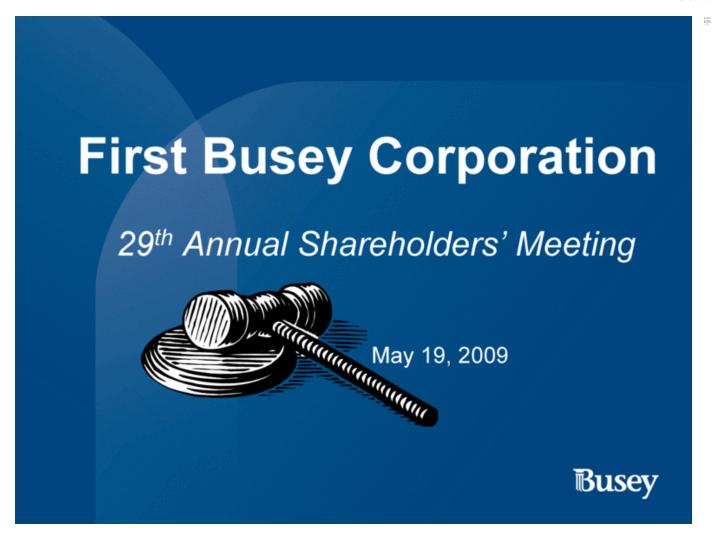
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Agenda

- Welcome
 - Douglas C. Mills, Chairman of the Board
- · Call to Order Affidavit of Mailing
- Introduction of Proxy Committee
- Proxy Issues
 - Election of 10 Directors & Non-Binding Advisory Proposal
- CEO Comments –
 Van A. Dukeman, President & CEO
- Questions & Answers
- · Coffee & Dessert Reception

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Election of Directors



Joseph M. Ambrose

Mr. Ambrose is President and Chief Executive Officer of Horizon Hobby, Inc.



David J. Downey

Mr. Downey is President of The Downey Group, Inc.

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Van A. Dukeman

Mr. Dukeman is the President and Chief Executive Officer of First Busey Corporation and Busey Bank.



David L. Ikenberry

Dr. Ikenberry is a Professor of Finance and Associate Dean for Executive Programs at the University of Illinois-Urbana.

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Election of Directors



E. Phillips Knox

Mr. Knox is an attorney with the firm Tummelson Bryan & Knox, LLP.



V. B. Leister, Jr.

Mr. Leister is Chairman of the Board of Carter's Furniture, Inc.

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Gregory B. Lykins

Mr. Lykins is Vice-Chairman of First Busey Corporation and serves on the Board of Directors of Busey Bank and Busey Wealth Management, Inc.



August C. Meyer, Jr.

Mr. Meyer is Chairman and President of Midwest Television, Inc.

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Douglas C. Mills

Mr. Mills is Chairman of First Busey Corporation and has been since its incorporation.



George T. Shapland

Mr. Shapland is President of Shapland Management Company.



Welcome

- Busey Bank Headquarters
 - "The Oculus"
- Rich Heritage
 - Stained glass original to the Trevett-Mattis Banking Company Building (1910)
 - Moved to University Ave. (1982)
 - Restored during remodel (2008)



"The Oculus"





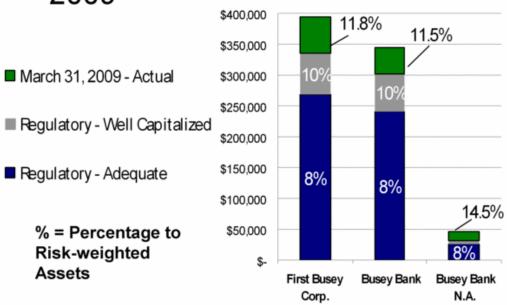
Liquidity & Capital

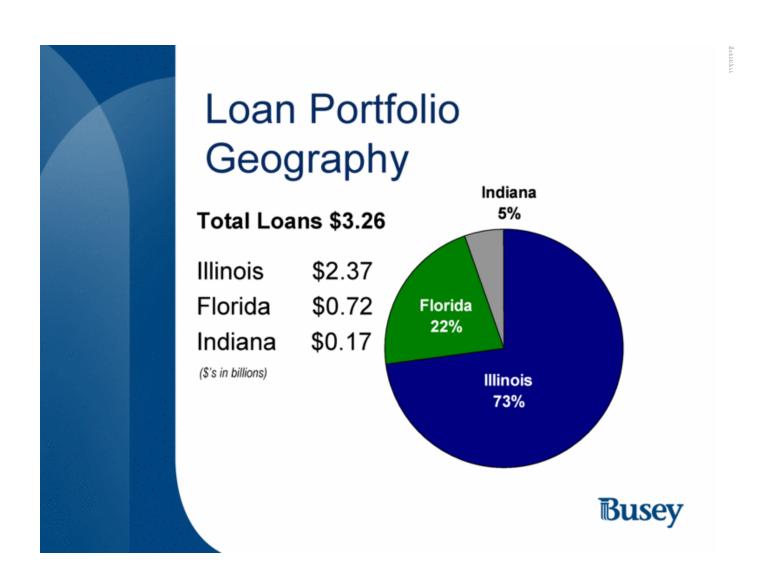
- Source of Strength
- Liquidity as of March 31, 2009
 - \$138.4M consolidated cash
 - Includes \$51.7M at parent company
 - Strong Liquidity Channel
 - Recent CD promotion generated approximately \$80M in one month.
- TARP

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Liquidity & Capital

 Regulatory Capital at March, 31 2009





Loan Portfolio Quality

Geographically:

Nonaccrual \$31.4 90+ <u>5.3</u> Illinois/Indiana \$36.7

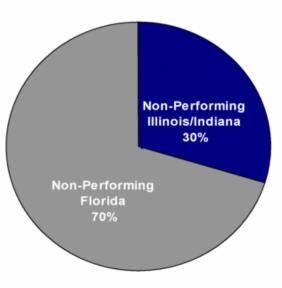
Nonaccrual \$74.1 90+ <u>10.4</u>

Florida \$84.5

Busey Bank:

Illinois/Indiana \$36.7 Florida 57.4

(\$'s in millions)



Busey Bank, N.A.

Florida \$27.1

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- Experienced Leadership in Florida
 - Tom Good, Bob Plecki, Don Monteith, John Waddock, Larry Johnson, Otis Scott. Rob Scharlau
- Formed Special Assets Committee
- Centralized Credit Process
- Enhanced Loss Mitigation Strategies
 - Enhanced collateral position; rate and term modification; lengthened amortization

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Executive Management Team

- Susan L. Abbott: EVP & Chief Retail Officer
- Daniel P. Daly: EVP, West Region President
- Thomas M. Good: EVP of Risk Management, President & Chief Executive Officer, Busey Bank, N.A.
- Donna R. Greene: President & Chief Executive Officer, Busey Wealth Management, Inc.
- Barbara J. Harrington: EVP & Chief Financial Officer
- Don A. Monteith: EVP, Special Assets
- Howard F. Mooney II: President & Chief Executive Officer, FirsTech, Inc.
- · Robert F. Plecki: EVP, Special Assets
- Christopher M. Shroyer: EVP, East Region President
- · N. John Waddock, Jr.: EVP & Chief Credit Officer
- David B. White: EVP & Chief Operating Tiggey



2009 Outlook

- Asset Quality
- Capital
- · State of Florida
- · State of the Midwest
- Future Provisioning
- Bank Merger Consideration





The Busey Strategy

- Key Elements:
 - Balance Sheet Strength, Profitability & Growth
 - One Busey
 - 4 Busey Pillars
 - Customer-Centricity
 - The Busey Promise

The Busey Promise x 4 Busey Pillars x Strategic Goals = The Busey Strategy.

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Questions & Answers

29th Annual Shareholders' Meeting

Please join us for a coffee & dessert reception following the Q&A session.

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