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# PEOPLES BANCORP INC. REPORTS RECORD QUARTERLY NET INCOME

**MARIETTA, Ohio** - Peoples Bancorp Inc. ("Peoples") (NASDAQ: PEBO) today announced results for the quarter ended March 31, 2016. Net income totaled \$8.0 million for the first quarter of 2016, representing earnings per diluted common share of \$0.44. In comparison, earnings per diluted common share were \$0.14 for the fourth quarter of 2015 and a loss per diluted common share of \$0.04 was reported for the first quarter of 2015.

"We had a good start to the year. Our annualized loan growth for the quarter was in line with our expectations and our reported efficiency ratio was slightly better than our previously reported guidance. On the loan front, our consumer lending group had another strong quarter, especially the indirect business," said Chuck Sulerzyski, President and Chief Executive Officer. "We were able to generate positive operating leverage during the quarter compared to the first quarter of 2015, and expect to continue to do so as we proceed throughout 2016."

## **Statement of Operations Highlights:**

- Total revenue grew 2% compared to the fourth quarter of 2015.
  - Net interest income was relatively flat as compared to the fourth quarter of 2015.
  - Net interest margin, excluding net accretion income from acquisitions, was up slightly compared to the fourth quarter of 2015.
  - Non-interest income grew 8% compared to the fourth quarter of 2015, due largely to the annual performance-based insurance income recognized each year during the first quarter.
- Provision for loan losses was \$1.0 million for the quarter, due to the loan growth during the quarter and net charge-offs.
- Total non-interest expenses were \$26.3 million, which was up slightly compared to the linked quarter's core noninterest expenses.
  - The efficiency ratio for the first quarter of 2016 was 64.26%, compared to the first quarter of 2015 efficiency ratio of 68.78% when adjusted for non-core charges.
  - Positive operating leverage of 7% compared to the first quarter of 2015 as revenue grew 18%, and core non-interest expenses grew 11%.

# **Balance Sheet Highlights:**

- Period-end total loan balances grew at a 6% annualized rate compared to December 31, 2015.
  - Consumer loans grew at an 8% annualized rate for the quarter, led by 40% annualized growth in indirect lending.
  - Commercial loans grew at a 5% annualized rate for the quarter.
- Investment securities increased \$16.6 million compared to December 31, 2015 due primarily to an increase in the fair market value of available-for-sale securities.
- Asset quality was relatively stable during the quarter.
  - Net charge-offs for the quarter were consistent with the fourth quarter of 2015, excluding the charge-off recorded late last year for one large commercial relationship.
  - Nonperforming assets increased \$0.8 million, or 1.00% of total loans and OREO, during the quarter driven mainly by one loan going 90+ days past due.
  - Criticized loans, which are those categorized as watch, substandard or doubtful, decreased \$2.8 million, or 2%, during the quarter.

- Classified loans, which are those categorized as substandard or doubtful, decreased \$2.9 million, or 5%, during the quarter.
- Allowance for loan losses was 1.17% of originated loans, net of deferred fees and costs, at March 31, 2016, compared to 1.19% at December 31, 2015.
- Period-end deposit balances increased 2% compared to December 31, 2015.
  - Growth during the quarter was due primarily to seasonal growth in governmental deposits and savings accounts.
    Non-interest bearing deposits, as a percent of total deposits, were 28% at March 31, 2016.
- Purchased 279,770 common shares for \$5.3 million under the share repurchase program during the first quarter of 2016.

**Note:** The comparison of quarterly income statement and average balance sheet results between the first quarter of 2015 and the first quarter of 2016 was affected by the NB&T Financial Group, Inc. ("NB&T") acquisition, which closed March 6, 2015.

#### **Net Interest Income:**

Net interest income for the first quarter of 2016 was \$25.8 million, relatively flat compared to the fourth quarter of 2015 and 20% higher than the first quarter of 2015, while the net interest margin for these periods was 3.53%, 3.56% and 3.46%, respectively. The growth in net interest income for the first quarter of 2016, compared to the first quarter of 2015, was due largely to the impact of the NB&T acquisition. The accretion income, net of amortization expense, from the acquisitions was \$1.0 million for the first quarter of 2016, compared to \$1.2 million for both the fourth and first quarters of 2015, which added 12 basis points, 16 basis points and 18 basis points, respectively, to the net interest margin. Net interest margin, excluding net accretion income from acquisitions, improved 1 basis point compared to the first quarter of 2015 and 13 basis points compared to the first quarter of 2015. The improvement compared to the first quarter of 2015 was due to the continued shift in the mix of deposits from high cost funding, such as certificates of deposit, to core deposits, and the resulting reduction in funding costs.

#### **Provision for Loan Losses:**

For the first quarter of 2016, provision for loan losses was \$1.0 million, which included a provision for loan losses of \$0.9 million and a provision for checking account overdrafts of \$0.1 million. The loan growth experienced during the quarter, coupled with the net charge-offs recorded, accounted for the provision for loan losses during the quarter. Provision for loan losses was \$7.2 million for the fourth quarter of 2015 and \$0.4 million for the first quarter of 2015. The provision for loan losses recorded for the fourth quarter of 2015 was due primarily to the charge-off associated with one large commercial loan relationship.

#### **Non-interest Income:**

Total non-interest income grew \$1.0 million, or 8%, compared to the linked quarter, and grew \$1.5 million, or 13%, compared to the first quarter of 2015. The growth for the quarter compared to the linked quarter was due largely to the annual performance-based insurance income, which, for the most part, is recognized in the first quarter of each year. The growth in total non-interest income compared to the first quarter of 2015 was due to growth in almost all categories, most notably electronic banking income, trust and investment income, and deposit account service charges, with growth of 28%, 16% and 13% for the quarter, respectively. The growth compared to the first quarter of 2015 was due largely to the impact of the NB&T acquisition.

#### **Non-interest Expense:**

Total non-interest expense, on an as reported basis, for the first quarter of 2016 was \$26.3 million, compared to \$27.3 million for the fourth quarter of 2015 and \$32.9 million for the first quarter of 2015. Total non-interest expense, adjusted for non-core charges, was \$26.0 million for the fourth quarter of 2015 and \$23.6 million for the first quarter of 2015, with total non-interest expense for the first quarter of 2016 representing an increase of 1% and 11%, respectively, over these amounts. The non-core acquisition-related costs recorded in the first quarter of 2015 of \$9.0 million were made up of \$4.0 million of salaries and employee benefits costs, \$3.6 million of other non-interest expense, and \$1.4 million of professional fees. The increase in core non-interest expenses compared to the linked quarter was due largely to the increase in salaries and employee benefits costs. Compared to the first quarter of 2015, the increase in core-non-interest expenses was due to growth in almost all categories, most notably salaries and employee benefits costs, net occupancy and equipment expenses, professional fees and amortization of intangible assets. The growth compared to the first quarter of 2015 was due largely to the NB&T acquisition.

The efficiency ratio for the first quarter of 2016 was 64.26%, compared to 67.94% for the linked quarter and 96.72% for the first quarter of 2015. The efficiency ratio, when adjusted for non-core charges was 64.69% for the linked quarter and 68.78% for the first quarter of 2015. The improvement in the efficiency ratio for the quarter compared to both the linked quarter and the first quarter of 2015 was the result of the revenue growth exceeding the increase in expenses. For the quarter, revenue grew 2%, compared to expenses increasing only 1%, and compared to the first quarter of 2015, revenue grew 18% compared to expenses increasing 11%.

#### Loans:

Period-end total loan balances increased \$32.7 million, or 6% annualized, compared to the December 31, 2015 balances. The growth was driven primarily by growth of \$19.1 million, or 8% annualized, in consumer loan balances. Indirect lending was the main contributor to the consumer loan growth during the quarter as balances grew \$16.7 million, or 40% annualized. Commercial loans grew \$13.5 million, or 5% annualized, with commercial and industrial loan growth of \$16.1 million more than offsetting a decrease in commercial real estate loans for the quarter. Compared to March 31, 2015, period-end loan balances increased \$113.9 million, or 6%, with the growth almost equally divided between consumer and commercial loan balances. The growth in consumer loans was driven by indirect lending, which grew \$60.2 million, or 49%. The growth in commercial loans was due to commercial and industrial loan growth of \$41.9 million, or 13%.

The mix of the loan portfolio has continually changed, with indirect lending accounting for 20% of the consumer loan portfolio at March 31, 2016, compared to 18% at December 31, 2015 and 14% at March 31, 2015. Similarly, within the commercial loan portfolio, commercial and industrial loans comprised 31% of the commercial portfolio at March 31, 2016, compared to 30% at December 31, 2015 and 29% at March 31, 2015.

Average gross loan balances for the quarter compared to the linked quarter increased \$31.5 million, or 2%, and increased \$375.0 million, or 22%, compared to the first quarter of 2015. The increase compared to the linked quarter was due mainly to an increase in commercial real estate and non-mortgage consumer loans. The increase compared to the prior year first quarter was due to the impact of the NB&T acquisition.

#### Asset Quality:

Overall, Peoples' asset quality trends during the quarter remained relatively stable. Net charge-offs were flat compared to the fourth quarter of 2015, excluding the impact of the \$13.1 million charge-off late last year related to one large commercial relationship. Compared to the first quarter of 2015, net charge-offs increased \$331,000. The annualized net charge-off rate for the first quarter of 2016 was 0.09%, compared to 2.64% for the fourth quarter of 2015 (excluding the \$13.1 million charge-off noted above, the rate was 0.11%) and 0.02% for the first quarter of 2015. The increase in the net charge-offs compared to the first quarter of 2015 was due largely to the growth experienced in the consumer loan portfolio.

Nonperforming assets increased \$0.8 million during the first quarter of 2016 driven mainly by one small loan going 90+ days past due. Compared to the first quarter of 2015, nonperforming assets increased \$7.4 million, due primarily to an increase in nonaccrual loans. The increase in nonaccrual loans was due to one large commercial real estate loan being placed on non-accrual status during the fourth quarter of 2015.

Criticized loans, which are those categorized as watch, substandard or doubtful, decreased \$2.8 million during the quarter and increased \$2.5 million compared to the first quarter of 2015. Classified loans, which are those categorized as substandard or doubtful, decreased \$2.9 million during the quarter and \$13.2 million compared to the first quarter of 2015. The decrease in classified loans compared to the first quarter of 2015 was due to the charge-off of one large commercial relationship during the fourth quarter of 2015.

At March 31, 2016, the allowance for loan losses was \$17.3 million, compared to \$16.8 million at December 31, 2015, with the increase of \$0.5 million due largely to loan growth. At quarter-end, the ratio of the allowance for loan losses as a percent of originated loans (which does not include acquired loan balances), net of deferred fees and costs, was 1.17%, down slightly from 1.19% reported for December 31, 2015 and 1.48% reported for March 31, 2015. The decrease compared to the ratio reported for March 31, 2015 was due to the build-up of reserves on the one commercial loan relationship noted above that was fully charged-off in the fourth quarter of 2015.

#### **Deposits:**

Period-end deposits increased \$51.1 million during the quarter, with the growth largely due to increases of \$37.3 million in governmental deposits and \$20.0 million in savings accounts. Balances in each of these account types normally are higher in the first quarter of each year compared to the other quarters. Compared to the first quarter of 2015, period-end deposits increased \$5.9 million, with the growth in non-interest-bearing deposits more than offsetting the slight decline in interest-bearing deposits balances. The increase in non-interest-bearing deposits was mainly due to growth of \$22.0

million in business demand accounts. The decline in interest-bearing deposit balances was due primarily to the \$59.7 million decrease in certificates of deposit, both retail and brokered, which was partially offset by growth of \$28.1 million in savings accounts and \$25.9 million in interest-bearing demand accounts.

Non-interest bearing deposits, as a percent of total deposits, remained consistent with December 31, 2015 at 28%, and increased from 27% at March 31, 2015.

Average deposits for the quarter compared to the linked quarter increased \$35.3 million, and increased \$465.6 million compared to first quarter of 2015. The increase compared to the linked quarter was due mainly to growth in governmental deposits, savings accounts and interest-bearing demand accounts. The increase compared to the prior year first quarter was due to the NB&T acquisition not occurring until late in the quarter.

Peoples Bancorp Inc. is a diversified financial services holding company with \$3.3 billion in total assets, 82 locations, including 74 full-service bank branches, and 81 ATMs in Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky. Peoples makes available a complete line of banking, investment, insurance and trust solutions through its subsidiaries - Peoples Bank and Peoples Insurance Agency, LLC. Peoples' common shares are traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market® under the symbol "PEBO", and Peoples is a member of the Russell 3000 index of U.S. publicly-traded companies. Learn more about Peoples at www.peoplesbancorp.com.

## Conference Call to Discuss Earnings:

Peoples will conduct a facilitated conference call to discuss first quarter 2016 results of operations today at 11:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, with members of Peoples' executive management participating. Analysts, media and individual investors are invited to participate in the conference call by calling (866) 890-9285. A simultaneous webcast of the conference call audio will be available online via the "Investor Relations" section of Peoples' website, www.peoplesbancorp.com. Participants are encouraged to call or sign in at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled conference call time to ensure participation and, if required, to download and install the necessary software. A replay of the call will be available on Peoples' website in the "Investor Relations" section for one year.

#### Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This news release contains financial information and performance measures determined by methods other than in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). Management uses these "non-GAAP" financial measures in its analysis of Peoples' performance and the efficiency of its operations. Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide a greater understanding of ongoing operations and enhance comparability of results with prior periods and peers. These disclosures should not be viewed as substitutes for financial measures determined in accordance with GAAP, nor are they necessarily comparable to non-GAAP financial measures that may be presented by other companies. Below is a listing of the non-GAAP financial measures used in this news release:

- Core non-interest expenses are non-GAAP since they exclude the impact of acquisition-related costs, pension settlement charges, severance charges, search firm fees and legal settlement charges.
- Efficiency ratio is calculated as non-interest expense (less intangible amortization) as a percentage of fully taxequivalent net interest income plus non-interest income. This measure is non-GAAP since it excludes amortization of other intangible assets and all gains and/or losses included in earnings, and uses fully taxequivalent net interest income.
- Tangible assets, tangible equity and tangible book value per common share measures are non-GAAP since they exclude the impact of intangible assets acquired through acquisitions on both total stockholders' equity and total assets and the related amortization from earnings.
- Pre-provision net revenue is defined as net interest income plus non-interest income minus non-interest expense. This measure is non-GAAP since it excludes provision for loan losses and all gains and/or losses included in earnings.

A reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is included at the end of this news release under the caption of "Non-GAAP Financial Measures".

#### Safe Harbor Statement:

Certain statements made in this news release regarding Peoples' financial condition, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance and business, are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are identified by the fact they are not historical facts and include words such as "anticipate", "estimate", "may", "feel", "expect", "believe", "plan", "will", "would", "should", "could" and similar expressions.

These forward-looking statements reflect management's current expectations based on all information available to management and its knowledge of Peoples' business and operations. Additionally, Peoples' financial condition, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance and business are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially. These factors include, but are not limited to: (1) the success, impact, and timing of the implementation of Peoples' business strategies, including the successful integration of recently-completed acquisitions and the expansion of consumer lending activity; (2) Peoples' ability to integrate any future acquisitions may be unsuccessful, or may be more difficult, time-consuming or costly than expected; (3) Peoples may issue equity securities in connection with future acquisitions, which could cause ownership and economic dilution to Peoples' current shareholders; (4) local, regional, national and international economic conditions and the impact they may have on Peoples, its customers and its counterparties, and Peoples' assessment of the impact, which may be different than anticipated; (5) competitive pressures among financial institutions or from non-financial institutions may increase significantly, including product and pricing pressures, third-party relationships and revenues, and Peoples' ability to attract, develop and retain qualified professionals; (6) changes in the interest rate environment due to economic conditions and/or the fiscal policies of the United States ("U.S.") government and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve Board"), which may adversely impact interest rates, interest margins and interest rate sensitivity; (7) changes in prepayment speeds, loan originations, levels of nonperforming assets, delinquent loans and charge-offs, which may be less favorable than expected and adversely impact the amount of interest income generated; (8) adverse changes in the economic conditions and/or activities, including, but not limited to, continued economic uncertainty in the U.S., the European Union, Asia, and other areas, which could decrease sales volumes and increase loan delinquencies and defaults; (9) legislative or regulatory changes or actions, promulgated and to be promulgated thereunder by governmental and regulatory agencies in the State of Ohio, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Reserve Board and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, which may subject Peoples, its subsidiaries, or one or more acquired companies to a variety of new and more stringent legal and regulatory requirements which adversely affect their respective businesses, including in particular the rules and regulations promulgated and to be promulgated under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010; (10) deterioration in the credit quality of Peoples' loan portfolio, which may adversely impact the provision for loan losses; (11) changes in accounting standards, policies, estimates or procedures which may adversely affect Peoples' reported financial condition or results of operations; (12) Peoples' assumptions and estimates used in applying critical accounting policies, which may prove unreliable, inaccurate or not predictive of actual results; (13) adverse changes in the conditions and trends in the financial markets, including political developments, which may adversely affect the fair value of securities within Peoples' investment portfolio, the interest rate sensitivity of Peoples' consolidated balance sheet, and the income generated by Peoples' trust and investment activities; (14) Peoples' ability to receive dividends from its subsidiaries; (15) Peoples' ability to maintain required capital levels and adequate sources of funding and liquidity; (16) the impact of new minimum capital thresholds established as a part of the implementation of Basel III; (17) the impact of larger or similar sized financial institutions encountering problems, which may adversely affect the banking industry and/or Peoples' business generation and retention, funding and liquidity; (18) the costs and effects of regulatory and legal developments, including the outcome of potential regulatory or other governmental inquiries and legal proceedings and results of regulatory examinations; (19) Peoples' ability to secure confidential information through the use of computer systems and telecommunications networks, including those of Peoples' third-party vendors and other service providers, may prove inadequate, which could adversely affect customer confidence in Peoples and/or result in Peoples incurring a financial loss; (20) the overall adequacy of Peoples' risk management program; (21) the impact on Peoples' businesses, as well as on the risks described above, of various domestic or international military or terrorist activities or conflicts; and (22) other risk factors relating to the banking industry or Peoples as detailed from time to time in Peoples' reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including those risk factors included in the disclosures under the heading "ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS" of Peoples' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

Peoples encourages readers of this news release to understand forward-looking statements to be strategic objectives rather than absolute targets of future performance. Peoples undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this news release or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated

events, except as required by applicable legal requirements. Copies of documents filed with the SEC are available free of charge at the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov and/or from Peoples' website.

As required by U.S. GAAP, Peoples is required to evaluate the impact of subsequent events through the issuance date of its March 31, 2016 consolidated financial statements as part of its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to be filed with the SEC. Accordingly, subsequent events could occur that may cause Peoples to update its critical accounting estimates and to revise its financial information from that which is contained in this news release.

	Three Months Ended											
	Μ	arch 31,	De	cember 31,	N	Aarch 31,						
		2016		2015		2015						
PER COMMON SHARE:	_											
Earnings (loss) per common share:												
Basic	\$	0.44	\$	0.14	\$	(0.04)						
Diluted		0.44		0.14		(0.04)						
Cash dividends declared per common share		0.15		0.15		0.15						
Book value per common share		23.60		22.81		22.82						
Tangible book value per common share (a)		15.39		14.68		14.53						
Closing stock price at end of period	\$	19.54	\$	18.84	\$	23.64						
SELECTED RATIOS:												
Return on average stockholders' equity (b)	-	7.59%		2.42 %		(0.78)%						
Return on average assets (b)		0.98%		0.32 %		(0.10)%						
Efficiency ratio (c)		64.26%		67.94 %		96.72 %						
Pre-provision net revenue to average assets (b)(d)		1.54%		1.31 %		— %						
Net interest margin (b)(e)		3.53%		3.56 %		3.46 %						
Dividend payout ratio (f)		34.37%		106.58 %		N/A						

### PER COMMON SHARE DATA AND SELECTED RATIOS

(a) This amount represents a non-GAAP financial measure since it excludes the balance sheet impact of intangible assets acquired through

acquisitions on stockholders' equity. Additional information regarding the calculation of this ratio is included at the end of this news release. (b) Ratios are presented on an annualized basis.

(c) Non-interest expense (less amortization of other intangible assets) as a percentage of fully tax-equivalent net interest income plus non-interest income. This amount represents a non-GAAP financial measure since it excludes amortization of other intangible assets, and net gains or losses on security transactions, debt extinguishment, loans held-for-sale and other real estate owned, and other assets and uses the fully tax-equivalent net interest income. Additional information regarding the calculation of this ratio is included at the end of this news release.

- (d) This ratio represents a non-GAAP financial measure since it excludes the recovery of or provision for loan losses and net gains or losses on security transactions, debt extinguishment, loans held-for-sale and other real estate owned, and other assets. This measure is a key metric used by federal bank regulatory agencies in their evaluation of capital adequacy for financial institutions. Additional information regarding the calculation of this ratio is included at the end of this news release.
- (e) Information presented on a fully tax-equivalent basis.
- (f) Dividends declared on common shares as a percentage of net income.

	Three Months Ended								
	Μ	larch 31,	D	ecember 31,	Μ	larch 31,			
(in \$000's)		2016		2015		2015			
Total interest income	\$	28,443	\$	28,430	\$	24,159			
Total interest expense		2,676		2,566		2,740			
Net interest income		25,767		25,864		21,419			
Provision for loan losses		955		7,238		350			
Net interest income after provision for loan losses		24,812		18,626		21,069			
Net gain on investment securities		96		56		600			
Loss on debt extinguishment		_				(520)			
Net loss on loans held-for-sale and other real estate									
owned		(1)		(398)		(8)			
Net loss on other assets		(30)		(100)		(575)			
Non-interest income:									
Insurance income		4,498		2,913		4,312			
Deposit account service charges		2,603		2,780		2,295			
Trust and investment income		2,382		2,489		2,047			
Electronic banking income		2,535		2,425		1,980			
Mortgage banking income		160		390		303			
Other non-interest income		876		1,104		571			
Total non-interest income		13,054		12,101		11,508			
Non-interest expense:									
Salaries and employee benefit costs		14,247		13,723		17,361			
Net occupancy and equipment expense		2,884		2,934		2,295			
Professional fees		1,459		1,753		2,447			
Electronic banking expense		1,433		1,448		1,124			
Amortization of other intangible assets		1,008		1,133		673			
Data processing and software expense		749		1,001		735			
Marketing expense		398		663		645			
Communication expense		628		564		502			
Franchise tax expense		538		416		548			
FDIC insurance expense		617		568		424			
Foreclosed real estate and other loan expenses		251		245		321			
Other non-interest expense		2,070		2,829		5,839			
Total non-interest expense		26,282		27,277		32,914			
Income (loss) before income taxes		11,649		3,008		(840)			
Income tax expense (benefit)	•	3,654	¢	425	¢	(151)			
Net income (loss)	\$	7,995	\$	2,583	\$	(689)			
PER SHARE DATA:	~	A 44	¢		¢				
Earnings (loss) per common share – Basic	\$	0.44	\$ ¢	0.14	\$ ¢	(0.04)			
Earnings (loss) per common share – Diluted	\$	0.44	\$ ¢	0.14	\$ ¢	(0.04)			
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$	0.15	\$	0.15	\$	0.15			
Weighted-average common shares outstanding - Basic		8,071,746		18,142,997		5,802,334			
Weighted-average common shares outstanding - Dilute		8,194,990		18,278,272		5,930,235			
Actual common shares outstanding (end of period)	18	8,157,932		18,404,864	18	8,374,256			

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

CONSOLIDATED	BALANCE	SHEETS
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(in \$000's)	Ν	March 31, 2016	De	cember 31, 2015
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents:				
Cash and due from banks	\$	54,319	\$	53,663
Interest-bearing deposits in other banks		8,977		17,452
Total cash and cash equivalents		63,296		71,115
Available-for-sale investment securities, at fair value (amortized cost of				
\$785,544 at March 31, 2016 and \$780,304 at December 31, 2015)		802,194		784,701
Held-to-maturity investment securities, at amortized cost (fair value of				
\$46,202 at March 31, 2016 and \$45,853 at December 31, 2015)		44,866		45,728
Other investment securities, at cost		38,402		38,401
Total investment securities		885,462		868,830
Loans, net of deferred fees and costs		2,105,115		2,072,440
Allowance for loan losses		(17,261)		(16,779)
Net loans		2,087,854		2,055,661
Loans held for sale		950		1,953
Bank premises and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation		52,156		53,487
Goodwill		132,631		132,631
Other intangible assets		16,366		16,986
Other assets		56,214		58,307
Total assets	\$	3,294,929	\$	3,258,970
Liabilities				
Deposits:				
Non-interest-bearing deposits	\$	716,202	\$	717,939
Interest-bearing deposits	φ	1,870,881	φ	1,818,005
Total deposits		2,587,083		2,535,944
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Short-term borrowings		135,068		160,386
Long-term borrowings		113,188		113,670
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		31,104		29,181
Total liabilities		2,866,443		2,839,181
Stockholders' Equity				
Preferred stock, no par value, 50,000 shares authorized, no shares issued				
at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015				
Common stock, no par value, 24,000,000 shares authorized, 18,934,185 shares				
issued at March 31, 2016 and 18,931,200 shares issued at				
December 31, 2015, including shares in treasury		343,504		343,948
Retained earnings		96,037		90,790
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of deferred income taxes		7,592		(359)
Treasury stock, at cost, 831,018 shares at March 31, 2016 and				
586,686 shares at December 31, 2015		(18,647)		(14,590)
Total stockholders' equity		428,486		419,789
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	3,294,929	\$	3,258,970

# SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(in \$000's, end of period)		March 31, 2016	D	ecember 31, 2015	Se	ptember 30, 2015		June 30, 2015		March 31, 2015
Loan Portfolio										
Commercial real estate, construction	\$	81,381	\$	75,899	\$	81,076	\$	61,388	\$	54,035
Commercial real estate, other		728,199		736,276		710,630		742,532		741,409
Commercial and industrial		367,810		351,719		357,456		327,093		325,910
Residential real estate		565,749		565,555		571,132		565,768		574,375
Home equity lines of credit		107,701		106,429		105,767		103,991		101,713
Consumer		252,192		235,114		222,867		207,998		190,581
Deposit account overdrafts		2,083		1,448		1,317		3,263		3,146
Total loans	\$	2,105,115	\$	2,072,440	\$	2,050,245	\$	2,012,033	\$	1,991,169
Total acquired loans (a)	\$	627,819	\$	657,801	\$	694,436	\$	726,540	\$	770,204
Total originated loans	\$	1,477,296	\$	1,414,639	\$	1,355,809	\$	1,285,493	\$	1,220,965
Deposit Balances										
Non-interest-bearing deposits	\$	716,202	\$	717,939	\$	711,226	\$	681,357	\$	695,131
Interest-bearing deposits:										
Interest-bearing demand accounts		254,241		250,023		232,354		234,025		228,373
Retail certificates of deposit		439,460		448,992		461,398		480,687		494,896
Money market deposit accounts		395,022		394,119		393,472		395,788		402,257
Governmental deposit accounts		313,904		276,639		293,889		304,221		316,104
Savings accounts		434,381		414,375		404,676		410,371		406,276
Brokered certificates of deposit		33,873		33,857		33,841		38,123		38,104
Total interest-bearing deposits		1,870,881		1,818,005		1,819,630		1,863,215		1,886,010
Total deposits	\$	2,587,083	\$	2,535,944	\$	2,530,856	\$	2,544,572	\$	2,581,141
Asset Quality										
Nonperforming assets (NPAs):										
Loans 90+ days past due and accruing	\$	6,746	\$	5,969	\$	3,760	\$	3,165	\$	3,700
Nonaccrual loans	*	13,579	+	13,531	+	21,144	+	20,823	*	8,362
Total nonperforming loans (NPLs)		20,325		19,500		24,904		23,988		12,062
Other real estate owned (OREO)		<b>679</b>		733		1,566		1,322		1,548
Total NPAs	\$	21,004	\$	20,233	\$	26,470	\$		\$	13,610
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of NPLs (b)(c)	Ψ	84.92 %	-	86.05%		93.68%	_	76.05%		149.96%
NPLs as a percent of total loans (b)(c)		0.97 %		0.94%		1.21%		1.19%		0.60%
NPAs as a percent of total assets (b)(c)		0.97 /		0.947		0.82%		0.79%		0.007
NPAs as a percent of total loans and OREO (b)(c)		0.04 / 1.00 %		0.98%		1.29%		1.25%		0.427
*		1.00 /	0	0.967	0	1.297	0	1.2370		0.087
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of originated			,	1 100	,	1	,	1 100/		1 100
loans, net of deferred fees and costs (b)		1.17%	Ó	1.19%	0	1.72%	Ó	1.42%		1.48%
Capital Information (d)		12 100	,	10.0 (0	,	10.150	<i>,</i>	10 - 10/	1	10 500
Common Equity Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio		13.10%		13.36%		13.45%		13.74%		13.78%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio		13.41%		13.67%		13.77%		14.06%		14.10%
Total risk-based capital ratio (Tier 1 and Tier 2)		14.29%		14.54%		14.97%		15.04%		15.04%
Leverage ratio		9.45%	, O	9.52%	6	9.57%		9.50%		11.30%
Common Equity Tier 1 capital	\$	288,787	\$	288,416	\$	287,020	\$	285,680	\$	290,511
Tier 1 capital		295,569		295,151		293,705		292,316		297,097
Total capital (Tier 1 and Tier 2)		314,896		313,974		319,277		312,773		317,057
Total risk-weighted assets	\$		\$	2,158,713	\$	2,133,399	\$	2,079,341	\$	2,107,617
Tangible equity to tangible assets (e)	+	8.88%		8.69%		8.88%		8.73%		8.61%
) Includes all loans acquired in 2012 and thereafter		5,000 /		0.077	-	5.007		5.7270		5.017

(a) Includes all loans acquired in 2012 and thereafter.

(b) Data presented as of the end of the period indicated.

(c) Nonperforming loans include loans 90+ days past due and accruing, renegotiated loans and nonaccrual loans. Nonperforming assets include nonperforming loans and other real estate owned.

(d) March 31, 2016 data based on preliminary analysis and subject to revision.

(e) This ratio represents a non-GAAP financial measure since it excludes the balance sheet impact of intangible assets acquired through acquisitions on both total stockholders' equity and total assets. Additional information regarding the calculation of this ratio is included at the end of this news release.

	Three Months Ended											
	N	Iarch 31,	Dee	cember 31,	Μ	arch 31,						
(in \$000's)		2016		2015		2015						
Provision for Loan Losses												
Provision for loan losses	\$	858	\$	7,100	\$	250						
Provision for checking account overdrafts		97		138		100						
Total provision for loan losses	\$	955	\$	7,238	\$	350						
Net Charge-Offs												
Gross charge-offs	\$	2,003	\$	14,066	\$	584						
Recoveries		1,530		364		442						
Net charge-offs	\$	473	\$	13,702	\$	142						
Net Charge-Offs (Recoveries) by Type												
Commercial real estate, construction	\$	—	\$		\$							
Commercial real estate, other		(1,136)		107		(45)						
Commercial and industrial		1,012		13,145		(13)						
Residential real estate		139		(14)		71						
Home equity lines of credit		3		(3)		43						
Consumer		362		295		1						
Deposit account overdrafts		93		172		85						
Total net charge-offs	\$	473	\$	13,702	\$	142						
As a percent of average gross loans (annualized)		0.09%	•	2.64%		0.02%						

# PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES INFORMATION

# SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

(in \$000's, end of period)	N	March 31, 2016	De	cember 31, 2015	Sej	ptember 30, 2015	June 30, 2015	Ν	March 31, 2015
Trust assets under management	\$	1,254,824	\$	1,275,253	\$	1,261,112	\$ 1,303,792	\$	1,319,423
Brokerage assets under management		706,314		664,153		621,242	641,412		566,635
Mortgage loans serviced for others	\$	383,531	\$	390,398	\$	387,200	\$ 392,625	\$	386,261
Employees (full-time equivalent)		821		817		821	831		847

# CONSOLIDATED AVERAGE BALANCE SHEETS AND NET INTEREST INCOME

				Three M	lonths End	ed			
	Ma	rch 31, 2016	í.	Decer	mber 31, 20	)15	Mar	ch 31, 2015	5
(in \$000's)	Balance	Income/ Expense	Yield/ Cost	Balance	Income/ Expense	Yield/ Cost	Balance	Income/ Expense	Yield/ Cost
Assets									
Short-term investments	\$ 12,436	\$ 16	0.52%	\$ 12,840	\$ 8	0.25%	\$ 62,858	\$ 37	0.23%
Other long-term investments		_	_%	1,096	2	0.72%	1,345	3	0.90%
Investment securities (a)(b)	875,644	5,926	2.71%	880,938	5,911	2.68%	758,262	5,324	2.81%
Gross loans (b)(c)(d)	2,091,739	23,009	4.38%	2,060,268	23,024	4.41%	1,716,774	19,204	4.48%
Allowance for loan losses	(16,845)			(22,867)	)		(17,888)		
Total earning assets	2,962,974	28,951	3.90%	2,932,275	28,945	3.91%	2,521,351	24,568	3.90%
Intangible assets	149,528			150,717			121,556		
Other assets	160,133			157,612			121,330		
Total assets	\$ 3,272,635			\$ 3,240,604			\$ 2,764,237		
Liabilities and Equity									
Interest-bearing deposits:									
Savings accounts	\$ 421,797	\$ 56	0.05%	\$ 409,827	\$ 55	0.05%	\$ 326,385	\$ 43	0.05%
Government deposit accounts	298,685	147	0.20%	284,079	147	0.21%	211,607	123	0.24%
Interest-bearing demand accounts	251,341	45	0.07%	239,627	43	0.07%	181,322	39	0.09%
Money market deposit accounts	398,515	160	0.16%	393,219	158	0.16%	350,455	140	0.16%
Brokered certificates of deposits	33,875	315	3.75%	33,849	318	3.73%	38,434	352	3.71%
Retail certificates of deposit	454,224	878	0.78%	456,516	769	0.67%	444,602	862	0.78%
Total interest-bearing deposits	1,858,437	1,601	0.35%	1,817,117	1,490	0.33%	1,552,805	1,559	0.41%
Short-term borrowings	135,689	87	0.26%	141,081	74	0.21%	84,828	35	0.17%
Long-term borrowings	113,370	988	3.50%	114,148	1,002	3.50%	178,356	1,146	2.59%
Total borrowed funds	249,059	1,075	1.74%	255,229	1,076	1.68%	263,184	1,181	1.81%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	2,107,496	2,676	0.51%	2,072,346	2,566	0.49%	1,815,989	2,740	0.61%
Non-interest-bearing deposits	710,297			716,339			550,318		
Other liabilities	31,299			29,218			39,692		
Total liabilities	2,849,092			2,817,903			2,405,999		
Stockholders' equity	423,543			422,701			358,238		
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 3,272,635			\$ 3,240,604			\$ 2,764,237		
Net interest income/spread (b)		\$ 26,275	3.39%		\$ 26,379	3.42%		\$ 21,828	3.29%
Net interest margin (b)			3.53%			3.56%			3.46%

(a) Average balances are based on carrying value.

(b) Interest income and yields are presented on a fully tax-equivalent basis using a 35% federal statutory tax rate.

(c) Average balances include nonaccrual and impaired loans. Interest income includes interest earned on nonaccrual loans prior to the loans being placed on nonaccrual status. Loan fees included in interest income were immaterial for all periods presented.

(d) Loans held for sale are included in the average loan balances. Related interest income on loans originated for sale prior to the loan being sold is included in loan interest income.

# NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

The following non-GAAP financial measures used by Peoples provide information useful to investors in understanding Peoples' operating performance and trends, and facilitate comparisons with the performance of Peoples' peers. The following tables summarize the non-GAAP financial measures derived from amounts reported in Peoples' consolidated financial statements:

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>											
	Μ	arch 31,	Dec	ember 31,	M	arch 31,						
(in \$000's)		2016		2015	2015							
Core non-interest expenses:												
Total non-interest expense	\$	26,282	\$	27,277	\$	32,914						
Less: acquisition-related costs		_		838		9,044						
Less: pension settlement charges		_		5		269						
Less: other non-core charges		_		407		_						
Core non-interest expenses	\$	26,282	\$	26,027	\$	23,601						
Core non-interest expenses	\$	26,282	\$	26,027	\$							

		Т	Three	Months Ende	ed	
	1	March 31,	D	ecember 31,	I	March 31,
(in \$000's)		2016		2015		2015
Efficiency ratio:						
Total non-interest expense		26,282		27,277		32,914
Less: Amortization of intangible assets		1,008		1,133		673
Adjusted non-interest expense		25,274		26,144		32,241
Total non-interest income		13,054		12,101		11,508
Net interest income		25,767		25,864		21,419
Add: Fully tax-equivalent adjustment	\$	508	\$	515	\$	409
Net interest income on a fully taxable- equivalent basis	\$	26,275	\$	26,379	\$	21,828
Adjusted revenue	\$	39,329	\$	38,480	\$	33,336
Efficiency ratio		64.26%		67.94%		96.72%
Efficiency ratio adjusted for non-core charg	es:					
Core non-interest expenses	\$	26,282	\$	26,027	\$	23,601
Less: Amortization of intangible assets		1,008		1,133		673
Adjusted non-interest expense		25,274		24,894		22,928
Adjusted revenue	\$	39,329	\$	38,480	\$	33,336
Efficiency ratio adjusted for non-core charges		64.26%		64.69%		68.78%

	At or For the Three Months Ended												
	March 31, 2016		D	ecember 31,	Se	September 30,		June 30,		March 31,			
(in \$000's)			2015			2015		2015		2015			
Tangible Equity:													
Total stockholders' equity, as reported	\$	428,486	\$	419,789	\$	424,760	\$	418,164	\$	419,218			
Less: goodwill and other intangible assets		148,997		149,617		151,339		151,169		152,291			
Tangible equity	\$	279,489	\$	270,172	\$	273,421	\$	266,995	\$	266,927			
Tangible Assets:													
Total assets, as reported	\$	3,294,929	\$	3,258,970	\$	3,228,830	\$	3,210,425	\$	3,253,835			
Less: goodwill and other intangible assets		148,997		149,617		151,339		151,169		152,291			
Tangible assets	\$	3,145,932	\$	3,109,353	\$	3,077,491	\$	3,059,256	\$	3,101,544			
Tangible Book Value per Common Share:													
Tangible equity	\$	279,489	\$	270,172	\$	273,421	\$	266,995	\$	266,927			
Common shares outstanding		18,157,932		18,404,864		18,400,809		18,391,575		18,374,256			
Tangible book value per common share	\$	15.39	\$	14.68	\$	14.86	\$	14.52	\$	14.53			
Tangible Equity to Tangible Assets Ratio:													
Tangible equity	\$	279,489	\$	270,172	\$	273,421	\$	266,995	\$	266,927			
Tangible assets	\$	3,145,932	\$	3,109,353	\$	3,077,491	\$	3,059,256	\$	3,101,544			
Tangible equity to tangible assets		8.88%		8.69%		8.88%		8.73%		8.61%			

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>											
(in \$000's)		March 31, 2016	De	ecember 31, 2015	Ι	March 31, 2015						
Pre-Provision Net Revenue:												
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$	11,649	\$	3,008	\$	(840)						
Add: provision for loan losses		955		7,238		350						
Add: loss on debt extinguishment				_		520						
Add: net loss on loans held-for-sale and OREO		1		398		8						
Add: net loss on other assets		30		100		575						
Less: net gain on securities transactions		96		56		600						
Pre-provision net revenue	\$	12,539	\$	10,688	\$	13						
Pre-provision net revenue	\$	12,539	\$	10,688	\$	13						
Total average assets	\$	3,272,635	\$	3,240,604	\$	2,764,237						
Pre-provision net revenue to total average assets (annualized)		1.54%	, )	1.31%		%						

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