to which this objective is being achieved. However, because Core Earnings and Adjusted Core Earnings are incomplete measures of our financial results and differ from net income (loss) computed in accordance with GAAP, they should be considered as supplementary to, and not as substitutes for, net income (loss) computed in accordance with GAAP. The table above reconciles, for the three month periods ended December 31, 2018 and September 30, 2018, our Core Earnings and Adjusted Core Earnings on a consolidated basis to the line on our Consolidated Statement of Operations entitled Net
- (2) For the three month period ended December 31, 2018, represents Net realized gains (losses) on financial derivatives of \$3.1 million less Net realized gains (losses) on periodic settlements of interest rate swaps of \$(36) thousand. For the three month period ended September 30, 2018, represents Net realized gains (losses) on financial derivatives of \$4.1 million less Net realized gains (losses) on periodic settlements of interest rate swaps of \$1.3 million.
- (3) For the three month period ended December 31, 2018, represents Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on financial derivatives of \$(27.4) million less Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on accrued periodic settlements of interest rate swaps of \$0.5 million. For the three month period ended September 30, 2018, represents Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on financial derivatives of \$4.6 million less Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on accrued periodic settlements of interest rate swaps of some financial derivatives of \$4.6 million less Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on accrued periodic settlements of interest rate swaps of \$0.5 million.

Slide 23 – About Ellington

- (1) \$7.6 billion in assets under management includes approximately \$1.1 billion in Ellington-managed CLOs. For these purposes, the Ellington-managed CLO figure represents the aggregate outstanding balance of CLO notes and market value of CLO equity, excluding any notes and equity held by other Ellington-managed funds and accounts.
- (2) Does not include partners formerly employed by Ellington who may have residual capital balances but who no longer have voting rights in the partnership.
- (3) Registration with the SEC does not imply that the firm or any of its principals or employees possess a particular level of skill or training in the investment advisory or any other business.



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