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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

#### WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2004

Commission file number 2-78572

# UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

63-0833573

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

200 East Nashville Avenue, Atmore, Alabama

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

36502

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(251) 368-2525

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period t was required to file such report(s), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yesb Noo

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o Nob

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer s classes of common stock as of August 6, 2004.

Class A Common Stock Class B Common Stock 2,217,330 Shares\* -0- Shares

\*Reflects two-for-one stock split effective June 30, 2004.

# UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.

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For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2004

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# PART 1 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# **Item 1. Financial Statements**

# United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and Subsidiary Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

	June 30, 2004 Unaudited	December 31, 2003 Audited
Assets: Cash and due from banks	\$ 11,335,005	\$ 9,901,225
Federal funds sold	8,572,187	14,546,400
Cash and cash equivalents Securities available for sale (amortized cost of \$58,261,890 and	\$ 19,907,192	\$ 24,447,625
\$52,908,801 respectively)	57,851,362	53,666,589
Loans	188,337,976	164,147,155
Allowance for loan losses	2,337,496	2,116,060
Net loans	186,000,480	162,031,095
Premises and equipment, net	7,473,165	7,581,389
Interest receivable and other assets	7,398,791	7,393,911
Total assets	278,630,990	255,120,609
Liabilities and Stockholders Equity: Deposits:		
Non-interest bearing	45,984,091	42,687,610
Interest bearing	176,017,925	156,717,972
Total deposits	222,002,016	199,405,582
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	16,155,653	13,495,670
Other borrowed funds	10,133,033	10,909,975
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	1,184,930	2,216,445
Note payable to Trust	4,124,000	4,124,000
Total liabilities	253,709,725	230,151,672

Stockholders equity: Class A common stock. Authorized 5,000,000 shares of \$.01 par value; 2,363,762 and 1,181,881 shares issued respectively Class B common stock of \$.01 par value. Authorized 250,000 shares; -0- shares issued and outstanding.	23,651 0	11,819 0
Preferred stock of \$.01 par value. Authorized 250,000 shares; -0-		
shares issued and outstanding.	0	0
Additional Paid in Capital	5,444,550	5,418,175
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax	(246,317)	454,671
Retained earnings	20,538,648	19,925,926
Less: 147,706 and 74,583 treasury shares, at cost, respectively	25,760,532 839,267	25,810,591 841,654
Total stockholders equity	24,921,265	24,968,937
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$278,630,990	\$255,120,609

# United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and Subsidiary Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings and Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June					Ionths Ended June	
	2004	2003	2004	2003			
Interest income: Interest and fees on loans Interest on investment securities available for sale:	\$ 2,902,448	\$2,832,079	\$5,590,990	\$5,587,687			
Taxable Nontaxable	299,800 256,223	261,742 226,480	602,868 507,450	572,437 467,151			
Total investment income Other interest income	556,023 23,647	488,222 34,833	1,110,318 50,773	1,039,588 50,875			
Total interest income Interest expense:	3,482,118	3,355,134	6,752,081	6,678,150			
Interest on deposits Interest on other borrowed funds	726,897 138,277	808,012 162,377	1,380,538 283,038	1,664,902 305,712			
Total interest expense	865,174	970,389	1,663,576	1,970,614			
Net interest income Provision for loan losses	2,616,944 180,000	2,384,745 162,704	5,088,505 360,000	4,707,536 348,704			
Net interest income after provision for loan losses Noninterest income:	2,436,944	2,222,041	4,728,505	4,358,832			
Service charge on deposits Commission on credit life Investment securities gains, net Other	586,878 22,003 20 139,142	508,337 24,800 151,892 216,302	1,175,120 35,700 3,288 330,645	993,666 33,575 292,208 427,943			
Total noninterest income Noninterest expense:	748,043	901,331	1,544,753	1,747,392			
Salaries and benefits Net occupancy expense Other	1,419,620 457,020 741,902	1,313,938 434,593 548,499	2,781,416 915,418 1,371,677	2,618,086 815,618 1,207,681			

Total non-interest expense Earnings before income tax expense Income tax expense	2,618,542 566,445 79,122	2,297,030 826,342 237,263	5,068,511 1,204,746 256,410	4,641,385 1,464,839 407,473
Net earnings	\$ 487,323	\$ 589,079	\$ 948,336	\$1,057,366
Basic earnings per share Diluted earnings per share Basic weighted average shares outstanding	\$ 0.22 \$ 0.22 2,214,779	\$ 0.27 \$ 0.27 2,173,796	\$ 0.43 \$ 0.43 2,214,719	\$ 0.49 \$ 0.48 2,173,696
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	2,217,128	2,189,120	2,217,068	2,189,542
Cash dividends per share	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.125	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.125
Statement of Comprehensive Income Net Income Other Comprehensive Income, net of tax:	487,323	589,079	\$ 948,336	\$1,057,366
Unrealized holding gain arising during the period	(1,129,997)	102,547	(700,988)	300,713
Less: Reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income.	12	151,892	1,961	292,208
Comprehensive income	\$ (642,686)	\$ 539,734	\$ 245,387	\$1,065,871

# United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and Subsidiary Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 (Unaudited)

	2004	2003
Operating Activities	¢ 040.226	1.057.266
Net Income	\$ 948,336	1,057,366
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		
Provided by Operating Activities Provision for Loan Losses	360,000	348,704
Depreciation on Premises and Equipment	411,491	368,527
Accretion of Investment Securities Available for Sale	94,777	112,313
Gain on Sale of Investment Securities Available for Sale	(3,288)	(292,208)
(Gain) Loss on Disposal of Premises and Equipment	(4,850)	(13,400)
(Increase) Decrease in Interest Receivable and Other Assets	(4,880)	86,022
Decrease in Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities	(564,190)	1,152,944
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	1,237,396	2,820,268
Investing Activities		
Proceeds From Sales of Investment Securities Available for Sale	1 500 200	6 166 260
Proceeds From Maturities of Investment Securities Available	1,500,300	6,466,368
for Sale	4,843,440	9,667,475
Purchases of Investment Securities Available for Sale	(11,788,315)	(12,831,628)
Net Increase in Loans	(24,329,385)	(4,893,205)
Purchases of Premises and Equipment	(319,521)	(1,162,401)
Proceeds From Sales of Premises and Equipment	21,104	13,400
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	(30,072,377)	(2,739,991)
Financing Activities		
Net Increase in Deposits	22,596,434	9,193,466
Net Increase in securities sold under agreement to repurchase	2,659,983	8,624,382
Cash Dividends	(332,215)	(271,725)
Net Transactions on Treasury Stock	(2,387)	4,712
Proceeds from sale of common stock	39,581	(2,120,(72))
Increase (Decrease) in Other Borrowed Funds	(666,848)	(2,139,672)
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	24,294,548	15,411,163
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(4 540 422)	15 401 440
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period	(4,540,433) 24,447,625	15,491,440 9,087,315
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Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$ 19,907,192	24,578,755
Supplemental disclosures Cash paid during the year for: Interest	\$ 1,672,764	\$ 2,050,259
Income Taxes	\$ 230,000	\$ 483,000
Noncash transactions Transfer of loans to other real estate through foreclosure	\$ 230,001	\$ 920,000

# UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY

# Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

# NOTE 1 General

This report includes interim consolidated financial statements of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. (the Corporation or the Company ) and its wholly-owned subsidiary, United Bank (the Bank ). The interim consolidated financial statements in this report have not been audited. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary to present fairly the financial position and the results of operations for the interim periods have been made. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. The results of operations are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations for the full year or any other interim periods. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003.

# NOTE 2 Net Earnings per Share

Basic net earnings per share was computed by dividing net earnings by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the three and six-month periods ended June 30, 2004 and 2003. Common stock outstanding consists of issued shares less treasury stock. Diluted net earnings per share for the three and six-month periods ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 were computed by dividing net earnings by the weighted average number of shares of common stock and the dilutive effects of the shares subject to options awarded under the Company s Stock Option Plan, based on the treasury stock method using an average fair market value of the stock during the respective periods. The earnings per share amount and average common shares and potential common stock outstanding have been restated or adjusted to reflect the two-for-one stock split effected as a 100% stock dividend as of June 30, 2004. Presented below is a summary of the components used to calculate diluted earnings per share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003:

	Three Months Ended June			nths Ended June
	2004	2003	2004	2003
Diluted earnings per share Weighted average common shares	\$ 0.2	2 \$ 0.27	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.48
outstanding Effect of the assumed exercise of stock options based on the treasury stock method using	2,214,77	9 2,173,796	2,214,719	2,173,696
average market price	2,34	9 15,324	2,349	15,846
Total weighted average common shares and potential common stock outstanding <sup>*</sup>	2,217,12	3 2,189,120	2,217,068	2,189,542

\*46,080 and 28,960 shares subject to outstanding options for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively, were not included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share, as the exercise price of these options was in excess of average market price.

# NOTE 3 Allowance for Loan Losses

The following table summarizes the activity in the allowance for loan losses for the six month periods ended June 30 (\$ in thousands):

	2004	2003
Balance at beginning of year Provision charged to expense Loans charged off Recoveries	2,117 360 188 49	2,117 349 215 45
Balance at end of period	2,338	2,296

At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the amounts of nonaccrual loans were \$1,331,976 and \$2,299,823, respectively.

# NOTE 4 Operating Segments

Statement of Financial Accounting Standard 131 (SFAS 131), *Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information*, establishes standards for the disclosure made by public business enterprises to report information about operating segments in annual financial statements and requires those enterprises to report selected information about operating segments in interim financial reports issued to shareholders. It also establishes standards for related disclosures about products and services, geographic areas, and major customers. The Corporation operates in only one segment commercial banking.

NOTE 5 New Accounting Standards

In December 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Interpretation No. 46 (revised December 2003) (FIN 46R), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities*, which addresses how a business enterprise should evaluate whether it has a controlling financial interest in an entity through means other than voting rights and accordingly should consolidate the entity. FIN 46R replaces No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities*, which was issued in January 2003. The Company will be required to apply FIN 46R to all entities subject to this interpretation no later than the end of the first reporting period that ends after December 15, 2004. This interpretation must be applied to those entities that are considered to be

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special-purpose entities no later than as of the end of the first reporting period that ended after December 15, 2003.

For any variable interest entities (VIEs) that must be consolidated under FIN No. 46R that were created before January 1, 2004, the assets, liabilities, and noncontrolling interests of the VIE initially would be measured at their carrying amounts with any difference between the net amount added to the balance sheet and any previously recognized interest being recognized as the cumulative effect of an accounting change. If determining the carrying amounts is not practicable, fair value at the date FIN No. 46R first applies may be used to measure the assets, liabilities and noncontrolling interest of the VIE.

The Company has applied FIN No. 46R in accounting for United Bancorp Capital Trust I (Trust), established on June 27, 2002. Accordingly, the accompanying balance sheet includes, in other assets, the Company s investment in the Trust of \$124,000 and also includes, in Note payable to Trust, the balance owed the Trust is \$4,124,000. Except as related to the Trust, the application of this interpretation is not expected to have a material effect on the Company s consolidated financial statements.

In May 2003, the FASB issued FASB Statement No. 150, *Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity*. This statement establishes standards for how an issuer classifies and measures certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. It requires that an issuer classify a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or an asset in some circumstances). Many of those instruments were previously classified as equity. The provisions of this statement are effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise are effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. It is implemented by reporting the cumulative effect of a change in an accounting principle for financial instruments created before May 15, 2003 and still existing at the beginning of the interim period of adoption. The adoption of this new standard did not have an impact on the consolidated financial position or results of operations of the Company.

In October 2003, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ( AICPA ) issued Statement of Position ( SOP ) 03-3, which addresses accounting for differences between contractual cash flows expected to be collected from an investor s initial investment in loans or debt securities (loans) acquired in a transfer if those differences are attributable, at least in part, to credit quality. It includes such loans acquired in purchase business combinations and applies to all nongovernmental entities, including not-for-profit organizations. This SOP does not apply to loans originated by the entity. This SOP limits the yield that may be accreted ( accretable yield ) to the excess of the investor s estimate of undiscounted expected principal, interest, and other cash flows (cash flows expected at acquisition to be collected) over the investor s initial investment in the loan. This SOP requires that the excess of contractual cash flows over cash flows expected to be collected ( nonaccretable difference ) not be recognized as an adjustment of yield, loss accrual, or valuation allowance. This SOP prohibits investors from displaying accretable yield and nonaccretable difference in the balance sheet. Subsequent increases in cash flows expected to be collected to b

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would be recognized as impairment. This SOP prohibits carrying over or creation of valuation allowances in the initial accounting of all loans acquired in a transfer that are within the scope of this SOP. The prohibition of the valuation allowance carryover applies to the purchase of an individual loan, a pool of loans, a group of loans, and loans acquired in a purchase business combination. This SOP is effective for loans acquired in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2004. Management is currently assessing the potential impact of this SOP to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

In March 2004, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) issued Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) 105, which summarizes the views of the staff regarding the application of generally accepted accounting principles to loan commitments accounted for as derivative instruments. The SAB requires that the fair value measurement of a loan commitment that is accounted for as a derivative includes only differences between the guaranteed interest rate in the loan commitment and a market interest rate, excluding any expected future cash flows related to the customer relationship or loan servicing. This SAB is effective for loan commitments entered into after March 31, 2004. The Company adopted SAB 105 on April 1, 2004, and the effect was not material.

NOTE 6 Stock Based Compensation

The Company applies the intrinsic value-based method of accounting prescribed by Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and related interpretations, in accounting for its fixed plan stock options. As such, compensation expense is recorded if the current market price on the date of grant of the underlying stock exceeds the exercise price.

Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 123 prescribes the recognition of compensation expense based on the fair value of options on the grant date and allows companies to apply APB No. 25 as long as certain pro forma disclosures are made assuming hypothetical fair value method application.

Had compensation expense for the Company s stock options been recognized based on the fair value on the grant date under the methodology prescribed by SFAS No. 123, the Company s net earnings and earnings per share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004, and 2003, would have been impacted as shown in the following table:

	For the three months ended June 30			F	or the six Jเ	month me 30	s ended	
	2	2004	2	2003	:	2004		2003
Reported net earnings Compensation expense, net of	\$48	37,323	\$58	89,079	\$94	48,336	\$1,0	)57,366
taxes		3,410		4,430		8,271		11,034
Pro forma net earnings	48	33,913	58	84,649	94	40,065	1,0	046,332
Reported basic earnings per share*	\$	0.22	\$	0.27	\$	0.43	\$	0.49
Pro forma basic earnings per share*	\$	0.22	\$	0.27	\$	0.42	\$	0.48
Reported diluted earnings per share*	\$	0.22	\$	0.27	\$	0.43	\$	0.48
Pro forma diluted earnings per share*	\$	0.22	\$	0.27	\$	0.42	\$	0.48

\*Reflects two-for-one stock split effective June 30, 2004.

# NOTE 7 Subsequent Events

On July 6, 2004, United Bank, the wholly owned subsidiary of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc., expanded into Florida. United Bank now offers full service banking in Jay, Florida and is evaluating expansion to additional branches in other areas of Florida.

# ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

# Critical Accounting Estimates

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require management to make estimates and assumptions. Management believes that its determination of the allowance for loan losses is a critical accounting policy and involves a higher degree of judgment and complexity than the Bank s other significant accounting policies. Further, these estimates can be materially impacted by changes in market conditions or the actual or perceived financial condition of the Bank s borrowers, subjecting the Bank to significant volatility of earnings.

The allowance for loan losses is regularly evaluated by management and reviewed by the Board of Directors for accuracy by taking into consideration factors such as changes in the nature and volume of the loan portfolio; trends in actual and forecasted portfolio credit quality, including delinquency, charge-off and bankruptcy rates; and current economic conditions that may affect a borrower s ability to pay. The use of different estimates or assumptions could produce different provisions for loan losses. The allowance for credit losses is established through the provision for loan losses, which is a charge against earnings.

# **Results of Operations**

The following financial review is presented to provide an analysis of the results of operations of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. (the Corporation ), and its principal subsidiary for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004, and 2003, compared. This review should be used in conjunction with the condensed consolidated financial statements included in the Form 10-Q.

Six Months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003, Compared

# Summary

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2004, decreased by \$109,030, or 10.31%, as compared to the same period in 2003.

# Net Interest Income

Total interest income increased \$73,931, or 1.11%, for the first six months of 2004 as compared to the same period in 2003. Average interest-earning assets were \$246,662,920 for the first six months of 2004, as compared to \$202,862,155 for the same period in 2003, an increase of \$43,800,765, or 21.59%. A substantial portion of the increase is due to increases in deposits by two existing Bank customers. The average rate earned on interest earning assets in 2004 was 5.24% as compared to 5.87% in 2003, reflecting the continuing impact of the decrease in rates by the Federal Reserve Board during previous years.

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Total interest expense decreased by \$307,038, or 15.58%, in 2004, when compared to the same period in 2003. Average interest bearing liabilities increased to \$197,366,640 in 2004 from \$174,574,745 in 2003, an increase of \$22,791,895, or 13.06%. The average rate paid fell to 1.69% in 2004 as compared to 2.26% in 2003.

This decrease in interest expense can be attributed primarily to higher interest rates paid in 2003 on slower repricing deposits, compared to lower rates paid on deposits which have repriced in 2004 at the current lower interest rates.

Net interest margin decreased to 4.38% for the first six months of 2004 as compared to 4.58% for the same period in 2003. This decrease is the result of the interest earning assets repricing faster than the interest bearing liabilities funding the portfolios.

#### Noninterest Income

Total noninterest income decreased \$202,639 or 11.60% for the first six months of 2004. Service charges on deposits increased \$181,454, or 18.26%, for the first six months of 2004. This increase is primarily due to an increase in insufficient fund charges on checks, which increased \$154,692 or 21.98%. Gains on sale of investments decreased by \$288,920 in 2004, compared to 2003, when management elected capture the gains on securities given management s assessment of a high probability that these interest bearing securities would be called at par in future periods. Commissions on credit life insurance increased \$2,125 in 2004, or 6.33% as compared to 2003. Other income decreased during the first six months of 2004 by \$97,298 or 22.74%. This decrease is partially attributed to a decrease of \$37,720 in mortgage origination fees in 2004, and a gain on the sale of other real estate owned of \$27,500 in 2003.

# Noninterest Expense

Total noninterest expense increased \$427,126, or 9.20% during the first six months of 2004 as compared to 2003. Salaries and benefits increased \$163,330 or 6.24% in the first six months of 2004 primarily due to the addition of two new branches. Occupancy expense increased \$99,800 or 12.24%, as the Bank continues expansion into new markets. Other expenses increased \$163,996, or 13.58%, during the first six months of 2004. This increase is due in part to increased legal fees incurred during the quarter and subsequently reimbursed by insurance, as well as increased marketing expenses promoting the celebration of the Bank s 100th anniversary.

# Provision for Loan Losses

The provision for loan losses totaled \$360,000 for the first six months of 2004 as compared to \$348,704 for the same period in 2003. This slight increase is due to the growth in the loan portfolio. See further discussion under Allowance for Loan Losses below.

# Income Taxes

Earnings before taxes for the first six months of 2004 were \$1,204,746 as compared to \$1,464,839 for the first six months of 2003, a decrease of \$260,093, or 17.76%. Income tax expense for the first six months decreased by \$151,063, to \$256,410 or by 37.07%, when compared to \$407,473 the same period in 2003. The effective tax rate decreased to 21.28% from 27.82%. This decrease is due to increases in nontaxable income as the Bank reduced its income tax expense.

Three Months Ended June 30, 2004, and 2003, Compared

# Summary

Net income for the three months ended June 30, 2004 decreased \$101,756, or 17.27%.

# Net Interest Income

Total interest income increased \$126,984, or 3.78%, in the second quarter of 2004 as compared to 2003. Average interest-earning assets were \$254,255,961 for the second three months of 2004, as compared to \$225,172,019 for the same period in 2003, an increase of \$29,083,942, or 12.92%. A substantial portion of the increase is due to increases in deposits by two existing Bank customers. The average rate earned during the second quarter of 2004 was 5.48% as compared to 5.96% in 2003, reflecting the continuing impact of the decrease in rates by the Federal Reserve Board during previous years, as loans and investments continued to reprice in the lower rate environment.

Total interest expense decreased by \$105,215 or 10.84% in the second quarter of 2004, when compared to the same period in 2003. Average interest bearing liabilities increased to \$203,089,335 in 2004 from \$176,013,878 in 2003, an increase of \$27,075,457, or 15.38%. The average rate paid fell to 1.70% in 2004 as compared to 2.21% in 2003.

The net interest margin decreased to 4.60% for the second quarter of 2004, as compared to 4.72% for the same period in 2003. This was due to interest rates being higher during the second quarter of 2003 than in the second quarter of 2004, because the decrease in interest rates by the Federal Reserve Board did not occur until the end of June 2003.

# Provision for Loan Losses

The provision for loan losses totaled \$180,000 for the second quarter of 2004 as compared to \$162,704 for the same period in 2003. The provision reflected both the growth and improvement in credit quality in the loan portfolio. See further discussion under Allowance for Loan Losses below.

# Noninterest Income

Total noninterest income decreased \$153,288 or 17.01% for the second quarter of 2004. Service charges on deposits increased \$78,541, or 15.45%, for the second quarter of 2004 as compared to 2003. This increase is primarily due to an increase in insufficient fund charges on checks, which

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increased \$64,987. Gains on sale of investments decreased by \$151,872 in the second quarter of 2004 as compared to 2003, when management elected to capture the gains on interest bearing securities given the assessment of a high probability that the securities would be called at par in future periods. Commissions on credit life insurance decreased \$2,797, or 11.28% for the second quarter of 2004. Other income decreased during the second quarter of 2004 by \$77,160 or 35.67% as compared to 2003. The majority of this decrease is from the sale of other real estate owned of \$12,500, the sale of a Bank vehicle for \$13,800, and dividends received of \$20,390, all in 2003.

# Noninterest Expense

Total noninterest expense increased \$321,512, or 14.00%, during the second quarter of 2004 compared to the same quarter of 2003. Salaries and benefits increased \$105,682, or 8.04%, in the second quarter 2004. This increase is primarily due to the expansion of the bank into new markets. Occupancy expense increased \$22,427, or 5.16%, in the second quarter of 2004. The additional expense can also be associated with branch expansion. Other expenses increased \$193,403 or 35.26% during the second quarter of 2004 as compared to 2003. This increase is attributed to increases in legal fees which were subsequently reimbursed and marketing. The Bank has also overall increases in general operating expenses due to the continued expansion, including the opening of a full service branch in Jay, Florida.

#### Income Taxes

Earnings before taxes for the second quarter of 2004 were \$566,445 as compared to \$826,342 in the second quarter of 2003, a decrease of \$259,897 or 31.45%. Income tax expense for the second quarter decreased \$158,141 to \$79,122, or, by 66.65%, when compared to \$237,263 for the same period in 2003. The effective tax rate decreased to 13.97% from 28.71% due to a one time adjustment of holding company losses included in the tax calculation.

# Financial Condition and Liquidity

Total assets on June 30, 2004, increased \$23,510,381 or 9.22% from December 31, 2003. Average total assets for the first six months of 2004 were \$268,937,800. The ratio of loans (net of allowance) to deposits plus repurchase agreements on June 30, 2004 was 78.10% as compared to 76.11% on December 31, 2003.

# Cash and Cash Equivalents

Federal Funds Sold and interest bearing balances in other banks as of June 30, 2004 decreased to \$8,572,187, or by 41.07%, from December 31, 2003. This decrease is attributed to the increase in loans and the increase in investment securities available for sale.

# Loans

Net loans increased by \$23,969,385 or 14.79% at June 30, 2004, from December 31, 2003. Agricultural lending attributed to the majority of this loan growth. Agricultural loans are normally originated in the winter and spring of the year with funding taking place through the fall.

#### Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level which, in management s opinion, is appropriate to provide for estimated losses in the portfolio at the balance sheet date. Factors considered in determining the adequacy of the allowance include historical loan loss experience, the amount of past due loans, loans classified from the most recent regulatory examinations and internal reviews, general economic conditions and the current portfolio mix. The amount charged to operating expenses is that amount necessary to maintain the allowance for loan losses at a level indicative of the associated risk, as determined by management, of the current portfolio.

The allowance for loan losses consists of two portions: the classified portion and the nonclassified portion. The classified portion is based on identified problem loans and is calculated based on an assessment of credit risk related to those loans. Specific loss estimate amounts are included in the allowance based on assigned loan classifications as follows: monitor (5%), substandard (15%), doubtful (50%), loss (100%) and specific reserves based on identifiable losses. Any loan-categorized loss is charged off in the period in which the loan is so categorized.

The nonclassified portion of the allowance is for inherent losses which probably exist as of the evaluation date even though they may not have been identified by the more specific processes for the classified portion of the allowance. This is due to the risk of error and inherent imprecision in the process. This portion of the allowance is particularly subjective and requires judgments based upon qualitative factors which do not lend themselves to exact mathematical calculations. Some of the factors considered are changes in credit concentrations, loan mix, historical loss experience, non-accrual and delinquent loans and the general economic environment in the Corporation s markets. However, unfavorable changes in the factors used by management to determine the adequacy of the allowance, including increased loan delinquencies and subsequent charge-offs, or the availability of new information, could require additional provisions, in excess of normal provisions, to the allowance for loan losses in future periods.

While the total allowance is described as consisting of a classified and a nonclassified portion, these terms are primarily used to describe a process. Both portions are available to support inherent losses in the loan portfolio. Management realizes that general economic trends greatly affect loan losses, and no assurances can be made that future charges to the allowance for loan losses will not be significant in relation to the amount provided during a particular period, or that future evaluations of the loan portfolio based on conditions then prevailing will not require sizable charges to income. Management does, however, consider the allowance for loan losses to

be appropriate for the reported periods.

The allowance for possible loan losses represents 1.24% of gross loans at June 30, 2004, as compared to 1.29% at year-end 2003. This decrease was due to a combination of improved credit quality of the loan portfolio, partially offset by the growth in the agricultural portion of the portfolio.

Loans on which the accrual of interest had been discontinued has decreased to \$1,331,976 at June 30, 2004, as compared to \$2,265,047 at December 31, 2003. This decrease is due primarily to several unrelated commercial and some residential property loans either refinancing, paying off or being foreclosed on. Net charged-off loans for the first six months of 2004 were \$139,000, as compared to \$169,000 for the same period in 2003.

Non-performing Assets: The following table sets forth the Corporation s non-performing assets at June 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003. Under the Corporation s nonaccrual policy, a loan is placed on nonaccrual status when collectibility of principal and interest is in doubt or when principal and interest is 90 days or more past due except for credit cards, which continue to accrue interest after ninety days.

The amount of impaired loans determined under SFAS No. 114 and 118 has been considered in the summary of non-performing assets below. These credits were considered in determining the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses and are regularly monitored for changes within a particular industry or general economic trends, which could cause the borrowers financial difficulties. At June 30, 2004 the Bank had \$37,726 in impaired loans, compared to \$100,318 at December 31, 2003.

		June 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
		(Dollars in	Thousands)
	Description		
А	Loans accounted for on a nonaccrual		
	basis	\$1,332	\$ 2,265
В	Loans which are contractually past due		
	ninety days or more as to interest or		
	principal payments (excluding balances		
	included in (A) above)	\$ 16	\$ 15
С	Loans, the terms of which have been		
	renegotiated to provide a reduction or		
	deferral of interest or principal because		
	of a deterioration in the financial		
	position of the borrower.	\$ 303	\$ 229
D	Other non-performing assets	\$1,338	\$ 1,108

The increase in other non-performing assets was due to foreclosure on three parcels of other real estate.

# **Investment Securities**

Total investments available for sale have increased \$4,184,773 at June 30, 2004 as compared to December 31, 2003 due to the Bank investing federal funds into higher yields in the investment portfolio.

# Premises and Equipment

Premises and equipment decreased \$108,224 during the first two quarters of 2004. The Bank s establishment of a full-service branch in Florida was accomplished with relatively little initial cost, because the branch was established in facilities which were already operating as a Bank loan production office in Jay, Florida.

#### Deposits

Total deposits increased \$22,596,434, or 11.33%, at June 30, 2004 from December 31, 2003, including \$3,296,481 of noninterest bearing deposits. Interest bearing deposits increased \$17,983,179 at June 30, 2004. The increase in interest bearing deposits is primarily due to two

accounts, one a public entity and the other a private enterprise, which are existing customers with long-standing relationships with the Bank.

# Liquidity

One of the Bank s goals is to provide adequate funds to meet changes in loan demand or any potential increase in the normal level of deposit withdrawals. This goal is accomplished primarily by generating cash from operating activities and maintaining sufficient short-term assets. These sources, coupled with a stable deposit base, allow the Bank to fund earning assets and maintain the availability of funds. Management believes that the Bank s traditional sources of maturing loans and investment securities, cash from operating activities and a strong base of core deposits are adequate to meet the Bank s liquidity needs for normal operations. To provide additional liquidity, the Bank utilizes short-term financing through the purchase of federal funds, and maintains a borrowing relationship with the Federal Home Loan Bank to provide liquidity. Should the Bank s traditional sources of liquidity be constrained, forcing the Bank to pursue avenues of funding not typically used, the Bank s net interest margin could be impacted negatively. The Corporation s bank subsidiary has an Asset Liability Management Committee, which has as its primary objective the maintenance of specific funding and investment strategies to achieve short-term and long-term financial goals. The Corporation s liquidity at June 30, 2004 is considered adequate by management. See Item 3 below.

#### Capital Adequacy

The Corporation has generally relied primarily on internally generated capital growth to maintain capital adequacy. Total stockholders equity on June 30, 2004, was \$24,921,264, a decrease of \$47,673, or 0.19%, from December 31, 2003. This net decrease is a combination of current period earnings, reduced by the unrealized loss on securities available for sale and dividends to be paid.

Primary capital to total assets at June 30, 2004, was 8.94%, as compared to 9.79% at year-end 2003. Total capital and allowances for loan losses to total assets at June 30, 2004, was 9.78%, as compared to 10.62% at December 31, 2003. The Corporation s risk based capital was \$31,630,000, or 14.77%, at June 30, 2004, as compared to \$30,754,000, or 16.45%, at year-end 2003. The minimum requirement is 8.00%. Based on management s projections, internally generated capital and the capital previously raised by issuance of trust preferred securities should be sufficient to satisfy capital requirements in the foreseeable future for existing operations, and for some expansion efforts. Continued growth into new markets may require the Corporation to further access external funding sources. There can be no assurance that such funding source will be available to the Corporation.

In December 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued a revised interpretation of FIN 46 (see Note 5 above), which required deconsolidation of subordinated beneficial interests. As a result of FASB s Interpretation, questions have been raised whether Trust Preferred Securities would still qualify for treatment as Tier 1 Capital, which comprises substantially all of the Corporation s risk based capital, given the new accounting treatment. In July of 2003, the

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Federal Reserve instructed bank holding companies (BHCs) to continue to include Trust Preferred Securities in Tier 1 Capital for regulatory capital purposes, until notice is given to the contrary. Management does not expect the final rules will result in the immediate elimination of existing Trust Preferred Securities as Tier 1 Capital.

On May 6, 2004, the Federal Reserve Board issued its notice of proposed rulemaking which proposed to make permanent the Federal Reserve s treatment of Trust-preferred securities as Tier 1 capital. Some substantial commentators, including the Bank s primary federal regulator, the FDIC, have opposed this treatment. In particular, the FDIC has advocated Tier 2 treatment for BHC-issued trust preferred. The effect of converting the Corporation s trust preferred to Tier 2 would be to reduce the leverage ratio from 9.38% to 9.14%, and to reduce the Tier 1 risk-based ratio from 13.68% to 11.75%; such a change would not affect the total risk-based ratio.

# Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Market risk is the risk of loss from adverse changes in market prices and rates. The Bank s market risk arises principally from interest rate risk inherent in its lending, deposit and borrowing activities. Management actively monitors and manages its interest rate risk exposure. Although the Bank manages other risk, such as credit quality and liquidity risk, in the normal course of business, management considers interest rate risk to be its most significant market risk. Interest rate risk could potentially have the largest material effect on the Bank s financial condition and results of operations. Other types of market risks, such as foreign currency exchange rate risk, generally do not arise in the Bank s normal course of business activities to any significant extent.

The Bank s profitability is affected by fluctuations in interest rates. Management s goal is to maintain a reasonable balance between exposure to interest rate fluctuations and earnings. A sudden and substantial increase in interest rates may adversely impact the Bank s earnings to the extent that the interest rates on interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities do not change at the same speed, to the same extent or on the same basis. The Bank s Asset Liability Management Committee ( ALCO ) monitors and considers methods of managing the rate and sensitivity repricing characteristics of the balance sheet components consistent with maintaining acceptable levels of changes in the net portfolio value ( NPV ) and net interest income. NPV represents the market values of portfolio equity and is equal to the market value of assets minus the market value of liabilities, with adjustments made for off- balance sheet items over a range of assumed changes in market interest rates. A primary purpose of the Bank s ALCO is to manage interest rate risk to effectively invest the Bank s capital and to preserve the value created by its core business operations. As such, certain management monitoring processes are designed to minimize the impact of sudden and sustained changes in interest rates on NPV and net interest income.

The Bank s exposure to interest rate risk is reviewed on a quarterly basis by the Board of Directors and the ALCO. Interest rate risk exposure is measured using interest rate sensitivity analysis to determine the Bank s change in NPV in the event of hypothetical changes in interest rates. Further,



interest rate sensitivity gap analysis is used to determine the repricing characteristics of the Bank s assets and liabilities. The ALCO is charged with the responsibility to maintain the level of sensitivity of the Bank s net interest margin within Board approved limits.

Interest rate sensitivity analysis is used to measure the Bank s interest rate risk by computing estimated changes in NPV of its cash flows from assets, liabilities, and off-balance sheet items in the event of a range of assumed changes in market interest rates. This analysis assesses the risk of loss in market risk sensitive instruments in the event of a sudden and sustained 100 - 300 basis points increase or decrease in the market interest rates. The Bank uses the HNC Asset Liability Model, which takes the current rate structure of the portfolio and shocks for each rate level and calculates the new market value equity at each level. The Bank s Board of Directors has adopted an interest rate risk policy, which establishes maximum allowable decreases in net interest margin in the event of a sudden and sustained increase or decrease in market risk sensitive instruments presented in NPV for the various rate shock levels as of June 30, 2004. All market risk sensitive instruments presented in this table are held to maturity or available for sale. The Bank has no trading securities.

Change in Interest Rates (Basis Points)	Market Value Equity	Change in Market Value Equity	Change in Market Value Equity %
300	52,428	7,699	17
200	50,518	5,789	13
100	47,921	3,192	7
0	44,729		
-100	48,165	3,436	8
-200	44,148	(581)	(1)
-300	39,735	(4,994)	(11)

The preceding table indicates that at June 30, 2004, in the event of a sudden and sustained increase in prevailing market interest rates, the Bank s NPV would be expected to increase, and that in the event of a sudden decrease in prevailing market interest rates, the Bank s NPV would be expected to decrease. The recent growth in variable rate loans has caused the Corporation to become more asset sensitive over the period of a year, but the net interest margin remains fairly stable in all interest rate environments tested.

Computation of prospective effects of hypothetical interest rate changes included in these forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties, and assumptions including relative levels of market interest rates, loan prepayments and deposit decay rates, and should not be relied upon as indicative of actual results. Further, the computations do not contemplate any actions the Bank could undertake in response to changes in interest rates.

### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Based on evaluation of the Corporation s disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-4(c) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report, the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer of the Corporation have concluded that as of such date the Corporation s disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information the Corporation is required to disclose in its filings under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms, and to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Corporation in the reports that it files under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Corporation s management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

The Corporation has engaged consultants to assist the Corporation in its evaluation of internal controls in anticipation of the upcoming effectiveness of regulations under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. There was no change in the Corporation s internal controls over financial reporting during the period covered by this quarterly report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Corporation s internal control over financial reporting.

# **Forward Looking Statements**

When used or incorporated by reference herein, the words anticipate , estimate , expect , project , target , goal , as similar expressions, are intended to identify forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933. Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risk, uncertainties, and assumptions including those set forth herein. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those expected or projected. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. The Corporation expressly disclaims any obligations or undertaking to publicly release any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement contained herein to reflect any change in the Corporation s expectations with regard to any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

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### PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

(a) A description of actions taken at the annual meeting of security holders of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. on May 5, 2004 was reported under Item 4 of the Corporation s Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2004, and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K.

- (a) Exhibits.
  - 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
  - 31.2 Certification of principal accounting officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
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  - 32.2 Certification of principal accounting officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, adopted pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- (b) The Corporation filed the following reports on Form 8-K during the quarter ended June 30, 2004:
- 1. On June 1, 2004, the Corporation filed a report on Form 8-K to report that KPMG, LLP, the independent public accountants previously engaged by the Corporation, was terminating its relationship as the Corporation s independent accountants, and on June 18, 2004, the Corporation filed an amendment to such report to reflect that KPMG, LLP declined to stand for reelection as the Corporation s independent accountants.

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# SIGNATURES

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

# UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.

Date: August 6, 2004

/s/ Robert R. Jones, III Robert R. Jones, III President and CEO

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