

M&T Bank Corporation Announces Second Quarter Results

BUFFALO, N.Y., July 12, 2006 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- M&T Bank Corporation ("M&T")(NYSE: MTB) today reported its results of operations for the guarter ended June 30, 2006.

GAAP Results of Operations. Diluted earnings per share measured in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") for the second quarter of 2006 were \$1.87, up 11% from \$1.69 in the year-earlier period. GAAP-basis net income in the recent quarter totaled \$213 million, 8% higher than \$197 million in the second quarter of 2005. GAAP-basis net income for 2006's second quarter expressed as an annualized rate of return on average assets and average common stockholders' equity was 1.54% and 14.35%, respectively, compared with 1.46% and 13.73%, respectively, in the corresponding quarter of 2005.

For the first half of 2006, GAAP-basis diluted earnings per share were \$3.64, 10% higher than \$3.31 in the similar 2005 period. On the same basis, net income for the first two quarters of 2006 totaled \$415 million, up 8% from \$386 million in the first half of 2005. GAAP-basis net income for the six- month period ended June 30, 2006 expressed as an annualized rate of return on average assets and average common stockholders' equity was 1.52% and 14.16%, respectively, compared with 1.45% and 13.57%, respectively, in the corresponding 2005 period.

As previously announced, on June 30, 2006 M&T Bank, M&T's principal banking subsidiary, completed the acquisition of 21 branch offices in Buffalo and Rochester, New York from Citibank, N.A., including approximately \$269 million in loans and approximately \$1.0 billion of deposits. Although the June 30 transaction had no effect on day-to-day operating results, expenses associated with systems conversions and other costs of integrating and introducing Citibank, N.A.'s former customers to M&T's products and services aggregated \$2 million, after applicable tax effect, or \$.02 of diluted earnings per share during the three and six-month periods ended June 30, 2006. M&T will incur additional acquisition-related expenses in the third quarter of 2006.

In discussing the recent quarter's financial results, Rene F. Jones, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of M&T noted, "Our results for the quarter reflect many of M&T's traditional strengths. Continued attention to efficiency and the benefits of our consistent credit standards led to double-digit growth in M&T's diluted earnings per share." In addition, reflecting on the recently completed branch transaction, Mr. Jones observed, "We are excited about the addition of approximately 60,000 consumer and business customers in our Buffalo and Rochester markets, the second and third largest cities in New York State. The ability to service those customers without a significant increase in distribution costs made this transaction compelling. Our new customers will benefit from having access to M&T's network of ATM and branch facilities in western New York, and our shareholders will benefit from increased operating leverage."

Supplemental Reporting of Non-GAAP Results of Operations. Since 1998, M&T has consistently provided supplemental reporting of its results on a "net operating" or "tangible" basis, from which M&T excludes the after-tax effect of amortization of core deposit and other intangible assets (and the related goodwill, core deposit intangible and other intangible asset balances, net of applicable deferred tax amounts) and expenses associated with merging acquired operations into M&T, since such expenses are considered by management to be "nonoperating" in nature. Although "net operating income" as defined by M&T is not a GAAP measure, M&T's management believes that this information helps investors understand the effect of acquisition activity in reported results. Amortization of core deposit and other intangible assets, after tax effect, was \$7 million (\$.06 per diluted share) in the second quarter of 2006, compared with \$9 million (\$.07 per diluted share) in the year-earlier quarter. Similar after tax effect amortization charges for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2006 and 2005 were \$15 million (\$.13 per diluted share) and \$18 million (\$.15 per diluted share), respectively. As already noted, expenses related to the acquisition of branch offices, deposits and loans totaled \$2 million, after applicable tax effect, or \$.02 per diluted share in each of the three and six-month periods ended June 30, 2006. There were no similar expenses in 2005.

Diluted net operating earnings per share, which exclude the impact of amortization of core deposit and other intangible assets and branch acquisition-related expenses, were \$1.95 in 2006's second quarter, a rise of 11% from \$1.76 in the year-earlier quarter. Net operating income during 2006's second quarter grew 8% to \$222 million from \$205 million in the similar 2005 period. Expressed as an annualized rate of return on average tangible assets and average tangible stockholders' equity, net operating income was 1.69% and 30.02%, respectively, in the recent quarter, compared with 1.62% and 29.88% in the second quarter of 2005.

Diluted net operating earnings per share for the six-month period ended June 30, 2006 rose 10% to \$3.79 from \$3.46 in the year-earlier period. Net operating income for the first half of 2006 was \$433 million, up 7% from \$405 million in the corresponding 2005 period. For the first six months of 2006, net operating income expressed as an annualized rate of return on average tangible assets and average tangible equity was 1.67% and 29.67%, respectively, compared with 1.61% and

Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Results of Operations. A reconciliation of diluted earnings per share and net income with diluted net operating earnings per share and net operating income follows:

	Three months ended June 30			Six months ended June 30		
	_	2006	2005	2006	2005	
		(in	thousands,	except per sl	nare)	
Diluted earnings per share Amortization of core deposit	\$	1.87	1.69	3.64	3.31	
and other intangible assets(1)	.06	.07	.13	.15	
Merger-related expenses(1)	_	.02		.02	-	
Diluted net operating earning	S					
per share	\$	1.95	1.76	3.79	3.46	
	=	=====	======	======	======	
Net income Amortization of core deposit and other intangible	\$2	212,573	196,834	415,490	386,124	
assets(1)		6,921	8,581	14,860	18,426	
Merger-related expenses(1)	_	2,344		•	-	
Net operating income		221,838	-	432,694 =====	•	

⁽¹⁾ After any related tax effect

Reconciliation of Total Assets and Equity to Tangible Assets and Equity. A reconciliation of average assets and equity with average tangible assets and average tangible equity follows:

		nths ended e 30	Six months ended June 30		
	2006	2005	2006	2005	
		(in m	illions)		
Average assets Goodwill Core deposit and other			55,303 (2,908)		
intangible assets Deferred taxes		55	(109) 41	58	
Average tangible assets	\$ 52,522		52,327	50,626	
Average equity Goodwill Core deposit and other			5,917 (2,908)		
intangible assets Deferred taxes		(142) 55	(109) 41	(150) 58	
Average tangible equity	\$ 2,964 =====		2,941 =====	2,740 =====	

Taxable-equivalent Net Interest Income. Taxable-equivalent net interest income was little changed from a year earlier totaling \$451 million in the second quarter of 2006. Net interest margin, or taxable-equivalent net interest income expressed as an annualized percentage of average earning assets, declined to 3.66% in the recent quarter from 3.78% in the second quarter of 2005. Such decline reflects the continuing impact of higher short- term interest rates, which resulted in the rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities rising more rapidly than the yields on many earning assets. The recent quarter's net interest margin also declined from 3.73% in 2006's initial quarter. Largely offsetting the impact of the lower net interest margin was growth in average loans and leases which totaled \$41.0 billion in the recent quarter, 4% higher than \$39.2 billion in the second quarter of 2005. Such growth was attributable to average outstanding balance increases in commercial loans, commercial real estate loans and residential real estate loans. Average consumer loans declined 9% from the year-earlier period, the result of lower automobile loans and leases outstanding, continuing a two-year trend during which M&T has decided not to extend such credit at unfavorable interest rates.

Provision for Credit Losses/Asset Quality. The provision for credit losses totaled \$17 million in the recent quarter, down from \$19 million in the second quarter of 2005. Net charge-offs of loans during the second quarter of 2006 were \$10 million, compared with \$14 million in the year-earlier period. Expressed as an annualized percentage of average loans outstanding, net charge-offs were .10% and .14% in the second quarter of 2006 and 2005, respectively. Loans classified as nonperforming totaled \$156 million, or .38% of total loans at June 30, 2006, compared with \$184 million or .46% a year earlier, \$156 million or .39% at December 31, 2005 and \$143 million or .35% at March 31, 2006. Loans past due 90 days or more and accruing interest were \$101 million at the end of the recently completed quarter, compared with \$123 million at June 30, 2005. Included in these past due but accruing amounts were loans guaranteed by government-related entities of \$79 million and \$99 million at June 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively. Assets taken in foreclosure of defaulted loans were \$14 million at June 30, 2006, compared with \$8 million a year earlier.

Allowance for Credit Losses. The allowance for credit losses totaled \$646 million, or 1.55% of total loans, at June 30, 2006, compared with \$637 million, or 1.60%, a year earlier. The decline in the allowance as a percentage of loans reflects improvement in various credit factors, including the previously noted decreases in the rate of net loan charge-offs and the level of nonperforming loans. At December 31, 2005, the allowance for credit losses totaled \$638 million, or 1.58% of total loans. The ratio of M&T's allowance for credit losses to nonperforming loans was 414%, 346% and 408% at June 30, 2006, June 30, 2005 and December 31, 2005, respectively.

Noninterest Income and Expense. Noninterest income in the recent quarter totaled \$263 million, a 7% improvement from \$245 million in the second quarter of 2005. Contributing to the increase were higher mortgage banking revenues, deposit account service charges and trust income.

Noninterest expense in the second quarter of 2006 totaled \$377 million, 1% below the year-earlier period's total of \$380 million. Included in such amounts are expenses considered to be nonoperating in nature consisting of amortization of core deposit and other intangible assets of \$11 million in 2006 and \$14 million in 2005, and branch acquisition-related expenses of \$4 million in 2006. Exclusive of these nonoperating expenses, noninterest operating expenses were \$362 million in the recently completed quarter, down from \$366 million in the second quarter of 2005. The most significant contributor to the lower level of operating expenses was an \$8 million partial reversal of the valuation allowance for the impairment of capitalized mortgage servicing rights recorded during the recently completed quarter. The reduction of the valuation allowance reflects an increase in the value of capitalized servicing rights resulting from higher residential mortgage loan interest rates at the end of the recent quarter as compared with three months earlier. A \$5 million addition to the valuation allowance for the impairment of capitalized mortgage servicing rights was recorded during the second quarter of 2005. Higher costs for salaries in the recent quarter as compared with the second quarter of 2005 partially offset the favorable impact of the change in the mortgage servicing rights valuation allowance.

The efficiency ratio, or noninterest operating expenses divided by the sum of taxable-equivalent net interest income and noninterest income (exclusive of gains and losses from bank investment securities), measures the relationship of operating expenses to revenues. M&T's efficiency ratio was 50.7% in the second quarter of 2006, compared with 52.6% in the year-earlier period.

Balance Sheet. M&T had total assets of \$56.5 billion at June 30, 2006, up from \$54.5 billion at June 30, 2005. Loans and leases, net of unearned discount, rose 4% to \$41.6 billion at the recent quarter-end, compared with \$39.9 billion a year earlier. Reflecting the deposits obtained in the June 30 branch acquisition, total deposits were \$38.5 billion at June 30, 2006, up 3% from \$37.3 billion at June 30, 2005. Total stockholders' equity was \$6.0 billion at June 30, 2006, representing 10.62% of total assets, compared with \$5.8 billion or 10.71% a year earlier. Common stockholders' equity per share was \$54.01 and \$51.20 at June 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively. Tangible equity per common share was \$25.55 at June 30, 2006, compared with \$25.00 at June 30, 2005. In the calculation of tangible equity per common share, stockholders' equity is reduced by the carrying values of goodwill and core deposit and other intangible assets, net of applicable deferred tax balances, which aggregated \$3.2 billion and \$3.0 billion at June 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

In November 2005, M&T announced that it had been authorized by its Board of Directors to purchase up to 5,000,000 shares of its common stock. During the recent quarter, 605,700 shares of common stock were repurchased by M&T pursuant to such

plan at an average cost per share of \$114.61. Through June 30, 2006, M&T had repurchased 1,919,400 shares of its common stock pursuant to such plan at an average cost of \$110.48 per share.

Conference Call. Investors will have an opportunity to listen to M&T's conference call to discuss second quarter financial results today at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time. Those wishing to participate in the call may dial 877-780-2276. International participants, using any applicable international calling codes, may dial 973-582-2700. The conference call will be webcast live on M&T's website at http://ir.mandtbank.com/conference.cfm. A replay of the call will be available until Thursday, July 13, 2006 by calling 877-519-4471, code 7587763 and 973-341-3080 for international participants. The event will also be archived and available by 3:00 p.m. today on M&T's website at http://ir.mandtbank.com/conference.cfm.

Forward-Looking Statements. This news release contains forward-looking statements that are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about M&T's business, management's beliefs and assumptions made by management. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions ("Future Factors"), which are difficult to predict. Therefore, actual outcomes and results may differ materially from what is expressed or forecasted in such forward-looking statements.

Future Factors include changes in interest rates, spreads on earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, and interest rate sensitivity; prepayment speeds, loan originations and credit losses; sources of liquidity; common shares outstanding; common stock price volatility; fair value of and number of stock-based compensation awards to be issued in future periods; legislation affecting the financial services industry as a whole, and M&T and its subsidiaries individually or collectively; regulatory supervision and oversight, including monetary policy and required capital levels; changes in accounting policies or procedures as may be required by the Financial Accounting Standards Board or other regulatory agencies; increasing price and product/service competition by competitors, including new entrants; rapid technological developments and changes; the ability to continue to introduce competitive new products and services on a timely, cost-effective basis; the mix of products/services; containing costs and expenses; governmental and public policy changes; protection and validity of intellectual property rights; reliance on large customers; technological, implementation and cost/financial risks in large, multi-year contracts; the outcome of pending and future litigation and governmental proceedings; continued availability of financing; financial resources in the amounts, at the times and on the terms required to support M&T and its subsidiaries' future businesses; and material differences in the actual financial results of merger and acquisition activities compared with M&T's initial expectations, including the full realization of anticipated cost savings and revenue enhancements.

These are representative of the Future Factors that could affect the outcome of the forward-looking statements. In addition, such statements could be affected by general industry and market conditions and growth rates, general economic and political conditions, either nationally or in the states in which M&T and its subsidiaries do business, including interest rate and currency exchange rate fluctuations, changes and trends in the securities markets, and other Future Factors.

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M&T BANK CORPORATION Financial Highlights

Amounts in thousands,		Three mon Ju	ths ended ne 30	Six months ended June 30					
except per share	-	2006 	2005	Change	Change 2006		2005 Change		
Performance									
Net income Per common share:	\$	212,573	196,834	8%	\$	415,490	386,124	8%	
Basic earnings	\$	1.91	1.73	10%	\$	3.73	3.38	10%	
Diluted earnings		1.87	1.69	11		3.64	3.31	10	
Cash dividends	\$.60	.45	33	\$	1.05	.85	24	
Common shares outstanding:									
Average - diluted (1)		113,968	116,422	-2%		114,157	116,801	-2%	
Period end (2)		111,086	114,011	-3		111,086	114,011	-3	

Return on (annualized):					
Average total assets	1.54%	1.46%	1.52	% 1.45%	
Average common					
stockholders' equity	14.35%	13.73%	14.16	% 13.57%	
21.207					
Taxable-equivalent net					
	\$ 451,254	451,765	-% \$ 903,011	897,940	1%
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Yield on average earning					
assets	6.63%	5.70%	6.55	% 5.61%	
Cost of interest-bearing					
liabilities	3.56%	2.34%	3.42	% 2.20%	
Net interest spread	3.07%	3.36%	3.13	% 3.41%	
Contribution of					
interest-free funds	.59%	.42%	.57	% .40%	
Net interest margin	3.66%	3.78%	3.70	% 3.81%	
Net charge-offs to average	е				
total net loans					
(annualized)	.10%	.14%	.13	% . 17%	
Net operating results (3)					
Net operating income	\$ 221,838	205,415	8% \$ 432,694	404,550	7%
Diluted net operating					
earnings per common share	e 1.95	1.76	11 3.79	3.46	10
Return on (annualized):	1 600	1 600	1 68	0 1 610	
Average tangible assets	1.69%	1.62%	1.6/	% 1.61%	
Average tangible common	20 02%	20 00%	20 67	% 29.77%	
equity Efficiency ratio		29.88%		% 29.77% % 52.10%	
Elliciency facto	50.70%	52.56%	51.53	6 52.106	
		At June	e 30		
Loan quality	20	06	2005	Change	
Nonaccrual loans	\$ 140	,626	173,403	-19	용
Renegotiated loans	15	,399	10,649	45	
Total nonperforming loan	s \$ 156	,025	184,052	-15	용
	=====	====	=======		
Accruing loans past due 9	0				
days or more	\$ 101	,001	123,301	-18	%
Nonperforming loans to					
total net loans		.38 %	.46 %		
Allowance for credit loss	es				

(1) Includes common stock equivalents.

to total net loans

- (2) Includes common stock issuable under deferred compensation plans.
- (3) Excludes amortization and balances related to goodwill and core deposit and other intangible assets and merger-related expenses which, except in the calculation of the efficiency ratio, are net of applicable income tax effects. A reconciliation of net income and net operating income is included herein.

1.55 % 1.60 %

	June	ths ended		June 30				
Dollars in thousands			Change	2006		_		
Interest income	366,298	676,518 229,016	60	\$ 1,590,183 696,544	425,282	64		
Net interest income								
Provision for credit losses		19,000		35,000		-19		
Net interest income after provision for credit losses			-	858,639	846,557	1		
Other income Mortgage banking								
revenues Service charges on	41,565	31,274	33	76,076	64,700	18		
deposit accounts	95,549	92,969	3	184,425	181,322	2		
Trust income	34,757	32,745	6	68,553	66,268	3		
Brokerage services income	14,481	14,179	2	29,205	28,360	3		
Trading account and foreign exchange								
gains Gain on bank	6,168	5,957	4	12,674	10,826	17		
investment securiti	les 236	30	-	294	246	-		
Other revenues from			_					
operations	69,846	68,208	2	,	127,898	13		
Total other income	262,602		7		479,620	7		
Other expense								
Salaries and employe			_			_		
benefits	217,162	204,607	6	441,244	411,217	7		
Equipment and net occupancy	42,527	42,608	_	85,929	86,614	-1		
Printing, postage and supplies	·	8,411		16,639	•			
Amortization of core deposit and other								
intangible assets	11,357	14,055	-19	24,385	30,176	-19		
Other costs of operations	97,879	110,760	-12	190,803	202,529	-6		
Total other expense		380,441	-1		747,778	2		
Income before income taxes	315,218	293,423	7	615,172	578,399	6		
Applicable income taxes		96,589	6	•	192,275	4		

M&T BANK CORPORATION
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

June 30

	June		
Dollars in thousands	2006	2005	Change
ASSETS			
Cash and due from banks	\$ 1,572,863	1,473,675	7 %
Interest-bearing deposits at banks	14,923	9,741	53
Federal funds sold and agreements to resell securities	16,649	4,390	279
Trading account assets	208,291	194,950	7
Investment securities	7,903,142	8,319,967	-5
Loans and leases, net of unearned discount Less: allowance for credit losses	645,851	39,910,964 637,345	4 1
Net loans and leases		39,273,619	4
Goodwill	2,908,849	2,904,081	-
Core deposit and other intangible assets	290,847	135,331	115
Other assets		2,166,192	22
Total assets	\$ 56,507,088	54,481,946 =======	4 %
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Noninterest-bearing deposits at U.S. offices	\$ 8,099,083	8,681,655	-7 %
Other deposits at U.S. offices	27,637,294	24,442,455	13
Deposits at foreign office	2,777,306	4,181,722	-34
Total deposits		37,305,832	3
Short-term borrowings	5,304,814	4,284,930	24
Accrued interest and other liabilities	953,858	735,500	30
Long-term borrowings	5,734,509	6,317,961	-9
Total liabilities		48,644,223	4
Stockholders' equity (1)	6,000,224	5,837,723	3

(1) Reflects accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of applicable income tax effect, of \$147.8 million at June 30, 2006 and \$37.8 million at June 30, 2005.

M&T BANK CORPORATION Condensed Consolidated Average Balance Sheet and Annualized Taxable-equivalent Rates

Three months ended June 30

Dollars in millions	200)6	200	5	al '
	Balance	Rate	Balance	Rate	Change in balance
ASSETS					
Interest-bearing deposits at banks \$	16	2.85 %	10	1.48 %	54 %
Federal funds sold and agreements to resell securities	30	5.36	24	3.37	25
Becaries	30	3.30	21	3.37	23
Trading account assets	103	2.94	75	1.60	37
Investment securities	8,314	4.81	8,593	4.41	-3
Loans and leases, net of unearned discount					
Commercial, financial, etc.	11,274	7.04	10,484	5.44	8
Real estate - commercial	14,947	7.22	14,399		4
Real estate - consumer	4,860	6.29	3,493	6.00	39
Consumer	9,899	6.99		5.99	-9
Total loans and leases, net	40 990	7 01	39,229	5.99	4
Total Toalis and Teases, Het		7.01		3.77	ı
Total earning assets	49,443	6.63	47,931	5.70	3
Goodwill	2,909		2,904		-
Core deposit and other					
intangible assets	107		142		-25
Other assets	3,039		2,958		3
·	55,498 =====		53,935		3 %
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'	EQUITY				
Interest-bearing deposits					
NOW accounts \$	438	.71	401	.54	9 %
Savings deposits	14,254	1.34	15,163	.88	-6
Time deposits	12,699	4.39	8,609	2.99	48
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Deposits at foreign office	3,598	4.88	3,850	2.93	-7
Total interest-bearing deposits	30,989	2.99	28,023	1.80	11
Short-term borrowings Long-term borrowings	4,326				-13 -5
Total interest-bearing liabilities	41,245	3.56	39,255	2.34	5
Noninterest-bearing deposits	7,446		8,222		-9
Other liabilities	867		709		22
Total liabilities	49,558		48,186		3
Stockholders' equity	5,940		5,749		3
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 55,498		53,935		3 %
Net interest spread Contribution of interest-free Net interest margin	e funds	3.07 .59 3.66 %		3.36 .42 3.78 %	

Six months ended June 30

Dollars in millions			2005		Change in
		Rate	Balance	Rate	balance
ASSETS					
<pre>Interest-bearing deposits at banks</pre>	13	2.91 %	10	1.32	% 26 %
Federal funds sold and agreements to resell					
securities	31	5.12	24	3.12	28
Trading account assets	100	2.85	64	1.25	56
Investment securities	8,349	4.76	8,583	4.36	-3
Loans and leases, net of unearned discount					
Commercial, financial, etc.	11,155	6.85	10,290	5.28	8
Real estate - commercial	14,813	7.15	14,296	6.23	4
Real estate - consumer	4,731	6.23	3,370	5.99	40
Consumer	10,064	6.89	10,950	5.91	-8
Total loans and leases, net		6.93		5.89	5
Total earning assets	49,256	6.55	47,587	5.61	4
Goodwill	2,908		2,904		-

Core deposit and other

intangible assets		109		150		-27	
Other assets		3,030		2,981		2	
Total assets	\$	55,303		53,622		3	%
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'	E	QUITY					
Interest-bearing deposits NOW accounts Savings deposits Time deposits Deposits at foreign office	\$	14,294 12,287		8,017	.45 .82 2.84 2.68	9 -5 53 -13	0,0
Total interest-bearing deposits		30,495	2.85	27,554	1.67	11	
Short-term borrowings Long-term borrowings		4,440	4.73 5.35	5,081	2.73 4.08	-13 -4	
Total interest-bearing liabilities		41,046	3.42	38,968	2.20	5	
Noninterest-bearing deposits		7,509		8,212		-9	
Other liabilities		831		706		18	
Total liabilities		49,386		47,886		3	
Stockholders' equity		5,917		5,736		3	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	55,303		53,622		3	0/0
Net interest spread Contribution of interest-free Net interest margin	e f	unds	3.13 .57 3.70 %		3.41 .40 3.81 %		

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