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The Honorable Shaun Donovan  
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Ginnie Mae has been a cornerstone of the U.S. housing finance system since it was created more than 40 years ago. Our organization attracts private capital to the U.S. housing market and facilitates government-insured financing without imposing undue risk on the taxpayer. We have continued to deliver liquidity to the housing finance system during these periods of economic stress, and remain a strong supplier of capital that finances affordable single-family and rental housing.

It has been a particularly good year for Ginnie Mae. For FY 2011, Ginnie Mae earned excess revenues over expenses (net profit) of nearly \$1.2 billion, a remarkable accomplishment given the current economic environment. In fact, nearly every year since its inception, Ginnie Mae has earned money for taxpayers. During these very difficult economic times, Ginnie Mae has remained strong and has not required a federal bailout. Further, it maintains \$15.8 billion in retained earnings bolstering its capital position and ensuring that it can effectively navigate the current economic environment.

I truly believe that Ginnie Mae is an excellent example of smart, efficient government. It maintains a disciplined, conservative business model; the corporation is not in the business of originating or investing in mortgage loans directly, nor does it purchase, sell, or issue securities itself. The foundation of Ginnie Mae's business is guaranteeing a simple pass-through mortgage-backed security (MBS). Through this unique guarantor structure, Ginnie Mae does not take on borrower credit risk, but rather, its risk is limited to the performance of its issuers. Essentially, the Ginnie Mae guaranty is in the fourth loss position—behind borrowers and their home equity, the credit enhancement provided by government-insured mortgage programs, and the corporate resources of its issuers. This unique business model has protected Ginnie Mae from losses and allowed it to remain strong throughout the crisis.

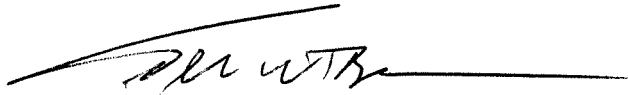
Since the onset of the credit crisis in September 2008, Ginnie Mae has guaranteed \$1.2 trillion in MBS, enabling it to play a direct role in providing homeownership and housing opportunities for 5.1 million households. Ginnie Mae continued in this role during the past year by providing guarantees on \$350.4 billion in securities, representing nearly 1.6 million

households across the country. Ginnie Mae's growth is the result of the countercyclical support it has provided to the housing finance system during the housing downturn, and the operational capabilities that enable Ginnie Mae to step in and provide such support when the private market has retreated.

During FY 2011, in an effort to further enhance risk management, Ginnie Mae significantly increased net worth requirements for all issuers across the single-family, multifamily, and HECM programs. Additionally, a base net worth requirement of \$10 million was established for issuers of MBS under the new Title I manufactured housing program. Ginnie Mae also added a liquid asset requirement for all issuers across all programs. The liquid asset requirement is critical to ensure that issuers have the funds available to meet investor payment obligations, and to protect Ginnie Mae and the taxpayer from risk. Unlike lenders who issue MBS for the GSEs, Ginnie Mae's issuers must have "skin in the game," and hence strong capital and liquidity, as their potential loss exposure could be higher. Ginnie Mae strongly believes that issuers who retain more capital and liquidity are better positioned to absorb losses.

Ginnie Mae is committed to its simple, but strong business model and has continued to focus on enhancing risk management practices and creating a more customer-centric organization. Ginnie Mae remains unwavering in its commitment to deliver global capital to the U.S. housing finance system.

Sincerely,

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Theodore W. Tozer

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## **I. MISSION AND PURPOSE**

Ginnie Mae's mission and purpose is to bring global capital into the housing finance system – a system that runs through the core of our Nation's economy – while minimizing risk to the taxpayer. For more than 40 years, Ginnie Mae has continually provided liquidity and stability, serving as the principal financing arm for government loans and ensuring that funds can flow into the mortgage market. Today, Ginnie Mae is playing a vital role in our Nation's economic recovery efforts.

Ginnie Mae provides liquidity and stability by ensuring that adequate capital is available for financing affordable single family homes, rental housing, and healthcare facilities even in times of economic stress. As the private sector dramatically retreated in recent years, it was Ginnie Mae that stepped in and continued to facilitate the flow of private capital from global markets to the U.S. housing markets. Not only does it provide an outlet for the sale of government-insured or government-guaranteed loans, its mortgage-backed securities (MBS) offer the explicit full faith and credit guaranty of the United States Government. This guaranty is highly attractive to investors and, to date, has kept demand high for Ginnie Mae MBS. The value that security holders place on guaranteed payments means that Ginnie Mae can ensure a consistent pool of funding for government-insured or government-guaranteed mortgage loans. This supports the economic stabilization efforts of Congress and the Obama Administration by making it possible for banks and financial institutions to continue mortgage lending.

Through these challenging times, Ginnie Mae has demonstrated its ability to be an effective and efficient conduit for bringing capital into the U.S. housing finance system with minimal risk to the taxpayer. It can do so because of a simple but powerful business model, which is inherently risk-averse, and supported by a conservative approach and strong risk management practices. At the foundation of this model is the mortgage pass-through security backed by government-insured or government-guaranteed loans and issued by private lenders. It is these lenders who protect Ginnie Mae and taxpayers from risk; their capital stands in front of the Ginnie Mae guaranty, and they remain financially responsible for the securities they issue. Because the Ginnie Mae guaranty is in the fourth loss position—behind borrowers and their home equity, government-insured or government-guaranteed mortgage programs, and the corporate resources of the issuer—this has meant that even during the current economic downturn, Ginnie Mae has not needed a bailout. It has weathered the storm without any appropriation from general tax revenue or assistance from the U.S. Treasury. Notably, nearly every year since its inception more than 40 years ago, Ginnie Mae's MBS has earned profits for the U.S. Government and has been a critical element in stabilizing markets during turbulent times.

As the housing crisis continues, the Nation remains embroiled in a debate on the future of its housing finance system. The Administration has introduced plans for housing reform that promote sustainable homeownership and attempt to balance the role of government and private market participants in housing finance. With its ability to facilitate the flow of capital from all over the world into the U.S. housing system, Ginnie Mae successfully balances the role of the private market with the government and supports the government's role in promoting safe and affordable housing.

## **Ginnie Mae's History**

Ginnie Mae's origins trace back to the Great Depression, when historically high unemployment rates led to an unprecedented wave of loan defaults. The resulting surge in home foreclosures further depressed housing values and the Nation's overall economy. During the Depression, Congress passed the National Housing Act of 1934 (Act), a key component of the New Deal. The Act created the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) to help resuscitate the U.S. housing market and protect lenders from mortgage default. As a national mortgage loan insurance program, it encouraged banks, building and loan associations, and other institutions to make loans because of the insurance against losses provided by the government.

The Act was amended in 1938 to charter the Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), or Fannie Mae, whose purpose was to create a secondary mortgage market by purchasing FHA-insured loans from lenders and thus provide liquidity to support the flow of credit. The Fair Housing Act of 1968 subsequently split Fannie Mae into two separate corporations: (1) Fannie Mae, to purchase "conventional" (non-U.S. Government-insured or government-guaranteed) mortgages that conformed to specific underwriting standards, and (2) the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA), or Ginnie Mae, to focus on providing a guaranty backed by the full faith and credit of the United States for the timely payment of principal and interest on MBS secured by pools of government home loans. These loans are insured or guaranteed, by FHA, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH), the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) Home Loan Program for Veterans, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Rural Development Housing and Community Facilities Programs and Rural Development Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program (Rural Development, or RD). Ginnie Mae remains a self-financing, wholly owned U.S. Government corporation within HUD.

The creation of Ginnie Mae eliminated the need for the U.S. Treasury to provide funding for Federal Government loan programs, and today, Ginnie Mae remains the primary financing mechanism for all government-insured or government-guaranteed mortgage loans. Historically, with mortgage rates and availability of funds varying by region and due to the fact that it was nearly impossible to sell individual mortgages on the secondary market, banks customarily had to retain mortgages. This obstacle significantly limited the number of new loans that could be originated. To combat this, in 1970 Ginnie Mae developed the very first MBS, which allowed for many loans to be pooled and used as collateral in a security that could be sold in the secondary market. With a guaranty for the timely receipt of principal and interest, investors find these mortgage-backed securities to be attractive investments. The MBS supports housing finance by channeling investment capital from markets all over the globe for use in lending to support neighborhoods across the Nation. Ginnie Mae's role from the beginning has been to provide access to capital for affordable housing.

## **The Business Model Today**

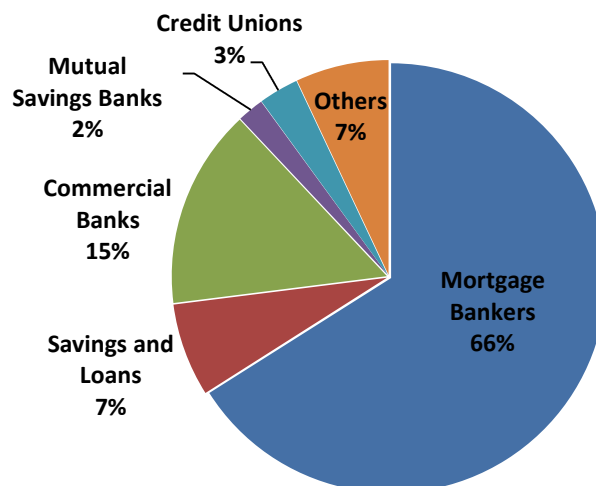
Ginnie Mae has refined and enhanced its MBS program over the years along with its fundamental, low-risk business model. It only guarantees securities backed by government-insured or government-guaranteed loans and issued by Ginnie Mae approved lenders (whose obligation it is to make timely principal and interest payments to investors in Ginnie Mae securities). This fourth loss position (where Ginnie Mae's guarantee stands behind the

homeowner and their equity, the government agency’s insurance, and the issuer’s resources) minimizes the risk related to the government guaranty on Ginnie Mae securities and ensures that Ginnie Mae does not take on borrower-related credit risk.

Ginnie Mae partners with qualified mortgage lenders, or “issuers,” who pool government-backed mortgage loans and issue MBS.<sup>1</sup> It is the issuers who service and manage the MBS portfolio and the underlying loans. Ginnie Mae, in turn, guarantees the timely payment of principal and interest to the investors who provide the capital and hold the MBS. In exchange, issuers pay Ginnie Mae a guaranty fee from the spread between the interest rate paid by mortgage borrowers and the interest rate paid to MBS investors.

Issuers are qualified institutions, individually approved and closely monitored by Ginnie Mae. They are diverse in size and geography and include mortgage companies, commercial banks, thrifts, credit unions, and state housing finance agencies (HFAs) (see Figure 1).

**Figure 1 – Ginnie Mae Issuers by Institution Type  
Number of Issuers Basis (as of September 30, 2011)**



The Ginnie Mae guaranty, coupled with an expected rate of return higher than U.S. Treasury securities, makes Ginnie Mae MBS highly liquid and attractive to domestic and foreign investors of all types. This liquidity is passed on to lenders who then can use the proceeds from new issuances to make new mortgage loans. The ongoing cycle (as depicted in Figure 2) helps to lower financing costs, which in turn support accessible and affordable homes for Americans. Because the securities are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government, capital

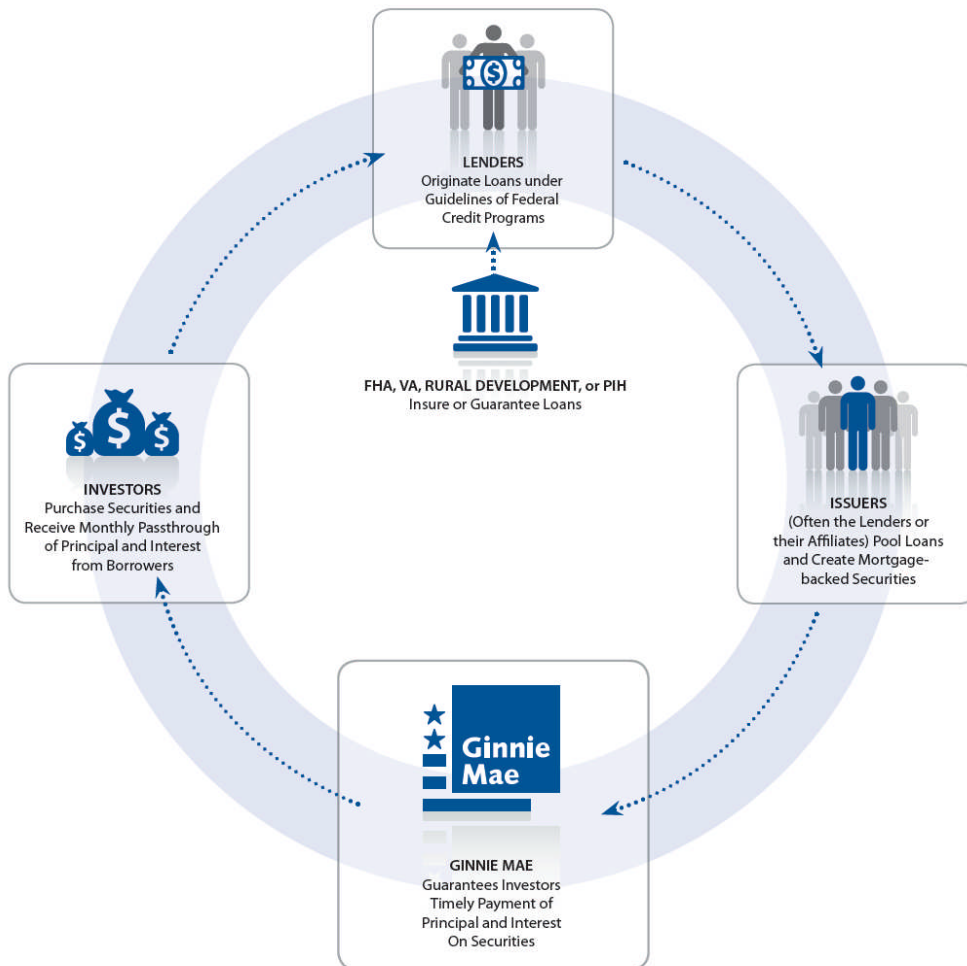
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<sup>1</sup> Once Ginnie Mae approves an applicant, commitment authority—the total cumulative dollar amount of new securities that Ginnie Mae will guaranty for the issuer—is granted to the prospective issuer, indicating that it meets Ginnie Mae’s eligibility requirements. The issuer can submit pools of loans and issue securities up to its commitment authority amount.



continues to flow even during recessionary periods when liquidity contracts in the private market.

**Figure 2 – Capital Flow of Ginnie Mae Guaranteed Securities**

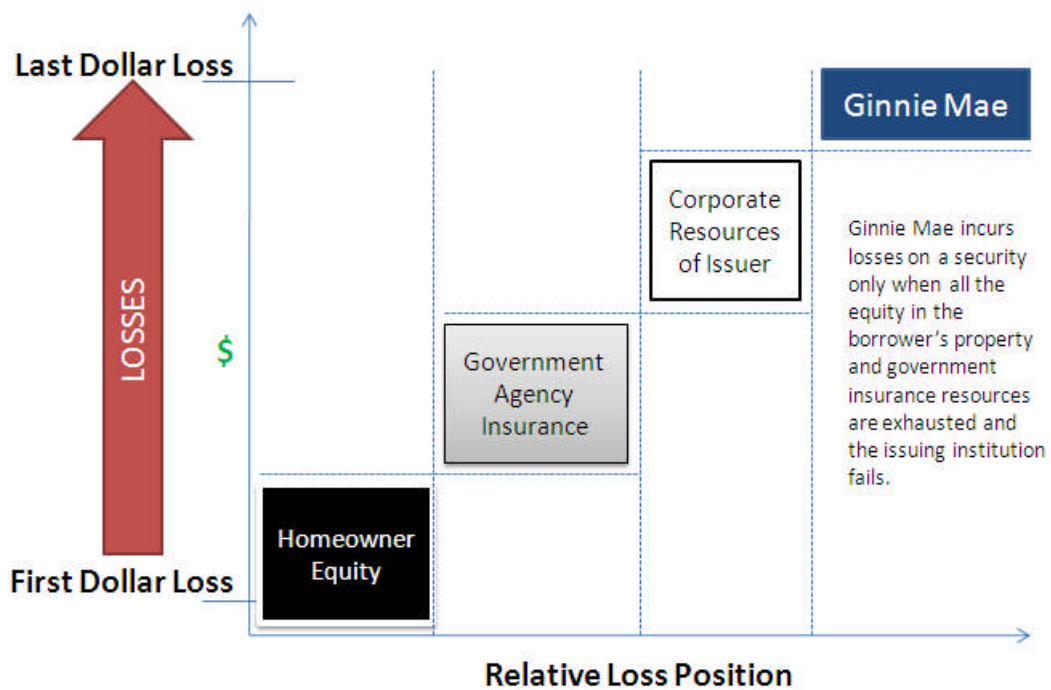


The Ginnie Mae business model significantly limits risk to the taxpayer. The corporation is not in the business of originating or investing in mortgage loans directly, nor does it purchase, sell, or issue securities itself. Only loans insured or guaranteed by U.S. Government agencies can serve as collateral for its securities. Furthermore, it is the private lending institutions that originate eligible loans, pool them into securities, and issue the MBS. Consequently, Ginnie Mae does not assume borrower credit risk; nor does it need to carry long-term debt on its balance sheet. The credit risk on loans in Ginnie Mae securities remains with the issuer of the security and the respective government agency that insures or guarantees the mortgage loans.

The nature of the business model means that credit exposure is limited to counterparty risk, because Ginnie Mae guarantees that an issuer will meet its obligations. Ginnie Mae manages counterparty risk through its issuer approval process and ongoing monitoring procedures, both of which were strengthened during Fiscal Year (FY) 2011, as described in Section II.

The diagram in Figure 3 shows how Ginnie Mae is in the fourth and final loss position in the event of mortgage default. Investors are first protected by borrowers and their home equity, then mortgage insurance issued by a Federal Government agency, and then the issuer’s own corporate resources. Only after all of these resources are exhausted does Ginnie Mae step in to make investors whole. Even so, if an issuer fails to meet its obligations, Ginnie Mae does not necessarily suffer a loss. It then assumes control of the pooled mortgage portfolio and manages the servicing of loans in a cost effective manner. It is through investors’ confidence in this sustaining model that Ginnie Mae ensures capital is delivered into the Nation’s housing finance system.

**Figure 3 – Protecting the Ginnie Mae Guaranty**



**Products and Programs**

Ginnie Mae offers reliable solutions that meet the needs of a broad constituent base and provide sufficient flexibility to respond to market changes. At the core of its business model and product offering menu is the simple pass-through security, which comes in the form of two product structures—Ginnie Mae I MBS and Ginnie Mae II MBS—whose characteristics are summarized in the following table.

Ginnie Mae I MBS	Ginnie Mae II MBS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single-issuer pools</li> <li>• Note rates on underlying mortgages are fixed and all the same</li> <li>• Acceptable collateral:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ To Be Announced (TBA)<sup>2</sup> eligible: Single Family Level Payment Mortgages</li> <li>❖ Non-TBA eligible: Buydown Mortgages, Graduated Payment Mortgages, Growing Equity Mortgages, Serial Notes, Manufactured Home Loans, Project Loans, Construction Loans</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Timing of payments: 15<sup>th</sup> of the month</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single- or multiple-issuer pools</li> <li>• Multiple note rates on underlying mortgages—limited to a range of 50 basis points (0.25 to 0.75 above the pass-through interest rate)</li> <li>• Acceptable collateral:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ TBA eligible: Single Family Level Payment Mortgages, including up to 10 percent Buydown Mortgages</li> <li>❖ Non-TBA eligible: Adjustable-rate Mortgages, Graduated Payment Mortgages, Growing Equity Mortgages, Serial Notes, Manufactured Home Loans, Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) Loans</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Timing of payments: 20<sup>th</sup> of the month</li> <li>• Larger pool size</li> <li>• More demographically and geographically diverse</li> <li>• Customizable pools</li> </ul>

Although Ginnie Mae I MBS historically have dominated the MBS programs, the Ginnie Mae II MBS product accounted for approximately 65 percent of Ginnie Mae’s MBS issuance during FY 2011. This is the result of issuers’ growing preference for multi-issuer pools, as well as increased investor appetite for larger pools and pools with diverse collateral characteristics.

The Ginnie Mae MBS also serve as the underlying collateral for multiclass products, such as Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduits (REMICs), Callable Trusts, Platinums, and Stripped Mortgage-Backed Securities (SMBS), for which Ginnie Mae also guarantees the timely payment of principal and interest. These structured transactions allow the private sector to combine and restructure cash flows from Ginnie Mae MBS into securities that meet unique investor requirements for yield, maturity, and call-option features.

<sup>2</sup> As described further in Section II, TBA is a trade contract for the purchase or sale of agency MBS to be delivered at a future agreed-upon date. Because the TBA market is, essentially, based on the fundamental assumption of homogeneity, one MBS pool can be considered to be interchangeable with another, and investors have confidence that the specific pool delivered will meet their needs. Source: SIFMA

Multiclass products are structured for offering in the public markets by approved Ginnie Mae Sponsors in the REMIC program and Depositors in the Platinum program who have wide access to global investors. Selected Co-Sponsors also participate in multiclass securities offerings. By managing the ongoing relationship with investment banks and institutional investors, Ginnie Mae supports multiple products that meet the needs of global capital market participants and attract financing to the U.S. housing market.

<u>REMICs</u>	<u>Callable Trusts</u>	<u>Platinum Securities</u>	<u>SMBS</u>
Investment vehicles reallocate pass-through cash flows from underlying mortgage obligations into a series of different bond classes, known as tranches, which vary based on term and prepayment risk.	Investors can redeem or call a security prior to its maturity date under certain conditions to hedge against fluctuating interest rate environments.	Investors can hold multiple pools of MBS to combine them into a single Ginnie Mae Platinum Certificate.	Custom-designed securities that redirect MBS principal and/or interest cash flows to meet investors' specific objectives. Ginnie Mae guarantees the timely payment of principal and interest on each class of SMBS.

The wide range of security products that Ginnie Mae offers support the diverse single family and multifamily lending initiatives provided by the government housing agencies. As an example, during FY 2011 Ginnie Mae allowed the inclusion of acute care facilities in multifamily REMIC transactions. This practice is expected to increase the liquidity of these securities and, in turn, lower financing costs for the hospitals, allowing healthcare cost savings to be passed on to patients.

The underlying loans for the Ginnie Mae I MBS and Ginnie Mae II MBS come from Ginnie Mae's MBS programs, which contain four sources of collateral: the single family program, the multifamily program, the Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) MBS (HMBS) program, and the manufactured housing program. These programs are designed to serve a variety of loan financing needs and different issuer origination capabilities and are described below. All loans in each of these programs are government-insured or government-guaranteed, which minimizes risk to Ginnie Mae and the taxpayer.

**Single Family Program** – The majority of Ginnie Mae securities are backed by single family mortgages predominantly originated through FHA and VA loan insurance programs (73.2 percent and 22.6 percent, respectively). In FY 2011, 100.0 percent of FHA fixed-rate single family loans and 98.3 percent of VA fixed-rate single family loans were securitized and made into Ginnie Mae pools by approved issuers. At the end of FY 2011, investors hold \$1.1 trillion in outstanding single family Ginnie Mae MBS.

Within the Single Family Program, the Targeted Lending Initiative (TLI) provides incentives for lenders to increase loan volumes in traditionally underserved areas. Established in 1996, the TLI program offers discounts ranging from one to three basis points on Ginnie Mae's six-basis-

point guaranty fee, depending on the percentage of TLI-eligible loans within the pool or loan package. The reduced fee motivates lenders to originate loans in these distressed areas.

***Multifamily Program*** – Safe and affordable rental housing is essential for millions of individuals and families. Ginnie Mae’s mission of supporting affordable housing and promoting stable communities extends to ensuring that decent rental units remain accessible. By guaranteeing pools of multifamily loans that are sold to investors in the global capital markets, Ginnie Mae enables lenders to reduce mortgage interest rates paid by property owners and developers of apartment buildings, hospitals, nursing homes, assisted-living facilities, and other housing options. In addition, these projects stabilize and bring jobs to communities across the country.

During FY 2011, Ginnie Mae reached a milestone when it surpassed \$50 billion in outstanding multifamily MBS, helping to finance 1,397 apartment building loans, 21 hospital loans, and 476 nursing home loans. The Ginnie Mae multifamily portfolio includes a \$756 million multifamily MBS—backed by the largest-ever multifamily construction loan—to finance a new medical services facility in Trenton, New Jersey. This project provided approximately 4,800 jobs during the construction phase and, when the project is completed, an estimated 2,200 permanent jobs will have been created in this city.

***HMBS Program*** – In addition to traditional mortgages, Ginnie Mae’s expanding HECM securities program provides capital and liquidity for FHA-insured reverse mortgages, an essential financial solution for a growing number of senior citizens. HECM loans can be pooled into HECM MBS (HMBS) within the Ginnie Mae II MBS program. They also can serve as collateral for REMICs backed by HMBS (H-REMICs), which were introduced in FY 2008.

Because of Ginnie Mae’s pioneering role in developing a liquid securities market outlet for reverse mortgages, an innovative and beneficial loan program was strengthened during a challenging time when other capital markets funding virtually disappeared.

***Manufactured Housing (MH) Program*** – Ginnie Mae’s Manufactured Housing program allows the issuance of pools of loans insured by FHA’s Title I Manufactured Home Loan Program. This program underwent significant changes last fiscal year in support of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae issued new guidance on pooling these loans, increasing its level of risk management within the Ginnie Mae Manufactured Home Loan MBS Programs by requiring higher minimum net worth requirements for institutions participating in the program.

## **The Strength of the Full Faith and Credit Guaranty**

While issuers depend on the strong pricing and liquid market for Ginnie Mae MBS as a way to maintain the flow of capital for new mortgage loans, investors depend upon the guaranty of timely interest and principal payments. For MBS investors, only Ginnie Mae securities provide payments that are explicitly backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government.<sup>3</sup>

Even amidst the recent turmoil in the government debt markets, Ginnie Mae securities remain strong and have thus retained their value. On August 2, 2011, Moody's confirmed its Aaa long-term U.S. government bond rating with a negative outlook. On August 5, 2011, Standard & Poor's (S&P) lowered its long-term sovereign credit rating on the United States debt from AAA to AA+ with a negative outlook. Subsequent to these actions, there continues to be strong demand and attractive pricing for Ginnie Mae securities. In fact, since the announcement by S&P, the yields required by investors on Ginnie Mae MBS have decreased,<sup>4</sup> meaning that demand and prices on securities have increased. Ginnie Mae securities also continue to trade at a premium relative to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac mortgage-backed securities, reflecting the confidence that investors continue to have in Ginnie Mae MBS.

The full faith and credit guaranty separates Ginnie Mae from all other MBS guarantors, including Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. As federally chartered secondary market participants, these government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs) share many similarities with Ginnie Mae, including prominent roles in the secondary mortgage market to provide liquidity, support housing finance opportunities, and guaranty MBS so that investors receive timely payment of principal and interest. Their structure and business models, however, differ in a number of ways:

- Ginnie Mae is wholly owned by the U.S. Government. The GSEs are corporations that are chartered by Congress, but have private stockholders.<sup>5</sup> Because Ginnie Mae does not have shareholder-driven profitability demands, it can focus on its core mission rather than pursuing ancillary lines of business that might present increased risk.
- The GSEs may purchase mortgages to hold or pool in securities for sale to investors. In addition, they may hold or buy their own securities or securities issued by others. As such, they maintain portfolios whose risk must be managed. Ginnie Mae, by contrast, does not purchase mortgage loans as part of its regular course of business,<sup>6</sup> nor does it buy, sell, or issue securities. Private lending institutions approved by Ginnie Mae issue the MBS for which Ginnie Mae provides the guaranty. Ginnie

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<sup>3</sup> This guaranty is codified in the United States Code at 12 U.S.C. § 1721(g): "The full faith and credit of the United States is pledged to the payment of all amounts which may be required to be paid under any guaranty under this subsection."

<sup>4</sup> Source: Bloomberg. The Ginnie Mae 30-Year Current Coupon closed at 3.43 percent on August 2, 2011 and decreased to 2.71 percent at the close on September 30, 2011.

<sup>5</sup> Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac still have private ownership, although each remains under U.S. Department of the Treasury conservatorship that was initiated in September 2008.

<sup>6</sup> As part of fulfilling its guaranty, Ginnie Mae may be required to purchase whole loans out of MBS pools for defaulted issuers.

Mae acts as the guarantor only on the pools of federally insured or federally guaranteed loans.

- The GSEs primarily guaranty the loans, which are principally conventional mortgages that meet certain underwriting standards. These conventional mortgages may or may not carry private mortgage insurance. Ginnie Mae does not guaranty loans; Ginnie Mae guarantees the ability of issuers to meet the requirement of paying security holders principal and interest timely.
- The GSEs are primarily responsible for the risk of loss on their securities. By contrast, in the Ginnie Mae program, issuers are responsible for the securities they issue.

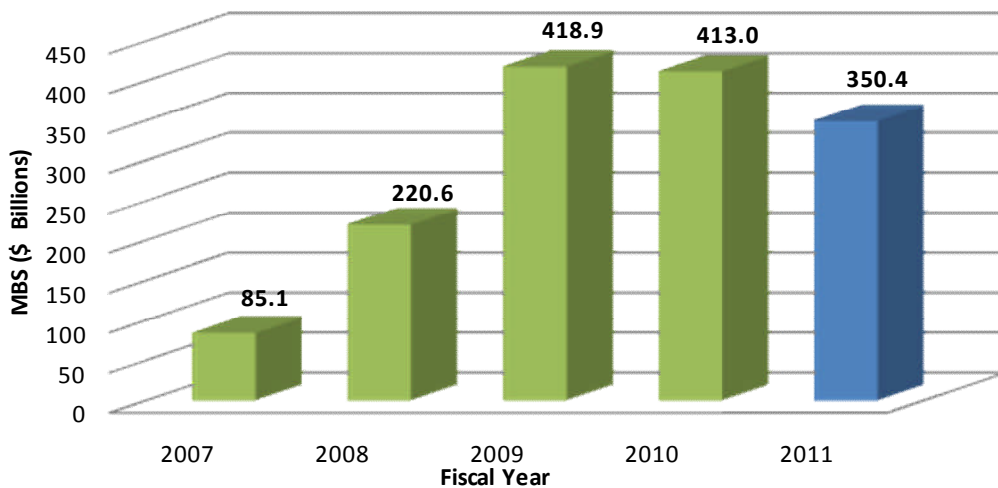
The recovery of the housing market ultimately depends on a reliable supply of liquidity that only a strong secondary market can provide. The consistent performance of Ginnie Mae's MBS products has been critical to providing this liquidity because issuers know that Ginnie Mae securities provide attractive pricing and are an important asset class for many investors. The favorable pricing on securities that is enabled by the Ginnie Mae guaranty is ultimately passed on to many homeowners and renters in the form of lower interest rates and more attractive leasing terms. Furthermore, these securities provide the financing necessary for Federal Government loan programs that support safe and affordable homes.

## II. EXECUTING ON THE BUSINESS MODEL IN TODAY’S MARKET

The global financial crisis and recession placed tremendous stress on lenders and resulted in a collapse in the value of private-label MBS as investors retreated from the market. Uncertainty and volatility in the economy continued to limit the bulk of investor appetite for all but the most secure investments. This setback in investor confidence perpetuated credit constraints for consumers and businesses alike. Consequently, private capital sources for mortgage lending, particularly private-label securitization and other nongovernment-backed financing sources, have been reduced.

The strength and stability of Ginnie Mae, however, continued to support the Nation’s housing finance needs and recovery efforts, providing uninterrupted reliable access to global capital and liquidity to mortgage lenders, despite an uncertain and often chaotic market environment. Since the credit crisis began in September 2008, Ginnie Mae has supplied approximately \$1.2 trillion in liquidity to the U.S. housing finance market by supporting the issuance of MBS into the global capital markets. Such issuance has provided capital to finance more than 4.8 million single-family homes and approximately 600,000 multifamily units. As shown in Figure 4, new issuance of Ginnie Mae MBS has remained high in recent years and in FY 2011 totaled approximately \$350.4 billion. Furthermore, Ginnie Mae has accumulated substantial reserves, adding to its strength and stability. At the end of FY 2011, the corporation stood with more than \$15.8 billion in retained earnings.

**Figure 4 – Mortgage-Backed Securities Issuance of Ginnie Mae  
FYs 2007 to 2011**



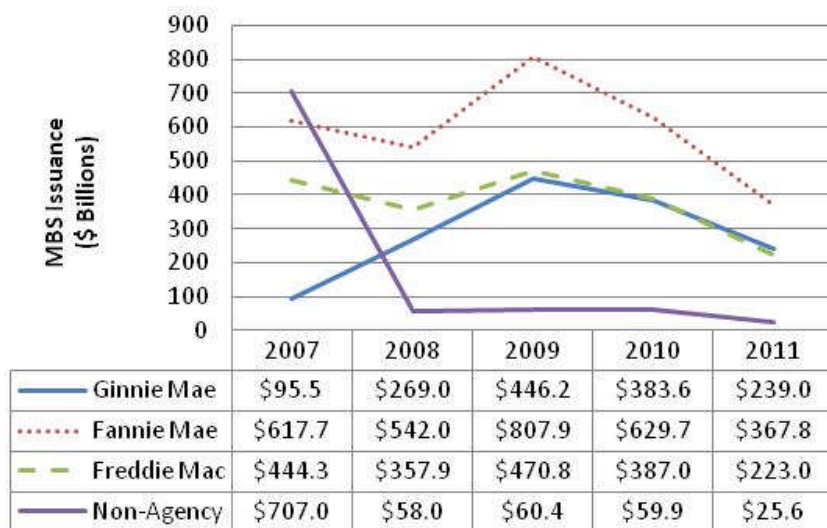
Ginnie Mae’s remarkable performance and enduring strength largely can be attributed to its efficient business model and the prudent approach taken in executing it. Furthermore, with a focus on creating a more customer-centric organization, enhancing risk management practices, and increasing resources, Ginnie Mae continues to build a unique institution that plays a significant role in today’s market.



## Market Trends

In contrast to the continued demand by investors for Ginnie Mae securities and the importance of the full faith and credit guaranty, the issuance of private-label single family MBS showed only limited signs of returning in 2011. Just \$25.6 billion was issued during the first three quarters of the calendar year, compared to approximately \$707.0 billion in Calendar Year 2007—the year the economic downturn began. Figure 5 shows the dramatic decline in the private-label market over the past several years, and the consistent issuance of agency MBS—those backed by Ginnie Mae and the GSEs. The total issuance of agency MBS during the first three quarters of Calendar Year 2011 remains at an elevated level of \$829.8 billion compared to the significant decline in private-label MBS.

**Figure 5 – Relative Market Share of Ginnie Mae and GSE Securities, Calendar Years 2007 through 2011<sup>7</sup>**



Although Ginnie Mae has maintained a significant share of the MBS market over the past several years, maintaining a high market share is not its goal. Rather, it is a function of Ginnie Mae’s countercyclical role as a shock absorber, expanding and contracting as needed in response to the ability of the private market to support mortgage financing.

## Partnering with Stakeholders

While its well-established relationships with stakeholders are critical, Ginnie Mae seeks to identify, attract, and retain a diverse set of issuers to be the source of MBS loans and investors to provide the capital to keep funds flowing. It continues to actively listen to stakeholders in order to deliver relevant solutions that meet their needs. In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae implemented several changes that strengthened offerings and enabled more formal, regular, and structured

<sup>7</sup> Source: *Inside MBS & ABS* (October 14, 2011), MBS issuance figures based on the 12 months of the calendar year for 2007 through 2010, and for the first 9 months of Calendar Year 2011.

partnerships with stakeholders, including issuers, federal agencies, and other industry participants. In addition, Ginnie Mae also leveraged its unique position in the housing finance arena and took on an active role in partnering with many housing finance organizations, housing policymakers, and regulators in discussions regarding the stabilization, and future, of the housing market.

### ***Issuers***

As part of its strategy to build a diverse and viable issuer base, Ginnie Mae actively seeks to engage new issuers. Diversification not only mitigates risk, but helps to further extend the benefits of the full faith and credit guaranty across communities. As such, Ginnie Mae has been reaching out to community lenders to directly participate in the Ginnie Mae program. During FY 2011, Ginnie Mae launched a range of outreach efforts to highlight the benefits of government-insured or government-guaranteed mortgage loans and doing business with Ginnie Mae. These efforts have helped Ginnie Mae to understand and respond to the questions and needs of mortgage lenders. It also reached out to previous issuers who have not participated in Ginnie Mae's MBS programs recently to work with them to reactivate their status. This outreach proved largely successful during FY 2011, which saw 85 new issuer applications and 39 approvals.

Training and education remain key components for new and existing issuers, and are particularly valuable to those seeking to understand expectations and methods for maximizing their opportunities in the Ginnie Mae program. Roundtable sessions with issuers allow for exchanges of information and fostering effective implementation of program changes. Additionally, a standardized, multi-tiered training program is under development to enable issuers to conduct business more effectively with Ginnie Mae. These will be complemented by quarterly business partner outreach calls, which provide a forum for discussing a host of program issues.

In addition, Ginnie Mae conducts biannual meetings to discuss market issues and program changes. The Office of MBS hosts these forums at major industry conferences, with participation from other divisions including Capital Markets. Such meetings provide for a rich exchange of thoughts and suggestions, which has enabled Ginnie Mae Account Executives to become more effective conduits of information and advocates for program enhancements. Additionally, newly implemented standards for interacting with issuers enable Ginnie Mae to better capture their business needs and challenges. Furthermore, a growth in the number of Account Executives has expanded Ginnie Mae's capacity for customer outreach and its ability to compile enhanced issuer profiles, provide day-to-day assistance, and coordinate evaluations for commitment authority requests. All of this enables Ginnie Mae to focus its attention on areas of foremost concern to its issuers and actively work toward achieving resolutions. The expanded capacity for outreach also has helped maintain a constant assessment of the risks and issues facing an issuer.

### ***Investors***

Ginnie Mae retains a broad domestic and international investor base while continually looking for ways to identify, attract, and partner with diverse participants, particularly as global investors have been winding down positions in investments that do not carry explicit U.S.

Government backing. In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae's ongoing focus outreach and education to promote its MBS programs and obtain input from stakeholders benefitted investors and issuers alike. For example, Ginnie Mae's President and Capital Markets executives participated in numerous outreach efforts with Ginnie Mae investors, making several trips abroad to meet with members of the global investment community. These trips afforded Ginnie Mae the opportunity to learn more about investor appetites, hear feedback about Ginnie Mae products, and consider ways to enhance their attractiveness. Key messages and themes that Ginnie Mae continued to communicate to investors included program features and benefits, expanded disclosure information, and enhanced risk management capabilities.

Back in the 1970s, Ginnie Mae's creation of pass-through securities fueled the establishment of the To-Be-Announced (TBA) market. Much of the volume in the agency mortgage-backed securities (MBS) market today is in the form of TBA trading. A TBA is a contract for the purchase or sale of MBS to be delivered at a future agreed-upon date; however, the actual pool numbers or the number of pools that will be delivered to fulfill the trade obligation or terms of the contract are unknown at the time of the trade. The agencies enable mortgage lenders to sell product forward through primary originations by securitizing the mortgages for purchase in the secondary market. Such securitization allows mortgage lenders to fund their origination pipelines. In addition, the practice of TBA trading increases liquidity to the mortgage markets. As a result, lenders are able to lock in a rate for the mortgages prior to closing.

### ***Customer-Centric Improvements for Issuers and Investors***

Transparency, standardization, and accountability, which are foundational components of the Ginnie Mae issuance program, continued in FY 2011 to drive the strong demand and best price for Ginnie Mae securities. The timeframe in which this data is provided to investors is also a key factor. In response to market expectations, Ginnie Mae improved the delivery timeline of data to investors and implemented a number of enhanced pool-level disclosures during FY 2011. These disclosures were designed to provide additional clarity for investors seeking to predict how securities perform and price risks associated with Ginnie Mae MBS.

In order for Ginnie Mae to provide more relevant information to the industry, it expanded the type of data collected at pool issuance. In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae provided access to historical data through the Ginnie Mae website, as well as a faster release of disclosure data in order to meet global investors' needs for greater transparency and to optimize pricing and liquidity in the MBS marketplace. Also significant improvements were made to the distribution of disclosure data on Ginnie Mae's website by publishing daily, weekly, and monthly disclosure information on all pools. In addition, the ability to search for a specific security was added to the Ginnie Mae website. The additional loan-level data has provided greater transparency with respect to the characteristics of the mortgage loans backing Ginnie Mae securities and has helped support efforts to attract global capital.

These efforts to improve disclosures were implemented on new programs and initiatives, which included FHA's Short Refinance and the HECM Saver programs.<sup>8</sup> The results of these initiatives to enhance loan disclosures in securities have been well received in the market. In

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<sup>8</sup> More information on these programs can be accessed at [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov).

FY 2011, Ginnie Mae MBS continued to consistently trade with tighter spreads to Treasuries than those of the GSEs and significantly better than private label securities. This translated into comparatively lower interest rates for borrowers, particularly during this housing crisis.

Additions of new data fields to Ginnie Mae's Reporting and Feedback System (RFS) during FY 2011 have enhanced monthly disclosures to investors. Also, RFS's reporting subcomponent, the Ginnie Mae Portfolio Analysis Database System (GPADS), further enables Ginnie Mae's risk managers to perform in-depth analyses and research.

Meanwhile, Ginnie Mae continued to develop programs that better serve issuers, provide greater value to investors, and further protect taxpayers. Creating operational efficiencies and improving the ease with which issuers do business with Ginnie Mae remained a priority in FY 2011. For example, Ginnie Mae provided issuers with the capability to issue securities on a daily basis, thereby improving their financial efficiency. When widespread liquidity constraints limited access to warehouse lines for many issuers, Ginnie Mae developed capabilities to offset the limited amount of short-term financing available to small, nondepository issuers. In the prior fiscal year, Ginnie Mae made key changes to ease warehouse line pressure and improve lender efficiency. As these pressures persisted, faster and smaller pooling grew increasingly important for issuers. The ability to issue Ginnie Mae securities as frequently as once per day has greatly alleviated the strain associated with ever-present liquidity limitations. Furthermore, in an effort to support the origination capabilities of a diverse issuer base, in FY 2011 Ginnie Mae developed a new security program for manufactured housing that has increased liquidity for this type of property and supports affordable housing for millions of families.

In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae revised its MBS buyout policy to help address investors' expectations and to continue to support the loss mitigation efforts of FHA. In direct response to the current housing crisis, FHA recently issued a mortgagee letter<sup>9</sup> identifying the circumstances under which a borrower must successfully complete a trial payment plan prior to a lender executing a permanent loan modification. Loans that have completed the required three-month trial payment program will now be eligible to be bought out from Ginnie Mae pools by the issuer, and the newly modified loan can be re-pooled immediately into Ginnie Mae MBS. With the new loan modification guidelines, borrowers' efforts to remain in their homes under permanently modified loan terms are more likely to be successful after a trial payment plan has been completed. Including modified loans from borrowers that have demonstrated the ability to sustain their loan payments should support the performance of Ginnie Mae securities by reducing prepayments in securities issued with the permanently modified loans.

Ginnie Mae also seeks to enhance its customers' experiences through initiatives that improve technology, operations, and governance. In FY 2011, it agreed to adopt the Uniform Loan Delivery Dataset (ULDD) component of the Uniform Mortgage Data Program, which will promote needed standardization by adjusting inconsistent single family loan delivery file formats to the industry-standard Mortgage Industry Standards Maintenance Organization model. This project will establish the framework for a robust corporate data strategy that will provide a

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<sup>9</sup> FHA Mortgagee Letter 2011-28, issued August 15, 2011. The effective date of this letter is October 1, 2011.

roadmap to enhance existing enterprise databases, expand data integrity, and establish governance standards for data management. Furthermore, the strategy will drive necessary infrastructure enhancements to support issuers' and other end-users' reporting needs.

### ***Federal Agencies and Other Industry Participants***

Since the onset of the housing crisis, Ginnie Mae has taken an active role with other government agencies involved in stabilizing the credit and housing markets. In particular, it has collaborated regularly with FHA, VA, RD, and PIH to ensure Ginnie Mae's programs, products, and operations adequately support government housing programs. Helping single family and multifamily mortgage lenders meet the housing finance needs of both borrowers and developers alike is the core mission of these agencies. Ginnie Mae's function in ensuring sufficient financing from the capital markets for government loans is critical to their success.

Due to its unique position in the industry, Ginnie Mae adds valuable perspective to the decision-making processes of HUD and other federal agencies. Ginnie Mae's connection with mortgage lenders and investors provides an important vantage point to provide input and insight on issues that impact the housing market. During FY 2011, Ginnie Mae worked to expand its capability to pro-actively work with FHA and other government partners in response to initiatives that improve conditions in the mortgage market. A recent example of this new cooperation was Ginnie Mae's coordination with FHA in that agency's piloting of a new program designed to convert at-risk conventional loans into FHA loans, increasing the likelihood that borrowers at risk of foreclosure will be able to remain in their homes.

Also in FY 2011, Ginnie Mae held ongoing discussions with agencies such as VA, USDA, the Treasury Department, the National Economic Council (NEC), and regulatory bodies, notably the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC). Additionally, Ginnie Mae collaborated with the Treasury Department, NEC, FDIC, and within HUD on policies to address the financial crisis in the housing market.

During FY 2011, Ginnie Mae actively participated in the mortgage industry's servicing compensation assessment, particularly as it relates to securities. It also contributed to an interagency group reviewing servicing standards and a working group of document custodians and issuers, and continued to regularly interface with mortgage service bureaus. Such collaborative efforts helped Ginnie Mae stay abreast of emerging market developments. Ginnie Mae's unique vantage point and involvement with the industry at these levels contributed to the discussion and design of programs to improve the Nation's housing finance system.

### **Managing Risk**

Ginnie Mae has made it a priority to foster a culture that identifies and effectively manages risk. In fact, risk management practices have enabled the organization not only to weather the housing market downturn of the past several years, but to thrive. Ginnie Mae's Chief Risk Officer (CRO), in conjunction with the Office of MBS, monitors aggregate risk and compliance with policies and has oversight of risk management activities. Three risks areas—counterparty

risk, operational risk, and improving risk analysis on data—remain Ginnie Mae’s primary emphasis, with significant changes made across all of them during FY 2011.

### ***Counterparty Risk***

As the market changed during the crisis, issuers faced increased financial and operational risks. As a result, in an effort to further enhance risk management, Ginnie Mae increased the net worth, capital, and liquid asset requirements for all issuers across single family, multifamily, HECM, and Manufactured Housing programs in FY 2011. Ginnie Mae believes issuers who retain more capital and liquidity are better positioned to absorb losses and more likely to be able to advance principal and interest payments on delinquent mortgage loans.

The liquid asset requirement, introduced as a requirement in FY 2011, is critical to ensure that issuers have the funds available to meet investor payment obligations and to protect Ginnie Mae and the taxpayer from risk. Unlike lenders who issue MBS for the GSEs, Ginnie Mae’s issuers must have “skin in the game,” and hence strong capital and liquidity, as their potential loss exposure could be higher.

Most notably in FY 2011, Ginnie Mae increased the base net worth requirements for single family participants from \$1 million to \$2.5 million. For multifamily participants, the base net worth requirement was increased from \$500,000 to \$1 million. Meanwhile, issuers of HECM securities had their base net worth requirements increased from \$1 million to \$5 million, and base net worth requirements were established at \$10 million for the manufactured housing program. The manufactured housing program and HECM program require more capital as these issuers expose Ginnie Mae to greater risk. In addition to base net worth requirements, issuers are required to meet additional net worth conditions in proportion to outstanding security and commitment authority amounts.

Issuer approval and aggressive, ongoing monitoring processes are a significant component of Ginnie Mae’s enterprise risk management efforts, which include the routine evaluation of financial strength, performance, and stability. During the new issuer approval process, Ginnie Mae conducts a thorough counterparty review and then carefully monitors issuer performance during a probationary period following admission to the program. Even after an issuer successfully completes the probationary period, it remains subject to regular performance reviews. Each issuer’s commitment authority amount is now being reviewed multiple times each year as an additional checkpoint to minimize risk.

Risks to the Ginnie Mae program are mitigated by tested practices that regularly evaluate issuers in four key areas:

- **Financial Health** – The issuer’s net worth, liquidity, profitability, capitalization, and regulatory relationships are reviewed.
- **Portfolio Quality** – This monitoring includes a particular focus on indicators such as early payment defaults, origination comparison ratios, and the percentage of an issuer’s servicing assets that are delinquent.

- **Compliance Reviews** – These reviews determine the adequacy of servicing and reporting practices, and compliance with Ginnie Mae’s requirements. In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae performed on-site reviews of more than 50 percent of its approximately 150 active issuers. The field review process is currently being re-engineered to help ensure that it is fully reflective of an issuer’s counterparty risk.
- **Insurance Matching** – This analysis confirms (via an automated verification process) that insurance is, and remains, in place for all pooled loans. Considerable investment has been made in infrastructure processes dedicated to comparing all loans in each Ginnie Mae security with FHA, VA, RD, and PIH databases on a monthly basis.

Although Account Executives in the Office of MBS are responsible for much of the issuer review process, supplemental review and remediation efforts are conducted by the MBS Monitoring Division. Issuers who fail to adhere to Ginnie Mae standards may be placed under stricter review status, and may be required to report at regular intervals on steps taken to regain compliance. On occasion, other special arrangements are employed to ensure that Ginnie Mae is adequately protected.

Broader assessments of counterparty risk are undertaken by the CRO on a regular basis; they can include conducting financial reviews of issuers that go beyond compliance with baseline requirements. The CRO also reviews the adequacy of the monitoring activities, and oversees the consideration and disposition of policy change proposals.

Ginnie Mae routinely re-examines and strengthens its risk management techniques. For example, Ginnie Mae is currently in the process of implementing a suite of predictive analytic tools designed to monitor issuers and identify trends in their performance and status. Several new technology solutions focused on enterprise counterparty risk management are under consideration as well.

### ***Operational Risk***

Ginnie Mae manages the risk associated with its internal operational functions by using an efficient combination of management oversight and technology. Approvals for staffing increases will permit Ginnie Mae to focus on selectively bringing a number of mission-critical operations in-house. Quality assurance and other review and monitoring practices can be enhanced when managed by internal staff members.

A number of technology infrastructure initiatives, as noted herein, were also put into motion this year to mitigate operational risk, streamline the business, and improve process efficiency. While these initiatives are in their early stages, they are geared toward enhancing the operational capabilities that Ginnie Mae performs as a guarantor. Phased and strategic enterprise architecture enhancements, in coordination with Ginnie Mae’s existing Business Process Improvement (BPI) initiative, will allow for localized operational risk governance within individual business units, with ultimate accountability to Ginnie Mae’s senior leadership team.

### **Increasing and Enhancing Resources**

While the sharp increase in volume and issuers over the past several years has not created significant operational challenges, Ginnie Mae nevertheless remains in search of better ways to streamline processes, improve efficiency and structure, and perfect working conditions for high-performing individuals. To this end, management goals continue to emphasize succession planning and training, as well as career and professional development. Staff size increased during FY 2011 from 70 to 85, a 21 percent increase over FY 2010, when the staff size increased from 61 to 70 (a nearly 15 percent increase from FY 2009). An increase in the salary and administrative budget, subject to congressional approval, has been proposed for FY 2012 and FY 2013.

Although Ginnie Mae has embarked on a multiyear hiring initiative designed to appropriately staff the organization and bring key functions in-house, it continues to rely on contractors in a variety of areas. This reliance highlights the need for focus on designing, developing, and implementing a contracting environment that better leverages these resources and Ginnie Mae staff. Every information technology contractor is required to be appropriately certified and accredited; for example, they must meet security control and access requirements established by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Meeting these requirements mitigates Ginnie Mae's risk as it does business with its various business partners.

The market environment our Nation faces is still uncertain and the role that Ginnie Mae plays remains critical. The full faith and credit guaranty provided on the Ginnie Mae MBS keeps capital flowing from around the globe into the U.S. housing finance system and makes affordable mortgage lending still possible. The simple but strong business model has enabled a successful balance between the roles of the private market and the government, thereby reducing risk for the taxpayer. Further, the business model has positioned Ginnie Mae to continue working with Congress, federal agencies, and the industry to develop long-term solutions that meet the needs of stakeholders and that help to restore our Nation to economic vitality.



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### **III. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS AND MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

Ginnie Mae's financial performance remained strong and stable during FY 2011. As shown in Table 1 on the following page, Ginnie Mae achieved excess revenues over expenses (net profit) of \$1,184.0 million, compared with \$541.5 million in FY 2010. Revenues increased by 5.2 percent to \$1,064.6 million, up from \$1,011.9 million in FY 2010. Total assets increased to \$18.9 billion from \$17.1 billion in FY 2010.

The outstanding MBS portfolio guaranteed by Ginnie Mae increased by \$175.5 billion in FY 2011, which led to increased guaranty fee revenues. In FY 2011, MBS program income, including other revenue sources, increased to \$856.5 million, up from \$742.9 million in FY 2010. Interest income decreased to \$208.1 million in FY 2011, down from \$269.0 million in FY 2010.

In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae issued \$376.1 billion in commitment authority, a 5.5 percent decrease from FY 2010. The \$350.4 billion of MBS issued in FY 2011 represents a 15.1 percent decrease from FY 2010. The outstanding MBS balance of \$1,221.7 billion at the end of FY 2011, compared to \$1,046.2 billion in FY 2010, resulted from new issuances exceeding repayments. FY 2011 production provided the capital to finance home purchases, refinances, or rental housing for approximately 1.6 million U.S. households.

Table 1 also provides financial highlights of Ginnie Mae over the past three years.

**Table 1 – Ginnie Mae Financial Highlights, FYs 2009 to 2011**

	2011	2010	2009
<i>(Dollars in Thousands)</i>			
<b>Balance Sheets Highlights and Liquidity Analysis</b>			
Funds with U.S. Treasury	\$ 7,210,300	\$ 6,650,500	\$ 5,253,800
U.S. Government Securities	\$ 2,126,800	\$ 3,551,200	\$ 9,235,800
Other Assets	\$ 9,514,000	\$ 6,861,600	\$ 1,184,800
<b>Total Assets</b>	\$ 18,851,100	\$ 17,063,300	\$ 15,674,400
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	\$ 3,089,300	\$ 2,485,500	\$ 1,638,100
Investment of U.S. Government	\$ 15,761,800	\$ 14,577,800	\$ 14,036,300
<b>Total RPB Outstanding (1)</b>	\$ 1,221,685,233	\$ 1,046,179,139	\$ 826,016,583
<b>LLR (2) and Investment of U.S. Government</b>	\$ 16,157,600	\$ 15,582,700	\$ 14,596,200
Investment of U.S. Government as a Percentage of Average Total Assets	87.77%	89.06%	91.85%
LLR and Investment of U.S. Government as a Percentage of RPB	1.32%	1.49%	1.77%
Capital Adequacy Ratio (3)	1.30%	1.47%	1.73%
<b>Highlights From Statements of Revenues and Expenses &amp; Profitability Ratios Year Ended September 30</b>			
MBS Program Income	\$ 856,500	\$ 742,900	\$ 547,800
Interest Income	\$ 208,100	\$ 269,000	\$ 109,500
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 1,064,600	\$ 1,011,900	\$ 657,300
MBS Program Expenses	\$ 72,800	\$ 72,700	\$ 55,400
Administrative Expenses	\$ 11,000	\$ 10,300	\$ 8,600
Fixed Asset Amortization	\$ 9,900	\$ 9,500	\$ 5,100
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 93,700	\$ 92,500	\$ 69,100
Recapture of Provision/(Provision for Losses)	\$ 394,600	\$ (730,000)	\$ (78,600)
<b>Total Gains/(Losses) (4)</b>	\$ (181,500)	\$ 352,100	\$ -
<b>Excess of Revenues Over Expenses</b>	\$ 1,184,000	\$ 541,500	\$ 509,600
Total Expense as a Percentage of Average RPB	0.0083%	0.0099%	0.0099%
Recapture/(Provision) for Loss as a Percentage of Average RPB	0.0348%	(0.0780%)	(0.0112%)

(1) Remaining Principal Balance (RPB) of Ginnie Mae MBS; this does not include \$8.8M of GNMA Guaranteed Bonds

(2) Loan Loss Reserve (LLR)

(3) LLR and Investment of U.S. Government divided by the sum of Total Assets and Remaining Principal Balance

(4) Total Losses from credit impairment of mortgage loans held for investment, net and loss on MSR offset by the gain on sale of securities

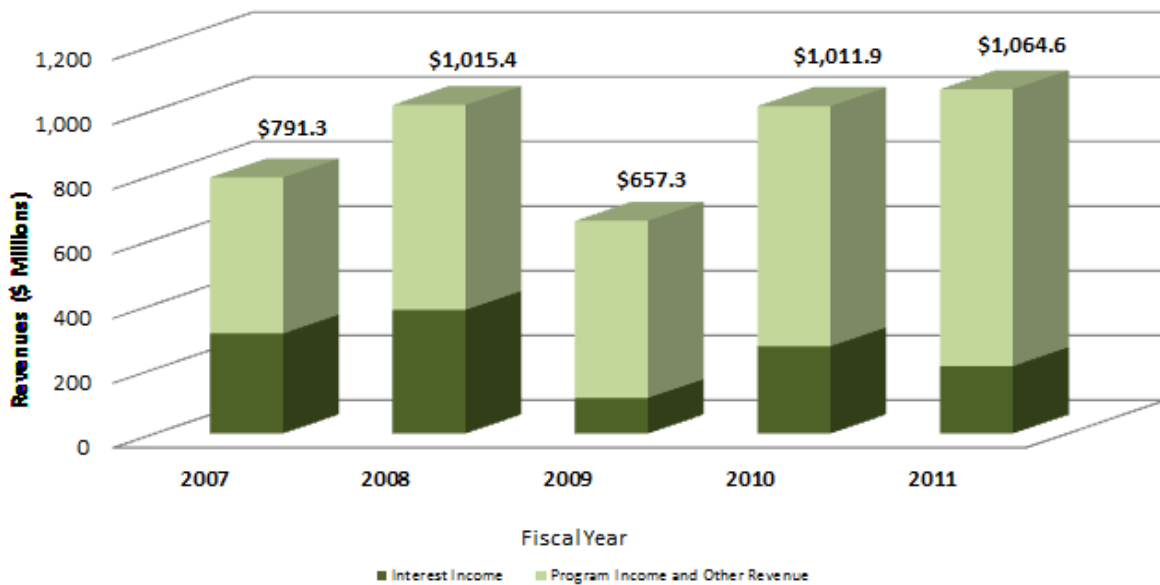
The following discussion provides information relevant to understanding Ginnie Mae’s operational results and financial condition. It should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes in Section IV of this report; the financial statements have received an unqualified audit opinion from Ginnie Mae’s independent auditor. Ginnie Mae’s operating results are subject to change each year, depending on fluctuations in interest income from its U.S. Treasury securities and MBS program income.

**Revenues**

Ginnie Mae receives no appropriations from general tax revenue. Instead, its operations are self-financed through a variety of fees. In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae generated total revenue of \$1,064.6 million. This included \$856.5 million in program income and \$208.1 million in interest income from U.S. Treasury securities. It should be noted that Ginnie Mae’s cash reserves are being held at the U.S. Treasury.

Figure 6 shows Ginnie Mae’s total annual revenue for the last five years.

**Figure 6 – Ginnie Mae Total Revenues, FYs 2007 to 2011**



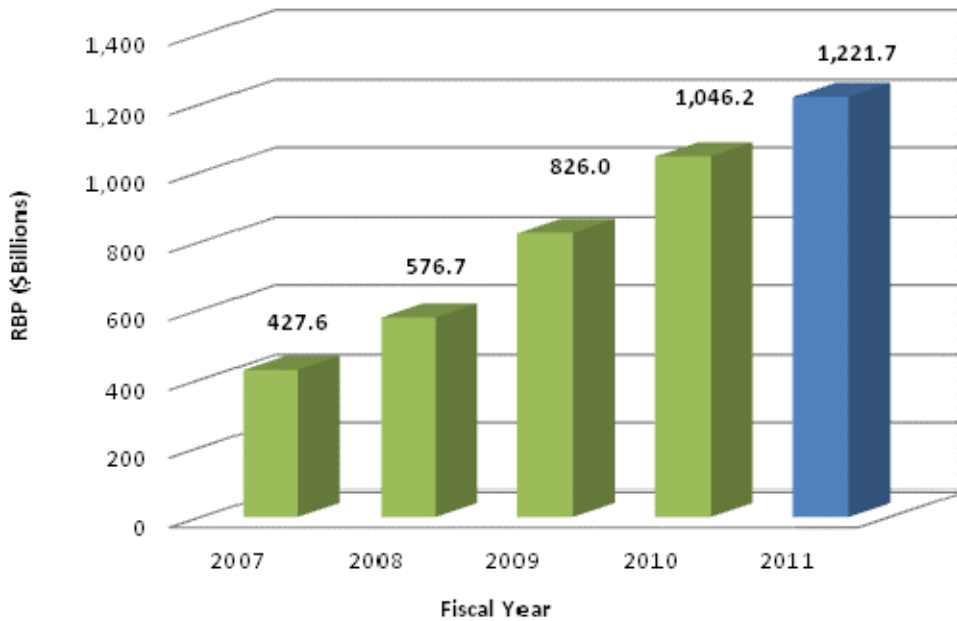
*MBS Program Income*

MBS program income consists primarily of guaranty fees, commitment fees, and multiclass fees. For FY 2011, MBS program income was concentrated in guaranty fees of \$686.2 million, followed by commitment fees of \$74.0 million. Combined guaranty fees and commitment fees made up 88.8 percent of total MBS program revenue for FY 2011. Other lesser income sources included new issuer fees, handling fees, and transfer-of-servicing fees.

### Guaranty Fees

Guaranty fees are income streams earned for providing Ginnie Mae’s guaranty of the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government to investors. These fees are paid over the life of the outstanding securities. Guaranty fees are collected on the aggregate principal balance of the guaranteed securities outstanding in the nondefaulted issuer portfolio. MBS guaranty fees grew 20.9 percent to \$686.2 million in FY 2011, up from \$567.8 million in FY 2010. The growth in guaranty fee income reflects the increase in the MBS portfolio. The outstanding MBS balance at the end of FY 2011 was \$1,221.7 billion, compared with \$1,046.2 billion as of the end of FY 2010, as new issuances exceeded repayments (see Figure 7).

**Figure 7 – Remaining Principal Balance (RBP) Outstanding in the Mortgage-Backed Securities Portfolio, FYs 2007 to 2011**



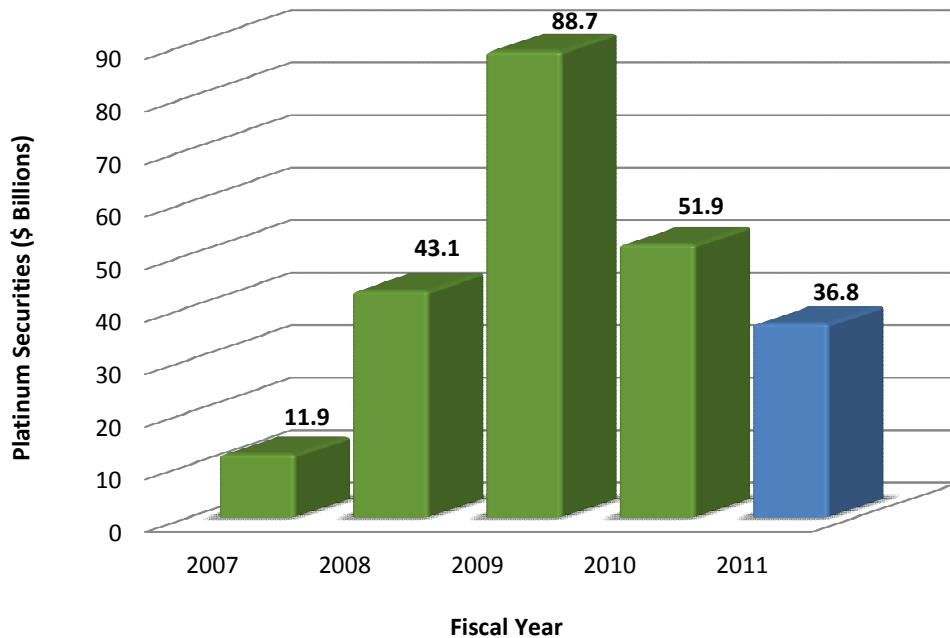
### Commitment Fees

Commitment fees are income that Ginnie Mae earns for providing approved issuers with the authority to pool mortgages into Ginnie Mae MBS. This authority expires 12 months from its receipt for single family issuers and 24 months from its receipt for multifamily issuers. Ginnie Mae receives commitment fees as issuers request commitment authority. It recognizes the commitment fees as earned when issuers use their commitment authority. The balance is deferred until earned or expired, whichever occurs first. As of September 30, 2011, commitment fees deferred totaled \$20.2 million. Ginnie Mae issued \$376.1 billion in commitment authority in FY 2011, a 5.5 percent decrease from FY 2010.

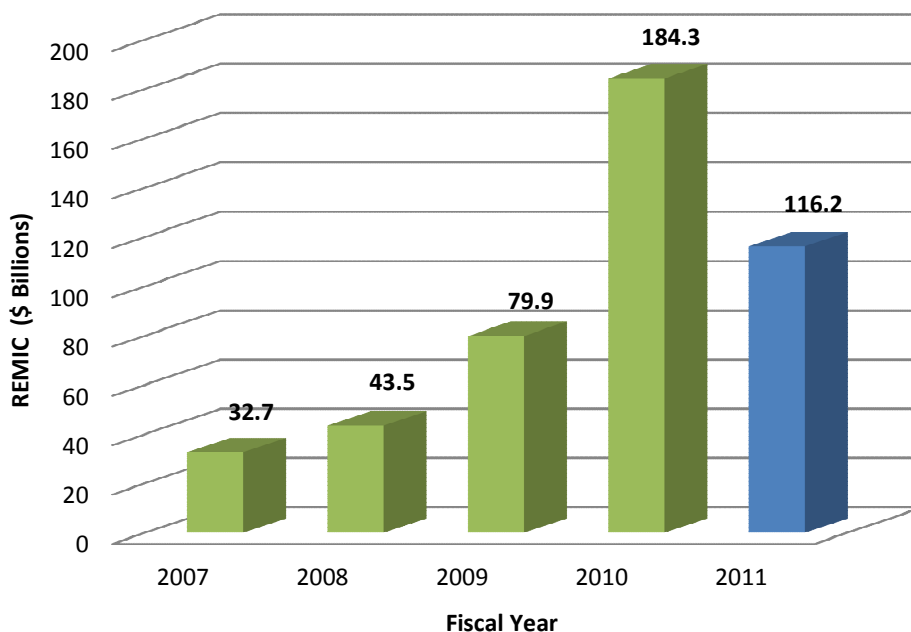
*Multiclass Revenue*

Multiclass revenue is part of MBS program revenue and is composed of REMIC and Platinum program fees. Ginnie Mae issued approximately \$36.8 billion in Platinum products in FY 2011 (see Figure 8). Total cash fees for Platinum securities amounted to \$8.9 million. Total cash guaranty fees from REMIC securities totaled \$46.7 million on \$116.2 billion in issuance of REMIC products (see Figure 9). Ginnie Mae recognizes a portion of REMIC, Callable Trust, and Platinum program fees in the period they are received, with balances deferred and amortized over the remaining life of the financial investment.

**Figure 8 – Platinum Security Volume, FYs 2007 to 2011**



**Figure 9 – Total Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduit Volume, FYs 2007 to 2011**



In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae issued \$153.0 billion in its multiclass securities program (REMIC and Platinum). The estimated outstanding balance of multiclass securities in the total MBS securities balance on September 30, 2011, was \$547.5 billion. This represents a \$58.8 billion increase from the \$488.7 billion outstanding balance as of the end of FY 2010.

### *Interest Income*

Ginnie Mae invests in U.S. Government securities of varying terms. In FY 2011, Ginnie Mae's interest income decreased as a percentage of total revenue, from \$208.1 million as compared to \$269.0 million in FY 2010. The most prominent reason for the decrease was due to the redemption of Treasury Inflation Indexed Securities.

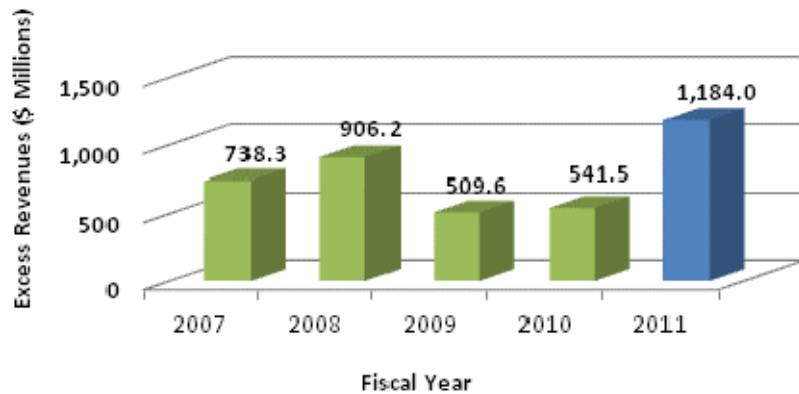
### **Expenses**

Management exercised prudent expense control during FY 2011. While operating expenses in FY 2011 increased by 1.3 percent to \$93.7 million, up from \$92.5 million in FY 2010, total expenses were 8.8 percent of total revenues in FY 2011, down from 9.1 percent in FY 2010.

Ginnie Mae's higher excess revenues over expenses (net profit) of \$1,184.0 million for FY 2011 versus \$541.5 million for FY 2010 were driven by the recapture of Provision for Loss due to a decrease in the Reserve for Loss on MBS Program Guaranty (see Figure 10). Ginnie Mae believes

that the Reserve for Loss on MBS Program Guaranty is adequate to cover probable and estimable guaranty related losses.

**Figure 10 – Excess of Revenues over Expenses, FYs 2007 to 2011**



To support U.S. military personnel called into action, Ginnie Mae reimburses the interest on loans to service members who have FHA or VA mortgages with interest rates in excess of 6 percent. In FY 2011, this expense totaled \$1.7 million, a decrease from FY 2010 related expenses.

Table 2 presents the expenses related to Ginnie Mae programs and contractors during the last five years. Although issuance volume has increased more than four times, related expenses have been managed well over this time, as shown in the table.

**Table 2 – Mortgage-Backed Securities Program Expense, FYs 2007 to 2011**

<i>(In Millions)</i>	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Central Paying Agent	9.7	10.4	7.7	8.0	6.8
Contract Compliance	0.9	0.9	0.3	0.4	0.9
Federal Reserve	4.5	4.8	4.9	2.5	3.2
Financial Support	4.9	1.8	0.8	0.7	0.8
IT Related & Miscellaneous	7.6	8.0	5.4	6.9	4.6
MBS Information Systems & Compliance	17.2	19.2	15.1	15.7	11.9
Multiclass	21.2	17.5	11.0	11.2	8.7
Multifamily Program	5.1	7.7	8.0	2.2	5.0
Servicemembers Civil Relief Act	1.7	2.3	2.2	1.4	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>72.8</b>	<b>72.7</b>	<b>55.4</b>	<b>49.0</b>	<b>41.9</b>

Credit-related expenses include Ginnie Mae’s Provision for Loss and defaulted issuer portfolio costs. Provision for Loss is charged against income in an amount considered appropriate to maintain adequate reserves to absorb potential losses from defaulted issuer portfolios and programs. There was a recapture of the Provision for Loss on MBS Program Guaranty of \$394.6 million in FY 2011 as compared to a Provision of \$730.0 million in FY 2010. Ginnie Mae defaulted on one

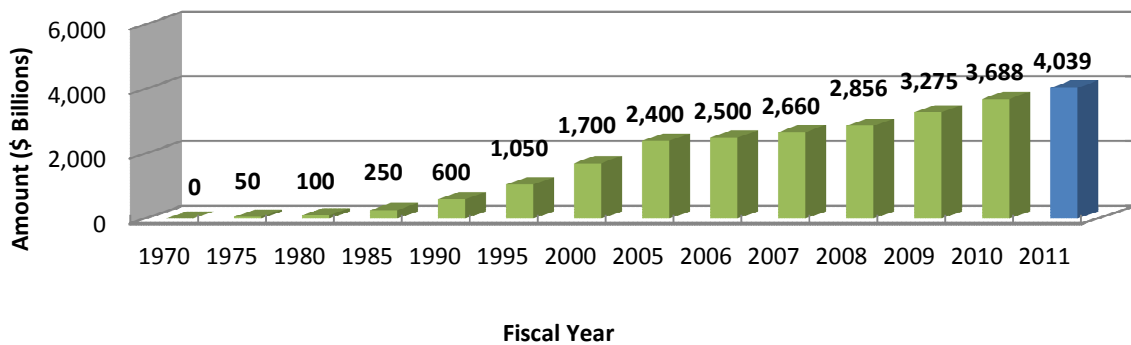


single family issuer during FY 2011. Ginnie Mae believes that the Reserve for Loss on MBS Program Guaranty is adequate to cover probable and estimable guaranty related losses.

### MBS Issuance and Portfolio Growth

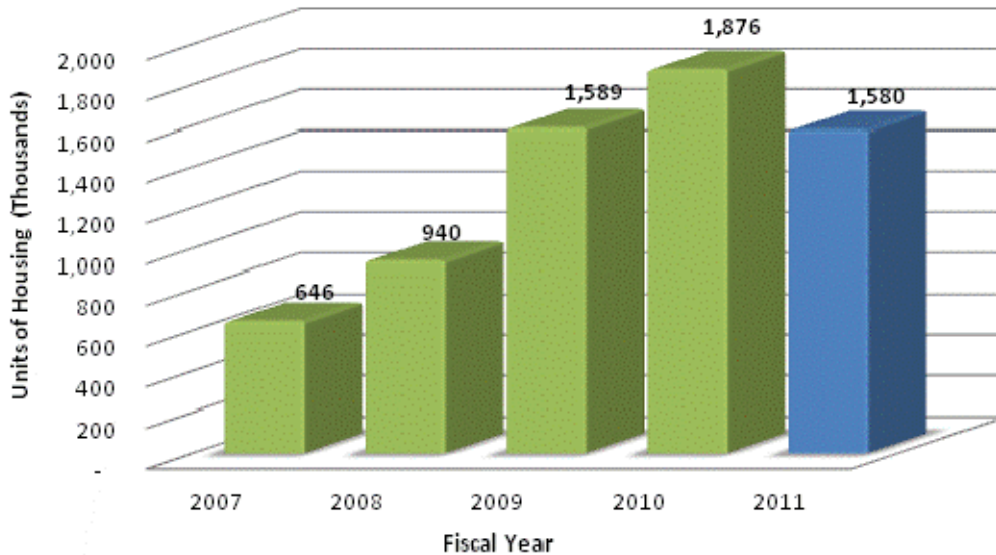
Although demand for government loans remained strong, Ginnie Mae MBS issuance decreased by 15.1 percent to \$350.4 billion in FY 2011 (as shown in Figure 4 in Section I). The current outstanding MBS amount stands at \$1,221.7 billion, which is a \$175.5 billion increase over the amount at the end of FY 2010. The effect of the increase of the portfolio also has changed its character, shifting the overall age of the loans. Approximately 18.9 percent of the \$4.0 trillion in MBS guaranteed by Ginnie Mae since its inception has been issued in the last two years (see Figure 11).

**Figure 11 – Cumulative Amount of Ginnie Mae Mortgage-Backed Securities  
FYs 1970 to 2011**



As shown in Figure 12, Ginnie Mae supported approximately 1.6 million units of housing for individuals and families in FY 2011, a 15.8 percent decrease from FY 2010, which is in line with the decrease in MBS issued.

**Figure 12 – Ginnie Mae-Supported Units of Housing, FYs 2007 to 2011**

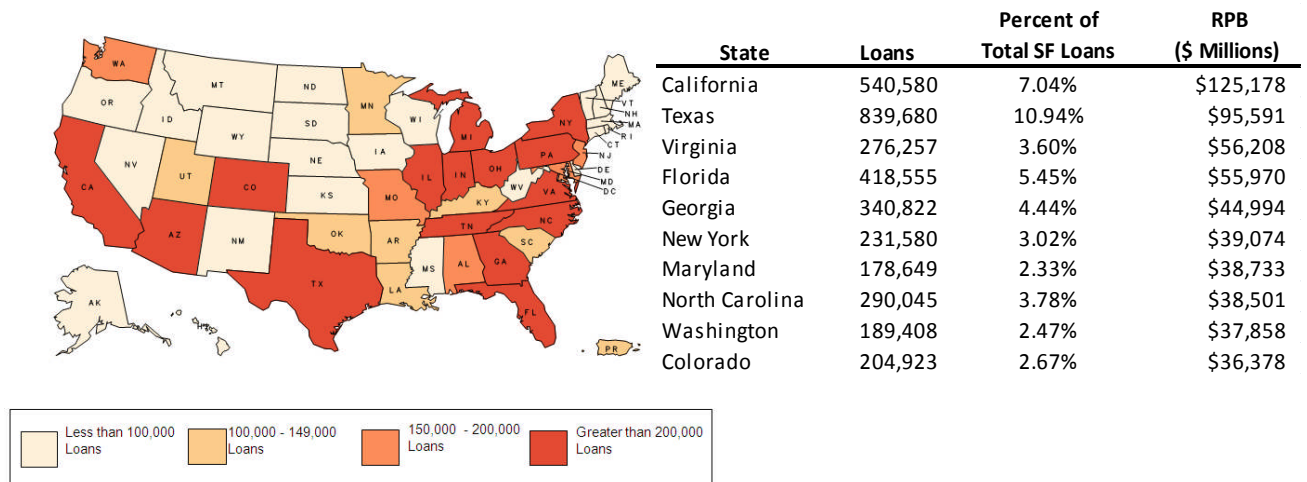


### **Single Family Program**

The vast majority of the mortgages in Ginnie Mae securities are insured by FHA and VA loans. FHA-insured mortgages accounted for 73.2 percent of loans in Ginnie Mae pools, while VA-guaranteed loans accounted for 22.6 percent in FY 2011; Rural Development and PIH loans made up the remainder. Although other agencies and private issuers can pool FHA-insured loans for their own MBS, almost all of these loans make their way into Ginnie Mae securities. In FY 2011, 100.0 percent of FHA fixed loans and 98.3 percent of VA fixed-rate loans were placed into Ginnie Mae pools. In FY 2011, 23.0 percent of pools received TLI credit.

Although loans underlying its securities are concentrated in specific areas, Ginnie Mae has provided homeownership opportunities in every U.S. state and territory. Figure 13 highlights the geographic distribution of single family properties securing Ginnie Mae securities as of September 30, 2011.

**Figure 13 – Geographic Distribution of Single Family Properties Securing Ginnie Mae Securities as of September 30, 2011**



### Multifamily Program

At the end of FY 2011, Ginnie Mae guaranteed securities that contained 98.6 percent of eligible multifamily FHA loans. The Multifamily Program portfolio increased by \$8.3 billion, from \$49.7 billion at the end of FY 2010 to \$58.0 billion at the end of FY 2011, marking the 17<sup>th</sup> year of consecutive growth.

Figure 14 shows the geographic distribution of multifamily properties securing Ginnie Mae securities as of September 30, 2011. Since 1971, Ginnie Mae has guaranteed \$142.6 billion in multifamily MBS, helping to finance affordable and community-stabilizing multifamily housing developments across the Nation.



issuers. Issuers that were approved to issue manufactured housing securities under previous MH programs have been required to reapply for participation in the new program. The MH program's remaining principal balance was \$275.9 million by the end of FY 2011, up from \$220.1 million at the end of the prior fiscal year.

## **Financial Models**

Ginnie Mae's Policy and Financial Analysis Model (PFAM) allows Ginnie Mae to evaluate its financial condition in terms of cash flow, capital adequacy, and budget projections. The model does this by using an array of economic and financial scenarios modified by policy or programmatic decisions. PFAM incorporates Ginnie Mae's inherent operating risks with modeling that employs economic, financial, and policy variables to assess risks and overall performance.

In FY 2011, PFAM was used to estimate Ginnie Mae's credit subsidy rate based on historical loan performance data, economic measures, and program and policy assumptions. Every year, Ginnie Mae obtains loan-level data that supports detailed segmentation of loans according to key risk indicators. Changing economic conditions, including house price forecasts, drive the forecasts of Ginnie Mae's financial condition and help measure its assets and liabilities. Ginnie Mae's expertise in understanding and managing risks associated with its MBS guaranty business are accommodated by adjusting management assumption drivers within the model.

Cash flows for income and expenses associated with Ginnie Mae's MBS guaranty business were estimated by simulating performance for the existing book of business and forecasted new business. The simulated performance was used to forecast the effects on defaulted portfolios managed by Ginnie Mae. The model's cash flow output was used to estimate the net present value of Ginnie Mae's future cash flows from the outstanding guaranty portfolio at the end of FY 2011 and estimated new business for 30 years into the future. Ginnie Mae updates this model with the recent economic and financial data.

## **Liquidity and Capital Adequacy**

Ginnie Mae's primary sources of cash are MBS and multiclass guaranty fee income, commitment fee income, and interest income. After accounting for expenses and other factors, on September 30, 2011, Ginnie Mae reported \$7.2 billion in funds with the U.S. Treasury, compared to \$6.7 billion on September 30, 2010.

In addition to the funds with the U.S. Treasury, Ginnie Mae's investment in U.S. Government securities was \$2.1 billion as of September 30, 2011 versus \$3.6 billion as of September 30, 2010. The decrease was due to Ginnie Mae's liquidation of a \$1.0 billion security in order to fund loan repurchases from defaulted issuer pools. Following guidelines outlined in the Ginnie Mae MBS Guide, a large number of loans were repurchased out of pools due to delinquencies of greater than 120 days. In addition, Ginnie Mae repurchased loans in order to complete modifications in accordance with FHA guidelines. In total, Ginnie Mae bought out \$2.2 billion in government-insured or government-guaranteed mortgage loans, primarily for the single family defaulted portfolio. These acquired mortgage loans are categorized as mortgages held for investment.

Table 3 shows the fair value composition and maturity of Ginnie Mae’s U.S. Treasury securities as of September 30, 2011, and as of that day in 2010.

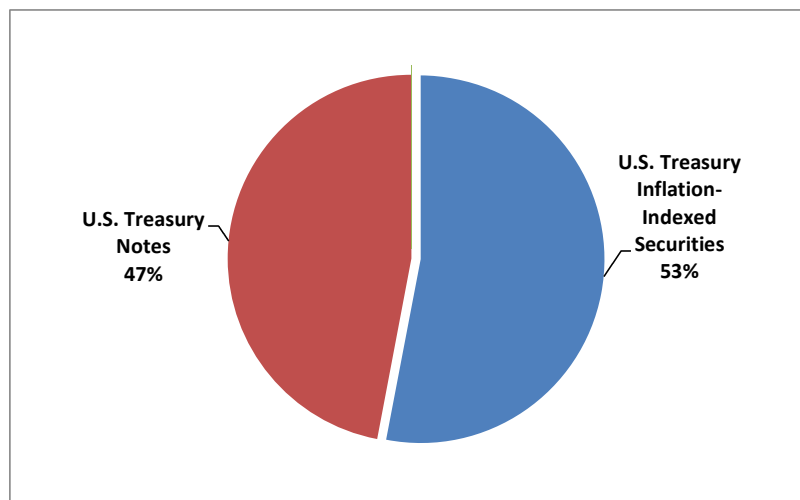
**Table 3 – Composition of U.S. Treasury Securities as of September 30  
(Percentage of Total)**

Maturity	2011	2010
Due within 1 year	0%	6%
Due in 1-5 years	100%	94%
Due in 5-10 years	0%*	0%

\*Securities were liquidated to purchase loans from the portfolios of defaulted issuers in FY 2010.

Figure 15 illustrates the components of Ginnie Mae’s Investments in U.S. Government securities as of September 30, 2011.

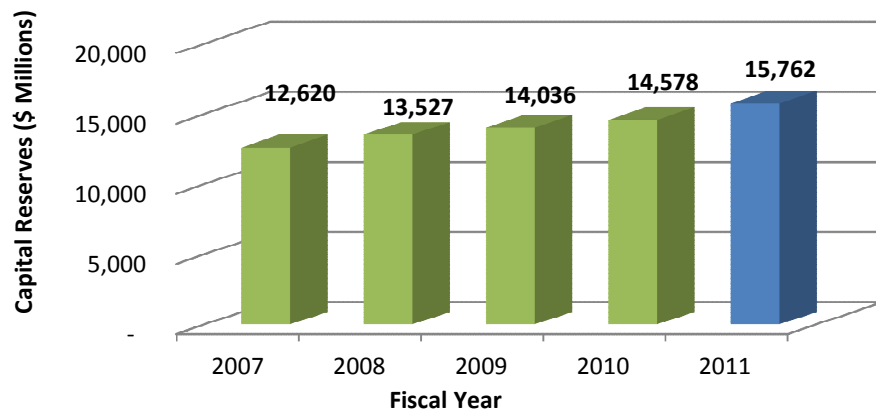
**Figure 15 – Components of Investment in U.S. Government Securities,  
September 30, 2011**



Ginnie Mae’s MBS guaranty activities historically have operated at no cost to the U.S. Government. Ginnie Mae’s net income continues to build its capital base. Ginnie Mae management believes that the organization maintains adequate capital reserves to withstand downturns in the housing market that could cause issuer defaults to increase.

As of September 30, 2011, the investment of the U.S. Government (retained earnings) was \$15.8 billion after establishing reserves for losses on credit activities, compared with \$14.6 billion as of September 30, 2010. Figure 16 shows Ginnie Mae’s capital reserves as of September 30, 2011, for each of the past five years.

**Figure 16 – Capital Reserves, FYs 2007 to 2011**



### **Risk Management and Systems of Internal Controls**

As described in Section II of this report, Ginnie Mae continues to enhance its automated systems and business processes to increase operational efficiency and reduce business risk. An Internal Controls Manager oversees internal controls for the organization, including contractor assessments, OMB Circular A-123 (Management’s Responsibility for Internal Control) assessments, and other internal control and risk management activities. The audits, reviews, and monitoring of all issuers and major contractors that Ginnie Mae conducts enable Ginnie Mae to strengthen its internal controls and minimize risks that would negatively impact financial and operating results.

Ginnie Mae management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal controls and financial management systems that meet the objectives of the Federal Manager’s Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA). Ginnie Mae can provide reasonable assurance that its internal controls over the effectiveness and efficiency of operations and compliance with applicable laws and regulations meet FMFIA objectives.

Finally, Ginnie Mae assesses the effectiveness of its internal controls over financial reporting, including the reliability of financial reporting and financial management systems, in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-123, Appendix A. Safeguarding assets is a subset of all of these objectives. Internal controls should be designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or prompt detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of assets. No material weaknesses were found in the design or operation of the internal controls over financial reporting. Based on these results, Ginnie Mae can provide reasonable assurance that its internal controls over financial reporting were operating effectively as of June 30, 2011.

#### **IV. Audit Report of Ginnie Mae's FY 2011 Financial Statements**



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Issue Date November 7, 2011
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Audit Case Number 2012-FO-0001
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TO: Theodore Tozer, President, Government National Mortgage Association, T

*Thomas R. McEnanly*  
FROM: Thomas R. McEnanly, Director, Financial Audits Division, GAF

SUBJECT: Audit of Government National Mortgage Association's (Ginnie Mae) Financial Statement for Fiscal Years 2011 and 2010

In accordance with the Government Corporation Control Act as amended (31 U.S.C. 9105), the Office of Inspector General engaged the independent certified public accounting firm of Clifton Gunderson LLP (CG) to audit the fiscal years 2011 financial statements of the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae). The contract required that the audit be performed according to Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS). Ginnie Mae fiscal year 2010 financial statements were audited by other auditors; whose report dated November 5, 2010 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

CG is responsible for the attached auditors' report dated November 2, 2011 and the conclusions expressed in the report. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on Ginnie Mae's financial statements or conclusions on Ginnie Mae's internal controls or compliance with laws and regulations and government-wide policies.

This report includes both the Independent Auditors' Report and Ginnie Mae's principal financial statements. Under Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) standards, a general-purpose federal financial report should include as required supplementary information (RSI) a section devoted to Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of the financial statements and related information. The MD&A is not included with this report. Ginnie Mae plans to separately publish an annual report for fiscal year 2011 that conforms to FASAB standards.

CG report on internal control identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that they consider to be significant deficiencies. In addition, within 60 days of this report, CG expects to issue a separate letter to management dated November 2, 2011 regarding other matters that came to its attention during the audit.

We appreciate the courtesies and cooperation extended to the CG and OIG audit staffs during the conduct of the audit.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Inspector General  
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

President  
Government National Mortgage Association

In our audit of the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae), a wholly owned government corporation within the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), for fiscal year (FY) 2011, we found:

- The balance sheet of Ginnie Mae as of September 30, 2011, and the related statements of revenues and expenses, changes in investment of U.S. Government and cash flows for the year then ended (hereinafter referred to as "financial statements") are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- No material weakness in internal control over financial reporting (including safeguarding of assets) and compliance with laws and regulations
- Two significant deficiencies related to a) the need to improve compliance control to ensure safety, completeness, and validity of collateral loan files, and b) strengthening internal control over risk-based issuer and document custodian reviews to improve the effectiveness of counterparty monitoring and oversight.
- No instance of noncompliance with selected provisions of laws and regulations tested.

The following sections (including Appendices A through C) discuss in more detail: (1) these conclusions, (2) our conclusions relating to the Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) and other supplementary information, (3) management's responsibilities, (4) our audit objectives, scope and methodology, and (5) management's response and our evaluation of their response.

### **Opinion on Financial Statements**

The financial statements including the accompanying notes, present fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, Ginnie Mae's assets, liabilities, and investment of U.S. Government as of September 30, 2011, and revenues and expenses, changes in investment of U.S. Government, and cash flows for the year then ended. Ginnie Mae's financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 2010, were audited by other auditors; whose report dated November 5, 2010, expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT, Continued

As discussed in Note H, Reserve for Losses on Mortgage-Backed Security (MBS) Program Guaranty, Ginnie Mae utilizes a statistically-based model that evaluate numerous factors, including, but not limited to, general and economic conditions, mortgage characteristics, and actual and expected future default and loan loss experience in establishing the reserve for losses. Deviations from these factors could have a material impact on the reserve.

Also, as discussed in Note N, Subsequent Events, Ginnie Mae defaulted two single family Mortgage-Backed Security (MBS) issuers with total mortgage loans' remaining principal balance of \$901.9 million.

### **Consideration of Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Ginnie Mae's internal control over financial reporting and compliance (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures and to comply with Office of Management and Budget (OMB) audit guidance for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Ginnie Mae's internal control over financial reporting and compliance or on management's assertion on internal control included in Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Ginnie Mae's internal control over financial reporting and compliance nor on management's assertion on internal control included in the MD&A.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting and compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting and compliance that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses.

*A deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies identified in Appendix A to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

We noted other nonreportable matter involving Ginnie Mae's internal control and its operation that we communicated in a separate letter to Ginnie Mae's management dated November 2, 2011.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph above and would not necessarily identify all significant deficiencies in internal control that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we do not believe the significant deficiencies listed below and described in Appendix A are material weaknesses.

1. Need to Improve Compliance Control to Ensure the Safety, Completeness, and Validity of Collateral Loan Files

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT, Continued**

2. Strengthen Internal Control over Risk-Based Issuer and Document Custodian Reviews to Improve the Effectiveness of Counterparty Monitoring and Oversight

**Compliance with Laws and Regulations**

Our tests of Ginnie Mae's compliance with selected provisions of laws and regulations for FY 2011 disclosed no instance of noncompliance that are reportable under United States generally accepted government auditing standards or OMB audit guidance. However, the objective of our audit was not to express an opinion on overall compliance with laws and regulations or on management's assertion of compliance with laws and regulations included in the MD&A. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

**Consistency of Other Information**

Ginnie Mae's MD&A contains a wide range of information, some of which is not directly related to the financial statements. We reviewed this information for consistency with the financial statements and discussed the methods of measurement and presentation with Ginnie Mae's officials. Based on this limited work, we found no material inconsistencies with the financial statements; accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or OMB guidance. However, we do not express an opinion on this information.

**Management's Responsibilities**

Ginnie Mae's management is responsible for (1) preparing the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, (2) establishing, maintaining and assessing internal control to provide reasonable assurance that the broad control objectives of the Federal Managers Financial Integrity Act of 1982 (FMFIA) are met, and (3) complying with applicable laws and regulations.

**Audit Objectives, Scope and Methodology**

We are responsible for obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We are also responsible for: (1) obtaining a sufficient understanding of internal control over financial reporting and compliance to plan the audit, (2) testing compliance with selected provisions of laws and regulations that have a direct and material effect on the financial statements and laws for which OMB audit guidance requires testing, and (3) performing limited work with respect to other information appearing in the MD&A.

In order to fulfill these responsibilities, we (1) examined, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; (2) assessed the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management; (3) evaluated the overall presentation of the financial statements; (4) obtained an understanding of Ginnie Mae and its operations, including its internal control over financial reporting (including safeguarding of assets) and compliance with laws and regulations; (5) tested relevant internal controls over financial reporting and compliance; (6) considered the design of the process for evaluating and reporting



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on internal control and financial management systems; and (7) tested compliance with selected provisions of certain laws and regulations.

We did not evaluate all internal controls relevant to operating objectives as broadly defined by FMFIA, such as those controls relevant to preparing statistical reports and ensuring efficient operations. We limited our internal control testing to controls over financial reporting and compliance. Because of inherent limitations in internal control, misstatements due to error, fraud, losses or noncompliance may nevertheless occur and not be detected. We also caution that projecting our evaluation to future periods is subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with controls may deteriorate. In addition, we caution that our internal control testing may not be sufficient for other purposes.

We did not test compliance with all laws and regulations applicable to Ginnie Mae. We limited our tests of compliance to selected provisions of those laws and regulations that have a direct and material effect on the financial statements and those required by OMB audit guidance that we deemed applicable to Ginnie Mae's financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011. We caution that noncompliance with laws and regulations may occur and not be detected by these tests and that such testing may not be sufficient for other purposes.

We performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB audit guidance as applicable to government corporations. We believe that our audit provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

**Ginnie Mae Comments and Our Evaluation**

Ginnie Mae's management agreed with our recommendations but disagreed with certain conditions identified in our findings. We disagreed with Ginnie Mae's categorization of the findings' conditions and stand by the conclusions reached in our report. The full text of Ginnie Mae management's response is included as Appendix B. We did not perform audit procedures on Ginnie Mae management's written response. Accordingly, we express no opinion on it. Our assessment of Ginnie Mae management's response is included as Appendix C.

**Distribution**

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management of Ginnie Mae and HUD, the HUD Office of Inspector General, OMB, the Government Accountability Office, and the United States Congress, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Arlington, Virginia  
November 2, 2011

**Ginnie Mae  
Independent Auditor's Report  
Significant Deficiency  
Appendix A**

**1. Need to Improve Compliance Control to Ensure the Safety, Completeness and Validity of Collateral Loan Files**

In August 2009, Ginnie Mae defaulted one of its largest Mortgage-Backed Security (MBS) issuers. Ginnie Mae extinguished the issuer's interests and rights in the pooled mortgages and contracted with a financial institution to be its master sub-servicer for the defaulted issuer's MBS pools. The master sub-servicer began servicing to fulfill Ginnie Mae's guarantee to MBS investors in August 2009. Loans that are non-performing (loans with overdue mortgage payments for 120 days or more) are repurchased by Ginnie Mae from the defaulted MBS pools and hold them as Mortgages Held for Investments (MHFI). The MHFI from this defaulted issuer is approximately \$6 billion out of the \$6.6 billion MHFI at September 30, 2011. The mortgage loans from the same defaulted issuer being serviced are approximately \$13.7 billion at September 30, 2011.

Ginnie Mae's master sub-servicer contracts with an independent document custodian to ensure the safety and completeness of the mortgage collateral documentation. The current custodian has not been able to provide a final certification within 12 months from transfer of the portfolio from the predecessor custodian as required by the Ginnie Mae MBS Guide (Guide). A significant portion (exceeding the required 20 percent pool threshold of the mortgage pools) could not be final certified due to the poor condition of the collateral loan files (for example, missing some or all documentation).

Under the Guide, the document custodian is required to certify to Ginnie Mae that loans constituting the pools of mortgages (as collaterals for Ginnie Mae securities) are supported by documents placed in the document custodian's control for the life cycle of the loans. The document custodian performs this function through safekeeping, a process of pool certification, and recertification and tracking controls. The Guide requires document custodian to final certify/recertify MBS pool within 12 months from the date of transfer. The transfer of the mortgage loan pool documentation from the former custodial bank to Ginnie Mae's master sub-servicer was in September 2009.

We understand that the default of one of the largest Ginnie Mae MBS issuers in August 2009 was unprecedented. Moreover, as published in various news media, Ginnie Mae's master sub-servicer is having significant problems with its mortgage servicing arm. We are also aware that Ginnie Mae is committed to correcting this issue and is working with the master sub-servicer to accelerate the review of the loan collateral files and documents with exceptions that are preventing the document custodian from issuing final certification. However, as of September 30, 2011, Ginnie Mae had not reached a final agreement for a timeline as to when the review of loan files/final certification of all loans will be completed. The delays in the review process caused by the poor condition of the loan files and the master sub-servicer's problems will delay the processing of the loan modifications, prepayments, initiating foreclosures, and filing claims with the federal insuring agencies. As Ginnie Mae continues to purchase non-performing loans from the MBS pools, these delays result in additional costs to carry these non-performing loans. Moreover, in some cases where certain exceptions in the loan documents that could prevent filing claims with or obtaining payments from the federal insuring agency, Ginnie Mae's MHFI may be potentially overstated, and the reserve for losses potentially understated. Once loan files reviews/final certifications are completed, Ginnie Mae will be able to better assess the extent of any added costs to cure defective loans and/or losses incurred.

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Significant Deficiency  
Appendix A**

**Recommendation**

1. We recommend that Ginnie Mae's Acting Vice-President for MBS hold the master sub-servicer accountable for delays by requiring an acceptable written timeline for completing the final review/certification of the loan documentation/pools.
2. **Strengthen Internal Control over Risk-Based Issuer and Document Custodian Reviews to Improve the Effectiveness of Counterparty Monitoring and Oversight**

Ginnie Mae, due to its personnel funding structure resulting in limited personnel resources, outsourced many of its operational, monitoring, and administrative functions and placed significant reliance on the performance and the reports of the outside consultants. One of the outsourced functions is the field reviews monitoring of issuers and document custodians' (contractors) compliance with the MBS guide and their implementation of internal control to minimize certain financial risks and potential losses to Ginnie Mae. We reviewed three completed field reviews conducted by the consultants in fiscal year 2011. We found that the workpapers for the completed reviews were incomplete in terms of documentation, meeting tests objectives, and performing applicable procedures that are outlined in Ginnie Mae's *Issuer and Document Custodian Risk Based Review Procedures Manual (RBM)*. Ginnie Mae's contractor assessment reviews (CAR) conducted in fiscal year 2011 also identified similar deficiencies in the field reviews. Consequently, these reviews may be insufficient for Ginnie Mae to rely upon.

In addition, we noted that the last comprehensive update to the RBM was made on December 1, 2005. Ginnie Mae has changed and implemented numerous policies and procedures in response to the current financial crisis which started in 2008. These changes and enhancements such as new review procedures necessary to address the current environment are not incorporated in the RBM. A continuing failure to update the manual would increase the risk that deficiencies in the reviews could occur. Ginnie Mae self-identified this deficiency in fiscal year 2011 in its testing of internal control in accordance with OMB Circular A-123, *Management's Responsibility for Internal Control*.

The field reviews must be contractually performed according to the Ginnie Mae Issuer and Document Custodian Risk Based Review Procedures Manual and must conform to the overall Ginnie Mae monitoring standards for internal control sets forth in OMB Circular No. A-123, *Management's Responsibility for Internal Control*.

**Recommendations**

- 2a. Ginnie Mae's Acting Vice-President for MBS should increase its oversight and monitoring of the field reviews performed on issuers and document custodians to ensure the reviews meet management's objectives and are adequately and completely performed and properly documented.

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- 2b. Ginnie Mae Executive Vice-President should allocate resources within MBS and Risk Management Division to accelerate the update to the *Issuer and Document Custodian Risk Based Review Procedures Manual* within the second fiscal quarter of 2012 if possible, so that new updated reviews are performed in second half of 2012 to eliminate this deficiency.

**Ginnie Mae  
Management's Response to Findings  
Contained in the Independent Auditor's Report  
Appendix B**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-9000



PRESIDENT, GOVERNMENT  
NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION

November 4, 2011

Ms. Mia Leswing, CPA  
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Dear Ms. Leswing:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on Clifton Gunderson's (Clifton) draft audit report on Ginnie Mae's financial statement for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011.

We appreciate Clifton's acknowledgement that Ginnie Mae's financial statements, as of September 30, 2011, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Additionally, we appreciate Clifton's acknowledgement that for FY 2011, the audit disclosed no material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting, and no instance of noncompliance with laws and regulations.

Your report noted two significant deficiencies related to (a) the need to improve compliance control to ensure safety, completeness, and validity of collateral loan files, and (b) strengthening internal controls over risk-based issuer and document custodian reviews to improve the effectiveness of counterparty monitoring and oversight. We agree and have implemented your recommendation to establish an acceptable timeline for completing the final review/certification of the loan documentation. We also agree with your recommendation to increase the oversight and monitoring of the field reviews performed on issuers and document custodians, as well as accelerating the update to the *Issuer and Document Custodian Risk-Based Review Procedures Manual* (Risk-Based Manual). However, we believe that the assumptions presented in the report are fundamentally flawed. While Ginnie Mae acknowledges that there are some weaknesses in the overall execution of the underlying process, we do not believe such weaknesses indicate the presence of a significant deficiency.

Your report states that "in some cases where certain exceptions in the loan documents that could prevent filing claims with or obtaining payments from the federal insuring agency, Ginnie Mae's mortgage loans held for investment (MHFI) may be potentially overstated, and the reserve for losses potentially understated." Ginnie Mae and its master servicer (MSS) have reviewed the pooled and non-pooled loans and identified approximately 1800 loans that are uninsured; this equates to less than one percent of the total loans in the defaulted portfolio at the time of extinguishment. These mortgage loans have been valued in accordance with ASC 310-30 and modeled in line with a significant severity assumption, and thus, any uncollectable amounts have been written off as loss on credit impairment mortgage loans held for investment.

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Through a process of matching Ginnie Mae loan level data with FHA data, there is no evidence that there are any additional uninsured loans in pools or mortgages held for investment.

The delays in filing the claims on these loans are a result of our MSS's legal problems. This has caused the MSS to delay filing and to be extra cautious in their actions with claims. We have accounted for lengthier timelines and the associated foreclosure costs (in excess of reimbursable costs) in our reserve for loss.

Given the facts stated above, we are confident that both the MHFI and reserve for loss are fairly stated. The loans in these pools have FHA insurance due to the fact that the defaulted issuer (defaulted August 2009) was a LI lender, a lender delegated by FHA to insure their loans. This means that under FHA regulations, FHA must honor the loan as insured, and FHA's recourse is with the originator, not Ginnie Mae. Therefore, the remaining loans in the MBS pools and the MHFI that were not already identified as uninsured, are insured under the FHA regulations.

As of October 31, 2011, we have developed an agreed-upon timeline with our MSS to complete the final review and certification by June 2012. The following actions have been or will be completed:

- The MSS hired an expert subcontractor to perform the re-certification process.
- The subcontractor completed the search for missing documents on October 28, 2011.
- The subcontractor has delivered roughly 14,000 documents to the custodial bank.
- Exceptions are expected to increase in the short run as the custodial bank reviews the documents. The subcontractor will then begin to cure all unclear or indefinable documents.
- The MSS has instructed the custodial bank to keep appropriate staff on hand to deal with workload.
- The subcontractor is currently researching and correcting title issues on loans.
- The MSS expects all documents that were not found by the subcontractor to be recreated by February 20, 2012.
- The entire project is on track to be completed with the final certification of all pools by June 2012.
- The MSS will provide monthly updates to Ginnie Mae.

Regarding the issuer and document custodian reviews, we agree with your recommendation that Ginnie Mae should increase its oversight and monitoring of the field

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reviews; however, we have not found any evidence to support your assertion that "the workpapers for the completed reviews were incomplete in terms of documentation, meeting test objectives, and performing applicable procedures that are outlined in Ginnie Mae's Risk-Based Manual. We believe that the following points should be considered when determining whether or not this item(s) rise to the level of a significant deficiency. Please consider the following:

- We believe that our contractor adequately explained why certain "if applicable" test objectives were not performed (e.g. single asset multifamily pool not being tested for delinquency when the sole loan is current) and that these responses were not adequately considered in the final determination of issue severity;
- We highlight that when asked, our contractor made it clear that additional supporting documentation was available for the audit team's consideration. The audit team declined to review the additional material available and defaulted to their definition of what a "work paper" must contain; and
- Our monitoring staff has few occasions to leverage the work papers and instead relies on the report provided by the contractor for the day-to-day management of issuer compliance. In rare instances where further research is needed to resolve an issue with an issuer, work papers may be requested.

The above being said, we agree that a more conventional definition of work paper documentation standards will be adopted. Our contractor will provide a scope justification amendment to their work papers that will allow the work papers to stand on their own and clarify the applicability of certain tests. Additionally, this will provide an explanation as to why the compliance review had changes to test sample sizes and/or the exclusion of certain tests as they are not applicable to the review. The expected implementation date of this change is December 1, 2011.

Although the current field review contractor is not required to be a Certified Public Accountant, the Statement of Work issued in the next recompetes will make that a requirement. Additionally, Ginnie Mae will add additional Government Technical Monitors (GTM) to this contract in order to heighten the oversight on this important contract.

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**Ginnie Mae  
Management's Response to Findings  
Contained in the Independent Auditor's Report  
Appendix B**

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As for the Risk-Based Manual, we agree that it is a best practice to update our procedures and procedures leveraged by our contractors on a routine basis. This documentation allows for new staff and contractor personnel to have clarity on what key steps are required. That being said, the combination of the content of the Risk-Based Manual, in conjunction with work orders executed by the GTR, represents a comprehensive set of tests that help to ensure issuer compliance with the program. The absence of this documentation update directly into the Risk-Based Manual in no way diminishes the power of the work program as performed. Ginnie Mae believes that, in light of the audit team not identifying significant gaps in the process as practiced, that this issue does not rise to the level of a significant deficiency. Ginnie Mae is committed to updating the Risk-Based Manual in FY 2012.

At Ginnie Mae, we believe in doing business right and are committed to being an open and transparent organization. We enjoyed working with Clifton and welcome the opportunity to further discuss the items presented.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft report.

Sincerely,



Theodore W. Tozer



**Ginnie Mae  
CG's Assessment of Management's Response  
Contained in the Independent Auditor's Report  
Appendix C**

We obtained and reviewed Ginnie Mae's management response to the findings and recommendations, included as Appendix B, made in connection with our audit of Ginnie Mae's FY 2011 Financial Statements. We did not perform audit procedures on Ginnie Mae's written response to the findings and recommendations and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them. Our assessment of management's response is discussed below.

**Assessment of management's response to significant deficiencies:**

As indicated in Appendix B, Ginnie Mae's management agreed with our recommendations to the two significant deficiencies and has outlined their corrective actions that have started or soon to start with the implementation.

Ginnie Mae's management disagreed with certain conditions identified in the findings. Ginnie Mae also stated that they do not believe the findings rise to the level of significant deficiencies. We disagreed with Ginnie Mae's assessment and the categorizations provided in their response in support of their position. We stand by the findings and conclusions reached in our report.

**Audit Report of Ginnie Mae's Fiscal Year 2011 Financial Statements**

## Ginnie Mae's Fiscal Year 2011 Financial Statements

Balance Sheets		
September 30	2011	2010
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>		
<b>Assets:</b>		
Funds with U.S. Treasury	\$ 7,210,300	\$ 6,650,500
U.S. Government securities	2,126,800	3,551,200
Accrued interest on U.S. Government securities	11,800	20,400
Accrued fees and other receivables, net	62,500	54,900
Fixed assets--software, net of accumulated amortization	31,100	35,800
Mortgage loans held for investment, net	6,350,300	4,443,300
Accrued Interest on mortgage loans held for investment	83,400	181,300
Advances against defaulted Mortgage-Backed security pools	873,700	1,054,300
Less: Allowance for uncollectible advances	(220,500)	(212,200)
Advances against defaulted Mortgage-Backed security pools, net	653,200	842,100
Short sale claims receivables	38,600	-
Less: Allowance for uncollectible short sale claims receivables	(6,300)	-
Short sale claims receivables, net	32,300	-
Properties held for sale	7,400	49,200
Less: Allowance for losses on properties held for sale	(4,000)	(6,900)
Properties held for sale, net	3,400	42,300
Mortgage servicing rights	110,900	137,700
Guaranty Asset	2,175,100	1,103,800
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 18,851,100</b>	<b>\$ 17,063,300</b>
<b>Liabilities and Investment of U.S. Government:</b>		
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Reserve for loss on Mortgage-Backed Securities Program Guaranty	395,800	\$ 1,004,900
Deferred revenue	117,400	113,900
Deferred liabilities and deposits	35,700	1,200
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	365,300	261,700
Guaranty Liability	2,175,100	1,103,800
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 3,089,300</b>	<b>\$ 2,485,500</b>
<b>Commitments and Contingencies</b>		
Investment of U.S. Government	15,761,800	14,577,800
<b>Total Liabilities and Investment of U.S. Government</b>	<b>\$ 18,851,100</b>	<b>\$ 17,063,300</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statements of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Investment of U.S. Government		
For the Years Ended September 30	2011	2010
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>		
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Mortgage-Backed Securities Program income	\$ 856,500	\$ 742,900
Interest income	208,100	269,000
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,064,600</b>	<b>\$ 1,011,900</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Mortgage-Backed Securities Program expenses	72,800	72,700
Administrative expenses	11,000	10,300
Fixed asset amortization	9,900	9,500
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 93,700</b>	<b>\$ 92,500</b>
Recapture of Provision for Loss on properties held for sale	2,900	-
Recapture of Provision for Loss on Mortgage-Backed Securities Program Guarantee	407,000	-
Less: Provision for Loss on Mortgage-Backed Securities Program		730,000
Less: Provision for Loss on Uncollectible Advances	8,500	-
Less: Provision for Loss on Short Sale Claims and Other Receivables	6,800	-
<b>Total Recapture of Provision / (Provision for Losses)</b>	<b>\$ 394,600</b>	<b>\$ (730,000)</b>
Gain on disposition of investment	24,000	214,400
Gain on acquisition mortgage servicing rights		137,700
Less: Loss on mortgage servicing rights	26,800	
Less: Loss on credit impairment of mortgage loans HFI, net	178,700	-
<b>Total Gains / (Losses)</b>	<b>\$ (181,500)</b>	<b>\$ 352,100</b>
<b>Excess of Revenues over Expenses</b>	<b>1,184,000</b>	<b>541,500</b>
<b>Investment of U.S. Government at Beginning of Year</b>	<b>14,577,800</b>	<b>14,036,300</b>
Returned to U.S. Treasury	-	-
<b>Investment of U.S. Government at End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 15,761,800</b>	<b>\$ 14,577,800</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statements of Cash Flows		
For the Years Ended September 30	2011	2010
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>		
<b>Cash Flow from Operating Activities</b>		
<b>Net Excess of Revenues over Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,184,000</b>	<b>\$ 541,500</b>
<b>Adjustments to reconcile Net Excess of Revenues Over Expenses to Net Cash from Operating Activities:</b>		
Amortization	9,900	9,500
Decrease / increase in accrued interest on U.S. Government securities	8,600	20,900
Decrease / increase in accrued interest on mortgage loans held for investment	97,900	(181,300)
Decrease / increase in advances against defaulted MBS pools, net	188,900	(722,000)
Decrease / increase in mortgage servicing rights	26,800	(137,700)
Increase / decrease in deferred revenue	3,500	(500)
Increase / decrease in deferred liabilities and deposits	34,500	(1,400)
Increase / decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	103,600	203,000
Increase / decrease in accrued fees and other receivables	(7,600)	(10,300)
Increase / decrease in short sale claims receivables, net	(32,300)	-
Decrease / increase in properties held for sale, net	38,900	(37,800)
Decrease / increase in reserve for loss on MBS program guaranty	(609,100)	445,000
Decrease / increase in MBS Reserve, net of other assets relating to operating activities	(610,100)	396,900
<b>Total Adjustments</b>	<b>(136,400)</b>	<b>(412,600)</b>
<b>Net Cash from Operating Activities</b>	<b>\$ 1,047,600</b>	<b>\$ 128,900</b>
<b>Cash Flow from Investing Activities</b>		
Increase / decrease in mortgage loans held for investment, net	(1,907,000)	(4,411,300)
Sale / purchase of U.S. Government securities, net	1,424,400	5,684,600
Purchase / sale of software	(5,200)	(5,500)
<b>Net Cash (used for) from Investing Activities</b>	<b>\$ (487,800)</b>	<b>\$ 1,267,800</b>
<b>Cash Flow from Financing Activities</b>		
Financing activities	-	-
<b>Net Cash from (used for) Financing Activities</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
Net increase in cash & cash equivalents	559,800	1,396,700
Cash & cash equivalents - beginning of period	6,650,500	5,253,800
Cash & cash equivalents - end of period	<b>\$ 7,210,300</b>	<b>\$ 6,650,500</b>

Supplemental Schedule of Non-Cash Activities		
For the Years Ended September 30	2011	2010
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>		
Transfer of Advances against Defaulted MBS pools to Mortgage Loans Held for Investment	\$ 2,175,500	\$ 4,467,000
Transfer from Mortgage Loans Held for Investment to Properties Held for Sale	\$ 148,900	\$ 118,700

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements

September 30, 2011 and 2010

### Note A: Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae) was created in 1968, through an amendment of Title III of the National Housing Act as a government corporation within the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) program is Ginnie Mae's primary ongoing activity. Its purpose is to increase liquidity in the secondary mortgage market and attract new sources of capital for residential mortgage loans. Through the program, Ginnie Mae guarantees the timely payment of principal and interest on securities backed by pools of mortgages issued by private institutions. This guaranty is backed by the *full faith and credit of the U.S. Government*. Ginnie Mae requires that the mortgages be insured or guaranteed by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), or the HUD Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH). These MBS are not assets of Ginnie Mae, nor are the related outstanding securities liabilities; accordingly, neither is reflected on the accompanying balance sheets.

To ensure that adequate capital continues to flow, Ginnie Mae offers reliable solutions that meet the needs of a broad constituent base and provide sufficient flexibility to respond to market changes. At the core of its business model and its product offering menu is the simple pass-through security, which comes in the form of two product structures—Ginnie Mae I MBS and Ginnie Mae II MBS. Each of these Ginnie Mae product structures has specific characteristics regarding pool types, note rates, collateral, payment dates and geographical locations.

The underlying source of loans for the Ginnie Mae I MBS and Ginnie Mae II MBS comes from Ginnie Mae's following four main programs, which serve a variety of loan financing needs and different issuer origination capabilities:

- **Single Family Program** – The majority of Ginnie Mae securities are backed by single family mortgages predominantly originated through FHA and VA loan insurance programs.
- **Multifamily Program** – Safe and affordable rental housing is essential for millions of individuals and families. Ginnie Mae's mission of supporting affordable housing and promoting stable communities extends to ensuring that decent rental units remain within reach of those who need them. By guaranteeing pools of multifamily loans that are sold to investors in the global capital markets, Ginnie Mae enables lenders to reduce mortgage interest rates paid by property owners and developers of apartment buildings, hospitals, nursing homes, assisted-living facilities, and other housing options.

- **HMBS Program** – In addition to traditional mortgages, Ginnie Mae’s expanding Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) securities program provides capital and liquidity for FHA-insured reverse mortgages, an essential financial solution for a growing number of seniors. HECM loans can be pooled into HECM Mortgage Backed Securities (HMBS) within the Ginnie Mae II MBS program. Because Ginnie Mae enables a broad secondary market for HECM loans, the availability of HECM lending from multiple lenders has been deepened and broadened and related borrowing costs have been reduced.
- **Manufactured Housing (MH) Program** – Ginnie Mae’s Manufactured Housing program allows the issuance of pools of loans insured by FHA’s Title I Manufactured Home Loan Program.

**Basis of Presentation:** The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”).

**Funds with U.S. Treasury:** All of Ginnie Mae’s receipts and disbursements are processed by the U.S. Treasury, which in effect maintains Ginnie Mae’s bank accounts. Of the \$7.2 billion in Funds with U.S. Treasury, \$5.5 billion is in the Reserve Receipt Account, which is a noninterest-bearing account at the U.S. Treasury. For purposes of the Statements of Cash Flow, Funds with U.S. Treasury are considered cash.

**U.S. Government Securities:** U.S. Government Securities are classified as held for investment as Ginnie Mae has both the ability and the intent to hold until maturity, and are carried at amortized cost. Interest income on such securities is included in Interest Income on the Statements of Revenues and Expenses. Discounts and premiums are amortized, on a level yield basis, over the life of the related security.

**Fixed Assets:** Ginnie Mae’s fixed assets represent systems (software) that are used to accomplish its mission. Ginnie Mae capitalizes significant software development project costs per guidance in ASC Subtopic 350-40 *Intangibles—Goodwill and Other – Internal-Use Software* (ASC 350-40) and amortizes them over a three- to five-year period beginning with the project’s completion. As of September 30, 2011, and September 30, 2010, Ginnie Mae’s Fixed Assets – Software balance was \$69.5 million, with accumulated amortization of \$38.4 million, and \$64.3 million, with accumulated amortization of \$28.5 million, respectively.

**Mortgage Loans Held for Investment:** When a Ginnie Mae issuer defaults, Ginnie Mae is required to step into the role of the issuer and make the timely pass-through payments to investors and, subsequently, acquires the servicing rights and obligations of the entire Ginnie Mae guaranteed, pooled loan portfolio of the defaulted issuer. As the servicer Ginnie Mae assesses loans to determine whether the loan should be purchased out of the pool. Ginnie Mae will purchase mortgage loans out of the pool when:

- a. Mortgage loans are uninsured by the FHA, USDA, VA or PIH, or
- b. Mortgage loans were previously insured but insurance is currently denied (collectively with (a.), referred to as uninsured mortgage loans),
- c. And may purchase mortgage loans that are insured but are delinquent for more than 120 days based on management discretion. This buyout policy was implemented in FY2010 and was a business decision since it prevents Ginnie Mae from continuing to pass through interest to investors at the note rate of the security when it is probable that Ginnie Mae will be reimbursed at the debenture rate in the case of FHA insured loans and not at all for VA and uninsured loans. Ginnie Mae's Guide states that loans can be repurchased at 90 day delinquency, however Ginnie Mae has decided to repurchase loans at 120 days delinquency as it is unlikely that these delinquencies will cure.

Ginnie Mae assesses the collectability of mortgage loans bought out of the pools of defaulted portfolios. During FY 2011, the majority of mortgage loans were bought out due to borrower delinquency of more than 120 days. Ginnie Mae evaluates the collectability of all loans and considers a loan as credit impaired at acquisition when there is evidence of credit deterioration subsequent to the loan's origination and it is probable, at acquisition, that Ginnie Mae will be unable to collect all contractually required payments receivable. Ginnie Mae considers guarantees and insurance from FHA, USDA, VA and PIH in determining whether it is probable that Ginnie Mae will collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms.

For non-VA insured loans, Ginnie Mae expects to collect the full amount of the unpaid principal balance and debenture rate interest (for months allowed in the insuring agency's timeline), when the insurer reimburses Ginnie Mae subsequent to filing a claim. As a result, these loans are under ASC Subtopic 310-20, *Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs*. In accordance with ASC 310-20-30-5, these loans are recorded at the unpaid principal balance which is the amount Ginnie Mae pays to repurchase these loans. Accordingly, Ginnie Mae recognizes interest income on these loans on an accrual basis at the debenture rate for the number of months allowed under the insuring agency's timeline. After the allowed timeline, Ginnie Mae considers these loans to be non-performing as the collection of interest is no longer reasonably assured, and places these loans on non-accrual status.

Ginnie Mae assesses the collectability of mortgage loans bought out of the defaulted portfolios that are uninsured and defaulted loans that are VA insured for which Ginnie Mae only receives a



portion of the original principal balance. Since the principal and interest payments are not fully guaranteed from the insurer or there is a lack of insurance, if these loans are delinquent at acquisition, it is probable that Ginnie Mae will be unable to collect all contractually required payments receivable. Accordingly, these loans are considered to be credit impaired and are accounted for under ASC Subtopic 310-30, *Loans and Debt Securities Acquired with Deteriorated Credit Quality*. At the time of acquisition, these loans are recorded at the lower of their acquisition cost or present value of expected amounts to be received. As non-performing loans, these loans are placed on nonaccrual status.

Ginnie Mae has the ability and the intent to hold these acquired loans for the foreseeable future or until maturity; therefore, Ginnie Mae classifies the loans as held for investment (HFI). These mortgage loans HFI are reported net of allowance for loan losses. Mortgage loans HFI include mortgage loans that are undergoing the foreclosure process. Upon completion of the foreclosure process, when Ginnie Mae acquires the title of the underlying properties, these properties are either conveyed to the insuring agency for claim and are reported as advances against defaulted MBS pools or are classified as properties held for sale.

The allowance for loss on mortgage loans HFI represents management's estimate of probable credit losses inherent in Ginnie Mae's mortgage loan portfolio. The allowance for loss on mortgage loans HFI is a contra asset account which when aggregated with the mortgage loans HFI, states the balance of loans that Ginnie Mae determines to be collectible. Ginnie Mae performs periodic and systematic reviews of its loan portfolios to identify credit risks and to assess the overall collectability of the portfolios. The allowance on certain homogeneous loan portfolios is based on aggregated evaluations.

**Accrued Interest Mortgage Loans Held for Investment:** Ginnie Mae records accrued interest on mortgage loans HFI for interest which Ginnie Mae determines that the ultimate collectability is probable. For non-VA insured loans, Ginnie Mae recognizes interest income on an accrual basis at the debenture rate for the number of months allowed under the insuring agency's timeline. After the allowed timeline, Ginnie Mae considers these loans to be non-performing as the collection of interest is not reasonably assured, and places these loans on non-accrual status. Ginnie Mae has assessed the collectability of VA and uninsured loans and determined that these loans are non-performing and hence, are placed on nonaccrual status.

**Advances against Defaulted MBS Pools:** Advances against defaulted MBS pools represent payments made to fulfill Ginnie Mae's guaranty of timely principal and interest payments to MBS security holders. Such advances are reported net of an allowance for uncollectible advances to the extent management believes they will not be recovered. The allowance for uncollectible advances is estimated based on actual and expected recovery experience including expected recoveries from FHA, USDA, VA, and PIH. Principal and Interest receivable for foreclosed properties that have been conveyed to the insuring agency are reported in the advance category

while Ginnie Mae is awaiting payment of the receivable; these claims are reported net of allowance.

**Short Sales Claims Receivable:** As an alternative to foreclosure, a property may be sold for its appraised value even if such a sale results in a short sale where the proceeds are not sufficient to pay off the mortgage. These transactions are approved by Ginnie Mae's master sub-servicers and Ginnie Mae's MBS program office. Typically, the short sale occurs after Ginnie Mae has purchased the loan out of the pool and recorded the loan as Mortgage Loans HFI. However, in some circumstances, the short sale occurs while the mortgage loan is still in the pool.

Except for VA insured loans, for insured loans for which the underlying property was sold in a short sale, the insurer typically pays Ginnie Mae the difference between the proceeds received from the sale and the total contractual amount of the mortgage loan and interest at the debenture rate. Hence, Ginnie Mae does not incur any losses as a result of the short sale. Ginnie Mae records a Short Sale Claims Receivable while it awaits repayment of this amount from the insurer. For short sales claims receivable for which Ginnie Mae believes that collection is not probable, Ginnie Mae records an allowance for short sales receivable; the aggregate of the short sales receivable and the allowance for short sales receivable is the amount Ginnie Mae determines to be collectible.

**Properties Held for Sale:** Ginnie Mae acquires title of the underlying property when foreclosure is finalized. For instances in which Ginnie Mae does not convey the property to the insuring agency, Ginnie Mae holds the title until the property is sold. As the properties are available for immediate sale in their current condition and are actively marketed for sale, they are reported as properties held for sale on the Balance Sheets in accordance with ASC Subtopic 360-10, *Property, Plant, and Equipment – Overall*. Properties held for sale are initially recorded on the Balance Sheets at fair value less its estimated cost to sell. The fair value less estimated cost to sell on the date of foreclosure is deemed to be the carrying value of the foreclosed asset. Subsequent to initial measurement, the properties held for sale are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less estimated cost to sell.

**Mortgage Servicing Rights:** Mortgage servicing rights (MSRs) represent Ginnie Mae's right and obligation, obtained from issuers upon default, to service mortgage loans in mortgage backed securities. Ginnie Mae records a servicing asset or servicing liability each time it undertakes an obligation to service a financial asset by entering into a servicing contract in (among other situations) an acquisition or assumption of a servicing obligation that does not relate to financial assets held by Ginnie Mae.

Ginnie Mae records a mortgage servicing asset on its Balance Sheet when the present value of the estimated compensation for mortgage servicing activities exceeds adequate compensation for such servicing activities and records a mortgage servicing liability when the present value of the

estimated compensation for mortgage servicing activities is less than the adequate compensation for such servicing activities. Ginnie Mae considers adequate compensation to be the amount of compensation that would be required by a substitute master sub-servicer should one be required. Market information is used to determine adequate compensation for these services.

Ginnie Mae has elected the fair value option for the MSR assets to better reflect the potential net realizable or market value that could be ultimately realized from the disposition of the MSR asset or the settlement of a future MSR liability. Upon acquisition, Ginnie Mae measures its MSR assets at fair value and subsequently re-measures them with changes in the fair value recorded in the Statements of Revenues and Expenses (see Note F for more information regarding the initial and subsequent valuations of Ginnie Mae's MSR assets).

**Fair Value:** Ginnie Mae measures the fair value of its financial instruments in accordance with accounting guidance that requires an entity to base fair value on exit price and maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs to determine the exit price. Accounting guidance defines fair value as the price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. Ginnie Mae's MSR assets are carried at fair value in accordance with applicable accounting guidance.

Ginnie Mae categorizes its financial instruments, based on the priority of inputs to the valuation technique, into a three-level hierarchy, as described below.

- Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level 1 assets and liabilities include debt and equity securities and derivative contracts that are traded in an active exchange market, as well as certain U.S. treasury and other U.S. Government securities that are highly liquid and are actively traded in over-the-counter markets.
- Level 2 Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities. Level 2 assets and liabilities include securities with quoted prices that are traded less frequently than exchange-traded instruments that are observable in the market or can be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data. This category includes mortgages HFI, properties HFS, advances against defaulted MBS pools and guaranty assets and liabilities.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. Level 3 assets and liabilities include financial instruments whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation. This category includes mortgage servicing rights.

**Reserve for Loss on MBS Program Guaranty:** Reserve for Loss on MBS Program Guaranty is an accrual for loss contingency as a result of the guaranty provided on Mortgage Backed Securities portfolios when the following two conditions under ASC Subtopic 450-20, Contingencies – Loss Contingencies are met:

- a. Information available before the issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that a triggering event or condition has occurred at the date of the financial statements. It is implicit in this condition that it must be probable that one or more future events will occur confirming the fact of loss.
- b. The amount of loss can be reasonably estimated.

Reserves are established to the extent management believes losses due to defaults are probable and estimable and FHA, USDA, VA, and PIH insurance or guarantees are insufficient to recoup Ginnie Mae expenditures. The reserve for loss on MBS program guaranty is a liability account on the Balance Sheets. Ginnie Mae recognizes the loss by recording a charge to the provision for loss on MBS program guaranty on the Statements of Revenue and Expenses. Ginnie Mae records charge-offs as a reduction to the reserve for loss on MBS program guaranty liability account when losses are confirmed and records recoveries as a credit to the reserve for loss on MBS program guaranty liability account. Accordingly, the reserves are increased by provisions recorded as an expense in the Statements of Revenues and Expenses and reduced by charge-offs, net of recoveries. Among other losses and recoveries, miscellaneous expenses related to foreclosure are not capitalized on the balance sheet and are charged off against the reserve for loss on MBS program guaranty and recoveries of these expenses through the claims process are shown as recoveries against the reserve for loss on MBS program guaranty.

**Financial Guarantees:** The Financial Accounting Standards Board's (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) topic 460, *Guarantees* (ASC 460), formerly known as (FASB) Interpretation No. 45 (FIN 45), clarifies the requirements of accounting for *Contingencies* (ASC 450), relating to the guarantor's accounting for, and disclosure of, the issuance of certain types of guarantees. ASC 450 requires that upon issuance of a guaranty, the guarantor must recognize a liability for the fair value of the obligation it assumes under the guaranty. The issuance of a guaranty under the Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBSs) Program obligates Ginnie Mae to stand ready to perform over the term of the guaranty in the event that the specified triggering events or conditions occur.

At inception of the guaranty, Ginnie Mae recognizes a liability for the guaranty it provides on MBSs issued by third-party issuers. Generally, a guaranty liability is initially measured at fair value. However, Ginnie Mae applies the practical expedient in ASC 460-10-30-2a (ASC Topic 460, *Guarantees* (ASC 460)), which allows the guaranty liability to be recognized at inception based on the premium received or receivable by the guarantor, provided the guaranty is issued in a standalone arm's-length transaction with an unrelated party.

Ginnie Mae provides the guaranty of principal and interest payments to MBS holders in the event of issuer default and, in exchange, receives guaranty fees from the issuers. Ginnie Mae receives guaranty fees from the issuers on the unpaid principal balance of the outstanding MBSs in the non-defaulted issuer portfolio. These fees are paid on a monthly basis over the period that the guaranty is provided. As Ginnie Mae does not receive guaranty fees at inception of the guaranty, Ginnie Mae determines the initial measurement of the guaranty liability based on the expected present value cash flows to be received for the guaranty fee.

Ginnie Mae initially recognizes a guaranty liability at fair value for its obligation to stand ready to perform on these upon issuance of a guaranty. Subsequently, the guaranty liability is measured by a systematic and rational amortization method.

Additionally, as the guaranty is issued in a standalone transaction for a premium, Ginnie Mae records a guaranty asset (representing a receivable at net present value) for the guaranty fees as the offsetting entry for the guaranty liability in accordance with ASC 460-10-55-23a. Thus, there is no impact due to the guaranty liability and asset on the net financial position of Ginnie Mae.

The guaranty asset is calculated based on the present value of the expected future cash flows from the guaranty fees based on the unpaid principal balance of the outstanding MBSs in the non-defaulted issuer portfolio; this is the same calculation used to value the guaranty liability under the practical expedient method permitted in ASC 460-10-30-2a. In fiscal year 2011, Ginnie Mae's management updated the runoff variable in the model to use the runoff by year of issuance versus the runoff for the total portfolio as it was determined that using the runoff by year of issuance resulted in a more accurate valuation.

**Recognition of Revenues and Expenses:** Ginnie Mae receives monthly guaranty fees for each MBS mortgage pool, based on a percentage of the pool's outstanding balance. Fees received for Ginnie Mae's guaranty of MBS are recognized as earned. Ginnie Mae receives commitment fees as issuers request commitment authority, and recognizes the commitment fees as income as issuers use their commitment authority, with the balance deferred until earned or expired, whichever occurs first. Fees from expired commitment authority are not returned to issuers. Ginnie Mae recognizes as income the major portion of fees related to the issuance of multiclass securities in the period the fees are received, with the balance deferred and amortized over the weighted average life of the underlying mortgages.

Mortgage-Backed Securities Program Income on the Statements of Revenues and Expenses includes: \$686.2 million of guaranty fees, \$74.0 million of commitment fees, \$52.5 million of multiclass fees, \$42.3 million of interest income from mortgage loans held for investment and \$1.5 million in other revenue. Mortgage-Backed Securities Program Expenses on the Statements of Revenues and Expenses are: \$21.2 million of multiclass expenses, \$17.2 million of MBS

information systems and compliance expenses, \$9.7 million of central paying agent expenses, \$7.6 million of information technology and miscellaneous expenses, \$5.1 million of Multifamily claims, and \$12 million of other expenses.

**Statements of Cash Flows:** Ginnie Mae prepares the Statements of Cash Flows on an indirect basis. For purposes of the Statements of Cash Flows, Funds with U.S. Treasury are considered cash. Ginnie Mae classifies cash flows from operations related to its programs and overall business operations (accrued interest, deferred revenue and liabilities, accounts payable and reserves) as operating activities. Ginnie Mae classifies cash flows from securities that Ginnie Mae intends to hold for investment (U.S. Government securities and mortgage loans HFI) and capital expenditures and proceeds from sale of software as investing activities. Ginnie Mae classifies cash flows from any non-federal transactions necessary to finance or fund the operations of the agency as financing activities; of which there are none. Management determines the cash flow classification at the date of purchase of a loan, whether it intends to sell (operating activity) or hold the loan for the foreseeable future (investing activity). As of fiscal year 2010, Ginnie Mae has determined that mortgage loans are held for investment. Ginnie Mae has updated the fiscal year 2010 Statement of Cash Flow to break out the increase in mortgage loans HFI as a part of the cash flows from investing activities while keeping the increase in accrued interest on mortgage loans HFI in operating activities.

**Use of Estimates:** The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Ginnie Mae has made significant estimates in a variety of areas including, but not limited to, valuation of certain financial instruments and other assets and liabilities, and establishing the reserve for loss in MBS program guaranty. While Ginnie Mae believes its estimates and assumptions are reasonable based on historical experience and other factors, actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Adoption of New Accounting Standard:** Ginnie Mae adopted the new accounting standard, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2010-6, Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements, which was effective for annual reporting period beginning after December 15, 2009. The adoption of ASU 2010-6 did not affect the financial statement results since it amends only the disclosure requirements for fair value measurements.

**Note B: U.S. Government Securities**

The U.S. Government securities portfolio is held in special market-based U.S. Treasury securities that are bought and sold at composite prices received from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. These securities are maintained in book-entry form at the Bureau of Public Debt and are made up of overnight certificates, U.S. Treasury notes, and U.S. Treasury inflation-indexed securities (reflecting inflation compensation). The coupon rates of Ginnie Mae's holdings, with a maturity of greater than one year, as of September 30, 2011, range from 0.63 percent to 2.0 percent. As of September 30, 2010, they ranged from 0.63 percent to 3.38 percent.

The amortized cost and fair values as of September 30, 2011, were as follows:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
U.S. Treasury Overnight Certificates	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
U.S. Treasury Notes	994,100	44,400	-	1,038,500
U.S. Treasury Inflation-Indexed Securities	1,132,700	56,300	-	1,189,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,126,800</b>	<b>\$ 100,700</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,227,500</b>

The amortized cost and fair values as of September 30, 2010, were as follows:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
U.S. Treasury Overnight Certificates	\$ 239,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 239,500
U.S. Treasury Notes	991,900	45,300	-	1,037,200
U.S. Treasury Inflation-Indexed Securities	2,319,800	121,300	-	2,441,100
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,551,200</b>	<b>\$ 166,600</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,717,800</b>

The amortized cost, fair value, and annual weighted average interest rates of U.S. Government securities at September 30, 2011, by contractual maturity date, were as follows:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Weighted Average Interest Rate
Due within one year	\$ -	\$ -	-
Due after one year through five years	2,126,800	2,227,500	0.16%
Due after five years through ten years	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,126,800</b>	<b>\$ 2,227,500</b>	<b>0.16%</b>

The amortized cost, fair value, and annual weighted average interest rates of U.S. Government securities at September 30, 2010, by contractual maturity date, were as follows:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Weighted Average Interest Rate
Due within one year	\$ 239,500	\$ 239,500	0.12%
Due after one year through five years	3,311,700	3,478,300	0.07%
Due after five years through ten years	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,551,200</b>	<b>\$ 3,717,800</b>	<b>0.05%</b>

Although sales of investments are rare, Ginnie Mae liquidated one of its U.S. Government securities within three months of maturity. The par value of the security sold was \$1.0 billion and the realized gain on the sale was \$24.0 million. These funds were used to repurchase mortgage loans held for investment from defaulted issuer MBS pools. See note on mortgage loans HFI regarding loan repurchases.

#### **Note C: Mortgage Loans Held for Investment, Net**

Ginnie Mae acquires mortgage loans from defaulted issuers' portfolios to effectively manage the portfolio. Ginnie Mae owns single family mortgage loans, which are secured by four or fewer residential dwelling units, multifamily mortgage loans, which are secured by five or more residential dwelling units and manufactured housing loans which fall under FHA's Title I program. Ginnie Mae classifies these loans as held for investment and records these net of allowance at the net realizable value.

During fiscal year 2011, following the guidelines outlined in the Ginnie Mae MBS Guide, a large number of loans were repurchased out of pools due to delinquencies of greater than 120 days (see Note A). Ginnie Mae also acquires mortgages ineligible to remain in pools. In addition, Ginnie Mae bought loans out of pools in order to complete modifications in accordance with FHA guidelines. During fiscal year 2011, Ginnie Mae purchased \$2.2 billion in mortgage loans out of pools, primarily in the single family defaulted portfolio and categorized these mortgage loans as HFI.



Mortgage loans HFI, net as of September 30, 2011 and 2010 were as follows:

	September 30	
	2011	2010
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>		
Single Family Mortgages	\$ 6,350,300	\$ 4,496,300
Single Family Mortgages Allowance for Loss	-	(53,000)
<b>Single Family Mortgages HFI, net</b>	<b>\$ 6,350,300</b>	<b>\$ 4,443,300</b>

	September 30	
	2011	2010
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>		
Multifamily Mortgages	\$ -	\$ -
Multifamily Mortgages Allowance for Loss	-	-
<b>Multifamily Mortgages HFI, net</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

	September 30	
	2011	2010
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>		
Manufactured Housing Mortgages	\$ -	\$ 3,000
Manufactured Housing Mortgages Allowance for Loss	-	(3,000)
<b>Manufactured Housing Mortgages HFI, net</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

	September 30	
	2011	2010
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>		
Total Mortgage Loans HFI	\$ 6,350,300	\$ 4,499,300
Total Mortgage Loans HFI Allowance for Loss	-	(56,000)
<b>Total Mortgage Loans HFI, net</b>	<b>\$ 6,350,300</b>	<b>\$ 4,443,300</b>

As discussed in Note A, Ginnie Mae assesses the collectability of mortgage loans HFI bought out of the pools of defaulted portfolios. In fiscal year 2010, Ginnie Mae did not have the ability to assess individual mortgage loans HFI and instead evaluated homogeneous loans for collectability. As such, Ginnie Mae did not consider any loans to be credit impaired in fiscal year 2010 and management did not record a loss on credit impairment on mortgage loans HFI. However, after assessing the quality of the mortgage loans in the portfolio, management determined the net recoverable value of loans was less than the gross value of mortgage loans HFI. Thus, an allowance for loan loss of \$56.0 million was recorded as of fiscal year 2010.

In fiscal year 2011, Ginnie Mae developed a module within the Policy and Financial Analysis Model (PFAM) that allowed management to evaluate mortgage loans HFI on an individual basis. As of fiscal year 2011, the concerns noted in fiscal year 2010 had been resolved and an allowance for loss on mortgage loans HFI was not recorded. In fiscal year 2011, after evaluating the mortgage loans HFI on a loan by loan basis, Ginnie Mae recorded a loss on credit impairment on mortgage loans HFI of \$178.7 million related to uninsured and VA-insured mortgage loans; this was net of the \$56.0 million previously recorded allowance for loss that was recaptured.

The net balance of credit impaired loans was approximately, \$457.6 million as of September 30, 2011.

As discussed in Note A, Ginnie Mae records accrued interest on mortgage loans HFI for interest which Ginnie Mae determines that the ultimate collectability is probable. For non-VA insured loans, Ginnie Mae recognizes interest income on an accrual basis at the debenture rate for the number of months allowed under the insuring agency's timeline. After the allowed timeline, Ginnie Mae considers these loans to be non-performing as the collection of interest is not reasonably assured, and places these loans on non-accrual status. Thus, it is important to note that non-VA insured mortgage loans HFI that are greater than 90 days delinquent continue to accrue interest during the timeline for which the insurer will reimburse Ginnie Mae. Ginnie Mae has assessed the collectability of VA and uninsured loans; these loans are non-performing and hence, are placed on nonaccrual status. In fiscal year 2011, Ginnie Mae recorded \$42.3 million in interest income on mortgage loans HFI.

**Note D: Advances against Defaulted Mortgage-Backed Security Pools, Net**

Under its MBS guaranty, Ginnie Mae advanced \$998.3 million in fiscal year 2011 and \$2.3 billion in fiscal year 2010 against defaulted MBS pools to ensure timely pass-through payments. Recoveries of advances, either from late payment remittances or through insurance or guaranty proceeds, were \$1.2 billion in fiscal year 2011 and \$1.4 billion in fiscal year 2010. There were \$0.1 million advances written off in fiscal year 2011 and \$0.4 million fiscal year 2010.

	September 30	
	2011	2010
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>		
Advances against defaulted MBS pools	\$ 873,700	\$ 1,054,300
Allowance for uncollectible advances	(220,500)	(212,200)
<b>Advances against defaulted MBS pools, net</b>	<b>\$ 653,200</b>	<b>\$ 842,100</b>

Receivables for properties for which foreclosure is complete and that have been conveyed to the insuring agency are reported in the advance category. As of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011, Ginnie Mae's foreclosure claims receivable balance was \$714.5 million of the \$873.7 million in gross advances. As of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2010, Ginnie Mae's foreclosure claims receivable balance was \$816.8 million of the \$1,054.3 million in gross advances. Ginnie Mae has calculated an allowance for uncollectible advances on the gross advances outstanding. Ginnie Mae believes the allowance for uncollectible advances is adequate to cover any potential losses related to advances against defaulted issuer pools or potential losses related to claims receivable.

**Note E: Properties Held for Sale, Net**

Properties held for sale represent assets that have been completely foreclosed upon, repossessed and Ginnie Mae has received the title of the underlying collateral. Properties held for sale, net consists of the foreclosed and repossessed property received in full satisfaction of a loan, net of a valuation allowance for declines in the fair value of foreclosed properties less estimated costs to sell. During fiscal year 2011, following guidelines outlined in the Ginnie Mae MBS Guide, \$148.9 million of loans were repurchased out of pools, primarily for the defaulted single family portfolio and categorized as properties held for sale. Balances and activity for these acquired properties were as follows:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30	
	2011	2010
Balance of properties, beginning of year	\$ 49,200	\$ 16,600
Additions	148,900	118,700
Dispositions and Losses	(190,700)	(86,100)
Balance of properties, end of year	\$ 7,400	\$ 49,200
Valuation Allowance	(4,000)	(6,900)
<b>Properties held for sale, net</b>	<b>\$ 3,400</b>	<b>\$ 42,300</b>

**Note F: Mortgage Servicing Rights**

Mortgage servicing rights represent Ginnie Mae's right and obligation to service mortgage loans in mortgage backed securities obtained from defaulted issuers. Ginnie Mae contracts with multiple master sub-servicers to provide the servicing of its mortgage loans. The servicing functions typically performed by Ginnie Mae's master sub-servicer include: collecting and remitting loan payments, responding to borrower inquiries, accounting for principal and interest, holding custodial (impound) funds for payment of property taxes and insurance premiums, counseling delinquent mortgagors, supervising foreclosures and property dispositions, and generally administering the loans. Ginnie Mae receives a weighted average servicing fee of approximately 38 basis points annually on the remaining outstanding principal balances of the loans. The servicing fees are included in and collected from the monthly payments made by the borrowers. Ginnie Mae pays a servicing fee to the master sub-servicers in consideration for servicing the loans.

The following table presents activity for residential first mortgage MSR:

	September 30
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	2011
Balance, October 1, 2010	\$ 137,700
Additions	-
Changes in Fair Value	(26,800)
<b>Balance, September 30, 2011</b>	<b>\$ 110,900</b>

	September 30
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	2010
Balance, October 1, 2009	\$ -
Additions	137,700
Changes in Fair Value	-
<b>Balance, September 30, 2010</b>	<b>\$ 137,700</b>

The net balance of Ginnie Mae's MSR of \$110.9 million is included in a table in Note G: Fair Value Measurements. Ginnie Mae uses a valuation model that calculates the present value of estimated future net servicing income to determine the fair value of MSR, which factors in prepayment risk. This approach consists of projecting servicing cash flows under multiple interest rate scenarios and discounting these cash flows using risk-adjusted discount rates.

The key economic assumptions used in valuations of MSR include weighted-average lives and prepayment rates of the MSR. The discount rate is used to discount expected cash flows in order to derive the fair value of the MSR. The discount rate assumptions reflect the market's required rate of return adjusted for the relative risk of the asset type. Discount rates assumptions are derived from a range of observed discount rate assumptions in the industry to which a risk premium is added in order to account for current credit conditions. These variables can, and generally do, change from period to period as market conditions and projected interest rates change, and could have an adverse impact on the value of the MSR and could result in a corresponding reduction in servicing income.

Key economic assumptions used in determining the fair value of the Ginnie Mae's MSR are as follows:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30	
	2011	2010
Valuation at period end:		
Fair value (thousands)	\$ 110,900	\$ 137,700
Weighted- average life (years)	3.97	2.77
Prepayment rates assumptions:		
Rate assumption	20.62%	29.90%
Impact on fair value of a 10% adverse change	(6,245)	(9,000)
Impact on fair value of a 20% adverse change	(11,875)	(16,900)
Discount rate assumptions:		
Rate assumption	12.50%	12.51%
Impact on fair value of a 10% adverse change	(3,740)	(3,600)
Impact on fair value of a 20% adverse change	(7,251)	(7,200)

These sensitivities are hypothetical and should be considered with caution. Changes in fair value based on a 10% or 20% variation in assumptions generally cannot be extrapolated because the relationship of the change in assumptions to the change in fair value may not be linear. Also, the effect of a variation in a particular assumption on the fair value is calculated without changing any other assumption. In reality, changes in one factor may result in changes in another (e.g., increased market interest rates may result in lower prepayments and increased credit losses) that could magnify or counteract the sensitivities. Further, these sensitivities show only the change in the asset balances and do not show any expected change in the fair value of the instruments used to manage the interest rates and prepayment risks associated with these assets. The primary risk of Ginnie Mae's MSRs is interest rate risk and the resulting impact on prepayments. A significant decline in interest rates could lead to higher-than-expected prepayments that could reduce the value of the MSRs.

Ginnie Mae collected \$73.0 million and \$93.7 million in mortgage servicing fees for the years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. This amount is recorded as a recovery in the reserve for loss on MBS program guaranty.

## Note G: Fair Value Measurements

Fair value measurement guidance defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures around fair value measurements. This guidance applies whenever other accounting pronouncements require or permit assets or liabilities to be measured at fair value.

The guidance establishes a three-level fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs into the valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority, Level 1, to measurements based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. The next highest priority, Level 2, is given to measurements of assets and liabilities based on limited observable inputs or observable inputs for similar assets and liabilities. The lowest priority, Level 3, is given to measurements based on unobservable inputs.

### Recurring Changes in Fair Value

The following table presents for each of these hierarchy levels, Ginnie Mae's assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis subsequent to initial recognition, including financial instruments for which Ginnie Mae has elected the fair value option:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2011			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Mortgage Servicing Rights	-	-	110,900	110,900
Total Assets at Fair Value	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,900	\$ 110,900

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2010			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Mortgage Servicing Rights	-	-	137,700	137,700
Total Assets at Fair Value	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 137,700	\$ 137,700

Total assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis and classified as Level 3 were \$110.9 million or less than 1% of Total Assets, and \$137.7 million or less than 1% of Total Assets, on the Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The following table presents a reconciliation for all assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>MSRs</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
<b>October 1, 2010</b>	\$ 137,700
Net realized losses included in Excess of Revenue over Expenses (1)	(26,800)
<b>September 30, 2011</b>	<b>\$ 110,900</b>
Unrealized gains(losses) still held	-
<b>Assets:</b>	
<b>October 1, 2009</b>	\$ -
Net realized losses included in Excess of Revenue over Expenses (1)	137,700
<b>September 30, 2010</b>	<b>\$ 137,700</b>
Unrealized gains(losses) still held	-

(1) Net realized/ unrealized gains (losses) included in Excess of Revenue over Expenses represent the periodic fair value changes of the MSR

The table below summarizes gains and losses due to changes in fair value, including both realized and unrealized gains and losses, recorded in excess of revenue over expenses for the fiscal year ended 2011 for Level 3 assets:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>Total Gains and Losses MSR</b>
Classification of gains and losses (realized/unrealized) included in Excess of Revenue over Expenses for the period:	
Loss on MSR	26,800
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 26,800</b>

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, as well as the basis for classifying these assets and liabilities as Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3. The estimated fair value was calculated using certain facts and assumptions, which vary depending on the specific financial instrument:

*Mortgage Servicing Rights* – Ginnie Mae elected fair value option for its MSR's and they are recorded on the Balance Sheets at fair value on a recurring basis. Ginnie Mae measures the fair value of MSR's based on the present value of expected cash flows of the underlying mortgage assets using management's best estimates of certain key assumptions, which include prepayment speeds, forward yield curves, adequate compensation, and discount rates commensurate with the risks involved. Changes in anticipated prepayment speeds, in particular, result in fluctuations in the estimated fair values of the master servicing rights. If actual prepayment experience differs from the anticipated rates used in the model, this may result in a material change in the fair value. MSR's are classified within Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy because significant inputs are unobservable.



### Nonrecurring Changes in Fair Value

The following tables display assets measured on the Balance Sheets at fair value on a nonrecurring basis; that is, the instruments are not measured at fair value on an ongoing basis but are subject to fair value adjustments in certain circumstances (for example, when Ginnie Mae evaluates for impairment), and the gains or losses recognized for these assets and liabilities for the years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, as a result of fair value measurements:

<b>September 30, 2011</b>				
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total Losses</b>
<b>Assets:</b>				
Properties held for sale			\$ 3,400	-

<b>September 30, 2010</b>				
<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total Losses</b>
<b>Assets:</b>				
Properties held for sale			\$ 42,300	-

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis, as well as the basis for classifying these assets and liabilities as Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3. The estimated fair value was calculated using certain facts and assumptions, which vary depending on the specific financial instrument. The same valuation methodologies are used to estimate the fair value of financial instruments not carried at fair value but disclosed as part of the fair value of financial instruments:

*Properties Held for Sale, net* – Properties held for sale, net represents foreclosed property received in full satisfaction of a loan net of a valuation allowance. Properties held for sale is initially recorded on the Balance Sheets at its fair value less its estimated cost to sell. Subsequent to initial measurement, the properties held for sale are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less estimated cost to sell. The fair value estimate is based on relevant current and historical factors available at the time of valuation. Acquired property is classified within Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy because significant inputs are unobservable.

### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The following table displays the carrying value and estimated fair value of Ginnie Mae's financial instruments as of September 30, 2011 and 2010. The fair value of financial instruments disclosed in the table includes commitments to guaranty MBS, which are off-balance sheet financial instruments as described in Note I. The fair values of these commitments are presented as "unrecognized MBS commitment".

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2011		September 30, 2010	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
<u>Financial Assets:</u>				
Funds with U.S. Treasury	\$ 7,210,300	\$ 7,210,300	\$ 6,650,500	\$ 6,650,500
U.S. Government securities	\$ 2,126,800	\$ 2,227,500	\$ 3,551,200	\$ 3,717,800
Mortgages held for investment, net	\$ 6,350,300	\$ 6,350,300	\$ 4,443,300	\$ 4,443,300
Advances against defaulted MBS Pools, net	\$ 653,200	\$ 653,200	\$ 842,100	\$ 842,100
Short sales claims receivable, net	\$ 32,300	\$ 32,300	\$ -	\$ -
Properties held for sale, net	\$ 3,400	\$ 3,400	\$ 42,300	\$ 42,300
Mortgage servicing rights	\$ 110,900	\$ 110,900	\$ 137,700	\$ 137,700
<u>Financial Liabilities:</u>				
Guaranty liability	\$ 2,175,100	\$ 2,175,100	\$ 1,103,800	\$ 1,103,800
<u>Unrecognized financial instruments:</u>				
Unrecognized MBS commitments	\$ 213,900	\$ 213,900	\$ 166,700	\$ 166,700

The following are valuation techniques for items not subject to the fair value hierarchy either because they are not measured at fair value other than for the purpose of the above table or because they are only measured at fair value at inception:

*Unrecognized MBS Commitment* – During the mortgage closing period and prior to granting its guaranty, Ginnie Mae enters into commitments to guaranty MBS. The commitment ends when the securities are issued or the commitment period expires. Ginnie Mae's risk related to outstanding commitments is much less than for the outstanding balance of MBS commitments. Outstanding MBS commitments as of September 30, 2011 and September 30, 2010 were \$102.6 billion and \$80.0 billion, respectively. If the Outstanding MBS commitments were utilized in FY 2011, Ginnie Mae's corresponding guaranty liability, its obligation to stand ready to perform on these securities, would be approximately \$213.9 million as of September 30, 2011 and \$166.7 million, respectively; these are shown as unrecognized MBS commitments.

*Guaranty Liability* – Ginnie Mae initially recognizes a guaranty liability at fair value for its obligation to stand ready to perform on these upon issuance of a guaranty. The fair value of guaranty liabilities is measured based on the unpaid principal balance of the guaranteed MBSs outstanding in the non-defaulted issuer portfolio which results from new issuances of MBSs, scheduled run-offs of MBSs, prepayments and defaults. Subsequently, the guaranty liability is measured by a systematic and rational amortization method.

Ginnie Mae's standing as a federal government corporation whose guaranty carries the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government makes it difficult to determine what the fair value of its financial instruments would be in the private market. Therefore, the fair values presented in the table above do not purport to present the net realizable, liquidation, or market value as a whole. Furthermore, amounts Ginnie Mae ultimately realizes from the disposition of assets or settlement of liabilities may vary significantly from the fair values presented.

**Note H: Reserve for Loss on MBS Program Guaranty**

Ginnie Mae establishes a reserve for loss through a provision charged to operations when, in management's judgment, losses associated with existing defaulted issuers or new issuer defaults are probable and estimable. In estimating losses, management utilizes a statistically-based model that evaluates numerous factors, including, but not limited to, general and regional economic conditions, mortgage characteristics, and actual and expected future default and loan loss experience. Ginnie Mae's Reserve for Loss on MBS Program Guaranty is made up of the three components:

- a. Reserve for currently defaulted issuers' pooled loans - loss contingency that arises from the guaranty obligation that Ginnie Mae has to the MBS holders subsequent to issuer default. Ginnie Mae is obligated to make timely principal and interest payments to investors subsequent to issuer default even if Ginnie Mae is unable to collect payments for the underlying loans from the homeowners or insuring agencies. Accordingly, GNMA records a reserve for the loss contingency that arises from the net present value of cash outflows being in excess of cash inflows as related to the defaulted issuer pooled loans.
- b. Reserve for currently defaulted issuers' non-pooled loans – loss contingency related to any non-recoverable foreclosure costs that arise from the Mortgage Loans Held for Investment and Properties Held for Sale. Ginnie Mae records the net present value for the estimated non-recoverable foreclosure costs that arise as part of the guaranty fulfillment for the MBS program.
- c. Reserve for probable issuer defaults – loss contingency that arises from the guaranty obligation that Ginnie Mae has to the MBS holders as a result of a probable issuer default. The issuers have the obligation to make timely principal and interest payments to investors, however, in the event whereby the issuer defaults, Ginnie Mae steps in and

continues to make the contractual payments to investors. Ginnie Mae estimates the amount of reserve by determining the net present value of cash outflows and inflows for issuers that are determined to be probable defaults. For the issuers who are identified as probable defaults, Ginnie Mae records a contingent liability for the amount of these cash flows in the Reserve.

Management also considers uncertainties related to estimates in the reserve setting process. When losses are confirmed and realized on the defaulted issuers' portfolios, Ginnie Mae records the amounts as charged-off (debit) to the reserve. Ginnie Mae recovers part of its losses through servicing fees on the performing portion of the portfolios which are recorded as a recovery (credit) to the reserve. As Ginnie Mae's defaulted issuer portfolio changes, original estimates are compared with actual results over time and the reserve's adequacy is assessed and adjusted as necessary. Management believes that its reserve is adequate to cover probable and estimable losses on the MBS program guaranty.

Changes in the reserve for the years ended September 30, 2011, and 2010 were as follows:

<i>(Dollars in thousands)</i>	Single Family		Multifamily		Manufactured Housing		Total	
<b>Reserve for Loss</b>								
<b>September 30, 2009</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>445,300</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>58,700</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>55,900</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>559,900</b>
Provision for losses		721,100		1,500		7,400		730,000
Charge-offs		(541,800)		(122,600)		(10,700)		(675,100)
Recoveries		261,500		123,700		4,900		390,100
<b>Reserve for Loss</b>								
<b>September 30, 2010</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>886,100</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>61,300</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>57,500</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,004,900</b>
Provision for losses		(287,400)		(61,300)		(58,300)		(407,000)
Charge-offs		(296,200)		-		(1,300)		(297,500)
Recoveries		91,700				3,700		95,400
<b>Reserve for Loss</b>								
<b>September 30, 2011</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>394,200</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,600</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>395,800</b>

Ginnie Mae incurs losses when FHA, USDA, VA, and PIH insurance and guaranty proceeds do not cover losses that result from issuer defaults.

In fiscal year 2011, Ginnie Mae recaptured a portion of its previous Reserve for Losses on MBS Program Guaranty. The recapture was the result of an assessment of the adequacy of the reserve. In addition, as loans were bought of pools and recognized on the balance sheet, losses for credit impairment and allowances were recorded to depict these assets at the amounts that were collectible.

During fiscal year 2011, Ginnie Mae defaulted one single family issuer with a portfolio of \$0.5 million. Ginnie Mae has included this issuer in its calculation of the reserve for loss for existing defaulted issuers. Ginnie Mae believes that the Reserve for Loss on MBS Program Guaranty is adequate to cover probable and estimable guaranty related losses.

**Note I: Financial Guarantees and Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk**

Ginnie Mae guarantees the timely payment of principal and interest to MBS holders in the event of issuer defaults and, in exchange, receives guaranty fees from the issuers. The guaranty fee is calculated based on the unpaid principal balance of outstanding MBS in the non-defaulted issuer portfolio and is Ginnie Mae's compensation for taking on the risk. The MBS securities are backed by pools of insured or guaranteed FHA, USDA, VA, or PIH mortgage loans. Ginnie Mae recognizes a guaranty asset upon issuance of a guaranty and also recognizes a guaranty obligation for its obligation to stand ready to perform on these guarantees. The guaranty liability recognized on the Balance Sheets is \$2,175.1 million and \$1,103.8 million as of September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. In addition to the guaranty obligation, Ginnie Mae recognizes a reserve for loss on MBS program guaranty for estimable and probable losses in relation to these guarantees (See Note H).

For those guarantees recognized on the Balance Sheets, Ginnie Mae's maximum potential exposure under these guarantees is primarily comprised of the amount of MBS securities outstanding. On September 30, 2011, the amount of securities outstanding, which is guaranteed by Ginnie Mae, was \$1.2 trillion, including \$8.8 million of Ginnie Mae-guaranteed bonds. However, Ginnie Mae's potential loss is considerably less because of the financial strength of our issuers. Additionally, in the event of default, the underlying mortgages serve as primary collateral, and FHA, USDA, VA, and PIH insurance or guaranty indemnifies Ginnie Mae for most losses. The Ginnie Mae guaranteed security is a pass-through security whereby mortgage principal and interest payments, except for servicing and guaranty fees, are passed through to the security holders monthly. Mortgage prepayments are also passed through to security holders. As a result of the security's structure, Ginnie Mae bears no interest rate or liquidity risk. Ginnie Mae's exposure to credit loss is contingent on the nonperformance of Ginnie Mae issuers. Other than those issuers considered in the reserve for loss on the MBS program, Ginnie Mae does not anticipate nonperformance by the counterparties.

Ginnie Mae is also subject to credit risk for its outstanding commitments to guarantee MBS which are not reflected in its Balance Sheets in the normal course of operations. During the mortgage closing period and prior to granting its guaranty, Ginnie Mae enters into commitments to guarantee MBS. The commitment ends when the securities are issued or the commitment period expires. Ginnie Mae's risk related to guarantee commitments is much less than for the commitment amount authorized, due in part to Ginnie Mae's ability to limit commitment authority granted to individual MBS issuers.

Outstanding MBS and commitments were as follows:

<i>(Dollars in billions)</i>	September 30	
	2011	2010
Outstanding MBS	\$ 1,221.7	\$ 1,046.2
Outstanding MBS Commitments	\$ 102.6	\$ 80.0

The Ginnie Mae MBS serves as the underlying collateral for multiclass products, such as Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduits (REMICs), Callable Trusts, Platinums, and Stripped Mortgage-Backed Securities (“SMBS”), for which Ginnie Mae also guarantees the timely payment of principal and interest. These structured transactions allow the private sector to combine and restructure cash flows from Ginnie Mae MBS into securities that meet unique investor requirements for yield, maturity, and call-option features.

In fiscal year 2011, Ginnie Mae issued a total of \$153.0 billion in its multiclass securities program. The estimated outstanding balance of multiclass securities included in the outstanding MBS balance as of September 30, 2011, was \$547.5 billion. These guaranteed securities do not subject Ginnie Mae to additional credit risk beyond that assumed under the MBS program.

#### **Note J: Concentrations of Credit Risk**

Concentrations of credit risk exist when a significant number of counterparties (for example, issuers and borrowers) engage in similar activities or are susceptible to similar changes in economic conditions that could affect their ability to meet contractual obligations. Generally, Ginnie Mae’s MBS pools are diversified among issuers and geographic areas. No significant geographic concentrations of credit risk exist; however, to a limited extent, securities are concentrated among issuers. It is important to note that many of Ginnie Mae’s largest performing issuers are regulated institutions and as such are subjected to regulation and reviews by other government entities in addition to monitoring by Ginnie Mae.

Concentrations of credit risk are as noted below, as of September 30, 2011:

	Single Family		Multifamily		Manufactured Housing		Home Equity Conversion (HECM/HMBS)	
	Number of Issuers	Remaining Principal Balance	Number of Issuers	Remaining Principal Balance	Number of Issuers	Remaining Principal Balance	Number of Issuers	Remaining Principal Balance
<i>(Dollars in billions)</i>								
Largest performing issuers	25	\$ 1,069.2	17	\$ 49.3	1	\$ 0.3	8	\$ 27.8
Other performing issuers	145	\$ 51.9	39	\$ 8.8	2	\$ -	0	\$ -
Defaulted issuers	21	\$ 14.9	1	\$ -	3	\$ -	0	\$ -

As of September 30, 2011, Ginnie Mae's single family, multifamily, and manufactured housing defaulted portfolio had remaining principal balances of \$14.9 billion, \$60.8 thousand, and \$1.3 million, respectively.

#### **Note K: Commitments and Contingencies**

As of September 30, 2011, and as of this report, Ginnie Mae's Office of General Counsel has identified one pending or threatened action or unasserted claim or assessment in which Ginnie Mae's exposure is \$1,000,000, individually, or in the aggregate for similar matters. Additionally, Ginnie Mae's Office of General Counsel has determined that there are no pending or threatened actions or unasserted claims or assessments in which Ginnie Mae's potential loss exceeds \$3,000,000 in the aggregate for cases not listed individually or as part of similar cases that could be material to the financial statements. In the opinion of Ginnie Mae's management and Office of General Counsel the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome is remote in the case. It is the opinion of Ginnie Mae that the disposition or ultimate resolution of the case will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position of Ginnie Mae. Ginnie Mae's management recognizes the uncertainties that could occur in regard to potential defaulted issuers and other indirect guarantees.

#### **Note L: Related Parties**

Ginnie Mae is subject to controls established by government corporation control laws (31 U.S.C. Chapter 91) and management controls by the Secretary of HUD and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). These controls could affect Ginnie Mae's financial position or operating results in a manner that differs from those that might have been obtained if Ginnie Mae were autonomous.

Ginnie Mae was authorized to use \$12.8 million during fiscal year 2011 for payroll and payroll-related costs only. During fiscal year 2011, Ginnie Mae incurred \$11.0 million, net, for Salaries and Expenses including payroll and payroll-related costs. This covered the payroll-related costs

to HUD including the contributions to the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) and the Federal Employees' Retirement System (FERS). Ginnie Mae has no liability for future payments to employees under the retirement systems. Ginnie Mae does not account for the assets of CSRS or FERS nor does it have actuarial data with respect to accumulated plan benefits or the unfunded pension liability relative to its employees. These amounts are reported by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) and are allocated to HUD. OPM also accounts for the health and life insurance programs for federal employees and retirees and funds the non-employee portion of these programs' costs.

Cash receipts, disbursements, and investment activities are processed by the U.S. Treasury. Funds with U.S. Treasury represent cash currently available to finance purchase commitments and pay current liabilities. Ginnie Mae has authority to borrow from the U.S. Treasury to finance operations in lieu of appropriations, if necessary.

#### **Note M: Credit Reform**

The Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, which became effective on October 1, 1991, was enacted to more accurately measure the cost of federal credit programs and to place the cost of these credit programs on a basis equivalent with other federal spending. Credit reform focuses on credit programs that operate at a loss by providing for appropriated funding, within budgetary limitations, to subsidize the loss element of the credit program. Negative subsidies, calculated for credit programs operating at a profit, normally result in the return of funds to the U.S. Treasury. OMB specifies the methodology an agency is to follow in accounting for the cash flows of its credit programs.

Ginnie Mae's credit activities have historically operated at a profit. Ginnie Mae has not incurred borrowings or received appropriations to finance its credit operations. As of September 30, 2011, the U.S. Government has an investment of \$15.8 billion in Ginnie Mae. Pursuant to the statutory provisions under which Ginnie Mae operates, its net earnings are used to build sound reserves. In the opinion of management and HUD's general counsel, Ginnie Mae is not subject to the Federal Credit Reform Act.

#### **Note N: Subsequent Events**

Ginnie Mae management has evaluated subsequent events through November 4, 2011, the date through which the financial statements were made available to be issued.

On October 11, 2011, Ginnie Mae defaulted a single family issuer with a remaining principal balance of \$490.5 million. The contingent liability associated with this default has been included in the reserve for loss on MBS program guaranty recorded on the Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2011.



On November 1, 2011, Ginnie Mae defaulted, without extinguishment, a single family issuer with a remaining principal balance of \$411.4 million.

During October 2011, Ginnie Mae repurchased approximately \$345.3 million of loans out of the defaulted MBS pools. Ginnie Mae management has determined that the repurchase will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position of Ginnie Mae.