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CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION REPORTS 4TH QUARTER 2023 EARNINGS

NEW YORK - (BUSINESS WIRE) - Chimera Investment Corporation (NYSE:CIM) today announced its financial results for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2023.

Financial Highlights:

- 4TH QUARTER GAAP NET INCOME OF \$0.05 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- 4TH QUARTER EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION⁽¹⁾ OF \$0.13 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- FULL YEAR GAAP NET INCOME OF \$52 MILLION, OR \$0.23 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- FULL YEAR EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION⁽¹⁾ OF \$119 MILLION, OR \$0.51 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- GAAP BOOK VALUE OF \$6.75 PER COMMON SHARE

“During 2023, we lowered our recourse debt by \$1.0 billion and took advantage of our ability to re-lever our existing securitizations and to access the capital markets to acquire new assets,” said Phillip J. Kardis, CEO. “We believe that lowering our recourse debt and acquiring high-yielding assets will benefit our shareholders over the long run.”

(1) Earnings available for distribution per adjusted diluted common share is a non-GAAP measure. See additional discussion on page 6.

Other Information

Chimera Investment Corporation is a publicly traded real estate investment trust, or REIT, that is primarily engaged in the business of investing directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries, on a leveraged basis, in a diversified portfolio of mortgage assets, including residential mortgage loans, Non-Agency RMBS, Agency CMBS, Agency RMBS, and other real estate related securities.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)
(Unaudited)

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 221,684	\$ 264,600
Non-Agency RMBS, at fair value (net of allowance for credit losses of \$19 million and \$7 million, respectively)	1,043,806	1,147,481
Agency MBS, at fair value	102,484	430,944
Loans held for investment, at fair value	11,397,046	11,359,236
Accrued interest receivable	76,960	61,768
Other assets	87,018	133,866
Derivatives, at fair value	—	4,096
Total assets ⁽¹⁾	\$ 12,928,998	\$ 13,401,991
Liabilities:		
Secured financing agreements (\$3.6 billion and \$4.7 billion pledged as collateral, respectively, and includes \$350 million and \$374 million at fair value, respectively)	\$ 2,432,115	\$ 3,434,765
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS (\$249 million and \$276 million pledged as collateral, respectively)	75,012	78,542
Securitized debt at fair value, collateralized by Loans held for investment (\$10.7 billion and \$10.0 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)	7,601,881	7,100,742
Payable for investments purchased	158,892	9,282
Accrued interest payable	38,272	30,696
Dividends payable	54,552	64,545
Accounts payable and other liabilities	9,355	16,616
Total liabilities ⁽¹⁾	\$ 10,370,079	\$ 10,735,188
Stockholders' Equity:		
Preferred Stock, par value of \$0.01 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized:		
8.00% Series A cumulative redeemable: 5,800,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$145,000 liquidation preference)	\$ 58	\$ 58
8.00% Series B cumulative redeemable: 13,000,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$325,000 liquidation preference)	130	130
7.75% Series C cumulative redeemable: 10,400,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$260,000 liquidation preference)	104	104
8.00% Series D cumulative redeemable: 8,000,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$200,000 liquidation preference)	80	80
Common stock: par value \$0.01 per share; 500,000,000 shares authorized, 241,360,656 and 231,824,192 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	2,414	2,318
Additional paid-in-capital	4,368,520	4,318,388
Accumulated other comprehensive income	185,668	229,345
Cumulative earnings	4,165,046	4,038,942
Cumulative distributions to stockholders	(6,163,101)	(5,922,562)
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 2,558,919	\$ 2,666,803
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 12,928,998	\$ 13,401,991

(1) The Company's consolidated statements of financial condition include assets of consolidated variable interest entities, or VIEs, that can only be used to settle obligations and liabilities of the VIE for which creditors do not have recourse to the primary beneficiary (Chimera Investment Corporation). As of December 31, 2023, and December 31, 2022, total assets of consolidated VIEs were \$10,501,840 and \$10,199,266, respectively, and total liabilities of consolidated VIEs were \$7,349,109 and \$6,772,125, respectively.

Net Income (Loss)

(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

(unaudited)

	For the Year Ended		
	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Net interest income:			
Interest income ⁽¹⁾	\$ 772,904	\$ 773,121	\$ 937,546
Interest expense ⁽²⁾	509,541	333,293	326,628
Net interest income	263,363	439,828	610,918
Increase (decrease) in provision for credit losses	11,371	7,037	33
Other investment gains (losses):			
Net unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives	(6,411)	(1,482)	—
Realized gains (losses) on derivatives	(40,957)	(561)	—
Periodic interest cost of swaps, net	17,167	(1,752)	—
Net gains (losses) on derivatives	(30,201)	(3,795)	—
Net unrealized gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value	34,373	(736,899)	437,357
Net realized gains (losses) on sales of investments	(31,234)	(76,473)	45,313
Gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt	3,875	(2,897)	(283,556)
Other investment gains (losses)	1,091	(1,866)	—
Total other gains (losses)	(22,096)	(821,930)	199,114
Other expenses:			
Compensation and benefits	30,570	49,378	46,823
General and administrative expenses	25,117	22,651	22,246
Servicing and asset manager fees	32,624	36,005	36,555
Transaction expenses	15,379	16,146	29,856
Total other expenses	103,690	124,180	135,480
Income (loss) before income taxes	126,206	(513,319)	674,519
Income taxes	102	(253)	4,405
Net income (loss)	\$ 126,104	\$ (513,066)	\$ 670,114
Dividends on preferred stock	73,750	73,765	73,764
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$ 52,354	\$ (586,831)	\$ 596,350
Net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders:			
Basic	\$ 0.23	\$ (2.51)	\$ 2.55
Diluted	\$ 0.23	\$ (2.51)	\$ 2.44
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:			
Basic	230,057,356	233,938,745	233,770,474
Diluted	232,617,866	233,938,745	245,496,926

(1) Includes interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$593,384, \$551,253, and \$586,580 for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively.

(2) Includes interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$282,542, \$197,823, and \$203,135 for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

(Unaudited)

	For the Year Ended		
	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Comprehensive income (loss):			
Net income (loss)	\$ 126,104	\$ (513,066)	\$ 670,114
Other comprehensive income:			
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, net	(44,990)	(175,709)	(115,926)
Reclassification adjustment for net realized losses (gains) included in net income	1,313	—	(37,116)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (43,677)	\$ (175,709)	\$ (153,042)
Comprehensive income (loss) before preferred stock dividends	\$ 82,427	\$ (688,775)	\$ 517,072
Dividends on preferred stock	\$ 73,750	\$ 73,765	\$ 73,764
Comprehensive income (loss) available to common stock shareholders	\$ 8,677	\$ (762,540)	\$ 443,308

Earnings available for distribution

Earnings available for distribution is a non-GAAP measure and is defined as GAAP net income excluding unrealized gains or losses on financial instruments carried at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in earnings, realized gains or losses on the sales of investments, gains or losses on the extinguishment of debt, changes in the provision for credit losses, other gains or losses on equity investments, and transaction expenses incurred. Transaction expenses are primarily comprised of costs only incurred at the time of execution of our securitizations and certain structured secured financing agreements and include costs such as underwriting fees, legal fees, diligence fees, bank fees and other similar transaction related expenses. These costs are all incurred prior to or at the execution of the transaction and do not recur. Recurring expenses, such as servicing fees, custodial fees, trustee fees and other similar ongoing fees are not excluded from earnings available for distribution. We believe that excluding these costs is useful to investors as it is generally consistent with our peer groups treatment of these costs in their non-GAAP measures presentation, mitigates period to period comparability issues tied to the timing of securitization and structured finance transactions, and is consistent with the accounting for the deferral of debt issue costs prior to the fair value election option made by us. In addition, we believe it is important for investors to review this metric which is consistent with how management internally evaluates the performance of the Company. Stock compensation expense charges incurred on awards to retirement eligible employees is reflected as an expense over a vesting period (generally 36 months) rather than reported as an immediate expense.

Earnings available for distribution is the Economic net interest income, as defined previously, reduced by compensation and benefits expenses (adjusted for awards to retirement eligible employees), general and administrative expenses, servicing and asset manager fees, income tax benefits or expenses incurred during the period, as well as the preferred dividend charges.

We view Earnings available for distribution as one measure of our investment portfolio's ability to generate income for distribution to common stockholders. Earnings available for distribution is one of the metrics, but not the exclusive metric, that our Board of Directors uses to determine the amount, if any, of dividends on our common stock. Other metrics that our Board of Directors may consider when determining the amount, if any, of dividends on our common stock include (among others) REIT taxable income, dividend yield, book value, cash generated from the portfolio, reinvestment opportunities and other cash needs. In addition, Earnings available for distribution is different than REIT taxable income and the determination of whether we have met the requirement to distribute at least 90% of our annual REIT taxable income (subject to certain adjustments) to our stockholders in order to maintain qualification as a REIT is not based on Earnings available for distribution. Therefore, Earnings available for distribution should not be considered as an indication of our REIT taxable income, a guaranty of our ability to pay dividends, or as a proxy for the amount of dividends we may pay. We believe Earnings available for distribution as described above helps us and investors evaluate our financial performance period over period without the impact of certain transactions. Therefore, Earnings available for distribution should not be viewed in isolation and is not a substitute for net income or net income per basic share computed in accordance with GAAP. In addition, our methodology for calculating Earnings available for distribution may differ from the methodologies employed by other REITs to calculate the same or similar supplemental performance measures, and accordingly, our Earnings available for distribution may not be comparable to the Earnings available for distribution reported by other REITs.

The following table provides GAAP measures of net income and net income per diluted share available to common stockholders for the periods presented and details with respect to reconciling the line items to Earnings available for distribution and related per average diluted common share amounts. Earnings available for distribution is presented on an adjusted dilutive shares basis.

	For the Quarters Ended				
	December 31, 2023	September 30, 2023	June 30, 2023	March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
	(dollars in thousands, except per share data)				
GAAP Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ 12,104	\$ (16,268)	\$ 17,586	\$ 38,928	\$ 78,716
Adjustments:					
Net unrealized (gains) losses on financial instruments at fair value	(6,815)	43,988	(6,954)	(64,592)	(112,026)
Net realized (gains) losses on sales of investments	3,752	460	21,758	5,264	39,443
(Gains) losses on extinguishment of debt	2,473	—	(4,039)	(2,309)	—
Increase (decrease) in provision for credit losses	2,330	3,217	2,762	3,062	3,834
Net unrealized (gains) losses on derivatives	15,871	(17)	(17,994)	8,551	10,171
Realized gains (losses) on derivatives	—	—	6,822	34,134	561
Transaction expenses	425	90	8,456	6,409	3,274
Stock Compensation expense for retirement eligible awards	(391)	(392)	(388)	2,141	(309)
Other investment (gains) losses	986	(2,381)	421	(117)	2,383
Earnings available for distribution	\$ 30,735	\$ 28,697	\$ 28,430	\$ 31,471	\$ 26,047
GAAP net income (loss) per diluted common share	\$ 0.05	\$ (0.07)	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.34
Earnings available for distribution per adjusted diluted common share	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.11

The following tables provide a summary of the Company's MBS portfolio at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022.

December 31, 2023						
	Principal or Notional Value at Period-End (dollars in thousands)	Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis	Weighted Average Fair Value	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period- End ⁽¹⁾	
Non-Agency RMBS						
Senior	\$ 1,073,632	\$ 45.69	62.98	5.7 %	17.3 %	
Subordinated	583,049	50.92	47.49	3.3 %	6.7 %	
Interest-only	2,874,680	5.49	3.16	0.5 %	4.2 %	
Agency RMBS						
Interest-only	392,284	4.90	3.83	0.1 %	5.7 %	
Agency CMBS						
Project loans	86,572	101.44	91.46	4.0 %	3.8 %	
Interest-only	478,239	1.62	1.73	0.5 %	8.2 %	

(1) Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

December 31, 2022

	Principal or Notional Value at Period-End (dollars in thousands)	Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis	Weighted Average Fair Value	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period- End ⁽¹⁾
Non-Agency RMBS					
Senior	\$ 1,153,458	\$ 46.09	\$ 66.05	5.3 %	16.4 %
Subordinated	439,591	68.60	65.27	4.2 %	6.8 %
Interest-only	3,286,545	4.95	3.01	0.6 %	5.3 %
Agency RMBS					
Interest-only	409,940	4.58	3.70	0.9 %	5.0 %
Agency CMBS					
Project loans	302,685	101.85	95.62	4.3 %	4.1 %
Interest-only	2,669,396	5.23	4.73	0.7 %	3.4 %

(1) Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

At December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the secured financing agreements collateralized by MBS and Loans held for investment had the following remaining maturities and borrowing rates.

	December 31, 2023			December 31, 2022		
	(dollars in thousands)					
	Principal	Weighted Average Borrowing Rates	Range of Borrowing Rates	Principal ⁽¹⁾	Weighted Average Borrowing Rates	Range of Borrowing Rates
Overnight	\$ —	N/A	N/A	\$ —	N/A	NA
1 to 29 days	\$ 272,490	7.35%	6.30% - 8.22%	\$ 493,918	4.66%	3.63% - 6.16%
30 to 59 days	495,636	6.68%	5.58% - 7.87%	762,768	6.14%	4.60% - 7.34%
60 to 89 days	305,426	7.17%	5.93% - 7.85%	225,497	6.04%	4.70% - 7.12%
90 to 119 days	54,376	7.46%	6.59% - 7.80%	43,180	6.54%	5.50% - 6.70%
120 to 180 days	105,727	7.09%	6.72% - 7.80%	401,638	5.88%	5.57% - 6.92%
180 days to 1 year	39,620	7.06%	6.66% - 7.39%	402,283	6.06%	5.63% - 6.64%
1 to 2 years	808,601	9.36%	8.36% - 12.50%	251,286	13.98%	13.98% - 13.98%
2 to 3 years	—	—%	0.00% - 0.00%	480,022	8.07%	8.07% - 8.07%
Greater than 3 years	362,215	5.11%	5.10% - 7.15%	382,839	5.14%	5.10% - 6.07%
Total	\$ 2,444,091	7.51%		\$ 3,443,431	6.61%	

(1) The outstanding balance for secured financing agreements in the table above is net of \$1 million of deferred financing cost as of December 31, 2022.

The following table summarizes certain characteristics of our portfolio at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022.

	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022	
GAAP Leverage at period-end	4.0:1		4.0:1	
GAAP Leverage at period-end (recourse)	1.0:1		1.3:1	
	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Portfolio Composition	Amortized Cost		Fair Value	
Non-Agency RMBS	7.5 %	7.5 %	8.3 %	8.9 %
Senior	4.0 %	4.0 %	5.4 %	5.9 %
Subordinated	2.3 %	2.3 %	2.2 %	2.2 %
Interest-only	1.2 %	1.2 %	0.7 %	0.8 %
Agency RMBS	0.2 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %
Interest-only	0.2 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %
Agency CMBS	0.7 %	3.3 %	0.7 %	3.2 %
Project loans	0.6 %	2.3 %	0.6 %	2.2 %
Interest-only	0.1 %	1.0 %	0.1 %	1.0 %
Loans held for investment	91.6 %	89.1 %	90.9 %	87.8 %
Fixed-rate percentage of portfolio	96.5 %	96.5 %	95.9 %	95.6 %
Adjustable-rate percentage of portfolio	3.5 %	3.5 %	4.1 %	4.4 %

Economic Net Interest Income

Our Economic net interest income is a non-GAAP financial measure that equals GAAP net interest income adjusted for net periodic interest cost of interest rate swaps and excludes interest earned on cash. For the purpose of computing economic net interest income and ratios relating to cost of funds measures throughout this section, interest expense includes net payments on our interest rate swaps, which is presented as a part of Net gains (losses) on derivatives in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. Interest rate swaps are used to manage the increase in interest paid on secured financing agreements in a rising rate environment. Presenting the net contractual interest payments on interest rate swaps with the interest paid on interest-bearing liabilities reflects our total contractual interest payments. We believe this presentation is useful to investors because it depicts the economic value of our investment strategy by showing all components of interest expense and net interest income of our investment portfolio. However, Economic net interest income should not be viewed in isolation and is not a substitute for net interest income computed in accordance with GAAP. Where indicated, interest expense, adjusting for any interest earned on cash, is referred to as Economic interest expense. Where indicated, net interest income reflecting net periodic interest cost of interest rate swaps and any interest earned on cash, is referred to as Economic net interest income.

The following table reconciles the Economic net interest income to GAAP net interest income and Economic interest expense to GAAP interest expense for the periods presented.

	GAAP Interest Income	GAAP Interest Expense	Periodic Interest Cost of Interest Rate Swaps	Economic Interest Expense	GAAP Net Interest Income	Periodic Interest Cost of Interest Rate Swaps	Other ⁽¹⁾	Economic Net Interest Income
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023	\$ 772,904	\$ 509,541	\$ (17,167)	\$ 492,374	\$ 263,363	\$ 17,167	\$ (9,871)	\$ 270,659
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022	\$ 773,121	\$ 333,293	\$ 1,752	\$ 335,045	\$ 439,828	\$ (1,752)	\$ (2,505)	\$ 435,571
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021	\$ 937,546	\$ 326,628	\$ —	\$ 324,354	\$ 610,918	\$ —	\$ 2,208	\$ 613,126
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2023	\$ 191,204	\$ 126,553	\$ (5,296)	\$ 121,257	\$ 64,651	\$ 5,296	\$ (1,651)	\$ 68,296
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2023	\$ 195,591	\$ 132,193	\$ (4,894)	\$ 127,299	\$ 63,398	\$ 4,894	\$ (2,301)	\$ 65,991
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2023	\$ 196,859	\$ 131,181	\$ (4,159)	\$ 127,022	\$ 65,678	\$ 4,159	\$ (2,884)	\$ 66,953
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2023	\$ 189,250	\$ 119,615	\$ (2,819)	\$ 116,796	\$ 69,635	\$ 2,819	\$ (3,035)	\$ 69,419

(1) Primarily interest income on cash and cash equivalents and interest expense on Long-term debt.

The table below shows our average earning assets held, interest earned on assets, yield on average interest earning assets, average debt balance, economic interest expense, economic average cost of funds, economic net interest income, and net interest rate spread for the periods presented.

	For the Quarter Ended								
	December 31, 2023			September 30, 2023			December 31, 2022		
	(dollars in thousands)			(dollars in thousands)			(dollars in thousands)		
	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Cost
Assets:									
Interest-earning assets ⁽¹⁾:									
Agency RMBS	\$ 19,136	\$ 303	6.3 %	\$ 18,990	\$ 234	4.9 %	\$ 31,542	\$ 346	4.4 %
Agency CMBS	105,270	1,138	4.3 %	124,094	1,701	5.5 %	441,421	4,291	3.9 %
Non-Agency RMBS	950,366	29,611	12.5 %	961,257	28,826	12.0 %	1,013,693	29,304	11.6 %
Loans held for investment	11,882,662	158,501	5.3 %	12,188,221	162,530	5.3 %	12,075,239	151,478	5.0 %
Total	\$12,957,434	\$ 189,553	5.9 %	\$13,292,562	\$ 193,290	5.8 %	\$13,561,895	\$ 185,419	5.5 %
Liabilities and stockholders'									
Interest-bearing liabilities ⁽²⁾:									
Secured financing agreements collateralized by:									
Agency RMBS	\$ —	\$ —	— %	\$ —	\$ —	— %	\$ 4,547	\$ 46	4.0 %
Agency CMBS	75,847	1,071	5.6 %	90,205	1,200	5.3 %	358,914	3,464	3.9 %
Non-Agency RMBS	710,550	13,561	7.6 %	742,579	17,769	9.6 %	788,795	13,275	6.7 %
Loans held for investment	1,761,188	30,298	6.9 %	1,832,445	29,896	6.5 %	1,971,144	33,776	6.9 %
Securitized debt	8,422,017	76,327	3.6 %	8,663,773	78,434	3.6 %	8,056,913	57,959	2.9 %
Total	\$10,969,602	\$ 121,257	4.4 %	\$11,329,002	\$ 127,299	4.5 %	\$11,180,313	\$ 108,520	3.9 %
Economic net interest income/net interest rate spread		\$ 68,296	1.5 %		\$ 65,991	1.3 %		\$ 76,899	1.6 %
Net interest-earning assets/net interest margin	\$ 1,987,832		2.1 %	\$ 1,963,560		2.0 %	\$ 2,381,582		2.3 %
Ratio of interest-earning assets to interest bearing liabilities	1.18			1.17			1.21		

(1) Interest-earning assets at amortized cost

(2) Interest includes periodic net interest cost on swaps

The table below shows our Net Income and Economic net interest income as a percentage of average stockholders' equity and Earnings available for distribution as a percentage of average common stockholders' equity. Return on average equity is defined as our GAAP net income (loss) as a percentage of average equity. Average equity is defined as the average of our beginning and ending stockholders' equity balance for the period reported. Economic Net Interest Income and Earnings available for distribution are non-GAAP measures as defined in previous sections.

	Return on Average Equity	Economic Net Interest Income/Average Equity	Earnings available for distribution/Average Common Equity
(Ratios have been annualized)			
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023	4.87 %	10.45 %	7.19 %
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022	(16.69)%	14.17 %	11.96 %
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021	18.05 %	16.52 %	15.42 %
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2023	4.84 %	10.81 %	7.70 %
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2023	0.34 %	10.40 %	7.14 %
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2023	5.51 %	10.24 %	6.75 %
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2023	8.63 %	10.45 %	7.28 %

The following table presents changes to Accretable Discount (net of premiums) as it pertains to our Non-Agency RMBS portfolio, excluding premiums on interest-only investments, during the previous five quarters.

For the Quarters Ended (dollars in thousands)					
Accretable Discount (Net of Premiums)	December 31, 2023	September 30, 2023	June 30, 2023	March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 147,252	\$ 145,322	\$ 157,253	\$ 176,635	\$ 207,812
Accretion of discount	(12,840)	(9,022)	(10,620)	(11,663)	(11,128)
Purchases	—	(9)	—	—	—
Sales	—	—	—	—	(17,935)
Elimination in consolidation	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers from/(to) credit reserve, net	5,325	10,961	(1,311)	(7,719)	(2,114)
Balance, end of period	\$ 139,737	\$ 147,252	\$ 145,322	\$ 157,253	\$ 176,635

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