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STEWART INFORMATION SERVICES CORPORATION
1980 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 800
Houston, Texas 77056

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
TO BE HELD APRIL 28, 2017

Notice is hereby given that Stewart Information Services Corporation, a Delaware corporation, will hold its 2017 Annual Meeting on April 28, 2017, at 8:30 a.m., CDT, in the First Floor Conference Room of Three Post Oak Central, 1990 Post Oak Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77056, for the following purposes:

- (1) To elect Stewart Information Services Corporation's directors;
- (2) To approve an advisory resolution regarding the compensation of Stewart Information Services Corporation's named executive officers;
To consider and act upon an advisory resolution regarding the frequency at which Stewart Information Services Corporation should include an advisory resolution in its proxy statement regarding the compensation of its named executive officers;
- (3) To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as Stewart Information Services Corporation's independent auditors for 2017; and
- (4) To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment(s) thereof.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT
YOU VOTE:**

FOR the nine nominees for director,
FOR the approval of the advisory resolution regarding the compensation of Stewart Information Services Corporation's named executive officers,
FOR an advisory vote on the compensation of Stewart Information Services Corporation's named executive officers EVERY YEAR, and
FOR the ratification of KPMG LLP as Stewart Information Services Corporation's independent auditors for 2017.

The holders of record of Stewart Information Services Corporation's Common Stock at the close of business on March 3, 2017 will be entitled to vote at the 2017 Annual Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. Allen Berryman
Secretary

March 29, 2017

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY
OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR
THE STOCKHOLDERS MEETING TO BE HELD APRIL
28, 2017**

Our proxy statement for the 2017 Annual Meeting and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 are available at www.stewart.com/2017-annual-meeting

IMPORTANT

You are cordially invited to attend the 2017 Annual Meeting in person. Even if you plan to be present, you are urged to sign, date and mail the enclosed proxy promptly. If you attend the 2017 Annual Meeting, you can vote either in person or by your proxy.

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STEWART INFORMATION SERVICES CORPORATION
1980 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 800
Houston, Texas 77056
(713) 625-8100

**PROXY STATEMENT FOR THE ANNUAL
MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
TO BE HELD APRIL 28, 2017**

Except as otherwise specifically noted, the Company, SISCO, Stewart, we, our, us, and similar words in this statement refer to Stewart Information Services Corporation.

Stewart Information Services Corporation is furnishing this proxy statement to our stockholders in connection with the solicitation by our board of directors (the Board or the Board of Directors) of proxies for the annual meeting of stockholders we are holding Friday, April 28, 2017, at 8:30 a.m., CDT, in the First Floor Conference Room of Three Post Oak Central, 1990 Post Oak Boulevard, Houston, Texas, 77056 (the 2017 Annual Meeting), or for any adjournment(s) of that meeting. For directions to the 2017 Annual Meeting, please contact Nat Otis in Investor Relations at (713) 625-8360.

Proxies in the form enclosed, properly executed by stockholders and received in time for the 2017 Annual Meeting, will be voted as specified therein. Unless you specify otherwise, the shares represented by your proxy will be voted (i) for the Board of Directors nominees listed therein, (ii) for the approval of the advisory resolution regarding the compensation of Stewart Information Services Corporation s named executive officers, (iii) for an advisory vote on the compensation of Stewart Information Services Corporation s named executive officers every year, and (iv) for the ratification of KPMG LLP as Stewart Information Services Corporation s independent auditors for 2017. If after sending in your proxy you wish to vote in person or change your proxy instructions, you may, before your proxy is voted, deliver (i) a written notice revoking your proxy or (ii) a timely, later-dated proxy. Such notice or later-dated proxy shall be delivered either (i) in care of our Secretary, Stewart Information Services Corporation, 1980 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77056, or (ii) in person at the 2017 Annual Meeting. Please note that stockholders who hold their shares in our 401(k) plan must provide their voting instructions no later than 11:30 a.m., EDT, two days prior to the 2017 Annual Meeting. We are mailing this proxy statement on or about March 29, 2017, to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 3, 2017.

At the close of business on March 3, 2017, 23,641,111 shares of our Common Stock were outstanding and entitled to vote, and only the holders of record on such date may vote at the 2017 Annual Meeting. A quorum will exist if a majority of the holders of Common Stock issued and outstanding and entitled to vote, are present in person or represented by proxy. We will count the shares held by each stockholder who is present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting to determine the presence of a quorum at the meeting.

Each holder of our Common Stock will be entitled to cast one vote per share for or against each of the director nominees.

Unless there are director nominees other than those nominated by the Board of Directors, a director nominee will be elected as a director if the votes cast for his or her election exceed the votes cast against his or her election. In this case, any director nominee who does not receive a majority of votes cast for his or her election would be required to tender his or her resignation following the failure to receive the required vote. Pursuant to the Company's By-Laws, if the Secretary of the Company determines that the number of director nominees exceeds the number of directors to be elected as of the date seven days prior to the scheduled mailing date of the proxy statement, a plurality voting standard will apply and a director nominee receiving a plurality of votes cast will be elected as a director. For the purpose of electing directors, broker non-votes and abstentions are not treated as a vote cast affirmatively or negatively, and therefore will not affect the outcome of the election of directors. Both abstentions and broker non-votes are counted for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum.

Our stockholders will vote on the approval of the advisory resolution regarding the compensation of our named executive officers. Approval of this proposal requires the affirmative vote of the majority of the shares voted at the 2017 Annual Meeting. Brokers do not have discretionary authority to vote shares on this proposal

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without direction from the beneficial owner. Broker non-votes will not be counted. Abstentions, which will be counted as shares present for purposes of determining a quorum, will not be considered in determining the results of the voting for this proposal. Your shares will be voted as you specify on your proxy. If your properly executed proxy does not specify how you want your shares voted, the shares represented by your proxy will be voted FOR the approval of this proposal.

Our stockholders will vote with respect to the advisory resolution regarding the frequency at which we should include an advisory resolution in our proxy statement regarding the compensation of our named executive officers. The form of proxy allows stockholders to vote to recommend an advisory resolution regarding the compensation of our named executive officers every one, two or three years or abstain from voting. The frequency (every one, two or three years) that receives the highest number of votes will be deemed to be the choice of the stockholders. Abstentions, which will be counted as votes present for purposes of determining a quorum, will not be considered in determining the results of the voting for this proposal. Your shares will be voted as you specify on your proxy. If your properly executed proxy does not specify how you want your shares voted, we will vote them for an advisory resolution on the compensation of our named executive officers EVERY YEAR.

Our Common Stockholders will vote on the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent auditors for 2017. The ratification of this proposal requires the affirmative vote of the majority of the shares voted at the 2017 Annual Meeting. Under New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) rules, the approval of our independent auditors is considered a routine matter, which means that brokerage firms may vote in their discretion on this proposal if the beneficial owners do not provide the brokerage firms with voting instructions. Abstentions, which will be counted as shares present for purposes of determining a quorum, will not be considered in determining the results of the voting for this proposal. Your shares will be voted as you specify on your proxy. If your properly executed proxy does not specify how you want your shares voted, the shares represented by your proxy will be voted FOR the approval of this proposal.

Whether or not you plan to attend the 2017 Annual Meeting, and whatever the number of shares you own, please complete, sign, date and promptly return the enclosed proxy card. Please use the accompanying envelope, which requires no postage if mailed in the United States. You may also vote your shares by telephone or internet by following the instructions on the enclosed proxy card. Please note, however, that if you wish to vote in person at the 2017 Annual Meeting and your shares are held of record by a broker, bank or other nominee, you must obtain a legal proxy issued in your name from that record holder.

Revocation of Proxies

You may revoke your proxy at any time prior to its exercise at the 2017 Annual Meeting and change your vote by signing and dating a new proxy card with a later date and returning it in the postage-paid envelope provided or by voting via the internet or by telephone by following the instructions on the enclosed proxy card. You may also deliver a written notice revoking your proxy (i) in care of our Secretary, Stewart Information Services Corporation, 1980 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77056 or (ii) in person at the 2017 Annual Meeting.

Cost of Solicitation

We will bear the cost of the solicitation of our proxies. In addition to mail and e-mail, proxies may be solicited personally, via the internet or by telephone or facsimile, or by a few of our regular employees and officers without additional compensation and by certain officers or employees of Innisfree M&A Incorporated (Innisfree). We have hired Innisfree, 501 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor, New York, NY 10022 to assist us in the solicitation of proxies for a

fee of \$8,000.00 plus out-of-pocket expenses.

Questions

If you have any questions or need assistance in voting your shares, please call Innisfree, the firm assisting us in the solicitation, at 888-750-5834.

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The following table sets forth information as of March 3, 2017 with respect to persons we believe to be the beneficial owners of more than 5% of our voting shares:

Name	Title of Class	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership	Percent of Class
BlackRock, Inc. 55 East 52 nd Street New York, New York 10055	Common Stock	2,592,382 ⁽¹⁾	10.965
Dimensional Fund Advisors LP Palisades West, Building One 6300 Bee Cave Road Austin, Texas 78746	Common Stock	1,754,850 ⁽²⁾	7.423
Starboard Value LP 777 Third Avenue, 18 th Floor New York, New York 10017	Common Stock	2,315,000 ⁽³⁾	9.792
Driehaus Capital Management LLC 25 East Erie Street Chicago, IL 06011	Common Stock	2,088,918 ⁽⁴⁾	8.836

(1) BlackRock, Inc. reported sole voting power with respect to 2,540,843 of such shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 2,592,382 shares in its report on Schedule 13G/A filed December 9, 2016.

(2) Dimensional Fund Advisors LP reported sole voting power with respect to 1,680,430 of such shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 1,754,850 shares in its report on Schedule 13G/A filed February 9, 2017.

(3) Dimensional Fund Advisors LP is an investment adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisors Act of 1940 and disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities reported in such Schedule 13G.

(4) Starboard Value LP reported sole voting power with respect 2,315,000 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 2,315,000 shares in its report on Schedule 13D/A filed October 17, 2016.

(5) Driehaus Capital Management LLC reported sole voting power with respect to 2,088,918 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 2,088,918 shares in its report on Schedule 13D/A filed January 23, 2017.

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The following table sets forth information as of March 3, 2017 with respect to each class of our capital stock beneficially owned by our named executive officers, directors and nominees for director, and by all our executive officers, directors and nominees for director as a group:

Name	Title of Class	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership ⁽¹⁾	Percent of Class
Matthew W. Morris	Common Stock	309,046 ⁽²⁾	*
J. Allen Berryman	Common Stock	36,390 ⁽³⁾	*
John L. Killea	Common Stock	6,236 ⁽⁴⁾	*
David Fauth	Common Stock	7,224.7 ⁽⁵⁾	*
Arnaud Ajdler	Common Stock	5,311	*
Thomas G. Apel	Common Stock	28,513	*
C. Allen Bradley, Jr.	Common Stock	435	*
James Chadwick	Common Stock	33,598 ⁽⁶⁾	*
Frederick H. Eppinger	Common Stock	435	*
Glenn C. Christenson	Common Stock	43,311 ⁽⁷⁾	*
Robert L. Clarke	Common Stock	48,478	*
Clifford Press	Common Stock	695	*
All executive officers, directors and nominees for director as a group (12 persons)	Common Stock	519,672.7	2.198

The mailing address of each director and executive officer shown in the table above is in care of Stewart Information Services Corporation, 1980 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77056.

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Each of our directors and certain officers are required to report to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), by a specified date, his or her transactions related to our Common Stock. Based solely on a review of the copies of reports furnished to us or written representations that no other reports were required, we believe that all filing requirements applicable to our executive officers, directors and greater-than 10% beneficial owners were met during 2016.

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Less than 1%.

⁽¹⁾ Unless otherwise indicated, the beneficial owner has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to all shares indicated.

⁽²⁾ Includes 14,422 shares of restricted stock and 483 shares owned through the Company's 401(k) plan.

⁽³⁾ Includes 4,574 shares of restricted stock.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes 4,574 shares of restricted stock.

⁽⁵⁾ Includes 3,602 shares of restricted stock.

Mr. Chadwick is a portfolio manager of Ancora Catalyst Fund, LP, which owns 30,000 shares of the Company's ⁽⁶⁾Common Stock. Mr. Chadwick disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

⁽⁷⁾ Mr. Christenson indirectly owns the reported shares through the Christenson Family Trust.

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PROPOSAL NO. 1

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

At our 2017 Annual Meeting, our stockholders will elect nine directors, constituting the entire Board of Directors. The Chairman of the Board is elected by the Board following the annual meeting of stockholders.

During 2016, in connection with agreements entered into with Starboard Value LP and certain of its affiliates, and with Foundation Asset Management, LP and certain of its affiliates, certain members of our Board of Directors resigned and were replaced by new directors (the Settlement Agreements). On October 17, 2016, Malcolm S. Morris and Stewart Morris, Jr. resigned from our Board of Directors and the Board of Directors appointed Matthew W. Morris and Clifford Press as new directors of the Company. On December 28, 2016, Laurie C. Moore and Governor Frank Keating resigned from the Board of Directors and the Board of Directors appointed C. Allen Bradley, Jr. and Frederick H. Eppinger as new directors of the Company. For additional information regarding the Settlement Agreements, our new directors and the changes to the structure and composition of our Board of Directors and its committees during 2016, see our current reports on Form 8-K filed on October 18, 2016 and January 3, 2017.

Director Nominees

The following persons have been nominated by the Board of Directors for election as directors by our stockholders.

The persons named in your proxy intend to vote the proxy for the election of each of these nominees, unless you specify otherwise. Although we do not believe that any of these nominees will become unavailable, if one or more should become unavailable before the 2017 Annual Meeting, your proxy will be voted for another nominee, or other nominees, selected by our Board of Directors.

Position with Stewart	Director Since
Director and Chairman	2009
Director	2014
67, Director	2014
Director	2015
Director	2004
5, Director and Chief Executive Officer	2016
Director	2016
5, Director	2016
58, Director	2016

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

Net income
 Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:

Depreciation and amortization
 Deferred income taxes
 Provision for loan loss
 Non-cash stock compensation
 Fair value loss on interest-only strip
 Fair value loss on interest rate derivatives
 Amortization of discount on convertible senior notes
 Loss on the sale of assets
 Change in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:
 Change in trade accounts receivable
 Change in merchant settlement activity
 Change in other assets
 Change in accounts payable and accrued expenses
 Change in deferred revenue
 Change in other liabilities
 Proceeds from the sale of credit card receivable portfolios to the securitization trusts
 Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation
 Other

Net cash provided by operating activities

CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:

Change in redemption settlement assets
 Change in seller's interest
 Change in credit card receivables
 Change in cash collateral, restricted
 Change in restricted cash
 Change in due from securitizations
 Capital expenditures
 Proceeds from the sale of assets
 Other

Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities

CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:

Borrowings under debt agreements
 Proceeds from issuance of convertible senior notes due 2014
 Repayment of borrowings
 Issuances of certificates of deposit
 Repayments of certificates of deposit
 Proceeds from asset-backed securities
 Maturities of asset-backed securities
 Payment of capital lease obligations
 Payment of deferred financing costs
 Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation
 Proceeds from issuance of common stock
 Proceeds from issuance of warrants
 Payments for convertible note hedges
 Payments for prepaid forward contracts
 Purchase of treasury shares

Net cash used in financing activities

Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents

Change in cash and cash equivalents
 Cash effect on adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810
 Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period

Cash and cash equivalents at end of period

SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION:

Interest paid

Income taxes paid, net

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ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORPORATION

NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included hereunder represent the financial statements of Alliance Data Systems Corporation ("ADSC" or, including its wholly owned subsidiaries, the "Company"), without audit by an independent accounting firm, in accordance with the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Certain disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") have been omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. However, the Company believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, filed with the SEC on March 12, 2010.

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included hereunder (consisting of normal, recurring adjustments) which are, in the opinion of the Company, state fairly the results for the interim periods presented. The results of operations for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of the operating results for the subsequent interim period or for the fiscal year.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect (1) the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements; and (2) the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may differ from these estimates. For purposes of comparability, certain prior period amounts have been restated to conform to the current year presentation. See Note 2, "Change in Accounting Principle," for information on the adoption of Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 860, "Transfers and Servicing," and ASC 810, "Consolidation."

In the first quarter of 2010, the Company reorganized its segments with the Private Label Credit reflected as one segment. All prior year segment information has been restated to conform to the current presentation. In addition, the Company renamed its segments from Epsilon Marketing Services and Loyalty Services to Epsilon and Loyalty, respectively.

In February 2009, the Company sold the remainder of its utility services division as a discontinued operation. In November 2009, the Company terminated its program for web and catalog retailer VENUE. Prior period information has been restated to reflect the termination of VENUE as a discontinued operation.

2. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

In June 2009, the FASB issued guidance codified in ASC 860 related to the recognition and measurement of financial assets and ASC 810 related to the consolidation of variable interest entities. The guidance removed the concept of qualifying special purpose entity ("QSPE") and the QSPE exemption that was then available for QSPEs. ASC 810 requires an initial and ongoing assessment of the Company's involvement in the activities of the Credit Card Master Trust ("Master Trust"), World Financial Network Credit Card Master Trust I ("Master Trust I"), World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust I ("Master Trust I Note Trust"), World Financial Network Credit Card Master Trust III ("Master Trust III"), and World Financial Capital Credit Card Master Note Trust I ("Master Trust I Note Trust"). The Company's rights or obligations to receive benefits or absorb losses from these trusts are discussed in Note 3.

provide the Level 3 disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements in interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2010. The adoption of separate Level 3 disclosures will only impact disclosures and will not have an effect on Company's consolidated financial statements.

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In July 2010, the FASB issued ASU 2010-20, Disclosures about the Credit Quality of Receivables and the Allowance for Credit Losses, which amends ASC 310-32 to require further disaggregated disclosures that improve financial statement users' understanding of an entity's credit risk associated with its financing receivables and the impact of that risk in estimating its allowance for credit losses as well as changes in the allowance for those changes. The new and amended disclosures are effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending on or after December 15, 2010. The adoption of ASU 2010-20 will only impact disclosures and will not have any effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

4. SHARES USED IN COMPUTING NET INCOME PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net income per share for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 2009	
	(In thousands, except per share amounts)	
Numerator		
Income from continuing operations	\$ 47,320	\$ 28,300
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes		1,000
Net income	\$ 47,320	\$ 29,400
Denominator		
Weighted average shares, basic	53,188	56,900
Weighted average effect of dilutive securities:		
Shares from assumed conversion of convertible senior notes	2,295	
Net effect of dilutive stock options and unvested restricted stock	1,338	800
Denominator for diluted calculation	56,821	57,800
Basic		
Income from continuing operations per share	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.50
Income (loss) from discontinued operations per share		0.17
Net income per share	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.67
Diluted		
Income from continuing operations per share	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.50
Income (loss) from discontinued operations per share		0.17

Net income per share \$ 0.83 \$ 0

The Company calculates the effect of its convertible senior notes, which are convertible into 17.5 million shares of common stock, on diluted net income per share as if they were exercised. The Company has the intent to settle the convertible senior notes in cash. At the end of the period, the Company excluded, in each case, 17.5 million warrants from the calculation of diluted net income per share as the effect was anti-dilutive.

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During the second quarter of 2009, the Company entered into prepaid forward contracts to purchase 1,857,400 shares of its common stock for \$74.9 million that are to be delivered over the period in 2014. The number of shares to be delivered under the prepaid forward contracts will be reduced to reduce weighted average basic and diluted shares outstanding.

5. CREDIT CARD RECEIVABLES

Beginning January 1, 2010, the Company's credit card securitization trusts, WFC Trust, were consolidated on the balance sheets of WFNNB, WFCB, and ADSC, under ASC 860 and ASC 810. The WFN Trusts and the WFC Trusts are reported in credit card receivables restricted for securitization investors. The WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust have been reclassified, derecognized or consolidated on the condensed consolidated balance sheets with the adoption of ASC 810.

The tables below present quantitative information about the composition of credit card receivables and delinquencies:

Principal receivables
Billed and accrued finance charges
Other receivables
Total credit card receivables
Less credit card receivables restricted for securitization investors
Other credit card receivables
Principal amount of credit card receivables 90 days or more past due

Net charge-offs of credit card receivables were \$112.4 million and \$103.1 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, and \$234.7 million and \$200.1 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Allowance for Loan Loss

Management evaluates the allowance for loan loss monthly for adequacy and is maintained through an adjustment to the provision for loan loss. In estimating the allowance for credit card portfolio, management uses an approach that utilizes a migration analysis of current credit card receivables. A migration analysis is a technique used to estimate that a credit card receivable will progress through the various stages of delinquency. The migration analysis considers uncollectible principal, interest and fees on credit card receivables. In determining the proper level of the allowance for loan loss, management considers factors that may impact loan loss experience, including seasonal fluctuations in amounts, payment rates and forecasting uncertainty.

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Changes in the allowance for loan loss on credit card receivables for the
2010 and the year ended December 31, 2009 were as follows:

Balance at beginning of period	\$
Adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810	
Provision for loan loss	
Charge-offs, net of recoveries	(
Balance at end of period	\$

The provision for loan loss expense was \$95.7 million and \$184.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, respectively, which includes \$1.0 million and \$1.0 million of fraud losses, respectively. The provision for loan loss expense was \$10.9 million and \$10.9 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2009, respectively, for the credit card receivables. These amounts were netted against securitization

Securitized Credit Card Receivables

The Company regularly securitizes its credit card receivables to the WFN Trusts. The Company continues to own and service the accounts that generate credit card receivables to the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust. In its capacity as a servicer, each of the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust pays a fee from the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust to service and administer the credit card receivables, and charge-off uncollectible receivables. Upon consolidation of the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust, this fee was eliminated.

The tables below present quantitative information about the components of credit card receivables, delinquencies and net charge-offs.

Total credit card receivables restricted for securitization investors

Principal amount of credit card receivables restricted for securitization investors,
90 days or more past due

**Three Months Ended
June 30,**

	2010	2009
Net securitized charge-offs	\$ 97.9	\$ 93.0

During the initial phase of a securitization reinvestment period, the Company receives principal collections in exchange for the transfer of additional credit to the securitized pool of assets. During the amortization or accumulation period, investors receive their share of principal collections (in certain cases, up to a maximum of 12 months) is either distributed to the investors or held in an account until the amount due, at which time it is paid to the investors in a lump sum.

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The table below summarizes certain cash flows received from and paid when transfers of credit card receivables to the securitization trusts were adopted upon the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810:

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2010
Proceeds from collections reinvested in previous credit card securitizations	\$ 1,197,000
Proceeds from new securitizations	700,000
Proceeds from collections reinvested in revolving period transfers	1,560,000
Servicing fees received	1,000

6. REDEMPTION SETTLEMENT ASSETS

Redemption settlement assets consist of cash and cash equivalents and securities and are designated for settling redemptions by collectors of the AIR MILES Canada under certain contractual relationships with sponsors of the AIR MILES. These assets are primarily denominated in Canadian dollars. Realized gains and losses of investment securities were not material. The principal components of redemption settlement assets, which are carried at fair value, are as follows:

	June 30, 2010			Fair Value	Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses
	Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 45,016	\$	\$	\$ 45,016	\$ 71,641	\$	\$
Government bonds	50,758	1,059	(35)	51,782	41,026	\$	\$
Corporate bonds ⁽¹⁾	374,992	5,344	(505)	379,831	453,447	\$	\$
Total	\$ 470,766	\$ 6,403	\$ (540)	\$ 476,629	\$ 566,114	\$	\$

⁽¹⁾ Included in corporate bonds at December 31, 2009 is an investment in WFN Trusts with a fair value of \$73.9 million. Upon adoption of ASC 810, this investment was eliminated with the consolidation of the WFN Trusts, and therefore not included in the condensed consolidated balance sheets as of June 30, 2010.

The following tables show the gross unrealized losses and fair value for investments in an unrealized loss position as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, by category and the length of time that individual securities have been in a

	Less than 12 months Unrealized		June 30, 20 12 Months Greater Unreal	
	Fair Value	Losses	Fair Value	Losses
	(In thousand)			
Government bonds	\$ 9,377	\$ (35)	\$	\$
Corporate bonds	65,508	(505)		
Total	\$ 74,885	\$ (540)	\$	\$

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	Less than 12 months		December 31, 2009 12 Months or Greater	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
	(In thousands)			
Corporate bonds	\$ 98,448	\$ (1,646)	\$ 7,705	\$ (14,300)
Total	\$ 98,448	\$ (1,646)	\$ 7,705	\$ (14,300)

Market values were determined for each individual security in the investment portfolio. In evaluating the investments for other-than-temporary impairment, the Company considers, among other things, as the length of time and extent to which fair value has been below cost basis, the financial condition of the security's issuer, and the Company's intent to sell the security and whether it is more likely than not that the Company will be required to sell the security before recovery of its cost basis. The Company typically invests in highly-rated securities with low probability of nonpayment and the ability to hold the investments until maturity. As of June 30, 2010, the Company does not have any investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired.

The net carrying value and estimated fair value of the securities at June 30, 2010, by maturity are as follows:

Due in one year or less	\$ 14,300
Due after one year through five years	\$ 14,300
Total	\$ 28,600

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Intangible assets consist of the following:

	Gross Assets	June 30, 2010 Accumulated Amortization (In thousands)	Net	Amo
<i>Finite Lived Assets</i>				
Customer contracts and lists	\$ 186,428	\$ (134,092)	\$ 52,336	5-10 ye
Premium on purchased credit card portfolios	151,430	(53,170)	98,260	3-10 ye
Collector database	65,752	(56,474)	9,278	30 year
Customer database	160,200	(65,509)	94,691	4-10 ye
Noncompete agreements	2,514	(2,191)	323	3-5 year
Tradenames	11,615	(4,309)	7,306	4-10 ye
Purchased data lists	18,816	(10,236)	8,580	1-5 year
	\$ 596,755	\$ (325,981)	\$ 270,774	
<i>Indefinite Lived Assets</i>				
Tradenames	12,350		12,350	Indefin
Total intangible assets	\$ 609,105	\$ (325,981)	\$ 283,124	

	Gross Assets	December 31, 2009 Accumulated Amortization (In thousands)	Net	Amo
<i>Finite Lived Assets</i>				
Customer contracts and lists	\$ 186,428	\$ (121,540)	\$ 64,888	5-10 ye
Premium on purchased credit card portfolios	155,227	(46,936)	108,291	3-10 ye
Collector database	66,541	(56,316)	10,225	30 year
Customer database	160,564	(57,043)	103,521	4-10 ye
Noncompete agreements	2,522	(1,986)	536	3-5 year
Tradenames	11,658	(3,674)	7,984	4-10 ye
Purchased data lists	17,178	(8,376)	8,802	1-5 year

	\$ 600,118	\$ (295,871)	\$ 304,247
<i>Indefinite Lived Assets</i>			
Tradenames	12,350		12,350
Total intangible assets	\$ 612,468	\$ (295,871)	\$ 316,597

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The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the six months ended June 30, 2010 are as follows:

	LoyaltyOne	Epsilon	Private Label Services and Credit (In thousands)
December 31, 2009	\$ 234,613	\$ 669,930	\$ 261,730
Effects of foreign currency translation	(2,642)	(1,680)	
June 30, 2010	\$ 231,971	\$ 668,250	\$ 261,730

8. DEBT

Debt consists of the following:

Description	June 30, 2010 (In thousands)	December 31, 2009 (In thousands)	Maturity
<i>Long-term and other debt:</i>			
Credit facility	\$ 500,000	\$ 487,000	March 2012
Senior notes	250,000	250,000	May 2011
2009 Term loan	161,000	161,000	March 2012
Convertible senior notes due 2013	635,144	612,058	August 2013
Convertible senior notes due 2014	247,945	238,869	May 2014
Capital lease obligations and other debt	19,572	33,425	July 2010 July 2011
	1,813,661	1,782,352	
Less: current portion	(269,403)	(51,963)	
Long-term portion	\$ 1,544,258	\$ 1,730,389	
<i>Certificates of deposit:</i>			
	\$ 1,098,900	\$ 1,465,000	One year to five years

Certificates of deposit				
Less: current portion	(426,300)		(772,500)	
Long-term portion	\$ 672,600		\$ 692,500	
<i>Asset-backed securities debt owed to securitization investors:⁽⁴⁾</i>				
Fixed rate asset-backed term note securities	\$ 1,489,065	\$	July 2010	July 2010
Floating rate asset-backed term note securities	1,216,633		August 2010	April 2011
Conduit asset-backed securities	647,060		June 2011	September 2011
Total asset-backed securities owed to securitization investors	3,352,758			
Less: current portion	(253,593)			
Long-term portion	\$ 3,099,165	\$		

(1) The Company maintains a \$750.0 million unsecured revolving credit facility where advances are in the form of either base rate loans or Eurodollar loans denominated in Canadian dollars, subject to a sublimit, or U.S. dollars. The interest rate on the loans is the higher of (a) the Bank of Montreal's prime rate, (b) the Fed Funds rate and (c) the quoted London Interbank Offered

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Rate (LIBOR) as defined in the credit agreement plus 1.0%. The interest rate, when denominated in U.S. or Canadian dollars fluctuates based on the rate applicable to U.S. dollars or Canadian dollars, respectively, in the London interbank market plus a margin of 0.4% to 0.8% based upon the Company's senior leverage ratio as defined in the Credit Facility. Total availability under the Credit Facility at June 30, 2010 was \$100 million. At June 30, 2010, the amounts outstanding under the Credit Facility were \$100 million, where the weighted average interest rate was 0.75%.

- (2) Advances under the term loan agreement, dated May 15, 2009 (the "2009 Term Loan") in the form of either base rate loans or Eurodollar loans. The interest rate for base rate loans is equal to the highest of (a) Bank of Montreal's prime rate; (b) the quoted LIBOR as defined in the 2009 Term Loan agreement plus a margin of 0.5%; and (c) the quoted LIBOR as defined in the 2009 Term Loan agreement plus a margin of 2.0% to 3.0% based upon the Company's senior leverage ratio as defined in the 2009 Term Loan agreement. The interest rate of Eurodollar loans is equal to the LIBOR at which deposits of U.S. dollars in the London interbank market are made plus a margin of 3.0% to 4.0% based on the Company's senior leverage ratio as defined in the 2009 Term Loan agreement. At June 30, 2010, the amounts outstanding under the 2009 Term Loan were \$100 million, where the weighted average interest rate was 3.35%.
- (3) The Company has other minor borrowings, primarily capital leases, with various terms and maturities.
- (4) Upon adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810, the Company consolidated the debt of WFC Trust and the related asset-backed securities debt. See Note 2, "Adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810," for more information on the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810.
- (5) Interest rates include those for certain of the Company's asset-backed securities sold to securitization investors where floating rate debt is fixed through interest rate swaps. The weighted average interest rate of the fixed rate achieved through interest rate swaps agreements is 4.45% at June 30, 2010.

As of June 30, 2010, the Company was in compliance with its financial covenants.

Credit Facility

On June 18, 2010, the Company amended its Credit Facility to clarify the calculation of covenant compliance under ASC 810 with respect to the calculation of covenant compliance.

2009 Term Loan

On June 18, 2010, the Company amended its 2009 Term Loan to clarify the calculation of covenant compliance under ASC 810 with respect to the calculation of covenant compliance. In addition, the Company removed the prepayments that were required beginning June 30, 2010 and the Company will make prepayments be paid at maturity, March 30, 2012.

Convertible Senior Notes

The table below summarizes the carrying value of the components of the

Carrying amount of equity component	\$
Principal amount of liability component	\$ 1
Unamortized discount	
Net carrying value of liability component	\$
If-converted value of common stock	\$ 1

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The discount on the liability component will be amortized as interest expense of the convertible senior notes which is a weighted average per

Interest expense on the convertible senior notes recognized in the Company's consolidated statements of income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2010		2009
	(In thousands)		
Interest expense calculated on contractual interest rate	\$ 7,618	\$ 4,796	\$
Amortization of discount on liability component	16,301	11,870	
Total interest expense on convertible senior notes	\$ 23,919	\$ 16,666	\$
Effective interest rate (annualized)	11.0%	11.0%	
	<i>Asset-backed Securities</i>		<i>Owed to Securitization In</i>

An asset-backed security is a security whose value and income payments are collateralized (or "backed") by a specified pool of underlying assets. The transfer of assets to general investors is accomplished through a securitization

The Company regularly sells its credit card receivables to its securitization trusts, the WFC Trust. Beginning January 1, 2010, the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust are reflected on the balance sheets of the Company, under ASC 860 and ASC 810. See Note 10 for more information on the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810.

Principle, for more information on the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810, see Note 10. consolidated VIEs include asset-backed securities for which creditors or beneficiaries do not have recourse to the general credit of the Company.

Asset-backed Term Notes

In March 2010, Master Trust II issued \$100.8 million of term asset-backed securities. The offering consisted of \$65.0 million of Class A Series 2010-1 asset-backed securities with a fixed interest rate of 4.2% per year, \$9.8 million of Class M Series 2010-1 asset-backed securities with a fixed interest rate of 5.3% per year, \$6.6 million of Class B Series 2010-1 asset-backed securities with a fixed interest rate of 6.3% per year, \$11.6 million of Class C Series 2010-1 asset-backed securities with a fixed interest rate of 7.0% per year and \$7.8 million of Class D Series 2010-1 asset-backed securities which were retained by the Company. The Class A notes will mature in December 2012, the Class M notes will mature in December 2012, the Class B notes will mature in February 2013 and the Class C notes will mature in February 2013 and the Class D notes will mature in February 2013. In the consolidation of the WFN Trusts, the Class D Series 2010-1 notes are not subject to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company.

Conduit Facilities

During the first quarter of 2010, the Company renewed its \$550.0 million under Master Trust III, extending the maturity to September

During the second quarter of 2010, the Company renewed its \$1.2 billion under Master Trust I, extending the maturity to June 23, 2011, and its \$ conduit facility under the WFC Trust, extending the maturity

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The following table shows the maturities of borrowing commitments as of June 30, 2010, for the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust by year:

	2010	2011	2012
	(In millions)		
Term notes	\$ 211.4	\$ 1,158.9	\$ 805.2
Conduit facilities ⁽¹⁾		2,447.8	
Total⁽²⁾	\$ 211.4	\$ 3,606.7	\$ 805.2

⁽¹⁾ Amount represents borrowing capacity, not outstanding borrowings.

⁽²⁾ As of June 30, 2010, with the consolidation of the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust, \$1.2 billion of debt issued by the trusts and retained by the Company has been included in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

Derivative Financial Instruments

The credit card securitization trusts have entered into derivative financial instruments, including both interest rate swaps and an interest rate cap, to mitigate their interest rate risk on a portion of their financial instrument or to lock the interest rate on a portion of its asset-backed securities. As of January 1, 2010, the derivative financial instruments of the credit card securitization trusts were consolidated on the Company's balance sheets under ASC 815.

As part of its interest rate risk management program, the Company may enter into derivative financial instruments with institutions that are established dealers and manage its interest rate risk on a portion of its value of certain asset-backed security obligations attributable to changes in interest rates. Interest rate contracts involve the receipt of fixed rate amounts from counterparties and the payment of variable rate amounts from the Company making variable rate payments over the life of the agreement with the counterparty on the underlying notional amount. These interest rate contracts are not designated as hedging instruments. They are not speculative and are used to manage interest rate risk, but do not qualify for hedge accounting requirements of ASC 815, Derivatives and Hedging.

The following tables identify the notional amount, fair value and classification of the Company's outstanding interest rate contracts at June 30, 2010 in the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets:

	Notional (in thousands)
Interest rate contracts not designated as hedging instruments	\$ 1,200,000

Interest rate contracts not designated as hedging instruments	Balance Sheet Other current liabilities
Interest rate contracts not designated as hedging instruments	Other liabilities

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The following tables identify the classification of the Company's outstanding derivatives on the balance sheet for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 in the unaudited condensed consolidated income:

For the three months ended June 30, 2010	Income Statement
Interest rate contracts not designated as hedging instruments	Securitization

For the six months ended June 30, 2010	Income Statement
Interest rate contracts not designated as hedging instruments	Securitization

The Company limits its exposure on derivatives by entering into contracts with established dealers and maintain certain minimum credit criteria established in the master agreements. As of June 30, 2010, the Company does not maintain any derivative contracts subject to master agreements that would require the Company to post collateral or that contain any credit enhancement features. The Company has provisions in certain of the master agreements that require the Company to post collateral to the Company when their credit ratings fall below certain thresholds. As of June 30, 2010, these thresholds were not breached and no amounts were held as collateral.

9. DEFERRED REVENUE

Because management has determined that the earnings process is not complete until an AIR MILES reward mile is issued, the recognition of revenue on all fees received is deferred until the time an AIR MILES reward mile is issued.

The Company allocates the proceeds from the issuance of AIR MILES reward miles into two components as follows:

Redemption element. The redemption element is the larger of the two elements. Revenue related to the redemption element is based on the estimated fair value of the AIR MILES reward mile. Revenue is recognized at the time an AIR MILES reward mile is redeemed. The redemption element is based on the estimated fair value of the AIR MILES reward miles that are estimated to go unredeemed by the end of the estimated life of the AIR MILES reward mile, less an estimated breakage, over the estimated life of an AIR MILES reward mile.

Service element. The service element consists of marketing and advertising services provided to sponsors. Revenue related to the service element is recognized at the time the service is provided. Revenue related to the service element is recognized using the accrual method in accordance with ASC 605-25. It is initially deferred and recognized over the estimated life of an AIR MILES reward mile.

Under certain of the Company's contracts, a portion of the proceeds is paid at the time of issuance of an AIR MILES reward mile and a portion is paid at the time of redemption. The Company does not have a redemption obligation related to these contracts at the time of redemption and is not reflected in the reconciliation of the Company's financial statements detailed below. Under such contracts, the proceeds received at issuance are recorded as service revenue and revenue is recognized pro rata over the estimated life of the reward mile. Amounts for revenue related to the redemption element and service revenue are recorded as redemption revenue and transaction revenue, respectively, in the unaudited statements of income.

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A reconciliation of deferred revenue for the AIR MILES Reward P

	Service	Def
December 31, 2009	\$ 306,336	\$ (1)
Cash proceeds	88,940	
Revenue recognized	(83,680)	
Other		
Effects of foreign currency translation	(3,773)	
June 30, 2010	\$ 307,823	\$
Amounts recognized in the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets:		
Current liabilities	\$ 147,574	\$
Non-current liabilities	\$ 160,249	\$

10. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY***Stock Repurchase Programs***

On January 27, 2010, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a new program to acquire up to \$275.1 million of the Company's common stock through open market purchases, subject to any restrictions pursuant to the terms of the Company's credit agreements.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company acquired 1,113,000 and 456,500 shares, respectively, of its common stock for \$11.3 million and \$4.6 million, respectively.

Stock Compensation Plans

On March 31, 2005, the Company's Board of Directors adopted the 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan, which was subsequently approved by the Company's stockholders on an advisory basis effective July 1, 2005. This plan reserved 4,750,000 shares of common stock for grants of stock options, nonqualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock units and other performance-based awards to selected officers, employees and consultants performing services for the Company or its affiliates. On March 31, 2005, the Company's Board of Directors amended the 2005 long-term incentive plan to allow for settlement in shares of the Company's common stock or other securities, or cash, or a combination thereof. No more grants may be made from the 2005 long-term incentive plan on June 30, 2010.

On March 25, 2010, the Company's Board of Directors adopted the 2010 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "2010 plan"), which was subsequently approved by the Company's stockholders on an advisory basis.

became effective July 1, 2010 and expires on June 30, 2015. This plan re
common stock for grants of nonqualified stock options, incentive stock o
rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance share award
deferred stock units, and other stock-based and cash-based awards to sel
non-employee directors and consultants performing services for the Con
only employees being eligible to receive incentive stock

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Total stock-based compensation expense recognized in the Company's consolidated statements of income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, is as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2010	2009
Cost of operations	\$ 6,308	\$ 1,000
General and administrative	6,107	4,000
Total	\$ 12,415	\$ 5,000

There was no stock-based compensation expense related to discontinued operations for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the three months ended June 30, 2009. For the six months ended June 30, 2009, stock-based compensation expense for the Company was approximately \$0.1 million. This amount is included in the loss from operations in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of income.

During the six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company awarded 476,000 restricted stock units with a weighted average grant date fair value per share of \$56.43 on the date of grant. The performance restriction on the awards will lapse if the Board of Directors or the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors determines that earnings per share growth for the period from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 meets pre-defined vesting criteria that permit a range from 50% to 150% of the award to vest. Upon such determination, the restrictions will lapse on the date of the award on February 22, 2011, an additional 33% of the award on February 22, 2012, and the final 34% of the award on February 22, 2013, provided that the participant meets the service condition on each such vesting date.

During the six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company awarded 188,600 restricted stock units with a weighted average grant date fair value per share of \$56.43 on the date of grant. Service-based restricted stock units typically vest ratably over the six-month period if the participant meets the service condition on each such vesting date.

In March 2009, the Company determined that it was no longer probable that the performance measures associated with certain performance-based restricted stock units would be achieved. As a result, 1,242,098 performance-based restricted stock units were forfeited in January 2009, having a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$56.43. The Company has not recognized stock-based compensation expense for these units as they are no longer expected to vest.

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The components of comprehensive income, net of tax effect,

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
	(In thousands)	
Net income	\$ 47,320	\$ 29,436
Adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810 ⁽¹⁾		
Unrealized gain (loss) on securities available-for-sale	3,953	(31,186)
Foreign currency translation adjustments ⁽²⁾	5,757	12,521
Total comprehensive income, net of tax	\$ 57,030	\$ 10,771

- (1) These amounts related to unrealized losses associated with retained interests in the WFC Trust, which were classified as available-for-sale. These losses were reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income. Effective January 1, 2010, upon adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810, these interests and related accumulated other comprehensive income have been reclassified, derecognized or eliminated upon consolidation with the WFC Trust.

- (2) Primarily related to the impact of changes in the Canadian currency exchange rate.

12. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

In accordance with ASC 825, Financial Instruments, the Company is required to measure the fair value of financial instruments for which it is practical to estimate fair value. Observable market prices are used if available. In some instances, observable market prices are not readily available and fair value is determined using present value or other valuation techniques for the particular financial instrument. These techniques involve judgment and assumptions. The fair value is indicative of the amounts the Company would realize in a current market transaction. Different assumptions or estimation techniques may have a material effect on the fair value amounts.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments The estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments are as follows:

	June 30, 2010	
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Financial assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 250,335	\$ 250,335

Trade receivables, net	209,609	209,609
Seller's interest		
Credit card receivables, net	4,516,623	4,516,623
Redemption settlement assets, restricted	476,629	476,629
Due from securitizations		
Cash collateral, restricted	313,018	313,018
Financial liabilities		
Accounts payable	125,534	125,534
Asset-backed securities debt owed to securitization investors	3,352,758	3,387,008
Debt, including certificates of deposit	2,912,561	3,018,304
Derivative financial instruments	83,939	83,939

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Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities Held at June 30

The following techniques and assumptions were used by the Company in valuing financial instruments as disclosed herein:

Cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, net and accounts payable Fair value approximates fair value due to the short maturity of these instruments.

Credit card receivables, net The carrying amount of credit card receivables approximates fair value due to the short maturity, and the average interest rates approximate current market rates.

Redemption settlement assets, restricted Fair value for securities is based on the fair value of the same or similar securities.

Cash collateral, restricted The spread deposits are recorded at their fair value based on cash flow models. The carrying amount of excess funding deposits approximates fair value due to the relatively short maturity period and average interest rates, which approximate current market rates.

Asset-backed securities debt owed to securitization investors The fair value is based on current rates available to the Company for similar debt instruments with similar terms.

Debt, including certificates of deposit The fair value is estimated based on the carrying amount to the Company for similar debt instruments with similar remaining terms.

Derivative financial instruments The valuation of these instruments is determined using a cash flow analysis on the expected cash flows of each derivative. This analysis takes into account the terms of the derivatives, including the period to maturity, and uses observable market data, including interest rate curves and option volatility.

Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities Held at December 31

The following techniques and assumptions were used by the Company in valuing financial instruments which were subsequently reclassified, derecognized, or consolidated of the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust as a result of the adoption of ASC 810 as disclosed herein:

Seller's interest Seller's interest was carried at an allocated carrying amount. The Company determined the fair value of its seller's interest through a discounted cash flow analysis. The estimated cash flows used included assumptions related to rates of payment that reflected economic and other relevant conditions. The discount rate used was based on a curve that was observable in the market place plus an unobservable spread. The consolidation of the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust on January 1, 2010, resulted in the elimination of seller's interest.

Due from securitizations The retained interest and interest-only strips were valued based on the present value of the expected cash flows. The Company used a valuation model that calculated the present value of the expected cash flows.

for each asset which incorporated the Company's own estimates of assumptions used in determining fair value, including estimates of payment rates, credit discount rates and contractual interest and fees. With the consolidation of WFC Trust on January 1, 2010, due from securitizations has been derecognized.

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ASC 825 establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value. These tiers include:

Level 1, defined as observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2, defined as inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that are directly or indirectly observable; and

Level 3, defined as unobservable inputs in which little or no market data is available, requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions.

Financial instruments are considered Level 3 when their values are determined using discounted cash flow methodologies or similar techniques and at least one significant assumption or input is unobservable. Level 3 financial instruments also include other financial instruments whose fair value determination requires significant management judgment. Different techniques to determine fair value of these financial instruments are used, and the resulting estimates of fair value at the reporting date.

The following tables provide the assets carried at fair value measured on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009:

	Balance at June 30, 2010	Fair Value Measurement Level 1	
	(In thousands)		
Government bonds ⁽¹⁾	\$ 51,782	\$ 17,258	\$
Corporate bonds ⁽¹⁾	379,831	222,750	\$
Other available-for-sale securities ⁽²⁾	86,150	76,568	\$
Cash collateral, restricted	313,018		\$
Total assets measured at fair value	\$ 830,781	\$ 316,576	\$
Derivative financial instruments ⁽³⁾	\$ 83,939	\$	\$
Total liabilities measured at fair value	\$ 83,939	\$	\$

	Balance at December 31, 2009	Fair Value Measurement Level 1	
	(In thousands)		
Government bonds ⁽¹⁾	\$ 42,231	\$ 16,676	\$

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Corporate bonds ⁽¹⁾	460,132	308,668	
Other available-for-sale securities ⁽²⁾	105,064	95,300	
Seller's interest	297,108		
Due from securitizations	775,570		
Cash collateral, restricted	216,953		
Total assets measured at fair value	\$ 1,897,058	\$ 420,644	\$

- (1) Amounts are included in redemption settlement assets in the unaudited balance sheets.
- (2) Amounts are included in other current and non-current assets in the unaudited consolidated balance sheets.
- (3) Amounts are included in other current liabilities and other liabilities in the unaudited consolidated balance sheets.

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The following tables summarize the changes in fair value of the Company's financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) as of June 30, 2010 and 2009:

	Corporate Bonds	Seller's Interest	Structured Savings
	(In thousands)		
March 31, 2010	\$	\$	\$
Total losses (realized or unrealized)			
Included in earnings			
Included in other comprehensive income			
Purchases, sales, issuances and settlements			
Transfers in or out of Level 3			
June 30, 2010	\$	\$	\$
Losses for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains or losses related to assets still held at June 30, 2010	\$	\$	\$
	(In thousands)		
December 31, 2009	\$ 73,866	\$ 297,108	\$
Adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810	(73,866)	(297,108)	\$
Total losses (realized or unrealized)			
Included in earnings			
Included in other comprehensive income			
Purchases, sales, issuances and settlements			
Transfers in or out of Level 3			
June 30, 2010	\$	\$	\$
Losses for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains or losses related to assets still held at June 30, 2010	\$	\$	\$

Corporate Bonds Seller's Interest

	(In thousands)	
March 31, 2009	\$ 93,748	\$ 41,166
Total (losses) gains (realized or unrealized)		
Included in earnings		8,952
Included in other comprehensive income	(10,189)	
Purchases, sales, issuances and settlements		133,555
Transfers in or out of Level 3		
June 30, 2009	\$ 83,559	\$ 183,673
Losses for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains or losses related to assets still held at June 30, 2009	\$	\$

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	Corporate Bonds	Seller s Interest (In thousands)
December 31, 2008	\$ 28,625	\$ 182,428
Total (losses) gains (realized or unrealized)		
Included in earnings		8,543
Included in other comprehensive income	(9,623)	
Purchases, sales, issuances and settlements	64,557	(7,298)
Transfers in or out of Level 3		
June 30, 2009	\$ 83,559	\$ 183,673
Losses for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains or losses related to assets still held at June 30, 2009	\$	\$

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, gains and losses attributable to cash collateral, restricted were included in revenue under the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of income. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2009, gains and losses included in earnings for seller s interest and due to the Company included in securitization income in the unaudited condensed consolidated

Assets and Liabilities Measured on a Non-Recurring Basis

The Company also has assets that under certain conditions are subject to measurement on a non-recurring basis. These assets include those associated with acquisition of goodwill and other intangible assets. For these assets, measurement at fair value to their initial recognition is applicable if one or more is determined to be impaired. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company had no impairment

13. INCOME TAXES

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company utilized an effective tax rate of 38.2% to calculate its provision for income taxes. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2009, the Company s effective tax rate was 38.9% and 38.8%, respectively. In accordance with ASC 740-270, Income taxes - Interim Reporting, the Company s expected effective tax rate for the calendar year 2010 based on all known variables is 38.2%.

On January 1, 2010, the Company s deferred tax asset increased by approximately \$10 million as a result of the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810.

14. SEGMENT INFORMATION

In the first quarter of 2010, the Company reorganized its segments with Private Label Credit reflected as one segment. All prior year segment information was reclassified to conform to the current presentation. In addition, the Company renamed its segments from Epsilon Marketing Services and Loyalty Services to Epsilon and

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The Company operates in three reportable segments: LoyaltyOne, Epsilon and Credit.

LoyaltyOne includes the Company's Canadian AIR MILES Rewards program.

Epsilon provides integrated direct marketing solutions that combine technology and analytics with a broad range of direct marketing services.

Private Label Services and Credit provides risk management solutions, including funding, transaction processing, customer care and collections services for private label retail credit card programs.

Additionally, corporate and all other immaterial businesses are reported in a category labeled Corporate/Other. Total interest expense, net and income taxes are also included in Corporate/Other. Total assets are not allocated to the utility services business and a terminated credit program have been classified as discontinued operations. See Note 15, Discontinued Operations, for additional information.

Three Months Ended June 30, 2010	LoyaltyOne	Epsilon	Private Label Services and Credit		Corporate/Other
			Credit	Other	
(In thousands)					
Revenues	\$ 191,531	\$ 137,024	\$ 343,260	\$	\$
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	58,666	31,277	133,229	(14)	1
Depreciation and amortization	6,147	18,076	8,532	6	1
Stock compensation expense	2,365	2,166	1,777	6	1
Operating income (loss)	50,154	11,035	122,920	(22)	6
Interest expense, net					83
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	50,154	11,035	122,920	(105)	1

Three Months Ended June 30, 2009	LoyaltyOne	Epsilon	Private Label Services and Credit		Corporate/Other
			Credit	Other	
(In thousands)					
Revenues	\$ 167,346	\$ 123,003	\$ 156,821	\$	\$ 10
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	38,334	30,383	60,999	(7)	2
Depreciation and amortization	4,957	17,825	5,880	2	1
Stock compensation expense	2,257	1,901	1,614	4	1
Merger and other costs ⁽²⁾					14
Operating income (loss)	31,120	10,657	53,505	(14)	1

Interest expense, net				34
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	31,120	10,657	53,505	(48)

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			Private Label Services and Credit	Corpora Other
Six Months Ended June 30, 2010	LoyaltyOne	Epsilon		
(In thousands)				
Revenues	\$ 391,201	\$ 263,331	\$ 682,464	\$ 1,1
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	112,253	58,563	272,984	(30,1
Depreciation and amortization	12,284	36,092	17,021	3,1
Stock compensation expense	4,528	4,136	3,539	10,8
Operating income (loss)	95,441	18,335	252,424	(44,1
Interest expense, net				166,5
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	95,441	18,335	252,424	(210,7

			Private Label Services and Credit	Corpora Other
Six Months Ended June 30, 2009	LoyaltyOne	Epsilon		
(In thousands)				
Revenues	\$ 327,977	\$ 240,569	\$ 345,978	\$ 22,4
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	93,233	52,521	148,469	(19,9
Depreciation and amortization	9,911	33,832	11,931	4,7
Stock compensation expense	6,281	5,225	4,631	12,5
Merger and other costs ⁽²⁾				3,0
Operating income (loss)	77,041	13,464	131,907	(40,2
Interest expense, net				65,3
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	77,041	13,464	131,907	(105,6

- (1) Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure equal to income the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, plus stock cor provision for income taxes, interest expense, net, depreciation and am costs. Adjusted EBITDA is presented in accordance with ASC 280, the primary performance metric by which senior management is evalu
- (2) Merger and other costs are not allocated to the segments in the compu profit for internal evaluation purposes. Merger costs represent investm accounting costs directly associated with the proposed merger with an Group. Other costs represent compensation charges related to the depa resulting from cost saving initiatives and other non-routine costs assoc of certain businesses.

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STATEMENTS (Continued)****15. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS**

In February 2009, the Company completed the sale of the remainder of its operations, including the termination of a services agreement and the resolution of certain claims of a former utility client. In November 2009, the Company terminated operations for web and catalog retailer VENUE. These have been treated as discontinued operations under ASC 205-20, Presentation of Financial Statements - Discontinued Operations. The following table summarizes the discontinued operations for the periods presented in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements as follows:

Assets:	June 30, 2010
Credit card receivables, net	\$ 2,872
Assets of discontinued operations	\$ 2,872

The following table summarizes the operating results of the discontinued operations:

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
	(In thousands)	
Revenue	\$ 2,872	\$ 2,872
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes		1,626
(Provision) benefit from income taxes		(577)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	\$ 1,049	\$ 1,049

16. NON-CASH FINANCING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES

On January 1, 2010, the Company adopted ASC 860 and ASC 810 resulting in the recognition of the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust. Based on the carrying amounts of the WFN Trusts' assets and liabilities as prescribed by ASC 810, the consolidated financial statements reflect the following non-cash impact to the financing and investing activities for the three months ended June 30, 2010 as follows:

elimination of \$74 million in redemption settlement assets for the WFN Trusts,

elimination of \$775 million in retained interests classified in due f

consolidation of \$4.1 billion in credit card receivables, and

consolidation of \$3.7 billion in asset-backed securities.

17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On July 1, 2010, the Company completed the acquisition of the Direct M
division of Equifax, Inc. The total purchase price was approximately \$1
division provides proprietary data-driven, integrated marketing solutions t
offers: database marketing and hosting, and data services, including U.S.
information. In connection with the acquisition, the division will be inte
Epsilon segment.

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On July 8, 2010, Master Trust I issued \$450.0 million of term asset-backed notes in a public offering. The offering consisted of \$355.5 million of Class A Series 2010-A asset-backed notes that have a fixed interest rate of 3.96% per year, \$16.9 million of Class M asset-backed notes that have a fixed interest rate of 5.2% per year, \$21.4 million of Class N asset-backed notes that have a fixed interest rate of 6.75% per year and \$56.2 million of Series 2010-A asset-backed notes that have a fixed interest rate of 5.0% per year. Class M, Class B and Class C notes will all mature in June 2015. The Class C notes are retained by the Company. With the consolidation of the WFN Trusts, the WFN Trusts are eliminated from the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

On July 15, 2010, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) approved the merger by the Company's credit card services bank subsidiary, WFNNB, to change its jurisdiction to Wilmington, Delaware through the merger of the bank with an interim bank subsidiary under the laws of the United States and located in Wilmington, Delaware. WFNNB is a banking association and a limited purpose credit card bank and is regulated by the OCC, its primary regulator. WFNNB is also subject to regulation by the Board of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The bank nor any of its assets, liabilities or contemplated business purposes will be affected by the merger. It is anticipated the merger will be completed in the third quarter of 2010.

On August 6, 2010, the Company, as borrower, and ADS Alliance Data Services Corporation, Holdings, Inc., Alliance Data Foreign Holdings, Inc., Epsilon Marketing Corporation, and Epsilon Data Management, LLC, as guarantors, entered into a term loan agreement with Citibank, N.A., Montreal, as administrative agent, and various other agents and banks (the 2010 Term Loan). The 2010 Term Loan is an unsecured loan in the amount of \$200.0 million with an option to increase 90 days after the closing date, to increase the amount by \$100.0 million up to a total of \$300.0 million. The Company borrowed \$221.0 million on August 6, 2010, with \$21.0 million available on the option to increase. The proceeds were used to refinance existing debt. Amounts borrowed under the 2010 Term Loan are scheduled to mature in 2011.

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Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the unaudited financial statements and related notes thereto presented in this quarterly report and the financial statements and related notes thereto included in our Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2009, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 1, 2010.

In the first quarter of 2010, we reorganized our segments with Private Label Credit reflected as one segment. All prior year segment information will conform to the current presentation. In addition, we renamed our other two segments, Marketing Services and Loyalty Services to Epsilon and Loyalty Services.

Year in Review Highlights

Our results for the first six months of 2010 included the following new

In January 2010, we announced the signing of a multi-year expansion agreement with York & Company, a specialty retail apparel chain, to provide a comprehensive direct-to-consumer marketing solution that includes customer data management, campaign management, reporting and strategic consulting and analytics services.

In February 2010, we announced the signing of multi-year agreement with a leading national retailer to provide a comprehensive direct-to-consumer marketing solution including customer data management, consumer data integration, permission-based email marketing, multi-channel campaign management and interactive web services.

In February 2010, we announced that Budgetcar, Inc., a subsidiary of Stewart Information Services Corp. and an AIR MILES® Reward Program sponsor and rewards sponsor, signed a multi-year renewal agreement.

In February 2010, we announced the signing of a new multi-year agreement with Dallas-based La Quinta to provide permission-based email marketing services. La Quinta also renewed its existing agreement for Epsilon's ongoing management of La Quinta's frequent guest program.

In March 2010, we announced that Vision Electronics, an AIR MILES® Reward Program sponsor since 2007, had signed a multi-year renewal agreement.

In March 2010, our private label credit card banking subsidiary, World First National Bank, or WFNNB, issued \$100.8 million of asset-backed securities.

In March 2010, WFNNB completed the renewal of its \$550.0 million asset-backed securities.

In April 2010, we announced the signing of a new 5-year contract with the Board of Ontario, a top-10 AIR MILES sponsor and a sponsor since 1995.

In May 2010, we announced that Pharmasave Atlantic, an Atlantic province retailer and an AIR MILES Reward Program sponsor since 1995, renewed its agreement.

In May 2010, we announced the signing of a multi-year agreement with Home Depot LP, one of Canada's leading marketers and supplier of home appliances, to the AIR MILES Reward Program.

In June 2010, we announced that Washington, D.C.-based AARP renewed its agreement to provide data and database marketing services to our member acquisition program.

In June 2010, we announced a new sponsor agreement coinciding with a conversation campaign with the Ontario Power Authority, representing the AIR MILES Reward Program in the energy sector.

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In June 2010, WFNNB completed the renewal of its \$1.2 billion credit facility for our industrial bank subsidiary, World Financial Capital Bank, or WFCB, and the renewal of its \$275.0 million conduit facility, resulting in an increase of \$1.2 billion in overall conduit capacity.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

There have been no material changes, other than those noted below with respect to Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, Accounting Standards Codification, and Servicing, and ASC 810, Consolidation, to our critical accounting policies and information provided in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis, Results of Operations, included in our 10-K for the fiscal year ended

Effective January 1, 2010, our seller's interest, interest-only strips and notes recorded at estimated fair value, have been reclassified, derecognized or derecognized under ASC 860 and ASC 810. Additionally, with the consolidation of World Financial Network Credit Card Master Trust, or Master Trust, World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust I, World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust II, or Master Note Trust I, World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust III, or Master Note Trust III, or consolidated with the World Financial Capital Credit Card Master Note Trust, or the World Financial Capital Credit Card Master Note Trust, the allowance for loan loss has become a critical accounting estimate. This estimate represents management's estimate of probable net loan losses inherent in the credit portfolio.

Management evaluates its allowance for loan loss monthly for adequacy. This evaluation is performed through an adjustment to the provision for loan loss. In estimating losses on the credit portfolio, we use an approach that utilizes a migration analysis of delinquent receivables. A migration analysis is a technique used to estimate the likelihood that a receivable will progress through the various stages of delinquency and to determine the proper level of the allowance for loan loss, management considers uncollectible principal, interest and fees reflected in the allowance. In determining the proper level of the allowance for loan loss, management considers historical loan loss experience, including seasoning, loan volume and other factors, and forecasting uncertainties.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In October 2009, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2009-13, Revenue Recognition - Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements, which supersedes certain provisions of Revenue Recognition - Multiple-Element Arrangements, and requires consideration at the inception of an arrangement to all of its deliverable elements and selling prices (the relative-selling-price method). ASU 2009-13 eliminates the relative-selling-price method in which the undelivered element is measured at its fair value and the delivered element is measured as the residual of the arrangement consideration. ASU 2009-13 requires the relative-selling-price method in all circumstances in which an entity reports revenue from an arrangement with multiple deliverables subject to ASU 2009-13. ASU 2009-13 is effective for revenue arrangements entered into or materially modified in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010. Early adoption is permitted. If we elect early adoption in an interim period, we will be required to apply this ASU retrospectively from the beginning of the interim period. We can also elect to apply this ASU retrospectively for all periods presented. We are currently evaluating the impact that the adoption of ASU 2009-13 will have on our consolidated financial statements.

In January 2010, the FASB issued ASU 2010-06, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, which amends ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, to address the measurement of purchases, sales, issuances and settlements related to Level 3 measurements. ASU 2010-06 requires provide the Level 3 disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements in the interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2010. The adoption of ASU 2010-06 separate Level 3 disclosures will only impact disclosures and will not have an impact on our consolidated financial statements.

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In July 2010, the FASB issued ASU 2010-20, Disclosures about the Credit Quality of Receivables and the Allowance for Credit Losses, which amends ASC 310-32 to require further disaggregated disclosures that improve financial statement users' understanding of the nature of an entity's credit risk associated with its financing receivables and the impact of that risk in estimating its allowance for credit losses as well as changes in the allowance and reasons for those changes. The new and amended disclosures are effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending on or after December 15, 2010. The adoption of ASU 2010-20 will only impact disclosures and will not have an impact on consolidated financial statements.

Accounting Treatment for Securitizations

We have consolidated the credit card securitization trusts used in our securitizations. The WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust were no longer exempt from consolidation as of January 1, 2010, upon our adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 815.

At adoption, we added approximately \$3.4 billion of assets, including a \$1.5 billion of loss reserves, and approximately \$3.7 billion of liabilities to our unaudited consolidated balance sheets. The impact of the new accounting is a reduction to stockholders' equity. The adoption required a full consolidation of the securitization trusts in accordance with the principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Subsequent to January 1, 2010, our unaudited condensed consolidated statements of income reflect securitization income, but instead reflect finance charges and certain expenses associated with the securitized credit card receivables. Net charge-offs associated with the securitized credit card receivables impact our provision for loan loss reflected in our total operating expenses. Expenses associated with debt issued from the trusts to third-party investors is reported as interest expense. Additionally, we no longer record initial gains on new securitizations. Credit card loans no longer receive sale accounting treatment, nor are there any changes in the revaluation of the interest-only strip receivable, as that asset is not recognized as an asset. The new accounting rules as secured borrowings rather than asset sales, and the securitization transactions are presented as cash flows from financing activities rather than operating or investing activities.

Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility, and Disclosures

On June 15, 2010, the Federal Reserve Board released the final guidelines regarding late fees charged by financial institutions effective as of August 22, 2010. In accordance with the guidelines, we modified cardholder terms to include a \$1 processing fee for late payments. The decline in average late fees charged. However, the final guidelines had a significant impact on late fees expected as they provide for: (1) a \$25 maximum late fee compared to our current \$20, and (2) late fees to be charged in excess of the \$25 maximum for recurring late payments in a 12-month period. Accordingly we suspended the \$1 processing fee pending the implementation of the final rules. Instead, we will marginally increase minimum payment requirements. Cardholder terms will be made as early as August 2010, to be effective for cardholder terms as of November 2010.

2010 Third Quarter and Full-Year Outlook

We expect double-digit consolidated revenue growth with the potential for double-digit operating income growth compared to the prior year's total revenue. Our Services and

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Credit and Epsilon are expected to provide positive, double-digit adjusted growth. A decline is expected at LoyaltyOne. LoyaltyOne is expected to report a decline in adjusted EBITDA primarily due to the run-off of deferred revenue related to a certain split fee to non-split fee program. Adjusted EBITDA for LoyaltyOne was impacted in the second half of 2010 due to a change in sponsor mix for AIR MILES in the latter part of 2008 and 2009. Because service revenue is deferred and recognized on a month period, the impact of this will be realized in the second half of 2010. We expect a solid third quarter.

Key metrics for the AIR MILES Reward Program continue to improve. AIR MILES issued during the second quarter of 2010 increased 4% compared to the first quarter, representing the fourth consecutive period of quarter-over-quarter growth. AIR MILES reward miles issued in the second quarter of 2010 is below historical levels, primarily due to slower promotional activity in the grocer sector compared to the first quarter. Promotional activity, which can vary by quarter based upon sponsor activity, generally remains stable on a yearly basis. As 2010 progresses, we expect AIR MILES issued to remain stable at growth of approximately 5% with potential upside as promotional activity increases in the grocer sector. Additionally, LoyaltyOne has a partner program operating a Brazilian coalition loyalty program. The initial phase is currently in progress. A planned investment of up to \$15.0 million in the initiative is dependent on the success of the phase and the timing of the phased program rollout.

On July 1, 2010, we bolstered our data business by acquiring the Direct Marketing division of Equifax, Inc. This division provides proprietary data-driven marketing solutions through two complementary offerings: database marketing and direct response, including U.S. consumer demographic information. The DMS acquisition is expected to materially benefit earnings in 2010, but is expected to be accretive to earnings in 2011.

Key drivers in Private Label Services and Credit continue to be solid as a result of an increase in March 2010 has added approximately 1% to gross yield; credit losses are improving; and funding costs are trending downward with continued improvement in asset financings. These factors should increase net yield for the remainder of 2010.

Our outlook for 2010 assumed the rollout of the \$1 processing fee in the second half of 2010, offset to the potential impact of the CARD Act requirements to 2010. As a result, we have suspended this rollout. Without the benefit of the \$1 processing fee, the CARD Act is expected to lower our earnings per diluted share by approximately \$0.30. The timing of results from the timing gap between when the rollout of the \$1 processing fee begins when the new cardholder terms relating to late fees can be implemented. This timing gap places downward risk on our estimated 2010 earnings.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure equal to income from operations, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, plus stock compensation expense, income taxes, interest expense, net, merger and other costs, depreciation and amortization of purchased intangibles.

We use adjusted EBITDA as an integral part of our internal reporting to management and our reportable segments and to evaluate the performance of our senior management. Adjusted EBITDA is considered an important indicator of the operational strength of our business. Adjusted EBITDA eliminates the uneven effect across all business segments of non-cash depreciation of tangible assets and amortization of certain intangible assets recognized in business combinations. A limitation of this measure, however, is that it does not recognize the periodic costs of certain capitalized tangible and intangible assets used in our businesses. Management evaluates the costs of such tangible and intangible assets.

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assets, the impact of related impairments, as well as asset sales through operations, as capital expenditures, investment spending and return on capital and are excluded from adjusted EBITDA. Adjusted EBITDA also eliminates the stock compensation expense. Stock compensation expense is not included in the adjusted EBITDA provided to the chief operating decision maker for purposes of performance and decision making with respect to resource allocations. Adjusted EBITDA provides useful information to our investors regarding the results of operations. Adjusted EBITDA is not intended to be a performance measure regarded as an alternative to, or more meaningful than, either operating income or cash flows from operations as an indicator of operating performance or to cash flows from operations as a measure of liquidity. In addition, adjusted EBITDA is not intended to represent funds available for reinvestment or other discretionary uses, and should not be considered in connection with measures of performance prepared in accordance with GAAP.

The adjusted EBITDA measures presented in this Quarterly Report are not necessarily comparable to similarly titled measures presented by other companies, and do not correspond to the corresponding measures used in our various agreements.

	Three Months Ended	
	June 30,	
	2010	2009
	(In thousands)	
Income from continuing operations	\$ 47,320	\$ 28,387
Stock compensation expense	12,415	10,698
Provision for income taxes	29,212	18,085
Interest expense, net	83,848	34,107
Merger and other costs ⁽¹⁾		64
Depreciation and other amortization	16,580	15,300
Amortization of purchased intangibles	17,841	15,815
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 207,216	\$ 122,456

- ⁽¹⁾ Represents investment banking, legal and accounting costs directly associated with the merger with an affiliate of The Blackstone Group. Other costs represent non-routine costs associated with the disposition of certain businesses.

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	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
	(In thousands, except per share amounts)	
Revenue:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 191,531	\$ 167,341
Epsilon	137,024	123,000
Private Label Services and Credit	343,260	156,820
Corporate/Other	388	10,360
Eliminations	(2,485)	
Total	\$ 669,718	\$ 457,521
Adjusted EBITDA⁽¹⁾:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 58,666	\$ 38,330
Epsilon	31,277	30,380
Private Label Services and Credit	133,229	60,990
Corporate/Other	(14,243)	(7,200)
Eliminations	(1,713)	
Total	\$ 207,216	\$ 122,450
Stock compensation expense:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 2,365	\$ 2,250
Epsilon	2,166	1,900
Private Label Services and Credit	1,777	1,610
Corporate/Other	6,107	4,920
Total	\$ 12,415	\$ 10,680
Depreciation and amortization:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 6,147	\$ 4,950
Epsilon	18,076	17,820
Private Label Services and Credit	8,532	5,880
Corporate/Other	1,666	2,450
Total	\$ 34,421	\$ 31,100
Operating income from continuing operations:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 50,154	\$ 31,120
Epsilon	11,035	10,650
Private Label Services and Credit	122,920	53,500
Corporate/Other	(22,016)	(14,700)
Eliminations	(1,713)	
Total	\$ 160,380	\$ 80,570
Adjusted EBITDA margin⁽²⁾:		
LoyaltyOne	30.6%	22.8%
Epsilon	22.8	24.8
Private Label Services and Credit	38.8	38.8
Total	30.9%	26.8%

Segment operating data:

Private Label statements generated	35,559	31,17
Credit sales	\$ 2,220,513	\$ 1,944,28
Average credit card receivables	\$ 4,992,034	\$ 4,136,72
AIR MILES reward miles issued	1,165,089	1,122,57
AIR MILES reward miles redeemed	801,111	756,93

- (1) Adjusted EBITDA is equal to income from continuing operations, plus stock compensation expense, plus amortization of intangible assets, plus adjustments for income taxes, interest expense, net, merger and other costs, depreciation and amortization, and other non-recurring items. For a detailed reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA to income from continuing operations, the non-GAAP financial measure, see "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" included in this filing.
- (2) Adjusted EBITDA margin is adjusted EBITDA divided by revenue. Management uses adjusted EBITDA margin to analyze the operating performance of the segments and the impact of operating expenses.

* Not Meaningful

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Consolidated Operating Results:

Revenue. Total revenue increased \$212.2 million, or 46.4%, to \$669.7 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 from \$457.5 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase was due to the following:

Transaction. Revenue decreased \$25.4 million, or 26.7%, to \$69.3 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 due to several factors:

elimination of servicing fees of \$17.9 million from the credit card securitizations as a result of the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810. In its capacity as servicer, each of our respective banks earns a fee from the credit card securitizations to originate, and administer its receivables, collect payments, and charge-off uncollectible receivables. Upon consolidation of the credit card securitizations, the servicing fees were eliminated;

a decline in merchant fees, which are transaction fees charged to merchants, of \$10.5 million attributable to increases in royalty payments to our merchant service providers and a decline in fees earned from deferred programs; and

a decline in transition services revenue of \$7.3 million from 2009 due to the departure of the acquirers of our merchant services and utility services businesses, which are no longer in place in 2010.

These decreases were offset in part by increased AIR MILES reward miles revenue of \$7.8 million due to a favorable foreign currency exchange rate and growth in the number of miles issued. Our issuance fees, which consist of fees for marketing and promotional programs provided to sponsors, are recognized pro rata over the estimated life of an award.

The average foreign currency exchange rate for the current year period was \$0.87 compared to \$0.87 in the prior year period. Additionally, debt cancellations of \$4.8 million from credit card holders increased \$4.8 million due to higher volumes in part due to the acquisition of the Charming Shoppes credit card program.

Redemption. Revenue increased \$13.7 million, or 12.0%, to \$127.1 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 due to a favorable foreign currency exchange rate that favorably impacted revenue by \$15.3 million. Redemption revenue from the Canadian program (Canadian dollars) decreased approximately CAD \$1.6 million, or 5.8%, due to an increase in 2010. This resulted from a reduction in the amortization of the cost of the program to the conversion of a certain split fee to non-split fee program. Redemption revenue increased as these AIR MILES reward miles have been redeemed. As of June 30, 2010, there was a minimal amount of deferred revenue related to the conversion of the program.

Securitization income. Securitization income decreased \$93.2 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 due to the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810 and the consolidation of the credit card securitizations. Securitization income is no longer reflected. Amounts that were previously reported as a separate financial statement line item are now reflected in finance charges, net of amortization, in the condensed consolidated statements of income.

Finance charges, net. Revenue increased \$308.1 million to \$319.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010. On a conformed presentation, adjusted revenue increased \$76.4 million. The increase was a result of continued revenue growth of 20.7%, credit sales growth of 14.2% and an increase in net interest income on a basis points to 25.6% for the current period.

Database marketing fees and direct marketing. Revenue increased to \$135.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010. The company continues to build from recent client signings and expansion of services, increasing 14.2 % for the three months ended June 30, 2010. The company's catalog business are continuing from the first quarter. Our large catalog business, Abacus, achieved solid revenue growth of 14.5% during the second quarter. The data sector continues to show positive momentum, signifying the company's focus for rich insight to drive targeted marketing initiatives.

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Other revenue. Revenue decreased \$6.3 million, or 25.6%, to \$18 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 due to (1) the inclusion in 2009 of revenue from MasterCard Incorporated class B stock, and (2) the elimination of \$6.3 million from investments held by LoyaltyOne in the credit card segment upon their consolidation in 2010 upon adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 815.

Cost of operations. Cost of operations increased \$31.1 million, or 9.5%, for the three months ended June 30, 2010. The increase was driven by

higher payroll and benefit costs in Private Label Services and Credit Card Epsilon of \$10.7 million as a result of growth in both segments;

increases in the cost of redemptions for the AIR MILES Reward Program driven by the increase in average foreign currency exchange rates. The cost for the AIR MILES Reward Program in local currency was relatively stable, increasing CAD \$0.4 million; and

credit card related expenses such as marketing, credit bureau and processing for the current period as compared to the prior year period due to higher volume. Increases in cost of operations were partially offset by a decrease in foreign exchange gains. In the second quarter of 2009, we recognized a foreign exchange loss of \$15.9 million on investments held at LoyaltyOne.

General and administrative. General and administrative expenses increased \$21.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010. The increase was primarily due to an expense associated with the departure of certain associates and an increase in professional fees for the current year period as compared to the prior year period.

Provision for loan loss. Provision for loan loss was \$95.7 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010. In 2009, net losses were netted against securitization income. On a net basis, the provision for loan loss decreased \$7.9 million, or 7.6%, as compared to the provision for loan loss of \$103.6 million. The decrease was a result of a lower loss rate.

Depreciation and other amortization. Depreciation and other amortization expense increased 8.4%, to \$16.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 due to higher depreciation on service during the second half of 2009 and 2010.

Amortization of purchased intangibles. Amortization of purchased intangibles increased 12.8%, to \$17.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 as a result of assets acquired with the Charming Shoppes credit card program.

Interest expense. Total interest expense, net increased \$49.7 million, or 14.5%, for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from \$34.1 million for the comparable period. The increase was due to the following:

Securitization funding costs. Securitization funding costs were \$49.7 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010. In 2009, these costs were netted against securitization income and totaled \$34.9 million. The increase in these costs is due to growth in securitization compared to June 30, 2009, and the amortization of securitized fees.

Interest expense on certificates of deposit. Interest expense on certificates of deposit increased \$0.8 million to \$7.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2010 from \$6.8 million for the comparable period in 2009 due to higher average balances and a decline in interest rates.

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Interest expense on long-term and other debt, net. Interest expense on debt, net increased \$5.3 million, to \$32.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from \$27.3 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase resulted from a \$4.4 million increase in the amortization of the discount on convertible senior notes, an increase of \$0.9 million for our credit facilities, and average balances and the amortization of debt issuance costs of \$0.0 million. *Merger costs (reimbursements).* In 2010, there were no merger costs or reimbursements for the three months ended June 30, 2010. In the three months ended June 30, 2009, we incurred approximately \$0.1 million of merger costs with our proposed merger with an affiliate of The Blackstone Group. We incurred no merger costs associated with the proposed merger.

Taxes. Income tax expense increased \$11.1 million to \$29.2 million, or 60.0% of taxable income, for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from \$18.1 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in income tax expense was primarily due to an increase in taxable income, partially offset by a decrease in our effective tax rate to 38.9% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from 38.9% for the comparable period in 2009.

Income (loss) from discontinued operations. In 2010, there were no gains or losses from discontinued operations. Income from discontinued operations, net of tax expense, for the three months ended June 30, 2009 related to the terminated operations of our former catalog retailer and catalog retailer VENUE.

Segment Information:

Revenue. Total revenue increased \$212.2 million, or 46.4%, to \$669.7 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from \$457.5 million for the comparable period in 2009. Revenue is broken down as follows:

LoyaltyOne. Revenue increased \$24.2 million, or 14.5%, to \$191.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 due to a favorable foreign currency exchange rate that impacted revenue by \$22.3 million. Redemption revenue in local currencies increased by approximately CAD \$1.6 million, although miles redeemed increased by \$1.6 million due to a decline in the amortization of deferred revenue related to the transition from a split fee to non-split fee program. As of June 30, 2010, there is a minimum of \$1.6 million of deferred revenue remaining. This decline was offset by an increase in issuance of new miles of \$1.6 million as a result of the growth in AIR MILES reward miles issued.

Epsilon. Revenue increased \$14.0 million, or 11.4%, to \$137.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010. The database/digital businesses continued to show strong organic revenue growth, increasing 14.2% as compared to the three months ended June 30, 2009. Momentum in this group continues to build as, increasingly, our client companies are directing a portion of their marketing spend to Epsilon. Epsilon benefited from the number of new client signings in 2009, a trend that continued in 2010 with two large client wins and three expansion agreements. Epsilon, which operates a larger coalition database, achieved solid revenue growth for the second quarter of 2010, continuing the positive trend from the first quarter. The data sector continues to show positive momentum, signifying the importance of data for rich insight to drive targeted marketing initiatives.

Private Label Services and Credit. Revenue increased \$186.4 million, or 40.9%, to \$643.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010. On a conformable basis, revenue increased \$47.9 million for securitization funding costs and credit losses of \$138.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2009. Revenue increased \$47.9 million, or 16.2%. The increase was a result of

portfolio growth of 20.7%, credit sales growth of 14.2% and an in

Corporate/Other. Revenue decreased \$10.0 million to \$0.4 million ended June 30, 2010 due to a decline in transition services revenue associated with the acquirers of our merchant services and utility services were no longer in place in 2010.

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Adjusted EBITDA. For purposes of the discussion below, adjusted EBITDA consists of continuing operations plus stock compensation expense, provision for income taxes, net, merger and other costs, depreciation and amortization. Adjusted EBITDA was \$207.2 million, or 69.2%, to \$207.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to \$207.2 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase was due to

LoyaltyOne. Adjusted EBITDA increased \$20.3 million, or 53.0% compared to the same period in 2009. Adjusted EBITDA margin increased to 30.6% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to 22.9% in the same period in 2009. The increase in 2010 was primarily due to the impact of a foreign exchange loss of \$15.9 million in 2009 related to investments, as well as the impact of a favorable currency exchange rate in the second quarter. In local currency, excluding the impact of the foreign currency, adjusted EBITDA decreased CAD \$3.9 million. The decline in adjusted EBITDA was primarily due to lower margins on AIR MILES reward miles redeemed as well as marketing costs due to the timing of certain marketing campaigns.

Epsilon. Adjusted EBITDA was relatively flat, increasing \$0.9 million compared to the same period in 2009. Adjusted EBITDA margin decreased to 22.8% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to 24.7% in the same period in 2009. This was primarily due to revenue growth offset by increases in payroll costs, due to an increase in headcount. Revenue growth is expected to support anticipated revenue growth in the second quarter of 2010.

Private Label Services and Credit. Adjusted EBITDA increased \$133.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 while adjusted EBITDA margin decreased slightly to 38.8% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to 39.1% in the same period in 2009. On a conformed presentation, adjusting for the impact of ASC 860 and ASC 810, adjusted EBITDA increased \$103.6 million due to the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810, adjusted EBITDA margin increased to 38.9%, and adjusted EBITDA margin increased to 38.9%. Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin were positively impacted by an increase in our average credit card receivable balances which increased 20.1% in 2010, an improvement in our gross yield and an improvement in credit loss provision in 2010.

Corporate/Other. Adjusted EBITDA decreased \$7.0 million to a loss of \$7.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010, as a result of \$1.6 million in stock compensation expense increase in incentive compensation as compared to the second quarter of 2009. The second quarter of 2009 was impacted by a \$2.6 million non-incentive compensation expense which did not reoccur in the second quarter of 2010.

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	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
	(In thousands, except per share amounts)	
Revenue:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 391,201	\$ 327,971
Epsilon	263,331	240,566
Private Label Services and Credit	682,464	345,971
Corporate/Other	1,153	22,466
Eliminations	(4,894)	
Total	\$ 1,333,255	\$ 936,995
Adjusted EBITDA⁽¹⁾:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 112,253	\$ 93,233
Epsilon	58,563	52,521
Private Label Services and Credit	272,984	148,466
Corporate/Other	(30,183)	(19,941)
Eliminations	(3,426)	
Total	\$ 410,191	\$ 274,280
Stock compensation expense:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 4,528	\$ 6,281
Epsilon	4,136	5,221
Private Label Services and Credit	3,539	4,631
Corporate/Other	10,818	12,521
Total	\$ 23,021	\$ 28,654
Depreciation and amortization:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 12,284	\$ 9,911
Epsilon	36,092	33,831
Private Label Services and Credit	17,021	11,931
Corporate/Other	3,195	4,741
Total	\$ 68,592	\$ 60,414
Operating income from continuing operations:		
LoyaltyOne	\$ 95,441	\$ 77,041
Epsilon	18,335	13,461
Private Label Services and Credit	252,424	131,901
Corporate/Other	(44,196)	(40,211)
Eliminations	(3,426)	
Total	\$ 318,578	\$ 182,193
Adjusted EBITDA margin⁽²⁾:		
LoyaltyOne	28.7%	28.7%
Epsilon	22.2	21.4
Private Label Services and Credit	40.0	42.8
Total	30.8%	29.6%

Segment operating data:

Private Label statements generated	71,800	63,02
Credit sales	\$ 4,073,243	\$ 3,492,36
Average credit card receivables	\$ 5,088,590	\$ 4,187,55
AIR MILES reward miles issued	2,202,768	2,108,79
AIR MILES reward miles redeemed	1,694,264	1,543,96

- (1) Adjusted EBITDA is equal to income from continuing operations, plus stock co for income taxes, interest expense, net, merger and other costs, depreciation and reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA to income from continuing operations, the m financial measure, see Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures included in thi
- (2) Adjusted EBITDA margin is adjusted EBITDA divided by revenue. Management margin to analyze the operating performance of the segments and the impact rev expenses.
- * Not Meaningful

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Consolidated Operating Results:

Revenue. Total revenue increased \$396.3 million, or 42.3%, to \$1.33 billion for the months ended June 30, 2010 from \$937.0 million for the comparable period in 2009. The following:

Transaction. Revenue decreased \$43.2 million, or 22.8%, to \$145.2 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 due to the following factors:

elimination of servicing fees of \$36.2 million from the credit card securitizations as a result of the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810. In its capacity as servicer, each of our respective banks earns a fee from the credit card securitizations to originate, and administer its receivables, collect payments, and charge-off uncollectible receivables. Upon consolidation of the credit card securitizations, the servicing fees were eliminated;

a decrease in merchant fees, which are transaction fees charged to merchants, of \$10.0 million attributable to increases in royalty payments to our merchant services and a decline in fees earned from deferred programs; and

a decline in transition services revenue of \$18.9 million from the transition services provided to the acquirers of our merchant services and utility services, which are no longer in place in 2010.

These decreases were offset in part by increased AIR MILES reward miles of \$10.0 million due to a favorable foreign currency exchange rate and growth in the number of miles issued. Our issuance fees, which consist of marketing and administrative costs for sponsors, are recognized pro rata over the estimated life of an AIR MILE. The foreign currency exchange rate for the current year period increased to \$0.98 per the prior year period. Debt cancellation premiums received from our credit card securitizations of \$8.3 million resulting from higher volumes in part from the October 2009 Shopper's Stop credit card program.

Redemption. Revenue increased \$40.2 million, or 17.8%, to \$266.2 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 due to a favorable foreign currency exchange rate. The exchange rate impacted revenue by \$36.8 million. Redemption revenue in local currencies increased approximately CAD \$3.4 million, or 1.2%, although AIR MILES redeemed increased 9.7%. This is due to the decline in the amortization of the program related to the conversion of a certain split fee to non-split fee program. As a result, recognized as these AIR MILES reward miles have been redeemed, there is a minimal amount of deferred revenue related to the conversion.

Securitization income. Securitization income decreased \$216.6 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 due to the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810 and the consolidation of the credit card securitizations. Securitization income is no longer reflected. Amounts that were previously reported as a financial statement line item are now reflected in finance charges, net of interest, in the condensed consolidated statements of income.

Finance charges, net. Revenue increased \$596.6 million to \$625.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. On a conformed presentation, adjusting 2009 securitization funding costs and credit losses which totaled \$266.0 million, revenue increased \$114.0 million. The increase was a result of continued positive trends in agency business, increasing 21.5% and credit sales growth of 16.6%, offset in part by a slight decline in catalog business which was 24.6% for the current period as compared to 25.9% for the prior period.

Database marketing fees and direct marketing. Revenue increased to \$260.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. The data sector continues to build from recent client signings and expansion of services, increasing 12.2%. Our catalog business has shown positive trends, increasing 12.2% compared to the prior year. Our large catalog coalition database, A, showed revenue growth of 14.1% as the data sector continues to show positive trends due to the demand that marketers have for rich insight to drive targeted marketing. Growth in strategic database and our catalog business was partially offset by a decline in agency business.

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Other revenue. Revenue decreased \$5.6 million, or 13.8%, to \$35 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 due to (1) the inclusion in 2009 of revenue from MasterCard Incorporated class B stock, and (2) the elimination of \$5.6 million from investments held by LoyaltyOne in the credit card segment upon their consolidation in 2010 upon adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 815.

Cost of operations. Cost of operations increased \$70.0 million, or 10.8%, for the six months ended June 30, 2010. The increase was driven by the

higher payroll and benefit costs in Private Label Services and Credit Card Services of \$13.0 million due to growth in both of the segments;

increases in the cost of redemptions for the AIR MILES Reward Program of \$10.0 million driven by the increase in average foreign currency exchange rates. The cost of redemptions for the AIR MILES Reward Program in local currency increased 6.6%, due to an increase in miles redeemed; and

credit card related expenses such as marketing, credit bureau and processing fees of \$10.0 million in the current period as compared to the prior year period due to higher volume. Increases in cost of operations were partially offset by a decrease in foreign exchange gains of \$10.0 million. In the second quarter of 2009, we recognized a foreign exchange gain of \$10.0 million to certain U.S. investments held at LoyaltyOne.

General and administrative. General and administrative expenses decreased \$43.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. The decrease was primarily due to lower medical and benefit costs for the six months ended June 30, 2010 as compared to the comparable period.

Provision for loan loss. Provision for loan loss was \$184.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. In 2009, net losses were netted against securitization income. On a standalone basis, the provision for loan loss decreased \$13.0 million, or 6.6%, as compared to the period provision for loan loss of \$197.6 million. The decrease was a result of a decrease in the loss rate.

Depreciation and other amortization. Depreciation and other amortization expense increased 8.4%, to \$32.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 due to costs of internally developed software projects placed in service during the second quarter of 2010.

Amortization of purchased intangibles. Amortization of purchased intangibles increased 18.7%, to \$35.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 as a result of the acquisition of the Charming Shoppes acquired in the October 2009 acquisition of the Charming Shoppes.

Interest expense. Total interest expense, net increased \$101.2 million, or 15.5%, for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from \$65.4 million for the comparable period. The increase was due to the following:

Securitization funding costs. Securitization funding costs were \$8.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. In 2009, these costs were netted against securitization income and totaled \$68.4 million. Increases in securitization funding costs were primarily due to borrowings from the growth in the portfolio as compared to June 30, 2009.

amortization of securitized fees.

Interest expense on certificates of deposit. Interest expense on certificates of deposit increased \$3.0 million to \$16.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from \$13.2 million for the comparable period in 2009 due to higher average balances and a decline in interest rates.

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Interest expense on long-term and other debt, net. Interest expense on debt, net increased \$12.9 million, or 24.7%, to \$65.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from \$52.2 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in expense resulted from a \$9.9 million increase in the amortization of debt with our convertible senior notes, an increase of \$1.3 million for our higher average balances and the amortization of debt issuance costs. *Merger costs (reimbursements).* In 2010, there were no merger costs or reimbursements. In the six months ended June 30, 2009, we received a reimbursement of \$0.5 million from an affiliate of The Blackstone Group. We expect to incur no merger costs associated with the proposed merger.

Taxes. Income tax expense increased \$12.7 million, or 28.0%, to \$58.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from \$45.4 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in taxable income, partially offset by a decrease in our effective tax rate to 38.8% for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from 38.8% for the comparable period in 2009.

Income (Loss) from discontinued operations. In 2010, there were no gains or losses from discontinued operations. Loss from discontinued operations, net of taxes, of \$0.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2009 related to the sale of the remaining portion of the credit card business, offset by income from the terminated operations of our credit card retailer VENUE.

Segment Information:

Revenue. Total revenue increased \$396.3 million, or 42.3%, to \$1.33 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from \$937.0 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase is as follows:

LoyaltyOne. Revenue increased \$63.2 million, or 19.3%, to \$391.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 due to a favorable foreign currency exchange rate for the current year period increased to \$0.90 per Canadian dollar from the prior year period, which favorably impacted revenue by \$53.2 million (Canadian dollars), revenue increased approximately CAD \$7.1 million from redemption revenue increased CAD \$3.4 million, or 1.2%, miles redeemed. This was a result of a decline in the amortization of deferred revenue from the redemption of a certain split fee to non-split fee program as the AIR MILES reward miles have been redeemed. As of June 30, 2010, there is a minimal amount of deferred revenue remaining. Issuance revenue in local currency also increased \$6.4 million as the reward miles issued grew 4.5%. As 2010 progresses, we expect AIR MILES to continue to return to a growth rate of 7% to 8%, consistent with prior periods.

Epsilon. Revenue increased \$22.8 million, or 9.5%, to \$263.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. The database/digital businesses continued their organic revenue growth, increasing 12.2% as compared to the six months ended June 30, 2009. Momentum in this group continues to build as, increasingly, our companies are directing a portion of their marketing spend to Epsilon. Epsilon has benefited from the number of client signings in 2009 which has contributed to large client wins and three expansion agreements. Our large catalog business, Abacus, achieved solid revenue growth of 14.1% during the six months ended June 30, 2010, continuing the positive trend from the first quarter of 2010. The database businesses continue to show positive momentum, signifying the demand that marketers have for targeted marketing initiatives. The growth in strategic database and digital businesses is expected to continue.

partially offset by declines in our agency business.

Private Label Services and Credit. Revenue increased \$336.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. On a conformed revenue for

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securitization funding costs and credit losses which totaled \$612.0 million, or 11.5%. The increase was a result of continued portfolio growth of 21.5% and credit sales growth of 16.6%. The increase was offset by a slight decline in gross yield, which was 24.6% for the current period compared to 24.7% for the prior period. Gross yields dipped temporarily in February 2010 due to the implementation of certain provisions of the CARD Act. However, following the implementation of new cardholder terms returned gross yields to levels that are anticipated to remain.

Corporate/Other. Revenue decreased \$21.3 million to \$1.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 due to a decline of \$18.9 million in transition services revenue from agreements associated with the acquirers of our merchant services businesses, which were no longer in place in 2010.

Adjusted EBITDA. For purposes of the discussion below, adjusted EBITDA includes continuing operations plus stock compensation expense, provision for income taxes, net, merger and other costs, depreciation and amortization. Adjusted EBITDA increased \$40.2 million, or 49.6%, to \$410.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the comparable period in 2009. The increase was due to the

LoyaltyOne. Adjusted EBITDA increased \$19.0 million, or 20.4%, to \$108.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. The adjusted EBITDA margin increased to 28.7% for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to 28.4% in the same period in 2009. The increase in 2010 was primarily the impact of a foreign exchange loss of \$15.9 million in the second quarter of 2009 on certain U.S. investments, as well as the impact of a favorable currency exchange rate in 2010, excluding the impact of the foreign currency exchange loss in 2009. Adjusted EBITDA decreased CAD \$12.5 million. The decline in adjusted EBITDA is primarily due to margins on AIR MILES reward miles redeemed as well as an increase in expenses due to the timing of certain marketing campaigns.

Epsilon. Adjusted EBITDA increased \$6.0 million, or 11.5%, to \$56.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. The adjusted EBITDA margin increased to 22.2% for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to 21.8% in the same period in 2009. This was driven by revenue growth and decreases in payroll costs due to an increase in headcount. This increase was expected to support anticipated revenue growth in the second half of 2010.

Private Label Services and Credit. Adjusted EBITDA increased \$273.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 while adjusted EBITDA margin decreased to 40.0% for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to 40.0% for the same period in 2009. On a conformed presentation, adjusting 2009 for the impact of \$10.0 million due to the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810, adjusted EBITDA increased \$283.0 million, or 25.9%, and adjusted EBITDA margin increased to 40.0%. Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin were positively impacted by an increase in average credit card receivable balances which increased 21.5% from 2009 and credit sales which increased 16.6% from 2009 and an improvement in operating expenses compared to the prior year.

Corporate/Other. Adjusted EBITDA decreased \$10.2 million to a loss of \$10.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 related to \$2.6 million in severance expense in incentive compensation as compared to the prior year period. Adjusted EBITDA for 2009 was impacted by a \$2.6 million non-income based tax benefit.

2010.

Asset Quality

Our delinquency and net charge-off rates reflect, among other factors, the average age of our private label credit card receivables, the average age of our various private label credit portfolios, the success of our collection and recovery efforts, and general economic conditions. The average age of our private label credit

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card portfolio affects the stability of delinquency and loss rates of the portfolio. We have dedicated resources on refining our credit underwriting standards for new accounts and on increasing our charge-off recovery efforts to minimize net losses.

An older private label credit card portfolio generally drives a more stable delinquency rate in the portfolio. At June 30, 2010, 63.4% of our accounts with balances and 64.1% of our accounts with origination dates greater than 24 months old. At June 30, 2009, 62.8% of accounts with balances and 62.8% of receivables were for accounts with origination dates greater than 24 months old.

Delinquencies. A credit card account is contractually delinquent if we do not receive payment by the specified due date on the cardholder's statement. When an account becomes delinquent, we print a message on the cardholder's billing statement reminding the cardholder that the account becomes 30 days past due, a proprietary collection scoring algorithm is used to assess the risk of the account rolling to a more delinquent status. The collection scoring algorithm determines the collection strategy for the past due account based on the collection score. The collection score dictates the contact schedule and collections priority for the account. If the account remains delinquent after collection after exhausting all in-house efforts, we engage collection agencies to continue those efforts.

The following table presents the delinquency trends of our credit card receivables:

	June 30, 2010	% of total
	(In thousands)	
Receivables outstanding principal	\$ 4,816,039	100.0%
Principal receivables balances contractually delinquent:		
31 to 60 days	86,200	1.8%
61 to 90 days	60,197	1.2%
91 or more days	115,816	2.4%
Total	\$ 262,213	5.4%

Net Charge-Offs. Net charge-offs comprise the principal amount of losses from credit card receivables that are not recovered or unable to pay their account balances, as well as bankrupt and deceased cardholders. Net charge-offs are reported net of period recoveries. The following table presents our net charge-offs for the periods indicated. The average balance of the credit card receivables represents the average balance of the cardholder receivables at the end of each month in the periods indicated.

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,
	2010	2009	2010
	(In thousands)		
Average credit card receivables	\$ 4,992,034	\$ 4,136,726	\$ 5,088,000
Net charge-offs	\$ 112,424	103,558	234,000
Net charge-offs as a percentage of average credit card receivables (annualized)	9.0%	10.0%	

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Operating Activities. We have historically generated cash flows from operations and the amount may vary based on fluctuations in working capital and the timing of our operating activity. Our operating cash flow is seasonal, with cash utilization peaking in the second quarter due to increased activity in our Private Label Services and Credit segments and seasonal sales.

We generated cash flow from operating activities of \$446.5 million and \$411.5 million for the months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The increase in operating cash flow was primarily due to increased

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profitability, including non-cash charges to income such as an increase in the provision for loan loss as a result of the consolidation of the credit card securitization trusts. We generated positive operating cash flow of \$33.5 million from increases in cash and cash equivalents from the timing of payments for other assets. Also impacting cash flow from operations were increases from trusts. In 2009, the amounts due from the trusts were included in other assets. The use of cash as amounts increased during the period. In 2010, with the consolidation of securitization trusts upon the adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810, amounts due from trusts were eliminated. We utilize our cash flow from operations for ongoing operations, acquisitions and capital expenditures.

Investing Activities. Cash provided by investing activities was \$184.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. Cash used by investing activities was \$249.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2009. Significant components of investing activities include:

Credit Card Receivables Funding. Cash increased \$276.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from receivables from the seasonal pay down of our credit card receivables.

Cash Collateral, Restricted. Cash decreased \$95.1 million due to the consolidation of credit card securitization trusts cash collateral accounts.

Capital Expenditures. Our capital expenditures for the six months ended June 30, 2010 were \$31.5 million compared to \$24.2 million for the comparable period. Our capital expenditures to be approximately 3% of annual revenue for the six months ended June 30, 2010.

Financing Activities. Cash used in financing activities was \$674.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 as compared to \$8.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2009. Financing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2010 relate primarily to borrowings, including debt, including certificates of deposit and asset-backed securities debt, and the repurchase of common stock.

Adoption of ASC 860 and ASC 810. The consolidation of the WFN Trusts resulted in a net increase in \$81.6 million in cash and cash equivalents as of January 1, 2010, which was primarily due to operating, financing and investing activities.

Liquidity Sources. In addition to cash generated from operating activities, our liquidity include our securitization program, certificates of deposit issued by banks, our credit facility and issuances of equity securities.

In addition to our efforts to renew and expand our current facilities, we continue to monitor our sources of liquidity. We have also expanded our brokered certificates of deposit and our credit card receivables.

We believe that internally generated funds and other sources of liquidity are sufficient to meet working capital needs, capital expenditures, and other business requirements for at least the next 12 months.

Securitization Program. Since January 1996, we have sold a majority of our credit card receivables originated by WFNNB to WFN Credit Company, LLC and WFN Funding Company, LLC. WFN Credit Company, LLC in turn sold them to the WFN Trusts as part of our securitization program. WFN Funding Company, LLC initiated a securitization program for the credit card receivables originated by WFNNB to World Financial Capital Credit Company, LLC which in turn sold them to the WFN Trusts. The securitization programs are the primary vehicle through which we finance our credit card receivables.

Historically, we have used both public and private asset-backed securities and private conduit facilities as sources of funding for our credit card receivables. These facilities have been used to accommodate seasonality needs and to finance asset-backed securitization transactions.

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We have secured and continue to secure the necessary commitments securitized credit card receivables originated by WFNNB and WFCB. commitments are short-term in nature and subject to renewal. There is funding sources, when they mature, will be renewed on similar terms unsuitable volumes and pricing levels in the asset-backed secur

As of June 30, 2010, the WFN Trusts and the WFC Trust had approx securitized credit card receivables. Securitizations require credit enhance spread deposits and additional receivables. The credit enhancement is outstanding balances of the series issued by the WFN Trusts and the performance of the private label credit cards in these securit

In March 2010, Master Trust II issued \$100.8 million of term asset-backed offering consisted of \$65.0 million of Class A Series 2010-1 asset-back interest rate of 4.2% per year, \$9.8 million of Class M Series 2010-1 ass fixed interest rate of 5.3% per year, \$6.6 million of Class B Series 2010 have a fixed interest rate of 6.3% per year, \$11.6 million of Class C Serie that have a fixed interest rate of 7.0% per year and \$7.8 million of Class D notes which were retained by us. The Class A notes will mature in Novem will mature in December 2012, the Class B notes will mature in January 2 mature in February 2013 and the Class D notes will mature in March 201 the WFN Trusts, the Class D Series 2010-1 notes are eliminated from consolidated financial statements.

At June 30, 2010, we had \$3.4 billion of asset-backed securities debt ow of which \$253.6 million is due within the next 12 m

In July 2010, Master Trust I issued \$450.0 million of term asset-backed public offering. The offering consisted of \$355.5 million of Class A Serie that have a fixed interest rate of 3.96% per year, \$16.9 million of Class M notes that have a fixed interest rate of 5.2% per year, \$21.4 million of asset-backed notes that have a fixed interest rate of 6.75% per year and Series 2010-A asset-backed notes that have a fixed interest rate of 5.0% p M, Class B and Class C notes will all mature in June 2015. The Class C retained by us. With the consolidation of the WFN Trusts, the Class C eliminated from the unaudited condensed consolidated finan

During the first quarter of 2010, we renewed our \$550.0 million 2009-V Master Trust III, extending the maturity to September 3

During the second quarter of 2010, we renewed our \$1.2 billion 2009-V Master Trust I, extending the maturity to June 23, 2011, and our \$275.0 facility under the WFC Trust, extending the maturity to Ju

Debt

On June 18, 2010, we amended our \$750.0 million unsecured revolving application of ASC 860 and ASC 810 and the calculation of cov

On June 18, 2010, we amended our term loan agreement to clarify the ap ASC 810 and the calculation of covenant compliance. In addition, the prepayments that were required beginning June 30, 2010 and now provide paid at maturity, March 30, 2012.

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On August 6, 2010, we, as borrower, and ADS Alliance Data Systems, Inc., Alliance Data Foreign Holdings, Inc., Epsilon Marketing Services Management, LLC, as guarantors, entered into a term loan agreement, or Loan Agreement, with Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent, and various other agents and banks, which provides for an unsecured loan in the amount of \$200.0 million with the option, up to and including the date, to increase the amount by \$100.0 million up to a total loan amount of \$300.0 million. We borrowed \$221.0 million on August 6, 2010, and \$79.0 million remains to be borrowed. The proceeds were used to refinance existing indebtedness. All payments under the 2010 Term Loan are scheduled to mature on March 31, 2012.

As of June 30, 2010, we were in compliance with our financial covenants under the Loan Agreement. For more information, see the Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for more information regarding our debt.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk
Market Risk

Market risk is the risk of loss from adverse changes in market prices and interest rates. Our risks include interest rate risk, credit risk, foreign currency exchange rate risk, and commodity risk.

There has been no material change from our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009 related to our exposure to market risk from interest rate risk, foreign currency exchange rate risk and redemption reward risk.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.
Conclusion Regarding the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls

As of June 30, 2010, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures required by Rule 13a-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that as of June 30, 2010 (the end of the most recent quarter), our disclosure controls and procedures are effective. Disclosure controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that the information accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Form 10-Q and the documents incorporated by reference herein contain 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, as amended. Such statements are identified by such words as anticipate, believe, estimate, expect, intend, predict, project, and similar expressions that relate to us or our management. When we make forward-looking statements

our management's beliefs and assumptions, using information currently
believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements
forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions
discussed in the "Risk Factors" section in Item 1A. of our Annual Report
ended December 31, 2009 and Item 1A. of Part II of this Quarterly

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If one or more of these or other risks or uncertainties materialize, or if our assumptions prove to be incorrect, actual results may vary materially from what we expect. Our forward-looking statements contained in this quarterly report reflect our current expectations of future events and are subject to these and other risks, uncertainties and changes in our operations, results of operations, growth strategy and liquidity. We have no obligation, to update or revise any forward-looking statements, without reference to this information, future results or otherwise, except as required by law.

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PART II

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

From time to time we are involved in various claims and lawsuits arising from our business that we believe will not have a material adverse effect on our business, including claims and lawsuits alleging breaches of our contractual obligations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

Other than as set forth below, there have been no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, or our Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2010.

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, may adversely impact our business.

The recently enacted Dodd-Frank Act institutes a wide range of reforms affecting all financial institutions, including WFNNB and WFCB. It covers changes to the prudential and financial regulatory systems, enhanced bank capital requirements, new rules for consumers in financial transactions, and the creation of a new federal agency to enforce consumer and fair lending laws. The Dodd-Frank Act also includes provisions for governance and executive compensation standards and disclosures for public companies and preemption of state consumer financial laws currently accorded federal preemption. The impact of the Dodd-Frank Act on our business and the operations of our financial institutions will be reduced as well.

The Dodd-Frank Act requires a study by the Comptroller General of the United States on whether to eliminate the exceptions to the definition of "bank" under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 for credit card banks, industrial loan companies, trust companies, and other financial associations; the results of the study must be submitted to Congress within 180 days of enactment of the Dodd-Frank Act. Any subsequent legislation eliminating the exceptions for credit card banks and industrial loan companies could adversely impact our business.

The Dodd-Frank Act will also increase the regulation of the securitization market, including things, requiring securitizers and originators to retain an economic interest in the assets and risk for any asset that they securitize or originate and giving broader powers to credit rating agencies and adopt regulations governing these organizations. The effect of the Dodd-Frank Act and its implementing regulations is uncertain, and it may impact our ability and desire to issue asset-backed securities.

Many provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act require the adoption of regulations. The Dodd-Frank Act mandates multiple studies, which could result in additional regulatory action. The full impact of the Dodd-Frank Act on our business is not discernible until regulations implementing the statute are written and adopted. The impact imposed by the Dodd-Frank Act may have a material adverse impact on our business operations and financial condition.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

On January 27, 2010, our Board of Directors authorized a new stock repurchase program of up to \$275.1 million of our outstanding common stock, from February 5, 2010, to February 5, 2010, subject to any restrictions under the terms of our credit agreements.

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The following table presents information with respect to those purchases during the three months ended June 30, 2010:

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased⁽¹⁾	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number Purchased a Publicly Ann Plans or Pr
During 2010:			
April 1-30	1,358	\$ 70.74	
May 1-31	1,787	71.70	
June 1-30	189,499	60.33	
Total	192,644	\$ 60.51	

⁽¹⁾ During the period represented by the table, 4,644 shares of our common stock were purchased by the administrator of our 401(k) and Retirement Saving Plan for the benefit of participants who participated in that portion of the plan.

⁽²⁾ On January 27, 2010, our Board of Directors authorized a new stock repurchase program to acquire up to \$275.1 million of our outstanding common stock, from January 27, 2010 to December 31, 2010, subject to any restrictions under the terms of our repurchase program, or otherwise.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

None

Item 4. (Removed and Reserved).

Item 5. Other Information.

(a) None

(b) None

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Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 3.1 to our Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on March 3, 2000, File No. 333-94623).
3.2	Second Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 3.2 to our Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on March 3, 2000, File No. 333-94623).
3.3	First Amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 3.3 to our Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on May 4, 2001, File No. 333-94623).
3.4	Second Amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 3.4 to our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on April 1, 2002, File No. 001-15749).
3.5	Third Amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 3.2 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 18, 2009, File No. 001-15749).
3.6	Fourth Amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 3.2 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 11, 2009, File No. 001-15749).
4	Specimen Certificate for shares of Common Stock of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4 to our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 8, 2003, File No. 001-15749).
10.1	Sixth Amendment to Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated as of June 9, 2010, between WFN Credit Company, LLC and World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 9, 2010, File No. 001-15749).
10.2	Third Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of June 21, 2010, between Alliance Data Systems Corporation and certain subsidiaries of Alliance Data Systems Corporation and certain subsidiaries of Alliance Data Systems Corporation, Guarantors, Bank of Montreal, as Administrative Agent and certain banks (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on June 21, 2010, File No. 333-113669).
10.3	First Amendment to Term Loan Agreement, dated as of June 21, 2010, between Alliance Data Systems Corporation and certain subsidiaries of Alliance Data Systems Corporation, Guarantors, Bank of Montreal, as Administrative Agent and certain banks (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.2 to our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on June 21, 2010, File No. 333-113669).
10.4	Supplemental Indenture No. 4 to Master Indenture, dated as of June 30, 2010, between World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 30, 2010, File Nos. 333-113669 and 333-60418).

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Exhibit No.	Description
10.5	Form of Series 2010-A Indenture Supplement, dated as of June 28, 2010, among World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and WFN Credit Company, N.A. (incorporated by reference to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC by World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and WFN Credit Company, LLC on July 7, 2010, File Nos. 333-113669 and 333-60418).
10.6	Seventh Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Indenture Supplement, dated as of June 28, 2010, among World Financial Network National Bank, WFN Credit Company, LLC and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC by World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and WFN Credit Company, LLC on July 7, 2010, File Nos. 333-113669 and 333-60418).
10.7	First Amendment to Receivables Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 30, 2010, between World Financial Network National Bank and World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and WFN Credit Company, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.3 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC by World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and WFN Credit Company, LLC on June 30, 2010, File Nos. 333-113669 and 333-60418).
10.8	Seventh Amendment to Transfer and Servicing Agreement, dated as of June 30, 2010, among World Financial Network National Bank, World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and WFN Credit Company, LLC, and World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and WFN Credit Company, LLC, by reference to Exhibit No. 4.4 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC by World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and WFN Credit Company, LLC on June 30, 2010, File Nos. 333-113669 and 333-60418).
*10.9	Amended and Restated Series 2009-VFN Indenture Supplement, dated as of June 24, 2010, between World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.
*10.10	Amended and Restated Series 2009-VFN Indenture Supplement, dated as of June 4, 2010, between World Financial Capital Master Note Trust and World Financial Capital Bank National Association.
*10.11	Amendment No. 1 to Receivables Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 30, 2010, between World Financial Capital Bank and World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and WFN Credit Company, LLC.
*10.12	Amendment No. 1 to Transfer and Servicing Agreement, dated as of June 30, 2010, among World Financial Capital Credit Company, LLC, World Financial Capital Bank and World Financial Capital Master Note Trust.
*10.13	Lease Agreement, dated as of May 19, 2010, between World Financial Network Credit Card Master Note Trust and ADS Alliance Data Systems, Inc.
*31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer of Alliance Data pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1934, as amended.
*31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer of Alliance Data pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1934, as amended.
*32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer of Alliance Data pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of the Massachusetts General Code.
*32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer of Alliance Data pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1934, as amended.

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Exhibit No.	Description
*101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
*101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
*101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
*101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
*101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
*101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

* Filed herewith

+ Management contract, compensatory plan or arrangement

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the undersigned hereby certifies that it has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized officer or officers of the undersigned.

**ALLIANCE
CORPORATION**

By: /s/
President

Date: August 9, 2010

By: /s/
Executive

Date: August 9, 2010