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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

FORM S-1

**REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and
Northfield Bank 401(k) Savings Plan**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

6712

(Primary Standard Industrial
Classification Code Number)

Being applied for

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after this registration statement becomes effective.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box:

If this Form is filed to register additional shares for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering:

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering:

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer o
 Accelerated filer p
 Non-accelerated filer o
 (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)
 Smaller reporting company o

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered	Proposed maximum offering price per share	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price	Amount of registration fee
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	82,129,380 shares	\$10.00	\$821,293,800 (1)	\$58,559
Participation interests	1,186,679 interests (2)			(2)

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee.

(2) The securities of Northfield Bancorp, Inc. to be purchased by the Northfield Bank 401(k) Savings Plan are included in the amount shown for the common stock. Accordingly, no separate fee is required for the participation interests. In accordance with Rule 457(h) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registration fee has been calculated on the basis of the number of shares of

common stock
that may be
purchased with
the current
assets of such
Plan.

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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Prospectus Supplement

**Interests in
NORTHFIELD BANK
EMPLOYEE SAVINGS PLAN
Offering of Up to 1,186,679 Shares of
NORTHFIELD BANCORP, INC.
Common Stock**

In connection with the conversion of Northfield Bancorp, MHC from the mutual to stock form of organization, Northfield Bancorp, Inc., a newly formed Delaware corporation (Northfield-Delaware), is offering shares of common stock for sale. Northfield-Delaware is allowing participants in the Northfield Bank Employee Savings Plan (the Plan) to invest all or a portion of their accounts in stock units representing an ownership interest in the common stock of Northfield-Delaware (the Common Stock). Presently, participants have the right to invest in the Northfield Bancorp, Inc. Stock Fund which purchases shares of Northfield Bancorp, Inc., the federally-chartered mid-tier holding company of Northfield Bank (hereinafter, the federal mid-tier holding company will be referred to as Northfield-Federal and the existing stock fund will be referred to as Northfield-Federal Stock Fund .)

Based upon the value of the Plan assets at March 31, 2010, the trustee of the Plan could purchase or acquire up to 1,186,679 shares of the Common Stock, at the purchase price of \$10.00 per share. This prospectus supplement relates to the initial election of Plan participants to direct the trustee of the Plan to invest all or a portion of their Plan accounts (other than amounts invested in the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund) in stock units representing an ownership interest in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund at the time of the stock offering.

Northfield-Delaware s prospectus, dated August __, 2010, is attached to this prospectus supplement. It contains detailed information regarding the stock offering of Northfield-Delaware Common Stock and the financial condition, results of operations and business of Northfield Bank. This prospectus supplement provides information regarding the Plan. You should read this prospectus supplement together with the prospectus and keep both for future reference.

For a discussion of risks that you should consider, see Risk Factors beginning on page ___ of the prospectus.

The interests in the Plan and the offering of common stock of Northfield-Delaware have not been approved or disapproved by the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other federal or state agency. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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The securities offered in this prospectus supplement are not deposits or accounts and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

This prospectus supplement may be used only in connection with offers and sales by Northfield-Delaware, in the stock offering, of stock units representing an interest in shares of common stock in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund of the Plan. No one may use this prospectus supplement to reoffer or resell interests in shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware acquired through the Plan.

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Northfield-Delaware, Northfield Bank and the Plan have not authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different.

This prospectus supplement does not constitute an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy any securities in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make an offer or solicitation in that jurisdiction. Neither the delivery of this prospectus supplement and the prospectus nor any sale of common stock or stock units representing an ownership interest in common stock of Northfield-Delaware shall under any circumstances imply that there has been no change in the affairs of Northfield Bank or the Plan since the date of this prospectus supplement, or that the information contained in this prospectus supplement or incorporated by reference is correct as of any time after the date of this prospectus supplement.

The date of this prospectus supplement is _____, 2010.

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THE OFFERING

Securities Offered

Northfield-Delaware is offering stock units in the Northfield Bank 401(k) Savings Plan (the Plan). The stock units represent indirect ownership of Northfield-Delaware's common stock through the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund being established under the Plan in connection with the stock offering. Given the purchase price of \$10 per share in the stock offering, the Plan may purchase (or acquire) up to _____ shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock in the stock offering.

Only employees of Northfield Bank may become participants in the Plan and only participants may purchase stock units in the Northfield-Delaware Inc Stock Fund. Your investment in stock units in connection with the stock offering through the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund is subject to the purchase priorities contained in the Plan of Conversion and Reorganization of Northfield Bancorp, MHC.

Information with regard to the Plan is contained in this prospectus supplement and information with regard to the financial condition, results of operations and business of Northfield-Delaware is contained in the accompanying prospectus. The address of the principal executive office of Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank is 581 Main Street, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095.

All questions about completing the Special Investment Election Form should be addressed to Madeline Frank, Senior Vice President and Director of Human Resources, Northfield Bank, 581 Main Street, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095; telephone number (732) 499-7200 ext. 2570; or e-mail Ms. Frank at mfrank@enorthfield.com.

Questions about the common stock being offered or about the prospectus may be directed to the Stock Information Center at 1-877-_____.

Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund

In connection with the stock offering, you may elect to transfer all or part of your account balances in the Plan (except from the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund) to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund, to be used to purchase stock units representing an ownership interest in the common stock of Northfield-Delaware issued in the stock offering. The Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund is a new fund in the Plan established to hold share of common stock of Northfield-Delaware It is different from the

Northfield-Federal Stock Fund, which presently holds
shares of Northfield-Federal, the federally-

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chartered mid-tier holding company of Northfield Bank that will be eliminated in the reorganization of Northfield Bancorp, MHC into Northfield-Delaware, the newly formed stock holding company of Northfield Bank. At the close of the reorganization and offering, shares of Northfield-Federal held in the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund will be exchanged for shares of Northfield-Delaware pursuant to the exchange ratio (discussed in greater detail in the accompanying prospectus) and the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund will be merged into and become part of the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund.

Purchase Priorities

All Plan participants are eligible to direct a transfer of funds to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund. However, such directions are subject to the purchase priorities in the Plan of Conversion and Reorganization of Northfield Bancorp, MHC, which provides for a subscription offering and a community offering. In the offering, the purchase priorities are as follows and apply in case more shares are ordered than are available for sale (an oversubscription):

Subscription Offering:

- (1) Depositors of Northfield Bank with \$50 or more as of March 31, 2009, get first priority.
- (2) Northfield Bank's tax-qualified plans, including the employee stock ownership plan, get second priority.
- (3) Depositors of Northfield Bank with \$50 or more on deposit as of June 30, 2010, get third priority.
- (4) Depositors of Northfield Bank as of _____, 2010, get fourth priority.

Community Offering:

- (5) Natural persons residing in the New Jersey counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Union, the New York Counties of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester, and Pike County, Pennsylvania get fifth priority.

If you fall into subscription offering categories (1), (3) or (4), you have subscription rights to purchase stock units representing an ownership interest in shares of

Northfield-Delaware common stock in the subscription offering and you may use funds in the Plan to pay for the stock units. You may also be able to purchase stock units representing an ownership interest in shares of Northfield-Delaware

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common stock in the subscription offering even though you are ineligible to purchase through subscription offering categories (1), (3) or (4) by purchasing stock in the Plan through subscription offering category (2), reserved for Northfield Bank's tax-qualified employee plans.

Purchases in the Offering and Oversubscriptions

The trustee of the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund will purchase common stock of Northfield-Delaware in the stock offering in accordance with your directions. Once you make your election, the amount that you elect to transfer from your existing investment options for the purchase of stock units in connection with the stock offering will be sold from your existing investment options and transferred to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund and held in a money market account pending the formal closing of the stock offering, several weeks later. After the end of the stock offering period, we will determine whether all or any portion of your order will be filled (if the offering is oversubscribed you may not receive any or all of your order, depending on your purchase priority, as described above, and whether the Plan will purchase through category 2). The amount that can be used toward your order will be applied to the purchase of common stock of Northfield-Delaware and will be denominated in stock units in the Plan.

In the event the offering is oversubscribed, *i.e.*, there are more orders for common stock of Northfield-Delaware than shares available for sale in the offering, and the trustee is unable to use the full amount allocated by you to purchase interests in common stock of Northfield-Delaware in the offering, the amount that cannot be invested in common stock of Northfield-Delaware, and any interest earned on such amount, will be reinvested in the existing funds of the Plan, in accordance with your then existing investment election (in proportion to your investment direction for future contributions). The prospectus describes the allocation procedures in the event of an oversubscription. If you choose not to direct the investment of your account balances towards the purchase of any stock units representing an ownership interest in common stock of Northfield-Delaware through the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund in connection with the offering, your account balances will remain in the investment funds of the Plan as previously directed by you.

Composition of and Purpose of Stock Units

The Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund will invest in the common stock of Northfield-Delaware. In addition, the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund will maintain a cash component for liquidity purposes. Liquidity is required in order to facilitate daily transactions such as investment transfers or distributions from the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund. For purchases in the offering, there will be no cash component. A stock unit will be valued at \$10. After the offering, stock units will consist of a percentage interest in both the common

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stock of Northfield-Delaware and cash held in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund. Unit values (similar to the stock's share price) and the number of units (similar to number of shares) are used to communicate the dollar value of a participant's account. Following the stock offering, each day the stock unit value of the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund will be determined by dividing the total market value of the fund at the end of the day by the total number of units held in the fund by all participants as of the previous day's end. The change in stock unit value reflects the day's change in stock price, any cash dividends accrued and the interest earned on the cash component of the fund, less any investment management fees. The market value and unit holdings of your account in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund is reported to you on your quarterly statements.

Value of Plan Assets

As of March 31, 2010, the market value of the assets of the Plan was approximately \$11,866,790. Of this amount, approximately \$5,814,453 was invested in the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund. The Plan administrator informed each participant of the value of his or her account balance under the Plan as of March 31, 2010.

Election to Purchase Stock Units in the Stock Offering

In connection with the stock offering, the Plan will permit you to direct the trustee to transfer all or part of the funds which represent your current beneficial interest in the assets of the Plan (other than amounts invested in the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund) to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund. You may not transfer amounts that you have invested in the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund into the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund. The shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal in the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund will automatically be exchanged for Northfield-Delaware common stock pursuant to the exchange ratio. The trustee of the Plan will subscribe for Northfield-Delaware common stock offered for sale in connection with the stock offering, in accordance with each participant's direction. In order to purchase stock units representing an ownership interest in common stock of Northfield-Delaware in the stock offering through the Plan, you must purchase stock units representing an ownership interest in at least 25 shares in the offering through the Plan. The prospectus describes maximum purchase limits for investors in the stock offering. The trustee will pay \$10 per stock unit in the offering, which will be the same price paid by all other persons who purchase shares in the subscription and community

offerings.

How to Order Stock in the Offering

Enclosed is a Special Investment Election Form on which you can elect to purchase stock units in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund in connection with the stock offering. Please note the following stipulations concerning this election:

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You can direct all or a portion of your current account (other than amounts invested in the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund) to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund in increments of \$10.

Your election is subject to a minimum purchase of 25 stock units, which equals \$250.

Your election, plus any order you placed outside the Plan, are together subject to a maximum purchase of 300,000 shares, which equals \$3,000,000.

The election period closes at ___ :00 p.m., Eastern Time, on _____, _____, 2010.

During the stock offering period, you will continue to have the ability to transfer amounts that are not directed to purchase stock units in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund among all other investment funds. However, you will not be permitted to change the investment amounts that you designated to be transferred to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund on your Special Election Form.

The amount you elect to transfer to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund will be held separately until the offering closes. Therefore, this money is not available for distributions, loans, or withdrawals until the transaction is completed, which is expected to be several weeks after the closing of the subscription offering period.

If you wish to use all or part of your account balance in the Plan to purchase common stock of Northfield-Delaware issued in the stock offering, you should indicate that decision on the Special Investment Election Form. **If you do not wish to make an election, you should check Box E in Section D of the Special Investment Election Form and return the form to Madeline Frank, at Northfield Bank, 581 Main Street, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095, to be received no later than _____, Eastern Time, on _____, 2010. You may return your Special Investment Election Form by hand delivery, inter-office mail or by mailing it to Ms. Frank at the above address in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, so long as it is received by the time specified.**

Order Deadline

You must return your Special Investment Election Form to Madeline Frank, at Northfield Bank, to be

received no later than _____ p.m., Eastern Time,
on _____, 2010.

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Irrevocability of Transfer Direction

Once you make an election to transfer amounts to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund in connection with the stock offering, you may not change your election. Your election is irrevocable. You will, however, continue to have the ability to transfer amounts not directed towards the purchase of stock units among all of the other investment funds on a daily basis. You may also continue to transfer funds into and out of the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund which will purchase shares of Northfield-Federal in the open market (but not in the offering) or sell the shares in your account until the closing of the offering.

Future Direction to Purchase Common Stock

You will be able to purchase stock units representing an ownership interest in stock after the offering through your investment in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund. You may direct that your future contributions or your account balance in the Plan be transferred to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund. After the offering, to the extent that shares are available, the trustee of the Plan will acquire common stock of Northfield-Delaware at your election in open market transactions at the prevailing price. You may change your investment allocation on a daily basis. Special restrictions may apply to transfers directed to and from the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund by the participants who are subject to the provisions of Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, relating to the purchase and sale of securities by officers, directors and principal shareholders of Northfield-Delaware.

Voting Rights of Common Stock

The Plan provides that you may direct the trustee as to how to vote any shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock held by the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund, and the interest in such shares that is credited to your account. If the trustee does not receive your voting instructions, the Plan administrator will exercise these rights as it determines in its discretion and will direct the trustee accordingly. All voting instructions will be kept confidential.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

Introduction

Northfield Bank originally adopted the Northfield Savings Bank Employee Savings Plan (the Plan) effective as of January 1, 1980, and amended and restated it most recently effective as of January 1, 2010. The Plan is a tax-qualified plan with a cash or deferred compensation feature established in accordance with the requirements under Section 401(a) and Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code).

Northfield Bank intends that the Plan, in operation, will comply with the requirements under Section 401(a) and Section 401(k) of the Code. Northfield Bank will adopt any amendments to the Plan that may be necessary to ensure the continuing qualified status of the Plan under the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations.

Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA). The Plan is an individual account plan other than a money purchase pension plan within the meaning of ERISA. As such, the Plan is subject to all of the provisions of Title I (Protection of Employee Benefit Rights) and Title II (Amendments to the Code Relating to Retirement Plans) of ERISA, except to the funding requirements contained in Part 3 of Title I of ERISA which by their terms do not apply to an individual account plan (other than a money purchase plan). The Plan is not subject to Title IV (Plan Termination Insurance) of ERISA. The funding requirements contained in Title IV of ERISA are not applicable to participants or beneficiaries under the Plan.

Reference to Full Text of Plan. The following portions of this prospectus supplement summarize certain provisions of the Plan. They are not complete and are qualified in their entirety by the full text of the Plan. Copies of the Plan are available to all employees by filing a request with the Plan Administrator at Northfield Bank, 581 Main Street, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095. You are urged to read carefully the full text of the Plan.

Eligibility and Participation

If you are a salaried employee of Northfield Bank, you are eligible to participate in the Plan upon completion of a period of 365 days of employment, counted from your date of hire. Employees compensated on an hourly or exclusively on a commission basis, leased employees, and employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement are not eligible to participate in the Plan. If you were a participant in the Liberty Bank 401(k) Savings Plan on December 31, 2002, and became an employee of Northfield Bank on January 1, 2003, you became eligible to participate in the Plan on January 1, 2003.

As of March 31, 2010, there were 175 employees, former employees and beneficiaries eligible to participate in the Plan and 131 employees participating by making elective deferral contributions.

Contributions Under the Plan

The Plan provides for several kinds of contributions, including elective deferral contributions, matching contributions made on behalf of employees who make elective deferral

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contributions, and discretionary employer contributions. Each type is summarized below. In determining contribution amounts under the Plan, an employee's annual compensation in excess of \$245,000 is disregarded, as are certain other amounts of employee compensation.

Elective Deferral Contributions. As an eligible employee, you may elect to make an elective deferral contribution by authorizing a reduction in the compensation you would otherwise receive by a specified amount. This amount is then deposited in your Plan account. You may elect to contribute between 2% and 15% of your salary (as defined in the Plan). You may change the amount of your elective deferral contributions, including discontinuing or resuming them, by filing a form with the Plan administrator. In addition, if you are over age 50 before the close of the plan year and have made the maximum elective deferral set forth above, you may also make catch-up contributions, in accordance with the tax laws and subject to the tax law limits (for 2010, the limit on catch-up contributions is \$5,500).

After-Tax Contributions. Prior to January 1, 1993, the Plan permitted you to save on an after-tax basis. The amount, if any, of after-tax contributions previously made on your behalf is held in a separate account. After-tax contributions are invested in the same investment funds as elective deferral contributions and earnings on after-tax contributions are tax-deferred until they are actually paid to you. The Plan does not currently permit you to make after-tax contributions.

Matching Contributions. Northfield Bank will match a portion of your elective deferral contributions. Northfield Bank will make a matching contribution equal to 25% of your contribution, on up to the first 6% of your base salary contributed if you have been making elective deferral contributions for less than 36 months (e.g., your maximum matching contribution will be 1.5% of your base salary). If you have been making elective deferral contributions for 36 months or more, Northfield Bank will make a matching contribution equal to 50% of your contribution, up to the first 6% of your base salary contributed (e.g., your maximum matching contribution will be 3% of your base salary).

Discretionary Employer Contributions. Discretionary employer contributions may be made for each plan year in an amount determined by Northfield Bank. Discretionary employer contributions will be allocated to your account based on the ratio of your salary during the plan year for which the contribution is made to the total salaries of all employees eligible for a discretionary employer contribution for that year.

Special Contributions. In addition to any other contributions, Northfield Bank may, in its discretion, make Special Contributions for a plan year to the Before Tax Contribution Account of an Eligible Employee to the extent necessary to insure that the Plan complies with the non-discrimination requirements of Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. Such contributions, if made, may be made only to non-highly compensated employees and will be allocated in proportion to such person's eligible compensation for the plan year.

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Prior Pension Plan Contributions. If you were a participant in The Retirement Plan of Northfield Savings Bank in RSI Retirement Trust on March 31, 1996, and you elected to have amounts transferred from the pension plan to the Plan in connection with the termination of the pension plan, those amounts were deposited in the prior pension plan contribution account set up on your behalf.

Prior Employer Matching Contributions. If you were a participant in the Liberty Bank 401(k) Savings Plan, the matching contributions made on your behalf (including earnings and appreciation, less any distributions and any losses, depreciation of expenses) were deposited into the prior employer matching contribution account set up on your behalf.

Rollover Contributions. You may elect to roll over qualified distributions from another plan or a rollover individual retirement account (IRA) into the Plan. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) rules govern whether a distribution from another plan or an IRA qualifies for rollover into the Plan, and you may be required to provide information to show that the distribution you wish to roll over qualifies under IRS rules.

Limitations on Contributions

Limitations on Elective Deferral Contributions. For the plan year beginning January 1, 2010, the amount of your elective deferral contributions may not exceed \$16,500 per calendar year. This amount may be adjusted periodically by law, based on changes in the cost of living. Contributions in excess of this limit are known as excess deferrals. If you defer amounts in excess of this limitation, your gross income for federal income tax purposes will include the excess in the year of the deferral. In addition, unless the excess deferral is distributed before April 15 of the following year, it will be taxed again in the year distributed. Income on the excess deferral distributed by April 15 of the immediately succeeding year will be treated, for federal income tax purposes, as earned and received by you in the tax year in which the contribution is made.

Catch-up Contributions. If you have made the maximum amount of regular elective deferral contributions allowed by the Plan or other legal limits and you have attained at least age 50 (or will reach age 50 prior to the end of the plan year), you are also eligible to make an additional catch-up contribution. You may authorize your employer to withhold a specified dollar amount of your compensation for this purposes. For 2010, the maximum catch-up contribution is \$5,500.

Limitation on Plan Contributions for Highly Compensated Employees. Special provisions of the Code limit the amount of employee deferrals and employer matching contributions that may be made to the Plan in any year on behalf of highly compensated employees, in relation to the amount of employee deferrals and employer matching contributions made by or on behalf of all other employees eligible to participate in the Plan. A highly compensated employee includes any employee who (1) was a 5% owner of Northfield-Federal or Northfield-Delaware at any time during the current or preceding year, or (2) had compensation for the preceding year of more than \$110,000. The dollar amounts in the foregoing sentence may be adjusted annually to reflect increases in the cost of living. If these limitations are exceeded, the level of deferrals by highly compensated employees may have to be adjusted.

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Your vested interest in your elective deferral contributions, after-tax contributions, rollover contributions, discretionary employer contributions, prior pension plan contributions, and prior employer matching contributions is always 100%.

Matching contributions become vested according to the following schedule:

Years of Service	Vested Interest
Less than 1 year	0%
1 year but less than 2	20%
2 years but less than 3	40%
3 years but less than 4	60%
4 years but less than 5	80%
5 years or more	100%

You are credited with a year of service for each 365-day period of employment, measured from your date of hire.

You will become immediately 100% vested in your matching contributions upon attainment of your normal retirement age, if you become permanently disabled or terminate employment as a result of your death.

In-Service Distributions from the Plan

Loans. You may apply for a loan under the Plan, subject to the rules and limitations imposed by the Internal Revenue Code and the Plan document. The amount of any loan is limited to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of your vested account balance under the Plan. The minimum amount of loan and the term of the loan is determined in accordance with the guidelines of the loan policy established by Northfield Bank with respect to the Plan.

Non-Hardship Withdrawals from the Plan. A substantial federal tax penalty may be imposed on withdrawals made prior to your attainment of age 59^{1/2}, regardless of whether such a withdrawal occurs during your employment with Northfield Bank or after termination of employment. If you have not yet reached age 59^{1/2}, you may request a withdrawal from some of your Plan accounts for any reason. Withdrawals will be made in the following order: first, from your after-tax contribution account; second, from your rollover contribution account; third, from the vested portion of your matching contribution account, provided you have completed 60 or more consecutive months of participation in the Plan or prior plan or in the former Liberty Bank 401(k) Savings Plan, and, fourth, from the vested portion of your prior employer matching contribution account, provided you have completed 60 or more consecutive months of participation in the Plan or in the former Liberty Bank 401(k) Savings Plan. You may not make more than one withdrawal in any calendar year.

Upon attainment of age 59^{1/2}, you may withdraw from your Plan accounts for any reason. Withdrawals will be made in the following order: first, from your after-tax contribution account; second, from your rollover contribution account; third, from your elective deferral contribution

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account; fourth, from the vested portion of your matching contribution account; fifth, from your prior employer matching contribution account; sixth, from your discretionary employer contribution account, and seventh, from your prior pension plan contribution account. You may not make more than one withdrawal in any calendar year.

Hardship Withdrawals. You may be eligible for a hardship withdrawal if you have an immediate and substantial financial need to meet certain expenses and you have no other reasonably available resources to meet your need. Among other requirements, you must first withdraw all amounts available to you under the non-hardship provisions of the Plan before you may apply for a hardship withdrawal. Your hardship withdrawal may include amounts necessary to pay any federal, state or local income taxes or penalties expected to result from the withdrawal. The financial needs for which you can receive a hardship withdrawal are:

Purchase of your principal residence (not including mortgage payments);

Payment of post-secondary school education for the next 12 months for you, your spouse or dependents;

Unreimbursed medical expenses which were previously incurred, or expenses which are necessary to obtain medical care for you, your spouse or dependents;

Prevention of eviction from your principal residence or foreclosure on the mortgage of your principal residence;

Payment of funeral expenses for your parent, spouse, child, or dependent; and

Expenses for the repair of damage to your principal residence that would qualify for a casualty loss deduction under the Internal Revenue Code.

You must show that the amount does not exceed the amount you need to meet your financial need, you must have obtained all other distributions and non-taxable loans available to you under any employer plan, and you may not have any elective deferral contributions or matching contributions made on your behalf for at least six months.

Distribution Upon Retirement, Disability, or Upon Termination of Employment

You may choose to have retirement benefits begin on or after your normal retirement date (age 65) or your early retirement date (the first day of any month coincident with or following the date you terminate employment after you attain age 55). If you continue working after your normal retirement date, your distribution will generally be deferred at least until your actual retirement date (your postponed retirement date). You are also eligible for a benefit distribution if you become disabled while you are an active employee of Northfield Bank. In addition, if you terminate your employment before you are eligible to retire, for any reason other than disability or death, you will be entitled to the vested value of your Plan accounts.

Forms of Distributions

Plan distributions at retirement, upon disability or upon termination of employment for reasons other than death will be made in the following standard forms of payment, unless you choose an optional form of payment. If you terminate employment at your normal, early or postponed retirement date, or upon becoming permanently disabled, and the value of your Plan accounts is \$1,000 or less, your benefits will be paid to you in a single cash payment as soon as

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administratively possible following your termination of employment. If the value of your Plan accounts exceeds \$5,000, your benefits will be paid to you at the time you would have reached your normal retirement date or postponed retirement date, in a single cash payment. If the value of your Plan accounts is at least \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, and you have not elected to receive your benefit under an available optional form of payment, the value of your Plan account will be transferred to an individual retirement account (IRA) established on your behalf by the Plan administrator.

If you terminate employment for reasons other than retirement or disability and the value of your vested Plan accounts is \$1,000 or less, your benefits will be paid to you in a single cash payment as soon as administratively possible after your termination of employment. If you terminate employment for reasons other than retirement or disability and the value of your vested Plan accounts is greater than \$5,000, your benefits will be paid in a single cash payment at the time you would have reached your normal retirement date. If you terminate employment for reasons other than retirement or disability and your Plan accounts is greater than \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000 and you have not elected to receive your benefits under an available optional form of payment, the value of your Plan accounts will be transferred to a rollover IRA established on your behalf by the Plan administrator.

Optional forms of payment include a single cash payment, deferred payment and rollovers. A single cash payment is available if you terminate employment at any time on or after your early retirement date and prior to your normal retirement date or due to disability, and the value of your vested Plan accounts exceeds \$1,000. You may also elect to receive the value of your vested Plan accounts in a single cash payment if you terminate employment for reasons other than retirement or disability and the value of your vested accounts exceeds \$5,000.

You may elect to defer receipt of your vested Plan accounts until after your normal retirement date or after your actual retirement date (if you retire after your normal retirement date), provided you receive at least a portion of your account balance no later than the first day of April following the calendar year in which you retire (or terminate employment due to disability) or, if later, you attain age 70^{1/2}.

Regardless of the reason for which you terminate employment or the value of your Plan accounts, you may request that the value of your Plan accounts be transferred to a rollover IRA, another employer's qualified plan, a Section 403(b) annuity contract or a Section 457(b) governmental plan maintained by a state or agency of the state, if the other plan or contract permits it.

If you die and have not made a valid election as to how payments are to be made, the value of your vested Plan account will be paid to your beneficiary in a single cash payment. If your designated beneficiary is your spouse and you die before attaining age 70^{1/2}, payment to your spouse will be made no later than the date you would have attained age 70^{1/2}. If your designated beneficiary is your spouse and you die on or after attaining age 70^{1/2}, payment to your spouse will be made as soon as administratively possible. If your designated beneficiary is not your spouse, payment to your designated beneficiary will be made within one year of the date of your death.

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Investment of Contributions and Account Balances

All amounts credited to your accounts under the Plan are held in the Plan trust (the Trust), which is administered by the trustee appointed by Northfield Bank's Board of Directors.

Prior to the effective date of the stock offering, you were provided the opportunity to direct the investment of your account into one of the following funds:

Alger MidCap Growth Institutional Fund (I)

American Beacon Large Cap Value Fund

Evergreen International Equity Fund (A)

Federated Kaufmann Fund A

Invesco Capital Development Fund (A)

Neuberger Berman Genesis Fund Trust

PIMCO Total Return Fund (Adm)

SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund

Sunrise Retirement Balanced Fund

Sunrise Retirement Balanced Equity Fund

Sunrise Retirement Capital Preservation Fund

Sunrise Retirement Diversified Equity Fund

Sunrise Retirement Diversified Equity with Income Fund

Sunrise Retirement Diversified Income Fund

Sunrise Retirement Income Fund

T. Rowe Price Growth Stock Fund (Inv)

Wells Fargo Stable Return Fund (J)

Northfield-Federal Stock Fund

Once in any calendar quarter, you may submit a request form (including an electronic form) to a Plan representative to increase, decrease, suspend or resume your elective deferral contributions. If you increase or decrease your contribution percentage, the change will go into effect as of the first payroll period following 10 days after you submit your written request or as soon as possible thereafter.

You may change your investment direction of future contributions at any time by telephone through Pentegra Retirement Services at (800) 433-4422 or through the Internet (which can be reached via www.pentegra.com). For further information regarding changes to your investment directions, please contact Madeline G. Frank, Senior Vice President/Human Resources at (732) 499-7200, ext. 2570. In addition, if permitted by the Plan Committee, you may submit a written request to a Plan representative at least 10 days prior to the date the change is to take effect. If your

change in investment direction is made in this manner, it will become effective as of the first payroll period following your written notice to the Plan representative, or as soon as possible thereafter.

You can transfer existing investment account balances from one fund to another at any time, by telephone through the Pentegra Retirement Services or through the Internet.

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In connection with the stock offering, the Plan now provides that in addition to the funds specified above, you may direct the trustee, or its representative, to invest all or a portion of your account in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund.

Pending investment in shares of Common Stock, amounts allocated towards the purchase of Common Stock in the stock offering will be held in a money market fund. In the event of an oversubscription that prevents you from purchasing all of the shares of Common Stock that you ordered in the stock offering, the amounts that you elected to invest but were unable to invest, plus any earnings on those amounts, will be reinvested among the other funds of the Plan in accordance with your then existing investment election (in proportion to your investment direction for future contributions).

Following the stock offering, you may elect to have both past contributions and earnings, as well as future contributions to your account invested among the funds listed above and the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund.

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The following table provides performance data with respect to the investment funds available under the Plan through March 31, 2010:

AVERAGE ANNUALIZED RETURNS AS OF MARCH 31, 2010

<i>Investment Option</i>	<i>Total Return</i>		<i>Annualized Total Return</i>		
	<i>Quarter</i>	<i>1-Year</i>	<i>3-Year</i>	<i>5-Year</i>	<i>10-Year¹</i>
<i>Alger MidCap Growth Institutional Fund I</i>	6.29%	60.10%	-5.57%	2.07%	1.02%
<i>American Beacon Large Cap Value Fund</i>	6.58%	56.68%	-5.91%	1.77%	5.59%
<i>Evergreen International Equity Fund</i>	3.79%	41.74%	-8.04%	2.61%	1.80%
<i>Federated Kaufmann Fund (A)</i>	4.72%	46.37%	-2.79%	4.64%	4.56%
<i>Invesco Capital Development Fund (A)</i>	6.61%	56.50%	-5.65%	2.95%	1.23%
<i>Neuberger Berman Genesis Fund (Tr)</i>	5.10%	47.74%	1.12%	5.66%	10.71%
<i>PIMCO Total Return Fund (Adm)</i>	2.91%	15.20%	9.36%	7.27%	7.46%
<i>SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund</i>	5.34%	49.44%	-4.27%	1.78%	-0.80%
<i>Sunrise Retirement Balanced Fund</i>	3.65%	30.83%	n/a	n/a	2.54%
<i>Sunrise Retirement Balanced Equity Fund</i>	4.06%	38.27%	n/a	n/a	0.86%
<i>Sunrise Retirement Capital Preservation Fund</i>	1.95%	11.95%	n/a	n/a	4.83%
<i>Sunrise Retirement Diversified Equity Fund</i>	4.77%	49.83%	n/a	n/a	-4.24%
<i>Sunrise Retirement Diversified Equity with Income Fund</i>	4.45%	44.46%	n/a	n/a	-2.08%
<i>Sunrise Retirement Diversified Income Fund</i>	3.14%	24.83%	n/a	n/a	3.73%
<i>Sunrise Retirement Income Fund</i>	2.55%	17.50%	n/a	n/a	4.10%
<i>T. Rowe Price Growth Stock Fund (Inv)</i>	4.13%	48.34%	-2.32%	3.46%	0.23%
<i>Wells Fargo Stable Return Fund (J)</i>	0.53%	2.37% ²	3.33%	3.54%	4.09%
<i>Northfield-Federal Stock Fund</i>	7.00%	32.00%	n/a	n/a	44.55% ³

¹ If no ten-year record is available, return is since the funds inception.

- ² Annualized performance.
- ³ This represents the return from November 7, 2007.

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The following is a brief description of each of the Plan's investment funds. For more complete information with respect to a particular fund, you should request a prospectus for that fund. You may request a prospectus for a particular fund by contacting Madeline Frank at (732) 499-7200, ext. 2570.

Alger MidCap Growth Institutional Fund I. The fund seeks long-term capital appreciation. The fund focuses on mid-size companies that the fund's management believes demonstrate promising growth potential. It normally invests at least 80% of assets in the equity securities of medium-capitalization companies that the fund's management believes demonstrate promising growth potential. A medium-capitalization company has a market capitalization within the range of companies in the Russell Mid-cap Growth index.

American Beacon Large Cap Value Fund. The fund's assets are invested primarily in equity securities of large market capitalization U.S. companies. The fund's managers select stocks that, in their opinion, have above-average earnings growth potential and are also selling at a discount to the market. These companies generally have market capitalizations similar to the market capitalization of the companies in the Russell 1000 index. These may consist of common and preferred stocks, convertible securities, U.S. dollar-denominated American Depositary Receipts and U.S. dollar-denominated foreign stocks traded on U.S. exchanges.

Evergreen International Equity Fund (A). The fund seeks long-term capital growth and secondarily, modest income. The fund invests 80% of assets in equity securities issued by established and quality non-U.S. companies located in countries with developed markets and may purchase securities across all market capitalizations. It normally invests at least 65% of assets in securities of at least three countries other than the United States. The fund normally intends to seek modest income from dividends paid by its equity holdings.

Federated Kaufman Fund (A). The fund seeks capital appreciation. The fund primarily invests in common stocks of small and medium-sized companies. To select investments, the advisor evaluates a company's growth prospects, the economic outlook for its industry, new-product development, management, security value, and financial characteristics. It may invest up to 30% of assets in foreign securities.

Invesco Capital Development Fund (A). The fund seeks long-term growth of capital by investing primarily in common stocks of mid-cap companies that the fund's management believes can generate sustainable growth in revenue, earnings and cash flow that is not fully reflected in investor expectations or equity valuations.

Neuberger Berman Genesis Fund Trust. This fund seeks growth of capital. The fund invests primarily in common stocks of companies with market capitalizations of \$2 billion or less at the time of purchase. The fund's management generally looks for undervalued companies whose current market shares and balance sheets are strong.

PIMCO Total Return Fund (Adm). The fund seeks maximum total return, consistent with preservation of capital and prudent investment management. The fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing in a diversified portfolio of fixed income instruments. The average portfolio duration normally varies within a three- to six-year frame.

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SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund. The fund seeks to replicate the total return of the S&P 500 index. The fund substantially invests all of investable assets in a corresponding portfolio of the State Street Equity 500 index portfolio that has the same investment objective as and investment policies that are substantially similar to those of the fund. It invests at least 80% of total assets in stocks in the S&P 500 index in proportion to their weighting.

Sunrise Retirement Balanced Fund. The fund targets 55% of its assets in a diversified mix of equity mutual funds and 45% in fixed-income mutual funds. The equity allocation includes mutual funds that invest in U.S. large-cap, mid-cap and small-cap equity securities, as well as non-U.S. equity securities. The fixed-income exposure will be invested in intermediate-term fixed-income and money market mutual funds. This fund's strategic asset class targets include: 30% U.S. large-cap equity, 15% U.S. mid/small-cap equity, 10% non-U.S. equity, 42% fixed-income, and 3% cash equivalents.

Sunrise Retirement Balanced Equity Fund. The fund targets 70% of its assets in a diversified mix of equity mutual funds and 30% in fixed-income mutual funds. The equity allocation includes mutual funds that invest in U.S. large-cap, mid-cap and small-cap equity securities, as well as non-U.S. equity securities. The fixed-income exposure will be invested in intermediate-term fixed-income and money market mutual funds. This fund's strategic asset class targets include: 35% U.S. large-cap equity, 22% U.S. mid/small-cap equity, 13% non-U.S. equity, 27% fixed-income, and 3% cash equivalents.

Sunrise Retirement Capital Preservation Fund. The fund targets 10% of its assets in a diversified mix of equity mutual funds and 90% in fixed-income mutual funds. The equity allocation includes mutual funds that invest in U.S. large-cap equity securities. The fixed-income exposure will be invested in intermediate- and short-term fixed-income, as well as money market mutual funds. This fund's strategic asset class targets include: 10% U.S. large-cap equity, 87% fixed-income, and 3% cash equivalents.

Sunrise Retirement Diversified Equity Fund. The fund seeks to be 97% invested in a diversified mix of equity mutual funds, including mutual funds that invest in U.S. large-cap, mid-cap and small-cap equity securities, as well as non-U.S. equity securities. The balance will be invested in a money market portfolio. The fund's strategic asset class targets include: 42% U.S. large-cap equity, 35% U.S. mid/small-cap equity, 20% non-U.S. equity, and 3% cash equivalents.

Sunrise Retirement Diversified Equity with Income Fund. The fund targets 85% of its assets in a diversified mix of equity mutual funds and 15% in fixed-income mutual funds. The equity allocation includes mutual funds that invest in U.S. large-cap, mid-cap and small-cap equity securities, as well as non-U.S. equity securities. The fixed-income exposure will be invested in intermediate-term fixed-income and money market mutual funds. The fund's strategic asset class targets include: 40% U.S. large-cap equity, 28% U.S. mid/small-cap equity, 17% non-U.S. equity, 12% fixed-income, and 3% cash equivalents.

Sunrise Retirement Diversified Income Fund. The fund targets 40% of its assets in a diversified mix of equity mutual funds and 60% in fixed-income mutual funds. The equity

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allocation includes mutual funds that invest in U.S. large-cap, mid-cap and small-cap equity securities, as well as non-U.S. equity securities. The fixed-income exposure will be invested in intermediate-term fixed-income and money market mutual funds. The fund's strategic asset class targets include: 25% U.S. large-cap equity, 10% U.S. mid/small cap equity, 5% non-U.S. equity, 57% fixed-income, and 3% cash equivalents.

Sunrise Retirement Income Fund. The fund targets 25% of its assets in a diversified mix of equity mutual funds and 75% in fixed-income mutual funds. The equity allocation includes mutual funds that invest in U.S. large-cap and small-cap equity securities. The fixed-income exposure will be invested in intermediate- and short-term fixed-income, as well as money market, mutual funds. The fund's strategic asset class targets include: 20% U.S. large-cap equity, 5% U.S. mid-cap equity, 72% fixed-income, and 3% cash equivalents.

T. Rowe Price Growth Stock Fund (R). The fund seeks long-term growth of capital; income is secondary. The fund normally invests at least 80% of assets in the common stocks of a diversified group of growth companies. It mostly seeks investments in companies that have the ability to pay increasing dividends through strong cash flow. The fund generally looks for companies with an above-average rate of earnings growth and a lucrative niche in the economy. While it invests most assets in U.S. common stocks, the fund may also purchase other securities, including foreign stocks, futures, and options.

Wells Fargo Stable Return Fund (J). The fund seeks safety of principal and consistency of returns with minimal volatility. The fund is intended for conservative investors seeking more income than money market funds without the price fluctuation of stock or bond funds. The fund invests in financial instruments issued by highly rated companies. These include guaranteed investment contracts (GICs), security backed investment contracts, separate account GICs, and cash equivalents. The fund is one of the oldest and largest stable value collective funds in the nation and has been managed by the same portfolio management team since 1988.

Northfield-Federal Stock Fund. The Northfield-Federal Stock Fund consists primarily of shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal and a small amount of cash to provide for liquidity for transactions and distributions.

An investment in any of the funds listed above is not a deposit of a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. As with any mutual fund investment, there is always a risk that you may lose money on your investment in any of the funds listed above.
Investment in Common Stock of Northfield-Delaware

The Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund will consist primarily of investments in common stock of Northfield-Delaware, Inc. The trustee will use all amounts allocated to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund pursuant to the Special Investment Election Form to acquire shares in the conversion and common stock offering. Shares of Northfield-Delaware, Inc. which were held in the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund prior to the conversion and common stock offering will be automatically converted into shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware, in accordance

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with the exchange ratio. After the offering, the trustee will, to the extent practicable, use amounts held by it in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund, including cash dividends paid on common stock held in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund, to purchase shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware, taking into consideration cash amounts needed to maintain liquidity in the account. It is expected that all purchases will be made at prevailing market prices. Under certain circumstances, the trustee may be required to limit the daily volume of shares purchased. Pending investment in common stock, amounts allocated towards the purchase of shares in the offering will be held in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund in an interest-bearing account. In the event of an oversubscription, any earnings that result therefrom will be reinvested among the other funds of the 401(k) plan in accordance with your then existing investment election (in proportion to your investment direction allocation percentages).

Following the offering, Northfield-Delaware, Inc., a Delaware corporation will be 100% owned by its public shareholders, including Northfield Bank's tax-qualified plans. Currently, Northfield Bank is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Northfield-Federal, a federal mid-tier holding company, that is a majority-owned subsidiary of Northfield Bancorp, MHC, a mutual holding company. The historical performance of the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund, the predecessor to the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund is set forth on page _____. Performance of the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund will be dependent upon a number of factors, including the financial condition and profitability of Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank and market conditions for the common stock generally. An investment in the fund is not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any other government agency. It is possible to lose money by investing in the fund.

As of the date of this prospectus supplement, none of the shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock have been issued or are outstanding and there is no established market for Northfield-Delaware common stock. Accordingly, there is no record of the historical performance of the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund. Performance of the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund depends on a number of factors, including the financial condition and profitability of Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank and market conditions for Northfield-Delaware common stock generally.

Investments in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund involve special risks common to investments in the common stock of Northfield-Delaware

For a discussion of material risks you should consider, see Risk Factors beginning on page ____ of the attached prospectus and Notice of Your Rights Concerning Employer Securities below.

An investment in any of the funds listed above is not a deposit of a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. As with any mutual fund investment, there is always a risk that you may lose money on your investment in any of the funds listed above.

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Administration of the Plan

The Trustee and Custodian. The trustee of the Plan is Pentegra Trust Company. Pentegra Trust Company serves as trustee for all the investments funds under the Plan, including during the offering period for Northfield-Delaware common stock. Following the offering period, Pentegra Trust Company will also serve as the trustee of the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund.

Plan Administrator. Pursuant to the terms of the Plan, the Plan is administered by the Plan Administrator, Northfield Bank. The address of the Plan Administrator is 581 Main Street, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095, telephone number (732) 499-7200, ext. 2570. The Plan Administrator is responsible for the administration of the Plan, interpretation of the provisions of the Plan, prescribing procedures for filing applications for benefits, preparation and distribution of information explaining the Plan, maintenance of Plan records, books of account and all other data necessary for the proper administration of the Plan, preparation and filing of all returns and reports relating to the Plan which are required to be filed with the U.S. Department of Labor and the Internal Revenue Service, and for all disclosures required to be made to participants, beneficiaries and others under Sections 104 and 105 of ERISA.

Reports to Plan Participants. The Plan Administrator will furnish you a statement at least quarterly showing the balance in your account as of the end of that period, the amount of contributions allocated to your account for that period, and any adjustments to your account to reflect earnings or losses (if any).

Amendment and Termination

It is the intention of Northfield Bank to continue the Plan indefinitely. Nevertheless, Northfield Bank may terminate the Plan at any time. If the Plan is terminated in whole or in part, then regardless of other provisions in the Plan, you will have a fully vested interest in your accounts. Northfield Bank reserves the right to make any amendment or amendments to the Plan which do not cause any part of the trust to be used for, or diverted to, any purpose other than the exclusive benefit of participants or their beneficiaries; provided, however, that Northfield Bank may make any amendment it determines necessary or desirable, with or without retroactive effect, to comply with ERISA.

Merger, Consolidation or Transfer

In the event of the merger or consolidation of the Plan with another plan, or the transfer of the trust assets to another plan, the Plan requires that you would receive a benefit immediately after the merger, consolidation or transfer which is equal to or greater than the benefit you would have been entitled to receive immediately before the merger, consolidation or transfer.

Federal Income Tax Consequences

The following is a brief summary of the material federal income tax aspects of the Plan. You should not rely on this summary as a complete or definitive description of the material federal income tax consequences relating to the Plan. Statutory provisions change, as do their

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interpretations, and their application may vary in individual circumstances. Finally, the consequences under applicable state and local income tax laws may not be the same as under the federal income tax laws. Please consult your tax advisor with respect to any distribution from the Plan and transactions involving the Plan.

As a tax-qualified retirement plan, the Code affords the Plan special tax treatment, including:

- (1) the sponsoring employer is allowed an immediate tax deduction for the amount contributed to the Plan each year;
- (2) participants pay no current income tax on amounts contributed by the employer on their behalf; and
- (3) earnings of the Plan are tax-deferred, thereby permitting the tax-free accumulation of income and gains on investments.

Northfield Bank will administer the Plan to comply with the requirements of the Code as of the applicable effective date of any change in the law.

Lump-Sum Distribution. A distribution from the Plan to a participant or the beneficiary of a participant will qualify as a lump-sum distribution if it is made within one taxable year, on account of the participant's death, disability or separation from service, or after the participant attains age 59 1/2, and consists of the balance credited to the participant under the Plan and all other profit sharing plans, if any, maintained by Northfield Bank. The portion of any lump-sum distribution required to be included in your taxable income for federal income tax purposes consists of the entire amount of the lump-sum distribution, less the amount of after-tax contributions, if any, you have made to this Plan and any other profit sharing plans maintained by Northfield Bank, which is included in the distribution.

Northfield-Delaware Common Stock Included in Lump-Sum Distribution. If a lump-sum distribution includes Northfield-Delaware common stock, the distribution generally will be taxed in the manner described above, except that the total taxable amount may be reduced by the amount of any net unrealized appreciation with respect to Northfield-Delaware common stock; that is, the excess of the value of Northfield-Delaware common stock at the time of the distribution over its cost or other basis of the securities to the trust. The tax basis of Northfield-Delaware common stock, for purposes of computing gain or loss on its subsequent sale, equals the value of Northfield-Delaware common stock at the time of distribution, less the amount of net unrealized appreciation. Any gain on a subsequent sale or other taxable disposition of Northfield-Delaware common stock, to the extent of the amount of net unrealized appreciation at the time of distribution, will constitute long-term capital gain, regardless of the holding period of Northfield-Delaware common stock. Any gain on a subsequent sale or other taxable disposition of Northfield-Delaware common stock, in excess of the amount of net unrealized appreciation at the time of distribution, will be considered long-term capital gain. The recipient of a distribution may elect to include the amount of any net unrealized appreciation in the total taxable amount of the distribution, to the extent allowed by regulations to be issued by the Internal Revenue Service.

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Distributions: Rollovers and Direct Transfers to Another Qualified Plan or to an IRA. You may roll over virtually all distributions from the Plan to another qualified plan or to an individual retirement account in accordance with the terms of the other plan or account.

Notice of Your Rights Concerning Employer Securities.

Federal law provides specific rights concerning investments in employer securities. Because you may in the future have investments in the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund under the Plan, you should take the time to read the following information carefully.

Your Rights Concerning Employer Securities. The Plan must allow you to elect to move any portion of your account that is invested in the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund and Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund from that investment into other investment alternatives under the Plan. You may contact the Plan Administrator shown above for specific information regarding this right, including how to make this election. In deciding whether to exercise this right, you will want to give careful consideration to the information below that describes the importance of diversification. All of the investment options under the Plan are available to you if you decide to diversify out of either the Northfield-Federal Stock Fund or the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund.

The Importance of Diversifying Your Retirement Savings. To help achieve long-term retirement security, you should give careful consideration to the benefits of a well-balanced and diversified investment portfolio. Spreading your assets among different types of investments can help you achieve a favorable rate of return, while minimizing your overall risk of losing money. This is because market or other economic conditions that cause one category of assets, or one particular security, to perform very well often cause another asset category, or another particular security, to perform poorly. If you invest more than 20% of your retirement savings in any one company or industry, your savings may not be properly diversified. Although diversification is not a guarantee against loss, it is an effective strategy to help you manage investment risk.

In deciding how to invest your retirement savings, you should take into account all of your assets, including any retirement savings outside of the Plan. No single approach is right for everyone because, among other factors, individuals have different financial goals, different time horizons for meeting their goals, and different tolerance for risk. Therefore, you should carefully consider the rights described here and how these rights affect the amount of money that you invest in employer common stock through the Plan.

It is also important to periodically review your investment portfolio, your investment objectives, and the investment options under the Plan to help ensure that your retirement savings will meet your retirement goals.

Additional Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) Considerations

As noted above, the Plan is subject to certain provisions of ERISA, including special provisions relating to control over the Plan's assets by participants and beneficiaries. The Plan's feature that allows you to direct the investment of your account balances is intended to satisfy the

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requirements of section 404(c) of ERISA relating to control over plan assets by a participant or beneficiary. The effect of this is two-fold. First, you will not be deemed a fiduciary because of your exercise of investment discretion. Second, no person who otherwise is a fiduciary, such as Northfield Bank, the Plan administrator, or the Plan's trustee is liable under the fiduciary responsibility provision of ERISA for any loss which results from your exercise of control over the assets in your Plan account.

Because you will be entitled to invest all or a portion of your account balance in the Plan in Northfield-Delaware common stock, the regulations under section 404(c) of the ERISA require that the Plan establish procedures that ensure the confidentiality of your decision to purchase, hold, or sell employer securities, except to the extent that disclosure of such information is necessary to comply with federal or state laws not preempted by ERISA. These regulations also require that your exercise of voting and similar rights with respect to the common stock be conducted in a way that ensures the confidentiality of your exercise of these rights.

Securities and Exchange Commission Reporting and Short-Swing Profit Liability

Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 imposes reporting and liability requirements on officers, directors, and persons beneficially owning more than 10% of public companies such as Northfield-Delaware. Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires the filing of reports of beneficial ownership. Within 10 days of becoming an officer, director or person beneficially owning more than 10% of the shares of Northfield-Delaware, a Form 3 reporting initial beneficial ownership must be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Changes in beneficial ownership, such as purchases, sales and gifts generally must be reported periodically, either on a Form 4 within 2 business days after the change occurs, or annually on a Form 5 within 45 days after the close of Northfield-Delaware's fiscal year. Discretionary transactions in and beneficial ownership of the common stock through the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund of the Plan by officers, directors and persons beneficially owning more than 10% of the common stock of Northfield-Delaware generally must be reported to the Securities and Exchange Commission by such individuals.

In addition to the reporting requirements described above, Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 provides for the recovery by Northfield-Delaware of profits realized by an officer, director or any person beneficially owning more than 10% of Northfield-Delaware's common stock resulting from non-exempt purchases and sales of Northfield-Delaware common stock within any six-month period.

The Securities and Exchange Commission has adopted rules that provide exemptions from the profit recovery provisions of Section 16(b) for all transactions in employer securities within an employee benefit plan, provided certain requirements are met. These requirements generally involve restrictions upon the timing of elections to acquire or dispose of employer securities for the accounts of Section 16(b) persons.

Except for distributions of common stock due to death, disability, retirement, termination of employment or under a qualified domestic relations order, persons affected by Section 16(b) are required to hold shares of common stock distributed from the Plan for six months following

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such distribution and are prohibited from directing additional purchases of units within the Northfield-Delaware Stock Fund for six months after receiving such a distribution.

Financial Information Regarding Plan Assets

Financial information representing the net assets available for Plan benefits and the change in net assets available for Plan benefits at December 31, 2009, is available upon written request to the Plan Administrator at the address shown above.

LEGAL OPINION

The validity of the issuance of the common stock has been passed upon by Luse Gorman Pomerenk & Schick, P.C., Washington, D.C., which firm is acting as special counsel to Northfield Bank in connection with Northfield-Delaware's stock offering.

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NORTHFIELD BANCORP, INC.
(Proposed Holding Company for Northfield Bank)
Up to 40,250,000 Shares of Common Stock
(Subject to increase to up to 46,287,500 shares)

Northfield Bancorp, Inc., a newly formed Delaware corporation, is offering up to 40,250,000 shares of common stock for sale at \$10.00 per share in connection with the conversion of Northfield Bancorp, MHC from the mutual holding company to the stock holding company form of organization. The shares we are offering represent the ownership interest in Northfield Bancorp, Inc., a federal corporation, currently owned by Northfield Bancorp, MHC. In the prospectus, we will refer to Northfield Bancorp, Inc., the Delaware corporation, as Northfield-Delaware, and we will refer to Northfield Bancorp, Inc., the federal corporation, as Northfield-Federal. Northfield-Federal's common stock is currently traded on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the trading symbol NFBK. For a period of 20 trading days after the completion of the conversion and offering, we expect our shares of common stock will trade on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol NFBKD, and, thereafter, our trading symbol will revert to NFBK.

The shares of common stock are first being offered in a subscription offering to eligible depositors and tax-qualified employee benefit plans of Northfield Bank as described in this prospectus. Eligible depositors and tax-qualified employee benefit plans have priority rights to buy all of the shares offered. Shares not purchased in the subscription offering will simultaneously be offered for sale to the general public in a community offering, with a preference given to residents of the communities of Northfield Bank and existing stockholders of Northfield-Federal. We also may offer for sale shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription or community offerings in a syndicated community offering through a syndicate of selected dealers.

We are offering up to 40,250,000 shares of common stock for sale on a best efforts basis. We may sell up to 46,287,500 shares of common stock because of demand for the shares of common stock or changes in market conditions, without resoliciting purchasers. We must sell a minimum of 29,750,000 shares in the offering in order to complete the offering and the conversion.

In addition to the shares we are selling in the offering, the remaining interest in Northfield-Federal currently held by the public will be exchanged for shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware using an exchange ratio that will result in existing public stockholders of Northfield-Federal owning approximately the same percentage of Northfield-Delaware common stock as they owned in Northfield-Federal immediately prior to the completion of the conversion. We will issue up to 31,166,852 shares of common stock in the exchange, which may be increased to up to 35,841,880 shares if we sell 46,287,500 shares of common stock in the offering.

The minimum order is 25 shares. The offering is expected to expire at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on [termination date]. We may extend this expiration date without notice to you until [extension date]. Once submitted, orders are irrevocable unless the offering is terminated or is extended, with Office of Thrift Supervision approval, beyond [extension date], or the number of shares of common stock to be sold is increased to more than 46,287,500 shares or decreased to less than 29,750,000 shares. If the offering is extended past [extension date], or if the number of shares to be sold is increased to more than 46,287,500 shares or decreased to less than 29,750,000 shares, we will resolicit subscribers, and all funds delivered to us to purchase shares of common stock will be returned promptly with interest. Funds received in the subscription and the community offering prior to the completion of the offering will be held in a segregated account at Northfield Bank and will earn interest at [interest rate] %.

Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will assist us in selling the shares on a best efforts basis in the subscription and community offerings, and will serve as sole book-running manager for any syndicated community offering. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. is not required to purchase any shares of common stock that are being offered for sale.

OFFERING SUMMARY
Price: \$10.00 per Share

	Minimum	Midpoint	Maximum	Adjusted Maximum
Number of shares	29,750,000	35,000,000	40,250,000	46,287,500

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Gross offering proceeds	\$297,500,000	\$350,000,000	\$402,500,000	\$462,875,000
Estimated offering expenses, excluding selling agent commissions	\$1,681,500	\$1,681,500	\$1,681,500	\$1,681,500
Selling agent commissions (1)	\$8,796,550	\$10,350,550	\$11,904,550	\$13,691,650
Estimated net proceeds	\$287,021,950	\$337,967,950	\$388,913,950	\$447,501,850
Estimated net proceeds per share	\$9.65	\$9.66	\$9.66	\$9.67

(1) The amounts shown assume that 50% of the shares are sold in the subscription and community offerings and the remaining 50% are sold in a syndicated community offering. The amounts shown include fees and selling commissions payable by us: (i) to Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. in connection with the subscription and community offerings equal to 1.0% of the aggregate amount of common stock in the subscription and community offerings (net of insider purchases and shares purchased by our employee stock ownership plan), or approximately \$2.1 million, at the adjusted

maximum of the offering range; and (ii) to Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. and any other broker-dealers participating in the syndicated offering equal to 5.0% of the aggregate amount of common stock sold in the syndicated community offering, or approximately \$11.6 million at the adjusted maximum of the offering.

Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will not be separately reimbursed for expenses if the offering is completed. See The Conversion and Offering Plan of Distribution; Selling Agent Compensation for information regarding compensation to be received by Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. and the other broker-dealers that may participate in the syndicated community offering and Pro Forma Data for

the assumptions regarding the number of shares that may be sold in the subscription and community offerings and the syndicated community offering used to determine the estimated offering expenses. If all shares of common stock were sold in the syndicated community offering, the maximum selling agent commissions would be approximately \$14.9 million, \$17.5 million, \$20.1 million and \$23.1 million at the minimum, midpoint, maximum, and adjusted maximum levels of the offering, respectively.

This investment involves a degree of risk, including the possible loss of principal.

Please read Risk Factors beginning on page 16.

These securities are not deposits or accounts and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Office of Thrift Supervision, nor any state securities regulator has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this Prospectus is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P.

For assistance, please contact the Stock Information Center, toll-free, at (____) ____-____.

The date of this prospectus is [Prospectus Date].

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SUMMARY

The following summary explains the significant aspects of the conversion, the offering and the exchange of existing shares of Northfield-Federal common stock for shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock. It may not contain all of the information that is important to you. For additional information before making an investment decision, you should read this entire document carefully, including the consolidated financial statements and the notes to the consolidated financial statements, and the section entitled Risk Factors.

The Companies

Northfield-Delaware

The shares being offered will be issued by Northfield-Delaware, a newly formed Delaware corporation. Upon completion of the conversion, Northfield-Delaware will become the successor corporation to Northfield-Federal and the parent holding company for Northfield Bank. Northfield-Delaware's executive offices are located at 581 Main Street, Suite 810, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095, and its telephone number at this address is (732) 499-7200.

Northfield Bank

Northfield Bank is a community bank that has served the banking needs of its customers since 1887. Northfield Bank conducts business primarily from its home office located in Staten Island, New York, its operations center located in Woodbridge, New Jersey, its 17 additional branch offices located in New York and New Jersey and its lending offices located in Brooklyn, New York and Gwinnett County, Georgia. The branch offices are located in the New York counties of Richmond (Staten Island) and Kings (Brooklyn) and the New Jersey counties of Union and Middlesex.

Northfield Bank's principal business consists of taking deposits, primarily through its retail banking offices, and investing those funds in loans and securities. Northfield Bank offers a variety of deposit accounts with a range of interest rates and terms, and relies on its convenient locations, customer service and competitive pricing and products to attract and retain deposits. To a lesser extent, Northfield Bank uses borrowed funds and brokered deposits as additional sources of funds. Northfield Bank's principal lending activity is originating multifamily and commercial real estate loans for retention in its portfolio, and also offering a variety of other types of loans for individuals and small businesses. Northfield Bank's investment securities portfolio is comprised principally of mortgage-backed securities and corporate bonds. Northfield Bank is subject to comprehensive regulation and examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Northfield Bank's website address is www.eNorthfield.com. Information on this website is not and should not be considered a part of this prospectus.

Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bancorp, MHC

Northfield-Federal is a federally chartered corporation that currently is the parent holding company of Northfield Bank. At March 31, 2010, Northfield-Federal had consolidated assets of \$2.1 billion, deposits of \$1.4 billion and stockholders' equity of \$396.3 million. At March 31, 2010, Northfield-Federal had 43,722,522 shares of common stock outstanding, of which 19,080,838 shares, or 43.6%, were owned by the public (including Northfield Bank Foundation) and will be exchanged for shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware as part of the conversion. The remaining 24,641,684 shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal are held by Northfield Bancorp, MHC, a federally chartered mutual holding company. The shares of common stock being offered by Northfield-Delaware represent Northfield Bancorp, MHC's ownership interest in Northfield-Federal. Upon completion of the conversion and offering, Northfield Bancorp, MHC's shares will be cancelled and Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield-Federal will no longer exist.

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Our Current Organizational Structure

We have been organized in mutual holding company form since 1995, and in the two-tiered mutual holding company structure since 2002. In November 2007, Northfield-Federal sold 19,265,316 shares of its common stock to the public, representing 43.0% of its then-outstanding shares, at \$10.00 per share. Northfield-Federal issued 24,641,684 shares to Northfield Bancorp, MHC, and 896,061 shares to Northfield Bank Foundation, which was formed in connection with the initial stock offering.

Pursuant to the terms of Northfield Bancorp, MHC's plan of conversion and reorganization, Northfield Bancorp, MHC is now converting from the mutual holding company corporate structure to the stock holding company corporate structure. As part of the conversion, we are offering for sale the majority ownership interest in Northfield-Federal that is currently held by Northfield Bancorp, MHC. We are not contributing additional shares to the Northfield Bank Foundation in connection with the conversion and offering. Upon completion of the conversion and offering, Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield-Federal will cease to exist, and we will complete the transition of our organization from being partially owned by public stockholders to being fully owned by public stockholders. Upon completion of the conversion, public stockholders of Northfield-Federal will receive shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware in exchange for their shares of Northfield-Federal.

The following diagram shows our current organizational structure:

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After the conversion and offering are completed, we will be organized as a fully public holding company, as follows:

Business Strategy

Our business strategies are to:

remain a community-oriented financial institution;

continue to increase our lending;

improve asset quality;

expand through branching and acquisitions; and

employ securities investment strategies to increase income.

See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Business Strategy for a more complete discussion of our business strategy.

Reasons for the Conversion and Offering

Our primary reasons for converting to the fully public stock form of ownership and undertaking the stock offering are to:

eliminate some of the uncertainties associated with proposed financial regulatory reforms;

increase our capital;

transition us to a more familiar and flexible organizational structure;

improve the liquidity of our shares of common stock; and

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support any future mergers and acquisitions.

See The Conversion and Offering for a more complete discussion of our reasons for conducting the conversion and offering.

Terms of the Offering

We are offering between 29,750,000 and 40,250,000 shares of common stock to eligible depositors of Northfield Bank, to our tax-qualified employee benefit plans and, to the extent shares remain available, to residents of the New Jersey Counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Union, the New York Counties of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester, and Pike County, Pennsylvania. To the extent shares of common stock remain available, we are also offering the shares to our existing public stockholders and to the general public in a community offering and, if necessary, to the general public in a syndicated community offering. The number of shares of common stock to be sold may be increased to up to 46,287,500 shares as a result of demand for the shares of common stock in the offering or changes in market conditions. Unless the number of shares of common stock to be offered is increased to more than 46,287,500 shares or decreased to fewer than 29,750,000 shares, or the offering is extended beyond [extension date], subscribers will not have the opportunity to change or cancel their stock orders once submitted. If the offering is extended past [extension date], or if the number of shares to be sold is increased to more than 46,287,500 shares or decreased to less than 29,750,000 shares, all subscribers' stock orders will be canceled, their withdrawal authorizations will be canceled and funds delivered to us to purchase shares of common stock in the subscription and community offerings will be returned promptly with interest at [interest rate]%. We will then resolicit subscribers, giving them an opportunity to place a new order for a period of time.

The purchase price of each share of common stock to be offered for sale in the offering is \$10.00. All investors will pay the same purchase price per share. Investors will not be charged a commission to purchase shares of common stock in the offering. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., our marketing agent in the offering, will use its best efforts to assist us in selling shares of our common stock but is not obligated to purchase any shares of common stock in the offering.

How We Determined the Offering Range, the Exchange Ratio and the \$10.00 Per Share Stock Price

The amount of common stock we are offering for sale and the exchange ratio for the exchange of shares of Northfield-Delaware for shares of Northfield-Federal are based on an independent appraisal of the estimated market value of Northfield-Delaware, assuming the conversion, exchange and offering are completed. RP Financial, LC., our independent appraiser, has estimated that, as of May 14, 2010, this market value was \$621.0 million. Based on Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, this market value forms the midpoint of a valuation range with a minimum of \$527.9 million and a maximum of \$714.2 million. Based on this valuation and the valuation range, the 56.4% ownership interest of Northfield Bancorp, MHC in Northfield-Federal being sold in the offering and the \$10.00 per share price, the number of shares of common stock being offered for sale by Northfield-Delaware will range from 29,750,000 shares to 40,250,000 shares. The \$10.00 per share price was selected primarily because it is the price most commonly used in mutual-to-stock conversions of financial institutions. The exchange ratio will range from 1.2073 shares at the minimum of the offering range to 1.6334 at the maximum of the offering range, and will preserve the existing percentage ownership of public stockholders of Northfield-Federal (excluding any new shares purchased by them in the stock offering and their receipt of cash in lieu of fractional shares). If demand for shares or market conditions warrant, the appraisal can be increased by 15%, which would result in an appraised value of \$821.3 million, an offering of 46,287,500 shares of common stock, and an exchange ratio of 1.8784.

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The appraisal is based in part on Northfield-Federal's financial condition and results of operations, the pro forma effect of the additional capital raised by the sale of shares of common stock in the offering, and an analysis of a peer group of ten publicly traded thrift holding companies that RP Financial, LC. considers comparable to Northfield-Federal. The appraisal peer group consists of the following companies. Asset size for all companies is as of March 31, 2010.

Company Name	Ticker		Headquarters	Total Assets (in millions)
	Symbol	Exchange		
Brookline Bancorp, Inc.	BRKL	Nasdaq	Brookline, MA	\$2,639
Danvers Bancorp, Inc.	DNBK	Nasdaq	Danvers, MA	\$2,455
ESB Financial Corp.	ESBF	Nasdaq	Ellwood City, PA	\$1,955
ESSA Bancorp, Inc.	ESSA	Nasdaq	Stroudsburg, PA	\$1,059
Flushing Financial Corp.	FFIC	Nasdaq	Lake Success, NY	\$4,183
NewAlliance Bancshares	NAL	NYSE	New Haven, CT	\$8,501
OceanFirst Financial Corp.	OCFC	Nasdaq	Toms River, NJ	\$2,199
Provident NY Bancorp, Inc.	PBNY	Nasdaq	Montebello, NY	\$2,936
United Financial Bancorp	UBNK	Nasdaq	W. Springfield, MA	\$1,513
Westfield Financial Inc.	WFD	Nasdaq	Westfield, MA	\$1,200

The following table presents a summary of selected pricing ratios for the peer group companies and Northfield-Delaware (on a pro forma basis) based on annual earnings and other information as of and for the twelve months ended March 31, 2010, as reflected in the appraisal report. Compared to the average pricing of the peer group, our pro forma pricing ratios at the midpoint of the offering range indicated a discount of 20.1% on a price-to-book value basis, a discount of 30.4% on a price-to-tangible book value basis, and a premium of 110.0% on a price-to-earnings basis.

	Price-to-earnings multiple (1)	Price-to-book value ratio	Price-to-tangible book value ratio
Northfield-Delaware (on a pro forma basis, assuming completion of the conversion)			
Adjusted Maximum	67.18x	101.73%	103.84%
Maximum	58.68x	94.79%	96.90%
Midpoint	51.23x	87.87%	89.93%
Minimum	43.72x	80.00%	82.03%
Valuation of peer group companies, all of which are fully converted (on an historical basis)			
Averages	24.40x	109.94%	129.19%
Medians	26.88x	104.00%	134.53%

(1) Price-to-earnings multiples calculated by RP Financial, LC. in the independent appraisal are

based on an estimate of core or recurring earnings. These ratios are different than those presented in Pro Forma Data.

The independent appraisal does not indicate trading market value. Do not assume or expect that our valuation as indicated in the appraisal means that after the conversion and offering the shares of our common stock will trade at or above the \$10.00 per share purchase price. Furthermore, the pricing ratios presented in the appraisal were utilized by RP Financial, L.C. to estimate our *pro forma* appraised value for regulatory purposes and not to compare the relative value of shares of our common stock with the value of the capital stock of the peer group. The value of the capital stock of a particular company may be affected by a number of factors such as financial performance, asset size and market location.

For a more complete discussion of the amount of common stock we are offering for sale and the independent appraisal, see The Conversion and Offering Stock Pricing and Number of Shares to be Issued.

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The following table presents stock price performance information for all second-step conversions completed between January 1, 2009 and May 14, 2010. None of these companies were included in the group of 10 comparable public companies utilized in RP Financial, L.C.'s valuation analysis.

**Completed Second-Step Conversion Offerings
Closing Dates between January 1, 2009 and May 14, 2010**

Company Name and Ticker Symbol	Conversion Date	Exchange	Percentage Price Change From Initial Trading Date			Through May 14, 2010
			One Day	One Week	One Month	
Eagle Bancorp Montana, Inc. (EBMT)	4/5/10	Nasdaq	5.5%	6.5%	4.1%	3.2%
Ocean Shore Holding Co. (OSHC)	12/21/09	Nasdaq	7.5%	12.3%	13.1%	40.5%
Northwest Bancshares, Inc. (NWBI)	12/18/09	Nasdaq	13.5%	13.0%	14.0%	23.2%
Average			8.8%	10.6%	10.4%	22.3%
Median			7.5%	12.3%	13.1%	23.2%

Stock price performance is affected by many factors, including, but not limited to: general market and economic conditions; the interest rate environment; the amount of proceeds a company raises in its offering; and numerous factors relating to the specific company, including the experience and ability of management, historical and anticipated operating results, the nature and quality of the company's assets, and the company's market area. None of the companies listed in the table above are exactly similar to Northfield-Delaware, the pricing ratios for their stock offerings may have been different from the pricing ratios for Northfield-Delaware shares of common stock and the market conditions in which these offerings were completed may have been different from current market conditions. Furthermore, this table presents only short-term performance with respect to companies that recently completed their second-step conversions and may not be indicative of the longer-term stock price performance of these companies.

The performance of these stocks may not be indicative of how our stock will perform.

Our stock price may trade below \$10.00 per share, as the stock prices of many second-step conversions completed prior to 2009 have decreased below the initial offering price. Before you make an investment decision, we urge you to carefully read this prospectus, including, but not limited to, the section entitled Risk Factors beginning on page 16.

The Exchange of Existing Shares of Northfield-Federal Common Stock

If you are currently a stockholder of Northfield-Federal, your shares will be canceled at the completion of the conversion and will be exchanged for shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware. The number of shares of common stock you receive will be based on the exchange ratio, which will depend upon our final appraised value. The following table shows how the exchange ratio will adjust, based on the valuation of Northfield-Delaware and the number of shares of common stock issued in the offering. The table also shows the number of shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock a hypothetical owner of Northfield-Federal common stock would receive in exchange for 100 shares of Northfield-Federal common stock owned at the completion of the conversion, depending on the number of shares of common stock issued in the offering.

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	Shares to be Sold in This Offering		Shares of Northfield-Delaware to be Issued for		Total Shares of Common Stock to be Issued in Conversion and Offering	Exchange Ratio	Equivalent	Equivalent	Shares to be Received for 100 Existing Shares
			Shares of Northfield-Federal				Value of Shares Based Upon Offering Price (1)	Pro Forma Tangible Book Value Per Share (2)	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent					
Minimum	29,750,000	56.4%	23,036,369	43.6%	52,786,369	1.2073	\$ 12.07	\$ 14.72	120
Midpoint	35,000,000	56.4	27,101,611	43.6	62,101,611	1.4204	14.20	15.79	142
Maximum	40,250,000	56.4	31,166,852	43.6	71,416,852	1.6334	16.33	16.86	163
15% above Maximum	46,287,500	56.4	35,841,880	43.6	82,129,380	1.8784	18.78	18.09	187

(1) Represents the value of shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock to be received in the conversion by a holder of one share of Northfield-Federal, pursuant to the exchange ratio, based upon the \$10.00 per share purchase price.

(2) Represents the pro forma tangible book value per share at each level of the offering range multiplied by the respective exchange ratio.

If you own shares of Northfield-Federal common stock in a brokerage account in street name, your shares will be exchanged automatically, and you do not need to take any action to exchange your shares of common stock. If your shares are represented by physical Northfield-Federal stock certificates, after the completion of the conversion and stock offering, our exchange agent will mail to you a transmittal form with instructions to surrender your stock certificates. New certificates of Northfield-Delaware common stock will be mailed to you within five business days after the exchange agent receives properly executed transmittal forms and your Northfield-Federal stock certificates. **You should not submit a stock certificate until you receive a transmittal form.**

No fractional shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock will be issued to any public stockholder of Northfield-Federal. For each fractional share that otherwise would be issued, Northfield-Delaware will pay in cash an

amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the fractional share interest to which the holder otherwise would be entitled by the \$10.00 per share offering price.

Outstanding options to purchase shares of Northfield-Federal common stock also will convert into and become options to purchase shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock based upon the exchange ratio. The aggregate exercise price, duration and vesting schedule of these options will not be affected by the conversion. At March 31, 2010, there were 2,072,540 outstanding options to purchase shares of Northfield-Federal common stock, 402,060 of which have vested. Such outstanding options will be converted into options to purchase 2,502,177 shares of common stock at the minimum of the offering range and 3,385,287 shares of common stock at the maximum of the offering range. Because Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit us from repurchasing our common stock during the first year following the conversion unless compelling business reasons exist for such repurchases, we may use authorized but unissued shares to fund option exercises that occur during the first year following the conversion. If all existing options were exercised for authorized, but unissued shares of common stock following the conversion, stockholders would experience dilution of approximately 4.53% at both the minimum and the maximum of the offering range.

How We Intend to Use the Proceeds From the Offering

We intend to invest at least 50% of the net proceeds from the stock offering in Northfield Bank, loan funds to our employee stock ownership plan to fund its purchase of our shares of common stock in the stock offering and retain the remainder of the net proceeds from the offering. Therefore, assuming we sell 35,000,000 shares of common stock in the stock offering, and we have net proceeds of \$338.0 million, we intend to invest \$169.0 million in Northfield Bank, loan \$14.0 million to our employee stock ownership plan to fund its purchase of our shares of common stock and retain the remaining \$155.0 million of the net proceeds.

We may use the funds we retain to acquire other financial institutions, for investments, to pay cash dividends, to repurchase shares of common stock and for other general corporate purposes. Northfield Bank may use the proceeds it receives from us to acquire other financial institutions, to expand its branch network and to support increased lending and other products and services.

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Please see the section of this prospectus entitled "How We Intend to Use the Proceeds from the Offering" for more information on the proposed use of the proceeds from the offering.

Persons Who May Order Shares of Common Stock in the Offering

We are offering the shares of common stock in a subscription offering in the following descending order of priority:

- (i) First, to depositors with accounts at Northfield Bank with aggregate balances of at least \$50 at the close of business on March 31, 2009.
- (ii) Second, to our tax-qualified employee benefit plans (including Northfield Bank's employee stock ownership plan and 401(k) plan), which will receive, without payment therefor, nontransferable subscription rights to purchase in the aggregate up to 10% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering. We expect our employee stock ownership plan to purchase 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the stock offering, although we reserve the right to have the employee stock ownership plan purchase more than 4% of the shares sold in the offering to the extent necessary to complete the offering at the minimum of the offering range.
- (iii) Third, to depositors with accounts at Northfield Bank with aggregate balances of at least \$50 at the close of business on June 30, 2010.
- (iv) Fourth, to depositors of Northfield Bank at the close of business on [depositor record date].

Shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription offering will be offered for sale to the general public in a community offering, with a preference given first to natural persons (including trusts of natural persons) residing in the New Jersey Counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Union, the New York Counties of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester, and Pike County, Pennsylvania. To the extent shares of common stock remain available, we are also offering the shares to Northfield-Federal's public stockholders as of [stockholder record date]. The community offering is expected to begin concurrently with the subscription offering. We also may offer for sale shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription offering or the community offering through a syndicated community offering managed by Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. We have the right to accept or reject, in our sole discretion, orders received in the community offering or syndicated community offering. Any determination to accept or reject stock orders in the community offering and the syndicated community offering will be based on the facts and circumstances available to management at the time of the determination.

If we receive orders for more shares than we are offering, we may not be able to fully or partially fill your order. Shares will be allocated first to categories in the subscription offering. A detailed description of the subscription offering, the community offering and the syndicated community offering, as well as a discussion regarding allocation procedures, can be found in the section of this prospectus entitled "The Conversion and Offering."

Limits on How Much Common Stock You May Purchase

The minimum number of shares of common stock that may be purchased is 25.

Generally, no individual may purchase more than 300,000 shares (\$3.0 million) of common stock. If any of the following persons purchases shares of common stock, their purchases, in all categories of the offering, when combined with your purchases, cannot exceed 300,000 shares (\$3.0 million) of common stock:

your spouse or relatives of you or your spouse living in your house;

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most companies, trusts or other entities in which you are a trustee, have a substantial beneficial interest or hold a senior position; or

other persons who may be your associates or persons acting in concert with you.

Unless we determine otherwise, persons having the same address and persons exercising subscription rights through qualifying deposit accounts registered to the same address will be subject to the overall purchase limitation of 300,000 shares (\$3.0 million).

In addition to the above purchase limitations, there is an ownership limitation for current stockholders of Northfield-Federal other than our employee stock ownership plan. Shares of common stock that you purchase in the offering individually and together with persons described above, *plus* any shares you and they receive in exchange for existing shares of Northfield-Federal common stock, may not exceed 5% of the total shares of common stock to be issued and outstanding after the completion of the conversion. However, if you already own more than 5% of the total shares of common stock to be issued and outstanding after the completion of the conversion, you do not need to divest any of your shares.

Subject to Office of Thrift Supervision approval, we may increase or decrease the purchase and ownership limitations at any time. See the detailed description of the purchase limitations in the section of this prospectus headed The Conversion and Offering Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases.

How You May Purchase Shares of Common Stock in the Subscription Offering and the Community Offering

In the subscription offering and community offering, you may pay for your shares only by:

- (i) personal check, bank check or money order made payable directly to Northfield Bancorp, Inc.; or
- (ii) authorizing us to withdraw available funds from the types of Northfield Bank deposit accounts designated on the stock order form.

Northfield Bank is not permitted to lend funds to anyone for the purpose of purchasing shares of common stock in the offering. Additionally, you may not use a Northfield Bank line of credit check or any type of third party check to pay for shares of common stock. Please do not submit cash or wire transfers. You may not designate withdrawal from Northfield Bank's accounts with check-writing privileges. You may not authorize direct withdrawal from a Northfield Bank retirement account. See Using Individual Retirement Accounts.

You can subscribe for shares of common stock in the offering by delivering a signed and completed original stock order form, together with full payment payable to Northfield Bancorp, Inc. or authorization to withdraw funds from one or more of your Northfield Bank deposit accounts, provided that the stock order form is *received* before 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on [termination date], which is the end of the offering period. You may submit your stock order form and payment by mail using the stock order reply envelope provided, or by overnight delivery to our Stock Information Center at the address noted on the Stock Order Form. You may hand-deliver stock order forms to the Stock Information Center, which will be located at Northfield Bank's Avenel office, 1410 St. Georges Avenue, Second floor, Avenel, New Jersey. Hand-delivered stock order forms will only be accepted at this location. We will not accept stock order forms at our other branch offices. **Please do not mail stock order forms to Northfield Bank's offices.**

Please see The Conversion and Offering Procedure for Purchasing Shares Payment for Shares for a complete description of how to purchase shares in the stock offering.

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Using Individual Retirement Account Funds to Purchase Shares of Common Stock

You may be able to subscribe for shares of common stock using funds in your individual retirement account, or IRA. If you wish to use some or all of the funds in your Northfield Bank individual retirement account, the applicable funds must be transferred to a self-directed account maintained by an independent trustee, such as a brokerage firm, and the purchase must be made through that account. If you do not have such an account, you will need to establish one before placing your stock order. An annual administrative fee may be payable to the independent trustee. Because individual circumstances differ and the processing of retirement fund orders takes additional time, we recommend that you contact our Stock Information Center promptly, preferably at least two weeks before the [termination date] offering deadline, for assistance with purchases using your individual retirement account or other retirement account that you may have at Northfield Bank *or elsewhere*. Whether you may use such funds for the purchase of shares in the stock offering may depend on timing constraints and, possibly, limitations imposed by the institution where the funds are held.

See *The Conversion and Offering Procedure for Purchasing Shares Payment for Shares and Using Individual Retirement Account Funds* for a complete description of how to use IRA funds to purchase shares in the stock offering.

Purchases by Officers and Directors

We expect our directors and executive officers, together with their associates, to subscribe for ___ shares of common stock in the offering, representing ___% of shares to be sold at the minimum of the offering range. The purchase price paid by them will be the same \$10.00 per share price paid by all other persons who purchase shares of common stock in the offering. Following the conversion, our directors and executive officers, together with their associates, are expected to beneficially own ___ shares of common stock, or ___% of our total outstanding shares of common stock at the minimum of the offering range, which includes shares they currently own that will be exchanged for new shares of Northfield-Delaware.

See *Subscriptions by Directors and Executive Officers* for more information on the proposed purchases of our shares of common stock by our directors and executive officers.

Deadline for Orders of Shares of Common Stock in the Subscription and Community Offering

The deadline for purchasing shares of common stock in the subscription and community offering is 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on [termination date], unless we extend this deadline. If you wish to purchase shares of common stock, a properly completed and signed original stock order form, together with full payment, must be received (not postmarked) by this time.

Although we will make reasonable attempts to provide this prospectus and offering materials to holders of subscription rights, the subscription offering and all subscription rights will expire at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on [termination date], whether or not we have been able to locate each person entitled to subscription rights.

See *The Conversion and Offering Procedure for Purchasing Shares Expiration Date* for a complete description of the deadline for purchasing shares in the stock offering.

You May Not Sell or Transfer Your Subscription Rights

Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit you from transferring your subscription rights. If you order shares of common stock in the subscription offering, you will be required to state that you are purchasing the common stock for yourself and that you have no agreement or understanding to sell or transfer your subscription rights. We intend to take legal action, including reporting persons to federal agencies, against anyone who we believe has sold or transferred his or her subscription rights. We will not accept your order if we have reason to believe that you have sold or transferred your subscription rights. On the order form, you may not add the names of others for joint stock registration who do not have subscription rights or who qualify only in a lower subscription

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offering priority than you do. You may add only those who were eligible to purchase shares of common stock in the subscription offering at your date of eligibility. In addition, the stock order form requires that you list all deposit accounts, giving all names on each account and the account number at the applicable eligibility date. Failure to provide this information, or providing incomplete or incorrect information, may result in a loss of part or all of your share allocation if there is an oversubscription.

Delivery of Stock Certificates

Certificates representing shares of common stock sold in the subscription offering and community offering will be mailed to the certificate registration address noted by purchasers on the stock order form. Stock certificates will be sent to purchasers by first-class mail as soon as practicable after the completion of the conversion and stock offering. We expect trading in the stock to begin on the business day of or on the business day following the completion of the conversion and stock offering. The conversion and stock offering are expected to be completed as soon as practicable following satisfaction of the conditions described below in **Conditions to Completion of the Conversion and the Offering**. **It is possible that until certificates for the common stock are delivered to purchasers, purchasers might not be able to sell the shares of common stock that they ordered, even though the common stock will have begun trading.** Your ability to sell the shares of common stock before receiving your stock certificate will depend on arrangements you may make with a brokerage firm. If you are currently a stockholder of Northfield-Federal, see **The Conversion and Offering Exchange of Existing Stockholders Stock Certificates**.

Conditions to Completion of the Conversion

We cannot complete the conversion and offering unless:

The plan of conversion and reorganization is approved by at least *a majority of votes eligible* to be cast by members of Northfield Bancorp, MHC (depositors of Northfield Bank) as of [depositor record date];

The plan of conversion and reorganization is approved by at least *two-thirds of the outstanding* shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal as of [stockholder record date], including shares held by Northfield Bancorp, MHC;

The plan of conversion and reorganization is approved by at least *a majority of the outstanding* shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal as of [stockholder record date], excluding those shares held by Northfield Bancorp, MHC;

We sell at least the minimum number of shares of common stock offered; and

We receive the final approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision to complete the conversion and offering.

Northfield Bancorp, MHC intends to vote its shares in favor of the plan of conversion and reorganization. At [stockholder record date], Northfield Bancorp, MHC owned 56.4% of the outstanding shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal. The directors and executive officers of Northfield-Federal and their affiliates owned ___ shares of Northfield-Federal (excluding exercisable options), or ___% of the outstanding shares of common stock and ___% of the outstanding shares of common stock, excluding shares owned by Northfield Bancorp, MHC. They intend to vote those shares in favor of the plan of conversion and reorganization.

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Steps We May Take if We Do Not Receive Orders for the Minimum Number of Shares

If we do not receive orders for at least 29,750,000 shares of common stock, we may take several steps in order to issue the minimum number of shares of common stock in the offering range. Specifically, we may:

- (i) increase the purchase and ownership limitations; and/or
- (ii) seek regulatory approval to extend the offering beyond [extension date], so long as we resolicit subscriptions that we have previously received in the offering; and/or
- (iii) increase the shares purchased by the employee stock ownership plan.

If one or more purchase limitations are increased, subscribers in the subscription offering who ordered the maximum amount will be, and, in our sole discretion, some other large purchasers may be, given the opportunity to increase their subscriptions up to the then-applicable limit.

Possible Change in the Offering Range

RP Financial, LC. will update its appraisal before we complete the offering. If, as a result of demand for the shares or changes in market conditions, RP Financial, LC. determines that our pro forma market value has increased, we may sell up to 46,287,500 shares in the offering without further notice to you. If our pro forma market value at that time is either below \$527.9 million or above \$821.3 million, then, after consulting with the Office of Thrift Supervision, we may:

terminate the stock offering and promptly return all funds (with interest paid on funds received in the subscription and community offerings);

set a new offering range; or

take such other actions as may be permitted by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

If we set a new offering range, we will promptly return funds, with interest at [interest rate]% for funds received for purchases in the subscription and community offerings, and cancel any authorization to withdraw funds from deposit accounts for the purchase of shares of common stock. We will resolicit subscribers, allowing them to place a new stock order for a period of time.

Possible Termination of the Offering

We may terminate the offering at any time prior to the special meeting of members of Northfield Bancorp, MHC that is being called to vote on the conversion, and at any time after member approval with the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision. If we terminate the offering, we will promptly return your funds with interest at [interest rate]% and we will cancel deposit account withdrawal authorizations.

Benefits to Management and Potential Dilution to Stockholders Resulting from the Conversion

We expect our employee stock ownership plan, which is a tax-qualified retirement plan for the benefit of all of our employees, to purchase up to 4% of the shares of common stock we sell in the offering. These shares, when combined with shares owned by our existing employee stock ownership plan, will be less than 8% of the shares outstanding following the conversion. If we receive orders for more shares of common stock than the maximum of the offering range, the employee stock ownership plan will have first priority to purchase shares over this maximum, up to a total of 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering. This would reduce the number of shares available for allocation to eligible account holders. For further information, see Management Executive Compensation Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust.

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Office of Thrift Supervision regulations permit us to implement one or more new stock-based benefit plans no earlier than six months after completion of the conversion. Our current intention is to implement one or more new stock-based incentive plans, but we have not determined whether we would adopt the plans within 12 months following the completion of the conversion or more than 12 months following the completion of the conversion. Stockholder approval of these plans would be required. If we implement stock-based benefit plans within 12 months following the completion of the conversion, the stock-based benefit plans would reserve a number of shares up to 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering (reduced by amounts purchased in the stock offering by our 401(k) plan using its purchase priority in the stock offering) for awards of restricted stock to key employees and directors, at no cost to the recipients. If we implement stock-based benefit plans within 12 months following the completion of the conversion, the stock-based benefit plans would also reserve a number of shares up to 10% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering for issuance pursuant to the exercise of stock options by key employees and directors. The total number of shares available under the stock-based benefit plans is subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect shares of common stock or stock options previously granted by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank. For stock-based benefit plans adopted within 12 months following the completion of the conversion, current Office of Thrift Supervision policy would require that the total number of shares of restricted stock and the total number of shares available for the exercise of stock options not exceed 4% and 10%, respectively, of our total outstanding shares following the conversion. If the stock-based benefit plan is adopted more than 12 months after the completion of the conversion, shares of our common stock available for restricted stock or the exercise of stock options under the plan may exceed the percentage limitations set forth above. We have not yet determined the number of shares that would be reserved for issuance under these plans. For a description of our current stock-based benefit plan, see Management Compensation Discussion and Analysis Equity Awards.

The following table summarizes the number of shares of common stock and the aggregate dollar value of grants that are available under one or more stock-based benefit plans if such plans reserve a number of shares of common stock equal to not more than 4% and 10% of the shares sold in the stock offering for restricted stock awards and stock options, respectively. The table shows the dilution to stockholders if all such shares are issued from authorized but unissued shares, instead of shares purchased in the open market. A portion of the stock grants shown in the table below may be made to non-management employees or consultants. The table also sets forth the number of shares of common stock to be acquired by the employee stock ownership plan for allocation to all qualifying employees.

	Number of Shares to be Granted or Purchased			Dilution Resulting From Issuance of Shares for Stock-Based Benefit Plans	Value of Grants (In Thousands (1))	
	At Minimum of Offering Range	Adjusted Maximum of Offering Range	As a Percentage of Common Stock to be Sold in the Offering		At Minimum of Offering Range	Adjusted Maximum of Offering Range
	Employee stock ownership plan	1,190,000	1,851,500		4.0%	N/A(2)
Restricted stock awards	1,190,000	1,851,500	4.0	2.20%	11,900	18,515
Stock options	2,975,000	4,628,750	10.0	5.34%	11,097	17,265
Total	5,355,000	8,331,750	18.0%	7.31%	\$ 34,897	\$ 54,295

- (1) The actual value of restricted stock awards will be determined based on their fair value as of the date grants are made. For purposes of this table, fair value for stock awards is assumed to be the same as the offering price of \$10.00 per share. The fair value of stock options has been estimated at \$3.73 per option using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, adjusted for the exchange ratio, with the following assumptions: a grant-date share price and option exercise price of \$10.00; an expected option life of 6.5 years; a dividend yield of 1.4%; a risk-free rate of return of 3.10%; and a volatility rate of 38.29%. The actual value of option grants will be determined by the grant-date fair value of the options, which will depend on a number of

factors,
including the
valuation
assumptions
used in the
option pricing
model
ultimately
adopted.

- (2) No dilution is reflected for the employee stock ownership plan because such shares are assumed to be purchased in the stock offering.

We may fund our stock-based benefit plans through open market purchases, as opposed to new issuances of stock; however, if any options previously granted under our existing 2008 Equity Incentive Plan are exercised during the first year following completion of the offering, they will be funded with newly issued shares as Office of Thrift Supervision regulations do not permit us to repurchase our shares during the first year following the completion of the offering except to fund the grants of restricted stock under our stock-based benefit plan or under

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extraordinary circumstances. We have been advised by the staff of the Office of Thrift Supervision that the exercise of outstanding options and cancellation of treasury shares in the conversion will not constitute an extraordinary circumstance for purposes of this test.

The following table presents information as of March 31, 2010 regarding our employee stock ownership plan, our 2008 Equity Incentive Plan and our proposed stock-based benefit plan. The table below assumes that 71,416,852 shares are outstanding after the offering, which includes the sale of 40,250,000 shares in the offering at the maximum of the offering range and the issuance of shares in exchange for shares of Northfield-Federal using an exchange ratio of 1.6334. It also assumes that the value of the stock is \$10.00 per share.

Existing and New Stock Benefit Plans	Participants	Shares at Maximum of Offering Range	Estimated Value of Shares	Percentage of Shares Outstanding After the Conversion
Employee Stock Ownership Plan:				
	Employees			
Shares purchased in 2007 offering (1)		2,868,706 (2)	\$ 28,687,060	4.02%
Shares to be purchased in this offering		1,610,000	16,100,000	2.25
Total employee stock ownership plan shares		4,478,706	\$ 44,787,060	6.27%
Restricted Stock Awards:				
	Directors, Officers and Employees			
2008 Equity Incentive Plan (1)		1,434,352 (3)	\$ 14,343,520 (4)	2.01%
New shares of restricted stock		1,610,000	16,100,000 (4)	2.25
Total shares of restricted stock		3,044,352	\$ 31,134,060	4.26%(5)
Stock Options:				
	Directors, Officers and Employees			
2008 Equity Incentive Plan (1)		2,195,349 (6)	\$ 7,069,024	5.02%
New stock options		3,385,287	12,627,121 (7)	4.74
Total stock options		5,580,636	\$ 19,696,145	9.76%
Total of stock benefit plans		13,103,694	\$ 95,617,265	20.29%

(1) The number of shares indicated has been adjusted for the 1.6334 exchange ratio at

the maximum of
the offering range.

- (2) As of March 31, 2010, 290,111 of these shares, or 177,612 shares prior to adjustment for the exchange, have been allocated.
- (3) As of March 31, 2010, 1,354,987 of these shares, or 829,550 shares prior to adjustment for the exchange, have been awarded, and 285,567 of these shares, or 174,830 shares prior to adjustment for the exchange have vested.
- (4) The value of restricted stock awards is determined based on their fair value as of the date grants are made. For purposes of this table, the fair value of awards under the new stock-based benefit plan is assumed to be the same as the offering price of \$10.00 per share.
- (5) The number of shares of restricted stock set forth in the table would exceed

regulatory limits if a stock-based incentive plan were adopted within one year of the completion of the conversion. Accordingly, the number of new shares of restricted stock set forth in the table would have to be reduced such that the aggregate amount of stock awards would be 4% or less of our outstanding, unless we obtain a waiver from the Office of Thrift Supervision, or we implement the incentive plan more than 12 months after completion of the conversion. We have not determined whether we will implement a new stock-based incentive plan earlier than 12 months after completion of the conversion or more than 12 months after the completion of the conversion.

- (6) As of March 31, 2010, options to purchase 3,407,926 of these shares, or 2,086,400 shares prior to

adjustment for the exchange, have been awarded, and options to purchase 656,725 of these shares, or 402,060 shares prior to adjustment for the exchange, have vested.

- (7) The weighted-average fair value of stock options to be granted has been estimated at \$3.73 per option, adjusted for the exchange ratio, using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The fair value of stock options uses the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions: exercise price, \$10.00; trading price on date of grant, \$10.00; dividend yield, 1.4%; expected life, 6.5 years; expected volatility, 38.29%; and risk-free rate of return, 3.10%. The actual value of option grants will be determined by the grant-date fair value of the options, which

will depend on a number of factors, including the valuation assumptions used in the option pricing model ultimately adopted.

Market for Common Stock

Existing publicly held shares of Northfield-Federal's common stock are quoted on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol NFBK. Upon completion of the conversion, the shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware will replace the existing shares. For a period of 20 trading days after the completion of the conversion and offering, we expect our shares of common stock will trade on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol NFBKD, and, thereafter, our trading symbol will revert to NFBK. In order to list our stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market, we are required to have at least three broker-dealers who will make a market in

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our common stock. As of March 31, 2010, Northfield-Federal had 22 registered market makers in its common stock, including Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. has advised us that it intends to make a market in our common stock following the offering, but it is under no obligation to do so.

Our Dividend Policy

As of March 31, 2010, Northfield-Federal paid a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.05 per share, which equals \$0.20 per share on an annualized basis. After the conversion, we intend to continue to pay cash dividends on a quarterly basis. We expect the quarterly dividends per share to be between \$0.03 and \$0.04 per share, depending on how many shares of common stock are sold in the offering. This would approximately preserve the dividend amount that Northfield-Federal stockholders currently receive, as adjusted to reflect the exchange ratio. The dividend rate and the continued payment of dividends will depend on a number of factors, including our capital requirements, our financial condition and results of operations, tax considerations, statutory and regulatory limitations, and general economic conditions. No assurance can be given that we will continue to pay dividends or that they will not be reduced or eliminated in the future.

For information regarding our historical dividend payments, see Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data and Market for the Common Stock. For information regarding our current and proposed dividend policy, see Our Dividend Policy.

Tax Consequences

Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal, Northfield Bank and Northfield-Delaware have received an opinion of counsel, Luse Gorman Pomerenk & Schick, P.C., regarding the material federal income tax consequences of the conversion, and have received opinions of Crowe Horwath LLP regarding the material New York and New Jersey state tax consequences of the conversion. As a general matter, the conversion will not be a taxable transaction for purposes of federal or state income taxes to Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal (except for cash paid for fractional shares), Northfield Bank, Northfield-Delaware, persons eligible to subscribe in the subscription offering, or existing stockholders of Northfield-Federal. Existing stockholders of Northfield-Federal who receive cash in lieu of fractional share interests in shares of Northfield-Delaware will recognize a gain or loss equal to the difference between the cash received and the tax basis of the fractional share.

How You Can Obtain Additional Information Stock Information Center

Our banking personnel may not, by law, assist with investment-related questions about the offering. If you have any questions regarding the conversion or offering, please call our Stock Information Center. The toll-free telephone number is (____) ____-____. The Stock Information Center is open Monday through Friday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time. The Stock Information Center will be closed on weekends and bank holidays.

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RISK FACTORS

You should consider carefully the following risk factors in evaluating an investment in the shares of common stock.

Risks Related to Our Business

We have been negatively affected by current market and economic conditions. A continuation or worsening of these conditions could adversely affect our operations, financial condition and earnings.

The severe economic recession of 2008 and 2009 and the weak economic recovery since then have resulted in continued uncertainty in the financial markets and the expectation of weak general economic conditions, including high levels of unemployment, continuing through 2010. The resulting economic pressure on consumers and businesses has adversely affected our business, financial condition, and results of operations. The credit quality of loan and investment securities portfolios has deteriorated at many financial institutions and the values of real estate collateral supporting many commercial loans and home mortgages have declined and may continue to decline. Our commercial and multi-family real estate loan customers have experienced increases in vacancy rates and declines in rental rates for both multi-family and commercial properties. Financial companies' stock prices have been negatively affected, as has the ability of banks and bank holding companies to raise capital or borrow in the debt markets. A continuation or worsening of these conditions could result in reduced loan demand and further increases in loan delinquencies, loan losses, loan loss provisions, costs associated with monitoring delinquent loans and disposing of foreclosed property, and otherwise negatively affect our operations, financial condition and earnings.

Our concentration in multifamily loans, commercial real estate loans, and construction and land lending could expose us to increased lending risks and related loan losses.

Our current business strategy is to continue to emphasize multifamily loans and to a lesser extent commercial real estate loans. At March 31, 2010, \$559.3 million, or 75.9% of our total loan portfolio, consisted of multifamily, commercial real estate, and construction and land loans. In addition, at March 31, 2010, our largest industry concentration of commercial real estate loans was hotels and motels, which totaled \$29.4 million, or 8.8% of commercial real estate loans at that date.

These types of loans generally expose a lender to greater risk of non-payment and loss than one- to four-family residential mortgage loans because repayment of the loans often depends on the successful operations and the income stream of the borrowers. Such loans typically involve larger loan balances to single borrowers or groups of related borrowers compared to one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. Also, many of our borrowers have more than one of these types of loans outstanding. Consequently, an adverse development with respect to one loan or one credit relationship can expose us to a significantly greater risk of loss compared to an adverse development with respect to a one- to four-family residential real estate loan.

In addition, if loans that are collateralized by real estate become troubled and the value of the real estate has been significantly impaired, then we may not be able to recover the full contractual amount of principal and interest that we anticipated at the time we originated the loan, which could cause us to increase our provision for loan losses and adversely affect our operating results and financial condition. Also, the collateral underlying commercial business loans may fluctuate in value. Some of our commercial business loans are collateralized by equipment, inventory, accounts receivable or other business assets, and the liquidation of collateral in the event of default is often an insufficient source of repayment because accounts receivable may be uncollectible and inventories may be obsolete or of limited use.

Construction and land lending involves additional risks because of the inherent difficulty in estimating a property's value both before and at completion of the project. Construction costs may exceed original estimates as a result of increased materials, labor or other costs. In addition, because of current uncertainties in the residential and commercial real estate markets, property values have become more difficult to determine than they have been

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historically. The repayment of construction and land acquisition and development loans often depends on the ability of the borrower to sell or lease the property. These loans also require ongoing monitoring.

A significant portion of our loan portfolio is unseasoned.

Our loan portfolio has grown to \$736.6 million at March 31, 2010, from \$387.8 million at December 31, 2005. It is difficult to assess the future performance of these recently originated loans because of our relatively limited history in commercial real estate, multifamily, and construction lending. In addition, we purchased \$35.4 million of insurance premium finance loans during the quarter ended December 31, 2009, and grew this portfolio to \$40.0 million at March 31, 2010. These loans may have delinquency or charge-off levels above our historical experience, which could adversely affect our future performance.

If our allowance for loan losses is not sufficient to cover actual loan losses, our earnings could decrease.

We make various assumptions and judgments about the collectability of our loan portfolio, including the creditworthiness of our borrowers and the value of the real estate and other assets serving as collateral for the repayment of many of our loans. In determining the amount of the allowance for loan losses, we review our loans and our loss and delinquency experience, as well as the experience of other similarly situated institutions, and we evaluate other factors including, among other things, current economic conditions. If our assumptions are incorrect, our allowance for loan losses may not be sufficient to cover losses inherent in our loan portfolio, which would require additions to our allowance. Material additions to our allowance would materially decrease our net income.

In addition, bank regulators periodically review our allowance for loan losses and, based on information available to them at the time of their review, may require us to increase our allowance for loan losses or recognize further loan charge-offs. An increase in our allowance for loan losses or loan charge-offs as required by these regulatory authorities may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Declines in real estate values could decrease our loan originations and increase delinquencies and defaults.

Declines in real estate values in our market area could adversely affect our results of operations. Like all financial institutions, we are subject to the effects of any economic downturn. In particular, a significant decline in real estate values would likely lead to a decrease in new multifamily, commercial real estate, and home equity lending and increased delinquencies and defaults in our real estate loan portfolio. Declines in the average sale prices of real estate in our primary market area could lead to higher loan losses.

Government responses to economic conditions may adversely affect our operations, financial condition and earnings.

New federal legislation has been introduced in Congress that would change the bank regulatory framework, as well as lending and funding practices and liquidity standards for banks. Bank regulatory agencies also have been responding aggressively to concerns and adverse trends identified in examinations. Ongoing uncertainty and adverse developments in the financial services industry and the domestic and international credit markets, and the effect of new legislation and regulatory actions in response to these conditions, may adversely affect our operations by restricting our business operations, including our ability to originate or sell loans, modify loan terms, or foreclose on property securing loans. These events may have a significant adverse effect on our financial performance and operating flexibility. In addition, these risks could affect the performance and value of our loan and investment securities portfolios, which also would negatively affect our financial performance.

Furthermore, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, in an attempt to help the overall economy, has, among other things, kept interest rates low through its targeted federal funds rate and the purchase of mortgage-backed securities. If the Federal Reserve increases the federal funds rate, overall interest rates will likely rise, which may negatively impact the housing markets and the U.S. economic recovery. In addition, deflationary pressures, while possibly lowering our operating costs, could have a significant negative effect on our borrowers,

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especially our business borrowers, and the values of underlying collateral securing loans, which could negatively affect our financial performance.

Legislation has been introduced in Congress that would, among other things, eliminate the Office of Thrift Supervision, tighten capital standards, create a new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and result in new laws and regulations that are expected to increase our costs of operations.

Legislation has been introduced in Congress that would implement significant changes to the current bank regulatory structure. The most recent bill passed by the U.S. Senate would eliminate our current primary federal regulator, the Office of Thrift Supervision, and require Northfield Bank to be regulated by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the primary federal regulator for national banks). The Senate bill also provides that the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System would be responsible for supervising and regulating savings and loan holding companies like Northfield-Delaware, in addition to bank holding companies which it currently regulates. If the Federal Reserve Board's current regulations applied to savings and loan holding companies like Northfield-Delaware, Northfield-Delaware would become subject to bank holding company capital requirements to which it is not currently subject. These capital requirements are substantially similar to the capital requirements currently applicable to Northfield Bank, as described in Supervision and Regulation Federal Banking Regulation Capital Requirements. The Senate bill also requires the bank regulators to set minimum capital levels for holding companies that are as strong as those required for the insured depository subsidiaries, but the components of Tier 1 capital would be restricted to capital instruments that are currently considered to be Tier 1 capital for insured depository institutions. This would effectively eliminate the ability of bank holding companies to include trust preferred securities or subordinated debt as Tier 1 capital.

The proposed legislation would also create a new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau with broad powers to supervise and enforce consumer protection laws. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau would have broad rule-making authority for a wide range of consumer protection laws that would apply to all banks and savings institutions such as Northfield Bank, including the authority to prohibit unfair, deceptive or abusive acts and practices. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau would have examination and enforcement authority over all banks and savings institutions with more than \$10 billion in assets. Under the Senate bill, banks and savings institutions with \$10 billion or less in assets would be examined by their applicable bank regulators. The new legislation would also weaken the federal preemption available for national banks and federal savings associations, and would give state attorneys general the ability to enforce applicable consumer laws.

The proposed legislation would also broaden the base for Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance assessments to be based on the average consolidated total assets less tangible equity capital of a financial institution, and restrict bank proprietary trading in securities. Lastly, the proposed legislation would increase stockholder influence over boards of directors by requiring companies to give stockholders a non-binding vote on executive compensation, and allow stockholders to nominate their own candidates using a company's proxy ballots. Public companies would also be required to adopt majority voting for the election of directors, and the Federal Reserve Board would be directed to promulgate rules prohibiting excessive compensation paid to bank holding company executives, regardless of whether the company is publicly traded or not.

If adopted, the proposed legislation and its implementing regulations are expected to increase our operating and compliance costs.

We are subject to extensive regulatory oversight.

We and our subsidiaries are subject to extensive regulation and supervision. Regulators have intensified their focus on bank lending criteria and controls, and on the USA PATRIOT Act's anti-money laundering and Bank Secrecy Act compliance requirements. There also is increased scrutiny of our compliance practices generally and particularly with the rules enforced by the Office of Foreign Assets Control. It is possible that we are not in full compliance with these requirements. Our failure to comply with these and other regulatory requirements could lead to, among other remedies, administrative enforcement actions and legal proceedings. In addition, proposed future legislation and regulations are likely to have a significant effect on the financial services industry. Regulatory or

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legislative changes could make regulatory compliance more difficult or expensive for us, and could cause us to change or limit some of our products and services, or the way we operate our business.

Legislative or regulatory responses to perceived financial and market problems could impair our rights against borrowers.

Current and future proposals made by members of Congress would reduce the amount distressed borrowers are otherwise contractually obligated to pay under their mortgage loans, and may limit the ability of lenders to foreclose on mortgage collateral. If proposals such as these, or other proposals limiting Northfield Bank's rights as a creditor, were to be implemented, we could experience increased credit losses on our loans and mortgage-backed securities, or increased expense in pursuing our remedies as a creditor.

Recent health care legislation could increase our expenses or require us to pass further costs on to our employees, which could adversely affect our operations, financial condition and earnings.

Legislation enacted in 2010 requires companies to provide expanded health care coverage to their employees, such as affordable coverage to part-time employees and coverage to dependent adult children of employees. Companies will also be required to enroll new employees automatically into one of their health plans. Compliance with these and other new requirements of the health care legislation will increase our employee benefits expense, and may require us to pass these costs on to our employees, which could give us a competitive disadvantage in hiring and retaining qualified employees.

Changes in market interest rates could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Our financial condition and results of operations are significantly affected by changes in market interest rates. Our results of operations substantially depend on our net interest income, which is the difference between the interest income we earn on our interest-earning assets and the interest expense we pay on our interest-bearing liabilities. Our interest-bearing liabilities generally reprice or mature more quickly than our interest-earning assets. If rates increase rapidly, we may have to increase the rates we are willing to pay on our deposits and borrowed funds more quickly than any changes in interest rates on our loans and investments, resulting in a negative effect on interest spreads and net interest income. In addition, the effect of rising rates could be compounded if deposit customers move funds from savings accounts to higher rate certificate of deposit accounts. Conversely, should market interest rates fall below current levels, our net interest margin could also be negatively affected if competitive pressures keep us from further reducing rates on our deposits, while the yields on our assets decrease more rapidly through loan prepayments and interest rate adjustments.

We also are subject to reinvestment risk associated with changes in interest rates. Changes in interest rates may affect the average life of loans and mortgage-related securities. Decreases in interest rates often result in increased prepayments of loans and mortgage-related securities, as borrowers refinance their loans to reduce borrowings costs. Under these circumstances, we are subject to reinvestment risk to the extent we are unable to reinvest the cash received from such prepayments in loans or other investments that have interest rates that are comparable to the interest rates on existing loans and securities. Additionally, increases in interest rates may decrease loan demand and/or may make it more difficult for borrowers to repay adjustable rate loans.

Changes in interest rates also affect the value of our interest earning assets and in particular our securities portfolio. Generally, the value of securities fluctuates inversely with changes in interest rates. At March 31, 2010, the fair value of our securities portfolio (excluding Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock) totaled \$1.2 billion.

At March 31, 2010, our simulation model indicated that our net portfolio value (the net present value of our interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities) would decrease by 9.6% if there was an instantaneous parallel 200 basis point increase in market interest rates. See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Management of Market Risk.

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Strong competition within our market areas may limit our growth and profitability.

Competition in the banking and financial services industry is intense. In our market areas, we compete with commercial banks, savings institutions, mortgage brokerage firms, credit unions, finance companies, mutual funds, money market funds, insurance companies, and brokerage and investment banking firms operating locally and elsewhere. Some of our competitors have greater name recognition and market presence than we do and offer certain services that we do not or cannot provide. This can give them an advantage in attracting business. In addition, larger competitors may be able to price loans and deposits more aggressively than we do.

In addition, the recent crisis in the financial services industry has resulted in a number of financial services companies, such as investment banks and automobile and real estate finance companies, electing to become bank holding companies. These financial services companies traditionally have generated funds from sources other than insured bank deposits. Many of the alternative funding sources traditionally utilized by these companies are no longer available. This has resulted in these companies relying more on insured bank deposits to fund their operations, which has increased competition for deposits and may increase the related costs of such deposits.

Our profitability depends on our continued ability to compete successfully in our market areas. For additional information see Business of Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank Market Area and Competition.

The requirement to account for certain assets at estimated fair value, and a proposal to account for additional financial assets and liabilities at estimated fair value, may adversely affect our results of operations.

We report certain assets, including securities, at fair value, and a recent proposal would require us to report most of our financial assets and liabilities at fair value. Generally, for securities that are reported at fair value, we use quoted market prices or valuation models that utilize observable market inputs to estimate fair value. Because we carry these assets on our books at their estimated fair value, we may record losses even if the asset in question presents minimal credit risk. Under current accounting requirements, elevated delinquencies, defaults, and estimated losses from the disposition of collateral in our private-label mortgage-backed securities portfolio may require us to recognize additional other-than-temporary impairments in future periods with respect to our securities portfolio. The amount and timing of any impairment recognized will depend on the severity and duration of the decline in the estimated fair value of the asset and our estimate of the anticipated recovery period. Under proposed accounting requirements, we may be required to record reductions in the fair value of nearly all of our financial assets and liabilities (including loans) either through a charge to net income or through a reduction to accumulated other comprehensive income. Accordingly, we could be required to record losses on assets such as loans where we have no intention to sell the loan and expect the loan to be repaid in full. This could result in a decrease in net income, or a decrease in our stockholders equity, or both.

We could record future losses on our securities portfolio.

During the year ended December 31, 2009, we recognized total other-than-temporary impairment on our securities portfolio of \$1.4 million, of which \$176,000 was considered to be credit-related and, therefore, in accordance with applicable accounting standards, recorded as a loss through a reduction of non-interest income. A number of factors or combinations of factors could require us to conclude in one or more future reporting periods that an unrealized loss that exists with respect to our securities portfolio constitutes additional impairment that is other than temporary, which could result in material losses to us. These factors include, but are not limited to, a continued failure by an issuer to make scheduled interest payments, an increase in the severity of the unrealized loss on a particular security, an increase in the continuous duration of the unrealized loss without an improvement in value or changes in market conditions and/or industry or issuer specific factors that would render us unable to forecast a full recovery in value. In addition, the fair values of securities could decline if the overall economy and the financial condition of some of the issuers continues to deteriorate and there remains limited liquidity for these securities.

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If our investment in the common stock of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York is classified as other-than-temporarily impaired or as permanently impaired, earnings and stockholders equity could decrease.

We own stock of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, which is part of the Federal Home Loan Bank system. The Federal Home Loan Bank of New York common stock is held to qualify for membership in the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York and to be eligible to borrow funds under the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York's advance programs. The aggregate cost of our Federal Home Loan Bank of New York common stock as of March 31, 2010, was \$5.0 million based on its par value. There is no market for Federal Home Loan Bank of New York common stock.

Although the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York is not reporting current operating difficulties, recent published reports indicate that certain member banks of the Federal Home Loan Bank System may be subject to accounting rules and asset quality risks that could result in materially lower regulatory capital levels. In an extreme situation, it is possible that the capital of the Federal Home Loan Bank System, including the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, could be substantially diminished. Consequently, there is a risk that our investment in Federal Home Loan Bank of New York common stock could be deemed other-than-temporarily impaired at some time in the future, and if this occurs, it would cause earnings and stockholders equity to decrease by the impairment charge.

We hold intangible assets that could be classified as impaired in the future. If these assets are considered to be either partially or fully impaired in the future, our earnings and the book values of these assets would decrease.

We are required to test our goodwill and core deposit intangible assets for impairment on a periodic basis. The impairment testing process considers a variety of factors, including the current market price of our common shares. It is possible that future impairment testing could result in a partial or full impairment of the value of our goodwill or core deposit intangible assets, or both. If an impairment determination is made in a future reporting period, our earnings and the book value of these intangible assets will be reduced by the amount of the impairment. If an impairment loss is recorded, it will have little or no effect on the tangible book value of our shares of common stock or our regulatory capital levels.

Northfield Bank is required to maintain a significant percentage of its total assets in residential mortgage loans and investments secured by residential mortgage loans, which restricts our ability to diversify our loan portfolio.

A federal savings bank or thrift differs from a commercial bank in that it is required to maintain at least 65% of its total assets in qualified thrift investments, which generally include loans and investments, for the purchase, refinance, construction, improvement, or repair of residential real estate, as well as home equity loans, education loans and small business loans. To maintain our federal savings bank charter we have to be a qualified thrift lender or QTL in nine out of each 12 immediately preceding months. The QTL requirement limits the extent to which we can grow our commercial loan portfolio. However, a loan that does not exceed \$2 million (including a group of loans to one borrower) that is for commercial, corporate, business, or agricultural purposes is included in our qualified thrift investments. Because of the QTL requirement, we may be limited in our ability to change our asset mix and increase the yield on our earning assets by growing our commercial loan portfolio.

In addition, if we continue to grow our commercial loan portfolio and our single-family residential mortgage loan portfolio decreases, it is possible that in order to maintain our QTL status, we could be forced to buy mortgage-backed securities or other qualifying assets at times when the terms of such investments may not be attractive. Alternatively, we may find it necessary to pursue different structures, including converting Northfield Bank's savings bank charter to a commercial bank charter.

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Any future Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance premiums or special assessments will adversely affect our earnings.

As part of its plan to restore the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's insurance reserve ratio to 1.15% of estimated insured deposits, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation imposed a special assessment equal to five basis points of assets less Tier 1 capital as of June 30, 2009, which was payable on September 30, 2009. In addition, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation increased its quarterly deposit insurance assessment rates and amended the method by which rates are calculated.

On November 12, 2009, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation also approved a final rule requiring insured depository institutions to prepay on December 30, 2009, their estimated quarterly risk-based assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009, and for all of 2010, 2011, and 2012. Estimated assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009 and for all 2010 are based upon the assessment rate in effect on September 30, 2009, with three basis points added for the 2011 and 2012 assessment rates. In addition, a 5% annual growth rate in the assessment base is assumed. Prepaid assessments are to be applied against the actual quarterly assessments until exhausted, and may not be applied to any special assessments that may occur in the future. Any unused prepayments will be returned to the institution on June 30, 2013. On December 30, 2009, we prepaid \$5.7 million in estimated assessment fees for the fourth quarter of 2009 through 2012. Actions the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation takes in the future could result in significantly higher deposit insurance premiums, special assessments, or prepaid assessments, which could have a significant effect on our earnings.

We may face risks with respect to future expansion.

We intend to increase the size of our operations through *de novo* branching, and may continue to seek whole bank or branch acquisitions in the future. Growth strategies involve a number of risks, including:

- the potential inability to generate deposits or originate loans in amounts that offset the costs of establishing new branch offices;

- the time and costs associated with identifying and evaluating potential acquisitions and merger partners;

- time and costs associated with the integration and operation of acquired institutions, and the inability to successfully integrate the operations of an acquired institution, or to achieve financial results comparable to or better than our historical experience;

- the incurrence and possible impairment of goodwill associated with an acquisition and possible adverse short-term effects on results of operations; and

- the risk of loss of key employees and customers.

Risks associated with system failures, interruptions, or breaches of security could negatively affect our earnings.

Information technology systems are critical to our business. We use various technology systems to manage our customer relationships, general ledger, securities, deposits, and loans. Although we have established policies and procedures to prevent or limit the impact of system failures, interruptions, and security breaches, such events may still occur, or may not be adequately addressed if they do occur. In addition, any compromise of our systems could deter customers from using our products and services. Although we rely on security systems to provide security and authentication necessary to effect the secure transmission of data, these precautions may not protect our systems from compromises or breaches of security.

In addition, we outsource a majority of our data processing to certain third-party providers. If these third-party providers encounter difficulties, or if we have difficulty communicating with them, our ability to adequately

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process and account for transactions could be affected, and our business operations could be adversely affected. Threats to information security also exist in the processing of customer information through various other vendors and their personnel.

The occurrence of any system failures, interruption, or breach of security could damage our reputation and result in a loss of customers and business thereby subjecting us to additional regulatory scrutiny, or could expose us to litigation and possible financial liability. Any of these events could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Risks Related to the Offering

The future price of the shares of common stock may be less than the \$10.00 purchase price per share in the offering.

If you purchase shares of common stock in the offering, you may not be able to sell them later at or above the \$10.00 purchase price in the offering. In several cases, shares of common stock issued by newly converted savings institutions or mutual holding companies have traded below the initial offering price. The aggregate purchase price of the shares of common stock sold in the offering will be based on an independent appraisal. The independent appraisal is not intended, and should not be construed, as a recommendation of any kind as to the advisability of purchasing shares of common stock. The independent appraisal is based on certain estimates, assumptions and projections, all of which are subject to change from time to time. After the shares begin trading, the trading price of our common stock will be determined by the marketplace, and may be influenced by many factors, including prevailing interest rates, the overall performance of the economy, investor perceptions of Northfield-Delaware and the outlook for the financial services industry in general. Price fluctuations may be unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies.

Our failure to effectively deploy the net proceeds may have an adverse effect on our financial performance and the value of our common stock.

We intend to invest between \$143.5 million and \$194.5 million of the net proceeds of the offering (or \$223.8 million at the adjusted maximum of the offering range) in Northfield Bank. We may use the remaining net proceeds to invest in short-term investments, repurchase shares of common stock, pay dividends or for other general corporate purposes. We also expect to use a portion of the net proceeds we retain to fund a loan for the purchase of shares of common stock in the offering by the employee stock ownership plan. Northfield Bank may use the net proceeds it receives to fund new loans, expand its retail banking franchise by acquiring new branches or by acquiring other financial institutions or other financial services companies, or for other general corporate purposes. However, with the exception of the loan to the employee stock ownership plan, we have not allocated specific amounts of the net proceeds for any of these purposes, and we will have significant flexibility in determining the amount of the net proceeds we apply to different uses and the timing of such applications. We have not established a timetable for reinvesting the net proceeds, and we cannot predict how long we will require to reinvest the net proceeds.

Our return on equity will be low following the stock offering. This could negatively affect the trading price of our shares of common stock.

Net income divided by average equity, known as return on equity, is a ratio many investors use to compare the performance of a financial institution to its peers. Following the stock offering, we expect our consolidated equity to be between \$659.9 million at the minimum of the offering range and \$807.1 million at the adjusted maximum of the offering range. Based upon our annualized income for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, and these pro forma equity levels, our return on equity would be 2.05% and 1.68% at the minimum and adjusted maximum of the offering range, respectively. We expect our return on equity to remain low until we are able to leverage the additional capital we receive from the stock offering. Although we will be able to increase net interest income using proceeds of the stock offering, our return on equity will be negatively affected by added expenses associated with our employee stock ownership plan and the stock-based benefit plan we intend to adopt. Until we

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can increase our net interest income and non-interest income and leverage the capital raised in the stock offering, we expect our return on equity to remain low, which may reduce the market price of our shares of common stock.

Our stock-based benefit plans would increase our expenses and reduce our income.

We intend to adopt one or more new stock-based benefit plans after the conversion, subject to stockholder approval, which would increase our annual compensation and benefit expenses related to the stock options and shares granted to participants under our stock-based benefit plan. The actual amount of these new stock-related compensation and benefit expenses will depend on the number of options and stock awards actually granted under the plan, the fair market value of our stock or options on the date of grant, the vesting period and other factors which we cannot predict at this time. In the event we adopt the plan within 12 months following the conversion, under current Office of Thrift Supervision policy the total shares of common stock reserved for issuance pursuant to awards of restricted stock and grants of options under our existing and proposed stock-based benefit plans would be limited to 4% and 10%, respectively, of the total shares of our common stock outstanding. If we award restricted shares of common stock or grant options in excess of these amounts under stock-based benefit plans adopted more than 12 months after the completion of the conversion, our costs would increase further.

In addition, we would recognize expense for our employee stock ownership plan when shares are committed to be released to participants' accounts, and we would recognize expense for restricted stock awards and stock options over the vesting period of awards made to recipients. The expense in the first year following the offering for shares purchased in the offering has been estimated to be approximately \$617,000 (\$370,000 after tax) at the adjusted maximum of the offering range as set forth in the pro forma financial information under Pro Forma Data, assuming the \$10.00 per share purchase price as fair market value. Actual expenses, however, may be higher or lower, depending on the price of our common stock. For further discussion of our proposed stock-based plans, see

Management Compensation Discussion and Analysis Long-Term Stock-Based Compensation.

The implementation of stock-based benefit plans may dilute your ownership interest. Historically, stockholders have approved these stock-based benefit plans.

We intend to adopt one or more new stock-based benefit plans following the stock offering. These plans may be funded either through open market purchases or from the issuance of authorized but unissued shares of common stock. Our ability to repurchase shares of common stock to fund these plans will be subject to many factors, including, but not limited to, applicable regulatory restrictions on stock repurchases, the availability of stock in the market, the trading price of the stock, our capital levels, alternative uses for our capital and our financial performance. While our intention is to fund the new stock-based benefit plan through open market purchases, stockholders would experience a 7.31% reduction in ownership interest at the adjusted maximum of the offering range in the event newly issued shares of our common stock are used to fund stock options and shares of restricted common stock in an amount equal to up to 10% and 4%, respectively, of the shares sold in the offering. In the event we adopt the plan within 12 months following the conversion, under current Office of Thrift Supervision policy the total shares of common stock reserved for issuance pursuant to awards of restricted stock and grants of options under our existing and proposed stock-based benefit plans would be limited to 4% and 10%, respectively, of the total shares of our common stock outstanding. In the event we adopt the plan more than 12 months following the conversion, the plan would not be subject to these limitations.

Although the implementation of the stock-based benefit plan will be subject to stockholder approval, historically, the overwhelming majority of stock-based benefit plans adopted by savings institutions and their holding companies following mutual-to-stock conversions have been approved by stockholders.

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We have not determined when we will adopt one or more new stock-based benefit plans. Stock-based benefit plans adopted more than 12 months following the completion of the conversion may exceed regulatory restrictions on the size of stock-based benefit plans adopted within 12 months, which would further increase our costs.

If we adopt stock-based benefit plans more than 12 months following the completion of the conversion, then grants of shares of common stock or stock options under our existing and proposed stock-based benefit plans may exceed 4% and 10%, respectively, of our total outstanding shares. Stock-based benefit plans that provide for awards in excess of these amounts would increase our costs beyond the amounts estimated in . Our stock-based benefit plans would increase our expenses, which would reduce our income. Stock-based benefit plans that provide for awards in excess of these amounts could also result in dilution to stockholders in excess of that described in . The implementation of stock-based benefit plans may dilute your ownership interest. Although the implementation of stock-based benefit plans would be subject to stockholder approval, the determination as to the timing of the implementation of such plans will be at the discretion of our board of directors.

Various factors may make takeover attempts more difficult to achieve.

Our board of directors has no current intention to sell control of Northfield-Delaware. Provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, federal regulations, Delaware law and various other factors may make it more difficult for companies or persons to acquire control of Northfield-Delaware without the consent of our board of directors. You may want a takeover attempt to succeed because, for example, a potential acquiror could offer a premium over the then prevailing price of our common stock. The factors that may discourage takeover attempts or make them more difficult include:

Office of Thrift Supervision regulations. Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit, for three years following the completion of a conversion, the direct or indirect acquisition of more than 10% of any class of equity security of a savings institution regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision without the prior approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws of Northfield-Delaware and statutory provisions. Provisions of the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Northfield-Delaware and Delaware law may make it more difficult and expensive to pursue a takeover attempt that management opposes, even if the takeover is favored by a majority of our stockholders. These provisions also would make it more difficult to remove our current Board of Directors or management, or to elect new directors. Additional provisions include limitations on voting rights of beneficial owners of more than 10% of our common stock, the election of directors to staggered terms of three years and not permitting cumulative voting in the election of directors. Our bylaws also contain provisions regarding the timing and content of stockholder proposals and nominations and qualification for service on the Board of Directors.

Charter of Northfield Bank. The charter of Northfield Bank will provide that for a period of five years from the closing of the conversion and stock offering, no person other than Northfield-Delaware may directly or indirectly acquire or offer to acquire the beneficial ownership of more than 10% of any class of equity security of Northfield Bank. This provision does not apply to any tax-qualified employee benefit plan we establish, as well as other acquisitions specified in the charter. In addition, during this five-year period, all shares owned over the 10% limit may not be voted on any matter submitted to stockholders for a vote.

Stock options and restricted stock. We have previously granted to employees and directors stock options and shares of restricted stock that may require payments to these persons in the event of a change in control of Northfield-Delaware. We currently expect to issue additional stock options and shares of restricted stock following the conversion. These payments may have the effect of

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increasing the costs of acquiring Northfield-Delaware, thereby discouraging future takeover attempts.

Significant ownership by our directors, executive officers and stock benefit plans. Following the conversion and stock offering, our directors, executive officers and stock benefit plans are expected to beneficially own in the aggregate approximately ___% of our shares of common stock to be outstanding based upon sales of shares at the minimum of the offering range. This significant ownership could make it more difficult to obtain the required vote for a takeover or merger that management opposes.

Employment agreements. Northfield Bank has employment agreements with certain of its executive officers that will remain in effect following the stock offering. These agreements may have the effect of increasing the costs of acquiring Northfield-Delaware, thereby discouraging future takeover attempts.

See Restrictions on Acquisition of Northfield-Delaware.

There may be a decrease in stockholders' rights for existing stockholders of Northfield-Federal.

As a result of the conversion, existing stockholders of Northfield-Federal will become stockholders of Northfield-Delaware. In addition to the provisions discussed above that may discourage takeover attempts that are favored by stockholders, some rights of stockholders of Northfield-Delaware will be reduced compared to the rights stockholders currently have in Northfield-Federal. The reduction in stockholder rights results from differences between the federal and Delaware chartering documents and bylaws, and from distinctions between federal and Delaware law. Many of the differences in stockholder rights under the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Northfield-Delaware are not mandated by Delaware law but have been chosen by management as being in the best interests of Northfield-Delaware and its stockholders. The certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Northfield-Delaware include the following provisions: (i) greater lead time required for stockholders to submit proposals for new business or to nominate directors; and (ii) approval by at least 80% of the outstanding shares of capital stock entitled to vote generally is required to amend the bylaws and certain provisions of the certificate of incorporation. See Comparison of Stockholders' Rights For Existing Stockholders of Northfield-Federal for a discussion of these differences.

You may not revoke your decision to purchase Northfield-Delaware common stock in the subscription or community offerings after you send us your order.

Funds submitted or automatic withdrawals authorized in connection with a purchase of shares of common stock in the subscription and community offerings will be held by us until the completion or termination of the conversion and offering, including any extension of the expiration date. Because completion of the conversion and offering will be subject to regulatory approvals and an update of the independent appraisal prepared by RP Financial, LC., among other factors, there may be one or more delays in the completion of the conversion and offering. Orders submitted in the subscription and community offerings are irrevocable, and purchasers will have no access to their funds unless the offering is terminated, or extended beyond [extension date], or the number of shares to be sold in the offering is increased to more than 46,287,500 shares or decreased to fewer than 29,750,000 shares.

An active trading market for our common stock may not develop.

Northfield-Federal's common stock is currently quoted on the Nasdaq Global Select Market. Upon completion of the conversion, the common stock of Northfield-Delaware will replace the existing shares. An active public trading market for Northfield-Delaware's common stock may not develop or be sustained after this stock offering. If an active trading market for our common stock does not develop, you may not be able to sell all of your shares of common stock on short notice, and the sale of a large number of shares at one time could depress the market price.

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The distribution of subscription rights could have adverse income tax consequences.

If the subscription rights granted to certain depositors of Northfield Bank are deemed to have an ascertainable value, receipt of such rights may be taxable in an amount equal to such value. Whether subscription rights are considered to have ascertainable value is an inherently factual determination. We have received an opinion of counsel, Luse Gorman Pomerenk & Schick, P.C., that it is more likely than not that such rights have no value; however, such opinion is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service.

Table of Contents**SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA
OF NORTHFIELD BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

The following tables set forth selected consolidated historical financial and other data of Northfield-Federal and its subsidiaries for the years and at the dates indicated. The following is only a summary and you should read it in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements of Northfield-Federal and notes beginning on page F-1 of this prospectus. The information at December 31, 2009 and 2008, and for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, and 2007 is derived in part from the audited consolidated financial statements that appear in this prospectus. The information at December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, is derived in part from audited consolidated financial statements that do not appear in this prospectus. The information at March 31, 2010 and for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, is unaudited and reflects only normal recurring adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. The results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2010, are not necessarily indicative of the results to be achieved for all of 2010.

	At March 31, 2010	2009	2008	At December 31, 2007	2006	2005
	(In thousands)					
Selected Financial Condition Data:						
Total assets	\$2,097,803	\$2,002,274	\$1,757,761	\$1,386,918	\$1,294,747	\$1,408,562
Cash and cash equivalents	50,811	42,544	50,128	25,088	60,624	38,368
Trading securities	3,706	3,403	2,498	3,605	2,667	2,360
Securities available-for-sale, at estimated market value	1,216,195	1,131,803	957,585	802,417	713,098	863,064
Securities held-to-maturity	6,220	6,740	14,479	19,686	26,169	34,841
Loans held-for-investment, net	737,225	729,269	589,984	424,329	409,189	387,467
Allowance for loan losses	(17,146)	(15,414)	(8,778)	(5,636)	(5,030)	(4,795)
Net loans held-for-investment	720,079	713,855	581,206	418,693	404,159	382,672
Bank owned life insurance	44,174	43,751	42,001	41,560	32,866	31,635
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock, at cost	5,026	6,421	9,410	6,702	7,186	11,529
Other real estate owned	1,533	1,938	1,071			
Deposits	1,392,905	1,316,885	1,024,439	877,225	989,789	1,010,146
Borrowed funds	293,060	279,424	332,084	124,420	128,534	233,629
Total liabilities	1,701,517	1,610,734	1,371,183	1,019,578	1,130,753	1,256,803
Total stockholders equity	396,286	391,540	386,578	367,340	163,994	151,759

For the Three Months
Ended March 31,
2010 **2009** **2009** **For the Years Ended December 31,**
2008 **2007** **2006** **2005**
(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

**Selected
Operating
Data:**

Interest income	\$	21,007	\$	20,482	\$	85,568	\$	75,049	\$	65,702	\$	64,867	\$	66,302
Interest expense		6,458		7,721		28,977		28,256		28,836		28,406		24,234
Net interest income before provision for loan losses		14,549		12,761		56,591		46,793		36,866		36,461		42,068
Provision for loan losses		1,930		1,644		9,038		5,082		1,442		235		1,629
Net interest income after provision for loan losses		12,619		11,117		47,553		41,711		35,424		36,226		40,439
Non-interest income		1,723		969		5,393		6,153		9,478		4,600		4,354
Non-interest expense		9,121		7,782		34,254		24,852		35,950		23,818		21,258
Income before income taxes		5,221		4,304		18,692		23,012		8,952		17,008		23,535
Income tax expense (benefit)		1,840		1,569		6,618		7,181		(1,555)		6,166		10,376
Net income	\$	3,381	\$	2,735	\$	12,074	\$	15,831	\$	10,507	\$	10,842	\$	13,159
Net income (loss) per common share basic and diluted (1)	\$	0.08	\$	0.06	\$	0.28	\$	0.37	\$	(0.03)		NA		NA
Weighted average basic shares outstanding (1)		41,509,173		43,089,331		42,405,774		43,133,856		43,076,586		NA		NA
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding		41,823,794		43,104,409		42,532,568						NA		NA

(footnotes on following page)

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	At or For the Three Months Ended March 31, (8)		At or For the Years Ended December 31,				
	2010	2009	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Selected Financial Ratios and Other Data:							
Performance Ratios:							
Return on average assets (2)	0.67%	0.63%	0.64%	1.01%	0.78%	0.80%	0.88%
Return on average equity (2)	3.48%	2.87%	3.09%	4.22%	5.27%	7.01%	8.63%
Interest rate spread (2)(3)	2.68%	2.48%	2.66%	2.37%	2.34%	2.40%	2.67%
Net interest margin (2)(4)	3.03%	3.07%	3.16%	3.13%	2.87%	2.81%	2.94%
Dividend payout ratio (7)	22.83%	28.30%	24.54%	4.66%			
Efficiency ratio (2)(5)	56.05%	56.68%	55.26%	46.94%	77.57%	58.01%	45.79%
Non-interest expense to average total assets (2)	1.80%	1.78%	1.82%	1.58%	2.66%	1.77%	1.42%
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities	126.45%	131.30%	130.44%	136.94%	123.33%	118.89%	115.69%
Average equity to average total assets	19.21%	21.86%	20.82%	23.84%	14.73%	11.47%	10.21%
Asset Quality Ratios:							
Non-performing assets to total assets	2.46%	1.39%	2.19%	0.61%	0.71%	0.55%	0.15%
Non-performing loans to total loans	6.79%	3.86%	5.73%	1.63%	2.32%	1.74%	0.53%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans	34.26%	40.78%	36.86%	91.07%	57.31%	70.70%	232.88%
Allowance for loan losses to total loans	2.33%	1.57%	2.11%	1.49%	1.33%	1.23%	1.24%
Net charge-offs to average loans outstanding	0.11%	0.40%	0.37%	0.38%	0.20%	%	%

Capital Ratios:

Total capital (to risk-weighted assets) (6)	28.59%	33.82%	28.52%	34.81%	38.07%	25.03%	23.72%
Tier I capital (to risk-weighted assets) (6)	27.31%	32.61%	27.24%	33.68%	37.23%	24.25%	22.97%
Tier I capital (to adjusted assets (for 2005 and 2006), average assets (for 2007 and forward) (6)	13.91%	15.85%	14.35%	15.98%	18.84%	12.38%	10.62%

Other Data:

Number of full service offices	18	18	18	18	18	19	19
Full time equivalent employees	221	193	223	203	192	208	201

(1) Net loss per share in 2007 is calculated for the period that the shares of common stock were outstanding (November 8, 2007 through December 31, 2007). The net loss for this period was \$1.5 million.

(2) 2008 performance ratios include a \$2.5 million tax-exempt gain from the death of an officer and \$463,000 (\$292,000, net of tax) in costs associated with our conversion to a new core processing system that was completed in

January 2009. 2007 performance ratios include the after-tax effect of: a charge of \$7.8 million due to the contribution to the Northfield Bank Foundation; a gain of \$2.4 million as a result of the sale of two branch locations, and associated deposit relationships; net interest income of \$810,000 (after tax) related to short-term investment returns earned on subscription proceeds (net of interest paid during the stock offering); and the reversal of state and local tax liabilities of approximately \$4.5 million, net of federal taxes. 2006 performance ratios include the effect of a \$931,000 (after tax)charge related to a supplemental retirement agreement entered into with our former president.

- (3) The interest rate spread represents the difference between the weighted-average yield on interest earning assets and

the
weighted-average
costs of
interest-bearing
liabilities.

- (4) The net interest margin represents net interest income as a percent of average interest-earning assets for the period.
- (5) The efficiency ratio represents non-interest expense divided by the sum of net interest income and non-interest income.
- (6) Ratios for 2005 and 2006 were determined pursuant to Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation regulations. Beginning November 6, 2007, Northfield Bank became subject to the capital requirements under Office of Thrift Supervision regulations. While the capital regulations of these two agencies are substantially similar, they are not identical.

(7)

Dividend payout ratio is calculated as total dividends declared for the year (excluding dividend waived by Northfield Bancorp, MHC) divided by net income for the year. The following table sets forth total cash dividends paid per period, which is calculated by multiplying the dividends declared per share by the number of shares outstanding as of the applicable record date.

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,		For the Year Ended December 31,	
	2010	2009	2009	2008
	(In Thousands)			
Dividends paid to public stockholders	\$ 772	\$ 774	\$ 2,963	\$ 738
Dividends paid to Northfield Bancorp, MHC				
Total dividends paid	\$ 772	\$ 774	\$ 2,963	\$ 738
Total dividends waived by Northfield Bancorp, MHC	\$ 986	\$ 986	\$ 3,943	\$ 986
Total dividends paid and total dividends waived	\$ 1,758	\$ 1,760	\$ 6,906	\$ 1,724

(8) Annualized where appropriate.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements, which can be identified by the use of words such as estimate, project, believe, intend, anticipate, plan, seek, expect and words of similar meaning. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

statements of our goals, intentions and expectations;

statements regarding our business plans, prospects, growth and operating strategies;

statements regarding the quality of our loan and investment portfolios; and

estimates of our risks and future costs and benefits.

These forward-looking statements are based on current beliefs and expectations of our management and are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond our control. In addition, these forward-looking statements are subject to assumptions with respect to future business strategies and decisions that are subject to change.

The following factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from the anticipated results or other expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements:

general economic conditions, either nationally or in our market areas, that are worse than expected;

competition among depository and other financial institutions;

inflation and changes in the interest rate environment that reduce our margins or reduce the fair value of financial instruments;

adverse changes in the securities markets;

changes in laws or government regulations or policies affecting financial institutions, including changes in regulatory fees and capital requirements;

our ability to enter new markets successfully and capitalize on growth opportunities;

our ability to successfully integrate acquired entities, if any;

changes in consumer spending, borrowing and savings habits;

changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the bank regulatory agencies, the Financial Accounting Standards Board the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board;

changes in our organization, compensation and benefit plans; and

changes in the financial condition or future prospects of issuers of securities that we own.

Because of these and other uncertainties, our actual future results may be materially different from the results indicated by these forward-looking statements. Please see Risk Factors beginning on page 16.

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Although we cannot determine what the actual net proceeds from the sale of the shares of common stock in the offering will be until the offering is completed, we anticipate that the net proceeds will be between \$287.0 million and \$388.9 million, or \$447.5 million if the offering range is increased by 15%.

We intend to distribute the net proceeds as follows:

	Based Upon the Sale at \$10.00 Per Share of							
	29,750,000 Shares		35,000,000 Shares		40,250,000 Shares		46,287,500 Shares (1)	
	Amount	Percent of Net Proceeds	Amount	Percent of Net Proceeds	Amount	Percent of Net Proceeds	Amount	Percent of Net Proceeds
(Dollars in thousands)								
Offering proceeds	\$ 297,500		\$ 350,000		\$ 402,500		\$ 462,875	
Less offering expenses	10,478		12,032		13,586		15,373	
Net offering proceeds	\$ 287,022	100.0%	\$ 337,968	100.0%	\$ 388,914	100.0%	\$ 447,502	100.0%
Distribution of net proceeds:								
To Northfield Bank	\$ 143,511	50.0%	\$ 168,984	50.0%	\$ 194,457	50.0%	\$ 223,751	50.0%
To fund loan to employee stock ownership plan	\$ 11,900	4.1%	\$ 14,000	4.1%	\$ 16,100	4.1%	\$ 18,515	4.1%
Retained by Northfield-Delaware (2)	\$ 131,611	45.9%	\$ 154,984	45.9%	\$ 178,357	45.9%	\$ 205,236	45.9%

(1) As adjusted to give effect to an increase in the number of shares, which could occur due to a 15% increase in the offering range to reflect demand for the shares or changes in market conditions following the commencement of the offering.

(2) In the event the stock-based benefit plan providing for stock awards and stock options is

approved by stockholders, and assuming shares are purchased for the stock awards at \$10.00 per share, an additional \$11.9 million, \$14.0 million, \$16.1 million and \$18.5 of net proceeds will be used by Northfield-Delaware. In this case, the net proceeds retained by Northfield-Delaware would be \$119.7 million, \$141.0 million, \$162.3 million and \$186.7 million, respectively, at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and adjusted maximum of the offering range.

Payments for shares of common stock made through withdrawals from existing deposit accounts will not result in the receipt of new funds for investment but will result in a reduction of Northfield Bank's deposits. The net proceeds may vary because total expenses relating to the offering may be more or less than our estimates. For example, our expenses would increase if a syndicated community offering were used to sell shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription and community offerings. In addition, amounts shown for the distribution of the net proceeds at the minimum of the offering range to fund the loan to the employee stock ownership plan and to be proceeds retained by Northfield-Delaware may change if we exercise our right to have the employee stock ownership plan purchase more than 4% of the shares of common stock offered if necessary to complete the offering at the minimum of the offering range.

Northfield-Delaware may use the proceeds it retains from the offering:

to invest in securities;

to finance the acquisition of financial institutions, although we do not currently have any agreements or understandings regarding any specific acquisition transaction;

to pay cash dividends to stockholders;

to repurchase shares of our common stock; and

for other general corporate purposes.

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Initially, a substantial portion of the net proceeds will be invested in short-term investments, investment-grade debt obligations and mortgage-backed securities.

Under current Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, we may not repurchase shares of our common stock during the first year following the completion of the conversion, except when extraordinary circumstances exist and with prior regulatory approval, or except to fund management recognition plans (which would require notification to the Office of Thrift Supervision) or tax qualified employee stock benefit plans.

Northfield Bank may use the net proceeds it receives from the offering:

to fund new loans, including commercial real estate and commercial business loans, one- to four-family residential mortgage loans, real estate construction loans and consumer loans;

to expand its retail banking franchise by establishing or acquiring new branches or by acquiring other financial institutions or other financial services companies as opportunities arise, although we do not currently have any understandings or agreements to acquire a financial institution or other entity. We currently intend to open ten new branch offices by December 31, 2013, and also establish an internet banking platform during that same time period;

to enhance existing products and services and to support the development of new products and services;

to invest in mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations, and debt securities issued by the U.S. Government, U.S. Government agencies or U.S. Government sponsored enterprises; and

for other general corporate purposes.

Initially, a substantial portion of the net proceeds will be invested in short-term investments, investment-grade debt obligations and mortgage-backed securities. We have not determined specific amounts of the net proceeds that would be used for the purposes described above. The use of the proceeds outlined above may change based on many factors, including, but not limited to, changes in interest rates, equity markets, laws and regulations affecting the financial services industry, our relative position in the financial services industry, the attractiveness of potential acquisitions to expand our operations, and overall market conditions. We estimate the costs of constructing a new branch office to be between approximately \$1.0 million and \$3.0 million, depending on the size and location of the branch office, excluding the costs to acquire land, which we generally lease.

We expect our return on equity to decrease as compared to our performance in recent years, until we are able to reinvest effectively the additional capital raised in the offering. Until we can increase our net interest income and non-interest income, we expect our return on equity to be below the industry average, which may negatively affect the value of our common stock. See Risk Factors Our failure to effectively deploy the net proceeds may have an adverse impact on our financial performance and the value of our common stock.

OUR DIVIDEND POLICY

As of March 31, 2010, Northfield-Federal paid a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.05 per share, which equals \$0.20 per share on an annualized basis. After the conversion, we intend to continue to pay cash dividends on a quarterly basis. We expect the quarterly dividends per share to be between \$0.03 and \$0.04 per share, depending on how many shares of common stock are sold in the offering. This would approximately preserve the dividend amount that Northfield-Federal stockholders currently receive, as adjusted to reflect the exchange ratio. The dividend rate and the continued payment of dividends will depend on a number of factors including our capital requirements, our financial condition and results of operations, tax considerations, statutory and regulatory

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limitations, and general economic conditions. We cannot assure you that we will not reduce or eliminate dividends in the future.

Northfield-Federal began declaring dividends during the quarter ended December 31, 2008, and dividends have been declared in each subsequent quarterly period. Northfield Bancorp, MHC owns 24,641,684 shares of Northfield-Federal common stock. Northfield-Federal has received non-objection from the Office of Thrift Supervision to waive receipt of all prior dividend payments on the Northfield-Federal shares owned by Northfield Bancorp, MHC. Cash dividends paid by Northfield-Federal during the three months ended March 31, 2010 were \$772,000. Dividends waived by Northfield Bancorp, MHC during the three months ended March 31, 2010 were \$986,000.

Under the rules of the Office of Thrift Supervision, after the completion of the conversion, Northfield Bank will not be permitted to pay dividends on its capital stock to Northfield-Delaware, its sole stockholder, if Northfield Bank's stockholder's equity would be reduced below the amount of the liquidation account established in connection with the conversion. In addition, Northfield Bank will not be permitted to make a capital distribution if, after making such distribution, it would be undercapitalized. Northfield Bank must generally file an application with the Office of Thrift Supervision for approval of a capital distribution if the total capital distributions for the applicable calendar year exceed the sum of the Northfield Bank's net income for that year to date plus its retained net income for the preceding two years or Northfield Bank would not be at least adequately capitalized following the distribution. In addition, any payment of dividends by Northfield Bank to us that would be deemed to be drawn out of Northfield Bank's bad debt reserves, if any, would require a payment of taxes at the then-current tax rate by Northfield Bank on the amount of earnings deemed to be removed from the reserves for such distribution. Northfield Bank does not intend to make any distribution to us that would create such a federal tax liability. See *The Conversion and Offering Liquidation Rights*. For further information concerning additional federal and state law and regulations regarding the ability of Northfield Bank to make capital distributions, including the payment of dividends to Northfield-Federal, see *Taxation Federal Taxation* and *Supervision and Regulation Federal Banking Regulation*.

Unlike Northfield Bank, Northfield-Delaware is not restricted by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations on the payment of dividends to its stockholders, except that it will not be permitted to pay dividends on its common stock if its stockholders' equity would be reduced below the amount of the liquidation account established by Northfield-Delaware in connection with the conversion. However, the source of dividends will depend on the net proceeds retained by Northfield-Delaware and earnings thereon, and dividends from Northfield Bank. In addition, Northfield-Delaware will be subject to state law limitations on the payment of dividends. Delaware law generally limits dividends to our capital surplus or, if there is no capital surplus, our net profits for the fiscal year in which the dividend is declared and/or the preceding fiscal year.

We will file a consolidated federal tax return with Northfield Bank. Accordingly, it is anticipated that any cash distributions made by us to our stockholders would be treated as cash dividends and not as a non-taxable return of capital for federal tax purposes. Additionally, pursuant to Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, during the three-year period following the conversion, we will not take any action to declare an extraordinary dividend to stockholders that would be treated by recipients as a tax-free return of capital for federal income tax purposes.

MARKET FOR THE COMMON STOCK

Northfield-Federal's common stock is currently quoted on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol NFBK. Upon completion of the conversion, the new shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware will replace the existing shares. For a period of 20 trading days after the completion of the conversion and offering, we expect our shares of common stock will trade on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol NFBKD, and, thereafter, our trading symbol will revert to NFBK. In order to list our stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market, we are required to have at least three broker-dealers who will make a market in our common stock. As of March 31, 2010, Northfield-Federal had 22 registered market makers in its common stock, including Sandler

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O'Neill & Partners, L.P. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. has advised us that it intends to make a market in our common stock following the offering, but it is under no obligation to do so.

The development of a public market having the desirable characteristics of depth, liquidity and orderliness depends on the existence of willing buyers and sellers, the presence of which is not within our control or that of any market maker. The number of active buyers and sellers of our common stock at any particular time may be limited, which may have an adverse effect on the price at which our common stock can be sold. There can be no assurance that persons purchasing the common stock will be able to sell their shares at or above the \$10.00 price per share in the offering. Purchasers of our common stock should have a long-term investment intent and should recognize that there may be a limited trading market in our common stock.

The following table sets forth the high and low trading prices for shares of Northfield-Federal common stock for the periods indicated, and the dividends paid during those periods. As of the close of business on [stockholder record date], there were ___ shares of common stock outstanding, including ___ publicly held shares (excluding shares held by Northfield Bancorp, MHC), and approximately ___ stockholders of record.

The high and low closing prices for the quarterly periods noted below were obtained from the Nasdaq Stock Market.

	Price Per Share		Dividends Paid
	High	Low	
2010			
Third quarter (through _____, 2010)	\$	\$	\$
Second quarter	\$	\$	\$
First quarter	\$15.00	\$12.29	\$ 0.04
2009			
Fourth quarter	\$13.94	\$12.09	\$ 0.04
Third quarter	\$13.10	\$11.01	\$ 0.04
Second quarter	\$12.19	\$10.25	\$ 0.04
First quarter	\$11.25	\$ 8.18	\$ 0.04
2008			
Fourth quarter	\$12.50	\$ 9.22	\$ 0.04
Third quarter	\$13.15	\$10.25	\$
Second quarter	\$11.75	\$10.02	\$
First quarter	\$10.77	\$ 9.78	\$

On ___, 2010, the business day immediately preceding the public announcement of the conversion, and on ___, the closing prices of Northfield-Federal common stock as reported on the Nasdaq Global Select Market were \$___ per share and \$___ per share, respectively. On the effective date of the conversion, all publicly held shares of Northfield-Federal common stock, including shares of common stock held by our officers and directors, will be converted automatically into and become the right to receive a number of shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock determined pursuant to the exchange ratio. See The Conversion and Offering Share Exchange Ratio for Current Stockholders. Options to purchase shares of Northfield-Federal common stock will be converted into options to purchase a number of shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock determined pursuant to the exchange ratio, for the same aggregate exercise price. See Beneficial Ownership of Common Stock.

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At March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank exceeded all of the applicable regulatory capital requirements and was considered well capitalized. The table below sets forth the historical equity capital and regulatory capital of Northfield Bank at March 31, 2010, and the pro forma equity capital and regulatory capital of Northfield Bank, after giving effect to the sale of shares of common stock at \$10.00 per share. The table assumes the receipt by Northfield Bank of 50% of the net offering proceeds. See How We Intend to Use the Proceeds from the Offering.

	Northfield Bank Historical at March 31, 2010		Pro Forma at March 31, 2010, Based Upon the Sale in the Offering of (1)							
	Amount	Percent of Assets (3)	29,750,000 Shares	Percent of Assets (3)	35,000,000 Shares	Percent of Assets (3)	40,250,000 Shares	Percent of Assets (3)	46,287,500 Shares (2)	Percent of Assets (3)
	(Dollars in thousands)									
Equity	\$ 310,204	15.17%	\$ 429,915	19.64%	\$ 451,188	20.38%	\$ 472,461	21.10%	\$ 496,925	21.90%
Core capital	\$ 278,658	13.91%	\$ 398,369	18.56%	\$ 419,642	19.32%	\$ 440,915	20.06%	\$ 465,379	20.90%
Core requirement (4)	100,152	5.00	107,328	5.00	108,601	5.00	109,875	5.00	111,340	5.00
Excess	\$ 178,506	8.91%	\$ 291,041	13.56%	\$ 311,041	14.32%	\$ 331,040	15.06%	\$ 354,039	15.90%
Tier 1 risk-based capital (5)	\$ 278,658	27.31%	\$ 398,369	37.97%	\$ 419,642	39.81%	\$ 440,915	41.62%	\$ 465,379	43.69%
Risk-based requirement	61,226	6.00	62,948	6.00	63,253	6.00	63,559	6.00	63,911	6.00
Excess	\$ 217,432	21.31%	\$ 335,421	31.97%	\$ 356,389	33.81%	\$ 377,356	35.62%	\$ 401,468	37.69%
Total risk-based capital (5)	\$ 291,780	28.59%	\$ 411,491	39.22%	\$ 432,764	41.05%	\$ 454,037	42.86%	\$ 478,501	44.92%
Risk-based requirement	102,043	10.00	104,913	10.00	105,422	10.00	105,932	10.00	106,518	10.00
Excess	\$ 189,737	18.59%	\$ 306,578	29.22%	\$ 327,342	31.05%	\$ 348,105	32.86%	\$ 371,983	34.92%
Reconciliation of capital infused into Northfield Bank:										
Net proceeds			\$ 143,511		\$ 168,984		\$ 194,457		\$ 223,751	
Less: Common stock acquired by stock-based benefit plan			(11,900)		(14,000)		(16,100)		(18,515)	

Less: Common stock acquired by employee stock ownership plan	(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Pro forma increase	\$ 119,711	\$ 140,984	\$ 162,257	\$ 186,721

(1) Pro forma capital levels assume that the employee stock ownership plan purchases 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the stock offering with funds we lend. Pro forma generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and regulatory capital have been reduced by the amount required to fund this plan. See Management for a discussion of the employee stock ownership plan.

(2) As adjusted to give effect to an increase in the number of shares which could occur due to a 15% increase in the offering range to reflect demand for the shares or changes in market conditions

following the commencement of the offering.

- (3) Tangible and core capital levels are shown as a percentage of total adjusted assets. Risk-based capital levels are shown as a percentage of risk-weighted assets.
- (4) The current Office of Thrift Supervision core capital requirement for financial institutions is 3% of total adjusted assets for financial institutions that receive the highest supervisory rating for safety and soundness and a 4% to 5% core capital ratio requirement for all other financial institutions.
- (5) Pro forma amounts and percentages assume net proceeds are invested in assets that carry a 50% risk weighting.

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The following table presents the historical consolidated capitalization of Northfield-Federal at March 31, 2010 and the pro forma consolidated capitalization of Northfield-Delaware after giving effect to the conversion and offering, based upon the assumptions set forth in the Pro Forma Data section.

	Northfield-Federal Historical at March 31, 2010	Pro Forma at March 31, 2010			
		Based upon the Sale in the Offering at \$10.00 per Share of			
		29,750,000	35,000,000	40,250,000	46,287,500
		Shares	Shares	Shares	Shares (1)
(Dollars in thousands)					
Deposits (2)	\$ 1,392,905	\$ 1,392,445	\$ 1,392,445	\$ 1,392,445	\$ 1,392,445
Borrowed funds	293,060	293,060	293,060	293,060	293,060
Total deposits and borrowed funds	\$ 1,685,965	\$ 1,685,505	\$ 1,685,505	\$ 1,685,505	\$ 1,685,505
Stockholders equity:					
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 25,000,000 shares authorized (post-conversion) (3)					
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 150,000,000 shares authorized (post-conversion); shares to be issued as reflected (3) (4)	456	528	621	714	821
Additional paid-in capital (3)	203,541	490,491	541,344	592,197	650,678
MHC capital contribution		362	362	362	362
Retained earnings (5)	214,779	214,779	214,779	214,779	214,779
Accumulated other comprehensive income	15,690	15,690	15,690	15,690	15,690
Less:					
Treasury stock	(22,520)	(22,520)	(22,520)	(22,520)	(22,520)
Common stock held by employee stock ownership plan (6)	(15,660)	(27,560)	(29,660)	(31,760)	(34,175)
Common stock to be acquired by stock-based benefit plan (7)		(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Total stockholders equity	\$ 396,286	\$ 689,870	\$ 706,616	\$ 753,362	\$ 807,120

Pro Forma Shares
Outstanding

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Shares offered for sale		29,750,000	35,000,000	40,250,000	46,287,500
Exchange shares issued		23,036,369	27,101,611	31,166,852	35,841,880
Total shares outstanding	43,722,522	52,786,369	62,101,611	71,416,852	82,129,380
Total stockholders' equity as a percentage of total assets					
(2)	18.89%	27.95%	29.35%	30.69%	32.18%
Tangible equity as a percentage of total assets					
	18.11%	27.26%	28.67%	30.03%	31.53%

(1) As adjusted to give effect to an increase in the number of shares of common stock that could occur due to a 15% increase in the offering range to reflect demand for shares or changes in market conditions following the commencement of the subscription and community offerings.

(2) Does not reflect withdrawals from deposit accounts for the purchase of shares of common stock in the conversion and offering. These withdrawals would reduce pro forma deposits and assets by the amount of the withdrawals.

(3) Northfield-Federal currently has 10,000,000 authorized shares of preferred stock and 90,000,000 authorized shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share. On a pro forma basis, common stock and additional paid-in capital have been revised to reflect the

number of shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock to be outstanding.

- (4) No effect has been given to the issuance of additional shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock pursuant to the exercise of options under one or more stock-based benefit plans. If the plans are implemented within the first year after the closing of the offering, an amount up to 10% of the shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock sold in the offering will be reserved for issuance upon the exercise of options under the plans, subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect stock options previously granted by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank so that the total shares available for issuance upon the exercise of stock options does not exceed 10% of Northfield-Delaware s outstanding shares immediately after the conversion and offering. No effect has been given to the exercise of options currently outstanding. See Management.

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- (5) The retained earnings of Northfield Bank will be substantially restricted after the conversion. See The Conversion and Offering Liquidation Rights and Supervision and Regulation Federal Banking Regulation.
- (6) Assumes that 4% of the shares sold in the offering will be acquired by the employee stock ownership plan financed by a loan from Northfield-Delaware. The loan will be repaid principally from Northfield Bank's contributions to the employee stock ownership plan. Since Northfield-Delaware will finance the employee stock ownership plan debt, this debt will be eliminated through consolidation and no liability will be reflected on Northfield-Delaware's consolidated financial statements. Accordingly, the amount of shares of common stock acquired by the employee stock ownership plan is shown in this table as a reduction of total

stockholders' equity.

- (7) Assumes a number of shares of common stock equal to 4% of the shares of common stock to be sold in the offering will be purchased for grant by one or more stock-based benefit plans. If the stock-based benefit plans are adopted within 12 months following the conversion, the amount reserved for restricted stock awards would be subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect restricted stock previously granted by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank so that the total shares reserved for restricted stock awards does not exceed 4% of Northfield-Delaware's outstanding shares immediately after the conversion and offering. The funds to be used by the plan to purchase the shares will be provided by Northfield-Delaware. The dollar amount of common stock to be purchased is based on the \$10.00 per share subscription price in the offering and represents unearned compensation. This

amount does not reflect possible increases or decreases in the value of common stock relative to the subscription price in the offering. As Northfield-Delaware accrues compensation expense to reflect the vesting of shares pursuant to the plan, the credit to capital will be offset by a charge to operations. Implementation of the plan will require stockholder approval.

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PRO FORMA DATA

The following table summarizes historical data of Northfield-Federal and pro forma data at and for the three months ended March 31, 2010, and the year ended December 31, 2009. This information is based on assumptions set forth below and in the tables, and should not be used as a basis for projections of market value of the shares of common stock following the conversion and offering.

The net proceeds in the tables are based upon the following assumptions:

- (i) ___ shares of common stock will be purchased by our executive officers and directors, and their associates;
- (ii) our employee stock ownership plan will purchase 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering, with a loan from Northfield-Delaware. The loan will be repaid in substantially equal payments of principal and interest (at the prime rate of interest, calculated as of the date of the origination of the loan) over a period of 30 years. Interest income that we earn on the loan will offset the interest paid by Northfield Bank;
- (iii) Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will receive a fee equal to 1.0% of the dollar amount of shares of common stock sold in the subscription and community offerings and 5.0% of the dollar amount of shares sold in the syndicated community offering, with 50% of the total shares sold being sold in the subscription and community offerings. No fee will be paid with respect to shares of common stock purchased by our qualified and non-qualified employee stock benefit plans, or stock purchased by our officers, directors and employees, and their immediate families, and no fee will be paid with respect to exchange shares; and
- (iv) total expenses of the offering, other than the fees to be paid to Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., will be \$1.7 million.

We calculated pro forma consolidated net income for the three months ended March 31, 2010, and the year ended December 31, 2009, as if the estimated net proceeds we received had been invested at the beginning of the period at an assumed interest rate of 2.55% (1.53% on an after-tax basis). This represents the yield on the five-year U.S. Treasury Note as of March 31, 2010, which, in light of current market interest rates, we consider to more accurately reflect the pro forma reinvestment rate than the arithmetic average of the weighted average yield earned on our interest earning assets and the weighted average rate paid on our deposits, which is the reinvestment rate generally required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations.

We further believe that the reinvestment rate is factually supportable because:

- the yield on the U.S Treasury Note can be determined and/or estimated from third-party sources; and
- we believe that U.S. Treasury securities are not subject to credit losses due to a U.S. Government guarantee of payment of principal and interest.

We calculated historical and pro forma per share amounts by dividing historical and pro forma amounts of consolidated net income and stockholders' equity by the indicated number of shares of common stock. We adjusted these figures to give effect to the shares of common stock purchased by the employee stock ownership plan. We computed per share amounts for each period as if the shares of common stock were outstanding at the beginning of each period, but we did not adjust per share historical or pro forma stockholders' equity to reflect the earnings on the estimated net proceeds.

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The pro forma table gives effect to the implementation of one or more stock-based benefit plans. Subject to the receipt of stockholder approval, we have assumed that the stock-based benefit plans will acquire for restricted stock awards a number of shares of common stock equal to 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the stock offering at the same price for which they were sold in the stock offering. We assume that awards of common stock granted under the plans vest over a five-year period.

We have also assumed that the stock-based benefit plans will grant options to acquire shares of common stock equal to 10% of the shares of common stock sold in the stock offering. In preparing the table below, we assumed that stockholder approval was obtained, that the exercise price of the stock options and the market price of the stock at the date of grant were \$10.00 per share and that the stock options had a term of ten years and vested over five years. We applied the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate a grant-date fair value of \$3.73 for each option. In addition to the terms of the options described above, the Black-Scholes option pricing model assumed an estimated volatility rate of 38.29% for the shares of common stock, a dividend yield of 1.4%, an expected option life of 6.5 years and a risk-free rate of return of 3.10%.

We may grant options and award shares of common stock under one or more stock-based benefit plans in excess of 10% and 4%, respectively, of the shares of common stock sold in the stock offering and that vest sooner than over a five-year period if the stock-based benefit plans are adopted more than one year following the stock offering.

As discussed under [How We Intend to Use the Proceeds from the Stock Offering](#), we intend to contribute 50% of the net proceeds from the stock offering to Northfield Bank, and we will retain the remainder of the net proceeds from the stock offering. We will use a portion of the proceeds we retain for the purpose of making a loan to the employee stock ownership plan and retain the rest of the proceeds for future use.

The pro forma table does not give effect to:

- withdrawals from deposit accounts for the purpose of purchasing shares of common stock in the stock offering;
- our results of operations after the stock offering; or
- changes in the market price of the shares of common stock after the stock offering.

The following pro forma information may not be representative of the financial effects of the offering at the dates on which the offering actually occurs, and should not be taken as indicative of future results of operations. Pro forma consolidated stockholders' equity represents the difference between the stated amounts of our assets and liabilities. The pro forma stockholders' equity is not intended to represent the fair market value of the shares of common stock and may be different than the amounts that would be available for distribution to stockholders if we liquidated. Moreover, pro forma stockholders' equity per share does not give effect to the liquidation accounts to be established in the conversion or, in the unlikely event of a liquidation of Northfield Bank, to the tax effect of the recapture of the bad debt reserve. See [The Conversion and Offering Liquidation Rights](#).

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	At or for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2010			
	Based upon the Sale at \$10.00 Per Share of			
	29,750,000	35,000,000	40,250,000	46,287,500
	Shares	Shares	Shares	Shares (1)
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)			
Gross proceeds of offering	\$ 297,500	\$ 350,000	\$ 402,500	\$ 462,875
Market value of shares issued in the exchange	230,364	271,017	311,670	358,420
Pro forma market capitalization	\$ 527,864	\$ 621,017	\$ 714,170	\$ 821,295
Gross proceeds of offering	\$ 297,500	\$ 350,000	\$ 402,500	\$ 462,875
Expenses	10,478	12,032	13,586	15,373
Estimated net proceeds	287,022	337,968	388,914	447,502
Common stock purchased by employee stock ownership plan	(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Common stock purchased by stock-based benefit plan	(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Cash received from the mutual holding company				
Estimated net proceeds, as adjusted	\$ 263,222	\$ 309,968	\$ 356,714	\$ 410,472
 For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2010				
Consolidated net earnings:				
Historical	\$ 3,381	\$ 3,381	\$ 3,381	\$ 3,381
Pro forma adjustments:				
Income on adjusted net proceeds	1,007	1,186	1,364	1,570
Employee stock ownership plan (2)	(60)	(70)	(81)	(93)
Stock awards (3)	(357)	(420)	(483)	(556)
Stock options (4)	(499)	(588)	(676)	(777)
Pro forma net income	\$ 3,472	\$ 3,489	\$ 3,506	\$ 3,526
 Earning per share (5):				
Historical	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.05
Pro form adjustments:				
Income on adjusted net proceeds	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
Employee stock ownership plan (2)				
Stock awards (3)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
Stock options (4)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
Pro forma earnings per share (5) (6)	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.05

Offering price to pro forma net earnings per share	35.71x	41.67x	50.00x	50.00x
Number of shares used in earnings per share calculations	48,934,101	57,569,531	66,204,960	76,135,704

At March 31, 2010

Stockholders' equity:				
Historical	\$ 396,286	\$ 396,286	\$ 396,286	\$ 396,286
Estimated net proceeds	287,022	337,968	388,914	447,502
Equity increase from the mutual holding company	362	362	362	362
Common stock purchased by employee stock ownership plan	(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Common stock purchased by stock-based benefit plan (3)	(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Pro forma stockholders equity	\$ 659,870	\$ 706,616	\$ 753,362	\$ 807,120
Intangible assets	\$ (16,318)	\$ (16,318)	\$ (16,318)	\$ (16,318)
Pro forma tangible stockholders equity	\$ 643,552	\$ 690,298	\$ 737,044	\$ 790,802

Stockholders' equity per share:(7)

Historical	\$ 7.51	\$ 6.39	\$ 5.55	\$ 4.84
Estimated net proceeds	5.44	5.44	5.45	5.45
Plus: Assets received from the mutual holding company	0.01	0.01	0.01	
Common stock acquired by employee stock ownership plan	(0.23)	(0.23)	(0.23)	(0.23)
Common stock acquired by stock-based benefit plan (3)	(0.23)	(0.23)	(0.23)	(0.23)
Pro forma stockholders' equity per share (6) (7)	\$ 12.50	\$ 11.38	\$ 10.55	\$ 9.83
Intangible assets	\$ (0.31)	\$ (0.26)	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.20)
Pro forma tangible stockholders' equity per share (6) (7)	\$ 12.19	\$ 11.12	\$ 10.32	\$ 9.63

Offering price as percentage of pro forma stockholders' equity per share	80.00%	87.87%	94.79%	101.73%
Offering price as percentage of pro forma stockholders' equity per share	82.03%	89.93%	96.90%	103.84%
Number of shares outstanding for pro forma book value per share calculations	52,786,369	62,101,611	71,416,852	82,129,380

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- (1) As adjusted to give effect to an increase in the number of shares that could occur due to a 15% increase in the offering range to reflect demand for the shares or changes in market conditions following the commencement of the stock offering.

- (2) Assumes that 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering will be purchased by the employee stock ownership plan. For purposes of this table, the funds used to acquire these shares are assumed to have been borrowed by the employee stock ownership plan from Northfield-Delaware. Northfield Bank intends to make annual contributions to the employee stock ownership plan in an amount at least equal to the required principal and interest payments on the debt. Northfield Bank's total annual payments on the employee stock ownership plan debt are based upon 30 equal annual installments of principal and interest. Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards

Codification 718-40,
Employers
Accounting for
Employer Stock
Ownership Plans
(ASC 718-40)
requires that an
employer record
compensation expense
in an amount equal to
the fair value of the
shares committed to
be released to
employees. The pro
forma adjustments
assume that the
employee stock
ownership plan shares
are allocated in equal
annual installments
based on the number
of loan repayment
installments assumed
to be paid by
Northfield Bank, the
fair value of the
common stock
remains equal to the
subscription price and
the employee stock
ownership plan
expense reflects an
effective combined
federal and state tax
rate of 40.0%. The
unallocated employee
stock ownership plan
shares are reflected as
a reduction of
stockholders equity.
No reinvestment is
assumed on proceeds
contributed to fund
the employee stock
ownership plan. The
pro forma net income
further assumes that
9,917, 11,667, 13,417
and 15,429 shares
were committed to be
released during the

period at the minimum, midpoint, maximum, and adjusted maximum of the offering range, respectively, and in accordance with ASC 718-40, only the employee stock ownership plan shares committed to be released during the period were considered outstanding for purposes of net income per share calculations.

- (3) Assumes that, if approved by Northfield-Delaware stockholders, one or more stock-based benefit plans purchase an aggregate number of shares of common stock equal to 4% of the shares to be sold in the offering. Such amount is subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect restricted stock previously granted by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank (or may be a greater number of shares if the plan is implemented more than one year after completion of the conversion). Stockholder approval of the plans and purchases by the plans may not occur earlier

than six months after the completion of the conversion. The shares may be acquired directly from Northfield-Delaware or through open market purchases. Shares in the stock-based benefit plan are assumed to vest over a period of five years. The funds to be used to purchase the shares will be provided by Northfield-Delaware. The table assumes that (i) the stock-based benefit plan acquires the shares through open market purchases at \$10.00 per share, (ii) 5% of the amount contributed to the plan is amortized as an expense during the three months ended March 31, 2010, and (iii) the plan expense reflects an effective combined federal and state tax rate of 40.0%. Assuming stockholder approval of the stock-based benefit plans and that shares of common stock (equal to 4% of the shares sold in the offering) are awarded through the use of authorized but unissued shares of common stock, stockholders would have their ownership and voting interests diluted by approximately 2.20%

at the maximum of the offering range.

- (4) Assumes that, if approved by Northfield-Delaware stockholders, one or more stock-based benefit plans grant options to acquire an aggregate number of shares of common stock equal to 10% of the shares to be sold in the offering. Such amount is subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect stock options previously granted by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank (or may be a greater number of shares if the plan is implemented more than one year after completion of the conversion). Stockholder approval of the plans may not occur earlier than six months after the completion of the conversion. In calculating the pro forma effect of the stock-based benefit plans, it is assumed that the exercise price of the stock options and the trading price of the common stock at the date of grant were \$10.00 per share, the estimated grant-date fair value determined using the

Black-Scholes option pricing model was \$3.73 for each option, the aggregate grant-date fair value of the stock options was amortized to expense on a straight-line basis over a five-year

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vesting period of the options, and that 25% of the amortization expense (or the assumed portion relating to options granted to directors) resulted in a tax benefit using an assumed tax rate of 40.0%. The actual expense will be determined by the grant-date fair value of the options, which will depend on a number of factors, including the valuation assumptions used in the option pricing model ultimately adopted. Under the above assumptions, the adoption of the stock-based benefit plans will result in no additional shares under the treasury stock method for purposes of calculating earnings per share. There can be no assurance that the actual exercise price of the stock options will be equal to the \$10.00 price per share. If a portion of the shares used to satisfy the exercise of options comes from authorized but unissued shares, our net income per share and stockholders equity per share

would decrease. The issuance of authorized but unissued shares of common stock pursuant to the exercise of options under such plan would dilute stockholders ownership and voting interests by approximately 5.64% at the maximum of the offering range.

- (5) Per share figures include publicly held shares of Northfield-Federal common stock that will be exchanged for shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock in the conversion. See The Conversion and Offering Share Exchange Ratio for Current Stockholders. Net income per share computations are determined by taking the number of shares assumed to be sold in the offering and the number of new shares assumed to be issued in exchange for publicly held shares and, in accordance with ASC 718-40, subtracting the employee stock ownership plan shares which have not been committed for release during the period. See note 2.

The number of shares of common stock actually sold and the corresponding number of exchange shares may be more or less than the assumed amounts.

Pro forma net income per share has been annualized for purposes of calculating the offering price to pro forma net earnings per share.

(6) The retained earnings of Northfield Bank will be substantially restricted after the conversion. See Our Dividend Policy, The Conversion and Offering Liquidation Rights and Supervision and Regulation Federal Banking Regulation Capital Distributions.

(7) Per share figures include publicly held shares of Northfield-Federal common stock that will be exchanged for shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock in the conversion. Stockholders equity per share calculations are based upon the sum of (i) the number of subscription shares assumed to be sold in the offering and

(ii) shares to be issued in exchange for publicly held shares at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and adjusted maximum of the offering range, respectively. The exchange shares reflect an exchange ratio of 1.2073, 1.4204, 1.6334 and 1.8784 at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and adjusted maximum of the offering range, respectively. The number of shares actually sold and the corresponding number of exchange shares may be more or less than the assumed amounts.

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	At or for the Year Ended December 31, 2009			
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Gross proceeds of offering	\$ 297,500	\$ 350,000	\$ 402,500	\$ 462,875
Market value of shares issued in the exchange	230,364	271,017	311,670	358,420
Pro forma market capitalization	\$ 527,864	\$ 621,017	\$ 714,170	\$ 821,295
Gross proceeds of offering	\$ 297,500	\$ 350,000	\$ 402,500	\$ 462,875
Expenses	10,478	12,032	13,586	15,373
Estimated net proceeds	287,022	337,968	388,914	447,502
Common stock purchased by employee stock ownership plan	(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Common stock purchased by stock-based benefit plan	(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Cash received from the mutual holding company				
Estimated net proceeds, as adjusted	\$ 263,222	\$ 309,968	\$ 356,714	\$ 410,472
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009				
Consolidated net earnings:				
Historical	\$ 12,074	\$ 12,074	\$ 12,074	\$ 12,074
Pro forma adjustments:				
Income on adjusted net proceeds	4,027	4,743	5,458	6,280
Employee stock ownership plan (2)	(238)	(280)	(322)	(370)
Stock awards (3)	(1,428)	(1,680)	(1,932)	(2,222)
Stock options (4)	(1,997)	(2,350)	(2,702)	(3,108)
Pro forma net income	\$ 12,438	\$ 12,507	\$ 12,575	\$ 12,654
Earning per share (5):				
Historical	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.15
Pro form adjustments:				
Income on adjusted net proceeds	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08
Employee stock ownership plan (2)				
Stock awards (3)	(0.03)	(0.03)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Stock options (4)	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.04)
Pro forma earnings per share (5) (6)	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.16

Offering price to pro forma net earnings per share	40.00x	47.62x	52.63x	58.82x
Number of shares used in earnings per share calculations	50,046,321	58,878,025	67,709,728	77,866,188

At December 31, 2009

Stockholders' equity:				
Historical	\$ 391,540	\$ 391,540	\$ 391,540	\$ 391,540
Estimated net proceeds	287,022	337,968	388,914	447,502
Equity increase from the mutual holding company	362	362	362	362
Common stock purchased by employee stock ownership plan	(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Common stock purchased by stock-based benefit plan (3)	(11,900)	(14,000)	(16,100)	(18,515)
Pro forma stockholders' equity	\$ 655,124	\$ 701,870	\$ 748,616	\$ 802,374
Intangible assets	\$ (16,361)	\$ (16,361)	\$ (16,361)	\$ (16,361)
Pro forma tangible stockholders' equity	\$ 638,763	\$ 685,509	\$ 732,255	\$ 786,013

Stockholders' equity per share:(7)

Historical	\$ 7.42	\$ 6.31	\$ 5.48	\$ 4.78
Estimated net proceeds	5.44	5.44	5.45	5.45
Plus: Assets received from the mutual holding company	0.01	0.01	0.01	
Common stock acquired by employee stock ownership plan	(0.23)	(0.23)	(0.23)	(0.23)
Common stock acquired by stock-based benefit plan (3)	(0.23)	(0.23)	(0.23)	(0.23)
Pro forma stockholders' equity per share (6) (7)	\$ 12.41	\$ 11.30	\$ 10.48	\$ 9.77
Intangible assets	\$ (0.31)	\$ (0.26)	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.20)
Pro forma tangible stockholders' equity per share (6) (7)	\$ 12.10	\$ 11.04	\$ 10.25	\$ 9.57

Offering price as percentage of pro forma stockholders' equity per share	80.58%	88.50%	95.42%	102.35%
Offering price as percentage of pro forma stockholders' equity per share	82.64%	90.58%	97.56%	104.49%
Number of shares outstanding for pro forma book value per share calculations	52,786,369	62,101,611	71,416,852	82,129,380

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are allocated in equal
annual installments
based on the number
of loan repayment
installments assumed
to be paid by
Northfield Bank, the
fair value of the
common stock
remains equal to the
subscription price and
the employee stock
ownership plan
expense reflects an
effective combined
federal and state tax
rate of 40.0%. The
unallocated employee
stock ownership plan
shares are reflected as
a reduction of
stockholders equity.
No reinvestment is
assumed on proceeds
contributed to fund
the employee stock
ownership plan. The
pro forma net income
further assumes that
39,667, 46,667,
53,667 and 61,717
shares were
committed to be

released during the year at the minimum, midpoint, maximum, and adjusted maximum of the offering range, respectively, and in accordance with ASC 718-40, only the employee stock ownership plan shares committed to be released during the period were considered outstanding for purposes of net income per share calculations.

- (3) Assumes that, if approved by Northfield-Delaware stockholders, one or more stock-based benefit plans purchase an aggregate number of shares of common stock equal to 4% of the shares to be sold in the offering, subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect restricted stock previously granted by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank (and may be a greater number of shares if the plan is implemented more than one year after completion of the conversion). Stockholder approval of the plans and purchases by the plans may not occur earlier

than six months after the completion of the conversion. The shares may be acquired directly from Northfield-Delaware or through open market purchases.

Shares in the stock-based benefit plan are assumed to vest over a period of five years. The funds to be used to purchase the shares will be provided by Northfield-Delaware.

The table assumes that (i) the stock-based benefit plan acquires the shares through open market purchases at \$10.00 per share, (ii) 20% of the amount contributed to the plan is amortized as an expense during the year ended December 31, 2009, and (iii) the plan expense reflects an effective combined federal and state tax rate of 40.0%.

Assuming stockholder approval of the stock-based benefit plans and that shares of common stock (equal to 4% of the shares sold in the offering) are awarded through the use of authorized but unissued shares of common stock, stockholders would have their ownership and voting interests diluted by

approximately 2.20%
at the maximum of the
offering range.

- (4) Assumes that, if approved by Northfield-Delaware stockholders, one or more stock-based benefit plans grant options to acquire an aggregate number of shares of common stock equal to 10% of the shares to be sold in the offering, subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect stock options previously granted by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank (and may be a greater number of shares if the plan is implemented more than one year after completion of the conversion). Stockholder approval of the plans may not occur earlier than six months after the completion of the conversion. In calculating the pro forma effect of the stock-based benefit plans, it is assumed that the exercise price of the stock options and the trading price of the common stock at the date of grant were \$10.00 per share, the estimated grant-date fair value determined using the

Black-Scholes option pricing model was \$3.73 for each option, the aggregate grant-date fair value of the stock options was amortized to expense on a straight-line basis over a five-year

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vesting period of the options, and that 25% of the amortization expense (or the assumed portion relating to options granted to directors) resulted in a tax benefit using an assumed tax rate of 40.0%. The actual expense will be determined by the grant-date fair value of the options, which will depend on a number of factors, including the valuation assumptions used in the option pricing model ultimately adopted. Under the above assumptions, the adoption of the stock-based benefit plans will result in no additional shares under the treasury stock method for purposes of calculating earnings per share. There can be no assurance that the actual exercise price of the stock options will be equal to the \$10.00 price per share. If a portion of the shares used to satisfy the exercise of options comes from authorized but unissued shares, our net income per share and stockholders equity per share

would decrease. The issuance of authorized but unissued shares of common stock pursuant to the exercise of options under such plan would dilute stockholders ownership and voting interests by approximately 5.64% at the maximum of the offering range.

- (5) Per share figures include publicly held shares of Northfield-Federal common stock that will be exchanged for shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock in the conversion. See The Conversion and Offering Share Exchange Ratio for Current Stockholders. Net income per share computations are determined by taking the number of shares assumed to be sold in the offering and the number of new shares assumed to be issued in exchange for publicly held shares and, in accordance with ASC 718-40, subtracting the employee stock ownership plan shares which have not been committed for release during the year. See note 2. The

number of shares of common stock actually sold and the corresponding number of exchange shares may be more or less than the assumed amounts.

Pro forma net income per share has been annualized for purposes of calculating the offering price to pro forma net earnings per share.

- (6) The retained earnings of Northfield Bank will be substantially restricted after the conversion. See Our Dividend Policy, The Conversion and Offering Liquidation Rights and Supervision and Regulation Federal Banking Regulation Capital Distributions.
- (7) Per share figures include publicly held shares of Northfield-Federal common stock that will be exchanged for shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock in the conversion. Stockholders equity per share calculations are based upon the sum of (i) the number of subscription shares assumed to be sold in the offering and (ii) shares to be

issued in exchange for publicly held shares at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and adjusted maximum of the offering range, respectively. The exchange shares reflect an exchange ratio of 1.2073, 1.4204, 1.6334 and 1.8784 at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and adjusted maximum of the offering range, respectively. The number of shares actually sold and the corresponding number of exchange shares may be more or less than the assumed amounts.

Table of Contents**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

This discussion and analysis reflects our consolidated financial statements and other relevant statistical data, and is intended to enhance your understanding of our financial condition and results of operations. The information in this section has been derived from the audited and unaudited consolidated financial statements, which appear beginning on page F-1 of this prospectus. You should read the information in this section in conjunction with the business and financial information regarding Northfield-Federal provided in this prospectus.

Overview

Our principal business consists of accepting deposits and investing such funds in mortgage loans, secured commercial business loans and in investment securities, consisting primarily of mortgage-backed securities. Our business is affected by prevailing economic conditions, particularly market interest rates. Additionally, we are subject to government policies concerning, among other things, monetary and fiscal affairs, housing and financial institutions and regulations regarding lending and other operations, privacy and consumer disclosure. We rely on our convenient locations, customer service, and competitive products and pricing to attract and retain deposits. Lending activities are affected by market interest rates, loan demand and local economic conditions. Sources of funds for lending and investing activities include deposits, borrowings, loan and investment repayments, and income from our operations.

Our lending focus has been originating commercial real estate and multifamily loans in the markets we serve. At March 31, 2010, total loans held for investment were \$736.6 million, or 35.1% of total assets, with \$519.8 million, or 70.5% of the total portfolio, consisting of commercial real estate loans (\$332.4 million, or 45.1%) and multifamily loans (\$187.4 million, or 25.4%). Our loan portfolio has continued to grow in 2010 but at slower rates than we experienced in 2008 and 2009. We do not originate for retention in our portfolio interest only residential mortgage loans on one- to four-family residential properties, where the borrower pays interest for an initial period and thereafter the loan converts to a fully amortizing loan. We do not offer loans that provide for negative amortization of principal, such as Option ARM loans, where the borrower can pay less than the interest owed on the loan, thereby resulting in an increased principal balance during the life of the loan. We also do not offer, and have not offered, subprime loans (loans that generally target borrowers with weakened credit histories typically characterized by payment delinquencies, previous charge-offs, judgments, bankruptcies, or borrowers with questionable repayment capacity as evidenced by low credit scores or high debt-burden ratios).

Our investing focus has been purchasing mortgage-backed securities. At March 31, 2010, securities available-for-sale had an estimated fair value of \$1.2 billion, or 58.0% of total assets, with \$943.6 million, or 77.6%, consisting of mortgage-backed securities. At March 31, 2010, 74.9% of our securities portfolio consisted of securities issued by the U.S. government, U.S. government agencies or U.S. government sponsored enterprises. We do not own any common or preferred stock issued by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac.

Our net income has decreased over the past year, and totaled \$12.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, compared to \$15.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. Much of the reduction in our net income has resulted from increased loan loss reserves relating to deteriorating asset quality, which also has recently affected much of the financial institution industry, and from increases in employee compensation and benefits and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance premiums, which were partially offset by an increase in net interest income. Our net income was \$3.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2010, compared to \$2.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009. The increase was a result of an increase in net interest income and an increase in non-interest income (primarily gains on sales of securities, net), partially offset by an increase in non-interest expense (primarily employee compensation and benefits).

Following the completion of the conversion, our non-interest expense is expected to increase because of the increased compensation expenses associated with the purchase of shares of common stock by our employee stock ownership plan and the possible implementation of one or more stock-based benefit plans, if approved by our

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stockholders no earlier than six months after the completion of the conversion, and because of our anticipated growth. For further information, see **Summary Benefits to Management and Potential Dilution to Stockholders Resulting from the Conversion**; **Risk Factors** Our stock-based benefit plans would increase our expenses and reduce our income; **Management Benefits to be Considered Following Completion of the Conversion**; and **Risk Factors** We may face risks with respect to future expansion.

Business Strategy

Our principal objective is to build long-term value for our stockholders by operating a profitable community-oriented financial institution dedicated to meeting the banking needs of our customers. Our board of directors has sought to accomplish this objective through the adoption of a strategy designed to increase profitability, while maintaining a strong capital position and high asset quality. We cannot assure you that we will successfully implement our business strategy.

Highlights of our business strategy are as follows:

Remaining a community-oriented institution. We have been in business for over 123 years, growing through internal expansion and outside acquisitions. We offer a variety of financial products and services to meet the needs of small businesses and individuals in our market area, and we are dedicated to providing quality personal service to our customers. We consider our competitive products and pricing, branch network, reputation for superior customer service and financial strength as our major strengths in attracting and retaining customers. Over the last several years, we have significantly upgraded our technology capabilities, and currently offer mobile banking, remote deposit capture, electronic check clearing, and online business customer cash management. We intend to further capitalize on our technology capabilities to improve operating efficiencies and enhance customer service.

Continuing to increase our lending. We have grown our loan portfolio to \$736.6 million at March 31, 2010 from \$424.2 million at December 31, 2007. To achieve this growth, we have continued to emphasize the origination of loans other than residential mortgage loans, primarily multi-family and commercial real estate loans. These loans have higher yields than residential mortgage loans and generally have periodic adjustable interest rates and/or shorter terms, which assists us in managing our interest rate risk. Despite a difficult economic environment, we have continued to lend to qualified borrowers as other lenders have ceased or curtailed their lending, and we were able to increase our loan portfolio in 2009 and the first quarter of 2010. In October 2009, we also began to offer loans to finance premiums on commercial insurance policies, and such loans totaled \$40.0 million at March 31, 2010.

Over the past several years, we have particularly emphasized the origination of multi-family loans. At March 31, 2010, our multifamily portfolio totaled \$187.4 million, or 25.4% of total loans, compared to \$14.2 million, or 3.3% of total loans, at December 31, 2007. At March 31, 2010, our commercial real estate loan portfolio totaled \$332.4 million, or 45.1% of total loans, compared to \$243.9 million, or 57.5% of total loans, at December 31, 2007. We intend to continue to emphasize multi-family lending, and, as economic conditions improve, we will seek to increase the origination of commercial real estate, commercial and home equity loans as well. However, a continuation or worsening of economic conditions could make it more difficult to execute our strategy, at least until economic conditions improve. Also, the additional capital raised in the stock offering will increase our lending capacity by enabling us to originate more loans and loans with larger balances; however, this increased lending can also expose us to increased risks, as discussed in the Risk Factors section of this prospectus.

Improving asset quality. Maintaining loan quality historically has been, and will continue to be, a key element of our business strategy. We employ conservative underwriting standards for new loan originations and maintain sound credit administration practices while the loans are outstanding. In addition, substantially all of our loans are secured, predominantly by real estate. However, during the current economic recession, we have experienced increases in delinquent and non-performing loans. At March 31, 2010, our non-performing loans totaled \$50.0 million or 6.79% of total loans. At the same time charge-offs have remained relatively low at 0.38% of average loans outstanding for the year ended December 31, 2008, 0.37% for the year ended December 31, 2009, and were 0.11% for the three months ended March 31, 2010.

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To mitigate our exposure to potential loss during this weak economic period, we have de-emphasized the origination of commercial real estate loans and construction and land loans. We have also increased our allowance for loan losses from \$5.6 million, or 1.33% of loans held for investment, net, at December 31, 2007, to \$17.1 million, or 2.33% of loans held for investment, net, at March 31, 2010. We will also work with willing and able borrowers experiencing financial difficulties in order to maximize the recovery of the loan balance, and, when circumstances warrant, we may grant modifications to existing loan terms and conditions that we would not otherwise consider, commonly referred to as troubled debt restructurings (TDRs). At March 31, 2010, we had \$21.9 million of loans classified as TDRs, of which \$8.8 million were accruing interest and \$13.1 million were on non-accrual status. At March 31, 2010, \$16.2 million, or 74.1% of loans subject to restructuring agreements (accruing and non-accruing) were performing in accordance with their restructured terms.

Expanding through branching and acquisitions. We intend to continue *de novo* branching to expand our presence within and outside our primary market area. We currently expect to establish ten *de novo* branch offices by December 31, 2013, and also expect to establish an internet platform to gather deposits during that same time period. In conjunction with this expansion strategy, we may dispose of underperforming or overlapping branches, if appropriate. We also believe that acquisition opportunities exist both within and beyond our current market area. We will consider pursuing whole-bank and branch acquisition opportunities on a selective basis in areas that will afford us the opportunity to add complementary products to our existing business or expand our franchise geographically. Currently, we do not have any plans or arrangements to acquire other financial institutions or dispose of existing branch offices.

Employing securities investment strategies to increase income. We determine whether to invest in securities or loans depending on the relative risks and returns available for each type of investment. If opportunities exist, we may purchase additional investment securities and fund those purchases with additional borrowings at an initial positive interest rate spread, commonly referred to as leverage transactions, in an effort to increase our net income and return on equity. Leveraging can expose a company to greater interest rate risk in a rising interest rate environment, and there can be no assurance that a leveraging strategy would be successful.

Critical Accounting Policies

Critical accounting policies are defined as those that involve significant judgments and uncertainties, and could potentially result in materially different results under different assumptions and conditions. We believe that the most critical accounting policies upon which our financial condition and results of operation depend, and which involve the most complex subjective decisions or assessments, are the following:

Allowance for Loan Losses, Impaired Loans, Troubled Debt Restructurings and Other Real Estate Owned. The allowance for loan losses is the estimated amount considered necessary to cover probable and reasonably estimatable credit losses inherent in the loan portfolio at the balance sheet date. The allowance is established through the provision for loan losses that is charged against income. In determining the allowance for loan losses, we make significant estimates and judgments. The determination of the allowance for loan losses is considered a critical accounting policy by management because of the high degree of judgment involved, the subjectivity of the assumptions used, and the potential for changes in the economic environment that could result in changes to the amount of the recorded allowance for loan losses.

The allowance for loan losses has been determined in accordance with GAAP. We are responsible for the timely and periodic determination of the amount of the allowance required. We believe that our allowance for loan losses is adequate to cover identifiable losses, as well as estimated losses inherent in our portfolio for which certain losses are probable but not specifically identifiable.

Management performs a quarterly evaluation of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses. The analysis of the allowance for loan losses has a component for impaired loan losses and a component for general loan losses. Management has defined an impaired loan to be a loan for which it is probable, based on current information, that we will not collect all amounts due in accordance with the contractual terms of the loan agreement.

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We have defined the population of impaired loans to be all non-accrual loans with an outstanding balance of \$500,000 or greater, and all loans subject to a troubled debt restructuring. Impaired loans are individually assessed to determine that the loan's carrying value is not in excess of the estimated fair value of the collateral (less cost to sell), if the loan is collateral dependent, or the present value of the expected future cash flows, if the loan is not collateral dependent. Management performs a detailed evaluation of each impaired loan and generally obtains updated appraisals as part of the evaluation. In addition, management adjusts estimated fair values down to appropriately consider recent market conditions, our willingness to accept lower sales price to effect a quick sale, and costs to dispose of any supporting collateral. Determining the estimated fair value of underlying collateral (and related costs to sell) can be difficult in illiquid real estate markets and is subject to significant assumptions and estimates. Management employs an independent third party expert in appraisal preparation and review to ascertain the reasonableness of updated appraisals. Projecting the expected cash flows under troubled debt restructurings is inherently subjective and requires, among other things, an evaluation of the borrower's current and projected financial condition. Actual results may be significantly different than our projections, and our established allowance for loan losses on these loans, and could have a material effect on our financial results.

The second component of the allowance for loan losses is the general loss allocation. This assessment is performed on a portfolio basis, excluding loans analyzed for impairment and TDRs, with loans being grouped by collateral type and delinquency status. We apply an estimated loss rate to each loan group. The loss rates applied are based on our loss experience as adjusted for our qualitative assessment of relevant changes related to: underwriting standards; delinquency trends; collection, charge-off and recovery practices; the nature or volume of the loan group; lending staff; concentration of loan type; current economic conditions; and other relevant factors considered appropriate by management. In evaluating the estimated loss factors to be utilized for each loan group, management also reviews our actual loss history over the prior eight quarters and loss history as reported by the Office of Thrift Supervision and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for institutions both nationally and in our market area, for periods that are believed to have been under similar economic conditions. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires material estimates that may be susceptible to significant revisions based on changes in economic and real estate market conditions. Actual loan losses may be significantly different than the allowance for loan losses we have established, and could have a material effect on our financial results.

This quarterly process is performed by the accounting department, with the assistance of the credit administration department and our Chief Lending Officer, and approved by the Chief Financial Officer. All supporting documentation with regard to the evaluation process is maintained by the accounting department. Each quarter a summary of the allowance for loan losses is presented by the Controller to the Audit Committee of the board of directors.

We have a concentration of loans secured by real property located in New York and New Jersey. As a substantial amount of our loan portfolio is collateralized by real estate, appraisals of the underlying value of property securing loans are critical in determining the amount of the allowance required for specific loans. Assumptions for appraisal valuations are instrumental in determining the value of properties. Overly optimistic assumptions or negative changes to assumptions could significantly affect the valuation of a property securing a loan and the related allowance determined. The assumptions supporting such appraisals are reviewed by management to determine that the resulting values reasonably reflect amounts realizable on the collateral. Based on the composition of our loan portfolio, we believe the primary risks are increases in vacancy rates and declines in rental rates for both multi-family and commercial properties, a decline in the economy generally, increases in interest rates and a decline in real estate market values in New York or New Jersey. Any one or a combination of these events may adversely affect our loan portfolio resulting in delinquencies, increased loan losses, and future loan loss provisions.

Although we believe we have established and maintained the allowance for loan losses at adequate levels, changes may be necessary if future economic or other conditions differ substantially from our estimation of the current operating environment. Although management uses the information available, the level of the allowance for loan losses remains an estimate that is subject to significant judgment. In addition, the Office of Thrift Supervision, as an integral part of their examination process, will periodically review our allowance for loan losses. Such agency may require us to recognize adjustments to the allowance based on their judgments about information available to them at

the time of their examination.

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We also maintain an allowance for estimated losses on off-balance sheet credit risks related to loan commitments and standby letters of credit. Management utilizes a methodology similar to its allowance for loan loss methodology to estimate losses on these items. The allowance for estimated credit losses on these items is included in other liabilities and any changes to the allowance are recorded as a component of other non-interest expense.

Real estate we acquire as a result of foreclosure is classified as real estate owned. When we acquire other real estate owned, it generally obtains a current appraisal to substantiate the net carrying value of the asset. The asset is recorded at the lower of cost or estimated fair value, establishing a new cost basis. Holding costs and declines in estimated fair value result in charges to expense after acquisition.

Goodwill. Business combinations accounted for under the acquisition method requires us to record goodwill as an asset on our financial statements, which is an unidentifiable intangible asset equal to the excess of the purchase price that we pay for another company over the estimated fair value of the net assets acquired. Net assets acquired include identifiable intangible assets such as core deposit intangibles and non-compete agreements. We evaluate goodwill for impairment annually on December 31, and more often if circumstances warrant, and we will reduce its carrying value through a charge to earnings if impairment exists. Future events or changes in the estimates that we use to determine the carrying value of our goodwill or which otherwise adversely affect its value could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. As of March 31, 2010, goodwill had a carrying value of \$16.2 million.

Securities Valuation and Impairment. Our securities portfolio is comprised of mortgage-backed securities and to a lesser extent corporate bonds, agency bonds, and mutual funds. Our available-for-sale securities portfolio is carried at estimated fair value, with any unrealized gains or losses, net of taxes, reported as accumulated other comprehensive income or loss in stockholders' equity. Our trading securities portfolio is reported at estimated fair value. Our held-to-maturity securities portfolio, consisting of debt securities for which we have a positive intent and ability to hold to maturity, is carried at amortized cost. We conduct a quarterly review and evaluation of the available-for-sale and held-to-maturity securities portfolios to determine if the estimated fair value of any security has declined below its amortized cost, and whether such decline is other-than-temporary. If the amortized cost of an investment exceeds its fair value, we evaluate, among other factors, general market conditions, the duration and extent to which the fair value is less than cost, the probability of a near-term recovery in value and our intent to sell the security and whether it is more likely than not that we will be required to sell the security before full recovery of our investment or maturity. If such decline is deemed other-than-temporary, for equity securities, an impairment charge is recorded through current earnings based upon the estimated fair value of the security at time of impairment and a new cost basis in the investment is established. For debt investment securities deemed to be other-than temporarily impaired, and we believe it is not more likely than not that we will be required to sell the security before full recovery of our investment or maturity, the investment is written down through current earnings by the impairment related to the estimated credit loss and the noncredit-related impairment is recognized in other comprehensive income. The estimated fair values of our securities are primarily affected by changes in interest rates, credit quality, and market liquidity.

Management is responsible for determining the estimated fair value of our securities. In determining estimated fair values, management utilizes the services of an independent third party recognized as a specialist in pricing securities. The independent pricing service utilizes market prices of same or similar securities whenever such prices are available. Prices involving distressed sellers are not utilized in determining fair value. Where necessary, the independent third party pricing service estimates fair value using models employing techniques such as discounted cash flow analyses. The assumptions used in these models typically include assumptions for interest rates, credit losses, and prepayments, utilizing observable market data, where available. Where the market price of the same or similar securities is not available, the valuation becomes more subjective and involves a high degree of judgment. On a quarterly basis, we review the pricing methodologies utilized by the independent third party pricing service for each security type. In addition, we compare securities prices to a second independent pricing service that is utilized as part of our asset liability risk management process. At March 31, 2010, and for each quarter end in 2009, all securities were priced by the independent third party pricing service, and management made no adjustment to the prices received.

Determining that a security's decline in estimated fair value is other-than-temporary is inherently subjective, and becomes increasingly difficult as it relates to mortgage-backed securities that are not guaranteed by the U.S.

Government, or a U.S. Government Sponsored Enterprise (e.g., Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac). In performing our evaluation of securities in an unrealized loss position, we consider among other things, the severity, and duration of time that the security has been in an unrealized loss position and the credit quality of the issuer. As it relates to mortgage-backed securities not guaranteed by the U.S. Government, Fannie Mae, or Freddie Mac, we perform a review of the key underlying loan collateral risk characteristics including, among other things, origination dates,

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interest rate levels, composition of variable and fixed rates, reset dates (including related pricing indices), current loan to original collateral values, locations of collateral, delinquency status of loans, and current credit support. In addition, for securities experiencing declines in estimated fair values of over 10%, as compared to its amortized cost, management also reviews published historical and expected prepayment speeds, underlying loan collateral default rates, and related historical and expected losses on the disposal of the underlying collateral on defaulted loans. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires estimates of future events, many of which are difficult to predict. Actual results could be significantly different than our estimates and could have a material effect on our financial results.

Federal Home Loan Bank Stock Impairment Assessment. Northfield Bank is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System, which consists of 12 regional Federal Home Loan Banks. As a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, Northfield Bank is required to acquire and hold shares of capital stock in the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York in an amount determined by a membership investment component and an activity-based investment component. As of March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank was in compliance with its ownership requirement. At March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank held \$5.0 million of Federal Home Loan Bank of New York common stock. In performing our evaluation of our investment in Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock, on a quarterly basis, management reviews the most recent financial statements of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York and determines whether there have been any adverse changes to its capital position as compared to the trailing period. In addition, management reviews the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York's most recent President's Report in order to determine whether or not a dividend has been declared for the current reporting period. Furthermore, management obtains the credit rating of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York from an accredited credit rating company to ensure that no changes have occurred that would negatively affect our investment in the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York. At March 31, 2010, it was determined by management that our investment in Federal Home Loan Bank stock was not impaired.

Deferred Income Taxes. We use the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. If it is determined that it is more likely than not that the deferred tax assets will not be realized, a valuation allowance is established. We consider the determination of this valuation allowance to be a critical accounting policy because of the need to exercise significant judgment in evaluating the amount and timing of recognition of deferred tax liabilities and assets, including projections of future taxable income. These judgments and estimates are reviewed quarterly as regulatory and business factors change. A valuation allowance for deferred tax assets may be required if the amounts of taxes recoverable through loss carry backs decline, or if we project lower levels of future taxable income. Such a valuation allowance would be established and any subsequent changes to such allowance would require an adjustment to income tax expense that could adversely affect our operating results.

Stock Based Compensation. We recognize the cost of employee services received in exchange for awards of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value for all awards granted.

We estimate the per share fair value of option grants on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model using assumptions for the expected dividend yield, expected stock price volatility, risk-free interest rate and expected option term. These assumptions are based on our judgments regarding future option exercise experience and market conditions. These assumptions are subjective in nature, involve uncertainties, and, therefore, cannot be determined with precision. The Black-Scholes option pricing model also contains certain inherent limitations when applied to options that are not traded on public markets.

The per share fair value of options is highly sensitive to changes in assumptions. In general, the per share fair value of options will move in the same direction as changes in the expected stock price volatility, risk-free interest rate and expected option term, and in the opposite direction of changes in the expected dividend yield. For example, the per share fair value of options will generally increase as expected stock price volatility increases, risk-free interest rate increases, expected option term increases and expected dividend yield decreases. The use of

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different assumptions or different option pricing models could result in materially different per share fair values of options.

As our common stock does not have a significant amount of historical price volatility, we utilized the historical stock price volatility of a peer group when valuing stock options.

Comparison of Financial Condition at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009

Total assets increased \$95.5 million, or 4.8%, to \$2.1 billion at March 31, 2010, from \$2.0 billion at December 31, 2009. The increase in total assets reflected increases in securities of \$84.2 million, cash and cash equivalents of \$8.3 million, and loans held for investment, net, of \$8.0 million.

Cash and cash equivalents increased \$8.3 million, or 19.4%, to \$50.8 million at March 31, 2010, from \$42.5 million at December 31, 2009. We have been maintaining increased balances in other financial institutions while we evaluate opportunities to deploy funds into higher yielding investments such as loans and securities with acceptable risk and return characteristics.

Securities available-for-sale increased \$84.4 million, or 7.5%, to \$1.2 billion at March 31, 2010, from \$1.1 billion at December 31, 2009. The increase was primarily attributable to purchases of \$217.2 million and an increase of \$5.7 million in net unrealized gains, partially offset by maturities and principal paydowns of \$123.6 million and sales of \$15.2 million.

Securities held-to-maturity decreased \$520,000, or 7.7%, to \$6.2 million at March 31, 2010, from \$6.7 million at December 31, 2009. The decrease was attributable to maturities and principal paydowns during the quarter ended March 31, 2010.

At March 31, 2010, \$788.2 million of our securities were residential mortgage-backed securities issued or guaranteed by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac or Ginnie Mae. We also held residential mortgage-backed securities not issued or guaranteed by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, or Ginnie Mae, which are referred to as private label securities. These private label securities had an amortized cost of \$158.5 million and an estimated fair value of \$161.6 million at March 31, 2010. The private label securities portfolio was in a net unrealized gain position of \$3.1 million, consisting of gross unrealized gains of \$5.5 million and gross unrealized losses of \$2.4 million.

Of the \$161.6 million in private label securities, three securities with an estimated fair value of \$13.8 million (amortized cost of \$15.8 million) were rated less than AAA at March 31, 2010. Of the three securities, one had an estimated fair value of \$2.6 million (amortized cost of \$2.7 million) and was rated A+, another had an estimated fair value of \$6.1 million (amortized cost of \$7.4 million) and was rated Baa2 (subsequently downgraded to Caa2), and the remaining security had an estimated fair value of \$5.1 million (amortized cost of \$5.7 million) and was rated CCC. As of March 31, 2010, we continued to receive principal and interest payments in accordance with the contractual terms of each of these securities. Management has evaluated, among other things, delinquency status, location of collateral, estimated prepayment speeds, and the estimated default rates and loss severity in liquidating the underlying collateral for each of these three securities. Since management does not have the intent to sell the securities, and it is more likely than not that we will not be required to sell the securities before their anticipated recovery (which may be at maturity), we believe that the unrealized losses of \$2.0 million at March 31, 2010, are temporary, and as such, are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax.

Loans held for investment, net totaled \$737.2 million at March 31, 2010, compared to \$729.3 million at December 31, 2009. The increase was primarily in multi-family real estate loans, which increased \$9.0 million, or 5.0%, to \$187.4 million, from \$178.4 million at December 31, 2009, reflecting our continued emphasis on this type of loan. Commercial real estate loans increased \$4.6 million, or 1.4%, to \$332.4 million, and home equity loans increased \$2.0 million, or 7.8%, from \$26.1 million at December 31, 2009. These increases were partially offset by decreases in residential loans, land and construction loans, commercial and industrial loans, and insurance premium loans.

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Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock, at cost, decreased \$1.4 million, or 21.7%, from \$6.4 million at December 31, 2009 to \$5.0 million at March 31, 2010. This decrease was attributable to a decrease in borrowings outstanding with the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York over the same time period.

Other real estate owned decreased \$405,000, or 21.0%, from \$1.9 million at December 31, 2009, to \$1.5 million at March 31, 2010. This decrease was primarily attributable to downward valuation adjustments recorded against the carrying balances of the properties which resulted from the continued deterioration in estimated fair values, coupled with the sale of real estate owned properties.

Other assets decreased \$2.2 million, or 14.6%, to \$12.7 million at March 31, 2010, from \$14.9 million at December 31, 2009. The decrease in other assets was attributable to a decrease in deferred tax assets, which resulted primarily from an increase in net unrealized gains on our securities portfolio from December 31, 2009, to March 31, 2010.

Deposits increased \$76.0 million, or 5.8%, to \$1.4 billion at March 31, 2010, from \$1.3 billion at December 31, 2009. The increase in deposits during the first quarter of 2010 was primarily due to an increase of short-term certificates of deposit originated through the CDARS[®] Network in the amount of \$82.0 million. We utilize this funding source as a cost effective alternative to other short-term funding sources. In addition, savings and money market accounts, and transaction accounts increased \$27.2 million and \$1.9 million, respectively, from December 31, 2009 to March 31, 2010. These increases were partially offset by a decrease of \$35.1 million in certificates of deposit (originated by Northfield Bank) over the same time period.

Borrowings increased \$13.6 million, or 4.8%, to \$293.1 million at March 31, 2010, from \$279.4 million at December 31, 2009. The increase in borrowings was primarily the result of our increasing longer-term borrowings to locking in lower interest rates in the historically low interest rate environment, partially offset by maturities during the quarter.

Total stockholders' equity increased to \$396.3 million at March 31, 2010, from \$391.5 million at December 31, 2009. The increase was primarily attributable to net income of \$3.4 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, and an increase in accumulated other comprehensive income of \$3.5 million resulting primarily from a decrease in market interest rates that resulted in an increase in the estimated fair value of our securities available for sale. The increase in stockholders' equity also was attributable to a \$1.1 million increase in additional paid-in capital primarily related to the recognition of compensation expense associated with equity awards. These increases were partially offset by \$2.8 million in stock repurchases, and the payment of approximately \$772,000 in dividends for the quarter ended March 31, 2010. Through March 31, 2010, we had repurchased 1,910,089 shares of common stock at an average cost of \$11.79 per share.

Comparison of Financial Condition at December 31, 2009 and 2008

Total assets increased \$244.5 million, or 13.9%, to \$2.0 billion at December 31, 2009, from \$1.8 billion at December 31, 2008. The increase in total assets reflected increases in securities of \$167.4 million and loans held for investment, net of \$139.3 million, partially offset by a decrease of \$53.7 million in certificates of deposit in other financial institutions.

Certificates of deposit in other financial institutions decreased \$53.7 million, or 100.0%, from December 31, 2008, to \$0 at December 31, 2009. The decrease was primarily a result of our utilizing the excess cash to fund loans and purchase higher yielding investment securities during the year.

Loans held-for-investment, net of deferred loan fees, increased \$139.3 million, or 23.6%, to \$729.3 million at December 31, 2009, from \$590.0 million at December 31, 2008. We continue to focus on originating multifamily and commercial real estate loans to the extent such loan demand exists while meeting our underwriting standards. Multi-family real estate loans increased \$69.9 million, or 64.4%, to \$178.4 million, from \$108.5 million at December 31, 2008. Commercial real estate loans increased \$38.7 million, or 13.4%, to \$327.8 million, commercial and industrial loans increased \$8.2 million, or 74.6%, to \$19.3 million, and home equity loans and lines of credit

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increased \$1.9 million, or 8.0%, from \$24.2 million at December 31, 2008. In addition, we purchased approximately \$35.4 million of insurance premium loans during the quarter ended December 31, 2009, and grew this portfolio to \$40.4 million at year end. These increases were partially offset by decreases in residential loans, and land and construction loans.

Our securities portfolio totaled \$1.1 billion at December 31, 2009, as compared to \$974.6 million at year end 2008, an increase of \$167.4 million, or 17.2%. Securities available-for-sale increased \$174.2 million, or 18.2%, to \$1.1 billion at December 31, 2009, from \$957.6 million at December 31, 2008. The increase was primarily due to the purchase of approximately \$655.8 million of securities partially offset by pay-downs and maturities of \$500.5 million and sales of \$3.3 million. The purchases were funded primarily by increased deposits, pay-downs, and maturities. Securities held-to-maturity decreased \$7.7 million, or 53.4%, to \$6.7 million at December 31, 2009, from \$14.5 million at December 31, 2008. The decrease was primarily attributable to sales of approximately \$3.4 million, coupled with pay-downs and maturities of \$4.6 million. We routinely sell securities after a substantial portion (85% of the principal) has been recovered through repayments as the cost of servicing such investments becomes too high compared to the potential earnings.

At December 31, 2009, \$773.9 million of our securities portfolio consisted of residential mortgage-backed securities issued or guaranteed by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and Ginnie Mae. At December 31, 2009, we also held residential mortgage-backed securities that were not guaranteed by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac or Ginnie Mae, which are referred to as private label securities.

Our available-for-sale securities portfolio at December 31, 2009, consisted of securities with the following amortized cost: \$469.5 million of pass-through mortgage-backed securities, of which \$404.1 million were issued or guaranteed by U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs) and \$65.4 million were issued by non-GSEs; \$455.9 million of real estate mortgage conduits (REMICs), of which \$344.2 million were issued or guaranteed by GSEs and \$111.8 million were issued by non-GSEs; and \$185.4 million of other securities, consisting of corporate obligations, GSE bonds, and equity securities which primarily consisted of a money market mutual fund.

Included in the above available-for-sale security amounts at December 31, 2009, were 23 residential mortgage-backed senior class securities issued by non-GSEs with an amortized cost of \$177.1 million and an estimated fair value of \$176.7 million. Eight of these securities were in an unrealized loss position with an amortized cost of \$40.1 million and estimated fair value of \$36.3 million.

Of the eight non-GSE securities in an unrealized loss position all but three were rated AAA at December 31, 2009. These three securities had a total amortized cost of \$20.1 million and an estimated fair value of \$16.6 million at December 31, 2009. The first of these three securities had an estimated fair value of \$5.5 million, was rated AA (downgraded to a rating of A subsequent to December 31, 2009), and had the following underlying collateral characteristics: 84% originated in 2004 and 16% originated in 2005. The second security had an estimated fair value of \$5.9 million, was rated Baa2, and had the following underlying collateral characteristics: 83% originated in 2004 and 17% originated in 2005. The remaining security had an estimated fair value of \$5.2 million, was rated CCC, and was supported by collateral entirely originated in 2006.

During the quarter ended September 30, 2009, we recognized an other-than-temporary impairment charge of \$1.4 million on the \$5.2 million security that was rated CCC. Since management does not have the intent to sell the security, and it is more likely than not that we will not be required to sell the security before the anticipated recovery of the estimated fair value, the credit component of \$176,000 was recognized in earnings during the quarter ended September 30, 2009, and the non-credit component of \$1.2 million was recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax. We continue to receive principal and interest payments in accordance with the contractual terms of these securities. Management has evaluated, among other things, delinquency status, estimated prepayment speeds and the estimated default rates and loss severity in liquidating the underlying collateral for each of these three securities. As a result of management's evaluation of these securities, we believe that unrealized losses at December 31, 2009, are temporary, and as such, are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax. All other losses within our investment portfolio were deemed to be temporary at December 31, 2009.

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Management evaluated the remaining five non-GSE securities that experienced unrealized losses of less than 5% at December 31, 2009. These five securities, with an amortized cost of \$20.1 million, and estimated fair value of \$19.7 million, were reviewed for key underlying loan risk characteristics including origination dates, interest rate levels, composition of variable and fixed rates, reset dates (including related pricing indices), current loan to original collateral values, locations of collateral, delinquency status of loans, and current credit support. Management believes that it is not probable that we will not receive all amounts due under the contractual terms of the securities.

Deposits increased \$292.4 million, or 28.5%, to \$1.3 billion at December 31, 2009, from \$1.0 billion at December 31, 2008. Certificates of deposit increased \$161.8 million, or 38.7%, to \$579.4 million at December 31, 2009, from \$417.6 million at December 31, 2008. Savings and money market accounts increased \$115.3 million, or 25.7%, to \$564.6 million at December 31, 2009, from \$449.3 million at December 31, 2008. Transaction accounts increased \$15.4 million, or 9.8%, to \$172.9 million at December 31, 2009, from \$157.6 million at December 31, 2008. The increase in deposits was attributable primarily to our continued focus on growing the deposit franchise by offering competitive pricing and products, as well as an increase in consumer demand for Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured deposit products resulting from the financial market turmoil experienced in late 2008 and continuing into 2009.

Total borrowings decreased \$52.7 million, or 15.9%, to \$279.4 million at December 31, 2009, from \$332.1 million at December 31, 2008. The decrease in borrowings was attributable primarily to maturities during the year with such funding being replaced with deposits.

Total stockholders' equity increased to \$391.5 million at December 31, 2009, from \$386.6 million at December 31, 2008. The increase was primarily attributable to net income of \$12.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, and other comprehensive income of \$12.2 million resulting primarily from a decrease in market interest rates that resulted in an increase in the estimated fair value of our securities available for sale. The increase in stockholders' equity also was attributable to a \$3.0 million increase in additional paid-in capital primarily related to the recognition of compensation expense associated with equity awards. These increases were partially offset by \$19.9 million in stock repurchases and the declaration and payment of approximately \$3.0 million in dividends for the year ended December 31, 2009. In February 2009, our Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program pursuant to which we may repurchase up to 2,240,153 of our outstanding shares. We are conducting the repurchases in accordance with a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, and through December 31, 2009, we had purchased 1,716,063 shares of common stock at an average cost of \$11.61 per share.

Comparison of Operating Results for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2010 and 2009

Net income. Net income increased \$646,000, or 23.6%, for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2009. Net interest income increased \$1.8 million, or 14.0%, and non-interest income increased \$754,000, or 77.8%, which was partially offset by an increase of \$286,000, or 17.4%, in the provision for loan losses, an increase of non-interest expense of \$1.3 million, or 17.2%, and an increase in income tax expense of \$271,000, or 17.3%, over the same time periods.

Interest income. Interest income increased \$525,000, or 2.6%, to \$21.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2010, from \$20.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009. The increase in interest income was primarily the result of an increase in average interest-earning assets of \$261.4 million, or 15.5%. The increase in average interest-earning assets was primarily attributable to an increase in average loans of \$133.2 million, or 22.1%, and an increase in securities (other than mortgage-backed securities) of \$197.4 million, partially offset by a decrease in average mortgage-backed securities of \$34.6 million, or 3.7%. The effect of the increase in average interest-earning assets was partially offset by a decrease in the yield on interest-earning assets to 4.38% for the three months ended March 31, 2010, from 4.93% for the three months ended March 31, 2009. The rates earned on all asset categories, other than Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock, decreased due to the general decline in market interest rates for these asset types. The yield earned on Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock, increased from 4.10% for the quarter ended March 31, 2009, to 6.35% for the quarter ended March 31, 2010.

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Interest expense. Interest expense decreased \$1.3 million, or 16.4%, to \$6.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2010, from \$7.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009. The decrease was attributable to decreases in interest expense on deposits of \$1.0 million, or 20.3%, and in interest expense on borrowings of \$258,000, or 9.3%. The decrease in interest expense on deposits was attributable to a decrease in the cost of deposits of 76 basis points, or 36.7%, to 1.31% for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, from 2.07% for the quarter ended March 31, 2009, reflecting lower market interest rates for short-term deposits. The decrease in the cost of deposits was partially offset by an increase of \$253.5 million, or 26.1%, in average interest-bearing deposits outstanding between the two quarters. The decrease in interest expense on borrowings was primarily attributable to a decrease in the average cost of borrowings of 42 basis points, to 3.26%, from 3.68% for the quarter ended March 31, 2009, reflecting lower market interest rates for borrowed funds.

Net Interest Income. Net interest income increased \$1.8 million, or 14.0%, due primarily to interest earning assets increasing \$261.4 million, or 15.5%, partially offset by a decrease in the net interest margin of four basis points, or 1.3%, over the prior year comparable quarter. The net interest margin decreased slightly for the quarter as the average yield earned on interest earning assets decreased more than the decrease in the average cost of interest-bearing liabilities. The general decline in interest rates was due to the overall low interest rate environment. The increase in average interest earning assets was due primarily to an increase in average loans outstanding of \$133.2 million, and other securities of \$197.4 million, which was partially offset by decreases in mortgage-backed securities, and interest-earning assets in other financial institutions. Other securities consist primarily of investment-grade corporate bonds, and government-sponsored enterprise bonds.

Provision for Loan Losses. The provision for loan losses was \$1.9 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, an increase of \$286,000, or 17.4%, from the \$1.6 million provision recorded in the quarter ended March 31, 2009. The increase in the provision for loan losses in the current quarter was due primarily to an increase in general loss factors utilized in management's estimate of credit losses inherent in the loan portfolio in recognition of our elevated level of delinquent loans, as well as the current weak economic environment and real estate market. Although loan growth in the first quarter of 2009 exceeded that of the current quarter, we experienced greater growth in our loans past due and non-performing loans during the current quarter as compared to the first quarter of 2009, resulting in a larger increase in general loss factors. Net charge-offs for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, were \$198,000, as compared to \$595,000 for the quarter ended March 31, 2009. The allowance for loan losses was \$17.1 million, or 2.33% of loans held for investment, net at March 31, 2010, compared to \$15.4 million, or 2.11% of loans held for investment, net at December 31, 2009.

Non-interest Income. Non-interest income increased \$754,000, or 77.8%, to \$1.7 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, compared to \$969,000 the quarter ended March 31, 2009, primarily as a result of \$615,000 in gains on securities transactions during the quarter ended March 31, 2010, as compared to \$154,000 in losses on securities transactions during the quarter ended March 31, 2009. Securities gains in the first quarter of 2010 included gross realized gains of \$270,000 on the sale of available-for-sale mortgage-backed securities. Securities gains in the first quarter of 2010 included \$345,000 related to our trading portfolio, while the first quarter of 2009 included securities losses of \$161,000 related to our trading portfolio. We use the trading portfolio to fund our deferred compensation plan obligation to certain employees and directors of the plan. The participants of this plan, at their election, defer a portion of their compensation. Gains and losses on trading securities have no effect on net income since participants benefit from, and bear the full risk of, changes in the trading securities market values. Therefore, we record an equal and offsetting amount in non-interest expense, reflecting the change in our obligations under the plan.

Non-interest Expense. Total non-interest expense increased \$1.3 million, or 17.2%, to \$9.1 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, from \$7.8 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2009. This increase was attributable, in part, to a \$1.0 million increase in employee compensation and benefits expense, \$506,000 of which related to our deferred compensation plan, which is described above, and had no effect on net income. The remaining increase in employee compensation and benefits expense related to additional costs associated with equity award grants which occurred on January 30, 2009, coupled with increases in full-time equivalent employees, primarily related to our insurance premium finance division formed in October 2009, higher health care costs, and to a lesser extent salary adjustments effective January 1, 2010.

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Income Tax Expense. We recorded income tax expense of \$1.8 million and \$1.6 million for the quarters ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The effective tax rate for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, was 35.2%, as compared to 36.5% for the quarter ended March 31, 2009.

Comparison of Operating Results for the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

General. Net income decreased \$3.8 million or 23.7%, to \$12.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$15.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. Included in 2008 net income was a \$2.5 million tax-exempt gain from the death of an officer and \$463,000 (\$292,000, net of tax) in costs associated with our conversion to a new core processing system that was completed in January 2009.

Interest Income. Interest income increased by \$10.5 million, or 14.0%, to \$85.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, as compared to \$75.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase was primarily the result of an increase in average interest-earning assets of \$298.9 million, or 20.0%, partially offset by a decrease in the average rate earned of 26 basis points, or 5.2%, to 4.77% for the year ended December 31, 2009, from 5.03% for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Interest income on loans increased \$7.3 million, or 23.0%, to \$38.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$31.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The average balance of loans increased \$149.9 million, or 29.7%, to \$653.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$503.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, reflecting our current efforts to grow our multifamily and commercial real estate loan portfolios, and the purchase of an insurance premium loan portfolio during the fourth quarter of 2009. The yield on our loan portfolio decreased 32 basis points, or 5.1%, to 5.95% for the year ended December 31, 2009, from 6.27% for the year ended December 31, 2008, primarily as a result of decreases in interest rates on new originations and on our adjustable-rate loans, due to the lower interest rate environment in 2009, and the effect of non-accrual loans.

Interest income on mortgage-backed securities increased \$4.2 million, or 11.0%, to \$42.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$38.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase resulted from an increase in the average balance of mortgage-backed securities of \$76.4 million, or 9.0%, to \$920.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$844.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase is due primarily to the implementation of ongoing leveraging strategies within board approved risk parameters. The yield we earned on mortgage-backed securities increased eight basis points, or 1.8%, to 4.59% for the year ended December 31, 2009, from 4.51% for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase in yield was due primarily to paydowns on lower yielding securities and the purchase of higher yielding private-label mortgage-backed securities.

Interest income on other securities increased \$1.9 million, or 139.1%, to \$3.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$1.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase resulted from an increase in the average balance of other securities, primarily corporate bonds, of \$91.0 million, or 252.9%, to \$127.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$36.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, partially offset by a 121 basis point decrease in the yield on this portfolio, to 2.54% for the year ended December 31, 2009. The increase in other securities related primarily to the purchase of shorter-term bonds, which had relatively low interest rates due to the current interest rate environment.

Interest income on deposits in other financial institutions decreased \$2.6 million, or 76.2%, to \$801,000 for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$3.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The average balance of deposits in other financial institutions decreased \$14.1 million, or 14.5%, to \$83.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$97.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The yield on deposits in other financial institutions decreased 250 basis points for the year ended December 31, 2009, from 3.46% for the year ended December 31, 2008, primarily due to the continued general decline in the interest rate environment in 2009.

Interest Expense. Interest expense increased \$721,000, or 2.6%, to \$29.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$28.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase resulted from an increase of \$283.5 million, or 26.0%, in the average balance of interest-bearing liabilities being partially offset by a

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decrease in the rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities of 48 basis points, or 18.5%, to 2.11% for the year ended December 31, 2009, from 2.59% for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Interest expense on interest-bearing deposits decreased \$308,000, or 1.7%, to \$18.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, as compared to \$18.5 million, for the year ended December 31, 2008. This decrease was a result of a 59 basis point, or 25.9%, decline in the average rate paid on interest-bearing deposits, to 1.69% for the year ended December 31, 2009, as compared to 2.28% for the year ended December 31, 2008. The rate paid on certificates of deposit decreased 105 basis points, or 30.5%, to 2.39% for the year ended December 31, 2009, as compared to 3.44%, for the year ended December 31, 2008. The rate paid on savings, NOW, and money market accounts also decreased 25 basis points, or 18.9%, to 1.07% for the year ended December 31, 2009, as compared to 1.32%, for the year ended December 31, 2008. The decrease in the cost of deposits was partially offset by an increase of \$263.3 million, or 32.4%, in the average balance of deposits outstanding, to \$1.077 billion at December 31, 2009.

Interest expense on borrowings (repurchase agreements and other borrowings) increased \$1.0 million, or 10.6%, to \$10.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$9.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The average balance of borrowings increased \$20.1 million, or 7.3%, to \$297.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$277.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The average balance of borrowings increased due to our implementing shorter-term securities leverage strategies within board approved risk parameters in 2009. The average rate paid on borrowings also increased 11 basis points to 3.62%, or 3.1%, for the year ended December 31, 2009, from 3.51% for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Net Interest Income. Net interest income increased \$9.8 million, or 20.9%, for the year ended December 31, 2009, primarily due to an increase in average interest-earning assets of \$298.9 million, or 20.0%, and an increase in the net interest margin of three basis points for the reasons detailed above.

Provision for Loan Losses. We recorded a provision for loan losses of \$9.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, and \$5.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. We had charge-offs of \$2.4 million and \$1.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The increase in charge-offs in 2009 was primarily attributable to an increase of \$346,000 in charge-offs related to commercial real estate loans and an increase of \$164,000 in charge-offs related to multifamily real estate loans. The increased provisioning and charge-offs during the year ended December 31, 2009, compared to the year ended December 31, 2008, resulted in an allowance for loans losses of \$15.4 million, or 2.11% of total loans receivable at December 31, 2009, compared to \$8.8 million, or 1.49% of total loans receivable at December 31, 2008. The increase in the provision for loan losses in 2009 was due to a number of factors including an increase in total loans outstanding, changes in composition of the loan portfolio, increases in non-accrual loans and delinquencies, impairment losses on specific loans, and increases in general loss factors utilized in management's estimate of credit losses inherent in the loan portfolio in recognition of the current economic environment and real estate market.

Non-interest Income. Non-interest income decreased \$760,000, or 12.4%, to \$5.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$6.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The decrease was due primarily to the absence of a previously recognized \$2.5 million, nontaxable, death benefit realized on bank owned life insurance during the year ended December 31, 2008. This was partially offset by an increase of \$2.2 million, or 167.6%, in gains on securities transactions, net, from a loss of \$1.3 million during the year ended December 31, 2008, to a gain of \$891,000 recognized during the year ended December 31, 2009. We recorded net securities gains during 2009 of \$299,000, which primarily resulted from the sale of smaller balance mortgage-backed securities. We routinely sell these smaller balance securities as the cost of servicing becomes prohibitive. Securities gains during 2009 also included \$592,000 related to our trading portfolio, which is utilized to fund our deferred compensation obligation to certain employees and directors who contribute to the plan. We recorded securities losses of \$1.3 million in 2008 in our trading portfolio. The participants of this plan, at their election, defer a portion of their compensation. Gains and losses on trading securities have no effect on net income since participants benefit from, and bear the full risk of, changes in the trading securities' market values. Therefore, we record an equal and offsetting amount in non-interest expense, reflecting the change in our obligations under the plan.

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Non-interest Expense. Non-interest expense increased \$9.4 million, or 37.8%, to \$34.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$24.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. This includes a \$2.1 million increase in Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation deposit insurance expense for the year ended December 31, 2009, of which approximately \$770,000 related to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's special assessment recognized in the second quarter of 2009. Non-interest expense also increased in 2009 due to an increase of \$5.2 million in compensation and employee benefits expense, which included \$2.1 million for equity awards. The remaining increase in employee compensation and benefits costs pertained to an increase of approximately \$1.9 million related to the deferred compensation plan (explained in the prior paragraph), coupled with increases in personnel, higher health care costs, and merit and market salary adjustments effective January 1, 2009. Non-interest expense also increased in 2009 due to higher levels of professional fees associated with loan restructurings and collection efforts, increases in personnel, and higher premises and equipment costs associated with additional operations center leasehold improvements, branch improvements, and lease payments on future branch locations.

Income Tax Expense. We recorded a provision for income taxes of \$6.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, compared to \$7.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The effective tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2009, was 35.4%, compared to 31.2% for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase in the effective tax rate was the result of a higher percentage of pre-tax income being subject to taxation in 2009, compared to 2008. Income on bank owned life insurance in 2008 included a \$2.5 million, nontaxable, death benefit.

Comparison of Operating Results for the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007

General. Net income increased \$5.3 million or 50.7%, to \$15.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$10.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. Included in 2008 net income is a \$2.5 million tax-exempt life insurance gain due to the death of an officer and \$463,000 (\$292,000, net of tax) in costs associated with our conversion to a new core processing system that was completed in January 2009. Included in 2007 net income is a \$12.0 million (\$7.8 million, net of tax) charge related to our contribution to the Northfield Bank Foundation, which was substantially offset by net interest income of approximately \$1.4 million (\$795,000 net of tax) related to short-term investment returns earned on subscription proceeds (net of interest paid during the stock offering), the reversal of state and local tax liabilities of \$4.5 million, net of federal taxes, as a result of our concluding an audit by the State of New York with respect to our combined state tax returns for years 2000 through 2006, and a gain of \$4.3 million (\$2.4 million, net of tax) related to the sale of two branch locations and associated deposit relationships.

Interest Income. Interest income increased by \$9.3 million, or 14.2%, to \$75.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, as compared to \$65.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increase was primarily the result of an increase in average interest-earning assets of \$207.2 million, or 16.1%, partially offset by a decrease in the average rate earned of eight basis points, or 1.6%, to 5.03% for the year ended December 31, 2008, from 5.11% for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Interest income on loans increased \$3.2 million, or 11.3%, to \$31.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$28.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The average balance of loans increased \$80.0 million, or 18.9%, to \$503.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$423.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, reflecting our current efforts to grow our multifamily and commercial real estate loan portfolios. The yield on our loan portfolio decreased 43 basis points, or 6.4%, to 6.27% for the year ended December 31, 2008, from 6.70% for the year ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of decreases in interest rates on our adjustable-rate loans, and the generally lower interest rate environment in 2008. The Federal Reserve lowered its discount rate 400 basis points during 2008.

Interest income on mortgage-backed securities increased \$7.5 million, or 24.5%, to \$38.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$30.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increase resulted from an increase in the average balance of mortgage-backed securities of \$126.2 million, or 17.6%, to \$844.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$718.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increase is due primarily to the implementation of ongoing leveraging strategies within board approved risk

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parameters. The yield earned on mortgage-backed securities increased 25 basis points to 4.51% for the year ended December 31, 2008, from 4.26% for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Interest income on deposits in other financial institutions decreased \$749,000, or 18.2%, to \$3.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$4.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The average balance of deposits in other financial institutions increased \$5.0 million, or 5.4%, to \$97.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$92.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The yield on deposits in other financial institutions decreased 100 basis points, or 22.4%, for the year ended December 31, 2008, from 4.46% for the year ended December 31, 2007, primarily due to the generally lower interest rate environment in 2008.

Interest Expense. Interest expense decreased \$580,000, or 2.01%, to \$28.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$28.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The decrease resulted from an increase of \$47.7 million, or 4.6% in the average balance of interest-bearing liabilities being more than offset by a decrease in the rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities of 18 basis points, or 6.5%, to 2.59% for the year ended December 31, 2008, from 2.77% for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Interest expense on interest-bearing deposits decreased \$5.2 million, or 22.1%, to \$18.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, as compared to \$23.8 million, for the year ended December 31, 2007. This decrease was due to a decrease in average interest bearing deposits of \$101.6 million, or 11.1%, to \$813.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$914.8 for the year ended December 31, 2007. The decrease in average interest-bearing deposits was the result of our maintaining deposit pricing discipline in 2008, and choosing not to compete on interest rate, in certain circumstances. In the latter part 2008, pricing competition somewhat subsided, depositor awareness of a financial institution's financial strength increased, and our introduction of a competitively priced money market account, and statement savings account, were the primary reasons that our year end deposit balances increasing to over \$1 billion. The average rate paid on interest-bearing deposits decreased 32 basis points, or 12.3%, to 2.28% for the year ended December 31, 2008, as compared to 2.60% for the year ended December 31, 2007. The rate paid on certificates of deposit decreased 91 basis points, or 20.9%, to 3.44% for the year ended December 31, 2008, as compared to 4.35%, for the year ended December 31, 2007. The rate paid on savings, NOW, and money market accounts increased 53 basis points, or 67.1%, to 1.32% for the year ended December 31, 2008, as compared to 0.79%, for the year ended December 31, 2007 due to the introduction of competitively priced money market and statement savings accounts in the latter part of 2008.

Interest expense on borrowings (repurchase agreements and other borrowings) increased \$4.6 million, or 91.9%, to \$9.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$5.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The average balance of borrowings increased \$149.3 million, or 116.7%, to \$277.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$127.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The average balance of borrowings increased due to our implementing securities leverage strategies within board approved risk parameters in 2008. The average rate paid on borrowings decreased 46 basis points to 3.51%, or 11.6%, for the year ended December 31, 2008, from 3.97% for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Net Interest Income. Net interest income increased \$9.9 million, or 26.9%, for the year ended December 31, 2008, primarily as the result of an increase in average interest-earning assets of \$207.2 million, or 16.1%, coupled with an increase in the net interest margin of 26 basis points, or 9.1%, from 2.87% to 3.13%. The change in average interest-earning assets and the net interest margin for 2008 was due partially to our completion of our stock issuance in November 2007, resulting in gross proceeds of \$192.7 million, which included \$82.4 million in transfers from deposit accounts. We deployed the net proceeds from the stock offering into loans, short-term investments, and securities.

Provision for Loan Losses. We recorded a provision for loan losses of \$5.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, and \$1.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. We had charge-offs of \$1.9 million and \$836,000 for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The allowance for loans losses was \$8.8 million, or 1.49% of total loans receivable at December 31, 2008, compared to \$5.6 million, or 1.33% of total loans receivable at December 31, 2007. The increase in the provision for loan losses was due primarily to loan growth, provisions for impaired loans, and increases in certain general loss factors utilized in management's

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calculation of the allowance for loan losses in response to continued deterioration in general real estate collateral values and weakness in the overall economy.

Non-interest Income. Non-interest income decreased \$3.3 million or 35.1%, to \$6.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$9.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The decrease was primarily attributable to a \$4.3 million gain on the sale of two branch offices and associated deposit relationships recognized in March 2007. Non-interest income for the year ended December 31, 2008, also included market losses of \$1.3 million on trading securities as compared to \$71,000 in market gains for the year ended December 31, 2007. These decreases were partially offset by the recognition of a \$2.5 million nontaxable death benefit realized on bank owned life insurance for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Non-interest Expense. Non-interest expense decreased \$11.1 million, or 30.9%, to \$24.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$36.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. This decrease was primarily attributable to the contribution of shares of our common stock and cash with a value of \$12.0 million to the Northfield Bank Foundation during the fourth quarter of 2007. In addition, compensation and employee benefits decreased by \$962,000, to \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$12.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The decrease was primarily related to \$1.3 million in market losses on trading securities utilized to fund our deferred compensation plan for certain officers and directors who chose to defer all or a portion of their compensation received from us. The market losses recorded as a reduction to non-interest income have the direct result of reducing amounts owed to the deferred compensation plan participants. Excluding this adjustment, compensation and employee benefits expense increased approximately \$338,000, or 2.6%, and was primarily the result on annual cost of living, merit, and competitive market adjustments to salaries.

Occupancy, and furniture and equipment expense increased \$946,000, or 24.2%, to \$4.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2008 as compared to \$3.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increases were due to the occupancy of our new operations center and depreciation on capital improvements. Professional fees increased \$366,000, or 30.0%, to \$1.6 million, for the year ended December 31, 2008, as compared to \$1.2 million, for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increase in professional fees was due primarily to additional costs of being a public company, third party consultants utilized to assist us in complying with internal control reporting requirements under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and third-party consultation related to the implementation of our equity incentive plan.

Income Tax Expense. We recorded a provision for income taxes of \$7.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, as compared to a benefit of \$1.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increase in income tax expense of \$8.7 million was due primarily to the reversal of \$4.5 million in state and local income tax liabilities, net of federal taxes, for the year ended December 31, 2007. In 2007, we concluded an audit by the State of New York with respect to our combined state tax returns for years 2000 through 2006. In addition, the increase in income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2008, was due to an increased level of taxable income for the year ended December 31, 2008, as compared to year ended December 31, 2007.

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Average Balances and Yields. The following tables set forth average balance sheets, average yields and costs, and certain other information at and for the periods indicated. No tax-equivalent yield adjustments have been made, as we had no tax-free interest-earning assets during the periods. All average balances are daily average balances based upon amortized costs. Non-accrual loans are included in the computation of average balances. The yields set forth below include the effect of deferred fees, discounts, and premiums that are amortized or accreted to interest income or interest expense.

	At March 31, 2010 Yield/ Rate	For the Three Months Ended March 31,					
		2010			2009		
	Average Outstanding Balance	Average Yield/ Rate (1)	Average Outstanding Balance	Average Yield/ Rate (1)	Interest	Interest	Average Yield/ Rate (1)
(Dollars in thousands)							
Interest-earning assets:							
Loans	6.17%	\$ 734,417	\$ 10,293	5.68%	\$ 601,245	\$ 8,571	5.78%
Mortgage-backed securities	3.65	909,351	9,181	4.09	943,951	11,114	4.77
Other securities	2.62	229,298	1,384	2.45	31,943	282	3.58
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock	4.25	6,068	95	6.35	7,917	80	4.10
Interest-earning deposits	0.24	65,561	54	0.33	98,229	435	1.80
Total interest-earning assets	4.38	1,944,695	21,007	4.38	1,683,285	20,482	4.93
Non-interest-earning assets		107,191			86,820		
Total assets		\$ 2,051,886			\$ 1,770,105		
Interest-bearing liabilities:							
Savings, NOW, and money market accounts	0.76	\$ 637,500	1,420	0.90	\$ 523,886	1,636	1.27
Certificates of deposit	1.42	588,675	2,532	1.74	448,761	3,321	3.00
Total interest-bearing deposits	1.08	1,226,175	3,952	1.31	972,647	4,957	2.07
Borrowings	3.45	311,798	2,506	3.26	304,513	2,764	3.68
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1.52	1,537,973	6,458	1.70	1,277,160	7,721	2.45
Non-interest-bearing deposits		109,640			94,185		

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Accrued expenses and other liabilities	10,124	11,816
Total liabilities	1,657,737	1,383,161
Stockholders' equity	394,149	386,944
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,051,886	\$ 1,770,105
Net interest income	\$ 14,549	\$ 12,761
Net interest rate spread (1)	2.68%	2.48%
Net interest-earning assets (2)	\$ 406,722	\$ 406,125
Net interest margin (3)	3.03%	3.07%
Average interest-earning assets to interest-bearing liabilities	126.45%	131.80%
		<i>(footnotes on following page)</i>

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	2009			2008			2007		
	Average Outstanding Balance	Average Yield/ Rate	Average Outstanding Balance	Average Yield/ Rate	Average Outstanding Balance	Average Yield/ Rate	Average Outstanding Balance	Average Yield/ Rate	
	Interest	Rate	Interest	Rate	Interest	Rate	Interest	Rate	
	(Dollars in thousands)								
Interest-earning assets:									
Loans	\$ 653,748	\$ 38,889	5.95%	\$ 503,897	\$ 31,617	6.27%	\$ 423,947	\$ 28,398	6.70%
Mortgage-backed securities	920,785	42,256	4.59	844,435	38,072	4.51	718,279	30,576	4.26
Other securities	126,954	3,223	2.54	35,977	1,348	3.75	45,077	2,100	4.66
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock	7,428	399	5.37	11,653	652	5.60	6,486	519	8.00
Interest-earning deposits	83,159	801	0.96	97,223	3,360	3.46	92,202	4,109	4.46
Total interest-earning assets	1,792,074	85,568	4.77	1,493,185	75,049	5.03	1,285,991	65,702	5.11
Non-interest-earning assets	87,014			80,649			66,614		
Total assets	\$ 1,879,088			\$ 1,573,834			\$ 1,352,605		
Interest-bearing liabilities:									
Savings, NOW, and money market accounts	\$ 566,894	6,046	1.07	\$ 445,382	5,866	1.32	\$ 450,212	3,551	0.79
Certificates of deposit	509,610	12,168	2.39	367,806	12,656	3.44	464,552	20,212	4.35
Total interest-bearing deposits	1,076,504	18,214	1.69	813,188	18,522	2.28	914,764	23,763	2.60
Borrowings	297,365	10,763	3.62	277,227	9,734	3.51	127,926	5,073	3.97
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1,373,869	28,977	2.11	1,090,415	28,256	2.59	1,042,690	28,836	2.77
Non-interest-bearing deposits	99,950			94,499			96,796		
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	14,075			13,703			13,905		

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Total liabilities	1,487,894	1,198,617	1,153,391
Stockholders equity	391,194	375,217	199,214
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 1,879,088	\$ 1,573,834	\$ 1,352,605
Net interest income	\$ 56,591	\$ 46,793	\$ 36,866
Net interest rate spread (2)	2.66	2.44	2.34
Net interest-earning assets (3)	\$ 418,205	\$ 402,770	\$ 243,301
Net interest margin (4)	3.16%	3.13%	2.87%
Average interest-earning assets to interest-bearing liabilities	130.44%	136.94%	123.33%

(1) Annualized.

(2) Net interest rate spread represents the difference between the weighted average yield on interest-earning assets and the weighted average cost of interest-bearing liabilities.

(3) Net interest-earning assets represents total interest-earning assets less total interest-bearing liabilities.

(4) Net interest margin represents net interest income

divided by
average total
interest-earning
assets.

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The following table presents the effects of changing rates and volumes on our net interest income for the periods indicated. The rate column shows the effects attributable to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume). The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate). The total column represents the sum of the prior columns. For purposes of this table, changes attributable to both rate and volume, which cannot be segregated, have been allocated proportionately based on the changes due to rate and the changes due to volume.

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2010 vs. 2009			Year Ended December 31, 2009 vs. 2008			Year Ended December 31, 2008 vs. 2007		
	Increase (Decrease) Due to Volume	Increase (Decrease) Due to Rate	Total Increase (Decrease)	Increase (Decrease) Due to Volume	Increase (Decrease) Due to Rate	Total Increase (Decrease)	Increase (Decrease) Due to Volume	Increase (Decrease) Due to Rate	Total Increase (Decrease)
Interest-earning assets:									
Loans	\$ 1,864	\$ (142)	\$ 1,722	\$ 8,811	\$ (1,539)	\$ 7,272	\$ 4,845	\$ (1,626)	\$ 3,219
Mortgage-backed securities	(396)	(1,537)	(1,933)	3,494	690	4,184	5,608	1,888	7,496
Other securities	1,161	(59)	1,102	2,149	(274)	1,875	(382)	(370)	(752)
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock	(11)	26	15	(228)	(25)	(253)	214	(81)	133
Interest-earning deposits	(111)	(270)	(381)	(427)	(2,132)	(2,559)	240	(989)	(749)
Total interest-earning assets	2,507	(1,982)	525	13,799	(3,280)	10,519	10,525	(1,178)	9,347
Interest-bearing liabilities:									
Savings, NOW and money market accounts	671	(887)	(216)	595	(415)	180	(38)	2,353	2,315
Certificates of deposit	2,299	(3,088)	(789)	4,043	(4,531)	(488)	(3,770)	(3,786)	(7,556)
Total deposits	2,970	(3,975)	(1,005)	4,638	(4,946)	(308)	(3,808)	(1,433)	(5,241)
Borrowings	68	(326)	(258)	722	307	1,029	5,168	(507)	4,661
Total interest-bearing liabilities	3,038	(4,301)	(1,263)	5,360	(4,639)	721	1,360	(1,940)	(580)

Change in net interest income	\$ (531)	\$ 2,319	\$ 1,788	\$ 8,439	\$ 1,359	\$ 9,798	\$ 9,165	\$ 762	\$ 9,927
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Loan Quality

One of our key objectives has been and continues to be to maintain a high level of loan quality. In addition to maintaining sound credit standards for new loan originations, we use proactive collection and workout processes associated with delinquent or problem loans. We actively market properties that we acquire through foreclosure or otherwise in the loan collection process.

When a loan is over 15 days delinquent, we generally send the borrower a late charge notice. When the loan is 30 days past due, we generally mail the borrower a letter reminding the borrower of the delinquency and, except for loans secured by one- to four-family residential real estate, we attempt personal, direct contact with the borrower to determine the reason for the delinquency, to ensure that the borrower correctly understands the terms of the loan, and to emphasize the importance of making payments on or before the due date. If necessary, additional late charges and delinquency notices are issued and the account will be monitored periodically. After the 90th day of delinquency, we will send the borrower a final demand for payment and generally refer the loan to legal counsel to commence foreclosure and related legal proceedings. Our loan officers can shorten these time frames in consultation with the Chief Lending Officer.

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Generally, loans are placed on non-accrual status when payment of principal or interest is 90 days or more delinquent unless the loan is considered well-secured and in the process of collection. Loans also are placed on non-accrual status at any time if the ultimate collection of principal or interest in full is in doubt. When loans are placed on non-accrual status, unpaid accrued interest is reversed, and further income is recognized only to the extent received, and only if the principal balance is deemed fully collectible. The loan may be returned to accrual status if both principal and interest payments are brought current and factors indicating doubtful collection no longer exist, including performance by the borrower under the loan terms for a six-month period. Therefore, loans may be current in accordance with their loan terms, or may be less than 90 days delinquent, and still be on non-accrual status. Our Chief Lending Officer reports monitored loans, including all loans rated watch, special mention, substandard, doubtful or loss, to the board of directors on a monthly basis.

For economic reasons and to maximize the recovery of loans, we work with borrowers experiencing financial difficulties, and will consider modifications to a borrower's existing loan terms and conditions that we would not otherwise consider, commonly referred to as TDRs. We record an impairment loss associated with TDRs, if any, based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the original loan's effective interest rate. We will report the loan as a TDR through the end of the calendar year that the restructuring takes place and until such time that the loan yields a market rate of interest (a rate equal to or greater than the rate we were willing to accept at the time of the restructuring for a new loan with comparable risk).

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Non-Performing and Restructured Loans. The table below sets forth the amounts and categories of our non-performing assets at the dates indicated. At March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, and 2005, we had troubled debt restructurings of \$13.1 million, \$10.7 million, \$1.0 million, \$1.3 million, \$1.7 million, and \$885,000, respectively, which are included in the appropriate categories which appear within non-accrual loans. Additionally, we had \$8.8 million and \$7.3 million of troubled debt restructurings on accrual status at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively, that do not appear in the table below. We had no troubled debt restructurings on accrual status at December 31, 2008, 2007, 2006, and 2005.

	At March		At December 31,			
	31,	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
	2010		(Dollars in thousands)			
Non-accrual loans:						
Real estate loans:						
Commercial	\$ 32,755	\$ 28,802	\$ 4,416	\$ 4,792	\$ 5,167	\$ 124
One- to four-family residential	2,195	2,066	1,093	231	234	290
Construction and land Multifamily	6,007	6,843	2,675	3,436		
	2,507	2,118	1,131			
Home equity and lines of credit	63	62	100	104	36	62
Commercial and industrial loans	690	1,740	86	43	905	885
Insurance premium loans	121					
Other loans			1			
Total non-accrual loans	44,338	41,631	9,502	8,606	6,342	1,361
Loans delinquent 90 days or more and still accruing:						
Real estate loans:						
Commercial	3,976					
One- to four-family residential						698
Construction and land Multifamily	1,236		137	753	275	
Home equity and lines of credit						
Commercial and industrial loans	496	191		475	498	
Insurance premium loans						
Other loans	2					
	5,710	191	137	1,228	773	698

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Total loans delinquent
90 days or more and
still accruing

Total non-performing loans	50,048	41,822	9,639	9,834	7,115	2,059
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Other real estate owned	1,533	1,938	1,071			
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Total non-performing assets	\$ 51,581	\$ 43,760	\$ 10,710	\$ 9,834	\$ 7,115	\$ 2,059
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Ratios:

Non-performing loans to total loans held-for-investment, net	6.79%	5.73%	1.63%	2.32%	1.74%	0.53%
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Non-performing assets to total assets	2.46%	2.19%	0.61%	0.71%	0.55%	0.15%
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Total assets	\$ 2,097,803	\$ 2,002,274	\$ 1,757,761	\$ 1,386,918	\$ 1,294,747	\$ 1,408,562
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Loans held-for-investment, net	\$ 737,225	\$ 729,269	\$ 589,984	\$ 424,329	\$ 409,189	\$ 387,467
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The table below sets forth the property types collateralizing non-accrual commercial real estate loans as of March 31, 2010.

	At March 31, 2010	
	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Manufacturing	\$ 13,032	39.8%
Office building	8,277	25.3
Restaurant	3,580	10.9
Services	3,130	9.6
Retail	923	2.8
Recreational	792	2.4
Warehouse	638	1.9
Other	2,383	7.3
Total	\$ 32,755	100.0%

Total non-accruing loans increased \$2.7 million to \$44.3 million at March 31, 2010, from \$41.6 million at December 31, 2009. This increase was primarily attributable to \$6.3 million of commercial real estate loans and \$429,000 of multifamily real estate loans being placed on non-accrual status, and being designated as impaired during the first quarter of 2010. These loans did not require material increases to the allowance for loan losses at March 31, 2010, as the estimated collateral values, including costs to sell, were considered adequate in relation to the outstanding loan balances. These increases were partially offset by a payoff of \$504,000 on one commercial real estate loan and principal paydowns of approximately \$757,000. In addition, a \$2.8 million commercial real estate loan relationship was returned to accrual status. The loans under this relationship were current as to principal and interest at March 31, 2010, and factors indicating doubtful collection no longer existed, including the borrower's performance under the original loans' terms for greater than six months. At March 31, 2010, \$16.2 million, or 74.1% of loans subject to restructuring agreements (accruing and non-accruing) were performing in accordance with their restructured terms.

Loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing interest increased to \$5.7 million from \$191,000 at December 31, 2009. The majority of the increase was due to one loan relationship for \$3.7 million that at March 31, 2010, was current on interest payments in accordance with the original contractual terms of the loans, but was past maturity. These loans were considered well secured and in the process of collection. The loans are being refinanced by the Company to permanent real estate mortgages in accordance with our current underwriting standards.

The increase in non-performing loans during 2009 was primarily attributable to an increase of \$24.4 million in non-performing commercial real estate loans. During 2009, 15 commercial real estate loans totaling \$26.3 million were placed on non-accrual status, while one loan that was previously classified as non-accrual at December 31, 2008 was reclassified to other real estate owned. The increase in non-performing loans also was attributable to an increase of \$4.0 million in construction and land loans over the same time period. During 2009, six construction and land loans totaling \$6.8 million were placed on non-accrual status, while one loan that was previously classified as non-accrual at December 31, 2008, was sold.

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The following tables detail the delinquency status of non-accrual loans at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009.

	At March 31, 2010			
	Days Past Due of Non-Accrual Loans			
	0 to 29	30 to 89	90 or Greater	Total
	(In thousands)			
Real estate loans:				
Commercial	\$ 4,105	\$ 4,142	\$ 24,508	\$ 32,755
One- to four-family residential	137	546	1,512	2,195
Construction and land	3,382	1,637	988	6,007
Multifamily		523	1,984	2,507
Home equity and lines of credit	63			63
Commercial and industrial		501	189	690
Premium finance			121	121
Total non-accrual loans	\$ 7,687	\$ 7,349	\$ 29,302	\$ 44,338

	At December 31, 2009			
	Days Past Due of Non-Accrual Loans			
	0 to 29	30 to 89	90 or Greater	Total
	(In thousands)			
Real estate loans:				
Commercial	\$ 2,585	\$ 10,480	\$ 15,737	\$ 28,802
One- to four-family residential		392	1,674	2,066
Construction and land	5,864		979	6,843
Multifamily		530	1,589	2,119
Home equity and lines of credit	62			62
Commercial and industrial	1,470		269	1,739
Total non-accrual loans	\$ 9,981	\$ 11,402	\$ 20,248	\$ 41,631

A discussion of the most significant nonaccrual loans at March 31, 2010 is as follows. These loans comprise \$26.0 million, or 58.7%, of total nonaccrual loans of \$44.3 million at March 31, 2010.

An owner occupied commercial real estate relationship with a carrying value of \$8.5 million at March 31, 2010. The business and collateral are located in New Jersey and consists of a first mortgage on a commercial manufacturing facility, and a second mortgage on the primary residence of the owner of the borrower. At March 31, 2010, the relationship is in the process of being restructured to reduce the borrower's current debt service.

An owner occupied commercial real estate loan with a carrying value of \$5.1 million at March 31, 2010. The business and collateral are located in New Jersey and consists of a first mortgage on a manufacturing facility. The operating company filed for bankruptcy protection in the first quarter of 2010.

A commercial real estate loan with a carrying value of \$3.5 million at March 31, 2010 secured by a first mortgage on an office building located in New York. At March 31, 2010, the relationship is in the process of being restructured to reduce the borrower's current debt service.

A commercial real estate loan with a carrying value of \$3.1 million at March 31, 2010 secured by a first mortgage on a retail property in New Jersey, the primary tenant being a recreational facility. During the quarter ended March 31, 2010, we restructured the loan to reduce the borrower's debt service.

A relationship with a carrying value of \$3.1 million, consisting of three loans, at March 31, 2010 secured by first mortgages on three individual properties. The largest loan has a carrying balance of \$1.9 million and is secured by a mixed-use commercial property located in New York. The borrower filed for bankruptcy protection in January 2010. The borrower has made payments and at March 31, 2010 the three loans were each 31 days past due.

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One relationship consisting of two construction loans with a carrying value of \$2.7 million at March 31, 2010. These loans are secured by first mortgages on ten one- to four-family residential real estate properties in various stages of construction in New York. These loans were restructured in 2009. At March 31, 2010, the borrower has two signed contracts for the sale of houses and expects to deliver these units in the third quarter of 2010. At March 31, 2010, one loan in the amount of \$1.7 million was 31 days past due to interest, and the other loan was current.

The next four largest non-accrual loans at March 31, 2010 had a total carrying value of \$7.4 million, and consisted of three commercial real estate loans with a total carrying value of \$5.1 million and one construction loan with a carrying balance of \$2.3 million.

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Delinquent Loans. The following table sets forth our total amounts of delinquencies for accruing loans by type and by amount at the dates indicated.

	Delinquent Accruing Loans		
	30 to 89 Days	90 Days and Over (In thousands)	Total
At March 31, 2010			
Real estate loans:			
Commercial	\$ 22,085	\$ 3,976	\$ 26,061
One- to four-family residential mortgage	5,346		5,346
Construction and land	997	1,236	2,233
Multifamily	8,536		8,536
Home equity and line of credit	213		213
Commercial and industrial loans	698	496	1,194
Insurance premium loans	282		282
Other loans	214	2	216
Total	\$ 38,371	\$ 5,710	\$ 44,081
At December 31, 2009			
Real estate loans:			
Commercial	\$ 11,573		\$ 11,573
One- to four-family residential mortgage	4,716		4,716
Construction and land	1,976		1,976
Multifamily	7,086		7,086
Home equity and line of credit	1,555		1,555
Commercial and industrial loans	427	191	618
Insurance premium loans	917		917
Other loans	33		33
Total	\$ 28,283	\$ 191	\$ 28,474
At December 31, 2008			
Real estate loans:			
Commercial	\$ 4,075		\$ 4,075
One- to four-family residential mortgage	1,505		1,505
Construction and land		137	137
Home equity and line of credit	496		496
Commercial and industrial loans	74		74
Total	\$ 6,150	\$ 137	\$ 6,287
At December 31, 2007			

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Real estate loans:			
Commercial	\$ 1,997	\$	\$ 1,997
One- to four-family residential mortgage	804		804
Construction and land	490	753	1,243
Commercial and industrial loans		475	475
Other loans	96		96
Total	\$ 3,387	\$ 1,228	\$ 4,685

At December 31, 2006

Real estate loans:			
Commercial	\$ 1,989	\$	\$ 1,989
One- to four-family residential mortgage	1,678		1,678
Construction and land	3,109	275	3,384
Home equity and line of credit	937		937
Commercial and industrial loans		498	498
Other loans	68		68
Total	\$ 7,781	\$ 773	\$ 8,554

At December 31, 2005

Real estate loans:			
One- to four-family residential mortgage	\$ 71	\$ 698	\$ 769
Home equity and line of credit	6		6
Other loans	63		63
Total	\$ 140	\$ 698	\$ 838

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At March 31, 2010, we had \$38.4 million of accruing loans that were 30 to 89 days delinquent, compared to \$28.3 million and \$6.2 million of such loans at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Non-accruing loans subject to restructuring agreements totaled \$13.1 million, \$10.7 million and \$1.0 million at March 31, 2010, December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively. During the three months ended March 31, 2010, we entered into one troubled debt restructuring totaling \$3.1 million that was classified as non-accrual at March 31, 2010. During the year ended December 31, 2009, we entered into eight troubled debt restructurings totaling \$9.8 million that were classified as non-accrual at December 31, 2009.

In addition, during the three months ended March 31, 2010, we entered into one troubled debt restructuring agreement totaling \$1.6 million for which interest was still accruing at March 31, 2010, and, for the year ended December 31, 2009, we entered into six troubled debt restructuring agreements totaling \$7.3 million for which interest was still accruing at December 31, 2009. The table below sets forth the amounts and categories of the troubled debt restructurings as of March 31, 2010, December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

	At March 31, 2010		At December 31 2009		At December 31 2008	
	Non- Accruing	Accruing	Non- Accruing (In thousands)	Accruing	Non- Accruing	Accruing
Troubled Debt Restructurings:						
Real estate loans:						
Commercial	\$ 7,047	\$ 5,492	\$ 3,960	\$ 5,499	\$ 950	\$
Construction and land	5,019	1,750	5,726	1,751		
Multifamily	523	1,575	530			
Commercial and industrial	501		501			
Total	\$ 13,090	\$ 8,817	\$ 10,717	\$ 7,250	\$ 950	\$

The recent increases in delinquencies and non-performing loans have been directly related to the current economic downturn. As a result of increased unemployment rates, and decreasing real estate values, delinquencies and non-accrual loans have risen from December 31, 2008 to March 31, 2010. These factors have attributed to the growth in our allowance for loan losses as detailed below.

Other Real Estate Owned. Real estate acquired by us as a result of foreclosure or by deed in lieu of foreclosure is classified as real estate owned. On the date property is acquired it is recorded at the lower of cost or estimated fair value, establishing a new cost basis. Estimated fair value generally represents the sale price a buyer would be willing to pay on the basis of current market conditions, including normal terms from other financial institutions, less the estimated costs to sell the property. Holding costs and declines in estimated fair value result in charges to expense after acquisition. At March 31, 2010, we owned 11 properties with a combined carrying value of \$1.5 million. The properties consisted of 10 single family and mixed use properties located in Trenton, New Jersey, and one commercial real estate property located in South Orange, New Jersey. We are currently renting certain of the properties and have contracted with third parties to assist in disposing of all properties.

Potential Problem Loans and Classification of Assets. The current economic environment is negatively affecting certain borrowers. Our loan officers continue to monitor their loan portfolios, including evaluation of borrowers business operations, current financial condition, underlying values of any collateral, and assessment of their financial prospects in the current and deteriorating economic environment. Based on this evaluation, we determine an appropriate strategy to assist borrowers, with the objective of maximizing the recovery of the related loan balances.

Our policies, consistent with regulatory guidelines, provide for the classification of loans and other assets that are considered to be of lesser quality as substandard, doubtful, or loss assets. An asset is considered substandard if it is inadequately protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any.

Substandard assets include those assets characterized by the distinct possibility that we will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected. Assets classified as doubtful have all of the weaknesses inherent in those classified substandard with the added characteristic that the weaknesses present make collection or

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liquidation in full, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions and values, highly questionable and improbable. Assets (or portions of assets) classified as loss are those considered uncollectible and of such little value that their continuance as assets is not warranted. Assets that do not expose us to risk sufficient to warrant classification in one of the aforementioned categories, but which possess potential weaknesses that deserve our close attention, are designated as special mention. On the basis of our review of our assets at March 31, 2010, classified assets consisted of substandard assets of \$50.4 million (\$41.1 million of which are reported as non-performing assets or delinquent loans in the preceding tables) and no doubtful or loss assets. At that date, we also had \$24.7 million of assets designated as special mention (\$24.5 million of which are reported as non-performing assets or delinquent loans in the preceding tables).

The classification of our assets (and the amount of our loss allowances) is subject to review by our principal federal regulator, the Office of Thrift Supervision, which can require that we adjust our classification and related loss allowances. We regularly review our asset portfolio to determine whether any assets require classification in accordance with applicable regulations.

Allowance for Loan Losses

We provide for loan losses based on the consistent application of our documented allowance for loan loss methodology. Loan losses are charged to the allowance for loans losses and recoveries are credited to it. Additions to the allowance for loan losses are provided by charges against income based on various factors which, in our judgment, deserve current recognition in estimating probable losses. We regularly review the loan portfolio and make adjustments for loan losses in order to maintain the allowance for loan losses in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The allowance for loan losses consists primarily of the following two components:

- (1) Allowances established for impaired loans (which we generally define as non-accrual loans with an outstanding balance of \$500,000 or greater). The amount of impairment provided for as an allowance is represented by the deficiency, if any, between the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the original loan's effective interest rate or the underlying collateral value (less estimated costs to sell,) if the loan is collateral dependent, and the carrying value of the loan. Impaired loans that have no impairment losses are not considered for general valuation allowances described below.
- (2) General allowances established for loan losses on a portfolio basis for loans that do not meet the definition of impaired. The portfolio is grouped into similar risk characteristics, primarily loan type, loan-to-value, if collateral dependent, and delinquency status. We apply an estimated loss rate to each loan group. The loss rates applied are based on our cumulative prior two-year loss experience adjusted, as appropriate, for the environmental factors discussed below. This evaluation is inherently subjective, as it requires material estimates that may be susceptible to significant revisions based upon changes in economic and real estate market conditions. Actual loan losses may be significantly more than the allowance for loan losses we have established, which could have a material negative effect on our financial results.

The adjustments to our loss experience are based on our evaluation of several environmental factors, including: changes in local, regional, national, and international economic and business conditions and developments that affect the collectability of our portfolio, including the condition of various market segments;

changes in the nature and volume of our portfolio and in the terms of our loans;

changes in the experience, ability, and depth of lending management and other relevant staff;

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changes in the volume and severity of past due loans, the volume of nonaccrual loans, and the volume and severity of adversely classified or graded loans;

changes in the quality of our loan review system;

changes in the value of underlying collateral for collateral-dependent loans;

the existence and effect of any concentrations of credit, and changes in the level of such concentrations; and

the effect of other external factors such as competition and legal and regulatory requirements on the level of estimated credit losses in our existing portfolio.

In evaluating the estimated loss factors to be utilized for each loan group, management also reviews actual loss history over an extended period of time as reported by the Office of Thrift Supervision and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for institutions both nationally and in our market area for periods that are believed to have been under similar economic conditions.

We evaluate the allowance for loan losses based on the combined total of the impaired and general components. Generally when the loan portfolio increases, absent other factors, our allowance for loan loss methodology results in a higher dollar amount of estimated probable losses than would be the case without the increase. Generally when the loan portfolio decreases, absent other factors, our allowance for loan loss methodology results in a lower dollar amount of estimated probable losses than would be the case without the decrease.

Each quarter we evaluate the allowance for loan losses and adjust the allowance as appropriate through a provision or recovery for loan losses. While we use the best information available to make evaluations, future adjustments to the allowance may be necessary if conditions differ substantially from the information used in making the evaluations. In addition, as an integral part of their examination process, the Office of Thrift Supervision will periodically review the allowance for loan losses. The Office of Thrift Supervision may require us to adjust the allowance based on their analysis of information available to them at the time of their examination. Our last examination was as of June 30, 2009.

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The following table sets forth activity in our allowance for loan losses for the periods indicated.

	At or For the Three Months Ended March 31,		At or For the Years Ended December 31,				
	2010	2009	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
	(Dollars in thousands)						
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 15,414	\$ 8,778	\$ 8,778	\$ 5,636	\$ 5,030	\$ 4,795	\$ 3,166
Charge-offs:							
Real estate loans:							
Commercial			(1,348)	(1,002)			
One- to four-family residential			(63)				
Construction and land Multifamily	(110)	(595)	(686)	(761)			
Home equity							
Commercial and industrial loans	(5)		(141)	(165)	(814)		
Insurance premium loans	(51)						
Other loans				(12)	(22)		
Total charge-offs	(198)	(595)	(2,402)	(1,940)	(836)		
Recoveries:							
Other							
Total recoveries							
Net (charge-offs) recoveries	(198)	(595)	(2,402)	(1,940)	(836)		
Provisions (benefits) for loan losses:							
Real estate loans:							
Commercial	2,178	222	4,575	2,722	1,035	797	(57)
One- to four-family residential	63	6	95	71	(129)	(130)	(7)
Construction and land Multifamily	(16)	738	1,113	1,282	158	(545)	1,354
Home equity	491	164	1,242	689	(14)	42	(72)
Commercial and industrial loans	32	(1)	64	108	(8)	(35)	(347)
Commercial and industrial loans	(807)	333	1,495	204	407	42	784
Insurance premium loans	(50)		101				

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Other	(4)	28	2	6	35	22	(1)
Unallocated	(65)	154	351		(42)	42	(25)
Total provisions for loan losses	1,930	1,644	9,038	5,082	1,442	235	1,629
Balance at end of year	\$ 17,146	\$ 9,827	\$ 15,414	\$ 8,778	\$ 5,636	\$ 5,030	\$ 4,795

Ratios:

Net charge-offs to average loans outstanding (1)	0.11%	0.40%	0.37%	0.38%	0.20%	%	%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans at end of period	34.26	40.78	36.86	91.07	57.31	70.70	232.88
Allowance for loan losses to loans held-for-investment, net at end of period	2.33	1.57	2.11	1.49	1.33	1.23	1.24

(1) Annualized where applicable.

The allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans decreased to 34.3% at March 31, 2010 from 36.9% at December 31, 2009. This decrease was primarily attributable to an increase in non-performing loans of \$8.2 million, to \$50.0 million at March 31, 2010 from \$41.8 million at December 31, 2009, partially offset by an increase of \$1.7 million, or 11.2%, in the allowance for loan losses for the three months ended March 31, 2010. The increase in non-performing loans was primarily attributable to increases in non-performing commercial real estate loans, and to a lesser extent, multifamily real estate loans during the three months ended March 31, 2010.

The allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans decreased to 36.9% at December 31, 2009 from 91.1% at December 31, 2008. This decrease was primarily attributable to an increase in non-performing loans of

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\$32.2 million, to \$41.8 million at December 31, 2009 from \$9.6 million at December 31, 2008, partially offset by an increase of \$6.6 million, or 75.6%, in the allowance for loan losses over the same time period. The increase in non-performing loans was primarily attributable to increases in non-performing commercial real estate loans, and to a lesser extent, construction and land loans during the same time period.

The non-performing loans noted above were secured by real estate with either current appraisals, or appraisals that are relatively current (within 18 months) and have been adjusted downward when appropriate by management for perceived declines in real estate values. Generally loans are charged down to the appraised values less costs to sell, which reduces the coverage ratio of the allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans. We do not adjust appraised values upwards.

The allowance for loan losses was \$17.1 million, or 2.3% of loans held for investment, net at March 31, 2010, compared to \$15.4 million, or 2.1% of loans held for investment, net at December 31, 2009. The increase in the allowance for loan losses was due primarily to an increase in general loss factors utilized in management's estimate of credit losses inherent in the loan portfolio in recognition of our elevated level of delinquent loans, as well as the current weak economic environment and real estate market.

The allowance for loan losses to loans held-for-investment, net, increased to 2.11% at December 31, 2009, from 1.49% at December 31, 2008. This increase was attributable to an increase of \$6.6 million, or 75.6%, in the allowance for loan losses between December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009, partially offset by an increase in the loan portfolio over the same time period. The increase in our allowance for loan losses during the year was primarily attributable to specific reserves on impaired loans, and in general loss factors related to increases in non-accrual loans, loans 30 to 89 days delinquent, and declines in general economic conditions and real estate values.

Impairment losses on specific loans increased \$2.1 million, or 674.3%, from \$310,000 for the year ended December 31, 2008, to \$2.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2009. At December 31, 2008, we had four loans classified as impaired and recorded impairment losses totaling \$310,000 on two of the four impaired loans. At December 31, 2009, we had 30 loans classified as impaired and recorded a total of \$2.4 million of specific reserves on eleven of the 30 impaired loans. The increase in specific reserves recorded on impaired loans was attributable to an increase in impaired loans coupled with decreasing values of the underlying loan collateral.

During the year ended December 31, 2009, we recorded charge-offs of \$2.4 million, an increase of \$462,000, or 23.8%, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase in charge-offs was primarily attributable to a \$346,000 increase in charge-offs related to commercial real estate loans. As a result of higher charge-offs, an increase in non-accrual commercial real estate loans and commercial real estate loans past due 30 to 89 days, coupled with the general decline in real estate values and the current economic downturn, our historical and general loss factors have increased, thus increasing the allowance for loan losses allocated to commercial real estate loans by \$3.2 million, or 62.3%, from \$5.2 million December 31, 2008, to \$8.4 million at December 31, 2009. In addition, we experienced increased charge-offs of approximately \$164,000 in multifamily real estate loans, an increase of 100% from the year ended December 31, 2008. As a result of the charge-offs incurred, as well as increased levels of multifamily real estate loans on non-accrual status and 30 to 89 days past due, coupled with the general decline in real estate values and the current economic downturn, our historical and general loss factors have increased, thus increasing the allowance for loan losses allocated to multifamily real estate loans by \$1.1 million, or 136.8%, from \$788,000 at December 31, 2008, to \$1.9 million at December 31, 2009. The allowance for loan losses allocated to commercial and industrial loans and construction and land loans also increased \$1.4 million and \$427,000, respectively, from December 31, 2008, to December 31, 2009. These increases were attributable to increased historical and general loss factors which resulted from additional charge-offs taken during the year ended December 31, 2009, coupled with increased levels of non-accrual loans, and loans that are 30 to 89 days past due, and the current economic downturn. Our allowance for loan losses could increase in future periods if charge-offs and non-performing loans continue to increase.

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Allocation of Allowance for Loan Losses. The following tables set forth the allowance for loan losses allocated by loan category and the percent of loans in each category to total loans at the dates indicated. The allowance for loan losses allocated to each category is not necessarily indicative of future losses in any particular category and does not restrict the use of the allowance to absorb losses in other categories. All changes to the allowance during the periods indicated were the result of provisions or benefits for loan losses, as well as charge-offs, as set forth in the previous table, as we had no recoveries between the dates indicated in this table.

	At March 31, 2010		At December 31, 2009		2008	
	Allowance for Loan Losses	Percent of Loans in Each Category to Total Loans	Allowance for Loan Losses (Dollars in thousands)	Percent of Loans in Each Category to Total Loans	Allowance for Loan Losses	Percent of Loans in Each Category to Total Loans
Real estate loans:						
Commercial	\$ 10,581	45.13%	\$ 8,403	44.99%	\$ 5,176	49.05%
One- to four-family residential	226	12.22	163	12.48	131	17.49
Construction and land	2,283	5.36	2,409	6.11	1,982	8.85
Multifamily	2,325	25.44	1,866	24.48	788	18.41
Home equity and lines of credit	242	3.82	210	3.58	146	4.10
Commercial and industrial	1,065	2.42	1,877	2.64	523	1.87
Insurance premium finance loans	100	5.43	101	5.54		
Other	38	0.18	34	0.18	32	0.23
Total allocated allowance	16,860	100.00%	15,063	100.00%	8,778	100.00%
Unallocated	286		351			
Total	\$ 17,146		\$ 15,414		\$ 8,778	

	2007		At December 31, 2006		2005	
	Allowance for Loan Losses	Percent of Loans in Each Category to Total Loans	Allowance for Loan Losses (Dollars in thousands)	Percent of Loans in Each Category to Total Loans	Allowance for Loan Losses	Percent of Loans in Each Category to Total Loans

Real estate loans:						
Commercial	\$ 3,456	57.50%	\$ 2,421	50.75%	\$ 1,624	42.72%
One- to four-family residential	60	22.45	189	26.29	319	32.87
Construction and land Multifamily	1,461	10.57	1,303	12.74	1,848	13.64
Home equity and lines of credit	99	3.34	113	3.24	71	3.64
Commercial and industrial	38	3.02	46	3.40	81	4.15
Insurance premium finance loans	484	2.69	891	2.70	849	2.08
Other	38	0.43	25	0.88	3	0.90
Total allocated allowance	5,636	100.00%	4,988	100.00%	4,795	100.00%
Unallocated			42			
Total	\$ 5,636		\$ 5,030		\$ 4,795	

Management of Market Risk

General. A majority of our assets and liabilities are monetary in nature. Consequently, our most significant form of market risk is interest rate risk. Our assets, consisting primarily of mortgage-related assets and loans, generally have longer maturities than our liabilities, which consist primarily of deposits and wholesale funding. As a result, a principal part of our business strategy involves managing interest rate risk and limiting the exposure of our net interest income to changes in market interest rates. Accordingly, our board of directors has established a risk committee, comprised of our Treasurer, who chairs this Committee, our Chief Executive Officer, our Chief Financial Officer, our Chief Lending Officer, and our Executive Vice President of Operations. This committee is responsible for, among other things, evaluating the interest rate risk inherent in our assets and liabilities, recommending to the risk committee of our board of directors the level of risk that is appropriate given our business strategy, operating environment, capital, liquidity and performance objectives, and managing this risk consistent with the guidelines approved by the board of directors.

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We seek to manage our interest rate risk in order to minimize the exposure of our earnings and capital to changes in interest rates. As part of our ongoing asset-liability management, we currently use the following strategies to manage our interest rate risk:

originate commercial real estate loans and multifamily real estate loans that generally have interest rates that reset every five years;

invest in shorter maturity investment grade corporate securities and mortgage-related securities; and

obtain general financing through lower cost deposits and wholesale funding and repurchase agreements.

Net Portfolio Value Analysis. We compute the net present value of our interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities (net portfolio value or NPV) over a range of assumed market interest rates. Our simulation model uses a discounted cash flow analysis to measure the net portfolio value. We estimate the economic value of these assets and liabilities under the assumption that interest rates experience an instantaneous, parallel, and sustained increase of 100, 200, or 300 basis points, or a decrease of 100 and 200 basis points, which is based on the current interest rate environment. A basis point equals one-hundredth of one percent, and 100 basis points equals one percent. An increase in interest rates from 3% to 4% would mean, for example, a 100 basis point increase in the Change in Interest Rates column below.

Net Interest Income Analysis. We also analyze our sensitivity to changes in interest rates through our net interest income model. Net interest income is the difference between the interest income we earn on our interest-earning assets, such as loans and securities, and the interest we pay on our interest-bearing liabilities, such as deposits and borrowings. We estimate what our net interest income would be for a twelve-month period. We then calculate what the net interest income would be for the same period under the assumption that interest rates experience an instantaneous and sustained increase of 100, 200, or 300 basis points or a decrease of 100 and 200 basis points, which is based on the current interest rate environment.

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The tables below set forth, as of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, our calculation of the estimated changes in our net portfolio value, net portfolio value ratio, and percent change in net interest income that would result from the designated instantaneous and sustained changes in interest rates. Computations of prospective effects of hypothetical interest rate changes are based on numerous assumptions, including relative levels of market interest rates, loan prepayments and deposit decay, and should not be relied on as indicative of actual results.

At March 31, 2010

Change in Interest Rates (basis points)	Estimated Present Value of Assets	Estimated Present Value of Liabilities	Estimated NPV	Estimated Change In NPV	Estimated	
					NPV/Present Value of Assets Ratio	Net Interest Income Percent Change
(Dollars in thousands)						
+300	\$ 1,971,406	\$ 1,587,388	\$ 384,018	\$ (66,863)	19.48%	(11.66)%
+200	2,018,509	1,611,132	407,377	(43,504)	20.18%	(7.26)%
+100	2,065,712	1,635,684	430,028	(20,853)	20.82%	(3.01)%
0	2,111,964	1,661,083	450,881		21.35%	
-100	2,148,563	1,687,185	461,378	10,497	21.47%	0.25%
-200	2,174,609	1,710,078	464,531	13,650	21.36%	(3.13)%

At December 31, 2009

Change in Interest Rates (basis points)	Estimated Present Value of Assets	Estimated Present Value of Liabilities	Estimated NPV	Estimated Change In NPV	Estimated	
					NPV/Present Value of Assets Ratio	Net Interest Income Percent Change
(Dollars in thousands)						
+300	\$ 1,884,900	\$ 1,502,093	\$ 382,807	\$ (62,473)	20.31%	(5.24)%
+200	1,931,727	1,524,764	406,963	(38,317)	21.07%	(3.36)%
+100	1,977,999	1,548,205	429,794	(15,486)	21.73%	(1.36)%
0	2,017,733	1,572,453	445,280		22.07%	
-100	2,054,930	1,596,234	458,696	13,416	22.32%	2.48%
-200	2,072,124	1,618,733	453,391	8,111	21.88%	(2.39)%

(1) Assumes an instantaneous and sustained uniform change in interest rates at all maturities.

(2) NPV includes non-interest earning assets and liabilities.

The tables above indicate that at March 31, 2010, in the event of a 200 basis point decrease in interest rates, we would experience a 3.0% increase in estimated net portfolio value and a 3.1% decrease in net interest income. In the event of a 300 basis point increase in interest rates, we would experience a 14.8% decrease in net portfolio value and an 11.7% decrease in net interest income. In addition, the tables above indicate that at December 31, 2009, in the event of a 200 basis point decrease in interest rates, we would experience a 1.8% increase in estimated net portfolio value and a 2.4% decrease in net interest income. In the event of a 300 basis point increase in interest rates, we would experience a 14.0% decrease in net portfolio value and a 5.2% decrease in net interest income. Our policies provide that, in the event of a 300 basis point increase/decrease or less in interest rates, our net portfolio value ratio should decrease by no more than 400 basis points and in the event of a 200 basis point increase/decrease, our projected net interest income should decrease by no more than 20.0%. Additionally, our policy states that our net portfolio value should be at least 8.5% of total assets before and after such shock. At March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, we were in compliance with all board approved policies with respect to interest rate risk management.

Certain shortcomings are inherent in the methodologies used in determining interest rate risk through changes in net portfolio value and net interest income. Our model requires us to make certain assumptions that may or may not reflect the manner in which actual yields and costs respond to changes in market interest rates. In this regard, the net portfolio value and net interest income information presented assume that the composition of our interest-sensitive assets and liabilities existing at the beginning of a period remains constant over the period being measured and assume that a particular change in interest rates is reflected uniformly across the yield curve regardless of the duration or repricing of specific assets and liabilities. Accordingly, although interest rate risk calculations provide an indication of our interest rate risk exposure at a particular point in time, such measurements

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are not intended to and do not provide a precise forecast of the effect of changes in market interest rates on our net interest income and will differ from actual results.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Liquidity is the ability to fund assets and meet obligations as they come due. Our primary sources of funds consist of deposit inflows, loan repayments, borrowings through repurchase agreements and advances from money center banks and the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, and repayments, maturities and sales of securities. While maturities and scheduled amortization of loans and securities are reasonably predictable sources of funds, deposit flows and mortgage prepayments are greatly influenced by general interest rates, economic conditions, and competition. Our board asset and liability management committee is responsible for establishing and monitoring our liquidity targets and strategies in order to ensure that sufficient liquidity exists for meeting the borrowing needs and deposit withdrawals of our customers as well as unanticipated contingencies. We seek to maintain a ratio of liquid assets (not subject to pledge) as a percentage of deposits and borrowings of 35% or greater. At March 31, 2010, this ratio was 72.9%. We believe that we had sufficient sources of liquidity to satisfy our short- and long-term liquidity needs.

We regularly adjust our investments in liquid assets based upon our assessment of:

- expected loan demand;

- expected deposit flows;

- yields available on interest-earning deposits and securities; and

the objectives of our asset/liability management program.

Our most liquid assets are cash and cash equivalents, and mortgage-related securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, Fannie Mae, or Freddie Mac, that we can either borrow against or sell. We also have the ability to surrender bank owned life insurance contracts. The surrender of these contracts would subject us to income taxes and penalties for increases in the cash surrender values over the original premium payments. We also have the ability to generate brokered deposits through our participation in the CDARS program.

The following table sets forth our primary sources of liquidity at March 31, 2010.

	At March 31, 2010 (In thousands)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 50,811
Unpledged securities (issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac or Federal Home Loan Bank of New York)	\$ 589,476

At March 31, 2010, we had \$23.9 million in outstanding loan commitments. In addition, we had \$38.3 million in unused lines of credit to borrowers. Certificates of deposit due within one year of March 31, 2010, totaled \$525.5 million, or 37.7% of total deposits. If these deposits do not remain with us, we will be required to seek other sources of funds, including loan sales, other deposit products, including replacement certificates of deposit, securities sold under agreements to repurchase (repurchase agreements), and advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York and other borrowing sources. Depending on market conditions, we may be required to pay higher rates on such deposits or other borrowings than we currently pay on the certificates of deposit due on or before March 31, 2010. We believe, based on past experience, that a significant portion of such deposits will remain with us, and we have the ability to attract and retain deposits by adjusting the interest rates offered.

Our cash flows are derived from operating activities, investing activities and financing activities as reported in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows included in our Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Our primary investing activities are purchasing mortgage-backed securities and originating loans. During the three months ended March 31, 2010 and the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, we purchased securities classified as available for sale totaling \$217.2 million, \$655.8 million and \$421.7 million, respectively. During the three months ended March 31, 2010 and the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, we originated \$43.8 million, \$183.3 million and \$202.6 million of loans, respectively. Additionally, during the fourth quarter of 2009 we purchased \$35.4 million of premium finance loans.

Financing activities consist primarily of activity in deposit accounts and borrowings (repurchase agreements and Federal Home Loan Bank of New York advances). We experienced a net increase in total deposits of \$76.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2010, a net increase of \$292.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2009 and a net increase of \$147.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. Deposit flows are affected by the overall level of interest rates, the interest rates and products offered by us and our competitors, and by other factors.

Borrowings increased by \$13.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2010, decreased by \$52.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2009 and increased by \$207.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. At March 31, 2010, we had the ability to borrow an additional \$200.0 million from the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York.

We have a detailed contingency funding plan that is reviewed and reported to the board risk committee on at least a quarterly basis. This plan includes monitoring cash on a daily basis to determine our liquidity needs. Additionally, management performs a stress test on our retail deposits and wholesale funding sources in several scenarios on a quarterly basis. The stress scenarios include deposit attrition of up to 50%, and selling our securities available-for-sale portfolio at a discount of 10% to its current estimated fair value. As of March 31, 2010, we maintained significant liquidity under all stress scenarios.

Northfield Bank is subject to various regulatory capital requirements, including a risk-based capital measure. The risk-based capital guidelines include both a definition of capital and a framework for calculating risk-weighted assets by assigning assets and off-balance sheet items to broad risk categories. At March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank exceeded all regulatory capital requirements and is considered well capitalized under regulatory guidelines. See

Supervision and Regulation Federal Banking Regulation Capital Requirements and Note 12 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

The net proceeds from the stock offering will significantly increase our liquidity and capital resources. Over time, the initial level of liquidity will be reduced as net proceeds from the stock offering are used for general corporate purposes, including the funding of loans. Our financial condition and results of operations will be enhanced by the net proceeds from the stock offering, resulting in increased net interest-earning assets and net interest income. However, due to the increase in equity resulting from the net proceeds from the stock offering, our return on equity will be adversely affected following the stock offering.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements and Aggregate Contractual Obligations

Commitments. As a financial services provider, we routinely are a party to various financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risks, such as commitments to extend credit, and unused lines of credit. While these contractual obligations represent our potential future cash requirements, a significant portion of commitments to extend credit may expire without being drawn upon. Such commitments are subject to the same credit policies and approval process applicable to loans we originate. In addition, we routinely enter into commitments to sell mortgage loans. However, such amounts are not significant to our operations. For additional information, see Note 11 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Contractual Obligations. In the ordinary course of our operations we enter into certain contractual obligations. Such obligations include leases for premises and equipment, agreements with respect to borrowed funds and deposit liabilities, and agreements with respect to investments.

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The following table summarizes our significant fixed and determinable contractual obligations and other funding needs by payment date at December 31, 2009. The payment amounts represent those amounts due to the recipient and do not include any unamortized premiums or discounts or other similar carrying amount adjustments.

Contractual Obligations	Payments Due by Period				Total
	Less than One Year	One to Three Years	Three to Five Years	More than Five Years	
	(In thousands)				
Long-term debt (1)	\$ 61,382	\$ 90,000	\$ 118,800	\$ 2,500	\$ 272,682
Operating leases	2,177	4,110	4,026	22,686	32,999
Capitalized leases	365	763	810	1,075	3,013
Certificates of deposit	517,986	33,104	28,283		579,373
Total	\$ 581,910	\$ 127,977	\$ 151,919	\$ 26,261	\$ 888,067
Commitments to extend credit (2)	\$ 43,472	\$	\$	\$	\$ 43,472

(1) Includes repurchase agreements, Federal Home Loan Bank of New York advances, and accrued interest payable at December 31, 2009.

(2) Includes unused lines of credit which are assumed to be funded within the year.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Effective July 1, 2009, the FASB established the Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) as the source of authoritative U. S. generally accepted accounting principles recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretative releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission under authority of federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative guidance for Securities and Exchange Commission registrants. The ASC did not have a material affect on our consolidated financial statements.

ASC 810, Consolidation, replaces the quantitative-based risks and rewards calculation for determining which enterprise, if any, has a controlling financial interest in a variable interest entity with an approach focused on identifying which enterprise has the power to direct the activities of a variable interest entity that most significantly affect the entity's economic performance and (i) the obligation to absorb losses of the entity or (ii) the right to receive benefits from the entity. The pronouncement was effective January 1, 2010, and did not have a material effect on our

consolidated financial statements.

ASC 860, *Transfers and Servicing*, improves the information a reporting entity provides in its financial statements about a transfer of financial assets, including the effect of a transfer on an entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows and the transferor's continuing involvement in the transferred assets. ASC 860 eliminates the concept of a qualifying special-purpose entity and changes the guidance for evaluation for consolidation. This pronouncement was effective January 1, 2010. The adoption of ASC 860 did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

ASC 855, *Subsequent Events*, establishes general standards of accounting for and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or available to be issued. ASC 855 sets forth (i) the period after the balance sheet date during which management of a reporting entity should evaluate events or transactions that may occur for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements, (ii) the circumstances under which an entity should recognize events or transactions occurring after the balance sheet date in its financial statements, and (iii) the disclosures that an entity should make about events or transactions that occurred after the balance sheet date. ASC 855 was effective for the period ended June 30, 2009. The adoption of ASC 855 did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

Accounting Standards Update No. 2010-09 under ASC 855 removes the requirement for a Securities and Exchange Commission filer to disclose the date through which subsequent events have been evaluated. This change alleviates potential conflicts between subtopic 855-10 and the Securities and Exchange Commission's requirements. The new guidance did not have a significant effect on our consolidated financial statements.

ASC 260, *Earnings Per Share*, addresses whether instruments granted in share-based payment transactions are participating securities prior to vesting and, therefore, need to be included in the earnings allocation

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in computing earnings per share. This ASC was effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The adoption of ASC 260 did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

These following three ASCs (ASC 820, ASC 825, and ASC 320) were effective for the period ended June 30, 2009:

ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, provides guidance for estimating fair value when the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability have decreased significantly. ASC 820 also provides guidance on identifying circumstances that indicate a transaction is not orderly. The adoption of ASC 820 did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements other than disclosures.

ASC 825, Financial Instruments, requires disclosures about fair value of financial instruments in interim reporting periods of publicly traded companies that previously were only required to be disclosed in annual financial statements. The adoption of ASC 825 did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements other than disclosures.

ASC 320, Investments Debt and Equity Securities, amends previous other-than-temporary impairment guidance in generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for debt securities to make the guidance more operational and to improve the presentation and disclosure of other-than-temporary impairments on debt and equity securities in the financial statements. This ASC does not amend existing recognition and measurement guidance related to other-than-temporary impairments of equity securities. The adoption of ASC 320 resulted in \$1.2 million of impairment charges being recorded in other comprehensive income for the quarter ended September 30, 2009.

Accounting Standards Update No. 2009-05 under ASC 820 provides clarification for circumstances in which a quoted price in an active market for the identical liability is not available. In such circumstances, a reporting entity is required to measure fair value using one or more of the following techniques: (i) a valuation technique that uses: (a) the quoted price of the identical liability when traded as an asset; or (b) quoted prices for similar liabilities or similar liabilities when traded as assets; or (ii) another valuation technique that is consistent with the principles of ASC 820, such as an income approach or a market approach. The update clarifies that when estimating the fair value of a liability, a reporting entity is not required to include a separate adjustment relating to the existence of a restriction that prevents the transfer of the liability. The new authoritative accounting guidance also clarifies that the quoted price for an identical liability traded as an asset in an active market would also be a Level 1 measurement, provided that the quoted price does not need to be adjusted to reflect factors specific to the asset that do not apply to the fair value measurement of the liability. The new guidance did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

Accounting Standards Update No. 2010-06 under ASC 820 requires new disclosures and clarifies certain existing disclosure requirements about fair value measurement. Specifically, the update requires an entity to disclose separately the amounts of significant transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements and describe the reasons for such transfers. A reporting entity is required to present separately information about purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements in the reconciliation for fair value measurements using Level 3 inputs. In addition, the update clarifies the following requirements of the existing disclosure: (i) for the purposes of reporting fair value measurement for each class of assets and liabilities, a reporting entity needs to use judgment in determining the appropriate classes of assets; and (ii) a reporting entity is required to include disclosures about the valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements. The amendments are effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the separate disclosures of purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements in the roll forward of activity in Level 3 fair value measurements. Those disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010, and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The new guidance is not expected to have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

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Accounting Standards Update No. 2009-12 under ASC 820 amends Subtopic 820-10 to permit a reporting entity to measure the fair value of certain investments on the basis of net asset value per share of the investment (or its equivalent). This update also requires new disclosure, by major category of investments, about the attributes of investments within the scope of this amendment to the Codification. The new guidance under ASC 820 became effective for financial statements issued for periods ending after December 15, 2009. Our adoption of this new authoritative guidance did not have a material effect on our financial statements or its disclosures at December 31, 2009.

ASC 805, Business Combinations, applies to all transactions and other events in which one entity obtains control over one or more other businesses. The new guidance requires an acquirer, upon initially obtaining control of another entity, to recognize the assets, liabilities and any non-controlling interest in the acquiree at fair value as of the acquisition date. Contingent consideration is required to be recognized and measured at fair value on the date of acquisition rather than at a later date when the amount of that consideration may be determinable beyond a reasonable doubt. This fair value approach replaces the cost-allocation process previously required whereby the cost of an acquisition was allocated to the individual assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair value. The new guidance requires acquirers to expense acquisition-related costs as incurred rather than allocating such costs to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, as was previously the case. Specific requirements must be met in order to accrue for a restructuring plan in purchase accounting. Pre-acquisition contingencies are to be recognized at fair value, unless it is a non-contractual contingency that is not likely to materialize, in which case, nothing should be recognized in purchase accounting, and, instead, that contingency would be subject to the probable and estimable recognition criteria of contingencies. The new guidance is effective for all business combinations closing after January 1, 2009, and will affect our accounting for business combinations after such date.

Additional new authoritative accounting guidance under ASC 805, requires that assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination that arise from contingencies be recognized at fair value if fair value can be reasonably estimated. If fair value of such an asset or liability cannot be reasonably estimated, the asset or liability would generally be recognized in accordance with ASC 450, Contingencies. This new guidance removes subsequent accounting guidance for assets and liabilities arising from contingencies and requires entities to develop a systematic and rational basis for subsequently measuring and accounting for assets and liabilities arising from contingencies. The new guidance eliminates the requirement to disclose an estimate of the range of outcomes of recognized contingencies at the acquisition date. For unrecognized contingencies, entities are required to include only the disclosures required under ASC 450. The new guidance also requires that contingent consideration arrangements of an acquiree assumed by the acquirer in a business combination be treated as contingent consideration of the acquirer and should be initially and subsequently measured at fair value. ASC 805 is effective for assets or liabilities arising from contingencies in business combinations after January 1, 2009, and will affect our accounting for business combinations after such date.

Effect of Inflation and Changing Prices

Our consolidated financial statements and related notes have been prepared in accordance with GAAP. GAAP generally requires the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars without consideration for changes in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. The effect of inflation is reflected in the increased cost of our operations. Unlike industrial companies, our assets and liabilities are primarily monetary in nature. As a result, changes in market interest rates have a greater effect on our performance than inflation.

BUSINESS OF NORTHFIELD-DELAWARE

Northfield-Delaware is a Delaware corporation, organized in June 2010. Upon completion of the conversion, Northfield-Delaware will become the holding company of Northfield Bank and will succeed to all of the business and operations of Northfield-Federal and each of Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bancorp, MHC will cease to exist.

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Initially following the completion of the conversion, Northfield-Delaware will have approximately \$87.4 million in cash and other assets held by Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bancorp, MHC as of March 31, 2010, and the net proceeds it retains from the offering, part of which will be used to make a loan to the Northfield Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan, and will have no significant liabilities. See How We Intend to Use the Proceeds From the Offering. Northfield-Delaware intends to use the support staff and offices of Northfield Bank and will pay Northfield Bank for these services. If Northfield-Delaware expands or changes its business in the future, it may hire its own employees.

Northfield-Delaware intends to invest the net proceeds of the offering as discussed under How We Intend to Use the Proceeds From the Offering. In the future, we may pursue other business activities, including mergers and acquisitions, investment alternatives and diversification of operations. There are, however, no current understandings or agreements for these activities.

**BUSINESS OF NORTHFIELD BANCORP, INC.
AND NORTHFIELD BANK**

Northfield-Federal

Northfield-Federal is a federally chartered corporation that owns all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Northfield Bank. At March 31, 2010, Northfield-Federal had consolidated assets of \$2.1 billion, deposits of \$1.4 billion and stockholders' equity of \$396.3 million.

Northfield Bank became the wholly-owned subsidiary of Northfield-Federal's New York predecessor in 1995, when Northfield Bank reorganized into the two-tier mutual holding company structure. In November 2007, Northfield-Federal converted from a New York corporation to a federally chartered corporation and concurrently sold 19,265,316 shares of its common stock to the public, representing 43% of its then-outstanding shares, at \$10.00 per share. An additional 24,641,684 shares, or 55% of the outstanding shares, were issued to Northfield Bancorp, MHC, and 896,061 shares, or 2% of the outstanding shares, plus \$3.0 million of cash were issued to the Northfield Bank Foundation. As part of this stock offering, we established an employee stock ownership plan, which acquired 1,756,279 shares of common stock in the stock offering, financed by a loan from Northfield-Federal.

Northfield-Federal's home office is located at 1410 St. Georges Avenue, Avenel, New Jersey 07001 and the telephone number is (732) 499-7200. Its website address is www.eNorthfield.com. Information on this website is not and should not be considered a part of this prospectus.

Northfield Bank

Northfield Bank was organized in 1887 and is currently a federally chartered savings bank. Northfield Bank conducts business primarily from its home office located in Staten Island, New York, its operations center located in Woodbridge, New Jersey, its 17 additional branch offices located in New York and New Jersey and its lending offices located in Brooklyn, New York and Gwinnett County, Georgia. The branch offices are located in Staten Island and Brooklyn and the New Jersey counties of Union and Middlesex.

Northfield Bank's principal business consists of originating multifamily and commercial real estate loans, purchasing investment securities, including mortgage-backed securities and corporate bonds, and investing funds in other financial institutions. Northfield Bank also offers construction and land loans, commercial and industrial loans, one- to four-family residential mortgage loans, and home equity loans and lines of credit. In addition, Northfield Bank offers loans to finance premiums on insurance policies, including commercial property and casualty, and professional liability insurance. Northfield Bank offers a variety of deposit accounts, including certificates of deposit, passbook, statement, and money market savings accounts, transaction deposit accounts (negotiable orders of withdrawal (NOW) accounts and non-interest bearing demand accounts), individual retirement accounts, and to a lesser extent when it is deemed cost effective, brokered deposits. Deposits are Northfield Bank's primary source of funds for its lending and investing activities. Northfield Bank also uses borrowed funds as a source of funds, principally repurchase agreements with brokers and Federal Home Loan Bank of New York advances. In addition

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to traditional banking services, Northfield Bank offers insurance products through NSB Insurance Agency, Inc. Northfield Bank owns 100% of NSB Services Corp., which, in turn, owns 100% of the voting common stock of a real estate investment trust, NSB Realty Trust, which holds primarily mortgage loans and other real estate related investments.

Northfield Bank is subject to comprehensive regulation and examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Northfield Bank's main office is located at 1731 Victory Boulevard, Staten Island, New York 10314, and its telephone number at this address is (718) 448-1000. Its website address is www.eNorthfield.com. Information on this website is not and should not be considered to be a part of this prospectus.

Market Area and Competition

We have been in business for over 122 years, offering a variety of financial products and services to meet the needs of the communities we serve. Our retail banking network consists of multiple delivery channels including full-service banking offices, automated teller machines, and telephone and internet banking capabilities. We consider our competitive products and pricing, branch network, reputation for superior customer service, and financial strength, as our major strengths in attracting and retaining customers in our market areas.

We face intense competition in our market area both in making loans and attracting deposits. Our market areas have a high concentration of financial institutions, including large money center and regional banks, community banks, and credit unions. We face additional competition for deposits from money market funds, brokerage firms, mutual funds, and insurance companies. Some of our competitors offer products and services that we do not offer, such as trust services and private banking.

In addition, turmoil in the United States and world economies, and more specifically in the financial services industry, has resulted in financial services companies such as investment banks, and automobile and real estate finance companies, electing to become bank holding companies. These financial services companies have traditionally received their funding from sources other than insured bank deposits. Many of the alternative funding sources traditionally used by these companies are no longer available, which has resulted in their relying more on insured bank deposits to fund their operations, thereby increasing competition for deposits and related costs of such deposits.

Our deposit sources are primarily concentrated in the communities surrounding our banking offices in the New York Counties of Richmond (Staten Island) and Kings (Brooklyn), and Union and Middlesex Counties in New Jersey. As of June 30, 2009 (the latest date for which information is publicly available), we ranked fifth in deposit market share in Staten Island with an 8.85% market share. We had a 0.09% market share in Brooklyn, New York. In Middlesex and Union Counties in New Jersey, as of June 30, 2009, we had a combined market share of 0.69%.

The following table sets forth the unemployment rates for the communities we serve and the national average for the last five years, as provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

	Unemployment Rate At December 31,				
	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Union County, NJ	9.5%	5.7%	4.5%	4.8%	4.8%
Middlesex County, NJ	8.7%	5.0%	3.9%	4.3%	4.2%
Richmond County, NY	8.4%	4.9%	4.4%	4.5%	5.2%
Kings County, NY	10.1%	5.8%	5.3%	5.4%	6.2%
National Average	10.0%	7.4%	5.0%	4.4%	4.9%

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The following table sets forth median household income at December 31, 2008 for the communities we serve, as provided by the U.S. Census Bureau.

	Median Household Income At December 31, 2008
Union County, NJ	\$ 67,127
Middlesex County, NJ	\$ 77,015
Richmond County, NY	\$ 72,557
Kings County, NY	\$ 43,172

While the disruption in the financial markets has generally affected the banking industry negatively, it has created opportunities for Northfield Bank. With many lenders reducing their loan originations, we have continued to lend to qualified borrowers and we were able to increase our loan portfolio in 2009 and in the first quarter of 2010. While our lending has increased in this difficult environment, we are committed to maintaining our loan underwriting standards. We do not originate or purchase sub-prime loans, negative amortization loans or option ARM loans. A continuation or worsening of current economic conditions could make it more difficult in the future to maintain the loan growth we experienced during 2009, as reflected in lower loan growth during the first quarter of 2010.

Lending Activities

Our principal lending activity is the origination of multifamily real estate loans and commercial real estate loans. We also originate one- to four-family residential real estate loans, construction and land loans, commercial and industrial loans, home equity loans and lines of credit and loans to finance premiums on insurance policies, including commercial property and casualty, and professional liability insurance.

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Loan Portfolio Composition. The following table sets forth the composition of our loan portfolio, by type of loan at the dates indicated, excluding loans held for sale of \$0, \$0, \$0, \$270,000, \$125,000, and \$0 at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively.

	At March 31, 2010		2009		2008		At December 31, 2007		2006		2005
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount
(Dollars in thousands)											
loans:											
Commercial	\$ 332,427	45.13%	\$ 327,802	44.99%	\$ 289,123	49.05%	\$ 243,902	57.50%	\$ 207,680	50.75%	\$ 165,657
Consumer-family	90,014	12.22	90,898	12.48	103,128	17.49	95,246	22.45	107,572	26.29	127,477
Commercial and	39,523	5.36	44,548	6.11	52,158	8.85	44,850	10.57	52,124	12.74	52,890
Commercial	187,372	25.44	178,401	24.48	108,534	18.41	14,164	3.34	13,276	3.24	14,105
Commercial and	28,143	3.82	26,118	3.58	24,182	4.10	12,797	3.02	13,922	3.40	16,105
Commercial	17,833	2.42	19,252	2.64	11,025	1.87	11,397	2.69	11,022	2.70	8,068
Commercial premium	39,977	5.43	40,382	5.54							
Commercial	1,328	0.18	1,299	0.18	1,339	0.23	1,842	0.43	3,597	0.88	3,510
	736,617	100.00%	728,700	100.00%	589,489	100.00%	424,198	100.00%	409,193	100.00%	387,812
Loan costs:											
Loan costs	608		569		495		131		(4)		(345)
Loan for loan	(17,146)		(15,414)		(8,778)		(5,636)		(5,030)		(4,795)
Investment	\$ 720,079		\$ 713,855		\$ 581,206		\$ 418,693		\$ 404,159		\$ 382,672

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Loan Portfolio Maturities. The following table summarizes the scheduled repayments of our loan portfolio at December 31, 2009. Demand loans (loans having no stated repayment schedule or maturity) and overdraft loans are reported as being due in the year ending December 31, 2010. Maturities are based on the final contractual payment date and do not reflect the effect of prepayments and scheduled principal amortization.

Due during the years ending December 31,	Commercial Real Estate		One- to Four-Family Residential		Construction and Land		Multifamily	
	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate
	(Dollars in thousands)							
2010	\$ 5,806	4.03%	\$ 24	6.61%	\$ 22,322	5.96%	\$ 5,496	6.00%
2011	6,219	6.52	123	6.19	12,084	6.45	304	6.93
2012	1,377	7.02	1,068	5.72				
2013 to 2014	2,032	6.56	2,788	5.57	284	5.50	549	6.39
2015 to 2019	8,129	6.55	21,032	5.25	157	7.75	716	6.29
2020 to 2024	27,460	6.29	10,687	5.48	137	7.75	13,952	6.64
2025 and beyond	276,779	6.48	55,176	5.66	9,564	5.57	157,384	5.96
Total	\$ 327,802	6.43%	\$ 90,898	5.54%	\$ 44,548	6.02%	\$ 178,401	6.02%

Due during the years ending December 31,	Home Equity and Lines of Credit		Commercial and Industrial		Insurance Premium		Other		Total	
	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate
	(Dollars in thousands)									
2010	\$ 616	6.67%	\$ 7,457	6.23%	\$ 40,349	6.84%	\$ 1,229	2.89%	\$ 83,299	6.24%
2011	16	5.48	1,033	5.63	13	7.50	70	7.00	19,862	6.44
2012	1,227	6.74	391	7.43	20	9.20			4,083	6.65
2013 to 2014	1,627	5.25	1,347	5.99					8,627	5.86
2015 to 2019	4,376	5.70	3,207	7.41					37,617	5.80
2020 to 2024	6,527	5.58	5,078	6.90					63,841	6.21
2025 and beyond	11,729	4.89	739	6.25					511,371	6.18

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Total \$ 26,118 5.35% \$ 19,252 6.58% \$ 40,382 6.84% \$ 1,299 3.11% \$ 728,700 6.17%

As of December 31, 2010, we had a total of \$511.4 million in loans due to mature in 2025 and beyond, of which \$33.5 million, or 6.6%, were fixed-rate loans.

The following table sets forth the scheduled repayments of fixed- and adjustable-rate loans at December 31, 2009, that are contractually due after December 31, 2010.

	Due After December 31, 2010		
	Fixed Rate	Adjustable Rate	Total
	(In thousands)		
Real estate loans:			
Commercial	\$ 21,538	\$ 300,458	\$ 321,996
One- to four-family residential	49,528	41,346	90,874
Construction and land	8,403	13,823	22,226
Multifamily	9,089	163,816	172,905
Home equity and lines of credit	15,487	10,015	25,502
Commercial and industrial loans	3,343	8,452	11,795
Insurance premium loans	33		33
Other loans	70		70
Total loans	\$ 107,491	\$ 537,910	\$ 645,401

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Commercial Real Estate Loans. Commercial real estate loans totaled \$332.4 million, or 45.13% of our loan portfolio as of March 31, 2010. Commercial real estate loans at March 31, 2010 included \$29.4 million secured primarily by hotels and motels, \$57.2 million secured by office buildings, and \$65.3 million secured by manufacturing buildings. Approximately \$155.1 million of our commercial real estate loans are owner-occupied businesses. At March 31, 2010, our commercial real estate loan portfolio consisted of 333 loans with an average loan balance of approximately \$1.0 million although there are a large number of loans with balances substantially greater than this average. At March 31, 2010, our largest commercial real estate loan had a principal balance of \$9.7 million, and was secured by a hotel. At March 31, 2010, this loan was performing in accordance with its original contractual terms. In recent years, we have originated limited amounts of commercial real estate loans due to economic conditions. We expect that we would increase our originations of commercial real estate loans if economic conditions improve.

Substantially all of our commercial real estate loans are secured by properties located in our primary market areas.

The table below sets forth the property types collateralizing our commercial real estate loans as of March 31, 2010.

	At March 31, 2010	
	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Manufacturing	\$ 65,189	19.6%
Office building	57,231	17.2
Warehouse	29,640	8.9
Accommodations	29,361	8.8
Mixed use	26,508	8.0
Retail	22,139	6.7
Services	18,358	5.5
Restaurant	11,915	3.6
Schools/day care	10,654	3.2
Recreational	4,533	1.4
Other	56,900	17.1
Total	\$ 332,427	100.0%

Our commercial real estate loans typically amortize over 20- to 25-years with interest rates that generally adjust after an initial five-year period, and every five years thereafter. Margins generally range from 275 basis points to 350 basis points above the average yield on United States Treasury securities, adjusted to a constant maturity of similar term, as published by the Federal Reserve Board. Adjustable rate loans originated during 2009 and the first quarter of 2010, generally have been indexed to the five year London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) swaps rate as published in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release adjusted for a negotiated margin. We also originate, to a lesser extent, 10- to 15-year fixed-rate, fully amortizing loans. In general, our commercial real estate loans have interest rate floors equal to the interest rate on the date the loan is originated, and have prepayment penalties should the loan be repaid in the first three to five years.

In the underwriting of commercial real estate loans, we generally lend up to the lesser of 75% of the property's appraised value or purchase price. Certain single use property types have lower loan to appraised value ratios. We base our decision to lend primarily on the economic viability of the property and the creditworthiness of the borrower. In evaluating a proposed commercial real estate loan, we emphasize the ratio of the property's projected net cash flow to the loan's debt service requirement (generally requiring a minimum ratio of 120%), computed after deduction for a vacancy factor, where applicable, and property expenses we deem appropriate. Personal guarantees are usually obtained from commercial real estate borrowers. We require title insurance, fire and extended coverage casualty insurance, and, if appropriate, flood insurance, in order to protect our security interest in

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the underlying property. Although a significant portion of our commercial real estate loans are referred by brokers, we underwrite all commercial real estate loans in accordance with our underwriting standards.

Commercial real estate loans generally carry higher interest rates and have shorter terms than one- to four-family residential real estate loans. Commercial real estate loans generally have greater credit risks compared to one- to four-family residential real estate loans, as they typically involve larger loan balances concentrated with single borrowers or groups of related borrowers. In addition, the payment of loans secured by income-producing properties typically depends on the successful operation of the property, as repayment of the loan generally is dependent on sufficient income from the property to cover operating expenses and debt service. Changes in economic conditions that are not within a borrower's or lender's control could affect the value of the collateral for the loan or the future cash flow of the property. Additionally, any decline in real estate values may be more pronounced for commercial real estate than for residential properties.

Multifamily Real Estate Loans. In recent years, we have focused on originating multifamily real estate loans. Loans secured by multifamily and mixed use properties totaled \$187.4 million, or 25.44% of our total loan portfolio, at March 31, 2010. We classify mixed use properties as multifamily when they have more than four residential family units and a business or businesses. At March 31, 2010, we had 234 multifamily real estate loans with an average loan balance of \$801,000. At March 31, 2010, our largest multifamily real estate loan had a principal balance of \$7.8 million and was performing in accordance with its original contractual terms. Substantially all of our multifamily real estate loans are secured by properties located in our market areas.

Our multifamily real estate loans typically amortize over 20 to 30 years with interest rates that adjust after an initial five- or 10-year period, and every five years thereafter. Margins generally range from 275 basis points to 350 basis points above the average yield on United States Treasury securities, adjusted to a constant maturity of similar term, as published by the Federal Reserve Board. Variable rate loans originated during 2009 and the first quarter of 2010 generally have been indexed to the five-year LIBOR swaps rate as published in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release adjusted for a negotiated margin. We also originate, to a lesser extent, 10- to 15-year fixed-rate, fully amortizing loans. In general, our multifamily real estate loans have interest rate floors equal to the interest rate on the date the loan is originated, and have prepayment penalties should the loan be prepaid in the first three to five years.

In underwriting multifamily real estate loans, we consider a number of factors, including the projected net cash flow to the loan's debt service requirement (generally requiring a minimum ratio of 115%), the age and condition of the collateral, the financial resources and income level of the borrower, and the borrower's experience in owning or managing similar properties. Multifamily real estate loans generally are originated in amounts up to 75% of the appraised value of the property securing the loan. Due to competitive considerations, we typically do not obtain personal guarantees from multifamily real estate borrowers.

Loans secured by multifamily real estate properties generally have greater credit risk than one- to four-family residential real estate loans. This increased credit risk is a result of several factors, including the concentration of principal in a limited number of loans and borrowers, the effects of general economic conditions on income producing properties, and the increased difficulty of evaluating and monitoring these types of loans. Furthermore, the repayment of loans secured by multifamily real estate properties typically depends on the successful operation of the property. If the cash flow from the project is reduced, the borrower's ability to repay the loan may be impaired.

In a ruling that was contrary to a 1996 advisory opinion from the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal that owners of housing units who benefited from the receipt of J-51 tax incentives under the Rent Stabilization Law are eligible to decontrol apartments, the New York State Court of Appeals ruled, on October 22, 2009, that residential housing units located in two major housing complexes in New York City had been illegally decontrolled by the current and previous property owners. This ruling may subject to litigation other property owners that have previously or are currently benefiting from a J-51 tax incentive, possibly resulting in a significant reduction to property cash flows. Based on management's assessment of its multifamily loan portfolio, it believes that only one loan may be affected by the recent ruling regarding J-51. The loan, which is our largest multifamily

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residential real estate loan, noted above, has a principal balance of \$7.8 million at March 31, 2010, and is performing in accordance with its original contractual terms.

Construction and Land Loans. At March 31, 2010, construction and land loans totaled \$39.5 million, or 5.36% of total loans receivable. At March 31, 2010, the additional unadvanced portion of these construction loans totaled \$9.8 million. At March 31, 2010, we had 41 construction and land loans with an average loan balance of \$964,000. At March 31, 2010, our largest construction and land loan had a principal balance of \$4.8 million and was for the purpose of purchasing commercial land. This loan is performing in accordance with its original contractual terms. In recent years, we have originated limited amounts of construction and land loans due to economic conditions. We expect that we would increase our originations of these types of loans if economic conditions improve.

Our construction and land loans typically are interest only loans with interest rates that are tied to the prime rate as published by *The Wall Street Journal*. Margins generally range from zero basis points to 200 basis points above the prime rate. We also originate, to a lesser extent, 10- to 15-year fixed-rate, fully amortizing land loans. In general, our construction and land loans have interest rate floors equal to the interest rate on the date the loan is originated, and we do not typically charge prepayment penalties for these types of loans.

We grant construction and land loans to experienced developers for the construction of single-family residences, including condominiums, and commercial properties. Construction and land loans also are made to individuals for the construction of their personal residences. Advances on construction loans are made in accordance with a schedule reflecting the cost of construction, but are generally limited to a loan-to-completed-appraised-value ratio of 70%. Repayment of construction loans on residential properties normally is expected from the sale of units to individual purchasers, or in the case of individuals building their own property, with a permanent mortgage. In the case of income-producing property, repayment usually is expected from permanent financing upon completion of construction. We typically offer the permanent mortgage financing on our construction loans on income-producing properties.

Land loans also help finance the purchase of land intended for future development, including single-family housing, multifamily housing, and commercial property. In some cases, we may make an acquisition loan before the borrower has received approval to develop the land. In general, the maximum loan-to-value ratio for a land acquisition loan is 50% of the appraised value of the property, and the maximum term of these loans is two years. If the maturity of the loan exceeds two years, the loan must be an amortizing loan.

Construction and land loans generally carry higher interest rates and have shorter terms than one- to four- family residential real estate loans. Construction and land loans have greater credit risk than long-term financing on improved, owner-occupied real estate. Risk of loss on a construction loan depends largely upon the accuracy of the initial estimate of the value of the real estate at completion of construction as compared to the estimated cost (including interest) of construction and other assumptions. If the estimate of construction costs is inaccurate, we may decide to advance additional funds beyond the amount originally committed in order to protect the value of the real estate. However, if the estimated value of the completed project is inaccurate, the borrower may hold the real estate with a value that is insufficient to assure full repayment of the construction loan upon its sale. In the event we make a land acquisition loan on real estate that is not yet approved for the planned development, there is a risk that approvals will not be granted or will be delayed. Construction loans also expose us to a risk that improvements will not be completed on time in accordance with specifications and projected costs. In addition, the ultimate sale or rental of the real estate may not occur as anticipated and the market value of collateral, when completed, may be less than the outstanding loans against the real estate. Substantially all of our construction and land loans are secured by real estate located in our primary market areas.

Commercial and Industrial Loans. At March 31, 2010, commercial and industrial loans totaled \$17.8 million, or 2.42% of the total loan portfolio. As of March 31, 2010, we had 95 commercial and industrial loans with an average loan balance of \$188,000, although we originate these types of loans in amounts substantially greater and smaller than this average. At March 31, 2010, our largest commercial and industrial loan had a principal balance of \$3.0 million and was performing in accordance with its original contractual terms. At March 31, 2010, \$14.7

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million, or 82.6% of our commercial and industrial loans, were secured loans, and the remaining \$3.1 million, or 17.4%, were unsecured. The security generally consists of (i) second mortgages on commercial real estate and (ii) business assets.

Our commercial and industrial loans typically amortize over 10 years with interest rates that are tied to the prime rate as published in *The Wall Street Journal*. Margins generally range from zero basis points to 300 basis points above the prime rate. We also originate, to a lesser extent, 10 year fixed-rate, fully amortizing loans. In general, our commercial and industrial loans have interest rate floors equal to the interest rate on the date the loan is originated and have prepayment penalties.

We make various types of secured and unsecured commercial and industrial loans to customers in our market area for the purpose of working capital and other general business purposes. The terms of these loans generally range from less than one year to a maximum of 15 years. The loans are either negotiated on a fixed-rate basis or carry adjustable interest rates indexed to a market rate index.

Commercial credit decisions are based on our credit assessment of the applicant. We evaluate the applicant's ability to repay in accordance with the proposed terms of the loan and assess the risks involved. Personal guarantees of the principals are typically obtained. In addition to evaluating the loan applicant's financial statements, we consider the adequacy of the primary and secondary sources of repayment for the loan. Credit agency reports of the guarantors' personal credit history supplement our analysis of the applicant's creditworthiness. We also attempt to confirm with other banks and conduct trade investigations as part of our credit assessment of the borrower. Collateral supporting a secured transaction also is analyzed to determine its marketability.

Commercial and industrial loans generally carry higher interest rates than one- to four- family residential real estate loans of like maturity because they have a higher risk of default since their repayment generally depends on the successful operation of the borrowers' business. Commercial and industrial loans have greater credit risk than one- to four- family residential real estate loans.

Insurance premium loans. At March 31, 2010, insurance premium loans totaled \$40.0 million, or 5.43% of the total loan portfolio. As of March 31, 2010, we had 4,517 insurance premium loans with an average loan balance of \$9,000, although we originate these types of loans in amounts substantially greater and smaller than this average. At March 31, 2010, our largest insurance premium loan had a principal balance of \$961,000 and was performing in accordance with its original contractual terms.

Our insurance premium loans typically amortize over nine to 12 months at fixed rates and typically require a down payment of 15% to 20%. These loans are structured (down payment and repayment term) such that the unpaid loan balance is generally fully secured by the unearned premiums refundable by insurance carriers. Insurance premium loan credit decisions generally are based on our credit assessment of the insurance carrier, and in some instances, the credit assessment of the borrower.

One- to Four-Family Residential Real Estate Loans. At March 31, 2010, we had 554 one- to four-family residential real estate loans outstanding with an aggregate balance of \$90.0 million, or 12.22% of our total loan portfolio. As of March 31, 2010, the average balance of one- to four-family residential mortgage real estate loans was \$162,000, although we originate this type of loan in amounts substantially greater and smaller than this average. At March 31, 2010, our largest loan of this type had a principal balance of \$2.4 million and was performing in accordance with its original contractual terms. We expect the balance of these loans to decrease in the future, as we are currently selling our originations of one- to four-family residential real estate loans.

One- to four-family residential real estate loans generally are underwritten according to Freddie Mac guidelines using their proprietary automated underwriting software, and we refer to loans that conform to such guidelines as conforming loans. We generally originate both fixed- and adjustable-rate loans in amounts up to the maximum conforming loan limits as established by the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, which as of December 31, 2009, is generally \$417,000 for single-family homes. We also originate loans above the lending limit for conforming loans, which are referred to as jumbo loans. We originate a limited number of fixed-rate jumbo

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loans with terms generally up to 15 years and adjustable-rate jumbo loans with an initial fixed-rate period of 10 years. We generally underwrite jumbo loans in a manner similar to conforming loans. These loans generally are eligible for sale to various firms that specialize in purchasing non-conforming loans. Jumbo loans are common in our market area although we have never sold jumbo loans to any third parties.

We will originate loans with loan-to-value ratios in excess of 80%, up to and including a loan-to-value ratio of 95%. We require private mortgage insurance for all loans with loan-to-value ratios exceeding 80%. Generally, we will retain in our portfolio loans with loan-to-value ratios up to and including 90%, and sell loans with loan-to-value ratios that exceed 90%. We currently retain the servicing rights on loans sold which generates fee income, or, in the case of loans serviced for the State of New York Mortgage Agency, income tax credits.

We do not originate for retention in our portfolio interest only mortgage loans on one- to four-family residential properties, where the borrower pays interest for an initial period and thereafter the loan converts to a fully amortizing loan. We also do not offer loans that provide for negative amortization of principal, such as Option ARM loans, where the borrower can pay less than the interest owed on the loan, thereby resulting in an increased principal balance during the life of the loan. We do not offer, and have not offered, subprime loans (loans that generally target borrowers with weakened credit histories typically characterized by payment delinquencies, previous charge-offs, judgments, bankruptcies, or borrowers with questionable repayment capacity as evidenced by low credit scores or high debt-burden ratios).

Home Equity Loans and Lines of Credit. At March 31, 2010, we had 480 home equity loans and lines of credit with an aggregate outstanding balance of \$28.1 million, or 3.82% of our total loan portfolio. Of this total, there were outstanding home equity lines of credit of \$12.8 million, or 1.74% of our total loan portfolio. At March 31, 2010, the average home equity loans and lines of credit balance was \$59,000 although we originate these types of loans in amounts substantially greater and lower than this average. At March 31, 2010, our largest home equity line of credit was \$1.5 million and our largest home equity loan was \$331,000, and both were performing in accordance with their original contractual terms.

We offer home equity loans and home equity lines of credit that are secured by the borrower's primary residence or second home. Home equity lines of credit are variable rate loans tied to the prime rate as published in *The Wall Street Journal*, adjusted for a margin, and have a maximum term of 20 years during which time the borrower is required to make principal payments based on a 20-year amortization schedule. Home equity lines generally have interest rate floors and ceilings. The borrower is permitted to draw against the line during the entire term. Our home equity lines of credit have a ceiling rate and a floor rate. Our home equity loans typically are fully amortizing with fixed terms to 20 years. Home equity loans and lines of credit generally are underwritten with the same criteria we use to underwrite fixed-rate, one- to four-family residential real estate loans. Home equity loans and lines of credit may be underwritten with a loan-to-value ratio of 80% when combined with the principal balance of the existing mortgage loan. We appraise the property securing the loan at the time of the loan application to determine the value of the property. At the time we close a home equity loan or line of credit, we record a mortgage to perfect our security interest in the underlying collateral.

Loan Originations, Purchases, Sales, Participations, and Servicing. Lending activities are conducted in all branch locations. All loans we originate for our portfolio are underwritten pursuant to our policies and procedures. Freddie Mac underwriting standards are utilized for loans we originate to sell in the secondary market. We may, based on proper approvals, make exceptions to our policies and procedures. We originate both adjustable-rate and fixed-rate loans. Our ability to originate fixed- or adjustable-rate loans is dependent on the relative customer demand for such loans, which is affected by various factors including current market interest rates as well as anticipated future market interest rates. Our loan origination and sales activity may be adversely affected by a rising interest rate environment that typically results in decreased loan demand. A significant portion of our commercial real estate loans and multifamily real estate loans are generated by referrals from loan brokers, accountants, and other professional contacts. Most of our one- to four-family residential real estate loans are generated through referrals from branch personnel. Our home equity loans and lines of credit typically are generated through direct mail advertisements, newspaper advertisements, and referrals from branch personnel.

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We generally retain in our portfolio all adjustable-rate loans we originate, as well as shorter-term, fixed-rate residential loans (terms of 10 years or less). Loans we sell consist primarily of conforming, longer-term, fixed-rate residential loans. We sold no one- to four-family residential real estate loans during the three months ended March 31, 2010 and we sold \$7.4 million of one- to four-family residential real estate loans (generally fixed-rate loans, with terms of 15 years or longer) during the year ended December 31, 2009. We had no loans held-for-sale at March 31, 2010.

We sell our loans without recourse, except for standard representations and warranties provided in secondary market transactions. Currently, we retain the servicing rights on all one- to four-family residential real estate loans we sell. At March 31, 2010, we were servicing loans for others of \$71.7 million of one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. Historically, the origination of loans held for sale and related servicing activity has not been material to our operations. Loan servicing includes collecting and remitting loan payments, accounting for principal and interest, contacting delinquent borrowers, supervising foreclosures and property dispositions in the event of unremedied defaults, making certain insurance and tax payments on behalf of the borrowers and generally administering the loans. We retain a portion of the interest paid by the borrower on the loans we service as consideration for our servicing activities, or, in the case of loans serviced for the State of New York Mortgage Agency, we receive an income tax credit.

During the fourth quarter of 2009, we purchased approximately \$35.4 million in insurance premium loans.

Loan Approval Procedures and Authority. Northfield Bank's lending activities follow written, non-discriminatory underwriting standards established by our board of directors. The loan approval process is intended to assess the borrower's ability to repay the loan and the value of any collateral that will secure the loan. To assess the borrower's ability to repay, we review the borrower's employment and credit history, and information on the historical and projected income and expenses of the borrower.

In underwriting a loan secured by real property, we require an appraisal of the property by an independent licensed appraiser approved by our board of directors. The appraisal is subject to review by an independent third party we hire. We review and inspect properties before disbursement of funds during the term of a construction loan. Generally, management obtains updated appraisals when a loan is deemed impaired. These appraisals may be more limited than those prepared for the underwriting of a new loan. In addition, when we acquire other real estate owned, we generally obtain a current appraisal to substantiate the net carrying value of the asset.

The board of directors of Northfield Bank has established a loan committee to: periodically review and recommend for approval our policies related to lending (collectively, the loan policies) as prepared by management; approve or reject loans meeting certain criteria; and monitor loan quality, including concentrations, and certain other aspects of our lending functions, as applicable. Northfield Bank's lending officers have individual lending authority that is approved by the board of directors. Aggregate lending relationships in amounts up to \$1.0 million that are secured by real estate can be approved by a senior vice president, while aggregate amounts up to \$1.5 million that are secured by real estate can be approved by a senior vice president with the concurrence of our Chief Lending Officer, and aggregate amounts up to \$2.5 million that are secured by real estate can be approved by a senior vice president with the concurrence of our Chief Lending Officer and our Chief Executive Officer. Approval of the loan committee is required for all commercial real estate loans in excess of \$2.5 million and for all multi-family real estate loans in excess of \$4.0 million.

Investments

We conduct investment transactions in accordance with our board approved investment policy which is reviewed at least annually by the asset liability committee, and any changes to the policy are subject to ratification by the full board of directors. This policy dictates that investment decisions give consideration to the safety of the investment, liquidity requirements, potential returns, the ability to provide collateral for pledging requirements, and consistency with our interest rate risk management strategy. Any two of our Treasurer, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and our other two executive vice presidents may approve securities portfolio transactions, within policy requirements. NSB Services Corp.'s and NSB Realty Trust's investment officers execute security

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portfolio transactions in accordance with investment policies that substantially mirror our investment policy. All purchase and sale transactions are reviewed by the asset liability committee at least quarterly.

Our current investment policy permits investments in mortgage-backed securities, including pass-through securities and real estate mortgage investment conduits (REMICs). The investment policy also permits, with certain limitations, investments in debt securities issued by the United States Government, agencies of the United States Government or United States Government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs), asset-backed securities, money market mutual funds, federal funds, investment grade corporate bonds, reverse repurchase agreements, and certificates of deposit.

Northfield Bank's investment policy does not permit investment in municipal bonds, preferred and common stock of other entities including U.S. Government sponsored enterprises or equity securities other than our required investment in the common stock of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, or as permitted for community reinvestment purposes or for the purposes of funding our deferred compensation plan. Northfield-Federal may invest in equity securities of other financial institutions up to certain limitations. As of March 31, 2010, we held no asset-backed securities other than mortgage-backed securities. Our board of directors may change these limitations in the future.

Our current investment policy does not permit hedging through the use of such instruments as financial futures, interest rate options, and swaps.

At the time of purchase, we must designate a security as either held-to-maturity, available-for-sale, or trading, based upon our ability and intent to hold such securities. Trading securities and securities available-for-sale are reported at estimated fair value, and securities held-to-maturity are reported at amortized cost. A periodic review and evaluation of the available-for-sale and held-to-maturity securities portfolios is conducted to determine if the estimated fair value of any security has declined below its carrying value and whether such impairment is other-than-temporary. If such impairment is deemed to be other-than-temporary, the security is written down to a new cost basis and the resulting loss is charged against earnings. The estimated fair values of our securities are obtained from an independent nationally recognized pricing service (see Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Critical Accounting Policies for further discussion). At March 31, 2010, our investment portfolio consisted primarily of mortgage-backed securities guaranteed by GSEs and to a lesser extent private label mortgage-backed securities, mutual funds, corporate securities, and agency bonds. The market for these securities consists primarily of other financial institutions, insurance companies, real estate investment trusts, and mutual funds.

We purchase mortgage-backed securities insured or guaranteed primarily by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, or Ginnie Mae, and to a lesser extent, we acquire securities issued by private companies (private label). We invest in mortgage-backed securities to achieve positive interest rate spreads with minimal administrative expense, and to lower our credit risk as a result of the guarantees provided by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, or Ginnie Mae. In September 2008, the Federal Housing Finance Agency placed Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae into conservatorship. The U.S. Treasury Department has established financing agreements to ensure that Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae meet their obligations to holders of mortgage-backed securities that they have issued or guaranteed.

Mortgage-backed securities are securities sold in the secondary market that are collateralized by pools of mortgages. Certain types of mortgage-backed securities are commonly referred to as pass-through certificates because the principal and interest of the underlying loans is passed through pro rata to investors, net of certain costs, including servicing and guarantee fees, in proportion to an investor's ownership in the entire pool. The issuers of such securities pool mortgages and resell the participation interests in the form of securities to investors. The interest rate of the security is lower than the interest rates of the underlying loans to allow for payment of servicing and guaranty fees. Ginnie Mae, a United States Government agency, and GSEs, such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, may guarantee the payments or guarantee the timely payment of principal and interest to investors.

Mortgage-backed securities are more liquid than individual mortgage loans since there is a more active market for such securities. In addition, mortgage-backed securities may be used to collateralize our specific

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liabilities and obligations. Investments in mortgage-backed securities issued or guaranteed by GSEs involve a risk that actual payments will be greater or less than estimated at the time of purchase, which may require adjustments to the amortization of any premium or accretion of any discount relating to such interests, thereby affecting the net yield on our securities. We periodically review current prepayment speeds to determine whether prepayment estimates require modification that could cause adjustment of amortization or accretion.

We invest in certain mortgage-backed securities (which we refer to as REMICs) that are issued by special-purpose entities that aggregate pools of mortgages and mortgage-backed securities and create different classes of securities with varying maturities and amortization schedules, as well as a residual interest, with each class possessing different risk characteristics. The cash flows from the underlying collateral are generally divided into tranches or classes that have descending priorities with respect to the distribution of principal and interest cash flows, while cash flows on pass-through mortgage-backed securities are distributed pro rata to all security holders.

The timely payment of principal and interest on these REMICs is generally supported (credit enhanced) in varying degrees by either insurance issued by a financial guarantee insurer, letters of credit, over collateralization, or subordination techniques. Substantially all of these securities are rated AAA by Standard & Poors or Moodys at the time of purchase. Privately issued REMICs and pass-throughs can be subject to certain credit-related risks normally not associated with U.S. Government agency and U.S. Government-sponsored enterprise mortgage-backed securities. The loss protection generally provided by the various forms of credit enhancements is limited, and losses in excess of certain levels are not protected. Furthermore, the credit enhancement itself may be subject to the creditworthiness of the credit enhancer. Thus, in the event a credit enhancer does not fulfill its obligations, the holder could be subject to risk of loss similar to a purchaser of a whole loan pool. Management believes that the credit enhancements are adequate to protect us from material losses on our privately issued mortgage-backed securities.

At March 31, 2010, our corporate bond portfolio consisted of \$136.7 million of short-term investment grade securities. Our investment policy provides that we may invest up to 15% of our tier-one risk-based capital in corporate bonds from individual issuers which, at the time of purchase, are within the three highest investment-grade ratings from Standard & Poors or Moodys. The maturity of these bonds may not exceed 10 years, and there is no aggregate limit for this security type. Corporate bonds from individual issuers with investment-grade ratings, at the time of purchase, below the top three ratings are limited to the lesser of 1% of our total assets or 15% of our tier-one risk-based capital and must have a maturity of less than one year. Aggregate holdings of this security type cannot exceed 5% of our total assets. Bonds that subsequently experience a decline in credit rating below investment grade are monitored at least monthly.

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The following tables set forth the amortized cost and estimated fair value of our available-for-sale and held-to-maturity securities portfolios (excluding Federal Home Loan Bank of New York common stock) at the dates indicated. As of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, 2008, and 2007, we also had a trading portfolio with a market value of \$3.7 million, \$3.4 million, \$2.5 million and \$3.6 million, respectively, consisting of mutual funds quoted in actively traded markets. These securities are utilized to fund non-qualified deferred compensation obligations.

	At March 31, 2010		2009		At December 31, 2008		2007	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Securities								
available-for-sale:								
Mortgage-backed securities:								
Pass-through certificates:								
GSEs	\$ 366,089	\$ 381,723	\$ 404,128	\$ 418,060	\$ 532,870	\$ 546,244	\$ 491,758	\$ 486,562
Non-GSEs	56,696	55,969	65,363	62,466	65,040	55,778	29,200	28,867
REMICs:								
GSEs	395,438	400,238	344,150	349,088	242,557	245,492	171,709	171,207
Non-GSEs	101,799	105,627	111,756	114,194	90,446	83,695	36,141	36,522
Equity investments								
(1)	5,560	5,623	21,820	21,872	9,025	9,025	14,427	14,412
GSE bonds	129,937	130,291	28,994	28,983				
Corporate bonds	134,026	136,724	134,595	137,140	17,319	17,351	65,146	65,247
Total securities available-for-sale								
	\$ 1,189,545	\$ 1,216,195	\$ 1,110,806	\$ 1,131,803	\$ 957,257	\$ 957,585	\$ 808,381	\$ 802,817

(1) Consists of mutual funds.

	At March 31, 2010		2009		At December 31, 2008		2007	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Securities								
held-to-maturity:								
Mortgage-backed securities:								
Pass-through certificates:								

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GSEs	\$ 869	\$ 903	\$ 874	\$ 901	\$ 6,132	\$ 6,273	\$ 9,206	\$ 9,320
REMICs:								
GSEs	5,351	5,529	5,866	6,029	8,347	8,315	10,480	10,120
Total securities held-to-maturity	\$ 6,220	\$ 6,432	\$ 6,740	\$ 6,930	\$ 14,479	\$ 14,588	\$ 19,686	\$ 19,440

The following table sets forth the amortized cost and estimated fair value of securities investments as of March 31, 2010 that exceeded 10% of our stockholders' equity as of that date.

	At March 31, 2010	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Mortgage-backed securities:		
Fannie Mae	\$ 290,048	\$ 301,421
Freddie Mac	\$ 449,858	\$ 458,537
JP Morgan Chase	\$ 60,309	\$ 61,882
Direct obligations:		
Fannie Mae	\$ 59,947	\$ 60,137
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York	\$ 41,619	\$ 41,449

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Portfolio Maturities and Yields. The composition and maturities of the investment securities portfolio at March 31, 2010, are summarized in the following table. Maturities are based on the final contractual payment dates, and do not reflect the effect of scheduled principal repayments, prepayments, or early redemptions that may occur. All of our securities at March 31, 2010, were taxable securities.

	One Year or Less		More than One Year through Five Years		More than Five Years through Ten Years		More than Ten Years		Total		
	Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average		
	Amortized Cost	Yield	Amortized Cost	Yield	Amortized Cost	Yield	Amortized Cost	Yield	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Yield
	(Dollars in thousands)										
Securities available-for-sale:											
Mortgage-backed securities:											
Pass-through certificates:											
GSEs	\$		\$ 126,043	4.21%	\$ 179,621	4.47%	\$ 60,425	4.92%	\$ 366,089	\$ 381,723	4.45%
Non-GSEs			%		% 23,543	5.04%	33,153	5.21%	56,696	55,969	5.14%
REMICs:											
GSEs			% 200,155	1.47%	73,291	2.86%	121,992	3.81%	395,438	400,238	2.45%
Non-GSEs			%		% 84,093	4.96%	17,706	2.52%	101,799	105,627	4.54%
Equity investments	5,560	4.37%							5,560	5,623	4.37%
GSE bonds			% 129,937	2.35%					129,937	130,291	2.35%
Corporate bonds	27,127	2.85%	106,899	2.80%					134,026	136,724	2.81%
Total securities available-for-sale	\$ 32,687	3.11%	\$ 563,034	2.02%	\$ 360,548	3.71%	\$ 233,276	2.21%	\$ 1,189,545	\$ 1,216,195	2.60%
Securities held-to-maturity:											
Mortgage-backed securities:											
Pass-through certificates:											
GSEs	\$		%\$		%\$		%\$ 869	5.36%	\$ 869	\$ 903	5.36%
REMICs:			%		%		% 5,351	3.78%	5,351	5,529	3.78%
Total securities held-to-maturity	\$		%\$		%\$		%\$ 6,220	4.00%	\$ 6,220	\$ 6,432	4.00%

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General. Deposits traditionally have been our primary source of funds for our investment and lending activities. We also borrow from the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York and other financial institutions to supplement cash flow needs, to lengthen the maturities of liabilities for interest rate risk management purposes, and to manage our cost of funds. Our additional sources of funds are the proceeds of loan sales, scheduled loan payments, maturing investments, loan prepayments, and retained income on other earning assets.

Deposits. We accept deposits primarily from the areas in which our offices are located. We rely on our convenient locations, customer service, and competitive products and pricing to attract and retain deposits. We offer a variety of deposit accounts with a range of interest rates and terms. Our deposit accounts consist of transaction accounts (NOW and non-interest bearing checking accounts), savings accounts (money market, passbook, and statement savings), and certificates of deposit, including individual retirement accounts. We accept brokered deposits (through the CDARS program) on a limited basis. At March 31, 2010, we had brokered certificates of deposit totaling \$136.7 million.

Interest rates offered generally are established weekly, while maturity terms, service fees, and withdrawal penalties are reviewed on a periodic basis. Deposit rates and terms are based primarily on current operating strategies and market interest rates, liquidity requirements, and our deposit growth goals.

At March 31, 2010, we had a total of \$626.2 million in certificates of deposit, of which \$525.5 million had remaining maturities of one year or less. Based on our experience and current pricing strategy, we believe we will retain a significant portion of these accounts at maturity.

The following tables set forth the distribution of our average total deposit accounts, by account type, for the periods indicated.

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,					
	2010			2009		
	Average Balance	Percent	Weighted Average Rate (Dollars in thousands)	Average Balance	Percent	Weighted Average Rate
Non-interest bearing						
demand	\$ 109,640	8.21%	%	\$ 94,185	8.83%	%
NOW	65,038	4.87	1.55	45,629	4.28	1.31
Money market accounts	208,181	15.58	1.26	121,778	11.41	1.41
Savings	364,281	27.27	0.58	356,479	33.41	1.21
Certificates of deposit	588,675	44.07	1.74	448,761	42.07	3.00
Total deposits	\$ 1,335,815	100.00%	1.20%	\$ 1,066,832	100.00%	1.88%

	For the Year Ended December 31,					
	2009			2008		
	Average Balance	Percent	Weighted Average Rate (Dollars in thousands)	Average Balance	Percent	Weighted Average Rate
Non-interest bearing						
demand	\$ 99,950	8.50%	%	\$ 94,499	10.41%	%
NOW	51,336	4.36	1.48	63,512	7.00	1.97
Money market accounts	157,620	13.40	1.56	64,444	7.10	2.95
Savings	357,938	30.43	0.79	317,426	34.97	0.86

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Certificates of deposit	509,610	43.31	2.39	367,806	40.52	3.44
Total deposits	\$ 1,176,454	100.00%	1.55%	\$ 907,687	100.00%	2.04%

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	For the Year Ended December 31, 2007		Weighted Average Rate
	Average Balance	Percent	
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Non-interest bearing demand NOW	\$ 96,796	9.57%	%
Money market accounts	46,436	4.60	1.93
Savings accounts	2,773	0.27	2.38
Certificates of deposit	401,003	39.64	0.65
	464,552	45.92	4.35
 Total deposits	 \$ 1,011,560	 100.00%	 2.35%

As of March 31, 2010, the aggregate amount of our outstanding certificates of deposit in amounts equal to \$100,000 or more was \$339.8 million. The following table sets forth the maturity of these certificates at March 31, 2010.

	At March 31, 2010 (In thousands)
Three months or less	\$ 189,950
Over three months through six months	92,494
Over six months through one year	27,072
Over one year to three years	8,610
Over three years	21,678
 Total	 \$ 339,804

Borrowings. Our borrowings consist primarily of securities sold under agreements to repurchase (repurchase agreements) with third party financial institutions, as well as advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, and the Federal Reserve Bank. As of March 31, 2010, our repurchase agreements totaled \$244.7 million, or 14.38% of total liabilities, our capitalized lease obligations totaled \$2.1 million, or 0.12% of total liabilities, and our Federal Home Loan Bank advances totaled \$46.3 million, or 2.72% of total liabilities. At March 31, 2010, we had the ability to borrow an additional \$200 million under our existing credit facilities with the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York. Repurchase agreements are primarily secured by mortgage-backed securities. Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York are secured by our investment in the common stock of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York as well by pledged mortgage-backed securities.

The following table sets forth information concerning balances and interest rates on our borrowings at and for the periods indicated:

At or For the Three Months Ended March 31,		At or For the Years Ended December 31,		
2010	2009	2009	2008	2007
(Dollars in thousands)				

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Balance at end of period	\$293,060	\$281,017	\$279,424	\$332,084	\$124,420
Average balance during period	\$311,798	\$304,513	\$297,365	\$277,227	\$127,926
Maximum outstanding at any month end	\$336,089	\$323,822	\$345,506	\$382,107	\$156,459
Weighted average interest rate at end of period	3.45%	3.67%	3.63%	3.70%	4.12%
Average interest rate during period	3.26%	3.68%	3.62%	3.51%	3.97%

Employees

As of March 31, 2010, we had 204 full-time employees and 33 part-time employees. Our employees are not represented by any collective bargaining group. Management believes that we have a good working relationship with our employees.

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Subsidiary Activities

Northfield-Federal owns 100% of Northfield Investment, Inc., an inactive New Jersey investment company, and 100% of Northfield Bank. Northfield Bank owns 100% of NSB Services Corp., a Delaware corporation, which in turn owns 100% of the voting common stock of NSB Realty Trust. NSB Realty Trust is a Maryland real estate investment trust that holds mortgage loans, mortgage-backed securities and other investments. These entities enable us to segregate certain assets for management purposes, and promote our ability to raise regulatory capital in the future through the sale of preferred stock or other capital-enhancing securities or borrow against assets or stock of these entities for liquidity purposes. At March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank's investment in NSB Services Corp. was \$580.6 million, and NSB Services Corp. had assets of \$580.8 million and liabilities of \$141,000 at that date. At March 31, 2010, NSB Services Corp.'s investment in NSB Realty Trust was \$584.9 million, and NSB Realty Trust had \$584.9 million in assets, and liabilities of \$24,000 at that date. NSB Insurance Agency, Inc. is a New York corporation that receives nominal commissions from the sale of life insurance by employees of Northfield Bank.

Legal Proceedings

In the normal course of business, we may be party to various outstanding legal proceedings and claims. In the opinion of management, the consolidated financial statements will not be materially affected by the outcome of such legal proceedings and claims as of March 31, 2010.

Expense and Tax Allocation Agreements

Northfield Bank will enter into an agreement with Northfield-Delaware to provide it with certain administrative support services, whereby Northfield Bank will be compensated at not less than the fair market value of the services provided. In addition, Northfield Bank and Northfield-Delaware will enter into an agreement to establish a method for allocating and for reimbursing the payment of their consolidated tax liability.

Properties

We operate from our home office in Staten Island, New York, our operations center located at 581 Main Street, Woodbridge, New Jersey, and our additional 17 branch offices located in New York and New Jersey. Our branch offices are located in the New York Counties of Richmond, and Kings and the New Jersey Counties of Middlesex and Union. We also have a customer service center in Lawrenceville, Georgia related to insurance premium financing. The net book value of our premises, land, and equipment was \$13.1 million at March 31, 2010.

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The following table sets forth information with respect to our full-service banking offices and our loan centers, including the expiration date of leases with respect to leased facilities.

Avenel 1410 St. Georges Ave. Avenel, New Jersey 07001 3/31/2035	Bay Ridge 8512 Third Ave. Brooklyn, New York 11209 10/31/2025	Bay Street 385 Bay St. Staten Island, New York 10301 1/31/2027
Bulls Head 1497 Richmond Ave. Staten Island, New York 10314 3/31/2037	Castleton Corners (Northfield Bank main office) 1731 Victory Blvd. Staten Island, New York 10314	East Brunswick 755 State Highway 18 East Brunswick, New Jersey 08816 6/30/2013
Eltingville 4355 Amboy Rd. Staten Island, New York 10312 7/5/2018	Forest Avenue Shoppers Town 1481 Forest Ave. Staten Island, New York 10302 11/5/2016	Greenridge 3227 Richmond Ave. Staten Island, New York 10312 12/31/2015
Linden 501 N. Wood Ave. Linden, New Jersey 07036 3/1/2029	Milltown 336 Ryders Lane Milltown, New Jersey 08850 9/30/2040	Monroe Township 1600 Perrineville Rd. Monroe, New Jersey 08831 3/1/2024
New Dorp Shopping Center 2706 Hylan Blvd. Staten Island, New York 10306 9/30/2010	Pathmark Shopping Mall 1351 Forest Ave. Staten Island, New York 10302 10/21/2016	Pleasant Plains 6420 Amboy Rd. Staten Island, New York 10309 5/31/2032
Prince s Bay 5775 Amboy Rd. Staten Island, New York 10309	Rahway 1515 Irving St. Rahway, New Jersey 07065	West Brighton 519 Forest Ave. Staten Island, New York 10310 6/30/2056
Commercial Loan Center 8517 Fourth Ave., 2 nd Floor Brooklyn, New York 11209 9/30/2013	Woodbridge (corporate headquarters) 581 Main St. Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095 6/30/2018	Premium Finance Loan Center 3169 Holcomb Bridge Road Norcross, Georgia 30071 4/30/2012

SUPERVISION AND REGULATION**General**

Northfield Bank is examined and supervised by the Office of Thrift Supervision and is subject to examination by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. This regulation and supervision establishes a comprehensive framework of activities in which an institution may engage and is intended primarily for the protection of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's deposit insurance fund and depositors. Under this system of federal regulation, financial institutions are periodically examined to ensure that they satisfy applicable standards with respect to their capital adequacy, assets, management, earnings, liquidity and sensitivity to market interest rates. Following completion of its examination, the federal agency critiques the institution's operations and assigns its rating (known as an institution's CAMELS rating). Under federal law, an institution may not disclose its CAMELS rating to the public. Northfield

Bank also is a member of and owns stock in the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, which is one of the twelve regional banks in the Federal Home Loan Bank System. Northfield Bank is also regulated to a lesser extent by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, governing reserves to

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be maintained against deposits and other matters. The Office of Thrift Supervision examines Northfield Bank and prepares reports for the consideration of its board of directors on any operating deficiencies. Northfield Bank's relationship with its depositors and borrowers is also regulated to a great extent by federal law and, to a much lesser extent, state law, especially in matters concerning the ownership of deposit accounts and the form and content of Northfield Bank's mortgage documents.

Any change in these laws or regulations, whether by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Office of Thrift Supervision or Congress, could have a material adverse impact on Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank and their operations.

As a savings and loan holding company following the conversion, Northfield-Delaware will be required to comply with the rules and regulations of the Office of Thrift Supervision, and will be required to file certain reports with and will be subject to examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision. Northfield-Delaware will also be subject to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the federal securities laws.

Set forth below is a brief description of certain regulatory requirements that are or will be applicable to Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank. The description below is limited to certain material aspects of the statutes and regulations addressed, and is not intended to be a complete description of such statutes and regulations and their effects on Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank.

Proposed Federal Legislation

Legislation has been introduced in Congress that would implement sweeping changes to the current bank regulatory structure. The most recent bill passed by the U.S. Senate would eliminate our current primary federal regulator, the Office of Thrift Supervision, and require Northfield Bank to be regulated by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the primary federal regulator for national banks). The Senate bill also provides that the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System would be responsible for supervising and regulating savings and loan holding companies like Northfield-Delaware, in addition to bank holding companies which it currently regulates. If the Federal Reserve Board's current regulations applied to savings and loan holding companies like Northfield-Delaware, Northfield-Delaware would become subject to bank holding company capital requirements to which it is not currently subject. These capital requirements are substantially similar to the capital requirements currently applicable to Northfield Bank, as described in Federal Banking Regulation Capital Requirements. The Senate bill also requires the bank regulators to set minimum capital levels for holding companies that are as strong as those required for the insured depository subsidiaries, but the components of Tier 1 capital would be restricted to capital instruments that are currently considered to be Tier 1 capital for insured depository institutions. This would effectively eliminate the ability of bank holding companies to include trust preferred securities or subordinated debt as Tier 1 capital.

The proposed legislation would also create a new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau with broad powers to supervise and enforce consumer protection laws. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau would have broad rule-making authority for a wide range of consumer protection laws that would apply to all banks and savings institutions such as Northfield Bank, including the authority to prohibit unfair, deceptive or abusive acts and practices. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau would have examination and enforcement authority over all banks and savings institutions with more than \$10 billion in assets. Under the Senate bill, banks and savings institutions with \$10 billion or less in assets would be examined by their applicable bank regulators. The new legislation would also weaken the federal preemption available for national banks and federal savings associations, and would give state attorneys general the ability to enforce applicable consumer laws.

The proposed legislation would also broaden the base for Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance assessments to be the average consolidated total assets less tangible equity capital of a financial institution, and restrict bank proprietary trading in securities. Lastly, the proposed legislation would increase stockholder influence over boards of directors by requiring companies to give stockholders a non-binding vote on executive compensation, and allow stockholders to nominate their own candidates using a company's proxy ballots. Public companies would also be required to adopt majority voting for the election of directors, and the Federal Reserve Board would be

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directed to promulgate rules prohibiting excessive compensation paid to bank holding company executives, regardless of whether the company is publicly traded or not.

Federal Banking Regulation

Business Activities. A federal savings bank derives its lending and investment powers from the Home Owners Loan Act, as amended, and the regulations of the Office of Thrift Supervision. Under these laws and regulations, Northfield Bank may invest in mortgage loans secured by residential and nonresidential real estate, commercial business loans and consumer loans, certain types of debt securities and certain other assets, subject to applicable limits. Northfield Bank also may establish subsidiaries that may engage in activities not otherwise permissible for Northfield Bank, including real estate investment and securities and insurance brokerage.

Capital Requirements. Office of Thrift Supervision regulations require savings banks to meet three minimum capital standards: a 1.5% tangible capital ratio, a 4% leverage ratio (3% for savings banks receiving the highest rating on the CAMELS rating system) and an 8% risk-based capital ratio.

The risk-based capital standard for savings banks requires the maintenance of Tier 1 (core) and total capital (which is defined as core capital and supplementary capital) to risk-weighted assets of at least 4% and 8%, respectively. In determining the amount of risk-weighted assets, all assets, including certain off-balance sheet assets, are multiplied by a risk-weight factor of 0% to 100%, assigned by the Office of Thrift Supervision, based on the risks believed inherent in the type of asset. Core capital is defined as common stockholders' equity (including retained earnings), certain noncumulative perpetual preferred stock and related surplus and minority interests in equity accounts of consolidated subsidiaries, less intangibles other than certain mortgage servicing rights and credit card relationships. The components of supplementary capital currently include cumulative preferred stock, long-term perpetual preferred stock, mandatory convertible securities, subordinated debt and intermediate preferred stock, the allowance for loan and lease losses limited to a maximum of 1.25% of risk-weighted assets and up to 45% of net unrealized gains on available-for-sale equity securities with readily determinable fair values. Overall, the amount of supplementary capital included as part of total capital cannot exceed 100% of core capital. Additionally, a savings bank that retains credit risk in connection with an asset sale may be required to maintain additional regulatory capital because of the purchaser's recourse to the savings bank. Northfield Bank does not typically engage in asset sales.

At March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank's capital exceeded all applicable requirements.

Loans-to-One Borrower. Generally, a federal savings bank may not make a loan or extend credit to a single or related group of borrowers in excess of 15% of unimpaired capital and surplus. An additional amount may be loaned, equal to 10% of unimpaired capital and surplus, if the loan is secured by readily marketable collateral, which generally does not include real estate. As of March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank was in compliance with the loans-to-one borrower limitations.

Qualified Thrift Lender Test. As a federal savings bank, Northfield Bank must satisfy the qualified thrift lender, or QTL, test. Under the QTL test, Northfield Bank must maintain at least 65% of its portfolio assets in qualified thrift investments in at least nine months of the most recent 12 months. Portfolio assets generally means total assets of a savings institution, less the sum of specified liquid assets up to 20% of total assets, goodwill and other intangible assets, and the value of property used in the conduct of the savings bank's business.

Qualified thrift investments include various types of loans made for residential and housing purposes, investments related to such purposes, including certain mortgage-backed and related securities, and loans for personal, family, household and certain other purposes up to a limit of 20% of portfolio assets. Qualified thrift investments also include 100% of an institution's credit card loans, education loans and small business loans. Northfield Bank also may satisfy the QTL test by qualifying as a domestic building and loan association as defined in the Internal Revenue Code.

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A savings bank that fails the qualified thrift lender test must either convert to a bank charter or operate under specified restrictions. At March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank held 75.1% of its portfolio assets in qualified thrift investments, and satisfied this test.

Capital Distributions. Office of Thrift Supervision regulations govern capital distributions by a federal savings bank, which include cash dividends, stock repurchases and other transactions charged to the capital account. A savings bank must file an application for approval of a capital distribution if:

the total capital distributions for the applicable calendar year exceed the sum of the savings bank's net income for that year to date plus the savings bank's retained net income for the preceding two years;

the savings bank would not be at least adequately capitalized following the distribution;

the distribution would violate any applicable statute, regulation, agreement or Office of Thrift Supervision-imposed condition; or

the savings bank is not eligible for expedited treatment of its filings.

Even if an application is not otherwise required, every savings bank that is a subsidiary of a holding company must still file a notice with the Office of Thrift Supervision at least 30 days before the board of directors declares a dividend or approves a capital distribution.

The Office of Thrift Supervision may disapprove a notice or application if:

the savings bank would be undercapitalized following the distribution;

the proposed capital distribution raises safety and soundness concerns; or

the capital distribution would violate a prohibition contained in any statute, regulation or agreement.

In addition, the Federal Deposit Insurance Act provides that an insured depository institution may not make any capital distribution, if after making such distribution the institution would be undercapitalized.

Liquidity. A federal savings bank is required to maintain a sufficient amount of liquid assets to ensure its safe and sound operation.

Community Reinvestment Act and Fair Lending Laws. All savings banks have a responsibility under the Community Reinvestment Act and related regulations of the Office of Thrift Supervision to help meet the credit needs of their communities, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. In connection with its examination of a federal savings bank, the Office of Thrift Supervision is required to assess the association's record of compliance with the Community Reinvestment Act. In addition, the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and the Fair Housing Act prohibit lenders from discriminating in their lending practices on the basis of characteristics specified in those statutes. An association's failure to comply with the provisions of the Community Reinvestment Act could, at a minimum, result in denial of certain corporate applications such as branches or mergers, or in restrictions on its activities. The failure to comply with the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and the Fair Housing Act could result in enforcement actions by the Office of Thrift Supervision, as well as other federal regulatory agencies and the Department of Justice. Northfield Bank received a satisfactory Community Reinvestment Act rating in its most recent federal examination.

Transactions with Related Parties. A federal savings bank's authority to engage in transactions with its affiliates is limited by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations and by Sections 23A and 23B of the Federal Reserve Act and its implementing Regulation W. An affiliate is a company that controls, is controlled by, or is under

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common control with an insured depository institution such as Northfield Bank. Northfield-Delaware will be an affiliate of Northfield Bank. In general, loan transactions between an insured depository institution and its affiliate are subject to certain quantitative and collateral requirements. In this regard, transactions between an insured depository institution and its affiliate are limited to 10% of the institution's unimpaired capital and unimpaired surplus for transactions with any one affiliate and 20% of unimpaired capital and unimpaired surplus for transactions in the aggregate with all affiliates. Collateral in specified amounts ranging from 100% to 130% of the amount of the transaction must usually be provided by affiliates in order to receive loans from the association. In addition, Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit a savings bank from lending to any of its affiliates that are engaged in activities that are not permissible for bank holding companies and from purchasing the securities of any affiliate, other than a subsidiary. Finally, transactions with affiliates must be consistent with safe and sound banking practices, not involve low-quality assets and be on terms that are as favorable to the institution as comparable transactions with non-affiliates. The Office of Thrift Supervision requires savings banks to maintain detailed records of all transactions with affiliates.

Northfield Bank's authority to extend credit to its directors, executive officers and 10% stockholders, as well as to entities controlled by such persons, is currently governed by the requirements of Sections 22(g) and 22(h) of the Federal Reserve Act and Regulation O of the Federal Reserve Board. Among other things, these provisions require that extensions of credit to insiders (i) be made on terms that are substantially the same as, and follow credit underwriting procedures that are not less stringent than, those prevailing for comparable transactions with unaffiliated persons and that do not involve more than the normal risk of repayment or present other unfavorable features, and (ii) not exceed certain limitations on the amount of credit extended to such persons, individually and in the aggregate, which limits are based, in part, on the amount of Northfield Bank's capital. In addition, extensions of credit in excess of certain limits must be approved by Northfield Bank's board of directors.

Enforcement. The Office of Thrift Supervision has primary enforcement responsibility over federal savings institutions and has the authority to bring enforcement action against all institution-affiliated parties, including stockholders, and attorneys, appraisers and accountants who knowingly or recklessly participate in wrongful action likely to have an adverse effect on an insured institution. Formal enforcement action by the Office of Thrift Supervision may range from the issuance of a capital directive or cease and desist order, to removal of officers and/or directors of the institution and the appointment of a receiver or conservator. Civil penalties cover a wide range of violations and actions, and range up to \$25,000 per day, unless a finding of reckless disregard is made, in which case penalties may be as high as \$1 million per day. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation also has the authority to terminate deposit insurance or to recommend to the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision that enforcement action be taken with respect to a particular savings institution. If action is not taken by the Director, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has authority to take action under specified circumstances.

Standards for Safety and Soundness. Federal law requires each federal banking agency to prescribe certain standards for all insured depository institutions. These standards relate to, among other things, internal controls, information systems and audit systems, loan documentation, credit underwriting, interest rate risk exposure, asset growth, compensation, and other operational and managerial standards as the agency deems appropriate. The federal banking agencies adopted Interagency Guidelines Prescribing Standards for Safety and Soundness to implement the safety and soundness standards required under federal law. The guidelines set forth the safety and soundness standards that the federal banking agencies use to identify and address problems at insured depository institutions before capital becomes impaired. The guidelines address internal controls and information systems, internal audit systems, credit underwriting, loan documentation, interest rate risk exposure, asset growth, compensation, fees and benefits. If the appropriate federal banking agency determines that an institution fails to meet any standard prescribed by the guidelines, the agency may require the institution to submit to the agency an acceptable plan to achieve compliance with the standard. If an institution fails to meet these standards, the appropriate federal banking agency may require the institution to submit a compliance plan.

Prompt Corrective Action Regulations. Under the prompt corrective action regulations, the Office of Thrift Supervision is required and authorized to take supervisory actions against undercapitalized savings banks. For this purpose, a savings bank is placed in one of the following five categories based on the savings bank's capital:

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well-capitalized (at least 5% leverage capital, 6% Tier 1 risk-based capital and 10% total risk-based capital);

adequately capitalized (at least 4% leverage capital (3% for savings banks with a composite examination rating of 1), 4% Tier 1 risk-based capital and 8% total risk-based capital);

undercapitalized (less than 4% leverage capital (3% for savings banks with a composite examination rating of 1), 4% Tier 1 risk-based capital or 3% leverage capital);

significantly undercapitalized (less than 6% total risk-based capital, 3% Tier 1 risk-based capital or 3% leverage capital); or

critically undercapitalized (less than 2% tangible capital).

Generally, the Office of Thrift Supervision is required to appoint a receiver or conservator for a savings bank that is critically undercapitalized within specific time frames. The regulations also provide that a capital restoration plan must be filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision within 45 days of the date a savings bank receives notice that it is undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized or critically undercapitalized. The criteria for an acceptable capital restoration plan include, among other things, the establishment of the methodology and assumptions for attaining adequately capitalized status on an annual basis, procedures for ensuring compliance with restrictions imposed by applicable federal regulations, the identification of the types and levels of activities in which the savings bank will engage while the capital restoration plan is in effect, and assurances that the capital restoration plan will not appreciably increase the current risk profile of the savings bank. Any holding company for the savings bank required to submit a capital restoration plan must guarantee the lesser of: an amount equal to 5% of a savings bank's assets at the time it was notified or deemed to be undercapitalized by the Office of Thrift Supervision, or the amount necessary to restore the savings bank to adequately capitalized status. This guarantee remains in place until the Office of Thrift Supervision notifies the savings bank that it has maintained adequately capitalized status for each of four consecutive calendar quarters, and the Office of Thrift Supervision has the authority to require payment and collect payment under the guarantee. Failure by a holding company to provide the required guarantee will result in certain operating restrictions on the savings bank, such as restrictions on the ability to declare and pay dividends, pay executive compensation and management fees, and increase assets or expand operations. The Office of Thrift Supervision may also take any one of a number of discretionary supervisory actions against undercapitalized savings banks, including the issuance of a capital directive and the replacement of senior executive officers and directors.

At March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank met the criteria for being considered well-capitalized.

Insurance of Deposit Accounts. In October 2008, deposit insurance by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation was increased to a maximum of \$250,000 per depositor. On January 1, 2014, the maximum insurance amount will return to \$100,000 per depositor for all deposit accounts except certain retirement accounts, which will remain at \$250,000 per depositor. In addition, under the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's Transaction Account Guarantee Program, most of our non-interest-bearing transaction accounts are guaranteed regardless of amount until June 30, 2010.

Pursuant to the Federal Deposit Insurance Reform Act of 2005 (the Reform Act), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation is authorized to set the reserve ratio for the Deposit Insurance Fund annually at between 1.15% and 1.5% of estimated insured deposits. As of June 30, 2008, the reserve ratio had decreased to 1.01% as a result of bank failures. As part of a plan to restore the reserve ratio to 1.15%, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation imposed a special assessment on all insured institutions equal to five basis points of assets less Tier 1 capital as of June 30, 2009, which was payable on September 30, 2009. In addition, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has increased its quarterly deposit insurance assessment rates and amended the method by which rates are calculated. Beginning in the second quarter of 2009, institutions are assigned an initial base assessment rate ranging from 12 to 45 basis points of deposits depending on risk category. The initial base assessment is then

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adjusted based upon the level of unsecured debt, secured liabilities and brokered deposits, to establish a total base assessment rate ranging from seven to 77.5 basis points.

On November 12, 2009, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation approved a final rule requiring insured depository institutions to prepay on December 30, 2009, their estimated quarterly risk-based assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009, and for all of 2010, 2011, and 2012. Estimated assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009 and for all of 2010 are based upon the assessment rate in effect on September 30, 2009, with three basis points added for the 2011 and 2012 assessment rates. In addition, a 5% annual growth in the assessment base is assumed. Prepaid assessments are to be applied against the actual quarterly assessments until exhausted, and may not be applied to any special assessments that may occur in the future. Any unused prepayments will be returned to the institution on June 30, 2013. On December 30, 2009, we prepaid \$5.7 million in estimated assessment fees for the fourth quarter of 2009 through 2012. Because the prepaid assessments represent the prepayment of future expense, they do not affect our regulatory capital (the prepaid asset will have a risk-weighting of 0%) or tax obligations.

Insurance of deposits may be terminated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation upon a finding that an institution has engaged in unsafe or unsound practices, is in an unsafe or unsound condition to continue operations or has violated any applicable law, regulation, rule, order or condition imposed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. We do not believe we are taking or are subject to any action, condition or violation that could lead to termination of our deposit insurance.

In addition to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation assessments, the Financing Corporation (FICO) is authorized to impose and collect, with the approval of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, assessments for anticipated payments, issuance costs and custodial fees on bonds issued by the FICO in the 1980s to recapitalize the former Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation. The bonds issued by the FICO are due to mature in 2017 through 2019. For the quarter ended March 31, 2010, the annualized FICO assessment was equal to 1.06 basis points for each \$100 in domestic deposits maintained at an institution.

Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program provides full federal deposit insurance coverage for non-interest bearing transaction deposit accounts, regardless of dollar amount, until December 31, 2010. Effective June 30, 2010, we opted not to participate in this component of the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program.

Prohibitions Against Tying Arrangements. Federal savings banks are prohibited, subject to some exceptions, from extending credit to or offering any other service, or fixing or varying the consideration for such extension of credit or service, on the condition that the customer obtain some additional service from the institution or its affiliates or not obtain services of a competitor of the institution.

Federal Home Loan Bank System. Northfield Bank is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System, which consists of 12 regional Federal Home Loan Banks. The Federal Home Loan Bank System provides a central credit facility primarily for member institutions as well as other entities involved in home mortgage lending. As a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, Northfield Bank is required to acquire and hold shares of capital stock in the Federal Home Loan Bank. As of March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank was in compliance with this requirement.

Federal Reserve System

Federal Reserve Board regulations require savings banks to maintain noninterest-earning reserves against their transaction accounts, such as negotiable order of withdrawal and regular checking accounts. At March 31, 2010, Northfield Bank was in compliance with these reserve requirements.

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Other Regulations

Interest and other charges collected or contracted for by Northfield Bank are subject to state usury laws and federal laws concerning interest rates. Northfield Bank's operations are also subject to federal laws applicable to credit transactions, such as the:

Truth-In-Lending Act, governing disclosures of credit terms to consumer borrowers;

Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, requiring financial institutions to provide information to enable the public and public officials to determine whether a financial institution is fulfilling its obligation to help meet the housing needs of the community it serves;

Equal Credit Opportunity Act, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, creed or other prohibited factors in extending credit;

Fair Credit Reporting Act, governing the use and provision of information to credit reporting agencies;

Fair Debt Collection Act, governing the manner in which consumer debts may be collected by collection agencies;

Truth in Savings Act; and

Rules and regulations of the various federal agencies charged with the responsibility of implementing such federal laws.

The operations of Northfield Bank also are subject to the:

Right to Financial Privacy Act, which imposes a duty to maintain confidentiality of consumer financial records and prescribes procedures for complying with administrative subpoenas of financial records;

Electronic Funds Transfer Act and Regulation E promulgated thereunder, which govern automatic deposits to and withdrawals from deposit accounts and customers' rights and liabilities arising from the use of automated teller machines and other electronic banking services;

Check Clearing for the 21st Century Act (also known as Check 21), which gives substitute checks, such as digital check images and copies made from that image, the same legal standing as the original paper check;

The USA PATRIOT Act, which requires savings banks to, among other things, establish broadened anti-money laundering compliance programs, and due diligence policies and controls to ensure the detection and reporting of money laundering. Such required compliance programs are intended to supplement existing compliance requirements that also apply to financial institutions under the Bank Secrecy Act and the Office of Foreign Assets Control regulations; and

The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, which places limitations on the sharing of consumer financial information by financial institutions with unaffiliated third parties. Specifically, the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act requires all financial institutions offering financial products or services to retail customers to provide such customers with the financial institution's privacy policy and provide such customers the opportunity to opt out of the sharing of certain personal financial information with unaffiliated third parties.

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Holding Company Regulation

Upon completion of the conversion, Northfield-Delaware will be a unitary savings and loan holding company, subject to regulation and supervision by the Office of Thrift Supervision. The Office of Thrift Supervision will have enforcement authority over Northfield-Delaware and its non-savings institution subsidiaries. Among other things, this authority permits the Office of Thrift Supervision to restrict or prohibit activities that are determined to be a risk to Northfield Bank.

Northfield-Delaware's activities are limited to those activities permissible for financial holding companies or for multiple savings and loan holding companies. A financial holding company may engage in activities that are financial in nature, including underwriting equity securities and insurance, incidental to financial activities or complementary to a financial activity. A multiple savings and loan holding company is generally limited to activities permissible for bank holding companies under Section 4(c)(8) of the Bank Holding Company Act, subject to the prior approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision, and certain additional activities authorized by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations.

Federal law prohibits a savings and loan holding company, directly or indirectly, or through one or more subsidiaries, from acquiring control of another savings institution or holding company thereof, without prior written approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision. It also prohibits the acquisition or retention of, with specified exceptions, more than 5% of the equity securities of a company engaged in activities that are not closely related to banking or financial in nature or acquiring or retaining control of an institution that is not federally insured. In evaluating applications by holding companies to acquire savings institutions, the Office of Thrift Supervision must consider the financial and managerial resources and future prospects of the savings institution involved, the effect of the acquisition on the risk to the insurance fund, the convenience and needs of the community and competitive factors.

Federal Securities Laws

Northfield-Delaware common stock will be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission after the conversion and stock offering. Northfield-Delaware will be subject to the information, proxy solicitation, insider trading restrictions and other requirements under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

The registration under the Securities Act of 1933 of shares of common stock issued in Northfield-Delaware's public offering does not cover the resale of those shares. Shares of common stock purchased by persons who are not affiliates of Northfield-Delaware may be resold without registration. Shares purchased by an affiliate of Northfield-Delaware will be subject to the resale restrictions of Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933. If Northfield-Delaware meets the current public information requirements of Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, each affiliate of Northfield-Delaware that complies with the other conditions of Rule 144, including those that require the affiliate's sale to be aggregated with those of other persons, would be able to sell in the public market, without registration, a number of shares not to exceed, in any three-month period, the greater of 1% of the outstanding shares of Northfield-Delaware, or the average weekly volume of trading in the shares during the preceding four calendar weeks. In the future, Northfield-Delaware may permit affiliates to have their shares registered for sale under the Securities Act of 1933.

Table of Contents**Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 addresses, among other issues, corporate governance, auditing and accounting, executive compensation, and enhanced and timely disclosure of corporate information. As directed by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer will be required to certify that our quarterly and annual reports do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact. The rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act have several requirements, including having these officers certify that: they are responsible for establishing, maintaining and regularly evaluating the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting; they have made certain disclosures to our auditors and the audit committee of the board of directors about our internal control over financial reporting; and they have included information in our quarterly and annual reports about their evaluation and whether there have been changes in our internal control over financial reporting or in other factors that could materially affect internal control over financial reporting. We have existing policies, procedures and systems designed to comply with these regulations, and we are further enhancing and documenting such policies, procedures and systems to ensure continued compliance with these regulations.

TAXATION**Federal Taxation**

General. Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank are, and Northfield-Delaware will be, subject to federal income taxation in the same general manner as other corporations, with some exceptions discussed below. The following discussion of federal taxation is intended only to summarize certain pertinent federal income tax matters and is not a comprehensive description of the tax rules applicable to Northfield-Federal, Northfield-Delaware or Northfield Bank.

Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank are not currently under audit with respect to their federal income tax returns and their federal income tax returns have not been audited for the past five years.

Method of Accounting. For federal income tax purposes, Northfield-Federal currently reports its income and expenses on the accrual method of accounting and uses a tax year ending December 31 for filing its federal and state income tax returns.

Bad Debt Reserves. Historically, Northfield Bank was subject to special provisions in the tax law applicable to qualifying savings banks regarding allowable tax bad debt deductions and related reserves. Tax law changes were enacted in 1996 that eliminated the ability of savings banks to use the percentage of taxable income method for computing tax bad debt reserves for tax years after 1995, and required recapture into taxable income over a six-year period of all bad debt reserves accumulated after a savings bank's last tax year beginning before January 1, 1988. Northfield Bank recaptured its post December 31, 1987, bad-debt reserve balance over the six-year period ended December 31, 2004.

Northfield-Federal is required to use the specific charge off method to account for tax bad debt deductions.

Taxable Distributions and Recapture. Prior to 1996, bad debt reserves created prior to 1988 were subject to recapture into taxable income if Northfield Bank failed to meet certain thrift asset and definitional tests or made certain distributions. Tax law changes in 1996 eliminated thrift-related recapture rules. However, under current law, pre-1988 tax bad debt reserves remain subject to recapture if Northfield Bank makes certain non-dividend distributions, repurchases any of its common stock, pays dividends in excess of earnings and profits, or fails to qualify as a bank for tax purposes.

At December 31, 2009, the total federal pre-base year bad debt reserve of Northfield Bank was approximately \$5.9 million.

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Alternative Minimum Tax. The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, imposes an alternative minimum tax at a rate of 20% on a base of regular taxable income plus certain tax preferences, less any available exemption. The alternative minimum tax is imposed to the extent it exceeds the regular income tax. Net operating losses can offset no more than 90% of alternative taxable income. Certain payments of alternative minimum tax may be used as credits against regular tax liabilities in future years. Northfield-Federal's consolidated group has not been subject to the alternative minimum tax and has no such amounts available as credits for carryover.

Net Operating Loss Carryovers. A financial institution may carry back net operating losses to the preceding two taxable years and forward to the succeeding 20 taxable years. However, as a result of recent legislation, subject to certain limitations, the carryback period for net operating losses incurred in 2008 or 2009 (but not both years) has been expanded to five years. At December 31, 2009, Northfield Bancorp Inc.'s consolidated group had no net operating loss carryforwards for federal income tax purposes.

Corporate Dividends-Received Deduction. Northfield-Federal may exclude from its federal taxable income 100% of dividends received from Northfield Bank as a wholly-owned subsidiary by filing consolidated tax returns. The corporate dividends-received deduction is 80% when the corporation receiving the dividend owns at least 20% of the stock of the distributing corporation. The dividends-received deduction is 70% when the corporation receiving the dividend owns less than 20% of the distributing corporation.

State Taxation

Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield Bank report income on a calendar year basis to New York State. New York State franchise tax on corporations is imposed in an amount equal to the greater of (a) 7.1% (for 2007 and forward) of entire net income allocable to New York State, (b) 3% of alternative entire net income allocable to New York State, or (c) 0.01% of the average value of assets allocable to New York State plus nominal minimum tax of \$250 per company. Entire net income is based on federal taxable income, subject to certain modifications. Alternative entire net income is equal to entire net income without certain modifications.

Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield Bank report income on a calendar year basis to New York City. New York City franchise tax on corporations is imposed in an amount equal to the greater of (a) 9.0% of entire net income allocable to New York State, (b) 3% of alternative entire net income allocable to New York City, or (c) 0.01% of the average value of assets allocable to New York City plus nominal minimum tax of \$250 per company. Entire net income is based on federal taxable income, subject to certain modifications. Alternative entire net income is equal to entire net income without certain modifications.

Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank file New Jersey Corporation Business Tax returns on a calendar year basis. Generally, the income derived from New Jersey sources is subject to New Jersey tax. Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank pay the greater of the corporate business tax at 9% of taxable income or the minimum tax of \$1,200 per entity.

At December 31, 2005, Northfield Bank did not meet the definition of a domestic building and loan association for New York State and City tax purposes. As a result, we were required to recognize a \$2.2 million deferred tax liability for state and city thrift-related base-year bad debt reserves accumulated after December 31, 1987.

Our state tax returns are not currently under audit or have not been subject to an audit during the past five years, except as follows. Our New York state tax returns for the years ended December 31, 2000, through December 31, 2006, were subject to an audit by the State of New York with respect to our operation of NSB Services Corp. as a Delaware corporation not subject to New York State taxation. In 2007, the Company concluded the audit by the State of New York with respect to the Company's combined state tax returns for years 2000 through 2006.

As a Delaware business corporation, Northfield-Delaware will be required to file an annual report with and pay franchise taxes to the state of Delaware.

Table of Contents**MANAGEMENT****Shared Management Structure**

The directors of Northfield-Delaware are the same persons who are the directors of Northfield Bank. In addition, each executive officer of Northfield-Delaware is also an executive officer of Northfield Bank. We expect that Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank will continue to have common executive officers until there is a business reason to establish separate management structures.

Executive Officers of Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank

The following table sets forth information regarding the executive officers of Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank. Age information is as of December 31, 2009. The executive officers of Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank are elected annually.

Name	Age	Position
John W. Alexander	60	Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer
Kenneth J. Doherty	52	Executive Vice President, Chief Lending Officer
Madeline G. Frank	65	Senior Vice President, Corporate Secretary
Steven M. Klein	44	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
Michael J. Widmer	50	Executive Vice President, Operations

The business experience for the past five years of each of our executive officers other than Mr. Alexander is set forth below. Unless otherwise indicated, executive officers have held their positions for at least the past five years.

Kenneth J. Doherty joined Northfield Bank in 1988, and currently serves as Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer. Previously, Mr. Doherty worked with the Federal Home Loan Bank Board (the predecessor to the Office of Thrift Supervision).

Madeline G. Frank joined Northfield Bank in 1983 and has served as Director of Human Resources of Northfield Bank since that time. Ms. Frank also serves as Corporate Secretary for Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank.

Steven M. Klein joined Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank in March 2005 as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Klein was an audit partner in the community banking practice of KPMG LLP from September 2003 to March 2005, and was employed by KPMG LLP beginning in 1986. Mr. Klein is a licensed certified public accountant in the State of New Jersey, and a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Michael J. Widmer joined Northfield Bank in 2002 and currently serves as Executive Vice President, Operations. Mr. Widmer served as the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, and as a Director, of Liberty Bancorp, Inc. and Liberty Bank, located in Avenel, New Jersey, until they were acquired by Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and Northfield Bank, respectively, in 2002.

Directors of Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank

Northfield-Delaware has nine directors. Directors serve three-year staggered terms so that approximately one-third of the directors are elected at each annual meeting. Directors of Northfield Bank will be elected by Northfield-Delaware as its sole stockholder.

The following details include for each of our directors: their age as of December 31, 2009; the year in which they first became a director; the year that their term expires; and their business experience for at least the past five years. With the exception of Ms. Catino, none of the directors listed below currently serves as a director, or

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served as a director during the past five years, of a publicly-held entity (other than Northfield-Federal). Ms. Catino serves on the board of directors of Middlesex Water Company, which is traded on the Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC under the symbol MSEX. The following also includes the particular experience, qualifications, attributes, or skills, considered by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee that led the Board to conclude that such person should serve as a director of Northfield-Federal. The mailing address for each person listed is 581 Main Street, Suite 810, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095. Each of the persons listed as a director is also a trustee of Northfield Bancorp, MHC and a director of Northfield Bank.

Name, Age, Director Since, Term Expiration	Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills
<p>John W. Alexander, 60, director since 1997, term expires 2011</p>	<p>Business Experience: Mr. Alexander joined Northfield Bank in 1997, and has served as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer since 1998 and Chairman of the Board of Northfield-Federal since 2002. Mr. Alexander was also named President of Northfield Bank and Northfield-Federal in October 2006.</p> <p><i>Reasons why this person should serve as a director:</i> Mr. Alexander is a former tax partner with a national accounting and auditing firm, specializing in financial institution taxation and asset securitization. Mr. Alexander is a registered certified public accountant, with strong analytical and leadership skills. Mr. Alexander resides in Staten Island, New York, and is involved in local professional and community organizations including the Staten Island University Hospital, the Staten Island Economic Development Corporation, and the Northfield Bank Foundation.</p>
<p>John R. Bowen, 69, director since 2003, term expires 2013</p>	<p>Business and Other Experience: Mr. Bowen has over 35 years of experience in all aspects of community banking, and retired as the Chief Executive Officer of Liberty Bank, in 2002.</p> <p><i>Reasons why this person should serve as a director:</i> Mr. Bowen has extensive knowledge of banking regulation and internal control, and has strong risk assessment and leadership skills. Mr. Bowen also has extensive experience in loan origination and monitoring. Mr. Bowen is a resident of New Jersey and is involved in local professional and community organizations including the Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce, and as director of the Northfield Bank Foundation.</p>
<p>Annette Catino, 53, director since 2003, term expires 2011</p>	<p>Business Experience: Since 1991 Ms. Catino has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of QualCare, Inc., Piscataway, New Jersey, a privately held company which is a managed care organization.</p> <p><i>Reasons why this person should serve as a director:</i> Ms. Catino has over 25 years of business experience in the healthcare industry. Ms. Catino has strong analytical and leadership skills and has extensive experience with healthcare, municipal, and state governmental entities. Ms. Catino also has the requisite qualifications to be designated as an audit committee financial expert under the SEC's rules and regulations. Ms. Catino is a resident of New Jersey and is involved in local professional and community organizations including the Boards of Caucus Educational Corporation, the Val Skinner Foundation, and the Meridian Healthcare Perspective. She most recently served on Governor Christie's transition committee on healthcare and was named by New Jersey Business as one of the top 50 most influential people in healthcare. In 2009, she received Monmouth University's Distinguished Business Leadership Award for her civic and business leadership.</p>

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Name, Age, Director Since, Term Expiration	Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills
Gil Chapman, 56, director since 2005, term expires 2013	<p><i>Business Experience:</i> Mr. Chapman has over 25 years of business experience, most recently owning and operating an automobile dealership in Staten Island, New York, which was sold in 2008.</p> <p><i>Reasons why this person should serve as a director:</i> Mr. Chapman has strong marketing, sales, and customer service assessment skills. Mr. Chapman also has significant experience in employee development and training. Mr. Chapman is a resident of New Jersey, and is involved in local professional and community organizations including the National Association of Corporate Directors and, as a former Staten Island businessman, the Staten Island Economic Development Corporation, and the Staten Island Urban League.</p>
John P. Connors, Jr., 53, director since 2002, term expires 2011	<p><i>Business Experience:</i> Mr. Connors is the managing partner of the law firm of Connors & Connors, P.C., located in Staten Island, New York.</p> <p><i>Reasons why this person should serve as a director:</i> Mr. Connors has over 25 years of business experience as a practicing lawyer. Mr. Connors is admitted to practice in the state and federal courts of the States of New York and New Jersey and the District of Columbia. Mr. Connors has strong risk management skills, and in-depth knowledge of contract and professional liability law related to key areas of our operations. Mr. Connors also has knowledge of and relationships with many of the residents and businesses located in Staten Island, New York. Mr. Connors is a resident of Staten Island, and is involved in local professional and community organizations including the Richmond County Bar Association, Notre Dame Academy, The Heart Institute, and the Northfield Bank Foundation.</p>
John J. DePierro, 69, director since 1984, term expires 2013	<p><i>Business Experience:</i> Mr. DePierro has over 45 years of business experience in the healthcare industry. Mr. DePierro is currently a consultant to the healthcare industry and is a retired Chief Executive Officer of a major Staten Island health care system.</p> <p><i>Reasons why this person should serve as a director:</i> Mr. DePierro has strong leadership skills, and extensive knowledge of corporate governance, as well as knowledge of and relationships with many of the residents and businesses located in Staten Island, New York. Mr. DePierro is a resident of Staten Island, New York, and is involved in local professional and community organizations including directorships at the Seton Foundation for Learning, Mount Manresa Jesuit Retreat House, and the Northfield Bank Foundation.</p>

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Name, Age, Director Since, Term Expiration	Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills
<p>Susan Lamberti, 67, director since 2001, term expires 2012</p>	<p><i>Business Experience:</i> Ms. Lamberti was an educator with the New York City public schools until her retirement in 2002.</p> <p><i>Reasons why this person should serve as a director:</i> Ms. Lamberti has over 30 years of experience in the New York City Public School system. Ms. Lamberti has strong training and development skills, and has extensive knowledge of and relationships with many residents and businesses located in Staten Island, New York. Ms. Lamberti is a resident of Staten Island, and is involved in local professional and community organizations including the National Association of Corporate Directors, Sisters of Charity Housing Development Fund Corporation, Service Auxiliary of Staten Island University Hospital, and the Northfield Bank Foundation.</p>
<p>Albert J. Regen, 72, director since 1990, term expires 2012</p>	<p><i>Business Experience:</i> Mr. Regen served as the President of Northfield Bank from 1990 until his retirement in September 2006.</p> <p><i>Reasons why this person should serve as a director:</i> Mr. Regen has over 30 years of experience in community banking. Mr. Regen has extensive knowledge in the treasury area as well as interest rate risk management. Mr. Regen is currently a resident of New Jersey and is a director of Northfield Bank Foundation. Mr. Regen was formerly a resident of Staten Island, New York and has extensive knowledge of and relationships with many of the residents and businesses located in Staten Island, New York.</p>
<p>Patrick E. Scura, Jr., 65, director since 2006, term expires 2012</p>	<p><i>Business Experience:</i> Mr. Scura was an audit partner at KPMG LLP for 27 years, until his retirement in 2005.</p> <p><i>Reasons why this person should serve as a director:</i> Mr. Scura is a former audit partner with a national accounting and auditing firm, specializing in community banking. Mr. Scura has over 35 years of experience auditing public company financial institutions in New Jersey. Mr. Scura is a licensed certified public accountant, and has strong risk assessment, financial reporting, and internal control expertise. Mr. Scura also has extensive knowledge of and relationships with community banks in our market area. Mr. Scura has the requisite qualifications to be designated as an audit committee financial expert under the SEC's rules and regulations. Mr. Scura resides in New Jersey, and is involved in local professional and community organizations including St. Peter's College, and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.</p>

Board Independence

The Board of Directors affirmatively determines the independence of each director in accordance with Nasdaq Stock Market rules, which include all elements of independence as set forth in the listing requirements for Nasdaq securities. The Board of Directors has determined that each of the following non-employee Directors is independent of Northfield-Federal:

<p>John R. Bowen Annette Catino Gil Chapman John J. DePierro</p>	<p>Susan Lamberti Albert J. Regen Patrick E. Scura, Jr.</p>
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Codes of Conduct and Ethics

Northfield-Federal has adopted a Code of Conduct and Ethics for Senior Financial Officers that is applicable to our chief executive officer, chief financial officer, and controller. The Code of Conduct and Ethics for Senior Financial Officers is available on our website at www.eNorthfield.com. Amendments to and waivers of the Code of Conduct and Ethics for Senior Financial Officers will be disclosed in the manner required by applicable law, rule, or listing standard.

Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank have also adopted a Code of Conduct and Ethics that is applicable to all employees, officers and directors, which is available on our website at www.eNorthfield.com. Employees, officers, and directors acknowledge annually that they will comply with all aspects of the Code of Conduct and Ethics for Employees, Officers, and Directors.

Transactions With Certain Related Persons

Loans and Extensions of Credit. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 generally prohibits us from making loans to our executive officers and directors, but it contains a specific exemption from such prohibition for loans made by Northfield Bank to our executive officers and directors in compliance with federal banking regulations.

The aggregate amount of our outstanding loans to our executive officers and directors and their related entities was approximately \$800,000 at December 31, 2009. All of such loans were made in the ordinary course of business, were made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable loans with persons not related to Northfield Bank, and did not involve more than the normal risk of collectibility or present other unfavorable features. These loans were performing according to their original terms at December 31, 2009, and were made in compliance with federal banking regulations.

Other Transactions. Stanley A. Applebaum, who retired from the Board May 27, 2009, and John P. Connors, Jr. are practicing attorneys who perform legal work directly for or on behalf of Northfield Bank. During the year ended December 31, 2009, Mr. Applebaum and Mr. Connors received fees, either from Northfield Bank, or directly from our customers, in connection with transactions with Northfield Bank, in the amounts of approximately \$140,000 and \$31,400, respectively. The Board of Directors authorizes the appointment of Mr. Applebaum and Mr. Connors each year, and the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors reviews a summary of the services performed and the total fees paid for services on an annual basis. All transactions with Mr. Applebaum and Mr. Connors are in the ordinary course of business, and the terms and fees are considered to be consistent with those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons.

Director Compensation

Every three years, director compensation is reviewed in detail by the Compensation Committee, in consultation with the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The Compensation Committee considers, among other things, our size and complexity, as well as the responsibilities, marketplace availability of necessary skill sets, and the time commitment necessary for the Board, its committees, and its committee chairs, to adequately discharge their oversight role and responsibilities. The Compensation Committee utilizes the assistance of a third-party compensation consultant, Pearl Meyer & Partners (PM&P), and available peer and survey data, regarding director compensation at other comparable financial institutions, as part of this process. For interim years between detailed reviews, the Compensation Committee reviews current market conditions and trends in director compensation in consultation with its third-party compensation consultant. The Compensation Committee is scheduled to perform its detailed review of director (and executive) compensation in 2010.

In December 2008, stockholders approved the Northfield-Federal 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. The objective of equity awards is to further align the interests of our employees and directors with those of other stockholders and reward sustained performance. In January 2009 the Compensation Committee granted equity awards to each director, consisting of 27,750 shares of restricted common stock, and 69,300 options to purchase shares of common stock at a price of \$9.94 per share, representing the closing price of our common stock on the

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grant date. The equity awards vest in equal installments over a five-year period, commencing one year from the date of the grant.

Prior to November 2007, we were a mutual organization and did not have equity compensation available to employees or directors. The Compensation Committee's objectives in granting equity awards in January 2009 included further aligning the interests of directors with those of our other stockholders, consistent with comparable peers that recently completed initial public offerings, and with organizations that were established stock companies. The Compensation Committee consulted with PM&P during this process.

The following table sets forth the Director and committee fee structure for the Board and its standing committees (all of which were due and payable in cash) for the year ended December 31, 2009. Directors who are also our employees receive no additional compensation for service as a director. Attendance fees, and one-fourth of any annual retainer, are paid on a quarterly basis, in arrears, unless a director elects to have such fees or a portion thereof, deferred under our non-qualified deferred compensation plan, described below.

	Board of Directors	Nominating and Corporate Governance	Compensation Committee	Audit Committee
Annual Retainer	\$30,000			
Annual Retainer-Chair		\$ 3,000	\$ 4,000	\$6,000
Per Meeting Attendance Fee	\$ 1,250	\$ 850	\$ 850	\$1,250

All other committees of the Board receive, in cash, an \$850 per meeting attendance fee and an annual committee chair retainer of \$3,000. In addition, the Lead Independent Director receives an annual retainer of \$3,000.

We also pay directly or reimburse Directors for normal, customary, and necessary business expenses associated with relevant professional memberships, and participation in professional training seminars.

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The following table sets forth for the year ended December 31, 2009, certain information as to the total remuneration we paid our directors. Mr. Alexander does not receive separate compensation for his service as a director. The Non-equity incentive plan compensation, Change in pension value and nonqualified deferred compensation earnings and All other compensation columns have been omitted from the table because no director earned any compensation during the year ended December 31, 2009, of a type required to be disclosed in those columns.

Name	Fees earned			Total (\$)
	or paid in cash(3) (\$)	Stock Awards(4) (6) (\$)	Stock Options(5) (6) (\$)	
Stanley A. Applebaum (1) (2)	21,300	275,835	223,146	520,281
John R. Bowen	62,400	275,835	223,146	561,381
Annette Catino	66,600	275,835	223,146	565,581
Gil Chapman	66,400	275,835	223,146	565,381
John P. Connors, Jr. (1)	57,700	275,835	223,146	556,681
John J. DePierro	64,550	275,835	223,146	563,531
Susan Lamberti	60,450	275,835	223,146	559,431
Albert J. Regen	63,550	275,835	223,146	562,531
Patrick E. Scura, Jr.	74,950	275,835	223,146	573,931

(1) During 2009, Messrs. Applebaum and Connors provided legal services to or for the benefit of Northfield Bank that are not included in the table above. See Transactions With Certain Related Persons for a discussion of fees received for legal services provided in 2009.

(2) Mr. Applebaum retired and was granted emeritus status on May 27, 2009.

(3) Includes retainer payments, meeting fees, and committee and/or chairmanship

fees earned during the calendar year, whether the director received payment of such amounts or elected to defer them.

- (4) Represents the aggregate grant date fair value of 27,750 shares of restricted stock awarded to each director on January 30, 2009, based upon a grant date stock price of \$9.94 per share, which was the final reported sales price of our common stock on the date of the grant. The restricted stock awards vest in equal installments over a five-year period, commencing one year from the date of the grant.
- (5) Represents the aggregate grant date fair value of options to purchase 69,300 shares of our common stock awarded to each director on January 30, 2009. The options vest in equal installments over a five-year period, commencing one year from the date of the grant and have an exercise price of \$9.94 per share, which was the final reported sales price of our

common stock on the date of the grant. The grant date fair value was \$3.22 per option and was determined using the Black-Scholes method assuming an option's average life of 6.5 years; 2.17% risk free rate of return; 35.33% volatility; and 1.61% dividend yield.

- (6) At December 31, 2009, each Director held 27,750 unvested shares of restricted stock, and 69,300 unvested stock options with an exercise price of \$9.94 per share.

Executive Compensation

Compensation Committee Report

The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed the section entitled "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" included in this prospectus with management. Based on this review and discussion, the Compensation Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" be included in this prospectus. The members of the Compensation Committee are: Annette Catino, who serves as Chairman; Gil Chapman; John J. DePierro; and Patrick E. Scura, Jr.

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

Persons Covered. This discussion and analysis addresses compensation for 2009 for the following executive officers: John W. Alexander, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer; Steven M. Klein, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer; Kenneth J. Doherty, Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer; Michael J. Widmer, Executive Vice President of Operations; and Madeline G. Frank, Senior Vice President and Corporate Secretary. These five executives are referred to in this discussion as the "Named Executive Officers."

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Executive Summary. Prior to completing our initial public offering in November 2007, we were wholly-owned by our mutual holding company. As a mutually owned company, our compensation programs were, by nature, limited, and consisted primarily of base salary and annual cash incentive compensation.

The key components of our compensation program continue to evolve and are being designed, augmented and modified, as appropriate, to ensure that we attract and retain superior financial services executive talent, and reward sustainable performance. We strive to create a compensation program that provides balance between shorter-term and longer-term performance, fixed and performance-based compensation, and cash and equity compensation. A primary objective of our current compensation program is to align the interests of our executives with those of our stockholders. Our 2009 compensation program included competitively benchmarked base salaries, a formal annual cash incentive compensation program directly linked to, among other things, our strategic objectives, and beginning in January 2009, an equity incentive plan. Notwithstanding unprecedented challenges in national and global economies and financial markets, our financial performance in 2009 continued to exceed that of our peers. We have remained committed to our disciplined and balanced approach to providing community banking services and utilizing the same philosophy in designing a compensation program that is consistent with effective risk management.

Role of the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing and approving, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors, the compensation of the Named Executive Officers, including the Chief Executive Officer. As part of these duties, the Committee administers our cash and equity incentive compensation plans and conducts an annual performance review of the Chief Executive Officer and, in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer, reviews the performance of the other Named Executive Officers. The Board of Directors has ultimate authority to ratify the compensation of all Named Executive Officers, including the Chief Executive Officer.

The Compensation Committee also reviews, oversees, and approves the management and implementation of Northfield Bank's employee benefit plans. The Committee has a formal charter that describes the Committee's scope of authority and its duties.

The Compensation Committee consists of four Directors, all of whom are independent as set forth in the listing requirements for Nasdaq securities. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors evaluates the independence of Committee members at least annually, using the standards contained in Nasdaq listing requirements. This evaluation, and the determination that each member of the Committee is independent, was made most recently in March 2010.

Role of Executives in Committee Activities. The executive officers who serve as a resource to the Compensation Committee are the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Director of Human Resources. Executives provide the Compensation Committee with input regarding employee compensation philosophy, processes, and decisions for employees other than Named Executive Officers. This communication assists in the design and alignment of compensation programs throughout Northfield Bank. In addition to providing factual information such as company-wide performance on relevant measures, these executives articulate management's views on current compensation programs and processes, recommend relevant performance measures to be used for future evaluations, and otherwise supply information to assist the Compensation Committee. The Chief Executive Officer also provides information about individual performance assessments for the other Named Executive Officers, and expresses to the Compensation Committee his views on the appropriate levels of compensation for the other Named Executive Officers for the ensuing year. At the request of the Compensation Committee, the Chief Financial Officer communicates directly with third-party consultants, providing third-party consultants with company-specific data and information, and assisting in the evaluation of the estimated financial effect regarding any proposed changes to the various components of compensation.

Executives participate in Committee activities purely in an informational and advisory capacity and have no vote in the Committee's decision-making process. The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer do not attend those portions of Compensation Committee meetings during which their performance is evaluated or their compensation is being determined. No executive officer other than the Chief Executive Officer attends those

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portions of Compensation Committee meetings during which the performance of the other Named Executive Officers is evaluated or their compensation is being determined. In addition, the Compensation Committee meets in executive session as appropriate.

Use of Consultants. The Compensation Committee periodically engages an independent compensation consultant to assist it in the compensation process for Named Executive Officers. The consultant is retained by and reports directly to the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee places no restrictions on the consultant within the scope of contracted services and such consultant is not engaged by management for any purpose. The consultant provides expertise and information about competitive trends in the employment marketplace, including established and emerging compensation practices at other companies. The consultant also provides proxy statement and survey data, and assists in assembling relevant comparison groups for various purposes and establishing benchmarks for base salary, equity awards, and cash incentives from the comparison group proxy statement and survey data.

For 2009, the Compensation Committee engaged PM&P, an independent compensation consulting firm, as its advisor on executive and Board compensation matters. During 2009, PM&P assisted the Compensation Committee in making equity award recommendations for Directors, Named Executive Officers, and other employees under our 2008 Equity Incentive Plan, as well as provided support in the development of the 2009 cash incentive plan. In addition, PM&P performed a market update on executive compensation data it prepared as part of the Compensation Committee's comprehensive review conducted in 2007 for Named Executive Officers. Although the Committee undertakes a comprehensive assessment every three years, it utilizes PM&P to provide ongoing market trends and guidance for pay structures each year.

Compensation Objectives and Philosophy. The overall objectives of our compensation program are to retain, motivate, and reward employees and officers (including the Named Executive Officers) for sustained performance, and to provide competitive compensation to attract talent to our organization. The methods used to achieve these goals for Named Executive Officers are influenced by the compensation and employment practices of our competitors within the financial services industry, and elsewhere in the marketplace, for executive talent. Other considerations include each Named Executive Officer's individual performance in achieving both financial and non-financial corporate goals.

Our compensation program is designed to reward the Named Executive Officers based on their level of assigned management responsibilities, individual experience and performance levels, and knowledge of banking and our business. The creation of long-term value is highly dependent on the development and effective execution of our business strategy by our executive officers.

Factors that influence the design of our executive compensation program include, among other things, the items listed below.

We operate in a highly regulated industry, and we value industry-specific experience that promotes the safe and sound operation of Northfield Bank.

We value executives with sufficient experience in our markets relating to the behavior of our customers, products, and investments in various phases of the economic cycle.

We operate in interest rate and credit markets that are often volatile. We value disciplined decision-making that respects our business plan but adapts appropriately to change.

We value the retention and development of performing incumbent executives. Recruitment of executives can have substantial monetary costs, unpredictable outcomes, and a disruptive effect on our operations.

Our 2009 compensation program for our Named Executive Officers includes three key components. The first component is base salary, which is designed to provide a reasonable level of predictable income commensurate

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with market standards of the position held. The second component is an annual cash incentive plan, designed to reward our executives for attaining specific performance goals that support our strategic objectives, and the third component, which was added in January 2009, is the granting of equity incentive awards in the form of shares of common stock, and options to purchase shares of common stock at a specified price. We also provide benefits and perquisites to the Named Executive Officers at levels that are competitive and appropriate for their roles.

Benchmarking. Our compensation program is periodically evaluated in relation to benchmark data derived from information reported in publicly-available proxy statements and from market survey data. The Compensation Committee will generally review and consider updated peer proxy and market survey compensation data every three years. In 2007, the Compensation Committee engaged PM&P to assist it in completing a comprehensive competitive review. The Compensation Committee selected the following companies for use in benchmarking Named Executive Officers' 2007 compensation package. Although the Compensation Committee seeks to update the comprehensive analysis every three years, PM&P reviewed and updated the data in November 2008 to reflect appropriate market movement and provide the Compensation Committee with ongoing perspective of our pay practices. The peer group used for the 2007 analysis is listed below and was selected based upon similar asset size, geographic region, and business model to us.

Dime Community Bancshares, Inc.	State Bancorp, Inc.	Synergy Financial Group, Inc.
TrustCo BankCorp NY	Bancorp Rhode Island, Inc.	First of Long Island Corporation
Provident New York Bancorp	Suffolk Bancorp	Berkshire Bancorp, Inc.
Flushing Financial Corporation	Rockville Financial, Inc.	Benjamin Franklin Bancorp, Inc.
Oceanfirst Financial Corp.	Oritani Financial Corp.	Roma Financial Corporation
Kearny Financial Corp.	United Financial Bancorp, Inc.	Clifton Savings Bancorp, Inc.
Sterling Bancorp	Westfield Financial, Inc.	

Assembling the Components of Compensation. The Compensation Committee analyzes the level and relative mix of executive compensation by component (e.g., base salary, incentives, and benefits) and in the aggregate. The Chief Executive Officer provides recommendations to the Committee relating to compensation to be paid to the Named Executive Officers other than himself. Based on their analysis, the Compensation Committee approves each Named Executive Officer's compensation, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors.

When evaluating the mix of total compensation, the Compensation Committee considers among other things, general market practices, benchmarking studies conducted by the consultant, the alignment of cash and equity incentive awards with our strategic objectives and performance, and the desire to reward performance through incentive compensation within Board-approved risk parameters. The Compensation Committee seeks to create appropriate incentives without encouraging behaviors that result in undue risk. These components are periodically evaluated in relation to benchmark data derived from information reported in publicly-available proxy statements and from market survey data.

Base Salary. Base salary is designed to provide a reasonable level of predictable income commensurate with market standards of the position held adjusted for specific job responsibilities assigned, individual experience, and demonstrated performance. Named Executive Officers are eligible for periodic adjustments to their base salary as a result of changes in the cost of living, individual performance, updated market analysis, or significant changes in their duties and responsibilities. The Compensation Committee annually reviews and approves base salaries, and changes thereto, for Named Executive Officers, including our Chief Executive Officer.

Base salary amounts for 2009 were determined based on a review of peer proxy and survey data provided by PM&P in 2007, and updated in November 2008 by PM&P. The Compensation Committee reviewed the 50th percentile of peer proxy and survey data, and a pay range around the median to allow for recognition of each Named Executive Officer's specific experience, responsibilities and performance, estimated value in the marketplace, and the Committee's view of each Named Executive Officer's role in our future success. For 2009, the Compensation Committee generally targeted base salary compensation at the 65th percentile for each of the Named Executive Officers.

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The Committee considered the responsibility, significant experience, contributions, and performance of each Named Executive Officer, their value in the marketplace, and their critical roles in our future successes, and determined in December 2008, that existing base salaries properly reflected these factors and made a determination not to change base salaries for any Named Executive Officers in 2009, with the exception of Mr. Widmer, whose annual base salary was increased by 4.5%, to \$230,000.

Cash Incentives. The Compensation Committee developed and implemented a Management Incentive Plan (the Cash Incentive Plan, or CIP) for 2009. The Cash Incentive Plan provides performance-based annual cash incentives to reward our Named Executive Officers for the execution of specific financial and non-financial elements of our strategic business plan, as well as, individual goals related to each executive's function area. The Cash Incentive Plan requires that we achieve our designated corporate goal for an individual to earn a percentage of the total cash award available under the Cash Incentive Plan. The CIP also provides that Named Executive Officers must achieve individual goals, as determined by the Compensation Committee, to receive the remaining percentage of the total cash award available to him or her under the CIP.

The Compensation Committee evaluates the reasonableness and likelihood of attaining designated incentive goals, including stretch goals, in an effort to ensure that such targets appropriately reward performance, but do not encourage undue risk taking. Actual performance over the applicable measurement period may exceed or fall short of the targets resulting in the Named Executive Officer receiving an annual incentive cash award that is above or below the initial targeted level. Annual incentive cash awards granted in prior years are not taken into account by the Compensation Committee in the process of setting performance targets for the current year. The Committee believes that doing so would be inconsistent with the underlying reasons for the use of incentive compensation.

Risk Assessment and Related Considerations. During 2009, the Compensation Committee, in consultation with PM&P, and with the assistance of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, performed a risk assessment of our compensation program (including cash incentive compensation) for all employee levels within our organization. The objective of the review was to determine if the compensation programs, at all employee levels, encouraged behavior that exposed us to unacceptable levels of risk in relation to its business model. The review evaluated the balance of compensation elements between cash and equity, fixed versus variable compensation, and long-term versus short-term compensation. The review considered the level of potential cash incentive compensation as compared to base salary, the focus of individual goals, and the number, weighting, and balance of goals, as well as internal controls in place to mitigate possible high risk behaviors.

Based upon its risk assessment, the Compensation Committee concluded that the compensation programs (including cash incentive compensation) for all employee levels were based on balanced performance metrics that were reasonable in relation to base salary, and promoted disciplined progress towards longer-term strategic goals. The Compensation Committee also concluded that the compensation programs did not motivate improper risk taking, and are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on us.

2009 Cash Incentive Plan. For 2009, the Compensation Committee set a target total cash incentive award of 15% of base salary for each Named Executive Officer. The actual cash incentive award range was defined as 7.5% for threshold performance and 22.5% for stretch performance, of base salary. These targets were intentionally set lower than current market practice as part of our shift from its compensation philosophy as a mutually owned bank (greater focus on cash compensation weighted towards base salary) to that of a public company (which includes equity compensation and a greater weighting of compensation towards long-term incentive compensation rather than short-term incentives).

The Compensation Committee established one shared corporate goal (the Corporate Goal) and individual performance goals for each Named Executive Officer. The target Corporate Goal measured the attainment of the Board-approved budgeted net income (before taxes) of approximately \$18.1 million. The stretch goal was 120% or greater of budgeted net income (before taxes) and the threshold was 90% of budgeted net income (before taxes). If 80% of budgeted net income (before taxes) is not achieved, Named Executive Officers are not eligible to receive incentive payments for achievement of their individual performance goals.

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Individual performance goals were aligned with our strategic business plan and focused on the following areas:

Name	Individual Performance Goals
John W. Alexander	Effectuate a capital deployment strategy; Develop and execute upon a customer satisfaction enhancement program; and Enhance profitability and manage enterprise risk, while ensuring liquidity and interest rate risk remain within Board approved parameters
Steven M. Klein	Implement formal leverage strategies to meet specified pre-tax net income targets (threshold-\$720,000, target-\$800,000, stretch-\$960,000) within Board approved interest rate risk parameters; Maintain or reduce budgeted non-interest expense within Board approved levels (threshold-\$100,000, target-\$150,000, stretch-\$200,000); and Adapt reporting processes to monitor and support strategic plan
Kenneth J. Doherty	Originate loans to specified targets (threshold-\$105 million, target-\$117 million, stretch-\$140 million), while minimizing credit risk; Implement automated credit underwriting and monitoring systems; and Enhance credit monitoring reports to the Risk Committee of the Board
Michael J. Widmer	Increase outstanding deposits to specified targets (threshold-\$58 million, target-\$65.4 million, stretch-\$77.4 million); Convert core bank systems to new data processor; Expand deposit franchise, and enhance brand; Finalize agreements, develop construction plans on existing sites; and Identify and evaluate potential branch sites
Madeline G. Frank	Develop automated accounting and reporting system for equity awards; Implement a formal new hire evaluation program to identify individuals with desired customer service skill sets; and Implement an employee satisfaction survey, evaluate results and implement upon a management approved response

Of our Chief Executive Officer's potential cash incentive award, 85% was based on the achievement of the Corporate Goal, and 15% was based on the attainment of his individual goals. Of our other Named Executive Officers potential cash incentive awards, 75% was based on the achievement of their Corporate Goal, and 25% was based on the attainment of individual goals.

In evaluating actual performance as compared to the established Corporate Goal, the Compensation Committee may, at its discretion, exclude items that are considered non-recurring in nature. In addition, the Cash Incentive Plan permitted the Compensation Committee to increase or decrease a cash incentive award based upon its consideration of a Named Executive Officer's performance or achievements.

2009 Award Determinations. In February 2010, the Compensation Committee evaluated achievement of the Corporate Goal. Our reported 2009 net income (before taxes) was \$18.7 million, which exceeded our target goal of \$18.1 million. In accordance with the Cash Incentive Plan, the Corporate Goal target award of 12.75% (15% target award times 85% weighting) for Mr. Alexander, and 11.25% (15% target award times 75% weighting) for all other Named Executive Officers increased (on a pro-rata basis) to approximately 13.6% (16% pro-rata award times 85% weighting) for Mr. Alexander, and 12.0% (16% pro-rata award times 75% weighting) for all other

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Named Executive Officers. The Compensation Committee made no upward adjustments to our 2009 reported net income (before taxes) in evaluating achievement of the Corporate Goal.

The remaining 15% of Mr. Alexander's eligible award, and 25% of each other Named Executive Officer's eligible award was determined based on each executive's attainment of individual goals, which were evaluated by the Compensation Committee in its annual evaluation of each Named Executive Officer's performance. In February 2010, the Compensation Committee concluded that Mr. Alexander and Ms. Frank had achieved each of their individual performance goals and determined that the target award (no stretch goals were assigned to Mr. Alexander or Ms. Frank) was earned by each of them for all assigned goals. The Compensation Committee also concluded that Messrs. Klein, Doherty, and Widmer had substantially met each of their assigned goals at the target level, except for their goals related to implementing leverage strategies, loan originations, and expanding the deposit franchise, respectively, which were achieved at the stretch payout level.

Mr. Alexander's corporate goal cash incentive payout was \$92,178. Mr. Alexander's individual goal cash incentive payout of \$15,210 for 2009 reflects the Compensation Committee's assessment of his attainment of his target goal related to his leadership in developing and executing a customer satisfaction program. The Committee also evaluated Mr. Alexander's leadership in achieving our core strategic business goals, including effective capital deployment, and continual improvement in customer service. The Compensation Committee attributed our results to Mr. Alexander's vision for our organization and discipline in adhering to our conservative business model focused on conservative credit underwriting and securities investments, franchise growth, and operating expense discipline.

Mr. Klein's corporate goal cash incentive payout was \$36,095. Mr. Klein's individual goal cash incentive payout of \$14,062 for 2009 reflects the following: achievement of his stretch goal for executing securities leveraging opportunities in a volatile market that contributed to net interest income at or above the stretch level of \$960,000, and the attainment of his target goal of reducing budgeted non-interest expense by \$150,000. The Committee excluded the effect of the following items from reported non-interest expense: FDIC Deposit Insurance special assessment of approximately \$1 million, \$600,000 in deferred compensation plan expense associated with market adjustments in the underlying plan assets, and approximately \$600,000 in loan workout professional fees and collateral valuation adjustments associated with other real estate owned.

Mr. Doherty's corporate goal cash incentive payout was \$33,688. Mr. Doherty's individual goal cash incentive payment of \$8,750 for 2009 reflects the following: achievement of his stretch goal for loan originations exceeding \$140 million; achievement of his target goal related to implementation of credit monitoring software; and achievement of his target award related to enhancing credit monitoring reporting to the Board. The Compensation Committee also considered Mr. Doherty's goal related to minimizing credit risks in the loan portfolio. The Committee noted that credit deterioration occurred in the industry and not just at Northfield, and appropriate actions were taken to minimize credit risk, including formation of a credit department, and a loan operations department. However, the Committee believes that certain actions could have been implemented more timely and a reduction of Mr. Doherty's individual incentive award in the amount of \$3,500 was made.

Mr. Widmer's corporate goal cash incentive payout was \$27,673. Mr. Widmer's individual cash incentive payment of \$9,703 for 2009 reflects the following: achievement of his stretch goal for deposit growth exceeding \$77.4 million, achievement of his target goal related to the conversion to a new operating system, achievement of his target goal for our opening or constructing two new branches, and achievement of his target goal for committing to one new branch location in New Jersey.

Ms. Frank's corporate goal cash incentive payout was \$20,454. Ms. Frank's individual cash incentive payment of \$6,375 for 2009 reflects achievement of her target goal related to the planning and implementation of an employee satisfaction survey, and the development and execution of a planned response to the survey results.

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For 2009, the Named Executive Officers' total target award opportunities, and actual incentives awarded as a percentage of target are detailed below.

Name	Target Award	Actual Award	Actual Award as a percentage of Target Award
	Opportunity (\$)	Award (\$)	Opportunity (%)
John W. Alexander	101,400	107,388	105.9
Steven M. Klein	45,000	50,157	111.5
Kenneth J. Doherty	42,000	42,438	101.0
Michael J. Widmer	34,500	37,376	108.3
Madeline G. Frank	25,500	26,829	105.2

Equity Awards. In December 2008, stockholders approved the Northfield-Federal 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. The objective of equity awards is to further align the interests of our executives with those of stockholders and reward sustained performance. In January 2009 the Compensation Committee granted equity awards in the form of common stock, and options to purchase common stock at \$9.94 per share, representing the closing price of our common stock on the grant date, to each of the Named Executive Officers. The equity awards vest in equal installments over a five-year period, commencing one year from the date of the grant. The Compensation Committee consulted with PM&P during this process.

Prior to November 2007, we were a mutual organization and did not have equity compensation available to employees. The Compensation Committee's objective in granting equity awards in January 2009 was to provide employees with a substantial equity interest in us, consistent with comparable peers that recently completed initial public offerings.

Broad-based benefits. We also provide to our Named Executive Officers certain broad-based benefits available to all of our qualifying employees, as well as fringe benefits and perquisites, and restoration and other termination benefits, not generally available to all qualifying employees.

The following summarizes the significant broad-based benefits in which the Named Executive Officers were eligible to participate in 2009:

a defined contribution 401(k) retirement plan and discretionary profit-sharing plan;

an employee stock ownership plan;

medical coverage (all employees share between 20% to 30% of the cost, depending on their elections);

pre-tax health and dependent care spending accounts; and

group life insurance coverage (death benefit capped at \$750,000, with the value of the death benefit over \$50,000 being reported as taxable income to all employees).

The Northfield Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan was established effective January 1, 2007. The employee stock ownership plan allocates a certain number of shares of our common stock on an annual basis, which are allocated among plan participants primarily on the basis of eligible compensation in the year of allocation, subject to Internal Revenue Code limitations. All eligible employees, including Named Executive Officers, participate in the plan and received an allocation of common stock for 2009.

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Executive Benefits and Perquisites. In addition to the broad-based benefits described above, the Named Executive Officers received the following fringe benefits and perquisites in 2009:

all Named Executive Officers may participate in a non-qualified deferred compensation plan. The plan provides restoration of benefits capped under Northfield Bank's broad-based benefits due to Internal Revenue Code salary limitations or limitations due to participation requirements under tax-qualified plans. The plan also permits elective salary and cash incentive award deferrals;

Messrs. Klein, Doherty, and Widmer received a monthly automobile allowance of \$800;

all Named Executive Officers pay for and are provided with reimbursement for long-term disability insurance coverage;

Messrs. Alexander, Klein, Doherty, and Widmer are reimbursed for appropriate spousal expenses for attendance at business events; and

Messrs. Alexander, Klein, Doherty, and Widmer are provided a cellular phone allowance of \$100 per month for business usage. We also reimburse individuals for the cost of cellular phone equipment.

We incur the expense of one country club membership and related expenses for Mr. Alexander. Mr. Alexander reimburses Northfield Bank for personal expenses pertaining to club usage. In lieu of a monthly automobile allowance, Mr. Alexander receives use of an automobile (including all operating expenses) leased by Northfield Bank for business and personal use. Personal use of the automobile is reported as taxable income to Mr. Alexander. In addition, Northfield Bank pays an annual premium on a whole-life insurance policy for the benefit of Mr. Alexander.

The Compensation Committee reviews the other components of executive compensation (broad-based benefits and executive perquisites) on an annual basis. Changes to the level or types of broad-based benefits within these categories, including considerations relating to the addition or elimination of benefits and plan design changes, are made by the Compensation Committee on an aggregate basis with respect to the group of employees entitled to those benefits, and not necessarily with reference to a particular Named Executive Officer's compensation. Decisions about these components of compensation are made without reference to the Named Executive Officers' salary and annual cash incentives, as they involve issues of more general application and often include consideration of trends in the industry or in the employment marketplace.

Employment Agreements. In addition to the components of executive compensation described above, Messrs. Alexander, Klein, Doherty, and Widmer are each parties to employment agreements with Northfield Bank. See *Employment Agreements* for a description of these agreements and *Potential Payments to Named Executive Officers* for information about potential payments to these individuals upon termination of their employment with Northfield Bank.

The executive employment agreements are designed to allow us to retain the services of the designated executives while reducing, to the extent possible, unnecessary disruptions to our operations. In addition, the Compensation Committee believes that the employment agreements better align the interests of the executive with those of our stockholders. The Compensation Committee believes that these agreements allow executives to more objectively evaluate opportunities for stockholders without causing undue personal financial conflicts.

The Compensation Committee reviewed prevailing market practices, consulted with PM&P on the competitiveness and reasonableness of the terms of the agreements, and negotiated the agreements with the individuals. The Compensation Committee believes such agreements are common and necessary to retain executive talent.

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The agreements are for a three-year period, are reviewed for renewal annually by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors, and provide for salary and incentive cash compensation payments, as well as additional post-employment benefits, primarily health benefits, under certain conditions, as defined in the employment agreements. See *Employment Agreements* for further discussion.

Exceptions to Usual Procedures. The Compensation Committee may recommend to the Board of Directors that they approve the payment of special cash compensation to one or more Named Executive Officers in addition to payments approved during the normal annual compensation-setting cycle. The Committee may make such a recommendation if it believes it would be appropriate to reward one or more Named Executive Officers in recognition of contributions to a particular project, or in response to competitive and other factors that were not addressed during the normal annual compensation-setting cycle. The Compensation Committee did not make any such recommendation related to our Named Executive Officers for 2009.

The Committee will consider off-cycle compensation adjustments whenever a Named Executive Officer's status, role or responsibilities change, or an executive officer is hired. The Committee may depart from the compensation guidelines it would normally follow for executives in the case of outside hires.

The Compensation Committee considers, but is not bound by, the tax treatment of each component of compensation. Under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, annual compensation paid to a Named Executive Officer is not deductible if it exceeds \$1 million unless it qualifies as performance-based compensation as defined in the Internal Revenue Code and related tax regulations. Base salary is not a form of performance-based compensation. Fringe benefits and perquisites also do not qualify as performance-based compensation. Annual incentive cash awards may qualify as a form of performance-based compensation under the income tax regulations. In 2009, and for prior years, we were not subject to tax deduction limitations under Section 162(m).

Committee Actions During 2009 Affecting 2010 Compensation, and Other Actions by the Committee.

Every three years, executive compensation is reviewed in detail by the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee is scheduled to perform its detailed review of executive compensation in 2010. Typically, the review commences in the middle of the year after peer proxy information becomes readily available. In 2009, the Compensation Committee reviewed current compensation trends and practices, in consultation with PM&P, and made a determination that Named Executive Officers' base salaries for 2010 would remain unchanged from 2009 until such review was complete.

In December of 2009, the Compensation Committee approved a 2010 cash incentive compensation plan, with a similar structure to our 2009 cash incentive compensation plan. The plan contains similar terms and conditions as our prior year plan. The threshold, target, and stretch award payouts are 10%, 20%, and 30%, respectively, with a Corporate Goal that can be earned based upon our achieving at least 90% of Board-approved budgeted net income (before income taxes), and individual awards that are based on the achievement of goals aligned with our strategic objectives.

Compensation Tables

Summary Compensation Table. The following table sets forth for the three years ended December 31, 2009, certain information as to the total remuneration we paid to Mr. Alexander, who serves as Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Klein, who serves as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, and the three most highly compensated executive officers of Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank other than Messrs. Alexander and Klein. The Bonus and Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings columns have been omitted from the Summary Compensation Table because no listed individual earned any compensation during the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, or 2007 of a type required to be disclosed in those columns.

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		Summary Compensation Table					
				Option	Non-equity		
					incentive		
Name and principal position	Year	Salary	Stock	Awards	plan	All other	Total
		(\$)	Awards (2)	(3)	compensation	compensation	(\$)
			(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(1) (\$)	(\$)
John W. Alexander, Chairman of the Board, President	2009	676,000	1,669,920	1,356,425	107,388	141,951	3,951,684
	2008	676,000			67,600	137,761	881,361
and Chief Executive Officer	2007	750,000			75,000	165,896	990,896
Steven M. Klein, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	2009	300,000	778,302	661,710	50,157	53,422	1,843,591
	2008	300,000			31,250	48,384	379,634
	2007	300,000			30,000	54,620	384,620
Kenneth J. Doherty, Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer	2009	280,000	725,620	618,240	42,438	53,540	1,719,838
	2008	280,000			29,750	45,853	355,603
	2007	280,000			28,000	52,276	360,276
Michael J. Widmer, Executive Vice President, Operations	2009	230,000	596,400	507,955	37,376	46,325	1,418,056
	2008	220,000			23,375	40,141	283,516
	2007	220,000			22,000	43,642	285,642
Madeline G. Frank, Senior Vice President and Corporate Secretary	2009	170,000	132,202	85,330	26,829	28,896	443,257
	2008	170,000			17,000	23,280	210,280
	2007	170,000			17,000	27,824	214,824

(1) The individuals listed in this table participate in certain medical and dental coverage plans, not disclosed in the Summary Compensation Table, that are generally available to salaried employees and do not discriminate in scope, terms and operation. The amount shown for each individual for the year ended December 31, 2009, includes

our direct out-of-pocket costs (reduced for Mr. Alexander, in the case of the figures shown for automobiles by the amount that we would otherwise have paid in cash reimbursements during the year for business use) for the following items:

	Mr. Alexander	Mr. Klein	Mr. Doherty	Mr. Widmer	Ms. Frank
Employer contributions to qualified and non-qualified deferred compensation plans (including 401(k), ESOP and non-qualified deferred compensation plans)	\$ 75,485	\$ 38,346	\$ 38,101	\$ 32,828	\$ 24,596
Life insurance premiums	38,900	2,592	3,240	1,987	2,203
Long-term disability	2,180	968	903	710	497
Automobile	12,768	9,600	9,600	9,600	
Club dues	10,118				
Travel expense for spouse to accompany on business travel	1,300	716	496		
Other*					1,600
Reimbursement for business cell phone and data usage	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	
Total	\$ 141,951	\$ 53,422	\$ 53,540	\$ 46,325	\$ 28,896

(2) Represents the aggregate grant date fair value of restricted stock awarded to the employee on January 30, 2009, based upon a grant date stock price of \$9.94 per

share, which was the final reported sales price of our common stock on the date of the grant. The restricted stock awards vest in equal installments over a five-year period, commencing one year from the date of the grant. No forfeitures were assumed in calculating the aggregate grant date fair value.

- (3) Represents the aggregate grant date fair value of options to purchase shares of common stock awarded to each employee on January 30, 2009. The options vest in equal installments over a five-year period, commencing one year from the date of the grant and have an exercise price of \$9.94 per share, which was the final reported sales price of the common stock on the date of

the grant. The grant date fair value was \$3.22 per option and was determined using the Black-Scholes method assuming an option's average life of 6.5 years; 2.17% risk free rate of return; 35.33% volatility, and 1.61% dividend yield. No forfeitures were assumed in calculating the aggregate grant date fair value.

* Amount represents an annual discretionary stipend provided to employees whose work location was moved from New York to New Jersey.

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Plan-Based Awards. As further discussed in Compensation Discussion and Analysis Assembling the Components of Compensation, we maintained a cash incentive award program and equity incentive award program (both based upon Board- and stockholder-approved plans) for our Named Executive Officers for the year ended December 31, 2009. The following table sets forth for the year ended December 31, 2009, certain information as to grants of plan-based cash and equity awards.

Grants of Plan-based Awards Table 2009

Name	Grant date	Estimated future payouts under non-equity incentive plan awards			All other stock awards:	All other option awards:	Exercise or base price of option awards	Grant date fair value of stock and option awards (1)
		Threshold (\$)	Target (\$)	Maximum (\$)	number of shares of stock or units	number of securities underlying options	(\$)	(\$)
John W. Alexander	01/14/09	50,700	101,400	152,100	168,000	421,250	9.94	1,669,920
	01/30/09							
	01/30/09							
Steven M. Klein	01/14/09	22,500	45,000	67,500	78,300	205,500	9.94	661,710
	01/30/09							
	01/30/09							
Kenneth J. Doherty	01/14/09	21,000	42,000	63,000	73,000	192,000	9.94	618,240
	01/30/09							
	01/30/09							
Michael J. Widmer	01/14/09	17,250	34,500	51,750	60,000	157,750	9.94	507,955
	01/30/09							
	01/30/09							
Madeline G. Frank	01/14/09	12,750	25,500	38,250	13,300	26,500	9.94	85,330
	01/30/09							
	01/30/09							

(1) See footnotes 2 and 3 to the Summary Compensation Table for further information regarding grant date fair value of restricted stock and option awards.

The following table sets forth certain information regarding stock awards and stock options outstanding at December 31, 2009:

Name	Grant date	Option Awards			Stock Awards		
		Number of securities underlying unexercised options (exercisable) (#)	Number of securities underlying unexercised options (unexercisable) (#)	Option exercise price (\$)	Option expiration date (1)	Number of shares or units of stock that have not vested (#)	Market value of shares or units of stock that have not vested (2) (\$)
John W. Alexander	01/30/09		421,250	9.94	01/30/19	168,000	2,271,360
Steven M. Klein	01/30/09		205,500	9.94	01/30/19	78,300	1,058,616
Kenneth J. Doherty	01/30/09		192,000	9.94	01/30/19	73,000	986,960
Michael J. Widmer	01/30/09		157,750	9.94	01/30/19	60,000	811,200
Madeline G. Frank	01/30/09		26,500	9.94	01/30/19	13,300	179,816

(1) Stock options expire if unexercised 10 years from the grant date.

(2) Amount is based on a \$13.52 per share closing price of our common stock on December 31, 2009.

There were no options exercised or restricted stock vested during the year ended December 31, 2009.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan. Northfield Bank maintains a non-qualified deferred compensation plan to provide for the elective deferral of non-employee director fees by participating members of the Board of Directors, and the elective deferral of compensation and/or performance-based compensation payable to eligible employees of Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield Bank. A designated amount of director fees, compensation and/or performance based compensation may be deferred until one of the specified events in the plan

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occurs, which permits all or part of the monies so deferred, together with earnings, to be distributed to participants or their beneficiaries. In addition, the plan provides eligible employees of Northfield Bank with supplemental retirement income from Northfield Bank when such amounts are not payable under the contribution formula of the Northfield Bank 401(k) Savings Plan (the 401(k) Savings Plan), due to reductions and other limitations imposed under the Internal Revenue Code.

Members of the Board of Trustees of Northfield Bancorp, MHC and the Boards of Directors of Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank, and certain employees are eligible to participate in the plan. Eligible trustees, directors or employees become participants upon agreeing in a written enrollment agreement to defer any portion of their trustee fees, director fees, compensation, and/or performance-based compensation. Each participant may request that his or her deferred compensation account be deemed to be invested in any one or more of the investment options available to Northfield Bancorp, MHC, or Northfield Bank, in our sole discretion. A participant may periodically request a change to his or her investment allocation deemed available under the plan. In the event any participant fails to direct the investment of his or her deferred compensation account, or to the extent the employer chooses not to honor the participant's request, the deferred compensation account will be deemed to bear interest at the rate prevailing for 30-year United States Treasury Bonds.

With respect to amounts of deferred trustee or director fees, deferred compensation or performance-based compensation, distributions will be made under the plan in the event of the participant's retirement, death, termination due to disability, separation from service prior to the participant's retirement date, upon the establishment of an unforeseeable emergency, upon a change in control, or upon the attainment of a specific date of distribution, in a single lump sum or in up to 15 annual installment payments, as designated by the participant in his or her enrollment agreement. In the case of an unforeseeable emergency, the amounts distributed will not exceed the amounts necessary to satisfy the emergency plus an amount necessary to pay any taxes owed on the distribution. In the event the participant fails to designate a payment schedule on his enrollment agreement or if the entire balance credited to the participant's account is less than \$10,000, payment will be made in a single lump sum. In the event a participant dies before receiving the full amount of his benefit, the remaining amounts will be paid to the participant's designated beneficiary according to the participant's form of election or, if there is no designated beneficiary at the time of the participant's death, to the participant's estate in a single lump sum. Distributions to certain specified employees on account of their separation from service may be delayed for six months, if necessary, to comply with Internal Revenue Code Section 409A.

In addition, the non-qualified deferred compensation plan provides for benefits which supplement those paid under the 401(k) Savings Plan in the event of normal, early or postponed retirement, death or termination of service. Such benefits will be equal to the sum of: (i) the maximum amount of employer matching contributions provided to a participant each calendar year, assuming a participant's maximum contributions, reduced by the amount of employer matching contributions made for the participant under the 401(k) Savings Plan for such year, adjusted by gains and losses; (ii) commencing January 1, 2000, the amount of employer matching contributions not credited to a participant's 401(k) Savings Plan account as a result of an employer error, adjusted by gains and losses, if any; and (iii) the maximum amount of discretionary employer contributions that would be provided to a participant under the 401(k) Savings Plan, assuming an allocation without taking into account the limitations imposed by the Internal Revenue Code, reduced by the amount of discretionary employer contributions actually made to a participant under the 401(k) Savings Plan for each such year, adjusted by gains and losses, if any. Benefits payable under this plan that supplement matching contributions under the 401(k) Savings Plan will be aggregated with benefits payable under the Supplemental ESOP (described below). Upon the occurrence of a distribution event, such benefits will be payable in either a lump sum or installments over a period of up to 15 years, at the election of the participant made in accordance with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

The non-qualified deferred compensation plan is considered an unfunded plan for tax and Employee Retirement Income Security Act purposes. All obligations owing under the plan are payable from the general assets of Northfield Bank and Northfield Bancorp, MHC, and are subject to the claims of Northfield Bank's or Northfield Bancorp, MHC's creditors.

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Supplemental Employee Stock Ownership Plan. The Northfield Bank Supplemental Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the Supplemental ESOP) is a benefit restoration plan that provides additional cash benefits, equal to the participant's account balance, at retirement or other termination of employment (or upon a change in control) to participants who are key employees, who are approved by the Compensation Committee and whose benefits under the tax-qualified employee stock ownership plan, described below, are limited by tax law limitations applicable to tax-qualified plans. Messrs. Alexander, Klein, and Doherty are the current participants in this plan. The Supplemental ESOP credits each participant who also participates in the tax-qualified employee stock ownership plan with an annual amount equal to the sum of the difference (expressed in dollars) between (a) the number of shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal that would have been allocated to the participant's account in the employee stock ownership plan, but for the tax law limitations, plus earnings thereon, and (b) the actual number of shares allocated to the participant's account in the employee stock ownership plan plus earnings thereon. In each case, the number of shares will be multiplied by the fair market value of the shares on the allocation date to determine the annual allocation amount. Each participant is permitted to make investment recommendations for the annual amount credited to his or her account among a broadly diversified group of mutual funds selected for investment by a committee appointed by Northfield Bank's Board of Directors to administer the Supplemental ESOP. Northfield Bank has established a rabbi trust to hold assets attributable to the Supplemental ESOP to informally fund its benefit obligation. Northfield Bank, at its discretion, may account for the Supplemental ESOP solely as bookkeeping entries. Whether or not a rabbi trust is established, the participant's account value is based on the value of the investments in which the participant invests, or is deemed to invest, his account. Benefits distributed to participants from the Supplemental ESOP will be aggregated with benefits payable under the matching contributions portion of the Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan (described above). Upon the occurrence of a distribution event, such benefits will be payable in either a lump sum or installments over a period of up to 15 years, at the election of the participant made in accordance with Section 409A of Internal Revenue Code.

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to our nonqualified deferred compensation plans at and for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation At And For The Year Ended December 31, 2009

Name	Executive contributions in last fiscal year (\$)(1)	Registrant contributions in last fiscal year (\$)(1)	Aggregate earnings in last fiscal year (\$)(2)	Aggregate withdrawals/distributions (\$)	Aggregate balance at last fiscal year end (\$)(3)
John W. Alexander	120,388	41,084	309,235		1,502,019
Steven M. Klein	1,650	4,625	31,607		111,346
Kenneth J. Doherty	2,650	2,686	37,076		141,835
Michael J. Widmer			10,733		48,486
Madeline G. Frank	4,024		16,085		61,377

(1) Contributions included in the Executive contributions in last fiscal year and the Registrant contributions in last fiscal year

columns are included as compensation for the listed individuals in the Summary Compensation Table.

(2) Amounts included in the Aggregate earnings in last fiscal year are not included as compensation for the listed individuals in the Summary Compensation Table as such earnings are not preferential or above market.

(3) Amounts included in the Aggregate balance at last fiscal year end previously were reported as compensation for the listed individuals except to the extent that such balances reflect earnings, all of which were not preferential or above market.

Short- and Long-Term Disability

Named Executive Officers and certain other members of senior management at Northfield Bank will be paid their full salary for the duration of any period of short-term disability, up to 26 weeks. Senior management receives this benefit in lieu of the ability to bank paid time off for future use, which is only available to employees of Northfield Bank who are not senior management. With respect to long-term disability, senior management employees are required to purchase long-term disability coverage and Northfield Bank provides such persons a bonus payment in recognition of their payment of such coverage. The amount of the bonus is in the sole discretion of Northfield Bank.

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Employees of Northfield Bank receive life insurance coverage of up to three times salary, if hired before January 1, 2003, and up to two times salary, if hired on or after January 1, 2003. Such life insurance coverage is generally capped at \$500,000. However, in the case of senior management, such life insurance coverage is capped at \$750,000.

401(k) Savings Plan

Northfield Bank maintains the 401(k) Savings Plan, which is a tax-qualified defined contribution plan with a salary deferral feature under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. Salaried employees, who have completed at least one year of eligible service, as defined in the plan, are eligible to participate in the plan. Employees who are paid on an hourly basis, employees who are paid exclusively on a commission basis, leased employees or employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement are not eligible to participate in the 401(k) Savings Plan. Eligible employees may contribute from 2% to 15% of their base salary to the 401(k) Savings Plan on a pre-tax basis each year, subject to the limitations of the Internal Revenue Code (for 2009, the limit was \$16,500, exclusive of any catch-up contributions). Employees who have been making before-tax contributions for less than 36 months will receive an employer matching contribution equal to 25% of the first 6% of before-tax base salary contributions. Employees who have participated for 36 or more months will receive an employer matching contribution equal to 50% of their first 6% of before-tax base salary contributions. In addition, we may make discretionary employer contributions on behalf of eligible employees.

The 401(k) Savings Plan permits employees to invest in common stock of Northfield-Federal.

Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust

We maintain the employee stock ownership plan to promote employee ownership of our common stock. At the employee stock ownership plan's inception, the employee stock ownership plan trust borrowed funds from Northfield-Federal and used those funds to purchase 1,756,279 shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal. The collateral for the loan is the common stock purchased by the employee stock ownership plan. The loan will be repaid principally from discretionary contributions made by Northfield Bank to the employee stock ownership plan over a period of up to 30 years. The loan documents provide that the loan may be repaid over a shorter period, without penalty for prepayments. The interest rate on the loan equals the prime interest rate as of closing of the stock offering, and adjusts annually at the beginning of each calendar year. Shares purchased by the employee stock ownership plan are held in a suspense account for allocation among participants as the loan is repaid primarily on the basis of compensation in the year of allocation, subject to Internal Revenue Code limitations. Benefits under the plan vest at the rate of 20% per year of credited service beginning in the second year of credited service so that a participant with six years of credited service will become fully vested. Credit is given for vesting purposes to participants for years of service with Northfield Bank prior to the adoption of the plan. Credit is also given to those employees who were employed at Liberty Bank at the time of its acquisition by Northfield Bank for their years of service at Liberty Bank. A participant's interest in his account under the plan fully vests in the event of termination of service due to a participant's normal retirement, death, disability, or upon a change in control (as defined in the plan). In the event of a change in control, the employee stock ownership plan will terminate, loan amounts outstanding will be repaid, and remaining shares will fully vest.

In connection with the conversion, the trustee for our existing employee stock ownership plan is expected to purchase, on behalf of the employee stock ownership plan, 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering. We anticipate that the employee stock ownership plan will fund its stock purchase with a loan from Northfield-Delaware equal to the aggregate purchase price of the common stock. The loan will have a ten-year term and be repaid principally through Northfield Bank contribution to the employee stock ownership plan and dividends payable on common stock held by the employee stock ownership plan over the term of the loan. The interest rate for the employee stock ownership plan loan is expected to be the prime rate of interest, determined as of the date of origination of the loan. See Pro Forma Data.

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The trustee will hold the shares purchased by the employee stock ownership plan in an unallocated suspense account, and shares will be released from the suspense account on a pro-rata basis as we repay the loan. The trustee will allocate the shares released among participants on the basis of each participant's proportional share of eligible plan compensation relative to all participants.

We reserve the right to purchase shares of common stock in the open market following the offering in order to fund all or a portion of the employee stock ownership plan. We also reserve the right to have the employee stock ownership plan purchase more than 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering if necessary to complete the offering at the minimum of the offering range.

Pension Benefits

None of the individuals listed in the Summary Compensation Table had accumulated pension benefits either at or during the year ended December 31, 2009.

Employment Agreements

Northfield Bank has entered into employment agreements with each of Messrs. Alexander, Klein, Doherty, and Widmer. Northfield-Federal is a signatory to each of the agreements for the sole purpose of guaranteeing payments thereunder. Each of these agreements has an initial term of three years. Each year, on the anniversary date of these agreements, the employment agreements renew for an additional year so that the remaining term will be three years unless notice of nonrenewal is provided to the executive prior to such anniversary date. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors conducts an annual performance evaluation of each executive for purposes of determining whether to renew the employment agreement. The Compensation Committee also evaluates the terms and conditions of the agreements prior to renewal, in consultation with an independent third party compensation consultant, to determine that such terms and conditions are competitive with the market for the designated positions.

Under the employment agreements, base salaries for Messrs. Alexander, Klein, Doherty, and Widmer on December 31, 2009, were \$676,000, \$300,000, \$280,000, and \$230,000, respectively. In addition to base salary, each agreement provides for, among other things, participation in cash incentive programs and other employee retirement benefit and fringe benefit plans applicable to executive employees. Northfield Bank also will pay or reimburse each executive for all reasonable business expenses incurred by the executive in the performance of his obligations. In addition, Northfield Bank will provide Mr. Alexander with a life insurance policy, pay or reimburse Mr. Alexander for the annual dues associated with his membership in a country club, and pay directly or reimburse Mr. Alexander for the expense of leasing an automobile and reasonable expenses associated with the use of such automobile. Each employment agreement may be terminated for cause at any time, in which event the executive would have no right to receive compensation or other benefits under the employment agreement for any period after termination.

Certain events resulting in the executive's termination or resignation entitle the executive to payments of severance benefits following termination of employment. In the event the executive's employment is terminated for reasons other than just cause (as defined in the employment agreement), disability (as defined in the employment agreements), or death, or in the event the executive resigns during the term of the agreement following:

- (i) the failure to elect or reelect or to appoint or reappoint the executive to his executive position, and in the case of Mr. Alexander, the failure to nominate or re-nominate him as a director of Northfield Bank or Northfield-Federal;
- (ii) a material change in the nature or scope of the executive's authority that would cause the executive's position to become one of lesser importance;
- (iii) a relocation of the executive's principal place of employment by more than 30 miles from designated areas;

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- (iv) a material reduction in the benefits and perquisites of executive, other than a reduction in pay or benefits of all Northfield Bank employees;
 - (v) the liquidation or dissolution of Northfield Bank or Northfield-Federal that would affect the status of the executive; or
 - (vi) a material breach of the employment agreement by Northfield Bank,
- the executive would be entitled to a lump sum cash severance payment and the continuation of certain welfare benefits for a period of time after termination of employment, as more fully described under the table Potential Payments to Named Executive Officers.

In the event an executive resigns in connection with or following a change in control (as defined in the employment agreement), the executive would also be entitled to a lump sum cash severance payment and the continuation of certain welfare benefits, including health and life insurance benefits for a period of time after termination of employment, as more fully described under the table Potential Payments to Named Executive Officers. Payments will be made in a lump sum within 30 days after the date of termination, or, if necessary to avoid penalties under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code, no later than the first day of the seventh month following the date of termination. In addition, the executive and his family would be entitled, at no expense to the executive, to the continuation of life, medical, dental and disability coverage for 36 months following the date of termination. If such benefits cannot be provided, a lump sum cash payment for the value of such benefits will be made to the executive.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event payments to the executive would result in an excess parachute payment as defined in Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code, payments under the employment agreements would be reduced in order to avoid such a result.

In the event Mr. Alexander becomes disabled, his obligation to perform services under the employment agreement will terminate and he will receive the benefits provided under any disability program sponsored by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank. To the extent disability benefits for Mr. Alexander are less than his base salary on the effective date of his termination of employment, and less than 66 2/3% of his base salary after the first year following termination, he will receive a supplemental disability benefit equal to the difference between the benefits provided under any disability program sponsored by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank and his base salary for one year following the date of termination, and 66 2/3% of his base salary after the first year following termination, until the earliest to occur of his death, recovery of disability or the date he attains age 65. If disability payments to Mr. Alexander are not taxable to him for federal income tax purposes, such amounts shall be tax adjusted assuming a combined federal, state and city tax rate of 38%, for purposes of determining the reduction in payments under the agreement, to reflect the tax-free nature of the disability payments. In addition, Mr. Alexander and his dependents will continue to be covered, at no cost to them, under all benefit plans, including retirement plans, life insurance plans and non-taxable medical and dental plans in which they participated prior to the occurrence of his disability, until the earliest of his recovery from disability or attaining age 65.

The employment agreements for Messrs. Klein, Doherty, and Widmer provide that in the event of the executive's disability, the executive's obligation to perform services under the employment agreement will terminate, and the executive will continue to receive his then current base salary for one year. Such payment will be reduced by the amount of any short- or long-term disability benefits payable under any disability program sponsored by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank. If disability payments to Messrs. Klein, Doherty, or Widmer are not subject to federal income tax, then amounts payable to the executives under the employment agreements shall be tax adjusted in a manner similar to payments to Mr. Alexander. In addition, the executive and his dependents will continue to be provided with certain medical, dental and other health benefits on the same terms as those provided prior to the executive's termination for a period of one year.

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In the event of the executive's death, the executive's estate or beneficiaries will be paid the executive's base salary for one year and will receive continued medical, dental, and other health benefits for one year on the same terms as those provided prior to the executive's death. Upon retirement at age 65 or such later date determined by the Board of Directors, the executive will receive only those benefits to which he is entitled under any retirement plan of Northfield Bank to which he is a party.

Upon termination of the executive's employment other than in connection with a change in control or for cause, the executive agrees not to compete with Northfield Bank for a period of two years in any city, town or county in which the executive's normal business office is located and Northfield Bank has an office or has filed an application for regulatory approval to establish an office.

Table of Contents**Potential Payments to Named Executive Officers**

The following table sets forth estimates of the amounts that would be payable to the listed individuals, under their employment agreements and stock option and restricted stock agreements in the event of their termination of employment on December 31, 2009, under designated circumstances. Ms. Frank is not subject to an employment contract, but is party to stock option and restricted stock agreements. Amounts related to the acceleration of equity awards for Ms. Frank would be \$274,686 in the event of a discharge without cause or resignation with good reason with a change in control at December 31, 2009. See note 9 to the table below for further information. The table does not include vested or accrued benefits under qualified and non-qualified benefit plans or qualified or non-qualified deferred compensation plans that are disclosed elsewhere in this proxy statement. The estimates shown are highly dependent on a variety of factors, including but not limited to the date of termination, interest rates, federal, state, and local tax rates, and compensation history. Actual payments due could vary substantially from the estimates shown. We consider each termination scenario listed below to be exclusive of all other scenarios and do not expect that any of our executive officers would be eligible to collect the benefits shown under more than one termination scenario. If an executive officer is terminated for just cause as defined in the employment agreement, we have no contractual payment or other obligations under the employment agreement.

	Mr. Alexander	Mr. Klein	Mr. Doherty	Mr. Widmer
Disability				
Salary continuation (1)	\$ 1,126,799	\$ 140,253	\$ 129,930	\$ 104,124
Medical, dental and other health benefits (2)	134,039	16,526	16,526	16,526
Life insurance (3)	188,707			
Total	\$ 1,449,545	\$ 156,779	\$ 146,456	\$ 120,650
Death				
Salary (lump-sum payment) (4)	\$ 676,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 280,000	\$ 230,000
Medical, dental and other health benefits (4)	16,526	16,526	16,526	16,526
Total	\$ 692,526	\$ 316,526	\$ 296,526	\$ 246,526
Discharge Without Cause or Resignation With Good Reason no Change in Control (5)				
Salary (lump sum)	\$ 2,028,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 840,000	\$ 690,000
Bonus (lump sum)	311,600	154,265	127,510	107,045
Retirement contributions (lump sum)	227,172	81,477	115,020	98,484
Medical, dental and other health benefits (6)	75,313	75,313	75,313	75,313
Life insurance contributions (7)	115,205	8,247	10,309	6,322
Total	\$ 2,757,290	\$ 1,219,302	\$ 1,168,152	\$ 977,164
Discharge Without Cause or Resignation With Good Reason Change in Control Related (8)				
Salary (lump sum)	\$ 2,028,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 840,000	\$ 690,000
Bonus (lump sum)	507,000	279,045	209,880	185,010

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Acceleration of vesting of equity awards (9)	3,779,435	1,794,306	1,674,320	1,375,945
Retirement contributions (lump sum)	227,172	81,477	115,020	98,484
Medical, dental and other health benefits	75,313	75,313	75,313	75,313
Life insurance contributions	115,205	8,247	10,309	6,322
Total	\$ 6,732,125	\$ 3,138,388	\$ 2,924,842	\$ 2,431,074

(1) In the case of disability, Mr. Alexander's employment agreement provides for supplemental salary continuation until the earlier of: recovery from such disability, attaining age 65, or death. The reported figure assumes salary continuation until Mr. Alexander attains the age of 65. Mr. Klein, Mr. Doherty, and Mr. Widmer receive salary continuation benefits for one-year following such disability. The employment agreement provides the executive with his base salary in the first year following disability, reduced by any assumed short-term or long-term

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Mr. Alexander's
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tax-equivalent basis (assuming a 38% tax rate), if such short-term or long-term disability benefits are excludable for federal income tax purposes. Supplemental salary continuation benefits have been discounted at an annual compounding rate of 2.00% for Mr. Alexander. The figures presented for Mr. Klein, Mr. Doherty, and Mr. Widmer are presented without discount.

- (2) Mr. Alexander's employment agreement provides for medical, dental, and other health benefits to him and his family, at no cost to him, until Mr. Alexander recovers from such disability, or Mr. Alexander attains the age of 65. Mr. Klein's, Mr. Doherty's,

and
Mr. Widmer's
employment
agreements
provide for one
year of medical,
dental, and other
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terms, including
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discount.

- (3) Mr. Alexander's employment agreement provides for life insurance continuation benefits. Mr. Alexander receives an annual reimbursement for a whole-life policy premium through 2014 in the amount of \$35,660. In addition, the employment agreement provides for the continuation of group life insurance for Mr. Alexander until the earlier of: recovering from such disability or Mr. Alexander attaining the age of 65. The reported figure in the table assumes that group term life insurance benefits will continue until Mr. Alexander attains the age of 65, with an assumed annual cost increase of 4% and a present value discount rate of 2.00% annual compounding rate. The

agreement in effect for Mr. Alexander provides for salary continuation at his base salary for the first year after such disability and 66 2/3% of his base salary after the first year. Such payments continue until Mr. Alexander's death, recovery from such disability, or the date he attains age 65. The figures shown assume any amounts owed to Mr. Alexander will be reduced by applicable short-term and long-term disability payments received from insurance carriers without discount for present value. Mr. Klein, Mr. Doherty, and Mr. Widmer are provided a salary continuation for the first year after such disability. The figures shown assume any amounts owed will be reduced by applicable

short-term and long-term disability payments received from insurance carriers without discount for present value.

(4) Each of the employment agreements provides for a lump-sum death benefit equal to one-year of base salary for each executive. The employment agreements also provide for the continuation of medical, dental, and other health benefits to the executive's family for a period of one-year at the same terms and cost to the executive immediately prior to his death.

(5) Each of the employment agreements provides for the lump-sum payment of: three times base salary; three times the average annual bonus/and or incentive award for three years prior to the year

of termination;
and the
retirement
contributions or
payments that
we would have
made on the
executive's
behalf, as if the
executive had
continued his
employment for
a 36-month
period, based on
contributions or
payments made
(on an
annualized
basis) at the date
of termination.

- (6) Each of the
employment
agreements
provides for
medical, dental,
and other health
benefits to the
executive and
his family, at no
cost to the
executive for a
period of
36 months from
the date of
termination. The
reported figures
reflect the
estimated
present value of
the future
premium cost of
such benefits,
calculated
utilizing
substantially the
same health care
cost increase
assumptions we
used in
measuring our

liability for such benefits for financial statement purposes. For purposes of this presentation, the estimated future costs were discounted at a 2.00% annual compounding rate.

- (7) Each of the employment agreements provides for life insurance benefits to the executive and his family, at no cost to the executive for a period of 36 months from the date of termination. Mr. Alexander receives an annual reimbursement of \$35,660 for a whole-life insurance policy. Mr. Alexander, Mr. Klein, Mr. Doherty, and Mr. Widmer also participate in our group life insurance plan. The reported figures in the table assume that the reimbursement to Mr. Alexander for his

whole-life insurance policy will continue for a period of three years. The reported figures also include the estimated costs of group term life insurance benefits for Mr. Alexander, Mr. Klein, Mr. Doherty, and Mr. Widmer for a three year period with an assumed annual cost increase of 4% and a present value discount rate of 2.00% compounded annually.

- (8) Under each of the employment agreements, amounts payable under a change in control are identical to those payable for Discharge Without Cause or Resignation With Good Reason no Change in Control except that:
- (i) payments pertaining to bonus and/or incentive awards are based upon the highest annual bonus and/or

incentive award earned in any of the three years preceding the year in which the termination occurs and (ii) each of the employment agreements limits the total payments to an executive to an amount that is one dollar less than three times the executive's base amount as defined in Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code. The amounts presented in the table have not been reduced to reflect any cut-back required to avoid an excess parachute payment under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code.

- (9) Amounts represent the value of unvested equity awards at December 31, 2009 calculated as the sum of:
- (a) unvested restricted stock of 168,000 shares, 78,300 shares, 73,000 shares, 60,000 shares, and

13,300 shares
for
Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Klein,
Mr. Doherty,
Mr. Widmer,
and Ms. Frank,
respectively,
multiplied by
the closing price
of our common
stock on
December 31,
2009, of \$13.52
per share; and
(b) unvested
stock options of
421,250 options,
205,500 options,
192,000 options,
157,750 options,
and 26,500
options for
Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Klein, Mr.
Doherty,
Mr. Widmer,
and Ms. Frank,
respectively,
multiplied by
\$3.58 per
option. The
\$3.58 value of
each option
represents the
closing price of
our common
stock on
December 31,
2009 of \$13.52
per share less
the option
exercise price of
\$9.94 per share.

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Benefits to be Considered Following Completion of the Conversion

Following the stock offering, we intend to adopt a new stock-based benefit plan that will provide for grants of stock options and restricted common stock awards. If adopted within 12 months following the completion of the conversion, the number of shares reserved for the exercise of stock options or available for stock awards under the stock-based benefit plan would be limited to 10% and 4%, respectively, of the shares sold in the stock offering, subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect shares of common stock or stock options previously granted by Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank, so that the total shares reserved for stock options and restricted stock awards does not exceed 10% and 4%, respectively, of Northfield-Delaware's outstanding shares immediately after the conversion and offering.

The stock-based benefit plan will not be established sooner than six months after the stock offering and if adopted within one year after the stock offering would require the approval of a majority of the votes eligible to be cast by stockholders. If the stock-based benefit plan is established after one year after the stock offering, it would require the approval of our stockholders by a majority of votes cast. The following additional restrictions would apply to our stock-based benefit plan only if the plan is adopted within one year after the stock offering:

non-employee directors in the aggregate may not receive more than 30% of the options and restricted stock awards authorized under the plan;

any one non-employee director may not receive more than 5% of the options and restricted stock awards authorized under the plan;

any officer or employee may not receive more than 25% of the options and restricted stock awards authorized under the plan;

any tax-qualified employee stock benefit plans and management stock benefit plans, in the aggregate, may not hold more than 10% of the shares sold in the offering, unless Northfield Bank has tangible capital of 10% or more, in which case any tax-qualified employee stock benefit plans and management stock benefit plans, may hold up to 12% of the shares sold in the offering;

the options and restricted stock awards may not vest more rapidly than 20% per year, beginning on the first anniversary of stockholder approval of the plan;

accelerated vesting is not permitted except for death, disability or upon a change in control of Northfield Bank or Northfield-Delaware; and

our executive officers or directors must exercise or forfeit their options in the event that Northfield Bank becomes critically undercapitalized, is subject to enforcement action or receives a capital directive.

We have not determined whether we will present the stock-based benefit plan for stockholder approval prior to or more than 12 months after the completion of the conversion. In the event either federal or state regulators change their regulations or policies regarding stock-based benefit plans, including any regulations or policies restricting the size of awards and vesting of benefits as described above, the restrictions described above may not be applicable.

We may obtain the shares needed for our stock-based benefit plans by issuing additional shares of common stock from authorized but unissued shares or through stock repurchases.

The actual value of the shares awarded under the stock-based benefit plan will be based in part on the price of Northfield-Delaware's common stock at the time the shares are awarded. The stock-based benefit plan is subject to stockholder approval, and cannot be implemented until at least six months after the offering. The following table

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presents the total value of all shares that would be available for award and issuance under the stock-based benefit plan, assuming the shares are awarded when the market price of our common stock ranges from \$8.00 per share to \$14.00 per share.

Share Price	1,190,000 Shares	1,400,000 Shares	1,610,000 Shares	1,851,500 Shares
	Awarded at Minimum	Awarded at Midpoint of	Awarded at Maximum	Awarded at Maximum of Offering Range, As
	of Offering Range	Offering Range	of Offering Range	Adjusted
(In thousands, except share price information)				
\$ 8.00	\$ 9,520	\$ 11,200	\$ 12,880	\$ 14,812
10.00	11,900	14,000	16,100	18,515
12.00	14,280	16,800	19,320	22,218
14.00	16,660	19,600	22,540	25,921

The grant-date fair value of the options granted under the stock-based benefit plan will be based in part on the price of shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware at the time the options are granted. The value also will depend on the various assumptions utilized in the option pricing model ultimately adopted. The following table presents the total estimated value of the options to be available for grant under the stock-based benefit plan, assuming the market price and exercise price for the stock options are equal and the range of market prices for the shares is \$8.00 per share to \$14.00 per share. The Black-Scholes option pricing model provides an estimate only of the fair value of the options, and the actual value of the options may differ significantly from the value set forth in this table.

Exercise Price	Grant-Date	2,975,000	3,500,000	4,025,000	4,628,750
	Fair Value Per Option	Options	Options	Options	Options
	at Minimum of	at Midpoint of	at Maximum of	at Maximum of	Range, As
	Range	Range	Range	Range	Adjusted
(In thousands, except exercise price and fair value information)					
\$ 8.00	\$ 2.98	\$ 8,866	\$ 10,430	\$ 11,995	\$ 13,794
10.00	3.73	11,097	13,055	15,013	17,265
12.00	4.48	13,328	15,680	18,032	20,737
14.00	5.22	15,530	18,270	21,011	24,162

The tables presented above are provided for informational purposes only. There can be no assurance that our stock price will not trade below \$10.00 per share. Before you make an investment decision, we urge you to read this prospectus carefully, including, but not limited to, the section entitled **Risk Factors** beginning on page 16.

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The following table provides the beneficial ownership of shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal held by our directors and executive officers, individually and as a group, and all individuals known to management to own more than 5% of our common stock as of [stockholder record date]. Unless otherwise indicated, each of the named individuals has sole voting power and sole investment power with respect to the number of shares shown.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Total Shares Beneficially Owned	Percent of All Common Stock Outstanding
<i>Directors:</i>		
John W. Alexander	374,422 (1)	
John R. Bowen	57,105 (2)	
Annette Catino	83,481 (3)	
Gil Chapman	61,610 (4)	
John P. Connors, Jr.	57,145 (5)	
John J. DePierro	50,822 (6)	
Susan Lamberti	71,610 (7)	
Albert J. Regen	92,100 (8)	
Patrick E. Scura, Jr.	74,110 (9)	

Executive Officers Other Than Directors:

Kenneth J. Doherty	160,398 (10)	
Madeline G. Frank	50,098 (11)	
Steven M. Klein	160,505 (12)	
Michael J. Widmer	128,810 (13)	

All directors and executive officers as a group (13 persons)

Northfield Bancorp, MHC
1731 Victory Boulevard
Staten Island, New York 10314

Northfield Bancorp, MHC and all directors and executive officers as a group

Wellington Management Company, LLP 75 State Street Boston, MA 02109 (14)	2,509,532	
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* Less than 1%.

(1) Includes 9,130 shares held jointly with Mr. Alexander's spouse, 28,538 shares held in Mr. Alexander's

individual retirement account accounts, 63,445 shares held by Mr. Alexander's spouse, and 6,059 shares allocated to Mr. Alexander under Northfield Bank's employee stock ownership plan. Also includes 134,400 shares of unvested stock awards over which Mr. Alexander has voting control and 84,250 shares that may be acquired within 60 days by exercising options.

- (2) Includes 5,667 shares held in Mr. Bowen's individual retirement account, 3,673 shares held by Mr. Bowen's spouse, and 6,155 shares held in Northfield Bancorp Inc.'s 401(k) Plan. Also includes 22,200 shares of unvested stock awards over which Mr. Bowen has voting control

and 13,860 shares that may be acquired within 60 days by exercising options.

- (3) Includes 34,771 shares held jointly with Ms. Catino's spouse, 7,000 shares held in Ms. Catino's individual retirement account, and 100 shares held in Ms. Catino's SEP account. Also includes 22,200 shares of unvested stock awards over which Ms. Catino has voting control and 13,860 shares that may be acquired within 60 days by exercising options.
- (4) Includes 20,000 shares held jointly with Mr. Chapman's spouse and 5,550 shares held by Mr. Chapman's spouse. Also includes 22,200 shares of unvested stock awards over which Mr. Chapman has voting

control and
13,860 shares
that may be
acquired within
60 days by
exercising
options.

(5) Includes 13,197
shares held in
Mr. Connors
individual
retirement
account
accounts, 1,738
shares held
jointly with
Mr. Connors
spouse, and 600
shares held by
Mr. Connors
spouse. Also
includes 22,200
shares of
unvested stock
awards over
which
Mr. Connors has
voting control
and 13,860
shares that may
be acquired
within 60 days
by exercising
options.

(6) Includes 5,392
shares held
jointly with
Mr. DePierro's
spouse. Also
includes 22,200
shares of
unvested stock
awards over
which
Mr. DePierro
has voting
control and
13,860 shares
that may be

acquired within
60 days by
exercising
options.

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- (7) All shares held jointly with Ms. Lamberti's spouse. Also includes 22,200 shares of unvested stock awards over which Ms. Lamberti has voting control and 13,860 shares that may be acquired within 60 days by exercising options.

- (8) Includes 13,200 shares held jointly with Mr. Regen's spouse and 14,682 shares held by Mr. Regen's spouse. Also includes 22,200 shares of unvested stock awards over which Mr. Regen has voting control.

- (9) Includes 22,200 shares of unvested stock awards over which Mr. Scura has voting control and 13,860 shares that may be acquired within 60 days by exercising

options.

- (10) Includes 18,366 shares held jointly with Mr. Doherty's spouse, 1,549 shares held as custodian for Mr. Doherty's child, 3,368 shares held by Mr. Doherty's spouse, 24,892 shares held in Northfield Bank's 401(k) Plan, and 6,059 shares allocated to Mr. Doherty under Northfield Bank's employee stock ownership plan. Also includes 58,400 shares of unvested stock awards over which Mr. Doherty has voting control and 38,400 shares that may be acquired within 60 days by exercising options.
- (11) Includes 2,050 shares held by Ms. Frank's child, 14,981 shares held in Northfield Bank's 401(k) Plan, and 4,467 shares allocated to Ms. Frank under Northfield Bank's employee stock ownership

plan. Also includes 10,640 shares of unvested stock awards over which Ms. Frank has voting control and 5,300 shares that may be acquired within 60 days by exercising options.

(12) Includes 24,751 shares held in Northfield Bank's 401(k) Plan and 6,059 shares allocated to Mr. Klein under Northfield Bank's employee stock ownership plan. Also includes 62,640 shares of unvested stock awards over which Mr. Klein has voting control and 41,100 shares that may be acquired within 60 days by exercising options.

(13) Includes 10,000 shares held jointly with Mr. Widmer's spouse, 6,700 shares held by Mr. Widmer's spouse, 4,203 shares held in Mr. Widmer's individual

retirement
account
account, 14,921
shares held in
Northfield
Bank's 401(k)
Plan, and 5,833
shares allocated
to Mr. Widmer
under Northfield
Bank's employee
stock ownership
plan. Also
includes 48,000
shares of
unvested stock
awards over
which
Mr. Widmer has
voting control
and 31,550
shares that may
be acquired
within 60 days
by exercising
options.

- (14) Based on a
Schedule 13-G
as filed with the
Securities and
Exchange
Commission on
February 12,
2010.

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The table below sets forth, for each of Northfield-Delaware's directors and executive officers, and for all of these individuals as a group, the following information:

- (i) the number of exchange shares to be held upon completion of the conversion, based upon their beneficial ownership of Northfield-Federal common stock as of [stockholder record date];
- (ii) the proposed purchases of subscription shares, assuming sufficient shares of common stock are available to satisfy their subscriptions; and
- (iii) the total shares of common stock to be held upon completion of the conversion.

In each case, it is assumed that subscription shares are sold at the minimum of the offering range. See The Conversion and Offering Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases. Regulations of the Office of Thrift Supervision prohibit our directors and officers from selling the shares they purchase in the offering for one year after the date of purchase. Subscriptions by management through our 401(k) plan are included in the proposed purchases set forth below and will be counted as part of the maximum number of shares such individuals may subscribe for in the stock offering and as part of the maximum number of shares directors and officers may purchase in the stock offering.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Number of Exchange Shares to Be Held (2)	Proposed Purchases of Stock in the Offering (1)		Total Common Stock to be Held at Minimum of Offering Range (3)	
		Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Percentage of Shares Outstanding
John W. Alexander, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer			\$		%
John R. Bowen, Director					
Annette Catino, Director					
Gil Chapman, Director					
John P. Connors, Jr., Director					
John J. DePierro, Director					
Susan Lamberti, Director					
Albert J. Regen, Director					
Patrick E. Scura, Jr., Director					
Kenneth J. Doherty, Executive Vice President, Chief Lending Officer					
Madeline G. Frank, Senior Vice President, Corporate Secretary					
Steven M. Klein, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer					
Michael J. Widmer, Executive Vice President, Operations					
Total for Directors and Executive Officers					%

- * Less than 1%.

- (1) Includes proposed subscriptions, if any, by associates.

- (2) Based on information presented in Beneficial Ownership of Common Stock, and assuming an exchange ratio of 1.2073 at the minimum of the offering range.

- (3) At the maximum of the offering range, directors and executive officers would own _____ shares, or _____% of our outstanding shares of common stock.

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The Board of Directors of Northfield-Federal and the Board of Trustees of Northfield Bancorp, MHC have approved the plan of conversion and reorganization. The plan of conversion and reorganization must also be approved by the members of Northfield Bancorp, MHC (depositors of Northfield Bank) and the stockholders of Northfield-Federal. A special meeting of members and a special meeting of stockholders have been called for this purpose. The Office of Thrift Supervision has conditionally approved the plan of conversion and reorganization; however, such approval does not constitute a recommendation or endorsement of the plan of conversion and reorganization by that agency.

General

The respective Boards of Directors of Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield-Federal adopted the plan of conversion and reorganization on June 4, 2010. Pursuant to the plan of conversion and reorganization, our organization will convert from the mutual holding company form of organization to the fully stock form. Northfield Bancorp, MHC, the mutual holding company parent of Northfield-Federal, will be merged into Northfield-Federal, and Northfield Bancorp, MHC will no longer exist. Northfield-Federal, which owns 100% of Northfield Bank, will be merged into a new Delaware corporation named Northfield Bancorp, Inc. As part of the conversion, the 56.4% ownership interest of Northfield Bancorp, MHC in Northfield-Federal will be offered for sale in the stock offering. When the conversion is completed, all of the outstanding common stock of Northfield Bank will be owned by Northfield-Delaware, and all of the outstanding common stock of Northfield-Delaware will be owned by public stockholders. Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield-Federal will cease to exist. A diagram of our corporate structure before and after the conversion is set forth in the Summary section of this prospectus.

Under the plan of conversion and reorganization, at the completion of the conversion and offering, each share of Northfield-Federal common stock owned by persons other than Northfield Bancorp, MHC will be converted automatically into the right to receive new shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock determined pursuant to an exchange ratio. The exchange ratio will ensure that immediately after the exchange of existing shares of Northfield-Federal for new shares, the public stockholders will own the same aggregate percentage of shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware that they owned in Northfield-Federal immediately prior to the conversion, excluding any shares they purchased in the offering and their receipt of cash paid in lieu of fractional shares.

We intend to retain between \$131.6 million and \$205.2 million of the net proceeds of the offering and to invest between \$143.5 million and \$223.8 million of the net proceeds in Northfield Bank. The conversion will be consummated only upon the issuance of at least the minimum number of shares of our common stock offered pursuant to the plan of conversion and reorganization.

The plan of conversion and reorganization provides that we will offer shares of common stock for sale in the subscription offering to eligible account holders, our tax-qualified employee benefit plans, including our employee stock ownership plan and 401(k) plan, supplemental eligible account holders and other members. In addition, we expect to offer common stock for sale in a community offering to members of the general public, with a preference given in the following order:

- (i) Natural persons (including trusts of natural persons) residing in the New Jersey Counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Union, the New York Counties of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester, and Pike County, Pennsylvania; and
- (ii) Northfield-Federal's public stockholders as of [stockholder record date].

We have the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any orders to purchase shares of the common stock received in the community offering. The community offering, if any, may begin at the same time as, during, or after the subscription offering and must be completed within 45 days after the completion of the subscription offering unless otherwise extended by the Office of Thrift Supervision. See Community Offering.

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We also may offer for sale shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription or community offerings through a syndicated community offering to be managed by Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. See [Syndicated Community Offering](#) herein.

We determined the number of shares of common stock to be offered in the offering based upon an independent valuation appraisal of the estimated pro forma market value of Northfield-Delaware. All shares of common stock to be sold in the offering will be sold at \$10.00 per share. Investors will not be charged a commission to purchase shares of common stock. The independent valuation will be updated and the final number of the shares of common stock to be issued in the offering will be determined at the completion of the offering. See [Stock Pricing and Number of Shares to be Issued](#) for more information as to the determination of the estimated pro forma market value of the common stock.

The following is a brief summary of the conversion and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the provisions of the plan of conversion and reorganization. A copy of the plan of conversion and reorganization is available for inspection at each branch office of Northfield Bank and at the Northeast Regional and the Washington, D.C. offices of the Office of Thrift Supervision. The plan of conversion and reorganization is also filed as an exhibit to Northfield Bancorp, MHC's application to convert from mutual to stock form of which this prospectus is a part, copies of which may be obtained from the Office of Thrift Supervision. The plan of conversion and reorganization is also filed as an exhibit to the registration statement we have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, of which this prospectus is a part, copies of which may be obtained from the Securities and Exchange Commission or online at the Securities and Exchange Commission's website, www.sec.gov. See [Where You Can Find Additional Information](#).

Reasons for the Conversion

Our primary reasons for converting and undertaking the stock offering are to:

eliminate some of the uncertainties associated with proposed financial regulatory reforms. As a federal mutual holding company, we are currently regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision. Proposed financial reform legislation would result in changes to our primary bank and holding company regulator, and may result in changes in regulations applicable to us including, but not limited to, capital requirements, payment of dividends and conversions to stock form. In addition, the Federal Reserve Board, which is the proposed federal regulator for holding companies of banks like Northfield Bank, currently does not allow mutual holding companies to waive the receipt of dividends from their mid-tier holding company subsidiaries, and any waived dividends result in dilution to the ownership interests of minority stockholders in the event of a second-step conversion. While we cannot predict with certainty whether such reforms will be enacted or the form they may take, we believe the conversion will eliminate some of the uncertainties associated with the proposed legislation.

increase our capital. While Northfield Bank currently exceeds all regulatory capital requirements and is not subject to any directive or recommendation from any banking regulatory agency to raise capital, the proceeds from the sale of common stock will increase our capital during a period of significant economic and regulatory uncertainty, particularly for the financial services industry.

transition us to a more familiar and flexible organizational structure. The stock holding company structure is a more familiar form of organization, which we believe will make our common stock more appealing to investors, and will give us greater flexibility to structure mergers and acquisitions and to access the capital markets through possible future equity and debt offerings, although we have no current plans, agreements or understandings regarding any mergers and acquisitions or additional securities offerings.

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improve the liquidity of our shares of common stock. The larger number of shares that will be outstanding after completion of the conversion and offering is expected to result in a more liquid and active market than currently exists for Northfield-Federal common stock. A more liquid and active market would make it easier for our shareholders to buy and sell our common stock and would give us greater flexibility in implementing capital management strategies.

support future mergers and acquisitions. Although we do not currently have any understandings or agreements regarding any specific acquisition transaction, the additional capital raised in the offering may help support, and make us a more attractive and competitive bidder for, mergers or acquisitions of other financial institutions, as opportunities arise.

Approvals Required

The affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes eligible to be cast by the members of Northfield Bancorp, MHC is required to approve the plan of conversion and reorganization. By their approval of the plan of conversion and reorganization, the members of Northfield Bancorp, MHC will also be approving the merger of Northfield Bancorp, MHC into Northfield-Federal. The affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal and the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock of Northfield-Federal held by the public stockholders of Northfield-Federal are also required to approve the plan of conversion and reorganization. The plan of conversion and reorganization also must be approved by the Office of Thrift Supervision, which has given its conditional approval.

Share Exchange Ratio for Current Stockholders

Office of Thrift Supervision regulations provide that in a conversion of a mutual holding company to fully stock form, the public stockholders will be entitled to exchange their shares for common stock of the new holding company, provided that the mutual holding company demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Office of Thrift Supervision that the basis for the exchange is fair and reasonable. At the completion of the conversion, each publicly held share of Northfield-Federal common stock will be automatically converted into the right to receive a number of shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock. The number of shares of common stock will be determined pursuant to the exchange ratio, which ensures that the public stockholders will own the same percentage of common stock in Northfield-Delaware after the conversion as they held in Northfield-Federal immediately prior to the conversion, exclusive of their purchase of additional shares of common stock in the offering and their receipt of cash in lieu of fractional exchange shares. The exchange ratio will not depend on the market value of Northfield-Delaware common stock. The exchange ratio will be based on the percentage of Northfield-Federal common stock held by the public, the independent valuation of Northfield-Delaware prepared by RP Financial, LC. and the number of shares of common stock issued in the offering. The exchange ratio is expected to range from approximately 1.2073 exchange shares for each publicly held share of Northfield-Federal at the minimum of the offering range to 1.8784 exchange shares for each publicly held share of Northfield-Federal at the adjusted maximum of the offering range.

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The following table shows how the exchange ratio will adjust, based on the number of shares of common stock issued in the offering. The table also shows how many shares of Northfield-Delaware a hypothetical owner of Northfield-Federal common stock would receive in the exchange for 100 shares of common stock owned at the completion of the conversion, depending on the number of shares issued in the offering.

	Shares to be Sold in This Offering		Shares of Northfield-Delaware to be Issued for Shares of Northfield-Federal		Total Shares of Common Stock to be Issued in Conversion and Offering	Exchange Ratio	Equivalent Value of Shares Based Upon Offering Price (1)	Equivalent Value of Shares Based Upon Exchange Price (2)	Shares to be Received for 100 Existing Shares
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent					
Minimum	29,750,000	56.4%	23,036,369	43.6%	52,786,369	1.2073	\$12.07	\$14.72	120
Midpoint	35,000,000	56.4	27,101,611	43.6	62,101,611	1.4204	14.20	15.79	142
Maximum	40,250,000	56.4	31,166,852	43.6	71,416,852	1.6334	16.33	16.86	163
15% above Maximum	46,287,500	56.4	35,841,880	43.6	82,129,380	1.8784	18.78	18.09	187

(1) Represents the value of shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock to be received in the conversion by a holder of one share of Northfield-Federal, pursuant to the exchange ratio, based upon the \$10.00 per share offering price.

(2) Represents the pro forma book value per share at each level of the offering range multiplied by the respective exchange ratio.

Options to purchase shares of Northfield-Federal common stock that are outstanding immediately prior to the completion of the conversion will be converted into options to purchase shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock, with the number of shares subject to the option and the exercise price per share to be adjusted based upon the exchange ratio. The aggregate exercise price, term and vesting period of the options will remain unchanged.

Exchange of Existing Stockholders' Stock Certificates

The conversion of existing outstanding shares of Northfield-Federal common stock into the right to receive shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock will occur automatically at the completion of the conversion. As soon as practicable after the completion of the conversion, our exchange agent will send a transmittal form to each public stockholder of Northfield-Federal who holds physical stock certificates. The transmittal forms will contain instructions on how to exchange stock certificates of Northfield-Federal common stock for stock certificates of Northfield-Delaware common stock. We expect that stock certificates evidencing shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock will be distributed within five business days after the exchange agent receives properly executed transmittal forms, Northfield-Federal stock certificates and other required documents. Shares held by public stockholders in street name (such as in a brokerage account) will be exchanged automatically upon the completion of the conversion; no transmittal forms will be mailed relating to these shares.

No fractional shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock will be issued to any public stockholder of Northfield-Federal when the conversion is completed. For each fractional share that would otherwise be issued to a stockholder who holds a stock certificate, we will pay by check an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the fractional share interest to which the holder would otherwise be entitled by the \$10.00 offering purchase price per share. Payment for fractional shares will be made as soon as practicable after the receipt by the exchange agent of the transmittal forms and the surrendered Northfield-Federal stock certificates. If your shares of common stock are held in street name, you will automatically receive cash in lieu of fractional shares in your account.

You should not forward your stock certificates until you have received transmittal forms, which will include forwarding instructions. After the conversion, stockholders will not receive shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock and will not be paid dividends on the shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock until existing certificates representing shares of Northfield-Federal common stock are surrendered for exchange in compliance with the terms of the transmittal form. When stockholders surrender their certificates, any unpaid dividends will be paid without interest. For all other purposes, however, each certificate that represents shares of Northfield-Federal common stock outstanding at the effective date of the conversion will be considered to evidence

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ownership of shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock into which those shares have been converted by virtue of the conversion.

If a certificate for Northfield-Federal common stock has been lost, stolen or destroyed, our exchange agent will issue a new stock certificate upon receipt of appropriate evidence as to the loss, theft or destruction of the certificate, appropriate evidence as to the ownership of the certificate by the claimant, and appropriate and customary indemnification, which is normally effected by the purchase of a bond from a surety company at the stockholder's expense.

All shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock that we issue in exchange for existing shares of Northfield-Federal common stock will be considered to have been issued in full satisfaction of all rights pertaining to such shares of common stock, subject, however, to our obligation to pay any dividends or make any other distributions with a record date prior to the effective date of the conversion that may have been declared by us on or prior to the effective date, and which remain unpaid at the effective date.

Effects of Conversion on Depositors, Borrowers and Members

Continuity. The conversion will not affect the normal business of Northfield Bank of accepting deposits and making loans. Northfield Bank will continue to be a federally chartered savings bank and will continue to be regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision. After the conversion, Northfield Bank will continue to offer existing services to depositors, borrowers and other customers. The directors serving Northfield-Federal at the time of the conversion will be the directors of Northfield-Delaware after the conversion.

Effect on Deposit Accounts. Pursuant to the plan of conversion and reorganization, each depositor of Northfield Bank at the time of the conversion will automatically continue as a depositor after the conversion, and the deposit balance, interest rate and other terms of such deposit accounts will not change as a result of the conversion. Each such account will be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to the same extent as before the conversion. Depositors will continue to hold their existing certificates, passbooks and other evidences of their accounts.

Effect on Loans. No loan outstanding from Northfield Bank will be affected by the conversion, and the amount, interest rate, maturity and security for each loan will remain as it was contractually fixed prior to the conversion.

Effect on Voting Rights of Members. At present, all depositors of Northfield Bank are members of, and have voting rights in, Northfield Bancorp, MHC as to all matters requiring membership action. Upon completion of the conversion, depositors will cease to be members of Northfield Bancorp, MHC and will no longer have voting rights. Upon completion of the conversion, all voting rights in Northfield Bank will be vested in Northfield-Delaware as the sole stockholder of Northfield Bank. The stockholders of Northfield-Delaware will possess exclusive voting rights with respect to Northfield-Delaware common stock.

Tax Effects. We will receive an opinion of counsel or tax advisor with regard to federal and state income tax consequences of the conversion to the effect that the conversion will not be a taxable transaction for federal or state income tax purposes to Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal, the public stockholders of Northfield-Federal (except for cash paid for fractional shares), members of Northfield Bancorp, MHC, eligible account holders, supplemental eligible account holders, or Northfield Bank. See Material Income Tax Consequences.

Effect on Liquidation Rights. Each depositor in Northfield Bank has both a deposit account in Northfield Bank and a pro rata ownership interest in the net worth of Northfield Bancorp, MHC based upon the deposit balance in his or her account. This ownership interest is tied to the depositor's account and has no tangible market value separate from the deposit account. This interest may only be realized in the event of a complete liquidation of Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield Bank. Any depositor who opens a deposit account obtains a pro rata ownership interest in Northfield Bancorp, MHC without any additional payment beyond the amount of the deposit. A depositor who reduces or closes his or her account receives a portion or all of the balance in the deposit account

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but nothing for his or her ownership interest in the net worth of Northfield Bancorp, MHC, which is lost to the extent that the balance in the account is reduced or closed.

Consequently, depositors in a stock subsidiary of a mutual holding company normally have no way of realizing the value of their ownership interest, which has realizable value only in the unlikely event that Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield Bank are liquidated. If this occurs, the depositors of record at that time, as owners, would share pro rata in any residual surplus and reserves of Northfield Bancorp, MHC after other claims, including claims of depositors to the amounts of their deposits, are paid.

Under the plan of conversion, Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders will receive an interest in liquidation accounts maintained by Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank in an aggregate amount equal to (i) Northfield Bancorp, MHC's ownership interest in Northfield-Federal's total stockholders' equity as of the date of the latest statement of financial condition used in this prospectus plus (ii) the value of the net assets of Northfield Bancorp, MHC as of the date of the latest statement of financial condition of Northfield Bancorp, MHC prior to the consummation of the conversion (excluding its ownership of Northfield-Federal). Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank will hold the liquidation accounts for the benefit of Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders who continue to maintain deposits in Northfield Bank after the conversion. The liquidation accounts would be distributed to Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders who maintain their deposit accounts in Northfield Bank only in the event of a liquidation of (a) Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank or (b) Northfield Bank. The liquidation account in Northfield Bank would be used only in the event that Northfield-Delaware does not have sufficient assets to fund its obligations under its liquidation account. The total obligation of Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank under their respective liquidation accounts will never exceed the dollar amount of Northfield-Delaware's liquidation account as adjusted from time to time pursuant to the plan of conversion and Office of Thrift Supervision regulations. See Liquidation Rights.

Stock Pricing and Number of Shares to be Issued

The plan of conversion and reorganization and federal regulations require that the aggregate purchase price of the common stock sold in the offering must be based on the appraised pro forma market value of the common stock, as determined by an independent valuation. We have retained RP Financial, LC. to prepare an independent valuation appraisal. For its services in preparing the initial valuation, RP Financial, LC. will receive a fee of \$135,000, as well as payment for reimbursable expenses and an additional \$15,000 for each valuation update, as necessary. We have agreed to indemnify RP Financial, LC. and its employees and affiliates against specified losses, including any losses in connection with claims under the federal securities laws, arising out of its services as independent appraiser, except where such liability results from RP Financial, LC.'s bad faith or negligence.

The independent valuation was prepared by RP Financial, LC. in reliance upon the information contained in this prospectus, including the consolidated financial statements of Northfield-Federal. RP Financial, LC. also considered the following factors, among others:

the present results and financial condition of Northfield-Federal and the projected results and financial condition of Northfield-Delaware;

the economic and demographic conditions in Northfield-Federal's existing market area;

certain historical, financial and other information relating to Northfield-Federal;

a comparative evaluation of the operating and financial characteristics of Northfield-Federal with those of other similarly situated publicly traded savings institutions located in the Eastern United States;

the effect of the conversion and offering on Northfield-Delaware's stockholders' equity and earnings potential;

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the proposed dividend policy of Northfield-Delaware; and

the trading market for securities of comparable institutions and general conditions in the market for such securities.

The independent valuation appraisal considered the pro forma effect of the offering. Consistent with the Office of Thrift Supervision appraisal guidelines, the appraisal applied three primary methodologies: (i) the pro forma price-to-book value approach applied to both reported book value and tangible book value; (ii) the pro forma price-to-earnings approach applied to reported and core earnings; and (iii) the pro forma price-to-assets approach. The market value ratios applied in the three methodologies were based on the current market valuations of the peer group companies. RP Financial, LC. placed the greatest emphasis on the price-to-earnings and price-to-book approaches in estimating pro forma market value. RP Financial, LC. did not consider a pro forma price to assets approach to be meaningful in preparing the appraisal, as this approach is more meaningful when a company has low equity or earnings. The price to assets approach is less meaningful for a company like us, as we have equity in excess of regulatory capital requirements and positive reported and core earnings.

In applying each of the valuation methods, RP Financial considered adjustments to the pro forma market value based on a comparison of Northfield-Delaware with the peer group. RP Financial, LC. made slight upward adjustments for profitability, growth and viability of earnings and asset growth and made a slight downward adjustment for marketing of the issue. No adjustments were made for financial condition, primary market area, dividends, liquidity of the issue, management and effect of governmental regulations and regulatory reform. The upward adjustment for profitability, growth and viability of earnings was based primarily on Northfield-Federal's more favorable efficiency ratio, historically more favorable interest rate risk characteristics, the greater earnings potential derived from reinvestment of the net proceeds from the offering and growth in the branch network, all as compared to the peer group. The downward adjustment for marketing of the issue was based primarily on the potential discounting required to complete the offering relative to the pricing of the seasoned pricing of the peer group companies and recent trends in the marketing of thrift stocks.

Included in RP Financial, LC.'s independent valuation were certain assumptions as to the pro forma earnings of Northfield-Delaware after the conversion that were utilized in determining the appraised value. These assumptions included estimated expenses, an assumed after-tax rate of return of 1.53% for the twelve months ended March 31, 2010 on the net offering proceeds and purchases in the open market of 4% of the common stock issued in the offering by the stock-based benefit plan at the \$10.00 per share purchase price. See Pro Forma Data for additional information concerning these assumptions. The use of different assumptions may yield different results.

The independent valuation states that as of May 14, 2010, the estimated pro forma market value of Northfield-Delaware was \$621.0 million. Based on Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, this market value forms the midpoint of a range with a minimum of \$527.9 million and a maximum of \$714.2 million. The board of directors decided to offer the shares of common stock for a price of \$10.00 per share primarily because it is the price most commonly used in mutual-to-stock conversions of financial institutions. The aggregate offering price of the shares will be equal to the valuation range multiplied by the percentage of Northfield-Federal common stock owned by Northfield Bancorp, MHC. The number of shares offered will be equal to the aggregate offering price of the shares divided by the price per share. Based on the valuation range, the percentage of Northfield-Federal common stock owned by Northfield Bancorp, MHC and the \$10.00 price per share, the minimum of the offering range will be 29,750,000 shares, the midpoint of the offering range will be 35,000,000 shares and the maximum of the offering range will be 40,250,000 shares.

The board of directors of Northfield-Delaware reviewed the independent valuation and, in particular, considered the following:

Northfield-Federal's financial condition and results of operations;

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a comparison of financial performance ratios of Northfield-Federal to those of other financial institutions of similar size;

market conditions generally and in particular for financial institutions; and

the historical trading price of the publicly held shares of Northfield-Federal common stock.

All of these factors are set forth in the independent valuation. The board of directors also reviewed the methodology and the assumptions used by RP Financial, LC. in preparing the independent valuation and believes that such assumptions were reasonable. The offering range may be amended with the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision, if required, as a result of subsequent developments in the financial condition of Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank or market conditions generally. In the event the independent valuation is updated to amend the pro forma market value of Northfield-Delaware to less than \$527.9 million or more than \$821.3 million, the appraisal will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by a post-effective amendment to Northfield-Delaware's registration statement.

The following table presents a summary of selected pricing ratios for the peer group companies and Northfield-Delaware (on a pro forma basis) based on annual earnings and other information as of and for the twelve months ended March 31, 2010, and stock price information for the peer group companies as of May 14, 2010, as reflected in the appraisal report. Compared to the average pricing of the peer group, our pro forma pricing ratios at the midpoint of the offering range indicated a discount of 20.1% on a price-to-book value basis, a discount of 30.4% on a price-to-tangible book value basis and a premium of 110.0% on a price-to-earnings basis. Our board of directors, in reviewing and approving the appraisal, considered the range of price-to-earnings multiples and the range of price-to-book value and price-to-tangible book value ratios at the different amounts of shares to be sold in the offering. The appraisal did not consider one valuation approach to be more important than the other. The estimated appraised value and the resulting premium/discount took into consideration the potential financial effect of the conversion and offering as well as the trading price of Northfield-Federal's common stock. The closing price of the common stock was \$14.58 per share on June 3, 2010, the last trading day immediately preceding the announcement of the conversion, and \$14.73 per share on May 14, 2010, the effective date of the appraisal.

	Price-to-earnings multiple (1)	Price-to-book value ratio	Price-to-tangible book value ratio
Northfield-Delaware (on a pro forma basis, assuming completion of the conversion)			
Adjusted Maximum	67.18x	101.73%	103.84%
Maximum	58.68x	94.79%	96.90%
Midpoint	51.23x	87.97%	89.93%
Minimum	43.72x	80.00%	82.03%
Valuation of peer group companies, all of which are fully converted (on an historical basis)			
Averages	24.40x	109.94%	129.19%
Medians	26.88x	104.00%	134.53%

(1) Price-to-earnings multiples calculated by RP Financial, LC. in the independent appraisal are based on an

estimate of core,
or recurring,
earnings. These
ratios are
different than
those presented
in Pro Forma
Data.

The independent valuation is not intended, and must not be construed, as a recommendation of any kind as to the advisability of purchasing our shares of common stock. RP Financial, LC. did not independently verify our consolidated financial statements and other information that we provided to them, nor did RP Financial, LC. independently value our assets or liabilities. The independent valuation considers Northfield Bank as a going concern and should not be considered as an indication of the liquidation value of Northfield Bank. Moreover, because the valuation is necessarily based upon estimates and projections of a number of matters, all of which may change from time to time, no assurance can be given that persons purchasing our common stock in the offering will thereafter be able to sell their shares at prices at or above the \$10.00 price per share.

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Following commencement of the subscription offering, the maximum of the valuation range may be increased by up to 15%, or up to \$821.3 million, without resoliciting subscribers, which will result in a corresponding increase of up to 15% in the maximum of the offering range to up to 46,287,500 shares, to reflect changes in the market and financial conditions or demand for the shares. We will not decrease the minimum of the valuation range and the minimum of the offering range without a resolicitation of subscribers. The subscription price of \$10.00 per share will remain fixed. See **Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases** as to the method of distribution of additional shares to be issued in the event of an increase in the offering range of up to 46,287,500 shares.

If the update to the independent valuation at the conclusion of the offering results in an increase in the maximum of the valuation range to more than \$821.3 million and a corresponding increase in the offering range to more than 46,287,500 shares, or a decrease in the minimum of the valuation range to less than \$527.9 million and a corresponding decrease in the offering range to fewer than 29,750,000 shares, then we will promptly return with interest at [interest rate]% all funds previously delivered to us to purchase shares of common stock in the subscription and community offerings and cancel deposit account withdrawal authorizations and, after consulting with the Office of Thrift Supervision, we may terminate the plan of conversion and reorganization. Alternatively, we may establish a new offering range, extend the offering period and commence a resolicitation of purchasers or take other actions as permitted by the Office of Thrift Supervision in order to complete the offering. In the event that we extend the offering and conduct a resolicitation, we will notify subscribers of the extension of time and of the rights of subscribers to place a new stock order for a specified period of time. Any single offering extension will not exceed 90 days; aggregate extensions may not conclude beyond _____, 2012, which is two years after the special meeting of members to vote on the conversion.

An increase in the number of shares to be issued in the offering would decrease both a subscriber's ownership interest and Northfield-Delaware's pro forma earnings and stockholders' equity on a per share basis while increasing pro forma earnings and stockholders' equity on an aggregate basis. A decrease in the number of shares to be issued in the offering would increase both a subscriber's ownership interest and Northfield-Delaware's pro forma earnings and stockholders' equity on a per share basis, while decreasing pro forma earnings and stockholders' equity on an aggregate basis. For a presentation of the effects of these changes, see **Pro Forma Data**.

Copies of the independent valuation appraisal report of RP Financial, LC. and the detailed memorandum setting forth the method and assumptions used in the appraisal report are available for inspection at the main office of Northfield Bank and as specified under **Where You Can Find Additional Information**.

Subscription Offering and Subscription Rights

In accordance with the plan of conversion and reorganization, rights to subscribe for shares of common stock in the subscription offering have been granted in the following descending order of priority. The filling of all subscriptions that we receive will depend on the availability of common stock after satisfaction of all subscriptions of all persons having prior rights in the subscription offering and to the maximum, minimum and overall purchase and ownership limitations set forth in the plan of conversion and reorganization and as described below under **Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases**.

Priority 1: Eligible Account Holders. Each Northfield Bank depositor with aggregate deposit account balances of \$50.00 or more (a **Qualifying Deposit**) at the close of business on March 31, 2009 (an **Eligible Account Holder**) will receive, without payment therefor, nontransferable subscription rights to purchase up to \$3.0 million (300,000 shares) of our common stock, subject to the overall purchase limitations. See **Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases**. If there are not sufficient shares available to satisfy all subscriptions, shares will first be allocated so as to permit each Eligible Account Holder to purchase a number of shares sufficient to make his or her total allocation equal to the lesser of 100 shares or the number of shares for which he or she subscribed. Thereafter, any remaining shares will be allocated to each Eligible Account Holder whose subscription remains unfilled in the proportion that the amount of his or her Qualifying Deposit bears to the total amount of Qualifying Deposits of all subscribing Eligible Account Holders whose subscriptions remain unfilled. If an amount so allocated exceeds the amount subscribed for by any one or more Eligible Account Holders, the excess shall be

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reallocated among those Eligible Account Holders whose subscriptions are not fully satisfied until all available shares have been allocated.

To ensure proper allocation of our shares of common stock, each Eligible Account Holder must list on his or her stock order form all deposit accounts in which he or she has an ownership interest on March 31, 2009. In the event of an oversubscription, failure to list an account could result in fewer shares being allocated than if all accounts had been disclosed. In the event of an oversubscription, the subscription rights of Eligible Account Holders who are also directors or executive officers of Northfield-Federal or their associates will be subordinated to the subscription rights of other Eligible Account Holders to the extent attributable to their increased deposits in the 12 months preceding March 31, 2009.

Priority 2: Tax-Qualified Plans. Our tax-qualified employee plans, including our employee stock ownership plan and 401(k) plan, will receive, without payment therefor, nontransferable subscription rights to purchase in the aggregate up to 10% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering, although our employee stock ownership plan intends to purchase 4% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering. We reserve the right to have our employee stock ownership plan purchase more than 4% of the stock sold in the offering to the extent necessary to complete the offering at the minimum of the offering range. If market conditions warrant, in the judgment of its trustees, the employee stock ownership plan may instead elect to purchase shares in the open market following the completion of the conversion. The amount of the subscription requests by the 401(k) plan will be determined by its participants, who will have the right to invest all or a portion of their 401(k) plan accounts in our common stock, subject to the maximum purchase limitations. However, to comply with the limitations applicable to our tax-qualified employee plans, our 401(k) plan may purchase no more than 6% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering.

Priority 3: Supplemental Eligible Account Holders. To the extent that there are sufficient shares of common stock remaining after satisfaction of subscriptions by Eligible Account Holders and our tax-qualified employee stock benefit plans, each Northfield Bank depositor with a Qualifying Deposit at the close of business on June 30, 2010 who is not an Eligible Account Holder (Supplemental Eligible Account Holder) will receive, without payment therefor, nontransferable subscription rights to purchase up to \$3.0 million (300,000 shares) of common stock, subject to the overall purchase limitations. See Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases. If there are not sufficient shares available to satisfy all subscriptions, shares will be allocated so as to permit each Supplemental Eligible Account Holder to purchase a number of shares sufficient to make his or her total allocation equal to the lesser of 100 shares of common stock or the number of shares for which he or she subscribed. Thereafter, unallocated shares will be allocated to each Supplemental Eligible Account Holder whose subscription remains unfilled in the proportion that the amount of his or her Qualifying Deposit bears to the total amount of Qualifying Deposits of all Supplemental Eligible Account Holders whose subscriptions remain unfilled.

To ensure proper allocation of common stock, each Supplemental Eligible Account Holder must list on the stock order form all deposit accounts in which he or she has an ownership interest at June 30, 2010. In the event of oversubscription, failure to list an account could result in fewer shares being allocated than if all accounts had been disclosed.

Priority 4: Other Members. To the extent that there are shares of common stock remaining after satisfaction of subscriptions by Eligible Account Holders, our tax-qualified employee stock benefit plans, and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders, each depositor of Northfield Bank as of the close of business on [depositor record date] who is not an Eligible Account Holder or Supplemental Eligible Account Holder (Other Members) will receive, without payment therefor, nontransferable subscription rights to purchase up to \$3.0 million (300,000 shares) of common stock, subject to the overall purchase limitations. See Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases. If there are not sufficient shares available to satisfy all subscriptions, shares will be allocated so as to permit each Other Member to purchase a number of shares sufficient to make his or her total allocation equal to the lesser of 100 shares of common stock or the number of shares for which he or she subscribed. Thereafter, available shares will be allocated in the proportion that the amount of the subscription of each Other Member bears to the total amount of the subscriptions of all Other Members whose subscriptions remain unsatisfied.

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To ensure proper allocation of common stock, each Other Member must list on the stock order form all deposit accounts in which he or she had an ownership interest at [depositor record date]. In the event of oversubscription, failure to list an account could result in fewer shares being allocated than if all accounts had been disclosed.

Expiration Date. The subscription offering will expire at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on [termination date], unless extended by us for up to 45 days or such additional periods with the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision, if necessary. Subscription rights will expire whether or not each eligible depositor can be located. We may decide to extend the expiration date of the subscription offering for any reason, whether or not subscriptions have been received for shares at the minimum, midpoint or maximum of the offering range. Subscription rights which have not been exercised prior to the expiration date will become void.

We will not execute orders until at least the minimum number of shares of common stock have been sold in the offering. If at least 29,750,000 shares have not been sold in the offering by [extension date] and the Office of Thrift Supervision has not consented to an extension, all funds delivered to us to purchase shares of common stock in the offering will be returned promptly, with interest at [interest rate]% for funds received in the subscription and community offerings, and all deposit account withdrawal authorizations will be canceled. If an extension beyond [extension date] is granted by the Office of Thrift Supervision, we will resolicit purchasers in the offering as described under Procedures for Purchasing Shares Expiration Date.

Community Offering

To the extent that shares of common stock remain available for purchase after satisfaction of all subscriptions of Eligible Account Holders, our tax-qualified employee stock benefit plans, Supplemental Eligible Account Holders and Other Members, we expect to offer shares pursuant to the plan of conversion and reorganization to members of the general public in a community offering. Shares would be offered with the following preferences:

- (i) Natural persons (including trusts of natural persons) residing in the New Jersey Counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Union, the New York Counties of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester, and Pike County, Pennsylvania;
- (ii) Northfield-Federal's public stockholders as of [stockholder record date]; and
- (iii) Other members of the general public.

Subscribers in the community offering may purchase up to \$3.0 million (300,000 shares) of common stock, subject to the overall purchase limitations. See Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases. The minimum purchase is 25 shares. **The opportunity to purchase shares of common stock in the community offering category is subject to our right, in our sole discretion, to accept or reject any such orders in whole or in part either at the time of receipt of an order or as soon as practicable following the expiration date of the offering.**

If we do not have sufficient shares of common stock available to fill the orders of natural persons (including trusts of natural persons) residing in the New Jersey Counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Union, the New York Counties of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester, and Pike County, Pennsylvania, we will allocate the available shares among those persons in a manner that permits each of them, to the extent possible, to purchase the lesser of 100 shares or the number of shares subscribed for by such person. Thereafter, unallocated shares will be allocated among natural persons residing in those counties whose orders remain unsatisfied on an equal number of shares basis per order. If oversubscription occurs due to the orders of public stockholders of Northfield-Federal or members of the general public, the allocation procedures described above will apply to the stock orders of such persons. In connection with the allocation process, orders received for

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shares of common stock in the community offering will first be filled up to a maximum of 2% of the shares sold in the offering, and thereafter any remaining shares will be allocated on an equal number of shares basis per order until all shares have been allocated.

The term *residing* or *resident* as used in this prospectus means any person who occupies a dwelling within the New Jersey Counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Union, the New York Counties of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester, or Pike County, Pennsylvania, has a present intent to remain within this community for a period of time, and manifests the genuineness of that intent by establishing an ongoing physical presence within the community, together with an indication that this presence within the community is something other than merely transitory in nature. We may utilize deposit or loan records or other evidence provided to us to decide whether a person is a resident. In all cases, however, the determination shall be in our sole discretion.

Expiration Date. The community offering may begin during or after the subscription offering, and is currently expected to terminate at the same time as the subscription offering, and must terminate no more than 45 days following the subscription offering, unless extended. Northfield-Delaware may decide to extend the community offering for any reason and is not required to give purchasers notice of any such extension unless such period extends beyond [extension date], in which event we will resolicit purchasers.

Syndicated Community Offering

If feasible, our Board of Directors may decide to offer for sale shares of common stock not subscribed for or purchased in the subscription and community offerings in a syndicated community offering, subject to such terms, conditions and procedures as we may determine, in a manner that will achieve a wide distribution of our shares of common stock. In the syndicated community offering, any person may purchase up to \$3.0 million (300,000 shares) of common stock, subject to the overall purchase and ownership limitations. We retain the right to accept or reject in whole or in part any orders in the syndicated community offering. Unless the Office of Thrift Supervision permits otherwise, accepted orders for Northfield-Delaware common stock in the syndicated community offering will first be filled up to a maximum of 2% of the shares sold in the offering, and thereafter any remaining shares will be allocated on an equal number of shares basis per order until all shares have been allocated. Unless the syndicated community offering begins during the community offering, the syndicated community offering will begin as soon as possible after the completion of the subscription and community offerings.

If a syndicated community offering is held, Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will serve as sole book-running manager and will assist us in selling our common stock on a best efforts basis. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will be entitled to a minimum of 70% participation in the syndicated community offering. Neither Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. nor any registered broker-dealer will have any obligation to take or purchase any shares of the common stock in the syndicated community offering. The syndicated community offering will be conducted in accordance with certain Securities and Exchange Commission rules applicable to best efforts offerings. The closing of the syndicated community offering is subject to conditions set forth in an agency agreement among Northfield-Delaware, Northfield-Federal, Northfield Bancorp, MHC and Northfield Bank on the one hand and Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., as representative of the several agents, on the other hand. If and when all the conditions for the closing are met, funds for common stock sold in the syndicated community offering, less fees and commissions payable, will be delivered promptly to us. If the offering is consummated, but some or all of an interested investor's funds are not accepted by us, those funds will be returned to the interested investor promptly after closing, without interest. If the offering is not consummated, funds in the account will be returned promptly, without interest, to the potential investor. Normal customer ticketing will be used for order placement.

If for any reason we cannot affect a syndicated community offering of shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription and community offerings, or in the event that there are a significant number of shares remaining unsold after such offerings, we will try to make other arrangements for the sale of unsubscribed shares, if possible. The Office of Thrift Supervision and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority must approve any such arrangements.

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Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases

The plan of conversion and reorganization includes the following additional limitations on the number of shares of common stock that may be purchased in the offering:

- (i) No person may purchase fewer than 25 shares of common stock;
- (ii) Tax qualified employee benefit plans, including our employee stock ownership plan and 401(k) plan, may purchase in the aggregate up to 10% of the shares of common stock issued in the offering, including shares issued in the event of an increase in the offering range of up to 15%;
- (iii) Except for the employee stock ownership plan, as described above, no person or entity, together with associates or persons acting in concert with such person or entity, may purchase more than \$3.0 million (300,000 shares) of common stock in all categories of the offering combined;
- (iv) Current stockholders of Northfield-Federal are subject to an ownership limitation. As previously described, current stockholders of Northfield-Federal will receive shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock in exchange for their existing shares of Northfield-Federal common stock. The number of shares of common stock that a stockholder may purchase in the offering, together with associates or persons acting in concert with such stockholder, when combined with the shares that the stockholder and his or her associates will receive in exchange for existing Northfield-Federal common stock, may not exceed 5% of the shares of common stock of Northfield-Delaware to be issued and outstanding at the completion of the conversion; and
- (v) The maximum number of shares of common stock that may be purchased in all categories of the offering by executive officers and directors of Northfield Bank and their associates, in the aggregate, when combined with shares of common stock issued in exchange for existing shares, may not exceed 25% of the total shares issued in the conversion.

Depending upon market or financial conditions, our board of directors, with the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision and without further approval of members of Northfield Bancorp, MHC, may decrease or increase the purchase and ownership limitations. If a purchase limitation is increased, subscribers in the subscription offering who ordered the maximum amount, and who indicated on their stock order form a desire to be resolicited, will be given the opportunity to increase their orders up to the then applicable limit. The effect of this type of resolicitation will be an increase in the number of shares of common stock owned by persons who choose to increase their orders. In the event that the maximum purchase limitation is increased to 5% of the shares sold in the offering, such limitation may be further increased to 9.99%, provided that orders for shares of common stock exceeding 5% of the shares sold in the offering shall not exceed in the aggregate 10% of the total shares sold in the offering.

In the event of an increase in the offering range of up to 46,287,500 shares of common stock, shares will be allocated in the following order of priority in accordance with the plan of conversion and reorganization:

- (i) to fill the subscriptions of our tax-qualified employee benefit plans, including the employee stock ownership plan and our 401(k) plan, for up to 10% of the total number of shares of common stock issued in the offering;
- (ii) in the event that there is an oversubscription at the Eligible Account Holder, Supplemental Eligible Account Holder or Other Member levels, to fill unfilled subscriptions of these subscribers according to their respective priorities; and
- (iii) to fill unfilled subscriptions in the community offering, with preference given first to natural persons (including trusts of natural persons) residing in New Jersey Counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Union,

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the New York Counties of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester, and Pike County, Pennsylvania, then to Northfield-Federal's public stockholders as of [stockholder record date], and then to members of the general public.

The term *associate of a person* means:

- (i) any corporation or organization, other than Northfield-Federal, Northfield Bank or a majority-owned subsidiary of Northfield Bank, of which the person is a senior officer, partner or 10% beneficial stockholder;
- (ii) any trust or other estate in which the person has a substantial beneficial interest or serves as a trustee or in a similar fiduciary capacity; provided, however, it does not include any employee stock benefit plan in which the person has a substantial beneficial interest or serves as trustee or in a similar fiduciary capacity; and
- (iii) any blood or marriage relative of the person, who either has the same home as the person or who is a director or officer of Northfield-Federal or Northfield Bank.

The term *acting in concert* means:

- (i) knowing participation in a joint activity or interdependent conscious parallel action towards a common goal whether or not pursuant to an express agreement; or
- (ii) a combination or pooling of voting or other interests in the securities of an issuer for a common purpose pursuant to any contract, understanding, relationship, agreement or other arrangement, whether written or otherwise.

A person or company that acts in concert with another person or company (*other party*) will also be deemed to be acting in concert with any person or company who is also acting in concert with that other party, except that any tax-qualified employee stock benefit plan will not be deemed to be acting in concert with its trustee or a person who serves in a similar capacity solely for the purpose of determining whether common stock held by the trustee and common stock held by the employee stock benefit plan will be aggregated.

We have the sole discretion to determine whether prospective purchasers are *associates* or *acting in concert*. Persons having the same address, and persons exercising subscription rights through qualifying deposits registered at the same address will be deemed to be acting in concert unless we determine otherwise.

Our directors are not treated as associates of each other solely because of their membership on the board of directors. Common stock purchased in the offering will be freely transferable except for shares purchased by directors and certain officers of Northfield-Delaware or Northfield Bank and except as described below. Any purchases made by any associate of Northfield-Delaware or Northfield Bank for the explicit purpose of meeting the minimum number of shares of common stock required to be sold in order to complete the offering shall be made for investment purposes only and not with a view toward redistribution. In addition, under Financial Industry Regulatory Authority guidelines, members of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and their associates are subject to certain restrictions on transfer of securities purchased in accordance with subscription rights and to certain reporting requirements upon purchase of these securities. For a further discussion of limitations on purchases of our shares of common stock at the time of conversion and thereafter, see *Certain Restrictions on Purchase or Transfer of Our Shares after Conversion* and *Restrictions on Acquisition of Northfield-Delaware*.

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Plan of Distribution; Selling Agent Compensation

To assist in the marketing of our shares of common stock, we have retained Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., which is a broker-dealer registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will assist us on a best efforts basis in the offering by:

- (i) consulting as to the financial and securities market implications of the plan of conversion;
- (ii) reviewing with our board of directors the financial effect of the offering on us, based on the independent appraiser's appraisal of the shares of common stock;
- (iii) reviewing all offering documents, including the prospectus, stock order forms and related offering materials;
- (iv) assisting in the design and implementation of a marketing strategy for the offering;
- (v) assisting management in scheduling and preparing for meetings with potential investors and other broker-dealers in connection with the stock offering; and
- (vi) providing such other general advice and assistance as may be reasonably necessary to promote the successful completion of the offering.

For these services, Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will receive a fee of 1% of the dollar amount of all shares of common stock sold in the subscription and community offerings. No sales fee will be payable to Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. with respect to shares purchased by officers, directors, employees or their immediate families and shares purchased by our tax-qualified and non-qualified employee benefit plans, and no sales fee will be payable with respect to the exchange shares.

In the event that Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. sells shares of common stock through a group of broker-dealers in a syndicated community offering, it will be paid a fee equal to 1% of the dollar amount of total shares sold in the syndicated community offering, which fee, along with the fee payable to selected dealers (which will include Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P.), shall not exceed 5% in the aggregate. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will serve as sole book running manager.

If the offering is completed, Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will not be reimbursed separately for expenses. However, we have agreed to reimburse Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. up to \$150,000 for reimbursable expenses (including legal fees and expenses and other out-of-pocket expenses) in the event the offering is not completed.

We will indemnify Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. against liabilities and expenses, including legal fees, incurred in connection with certain claims or litigation arising out of or based upon untrue statements or omissions contained in the offering materials for the common stock, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Some of our directors and executive officers may participate in the solicitation of offers to purchase common stock. These persons will be reimbursed for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the solicitation. Other regular employees of Northfield Bank may assist in the offering, but only in ministerial capacities, and may provide clerical work in effecting a sales transaction. No offers or sales may be made by tellers or at the teller counters. Investment-related questions of prospective purchasers will be directed to executive officers or registered representatives of Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. Our other employees have been instructed not to solicit offers to purchase shares of common stock or provide advice regarding the purchase of common stock. We will rely on Rule 3a4-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and sales of common stock will be conducted within the requirements of Rule 3a4-1, so as to permit officers, directors and employees to participate

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in the sale of common stock. None of our officers, directors or employees will be compensated in connection with their participation in the offering.

We have also engaged Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. as records management agent in connection with the conversion and offering. In its role as records management agent, Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., will assist us in the offering in the:

consolidation of deposit accounts and vote calculations;

design and preparation of proxy and stock order forms;

organization and supervision of the Stock Information Center;

proxy solicitation and other services for our special meeting of members; and

preparation and processing of other documents related to the stock offering.

Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will not receive a separate fee or reimbursement for expenses for these services.

Lock-up Agreements

We, and each of our directors and executive officers have agreed, subject to certain exceptions, that during the period beginning on the date of this prospectus and ending 90 days after the closing of the offering, without the prior written consent of Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., directly or indirectly, we will not (i) offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant for the sale of, or otherwise dispose of or transfer any shares of Northfield-Federal or Northfield-Delaware stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for Northfield-Federal or Northfield-Delaware stock, whether owned on the date of the prospectus or acquired after the date of the prospectus or with respect to which we or any of our directors or executive officers has or after the date of the prospectus acquires the power of disposition, or file any registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, with respect to any of the foregoing or (ii) enter into any swap or any other agreement or any transaction that transfers, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the economic consequence of ownership of Northfield-Federal or Northfield-Delaware stock, whether any such swap or transaction is to be settled by delivery of stock or other securities, in cash or otherwise. In the event that either (1) during the period that begins on the date that is 15 calendar days plus three business days before the last day of the restricted period and ends on the last day of the restricted period, we issue an earnings release or material news or a material event relating to us occurs, or (2) prior to the expiration of the restricted period, we announce that we will release earnings results during the 16-day period beginning on the last day of the restricted period, the restrictions set forth above will continue to apply until the expiration of the date that is 15 calendar days plus three business days after the date on which the earnings release is issued or the material news or event related to us occurs.

Procedure for Purchasing Shares

Expiration Date. The subscription and community offerings will expire at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on [termination date], unless we extend one or both for up to 45 days, with the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision, if required. This extension may be approved by us, in our sole discretion, without notice to purchasers in the offering. Any extension of the subscription and/or community offering beyond [extension date] would require the Office of Thrift Supervision's approval. If the offering is so extended, or if the offering range is decreased or is increased above the adjusted maximum of the offering range, all subscribers' stock orders will be cancelled, their deposit account withdrawal authorizations will be cancelled, and funds submitted to us will be returned promptly, with interest at [interest rate]% for funds received in the subscription and community offerings. We will then resolicit the subscribers, giving them an opportunity to place a new stock order for a period of time.

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We reserve the right in our sole discretion to terminate the offering at any time and for any reason, in which case we will cancel any deposit account withdrawal authorizations and promptly return all funds submitted, with interest at [interest rate]% from the date of receipt as described above.

Use of Order Forms in the Subscription and Community Offerings. In order to purchase shares of common stock in the subscription and community offerings, you must properly complete an original stock order form and remit full payment. We are not required to accept orders submitted on photocopied or facsimiled order forms. All order forms must be received (not postmarked) prior to 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on [termination date]. We are not required to accept order forms that are not received by that time, are not signed or are otherwise executed defectively or are received without full payment or without appropriate deposit account withdrawal instructions. We are not required to notify subscribers of incomplete or improperly executed order forms, and we have the right to waive or permit the correction of incomplete or improperly executed order forms. We do not represent, however, that we will do so and we have no affirmative duty to notify any prospective subscriber of any such defects. You may submit your order form and payment by mail using the stock order return envelope provided, or by overnight delivery to our Stock Information Center at the address noted on the Stock Order Form. You may hand-deliver stock order forms to the Stock Information Center, which will be located at Northfield Bank's Avenel office, 1410 St. Georges Avenue, Second floor, Avenel, New Jersey. Hand-delivered stock order forms will only be accepted at this location. We will not accept stock order forms at our other branch offices. Please do not mail stock order forms to Northfield Bank's offices.

Once tendered, an order form cannot be modified or revoked without our consent. We reserve the absolute right, in our sole discretion, to reject orders received in the community offering, in whole or in part, at the time of receipt or at any time prior to completion of the offering. If you are ordering shares in the subscription offering, you must represent that you are purchasing shares for your own account and that you have no agreement or understanding with any person for the sale or transfer of the shares. We have the right to reject any order submitted in the offering by a person who we believe is making false representations or who we otherwise believe, either alone or acting in concert with others, is violating, evading, circumventing, or intends to violate, evade or circumvent the terms and conditions of the plan of conversion and reorganization. Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of the plan of conversion and reorganization and of the acceptability of the order forms will be final.

By signing the order form, you will be acknowledging that the common stock is not a deposit or savings account and is not federally insured or otherwise guaranteed by Northfield Bank or the federal government, and that you received a copy of this prospectus. However, signing the order form will not result in you waiving your rights under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Payment for Shares. Payment for all shares of common stock will be required to accompany all completed order forms for the purchase to be valid. Payment for shares in the subscription and community offerings may be made by:

- (i) personal check, bank check or money order, made payable to Northfield Bancorp, Inc.; or
- (ii) authorization of withdrawal of available funds from the types of Northfield Bank deposit accounts described on the stock order form.

Appropriate means for designating withdrawals from deposit accounts at Northfield Bank are provided on the order form. The funds designated must be available in the account(s) at the time the order form is received. A hold will be placed on these funds, making them unavailable to the depositor. Funds authorized for withdrawal will continue to earn interest within the account at the contract rate until the offering is completed, at which time the designated withdrawal will be made. Interest penalties for early withdrawal applicable to certificate accounts will not apply to withdrawals authorized for the purchase of shares of common stock; however, if a withdrawal results in a certificate account with a balance less than the applicable minimum balance requirement, the certificate will be canceled at the time of withdrawal without penalty and the remaining balance will earn interest at the current passbook rate subsequent to the withdrawal. In the case of payments made by personal check, these funds must be available in the account(s). Checks and money orders received in the subscription and community offerings will be

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immediately cashed and placed in a segregated account at Northfield Bank and will earn interest at [interest rate]% from the date payment is processed until the offering is completed or terminated.

You may not remit cash, wire transfers, Northfield Bank line of credit checks or any type of third-party checks (including those payable to you and endorsed over to Northfield-Delaware). You may not designate on your stock order form direct withdrawal from a Northfield Bank retirement account. See *Using Individual Retirement Account Funds*. Additionally, you may not designate a direct withdrawal from Northfield Bank accounts with check-writing privileges. Please provide a check instead. If you request that we directly withdraw the funds, we reserve the right to interpret that as your authorization to treat those funds as if we had received a check for the designated amount, and we will immediately withdraw the amount from your checking account. If permitted by the Office of Thrift Supervision, in the event we resolicit large purchasers, as described above in *Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases*, such purchasers who wish to increase their purchases will not be able to use personal checks to pay for the additional shares.

Once we receive your executed stock order form, it may not be modified, amended or rescinded without our consent, unless the offering is not completed by [extension date]. In such event, funds delivered to us to purchase shares of common stock in the offering will be returned promptly, with interest at [interest rate]%, for funds received in the subscription and community offerings. Additionally, all deposit account withdrawal authorizations will be canceled. We may resolicit purchasers for a specified period of time.

Regulations prohibit Northfield Bank from lending funds or extending credit to any persons to purchase shares of common stock in the offering.

We shall have the right, in our sole discretion, to permit institutional investors to submit irrevocable orders together with the legally binding commitment for payment and to thereafter pay for the shares of common stock for which they subscribe in the community offering at any time prior to 48 hours before the completion of the conversion. This payment may be made by wire transfer.

If our employee stock ownership plan purchases shares in the offering, it will not be required to pay for such shares until completion of the offering, provided that there is a loan commitment from an unrelated financial institution or Northfield-Delaware to lend to the employee stock ownership plan the necessary amount to fund the purchase.

Using Individual Retirement Account Funds. If you are interested in using funds in your individual retirement account or other retirement account to purchase shares of common stock, you must do so through a self-directed retirement account. By regulation, Northfield Bank's retirement accounts are not self-directed, so they cannot be invested in our shares of common stock. Therefore, if you wish to use funds that are currently in a Northfield Bank retirement account, you may not designate on the order form that you wish funds to be withdrawn from the account for the purchase of common stock. The funds you wish to use for the purchase of common stock will instead have to be transferred to an independent trustee or custodian, such as a brokerage firm, offering self-directed retirement accounts. The purchase must be made through that account. If you do not have such an account, you will need to establish one before placing a stock order. An annual administrative fee may be payable to the independent trustee or custodian. There will be no early withdrawal or Internal Revenue Service interest penalties for these transfers. Individuals interested in using funds in an individual retirement account or any other retirement account, whether held at Northfield Bank *or elsewhere*, to purchase shares of common stock should contact our Stock Information Center for guidance as soon as possible, preferably at least two weeks prior to the [termination date] offering deadline. Processing such transactions takes additional time, and whether such funds can be used may depend on limitations imposed by the institutions where such funds are currently held. We cannot guarantee that you will be able to use such funds.

Delivery of Stock Certificates. Certificates representing shares of common stock sold in the subscription offering and community offering will be mailed to the certificate registration address noted by purchasers on the stock order form. Stock certificates will be sent to purchasers by first-class mail as soon as practicable after the completion of the conversion and stock offering. We expect trading in the stock to begin on the business day of or

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on the business day following the completion of the conversion and stock offering. **It is possible that until certificates for the common stock are delivered to purchasers, purchasers might not be able to sell the shares of common stock that they ordered, even though the shares of common stock will have begun trading.** Your ability to sell the shares of common stock before receiving your stock certificate will depend on arrangements you may make with a brokerage firm. If you are currently a stockholder of Northfield-Federal, see Exchange of Existing Stockholders Stock Certificates.

Other Restrictions. Notwithstanding any other provision of the plan of conversion and reorganization, no person is entitled to purchase any shares of common stock to the extent the purchase would be illegal under any federal or state law or regulation, including state blue sky regulations, or would violate regulations or policies of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, particularly those regarding free riding and withholding. We may ask for an acceptable legal opinion from any purchaser as to the legality of his or her purchase and we may refuse to honor any purchase order if an opinion is not timely furnished. In addition, we are not required to offer shares of common stock to any person who resides in a foreign country, or in a State of the United States with respect to which any of the following apply:

- (i) a small number of persons otherwise eligible to subscribe for shares under the plan of conversion reside in such state;
- (iii) the issuance of subscription rights or the offer or sale of shares of common stock to such persons would require us, under the securities laws of such state, to register as a broker, dealer, salesman or agent or to register or otherwise qualify our securities for sale in such state; or
- (iii) such registration or qualification would be impracticable for reasons of cost or otherwise.

Restrictions on Transfer of Subscription Rights and Shares

Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit any person with subscription rights, including the Eligible Account Holders, Supplemental Eligible Account Holders and Other Members, from transferring or entering into any agreement or understanding to transfer the legal or beneficial ownership of the subscription rights issued under the plan of conversion and reorganization or the shares of common stock to be issued upon their exercise. These rights may be exercised only by the person to whom they are granted and only for his or her account. When registering your stock purchase on the order form, you should not add the name(s) of persons who do not have subscription rights or who qualify only in a lower purchase priority than you do. Doing so may jeopardize your subscription rights. Each person exercising subscription rights will be required to certify that he or she is purchasing shares solely for his or her own account and that he or she has no agreement or understanding regarding the sale or transfer of such shares. The regulations also prohibit any person from offering or making an announcement of an offer or intent to make an offer to purchase subscription rights or shares of common stock to be issued upon their exercise prior to completion of the offering.

We will pursue any and all legal and equitable remedies in the event we become aware of the transfer of subscription rights, and we will not honor orders that we believe involve the transfer of subscription rights.
Stock Information Center

Our banking office personnel may not, by law, assist with investment-related questions about the offering. If you have any questions regarding the conversion or offering, please call our Stock Information Center. The toll-free phone number is (____) ____-____. The Stock Information Center is open Monday through Friday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time. The Stock Information Center will be closed on weekends and bank holidays.

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Liquidation prior to the conversion. In the unlikely event that Northfield Bancorp, MHC is liquidated prior to the conversion, all claims of creditors of Northfield Bancorp, MHC would be paid first. Thereafter, if there were any assets of Northfield Bancorp, MHC remaining, these assets would first be distributed to certain depositors of Northfield Bank under such depositors' liquidation rights. The amount received by such depositors would be equal to their pro rata interest in the remaining value of Northfield Bancorp, MHC after claims of creditors, based on the relative size of their deposit accounts.

Liquidation following the conversion. The plan of conversion and reorganization provides for the establishment, upon the completion of the conversion, of a liquidation account by Northfield-Delaware for the benefit of Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders in an amount equal to (i) Northfield Bancorp, MHC's ownership interest in Northfield-Federal's total stockholders' equity as of the date of the latest statement of financial condition used in this prospectus plus (ii) the value of the net assets of Northfield Bancorp, MHC as of the date of the latest statement of financial condition of Northfield Bancorp, MHC prior to the consummation of the conversion (excluding its ownership of Northfield-Federal). The plan of conversion also provides for the establishment of a parallel liquidation account in Northfield Bank to support the Northfield-Delaware liquidation account in the event Northfield-Delaware does not have sufficient assets to fund its obligations under the Northfield-Delaware liquidation account.

In the unlikely event that Northfield Bank were to liquidate after the conversion, all claims of creditors, including those of depositors, would be paid first. However, except with respect to the liquidation account to be established in Northfield-Federal, a depositor's claim would be solely for the principal amount of his or her deposit accounts plus accrued interest. Depositors generally would not have an interest in the value of the assets of Northfield Bank or Northfield-Delaware above that amount.

The liquidation account established by Northfield-Delaware is designed to provide qualifying depositors a liquidation interest (exchanged for the liquidation interests such persons had in Northfield Bancorp, MHC) after the conversion in the event of a complete liquidation of Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank or a liquidation solely of Northfield Bank. Specifically, in the unlikely event that either (i) Northfield Bank or (ii) Northfield-Delaware and Northfield Bank were to liquidate after the conversion, all claims of creditors, including those of depositors, would be paid first, followed by a distribution to depositors as of March 31, 2009 and June 30, 2010 of their interests in the liquidation account maintained by Northfield-Delaware. Also, in a complete liquidation of both entities, or of Northfield Bank only, when Northfield-Delaware has insufficient assets (other than the stock of Northfield Bank) to fund the liquidation account distribution due to Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders and Northfield Bank has positive net worth, Northfield Bank shall immediately make a distribution to fund Northfield-Delaware's remaining obligations under the liquidation account. In no event will any Eligible Account Holder or Supplemental Eligible Account Holder be entitled to a distribution that exceeds such holder's interest in the liquidation account maintained by Northfield-Delaware as adjusted from time to time pursuant to the plan of conversion and Office of Thrift Supervision regulations. If Northfield-Delaware is completely liquidated or sold apart from a sale or liquidation of Northfield Bank, then the Northfield-Delaware liquidation account will cease to exist and Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders will receive an equivalent interest in the Northfield Bank liquidation account, subject to the same rights and terms as the Northfield-Delaware liquidation account.

Pursuant to the plan of conversion and reorganization, after two years from the date of conversion and upon the written request of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Northfield-Delaware will transfer or eliminate the liquidation account and the depositors' interests in such account to Northfield Bank and the liquidation account shall thereupon become the liquidation account of Northfield Bank.

Under the rules and regulations of the Office of Thrift Supervision, a post-conversion merger, consolidation, or similar combination or transaction with another depository institution or depository institution holding company in which Northfield-Delaware or Northfield Bank is not the surviving institution, would not be

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considered a liquidation. In such a transaction, the liquidation account would be assumed by the surviving institution or company.

Each Eligible Account Holder and Supplemental Eligible Account Holder would have an initial pro-rata interest in the liquidation account for each deposit account, including savings accounts, transaction accounts such as negotiable order of withdrawal accounts, money market deposit accounts, and certificates of deposit, with a balance of \$50.00 or more held in Northfield Bank on March 31, 2009 or June 30, 2010 equal to the proportion that the balance of each Eligible Account Holder's and Supplemental Eligible Account Holder's deposit account on March 31, 2009 and June 30, 2010, respectively, bears to the balance of all deposit accounts of Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders in Northfield Bank on such date.

If, however, on any December 31 annual closing date commencing after the effective date of the conversion, the amount in any such deposit account is less than the amount in the deposit account on March 31, 2009 or June 30, 2010, or any other annual closing date, then the interest in the liquidation account relating to such deposit account would be reduced from time to time by the proportion of any such reduction, and such interest will cease to exist if such deposit account is closed. In addition, no interest in the liquidation account would ever be increased despite any subsequent increase in the related deposit account. Payment pursuant to liquidation rights of Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders would be separate and apart from the payment of any insured deposit accounts to such depositor. Any assets remaining after the above liquidation rights of Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders are satisfied would be available for distribution to stockholders.

Material Income Tax Consequences

Completion of the conversion is subject to the prior receipt of an opinion of counsel or tax advisor with respect to federal and state income tax consequences of conversion to Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal, Northfield Bank, Eligible Account Holders, Supplemental Eligible Account Holders and Other Members of Northfield Bancorp, MHC. Unlike private letter rulings, opinions of counsel or tax advisors are not binding on the Internal Revenue Service or any state taxing authority, and such authorities may disagree with such opinions. In the event of such disagreement, there can be no assurance that Northfield-Delaware or Northfield Bank would prevail in a judicial proceeding.

Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal, Northfield Bank and Northfield-Delaware have received an opinion of counsel, Luse Gorman Pomerenk & Schick, P.C., regarding all of the material federal income tax consequences of the conversion, which includes the following:

1. The merger of Northfield Bancorp, MHC with and into Northfield-Federal will qualify as a tax-free reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code.
2. The constructive exchange of Eligible Account Holders' and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders' liquidation interests in Northfield Bancorp, MHC for liquidation interests in Northfield-Federal will satisfy the continuity of interest requirement of Section 1.368-1(b) of the Federal Income Tax Regulations.
3. None of Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal, Eligible Account Holders nor Supplemental Eligible Account Holders, will recognize any gain or loss on the transfer of the assets of Northfield Bancorp, MHC to Northfield-Federal in constructive exchange for liquidation interests in Northfield-Federal.
4. The basis of the assets of Northfield Bancorp, MHC and the holding period of such assets to be received by Northfield-Federal will be the same as the basis and holding period of such assets in Northfield Bancorp, MHC immediately before the exchange.

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5. The merger of Northfield-Federal with and into Northfield-Delaware will constitute a mere change in identity, form or place of organization within the meaning of Section 368(a)(1)(F) of the Internal Revenue Code and therefore will qualify as a tax-free reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a)(1)(F) of the Internal Revenue Code. Neither Northfield-Federal nor Northfield-Delaware will recognize gain or loss as a result of such merger.
6. The basis of the assets of Northfield-Federal and the holding period of such assets to be received by Northfield-Delaware will be the same as the basis and holding period of such assets in Northfield-Federal immediately before the exchange.
7. Current stockholders of Northfield-Federal will not recognize any gain or loss upon their exchange of Northfield-Federal common stock for Northfield-Delaware common stock.
8. Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders will not recognize any gain or loss upon the constructive exchange of their liquidation interests in Northfield-Federal that they constructively received for interests in the liquidation account in Northfield-Delaware.
9. The exchange by the Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders of the liquidation interests that they constructively received in Northfield-Federal for interests in the liquidation account established in Northfield-Delaware will satisfy the continuity of interest requirement of Section 1.368-1(b) of the Federal Income Tax Regulations.
10. Each stockholder's aggregate basis in shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock (including fractional share interests) received in the exchange will be the same as the aggregate basis of Northfield-Federal common stock surrendered in the exchange.
11. Each stockholder's holding period in his or her Northfield-Delaware common stock received in the exchange will include the period during which the Northfield-Federal common stock surrendered was held, provided that the Northfield-Federal common stock surrendered is a capital asset in the hands of the stockholder on the date of the exchange.
12. Cash received by any current stockholder of Northfield-Federal in lieu of a fractional share interest in shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock will be treated as having been received as a distribution in full payment in exchange for a fractional share interest of Northfield-Delaware common stock, which such stockholder would otherwise be entitled to receive. Accordingly, a stockholder will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the cash received and the basis of the fractional share. If the common stock is held by the stockholder as a capital asset, the gain or loss will be capital gain or loss.
13. It is more likely than not that the fair market value of the nontransferable subscription rights to purchase Northfield-Delaware common stock is zero. Accordingly, no gain or loss will be recognized by Eligible Account Holders, Supplemental Eligible Account Holders or Other Members upon distribution to them of nontransferable subscription rights to purchase shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock. Eligible Account Holders, Supplemental Eligible Account Holders and Other Members will not realize any taxable income as the result of the exercise by them of the nontransferable subscriptions rights.
14. It is more likely than not that the fair market value of the benefit provided by the liquidation account of Northfield Bank supporting the payment of the Northfield-Delaware liquidation account in the event Northfield-Delaware lacks sufficient net assets is zero. Accordingly, it is more likely than not that no gain or loss will be recognized by Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders upon the constructive distribution to them of such rights

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in the Northfield Bank liquidation account as of the effective date of the merger of Northfield-Federal with and into Northfield-Delaware.

15. It is more likely than not that the basis of the shares of Northfield-Delaware common stock purchased in the offering by the exercise of nontransferable subscription rights will be the purchase price. The holding period of the Northfield-Delaware common stock purchased pursuant to the exercise of nontransferable subscription rights will commence on the date the right to acquire such stock was exercised.
16. No gain or loss will be recognized by Northfield-Delaware on the receipt of money in exchange for Northfield-Delaware common stock sold in the offering.

We believe that the tax opinions summarized above address all material federal income tax consequences that are generally applicable to Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal, Northfield Bank, Northfield-Delaware and persons receiving subscription rights and stockholders of Northfield-Federal. With respect to items 8 and 13 above, Luse Gorman Pomerenk & Schick, P.C. noted that the subscription rights will be granted at no cost to the recipients, are legally non-transferable and of short duration, and will provide the recipient with the right only to purchase shares of common stock at the same price to be paid by members of the general public in any community offering. The firm further noted that RP Financial, LC. has issued a letter that the subscription rights have no ascertainable fair market value. The firm also noted that the Internal Revenue Service has not in the past concluded that subscription rights have value. Based on the foregoing, Luse Gorman Pomerenk & Schick, P.C. believes that it is more likely than not that the nontransferable subscription rights to purchase shares of common stock have no value. However, the issue of whether or not the nontransferable subscription rights have value is based on all the facts and circumstances. If the subscription rights granted to Eligible Account Holders, Supplemental Eligible Account Holders and Other Members are deemed to have an ascertainable value, receipt of these rights could result in taxable gain to those Eligible Account Holders, Supplemental Eligible Account Holders and Other Members who exercise the subscription rights in an amount equal to the ascertainable value, and we could recognize gain on a distribution. Eligible Account Holders, Supplemental Eligible Account Holders and Other Members are encouraged to consult with their own tax advisors as to the tax consequences in the event that subscription rights are deemed to have an ascertainable value.

The opinion as to item 14 above is based on the position that: (i) no holder of an interest in a liquidation account has ever received any payment attributable to a liquidation account; (ii) the interests in the liquidation accounts are not transferable; (iii) the amounts due under the liquidation account with respect to each Eligible Account Holder and Supplemental Eligible Account Holder will be reduced as their deposits in Northfield Bank are reduced; and (iv) the Northfield Bank liquidation account payment obligation arises only if Northfield-Delaware lacks sufficient assets to fund the liquidation account.

In addition, we have received a letter from RP Financial, LC. stating its belief that the benefit provided by the Northfield Bank liquidation account supporting the payment of the liquidation account in the event Northfield-Delaware lacks sufficient net assets does not have any economic value at the time of the conversion. Based on the foregoing, Luse Gorman Pomerenk & Schick, P.C. believes it is more likely than not that such rights in the Northfield Bank liquidation account have no value. If such rights are subsequently found to have an economic value, income may be recognized by each Eligible Account Holder or Supplemental Eligible Account Holder in the amount of such fair market value as of the date of the conversion.

The opinion of Luse Gorman Pomerenk & Schick, P.C., unlike a letter ruling issued by the Internal Revenue Service, is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service and the conclusions expressed therein may be challenged at a future date. The Internal Revenue Service has issued favorable rulings for transactions substantially similar to the proposed reorganization and stock offering, but any such ruling may not be cited as precedent by any taxpayer other than the taxpayer to whom the ruling is addressed. We do not plan to apply for a letter ruling concerning the transactions described herein.

We have also received opinion from Crowe Horwath LLP that the New Jersey and New York state income tax consequences are consistent with the federal income tax consequences.

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The federal and state tax opinions have been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to Northfield-Delaware's registration statement.

Certain Restrictions on Purchase or Transfer of Our Shares after Conversion

All shares of common stock purchased in the offering by a director or certain officers of Northfield Bank generally may not be sold for a period of one year following the closing of the conversion, except in the event of the death of the director or executive officer. Each certificate for restricted shares will bear a legend giving notice of this restriction on transfer, and instructions will be issued to the effect that any transfer within this time period of any certificate or record ownership of the shares other than as provided above is a violation of the restriction. Any shares of common stock issued at a later date as a stock dividend, stock split, or otherwise, with respect to the restricted stock will be similarly restricted. The directors and executive officers of Northfield-Delaware also will be restricted by the insider trading rules under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Purchases of shares of our common stock by any of our directors, certain officers and their associates, during the three-year period following the closing of the conversion may be made only through a broker or dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, except with the prior written approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision. This restriction does not apply, however, to negotiated transactions involving more than 1% of our outstanding common stock or to purchases of our common stock by our stock option plan or any of our tax-qualified employee stock benefit plans or non-tax-qualified employee stock benefit plans, including any restricted stock plans.

Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit Northfield-Delaware from repurchasing its shares of common stock during the first year following conversion unless compelling business reasons exist for such repurchases. After one year, the Office of Thrift Supervision does not impose any repurchase restrictions.

COMPARISON OF STOCKHOLDERS' RIGHTS FOR EXISTING STOCKHOLDERS OF NORTHFIELD BANCORP, INC.

General. As a result of the conversion, existing stockholders of Northfield-Federal will become stockholders of Northfield-Delaware. There are differences in the rights of stockholders of Northfield-Federal and stockholders of Northfield-Delaware caused by differences between federal and Delaware law and regulations and differences in Northfield-Federal's federal stock charter and bylaws and Northfield-Delaware's Delaware certificate of incorporation and bylaws.

This discussion is not intended to be a complete statement of the differences affecting the rights of stockholders, but rather summarizes the material differences and similarities affecting the rights of stockholders. See *Where You Can Find Additional Information* for procedures for obtaining a copy of Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation and bylaws.

Authorized Capital Stock. The authorized capital stock of Northfield-Federal consists of 90,000,000 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, and 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

The authorized capital stock of Northfield-Delaware consists of 150,000,000 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, and 25,000,000 shares of preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share.

Northfield-Federal's charter and Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation both authorize the Board of Directors to establish one or more series of preferred stock and, for any series of preferred stock, to determine the terms and rights of the series, including voting rights, dividend rights, conversion and redemption rates and liquidation preferences. As a result of the ability to fix voting rights for a series of preferred stock, our Board of Directors has the power, to the extent consistent with its fiduciary duty, to issue a series of preferred stock to persons friendly to management in order to attempt to block a hostile tender offer, merger or other transaction by which a third party seeks control. We currently have no plans for the issuance of additional shares for such purposes.

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Issuance of Capital Stock. Pursuant to applicable laws and regulations, Northfield Bancorp, MHC is required to own not less than a majority of the outstanding shares of Northfield-Federal common stock. Northfield Bancorp, MHC will no longer exist following consummation of the conversion.

Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation does not contain restrictions on the issuance of shares of capital stock to directors, officers or controlling persons, whereas Northfield-Federal's stock charter restricts such issuances to general public offerings, or to directors for qualifying shares, unless the share issuance or the plan under which they would generally be issued has been approved by a majority of the total votes eligible to be cast at a legal stockholders meeting. However, stock-based compensation plans, such as stock option plans and restricted stock plans, would have to be submitted for approval by Northfield-Delaware stockholders due to requirements of the Nasdaq Stock Market and in order to qualify stock options for favorable federal income tax treatment.

Voting Rights. Neither Northfield-Federal's stock charter or bylaws nor Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation or bylaws provide for cumulative voting for the election of directors. For additional information regarding voting rights, see "Limitations on Voting Rights of Greater-than-10% Stockholders" below.

Payment of Dividends. Northfield-Federal has no regulatory restriction on its ability to pay dividends. Delaware law generally provides that Northfield-Delaware is limited to paying dividends in an amount equal to its capital surplus over payments that would be owed upon dissolution to stockholders whose preferential rights upon dissolution are superior to those receiving the dividend, and to an amount that would not make it insolvent.

Board of Directors. Northfield-Federal's bylaws and Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation and bylaws require the Board of Directors to be divided into three classes and that the members of each class shall be elected for a term of three years and until their successors are elected and qualified, with one class being elected annually.

Under Northfield-Federal's bylaws, any vacancies on the Board of Directors of Northfield-Federal may be filled by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the remaining directors. Persons elected by the Board of Directors of Northfield-Federal to fill vacancies may only serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders. Under Northfield-Delaware's bylaws, any vacancy occurring on the Board of Directors, including any vacancy created by reason of an increase in the number of directors, may be filled only by a majority of the remaining directors, and any director so chosen shall hold office for the remainder of the term to which the director has been elected and until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

Limitations on Liability. The charter and bylaws of Northfield-Federal do not limit the personal liability of directors.

Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation provides that directors will not be personally liable for monetary damages to Northfield-Delaware for certain actions as directors, except for (i) receipt of an improper personal benefit from their positions as directors, (ii) actions or omissions that are determined to have involved active and deliberate dishonesty, or (iii) to the extent allowed by Delaware law. These provisions might, in certain instances, discourage or deter stockholders or management from bringing a lawsuit against directors for a breach of their duties even though such an action, if successful, might benefit Northfield-Delaware.

Indemnification of Directors, Officers, Employees and Agents. Under current Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, Northfield-Federal shall indemnify its directors, officers and employees for any costs incurred in connection with any litigation involving such person's activities as a director, officer or employee if such person obtains a final judgment on the merits in his or her favor. In addition, indemnification is permitted in the case of a settlement, a final judgment against such person, or final judgment other than on the merits, if a majority of disinterested directors determines that such person was acting in good faith within the scope of his or her employment as he or she could reasonably have perceived it under the circumstances and for a purpose he or she could reasonably have believed under the circumstances was in the best interests of Northfield-Federal or its stockholders. Northfield-Federal also is permitted to pay ongoing expenses incurred by a director, officer or employee if a majority of disinterested directors concludes that such person may ultimately be entitled to

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indemnification. Before making any indemnification payment, Northfield-Federal is required to notify the Office of Thrift Supervision of its intention, and such payment cannot be made if the Office of Thrift Supervision objects to such payment.

The certificate of incorporation of Northfield-Delaware provides that it shall indemnify its current and former directors and officers to the fullest extent required or permitted by Delaware law, including the advancement of expenses. Delaware law allows Northfield-Delaware to indemnify any person for expenses, liabilities, settlements, judgments and fines in suits in which such person has been made a party by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, officer or employee of Northfield-Delaware. No such indemnification may be given if the acts or omissions of the person are adjudged to be in bad faith and material to the matter giving rise to the proceeding, if such person is liable to the corporation for an unlawful distribution, or if such person personally received a benefit to which he or she was not entitled. The right to indemnification includes the right to be paid the expenses incurred in advance of final disposition of a proceeding.

Special Meetings of Stockholders. Northfield-Federal's bylaws provide that special meetings of stockholders may be called by the Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, two-thirds of the members of the Board of Directors or the holders of not less than 50% of the outstanding capital stock of Northfield-Federal entitled to vote at the meeting. Northfield-Delaware's bylaws provide that special meetings of the stockholders may be called only by a majority vote of the total authorized directors.

Stockholder Nominations and Proposals. Northfield-Federal's bylaws generally provide that stockholders may submit nominations for election of directors at an annual meeting of stockholders and may propose any new business to be taken up at such a meeting by filing the proposal in writing with Northfield-Federal at least 30 days before the date of any such meeting.

Northfield-Delaware's bylaws generally provide that any stockholder desiring to make a nomination for the election of directors or a proposal for new business at a meeting of stockholders must submit written notice to Northfield-Delaware at least 90 days prior to the anniversary date of the proxy statement for the prior year's annual meeting. However, if the date of the annual meeting is advanced more than 30 days prior to or delayed by more than 30 days after the anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered not later than the close of business on the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made.

Management believes that it is in the best interests of Northfield-Delaware and its stockholders to provide sufficient time to enable management to disclose to stockholders information about a dissident slate of nominations for directors. This advance notice requirement may also give management time to solicit its own proxies in an attempt to defeat any dissident slate of nominations, should management determine that doing so is in the best interests of stockholders generally. Similarly, adequate advance notice of stockholder proposals will give management time to study such proposals and to determine whether to recommend to the stockholders that such proposals be adopted. In certain instances, such provisions could make it more difficult to oppose management's nominees or proposals, even if stockholders believe such nominees or proposals are in their best interests.

Stockholder's Right to Examine Books and Records. A federal regulation, which is applicable to Northfield-Federal, provides that stockholders may inspect and copy specified books and records after proper written notice for a proper purpose. Delaware law provides that a stockholder may inspect a company's bylaws, stockholder minutes, annual statement of affairs and any voting trust agreements. However, only a stockholder or group of stockholders who together, for at least six months, hold at least 5% of the company's total shares, have the right to inspect a company's stock ledger, list of stockholders and books of accounts.

Limitations on Voting Rights of Greater-than-10% Stockholders. Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation provides that no beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of the outstanding shares of common stock will be permitted to vote any shares in excess of such 10% limit. Northfield-Federal's charter does not provide such a limit on voting common stock.

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In addition, Office of Thrift Supervision regulations provide that for a period of three years following the date of the completion of the offering, no person, acting singly or together with associates in a group of persons acting in concert, may directly or indirectly offer to acquire or acquire the beneficial ownership of more than 10% of a class of Northfield-Delaware's equity securities without the prior written approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision. Where any person acquires beneficial ownership of more than 10% of a class of Northfield-Delaware's equity securities without the prior written approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision, the securities beneficially owned by such person in excess of 10% may not be voted by any person or counted as voting shares in connection with any matter submitted to the stockholders for a vote, and will not be counted as outstanding for purposes of determining the affirmative vote necessary to approve any matter submitted to the stockholders for a vote.

Mergers, Consolidations and Sales of Assets. A federal regulation applicable to Northfield-Federal generally requires the approval of two-thirds of the Board of Directors of Northfield-Federal and the holders of two-thirds of the outstanding stock of Northfield-Federal entitled to vote thereon for mergers, consolidations and sales of all or substantially all of Northfield-Federal's assets. Such regulation permits Northfield-Federal to merge with another corporation without obtaining the approval of its stockholders if:

- (i) it does not involve an interim savings institution;
- (ii) Northfield-Federal's federal stock charter is not changed;
- (iii) each share of Northfield-Federal's stock outstanding immediately prior to the effective date of the transaction will be an identical outstanding share or a treasury share of Northfield-Federal after such effective date; and
- (iv) either:
 - (a) no shares of voting stock of Northfield-Federal and no securities convertible into such stock are to be issued or delivered under the plan of combination; or
 - (b) the authorized but unissued shares or the treasury shares of voting stock of Northfield-Federal to be issued or delivered under the plan of combination, plus those initially issuable upon conversion of any securities to be issued or delivered under such plan, do not exceed 15% of the total shares of voting stock of Northfield-Federal outstanding immediately prior to the effective date of the transaction.

Under Delaware law, business combinations between Northfield-Delaware and an interested stockholder or an affiliate of an interested stockholder are prohibited for three years after the most recent date on which the interested stockholder becomes an interested stockholder. These business combinations include a merger, consolidation or, in circumstances specified in the statute, certain transfers of assets, stock issuances and other transactions involving interested stockholders and their affiliates. Delaware law defines an interested stockholder as: (i) any person who beneficially owns 15% or more of the voting power of Northfield-Delaware's voting stock; or (ii) an affiliate or associate of Northfield-Delaware who, within the three-year period prior to the date in question, was the beneficial owner of 15% or more of the voting power of the then-outstanding voting stock of Northfield-Delaware.

Before the end of the three-year period, any business combination between Northfield-Delaware and an interested stockholder generally must be recommended by the Board of Directors of Northfield-Delaware and approved by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of voting stock of Northfield-Delaware other than shares held by the interested stockholder with whom or with whose affiliate the business combination is to be effected or held by an affiliate or associate of the interested stockholder.

Evaluation of Offers. The certificate of incorporation of Northfield-Delaware provides that its Board of Directors, when evaluating an offer to: (i) make a tender or exchange offer for any equity security of Northfield-Delaware; (ii) merge or consolidate Northfield-Delaware with another corporation or entity or (iii) purchase or

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otherwise acquire all or substantially all of the properties and assets of Northfield-Delaware, may, in connection with the exercise of its judgment in determining what is in the best interest of Northfield-Delaware and its stockholders, give due consideration to all relevant factors, including, without limitation, the social and economic effect of acceptance of such offer on Northfield-Delaware's present and future customers and employees and those of its subsidiaries; on the communities in which Northfield-Delaware and its subsidiaries operate or are located; on the ability of Northfield-Delaware to fulfill its corporate objectives as Northfield Bank's holding company and on the ability of Northfield Bank to fulfill the objectives of a stock savings bank under applicable statutes and regulations.

Northfield-Federal's charter and bylaws do not contain a similar provision.

Dissenters' Rights of Appraisal. Office of Thrift Supervision regulations generally provide that a stockholder of a federally chartered corporation that engages in a merger, consolidation or sale of all or substantially all of its assets shall have the right to demand from such institution payment of the fair or appraised value of his or her stock in the corporation, subject to specified procedural requirements. The regulations also provide, however, that a stockholder of a federally chartered corporation whose shares are listed on a national securities exchange or quoted on the Nasdaq stock market are not entitled to dissenters' rights in connection with a merger if the stockholder is required to accept only "qualified consideration" for his or her stock, which is defined to include cash, shares of stock of any institution or corporation that at the effective date of the merger will be listed on a national securities exchange or quoted on the Nasdaq stock market, or any combination of such shares of stock and cash.

Under Delaware law, stockholders of Northfield-Delaware will not have dissenters' appraisal rights in connection with a plan of merger or consolidation to which Northfield-Delaware is a party as long as the common stock of Northfield Financial Services, Inc. trades on the Nasdaq Global Market.

Amendment of Governing Instruments. No amendment of Northfield-Federal's stock charter may be made unless it is first proposed by the Board of Directors of Northfield-Federal, then preliminarily approved by the Office of Thrift Supervision, and thereafter approved by the holders of a majority of the total votes eligible to be cast at a legal meeting.

Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation may be amended, upon the submission of an amendment by the Board of Directors to a vote of the stockholders, by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of common stock, or by the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock if at least two-thirds of the members of the whole Board of Directors approves such amendment; provided, however, that approval by at least 85% of the outstanding voting stock is generally required to amend the following provisions:

- (i) The limitation on voting rights of persons who directly or indirectly beneficially own more than 10% of the outstanding shares of common stock;
- (ii) The division of the Board of Directors into three staggered classes;
- (iii) The ability of the Board of Directors to fill vacancies on the board;
- (iv) The requirement that at least a majority of the votes eligible to be cast by stockholders must vote to remove directors, and can only remove directors for cause;
- (v) The ability of the Board of Directors to amend and repeal the bylaws;
- (vi) The number of stockholders constituting a quorum or required for stockholder consent; and
- (vii) The provision of the certificate of incorporation requiring approval of at least 85% of the outstanding voting stock to amend the provisions of the certificate of incorporation provided in (i) through (vii) of this list.

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The certificate of incorporation also provides that the bylaws may be amended by the affirmative vote of a majority of our directors or by the stockholders by the affirmative vote of at least 80% of the total votes eligible to be voted at a duly constituted meeting of stockholders. Any amendment of this super-majority requirement for amendment of the bylaws would also require the approval of 80% of the outstanding voting stock.

RESTRICTIONS ON ACQUISITION OF NORTHFIELD-DELAWARE

Although the board of directors of Northfield-Delaware is not aware of any effort that might be made to obtain control of Northfield-Delaware after the conversion, the board of directors believes that it is appropriate to include certain provisions as part of Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation to protect the interests of Northfield-Delaware and its stockholders from takeovers which the board of directors might conclude are not in the best interests of Northfield Bank, Northfield-Delaware or Northfield-Delaware's stockholders.

The following discussion is a general summary of the material provisions of Delaware law, Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation and bylaws, Northfield Bank's charter and bylaws and certain other regulatory provisions that may be deemed to have an anti-takeover effect. The following description of certain of these provisions is necessarily general and is not intended to be a complete description of the document or regulatory provision in question. Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation and bylaws are included as part of Northfield Bancorp, MHC's application for conversion filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision and Northfield-Delaware's registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. See [Where You Can Find Additional Information](#).

Delaware Law and Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws of Northfield-Delaware

Delaware law, as well as Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation and bylaws, contain a number of provisions relating to corporate governance and rights of stockholders that may discourage future takeover attempts. As a result, stockholders who might desire to participate in such transactions may not have an opportunity to do so. In addition, these provisions will also render the removal of the board of directors or management of Northfield-Delaware more difficult.

Directors. The board of directors will be divided into three classes. The members of each class will be elected for a term of three years and only one class of directors will be elected annually. Thus, it would take at least two annual elections to replace a majority of the board of directors. The bylaws establish qualifications for board members, including restrictions on affiliations with competitors of Northfield Bank and restrictions based upon prior legal or regulatory violations. Further, the bylaws impose notice and information requirements in connection with the nomination by stockholders of candidates for election to the board of directors or the proposal by stockholders of business to be acted upon at an annual meeting of stockholders. Such notice and information requirements are applicable to all stockholder business proposals and nominations, and are in addition to any requirements under the federal securities laws.

Restrictions on Call of Special Meetings. The certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that special meetings of stockholders can be called by the Chairman, the President, the Chief Executive or by a majority of the board of directors.

Prohibition of Cumulative Voting. The certificate of incorporation prohibits cumulative voting for the election of directors.

Limitation of Voting Rights. The certificate of incorporation provides that in no event will any person who beneficially owns more than 10% of the then-outstanding shares of common stock, be entitled or permitted to vote any of the shares of common stock held in excess of the 10% limit.

Restrictions on Removing Directors from Office. The certificate of incorporation provides that directors may be removed only for cause, and only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the voting

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power of all of our then-outstanding common stock entitled to vote (after giving effect to the limitation on voting rights discussed above in [Limitation of Voting Rights](#)).

Authorized but Unissued Shares. After the conversion, Northfield-Delaware will have authorized but unissued shares of common and preferred stock. See [Description of Capital Stock of Northfield-Delaware Following the Conversion](#). The certificate of incorporation authorizes 25,000,000 shares of serial preferred stock. Northfield-Delaware is authorized to issue preferred stock from time to time in one or more series subject to applicable provisions of law, and the board of directors is authorized to fix the designations, and relative preferences, limitations, voting rights, if any, including without limitation, offering rights of such shares (which could be multiple or as a separate class). In the event of a proposed merger, tender offer or other attempt to gain control of Northfield-Delaware that the board of directors does not approve, it may be possible for the board of directors to authorize the issuance of a series of preferred stock with rights and preferences that would impede the completion of the transaction. An effect of the possible issuance of preferred stock therefore may be to deter a future attempt to gain control of Northfield-Delaware. The board of directors has no present plan or understanding to issue any preferred stock.

Amendments to Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws. Amendments to the certificate of incorporation must be approved by the board of directors and also by at least a majority of the outstanding shares of the voting stock; provided, however, that approval by at least 85% of the outstanding voting stock is generally required to amend certain provisions. A list of these provisions is provided under [Comparison of Stockholders Rights For Existing Stockholders of Northfield-Federal Amendment of Governing Instruments](#) above.

The certificate of incorporation also provides that the bylaws may be amended by the affirmative vote of a majority of Northfield-Delaware's directors or by the stockholders by the affirmative vote of at least 80% of the total votes eligible to be voted at a duly constituted meeting of stockholders. Any amendment of this super-majority requirement for amendment of the bylaws would also require the approval of 80% of the outstanding voting shares.

Business Combinations with Interested Stockholders. Delaware law restricts mergers, consolidations, sales of assets and other business combinations between Northfield-Delaware and an interested stockholder. See [Comparison of Stockholder Rights for Existing Stockholders of Northfield-Federal Mergers, Consolidations and Sales of Assets](#) above.

Evaluation of Offers. The certificate of incorporation of Northfield-Delaware provides that its board of directors, when evaluating a transaction that would or may involve a change in control of Northfield-Delaware (whether by purchases of its securities, merger, consolidation, share exchange, dissolution, liquidation, sale of all or substantially all of its assets, proxy solicitation or otherwise), may, in connection with the exercise of its business judgment in determining what is in the best interests of Northfield-Delaware and its stockholders and in making any recommendation to the stockholders, give due consideration to all relevant factors, including, but not limited to, certain enumerated factors. For a list of these enumerated factors, see [Comparison of Stockholder Rights for Existing Stockholders of Northfield-Federal Evaluation of Offers](#) above.

Purpose and Anti-Takeover Effects of Northfield-Delaware's Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws. Our board of directors believes that the provisions described above are prudent and will reduce our vulnerability to takeover attempts and certain other transactions that have not been negotiated with and approved by our board of directors. These provisions also will assist us in the orderly deployment of the offering proceeds into productive assets during the initial period after the conversion. Our board of directors believes these provisions are in the best interests of Northfield-Delaware and its stockholders. Our board of directors believes that it will be in the best position to determine the true value of Northfield-Delaware and to negotiate more effectively for what may be in the best interests of all our stockholders. Accordingly, our board of directors believes that it is in the best interests of Northfield-Delaware and all of our stockholders to encourage potential acquirers to negotiate directly with the board of directors and that these provisions will encourage such negotiations and discourage hostile takeover attempts. It is also the view of our board of directors that these provisions should not discourage persons from proposing a merger or other transaction at a price reflective of the true value of Northfield-Delaware and that is in the best interests of all our stockholders.

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Takeover attempts that have not been negotiated with and approved by our board of directors present the risk of a takeover on terms that may be less favorable than might otherwise be available. A transaction that is negotiated and approved by our board of directors, on the other hand, can be carefully planned and undertaken at an opportune time in order to obtain maximum value of Northfield-Delaware for our stockholders, with due consideration given to matters such as the management and business of the acquiring corporation and maximum strategic development of Northfield-Delaware's assets.

Although a tender offer or other takeover attempt may be made at a price substantially above the current market price, such offers are sometimes made for less than all of the outstanding shares of a target company. As a result, stockholders may be presented with the alternative of partially liquidating their investment at a time that may be disadvantageous, or retaining their investment in an enterprise that is under different management and whose objectives may not be similar to those of the remaining stockholders.

Despite our belief as to the benefits to stockholders of these provisions of Northfield-Delaware's certificate of incorporation and bylaws, these provisions may also have the effect of discouraging a future takeover attempt that would not be approved by our board of directors, but pursuant to which stockholders may receive a substantial premium for their shares over then current market prices. As a result, stockholders who might desire to participate in such a transaction may not have any opportunity to do so. Such provisions will also make it more difficult to remove our board of directors and management. Our board of directors, however, has concluded that the potential benefits outweigh the possible disadvantages.

Charter of Northfield Bank

Northfield Bank's charter will provide that for a period of five years from the closing of the conversion and offering, no person other than Northfield-Delaware may offer directly or indirectly to acquire the beneficial ownership of more than 10% of any class of equity security of Northfield Bank. This provision does not apply to any tax-qualified employee benefit plan of Northfield Bank or Northfield-Delaware or to an underwriter or member of an underwriting or selling group involving the public sale or resale of securities of Northfield-Delaware or any of its subsidiaries, so long as after the sale or resale, no underwriter or member of the selling group is a beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of any class of equity securities of Northfield Bank. In addition, during this five-year period, all shares owned over the 10% limit may not be voted on any matter submitted to stockholders for a vote.

Conversion Regulations

Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit any person from making an offer, announcing an intent to make an offer or participating in any other arrangement to purchase stock or acquire stock or subscription rights in a converting institution or its holding company from another person prior to completion of its conversion. Further, without the prior written approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision, no person may make an offer or announcement of an offer to purchase shares or actually acquire shares of a converted institution or its holding company for a period of three years from the date of the completion of the conversion if, upon the completion of such offer, announcement or acquisition, the person would become the beneficial owner of more than 10% of the outstanding stock of the institution or its holding company. The Office of Thrift Supervision has defined "person" to include any individual, group acting in concert, corporation, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or similar company, a syndicate or any other group formed for the purpose of acquiring, holding or disposing of securities of an insured institution. However, offers made exclusively to a bank or its holding company, or to an underwriter or member of a selling group acting on the converting institution's or its holding company's behalf for resale to the general public, are excepted. The regulation also provides civil penalties for willful violation or assistance in any such violation of the regulation by any person connected with the management of the converting institution or its holding company or who controls more than 10% of the outstanding shares or voting rights of a converted institution or its holding company.

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Change in Control Regulations

Under the Change in Bank Control Act, no person may acquire control of an insured federal savings bank or its parent holding company unless the Office of Thrift Supervision has been given 60 days prior written notice and has not issued a notice disapproving the proposed acquisition. In addition, Office of Thrift Supervision regulations provide that no company may acquire control of a savings bank without the prior approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision. Any company that acquires such control becomes a savings and loan holding company subject to registration, examination and regulation by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Control, as defined under federal law, means ownership, control of or holding irrevocable proxies representing more than 25% of any class of voting stock, control in any manner of the election of a majority of the institution's directors, or a determination by the Office of Thrift Supervision that the acquiror has the power to direct, or directly or indirectly to exercise a controlling influence over, the management or policies of the institution. Acquisition of more than 10% of any class of a savings bank's voting stock, if the acquiror is also subject to any one of eight control factors, constitutes a rebuttable determination of control under the regulations. Such control factors include the acquiror being one of the two largest stockholders. The determination of control may be rebutted by submission to the Office of Thrift Supervision, prior to the acquisition of stock or the occurrence of any other circumstances giving rise to such determination, of a statement setting forth facts and circumstances which would support a finding that no control relationship will exist and containing certain undertakings. The regulations provide that persons or companies that acquire beneficial ownership exceeding 10% or more of any class of a savings bank's stock who do not intend to participate in or seek to exercise control over a savings bank's management or policies may qualify for a safe harbor by filing with the Office of Thrift Supervision a certification form that states, among other things, that the holder is not in control of such institution, is not subject to a rebuttable determination of control and will take no action which would result in a determination or rebuttable determination of control without prior notice to or approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision, as applicable. There are also rebuttable presumptions in the regulations concerning whether a group acting in concert exists, including presumed action in concert among members of an immediate family.

The Office of Thrift Supervision may prohibit an acquisition of control if it finds, among other things, that:

- (i) the acquisition would result in a monopoly or substantially lessen competition;
- (ii) the financial condition of the acquiring person might jeopardize the financial stability of the institution; or
- (iii) the competence, experience or integrity of the acquiring person indicates that it would not be in the interest of the depositors or the public to permit the acquisition of control by such person.

**DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK OF NORTHFIELD-DELAWARE FOLLOWING THE
CONVERSION**

General

Northfield-Delaware is authorized to issue 150,000,000 shares of common stock, par value of \$0.01 per share, and 25,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share. Northfield-Delaware currently expects to issue in the offering and exchange up to 71,416,852 shares of common stock, subject to adjustment up to 82,129,380 shares. Northfield-Delaware will not issue shares of preferred stock in the conversion. Each share of common stock will have the same relative rights as, and will be identical in all respects to, each other share of common stock. Upon payment of the subscription price for the common stock, in accordance with the plan of conversion and reorganization, all of the shares of common stock will be duly authorized, fully paid and nonassessable.

The shares of common stock will represent nonwithdrawable capital, will not be an account of an insurable type, and will not be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

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Dividends. Delaware law generally limits dividends to our capital surplus or, if there is no capital surplus, our net profits for the fiscal year in which the dividend is declared and/or the preceding fiscal year. The payment of dividends by Northfield-Delaware is also subject to limitations that are imposed by law and applicable regulation, including restrictions on payments of dividends that would reduce Northfield-Delaware's assets below the then-adjusted balance of its liquidation account. The holders of common stock of Northfield-Delaware will be entitled to receive and share equally in dividends as may be declared by our board of directors out of funds legally available therefor. If Northfield-Delaware issues shares of preferred stock, the holders thereof may have a priority over the holders of the common stock with respect to dividends.

Voting Rights. Upon completion of the conversion, the holders of common stock of Northfield-Delaware will have exclusive voting rights in Northfield-Delaware. They will elect Northfield-Delaware's board of directors and act on other matters as are required to be presented to them under Delaware law or as are otherwise presented to them by the board of directors. Generally, each holder of common stock will be entitled to one vote per share and will not have any right to cumulate votes in the election of directors. Any person who beneficially owns more than 10% of the then-outstanding shares of Northfield-Delaware's common stock, however, will not be entitled or permitted to vote any shares of common stock held in excess of the 10% limit. If Northfield-Delaware issues shares of preferred stock, holders of the preferred stock may also possess voting rights. Certain matters require the approval of 85% of our outstanding common stock.

As a federal stock savings association, corporate powers and control of Northfield Bank are vested in its board of directors, who elect the officers of Northfield Bank and who fill any vacancies on the board of directors. Voting rights of Northfield Bank are vested exclusively in the owners of the shares of capital stock of Northfield Bank, which will be Northfield-Delaware, and voted at the direction of Northfield-Delaware's board of directors. Consequently, the holders of the common stock of Northfield-Delaware will not have direct control of Northfield Bank.

Liquidation. In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of Northfield Bank, Northfield-Delaware, as the holder of 100% of Northfield Bank's capital stock, would be entitled to receive all assets of Northfield Bank available for distribution, after payment or provision for payment of all debts and liabilities of Northfield Bank, including all deposit accounts and accrued interest thereon, and after distribution of the balance in the liquidation account to Eligible Account Holders and Supplemental Eligible Account Holders. In the event of liquidation, dissolution or winding up of Northfield-Delaware, the holders of its common stock would be entitled to receive, after payment or provision for payment of all its debts and liabilities (including payments with respect to its liquidation account), all of the assets of Northfield-Delaware available for distribution. If preferred stock is issued, the holders thereof may have a priority over the holders of the common stock in the event of liquidation or dissolution.

Preemptive Rights. Holders of the common stock of Northfield-Delaware will not be entitled to preemptive rights with respect to any shares that may be issued. The common stock is not subject to redemption.

Preferred Stock

None of the shares of Northfield-Delaware's authorized preferred stock will be issued as part of the offering or the conversion. Preferred stock may be issued with preferences and designations as our board of directors may from time to time determine. Our board of directors may, without stockholder approval, issue shares of preferred stock with voting, dividend, liquidation and conversion rights that could dilute the voting strength of the holders of the common stock and may assist management in impeding an unfriendly takeover or attempted change in control.

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TRANSFER AGENT

The transfer agent and registrar for Northfield-Delaware's common stock is Registrar and Transfer Company, Cranford, New Jersey.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Northfield-Federal and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009, have been included herein in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, which is included herein and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

RP Financial, LC. has consented to the publication herein of the summary of its report setting forth its opinion as to the estimated pro forma market value of the shares of common stock upon completion of the conversion and offering and its letters with respect to subscription rights and the liquidation accounts.

LEGAL MATTERS

Luse Gorman Pomerenk & Schick, P.C., Washington, D.C., counsel to Northfield-Delaware, Northfield Bancorp, MHC, Northfield-Federal and Northfield Bank, will issue to Northfield-Delaware its opinion regarding the legality of the common stock and the federal income tax consequences of the conversion. Crowe Horwath LLP has provided opinions to us regarding the New Jersey and New York income tax consequences of the conversion. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. by Kilpatrick Stockton LLP, Washington, D.C.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Northfield-Delaware has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933 with respect to the shares of common stock offered hereby. As permitted by the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, this prospectus does not contain all the information set forth in the registration statement. Such information, including the appraisal report which is an exhibit to the registration statement, can be examined without charge at the public reference facilities of the Securities and Exchange Commission located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549, and copies of such material can be obtained from the Securities and Exchange Commission at prescribed rates. The Securities and Exchange Commission telephone number is 1-800-SEC-0330. In addition, the Securities and Exchange Commission maintains a web site (<http://www.sec.gov>) that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including Northfield-Delaware. The statements contained in this prospectus as to the contents of any contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the registration statement are, of necessity, brief descriptions of the material terms of, and should be read in conjunction with, such contract or document.

Northfield Bancorp, MHC has filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision an Application on Form AC with respect to the conversion. This prospectus omits certain information contained in the application. The application may be examined at the principal office of the Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20552, and at the Northeast Regional Office of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Harborside Financial Center Plaza Five, Suite 1600, Jersey City, New Jersey 07311. Our Plan of Conversion and Reorganization is available, upon request, at each of our branch offices.

In connection with the offering, Northfield-Delaware will register its common stock under Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and, upon such registration, Northfield-Delaware and the holders of its common stock will become subject to the proxy solicitation rules, reporting requirements and restrictions on common stock purchases and sales by directors, officers and greater than 10% stockholders, the annual and periodic reporting and certain other requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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Under the plan of conversion and reorganization, Northfield-Delaware has undertaken that it will not terminate such registration for a period of at least three years following the offering.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders
Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiaries:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company changed its method of evaluating other-than-temporary impairments of debt securities due to the adoption of new accounting requirements issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, as of April 1, 2009.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and our report dated March 16, 2010 expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Short Hills, New Jersey

March 16, 2010

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders
Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiaries:

We have audited Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiaries' management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. In addition, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiaries maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

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We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Northfield Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009, and our report dated March 16, 2010 expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Short Hills, New Jersey

March 16, 2010

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Table of Contents**NORTHFIELD BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Balance Sheets**

	At March 31,	At December 31,	
(in thousands, except share data)	2010	2009	2008
	(Unaudited)		
ASSETS:			
Cash and due from banks	\$ 9,646	10,183	9,014
Interest-bearing deposits in other financial institutions	41,165	32,361	41,114
Total cash and cash equivalents	50,811	42,544	50,128
Certificates of deposit			53,653
Trading securities	3,706	3,403	2,498
Securities available-for-sale, at estimated fair value (encumbered \$261,004 (unaudited) in 2010, \$219,446 in 2009, and \$183,711 in 2008)	1,216,195	1,131,803	957,585
Securities held-to-maturity, at amortized cost (estimated fair value of \$6,432 (unaudited), \$6,930 and \$14,588 in 2010, 2009, and 2008, respectively) (encumbered \$0 (unaudited) in 2010, \$0 in 2009, and \$1,241 in 2008)	6,220	6,740	14,479
Loans held-for-investment, net	737,225	729,269	589,984
Allowance for loan losses	(17,146)	(15,414)	(8,778)
Net loans held-for-investment	720,079	713,855	581,206
Accrued interest receivable	8,042	8,054	8,319
Bank owned life insurance	44,174	43,751	42,001
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock, at cost	5,026	6,421	9,410
Premises and equipment, net	13,114	12,676	8,899
Goodwill	16,159	16,159	16,159
Other real estate owned	1,533	1,938	1,071
Other assets	12,744	14,930	12,353
Total assets	\$2,097,803	2,002,274	1,757,761
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY:			
LIABILITIES:			
Deposits	\$1,392,905	1,316,885	1,024,439
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	244,680	200,000	170,000
Other borrowings	48,380	79,424	162,084
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	2,038	757	3,823
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	13,514	13,668	10,837

Total liabilities	1,701,517	1,610,734	1,371,183
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STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY:

Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized, none issued or outstanding			
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 90,000,000 shares authorized, 45,632,611 (unaudited), 45,628,211, and 44,803,061 shares issued at March 31, 2010, December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, 43,722,522 (unaudited), 43,912,148 and 44,803,061 shares outstanding at March 31, 2010, December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively	456	456	448
Additional paid-in capital	203,541	202,479	199,453
Unallocated common stock held by employee stock ownership plan	(15,660)	(15,807)	(16,391)
Retained earnings	214,779	212,196	203,085
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	15,690	12,145	(17)
Treasury stock at cost; 1,910,089 (unaudited), 1,716,063, and 0 shares at March 31, 2010, December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively	(22,520)	(19,929)	
Total stockholders equity	396,286	391,540	386,578
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$2,097,803	2,002,274	1,757,761

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Income**

(in thousands, except share data)	Three Months Ended March 31,		Years Ended December 31,		
	2010	2009	2009	2008	2007
	(Unaudited)				
Interest income:					
Loans	\$ 10,293	8,571	38,889	31,617	28,398
Mortgage-backed securities	9,181	11,114	42,256	38,072	30,576
Other securities	1,384	282	3,223	1,348	2,100
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York dividends	95	80	399	652	519
Deposits in other financial institutions	54	435	801	3,360	4,109
 Total interest income	 21,007	 20,482	 85,568	 75,049	 65,702
 Interest expense:					
Deposits	3,952	4,957	18,214	18,522	23,763
Borrowings	2,506	2,764	10,763	9,734	5,073
 Total interest expense	 6,458	 7,721	 28,977	 28,256	 28,836
 Net interest income	 14,549	 12,761	 56,591	 46,793	 36,866
 Provision for loan losses	 1,930	 1,644	 9,038	 5,082	 1,442
 Net interest income after provision for loan losses	 12,619	 11,117	 47,553	 41,711	 35,424
 Non-interest income:					