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#### **Financial Information**

All financial information included in this presentation is as of September 30, 2013 unless otherwise indicated. We undertake no duty or obligation to update this presentation to reflect subsequent events or developments.

# Third Quarter 2013

# Operating Results

(In thousands, except per share amounts)	Quarter Ended 9/30/2013	Per Share	% of Average Equity		Quarter Ended 6/30/2013	Per Share	% of Average Equity		Nine Months Ended 9/30/2013	Per Share	% of Average Equity
Non-Agency MBS, ABS, loans, and other:	\$ 15 500	ф 0.50	2.450/	ф	12 (04 ф	0.54	2.100/	ф	40.202 ft	1.71	6.060/
Interest income	\$ 15,500		2.45%	\$	12,684 \$	0.54	2.18%	\$	40,302 \$	1.71	6.96%
Net realized gain Change in net unrealized gain (loss)	11,873 (5,224)	(0.20)	1.88% -0.83%		5,525 (8,364)	(0.35)	0.95%		31,552 13,796	0.58	5.45% 2.38%
Net interest rate hedges (1)	(1,001)	(0.20)	-0.85%		9,087	0.38	1.56%		8,435	0.36	1.45%
Net credit hedges and other	(3,754)	(0.14)	-0.10%		340	0.01	0.06%		(10,494)	(0.45)	-1.81%
Interest expense	(2,264)	(0.14)	-0.36%		(1,616)	(0.07)	-0.28%		(5,055)	(0.43) $(0.21)$	-0.87%
Total non-Agency MBS, ABS, loans, and other profit	15,130	0.58	2.39%		17,656	0.74	3.03%		78,536	3.33	13.56%
Agency RMBS:											
Interest income	8,564	0.33	1.35%		7,641	0.32	1.31%		22,467	0.95	3.88%
Net realized loss	(8,185)	(0.32)	-1.29%		(5,863)	(0.25)	-1.01%		(15,183)	(0.64)	-2.62%
Change in net unrealized gain (loss)	10,850	0.42	1.71%		(25,179)	(1.06)	-4.33%		(18,755)	(0.80)	-3.24%
Net interest rate hedges (1)	(7,322)	(0.28)	-1.16%		23,571	1.00	4.05%		17,060	0.72	2.95%
Interest expense	(845)	(0.03)	-0.13%		(788)	(0.03)	-0.14%		(2,411)	(0.10)	-0.42%
Total Agency RMBS profit (loss)	3,062	0.12	0.48%		(618)	(0.02)	-0.12%		3,178	0.13	0.55%
Total non-Agency and Agency MBS, ABS, loans, and other profit	 18,192	0.70	2.87%		17,038	0.72	2.91%		81,714	3.46	14.11%
Other interest income (expense), net	5	-	0.00%		1	-	0.00%		(61)	-	-0.01%
Other expenses (excluding incentive fee)	 (4,336)	(0.17)	-0.69%		(4,152)	(0.18)	-0.71%		(12,104)	(0.51)	-2.09%
Net increase in equity resulting from operations (before incentive fee)	 13,861	0.53	2.18%		12,887	0.54	2.20%		69,549	2.95	12.01%
Incentive fee	(2,038)	(0.08)	-0.32%		(1,182)	(0.05)	-0.20%		(5,275)	(0.22)	-0.91%
Net increase in equity resulting from operations	\$ 11,823	\$ 0.45	1.86%	\$	11,705 \$	0.49	2.00%	\$	64,274 \$	2.73	11.10%
Less: Net increase in equity resulting from operations attributable to non- controlling interest	 96				105				612		
Net increase in shareholders' equity resulting from operations (5)	\$ 11,727	\$ 0.45	1.86%	\$	11,600 \$	0.49	2.00%	<u>\$</u>	63,662 \$	2.73	11.09%
Weighted average shares and convertible units <sup>(2)</sup> outstanding	26,026				23,656				23,578		
Average equity (includes non-controlling interest) (3)	\$ 632,852			\$	581,552			\$	578,795		
Ending equity (includes non-controlling interest)	\$ 629,802			\$	637,858			\$	629,802		
Diluted book value per share	\$ 24.19			\$	24.51			\$	24.19		
Weighted average shares and LTIP units outstanding (4)	25,814				23,444				23,366		
Average shareholders' equity (excludes non-controlling interest) (3)	\$ 628,197			\$	576,803			\$	574,069		

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes TBAs and U.S. Treasuries, if applicable.

<sup>(2)</sup> Convertible units include LTIP units and Operating Partnership units owned by the non-controlling interest.

<sup>(3)</sup> Average equity and average shareholders' equity is calculated using month end values.

<sup>(4)</sup> Excludes Operating Partnership units attributable to the non-controlling interest.

<sup>5)</sup> Per share information calculated using weighted average shares and LTIP units outstanding. Percentage of average equity calculated using average shareholders' equity which excludes the non-controlling interest.

### Ellington Financial: Third Quarter Highlights

### **Overall Results**

■ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter net income of \$11.7 million or \$0.45 per share; year-to-date net income of \$63.7 million or \$2.73 per share, equating to a non-annualized return on shareholders' equity of 11.1%

### Non-Agency MBS Strategy

- 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter non-Agency MBS strategy gross income of \$15.1 million<sup>(1)</sup> or \$0.58 per share
  - Primary drivers were interest income and net realized gains

### Agency RMBS Strategy

- 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Agency RMBS gross income of \$3.1 million<sup>(1)</sup> or \$0.12 per share
  - Primary drivers were interest income and net unrealized gains

# **Operating Expenses**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter core expenses of \$4.3 million—includes base management fees and other operating expenses (excludes incentive fees of \$2.0 million, interest expense of \$3.3 million, and other investment related expenses of \$0.09 million)
  - Core expenses represent 2.7% of average equity, annualized

<sup>(1)</sup> Gross income includes interest income, net realized and change in net unrealized gains (losses), net interest rate hedges, net credit hedges and other, and interest expense. It excludes other interest income (expense), fees, and other expenses.

# Ellington Financial: Highlights Continued

# **Portfolios**

- Non-Agency Long Portfolio including long credit default swaps: \$794.9 million with a market yield of 7.23%<sup>(1)</sup> at the end of the third quarter, as compared to \$796.0 million at the end of the second quarter with a market yield of 6.82%<sup>(1)</sup>
  - New purchase yields averaged 7.69% in Q3 vs 5.51% in Q2
- Agency Long Portfolio: \$983.2 million at the end of the third quarter compared to \$860.7 million at the end of the second quarter

### Leverage

- Debt to equity ratio: 2.14:1 at September 30, 2013 as compared to 2.02:1 at June 30, 2013
  - Continuing to maintain a higher level of liquidity in light of market volatility and so as to be able to take advantage of buying opportunities

### **Book Value and** Shareholders' **Equity**

- September 30, 2013 diluted book value per share of \$24.19, net of \$0.77 second quarter dividend paid in September, as compared to \$24.51 per share at June 30, 2013, representing a decline of 1.3%
- Total equity as of September 30, 2013 \$629.8 million; \$637.9 million at June 30, 2013

### **Dividend Yield**

- Our Board of Directors declared a 3rd quarter dividend of \$0.77 per share
  - Equates to annualized dividend yield of 13.4% based on the November 5, 2013 closing price of \$22.95
  - We continue to expect to recommend to our Board of Directors a quarterly dividend amount of \$0.77 per share<sup>(2)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> Refer to footnote 5 on page 11 for a discussion of management's market yield estimates. Long credit default swaps are not included in yield calculations.

<sup>(2)</sup> We cannot assure you that we will pay any future dividends to our shareholders. The declaration and amount of future dividends remain in the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors.

### Ellington Financial: Non-Agency Strategy

### Overall Market Conditions

- Fundamentals of housing remain strong, with home price appreciation and borrower performance continuing to improve each month
- Technicals have improved relative to the second quarter, as supply of non-Agency MBS from selling institutions declined
  - GSEs focused on selling their less distressed non-Agency MBS, which are more easily absorbed by the market
  - Less supply from weak European banks and CDOs
  - The Fed's surprise decision to postpone tapering led to further recovery in asset valuations toward the end of the third quarter

### **Portfolio Trends**

- Maintained our long bias in the non-Agency MBS portfolio
  - Continued focus on non-mortgage hedges that may protect us better in an economic downturn
- Heavily traded our portfolio—excluding paydowns, turned over approximately 20% rotating out of higher priced securities and into lower priced securities with greater upside potential
  - Average price of non-Agency RMBS portfolio was \$69.79 as of September 30<sup>th</sup> compared to \$73.59 as of June 30<sup>th</sup>
- Increased CMBS, commercial mortgage loans, and CLO holdings; CMBS and commercial mortgage loans now represent 6.5% of the non-Agency portfolio, up from 4.1% at the end of the second quarter, CLOs now represent 6.1%, up from 5.2%
- 7.23%<sup>(1)</sup> weighted average market yield on long non-Agency MBS portfolio as of September 30, 2013

# Ellington Financial: Agency Strategy

### Overall Market Conditions

- Agency RMBS market was extremely volatile during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter
  - The mortgage basis reached its widest level of the year in early July after stronger than expected economic data; it then retraced much of this widening after the September 18<sup>th</sup> Fed decision not to begin tapering its asset purchases under QE3
- TBA prices recovered significantly over the quarter, yet specified pool pay-ups lagged. This lag was a result of:
  - Strong TBA rolls as Fed purchases have been concentrated in TBAs (non-specified pools)
  - Over-supply from 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter deleveraging activities of REITs and of money managers meeting redemption requests
  - Less bank demand
    - Unrealized losses on available-for-sale assets will be charged against regulatory capital based on new capital rules

### Portfolio Trends

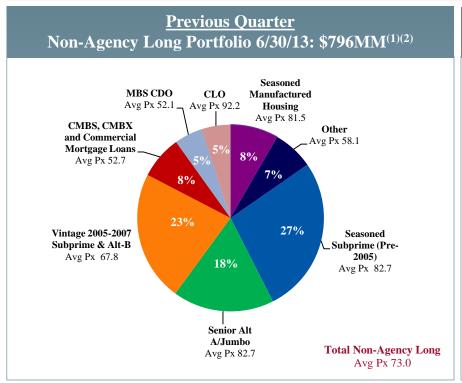
- We upgraded our portfolio with higher coupon specified pools with stronger prepayment protection, as these assets were very attractively priced
  - Average pay-up 22 bps as of September 30<sup>th</sup>; 41 bps as of June 30<sup>th</sup>
- Added to our position in Agency ARMs, a sector that we had not found to be attractive in recent years
  - Heavy supply from REITs allowed us to purchase these bonds at levels which we believe offered excellent relative value
- We remain active in fixed rate reverse mortgage pools, another sector that has demonstrated strong return characteristics

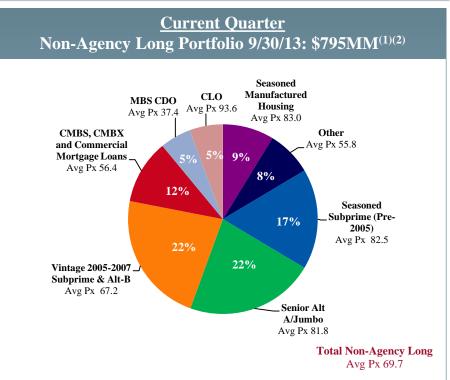
# Ellington Financial: Market Outlook

	■ We anticipate non-Agency supply from selling institutions to continue to slow during the 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter
	■ We expect to continue to opportunistically purchase attractively priced securities in other sectors
	■ Alt-A
	■ CMBS/CDOs/CLOs
Non-Agency	■ Small balance non-performing commercial mortgage loans
	■ Non-performing residential mortgage loans
	■ Post quarter end, agreed to purchase first portfolio of non-performing loans
	Possibility of ultimately securitizing these loans
	Actively evaluating opportunities to participate in the mortgage origination markets
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	Post quarter end, specified pools have continued to recover some of the losses sustained over the late spring and early summer
	Continue to seek to purchase attractively priced specified pools
Agency	<ul> <li>Agency ARMs widened over the quarter—we expect to continue to take advantage of any buying opportunities going forward</li> </ul>
	■ Reverse mortgage pools are expected to be a near-term area of continued focus
	<ul> <li>Continued uncertainty around the wind down of Fed asset purchase programs should continue to create opportunities</li> </ul>
	■ Market volatility highlights importance of ability to hedge using a variety of tools, including TBAs

# Non-Agency Portfolio

# EFC: Non-Agency Long Portfolio





### ■ During the third quarter we maintained the size of our non-Agency portfolio:

- Meaningfully increased our CMBS portfolio
  - Includes non-performing commercial loans valued at \$10 million
- Rotated out of Seasoned Subprime in favor of Alt-A and other attractive sectors
- Lowered average price of portfolio

<sup>(1)</sup> Non-Agency portfolio includes PrimeX and CMBX, based on their respective bond equivalent values. Bond equivalent values for CDS represent the investment amount of a corresponding position in the reference obligation or index constituents, calculated assuming a price equal to the difference between (i) par and (ii) the tear up price ("points up front"). This information does not include interest rate swaps, TBA positions, common stock and equity swaps, or other hedge positions. The bond equivalent value of credit derivatives in the non-Agency long portfolio include \$47.3 million of long CMBX positions and \$2.1 million of long PrimeX positions at September 30, 2013, and \$27.9 million of long CMBX positions and \$2.3 million of long PrimeX positions at June 30, 2013. The corresponding net fair value of long credit derivatives is \$(19.2) million at September 30, 2013 and \$(13.5) million at June 30, 2013.

# EFC: Non-Agency Long Portfolio as of September 30, 2013

- **EFC non-Agency strategy is the main driver of earnings**
- Non-Agency long portfolio value: \$795 million<sup>(1)</sup> as of 9/30/13 (which includes \$746 million of long non-Agency MBS and loans and \$49 million of bond equivalent value of long credit derivatives):

MBS Sector	Fair Value (millions)	Average Price (2)	Weighted Average Life <sup>(3)</sup>	Historical 1- Year CPR (4)	Est. Yield at Market Price at HPA Downside (5)(6)	Est. Yield at Market Price at Ellington HPA Forecast (5)(6)
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Seasoned Subprime	\$136.1	82.5%	5.4	10.6%	5.48%	6.70%
Vintage 2005-2007 Subprime and Alt-B	175.8	67.2	6.9	12.1	5.71	6.56
Seasoned Manufactured Housing	68.4	83.0	6.8	6.8	6.93 <sup>(7)</sup>	6.93
Senior Alt-A/Jumbo	171.6	81.8	5.9	14.2	5.71	6.36
CMBS and Commercial Mortgage Loans	95.5	56.4	8.9	N/A	12.01 <sup>(7)</sup>	12.01
MBS CDO	41.2	37.4	2.3	N/A	3.96	8.91
CLO	45.3	93.6	3.2	N/A	8.67 <sup>(7)</sup>	8.67
Other	61.0	55.8	7.9	14.7	6.14	7.61
Total	\$794.9	69.7%	6.1	12.0%	5.51%	7.23%

As of September 30, 2013, fair value includes \$47.3 million of bond equivalent value of long CMBX positions and \$2.1 million of bond equivalent value of long PrimeX positions. The above table does not include these positions in averages or totals other than Fair Value.

Yields for manufactured housing securities, CMBS, and commercial mortgage loans are held constant for this analysis as management believes these underlying properties are less directly affected by changes in national home prices.

Average price excludes interest only, principal only, equity tranches and other similar securities. All averages in this table are weighted averages using fair value, except for average price which uses current principal (2) balance.

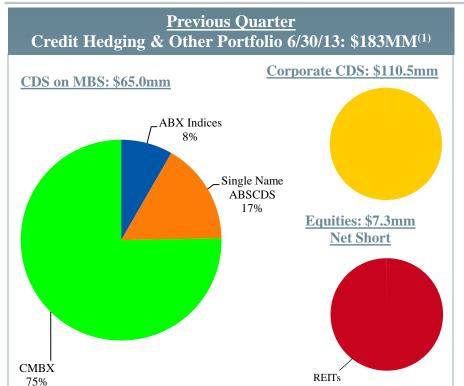
Weighted average life assumes "projected" cashflows using Ellington's proprietary models. Excludes interest only, principal only, equity tranches and other similar securities. (3)

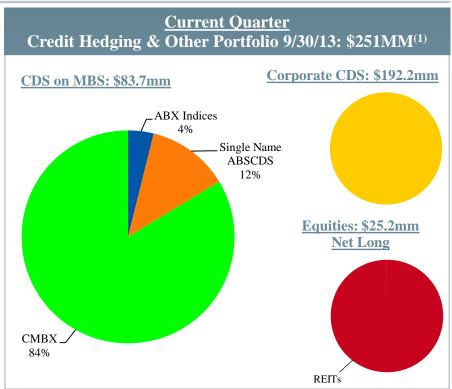
Source for historical 1-Year CPR is Intex. Excludes interest only, principal only, equity tranches and other similar securities, CMBS and commercial mortgage loans, and any securities where Intex CPR not available.

Estimated yields at market prices are management's estimates derived from Ellington's proprietary models based on prices and market environment as of 9/30/13 and include the effects of future estimated losses. The above analysis should not be considered a recommendation to purchase or sell any security or class of securities. Average sector yields include interest only, principal only, equity tranches and other similar securities, and excludes securities for which yields were unavailable. Results are based on forward-looking models, which are inherently imperfect, and incorporate various simplifying assumptions. Therefore, the table above is for illustrative purposes only and the actual performance of our portfolio may differ from the data presented above, and such differences might be significant and adverse.

<sup>&</sup>quot;HPA Downside" means all home prices decline a total of 15% over the next two years relative to our baseline HPA projections but are in-line with our baseline HPA projections thereafter, and the default rate on all collateral increases 50% beyond the impact of the 15% decline in home prices on default rates. As of September 30, 2013, our baseline projections call for home prices to rise approximately 5.1% per year nationally over the next four years, with some variation over time and material variation across localities.

# EFC: Credit Hedging and Other Portfolio



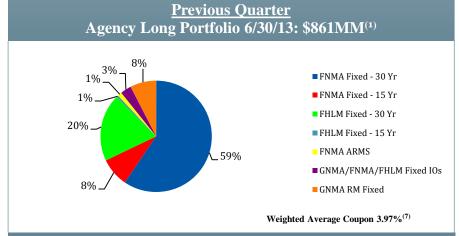


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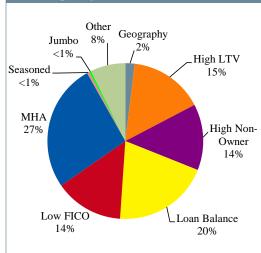
- Increased CMBX short positions—principally related to increase in long positions in other CMBX tranches
- We continue to focus on non-mortgage hedges that may protect us better in an economic downturn, e.g., short positions on CDX indices
- From time to time, we establish long and/or short positions in publicly-traded mortgage-related corporate entities
- (1) Credit hedging portfolio includes synthetic credit positions based on their respective bond equivalent values in the case of CDS. See footnote 1 on page 10 for a description of bond equivalent value of CDS. This information does not include interest rate swaps, TBA positions, or other hedge positions. The total bond equivalent value of CDS on MBS and Corporate CDS is \$275.9 million at September 30, 2013 and \$175.5 million at June 30, 2013. The corresponding net fair value of short CDS on MBS and short Corporate CDS is \$16.7 million at September 30, 2013 and \$26.0 million at June 30, 2013. The net long equities notional value of \$25.2 million as of September 30, 2012 represents a gross short notional value of \$9.4 million offset by a gross long notional value of \$34.6 million. The net short equities notional value of \$7.3 million as of June 30, 2013 represents a gross short notional value of \$18.0 million offset by a gross long notional value of \$10.7 million. The net fair value of common stock held long and short as of June 30, 2013 may \$0.2013. The net fair value of the equity swaps evidencing the equity positions was \$(7.0) thousand as of September 30, 2013 and \$8.0 thousand as of June 30, 2013.

# **Agency Portfolio**

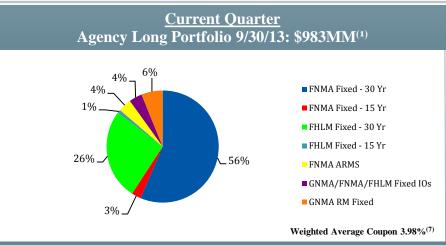
# EFC: Agency Long Portfolio



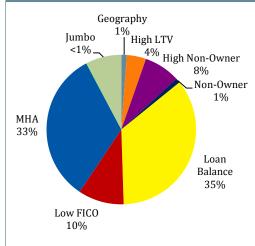
# Collateral Characteristics and Historical 3-month CPR Agency Fixed Rate Pool Portfolio 6/30/13: \$758MM<sup>(2)</sup>



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Characteristic <sup>(4)</sup>	Fair Value <sup>(2)(5)</sup>	3-Month Historical CPR <sup>(3)</sup>							
Geography	\$14.7	0.4							
High LTV	116.7	15.2							
High Non-Owner Occupied	104.0	7.6							
Low Loan Bal	151.7	6.2							
Low FICO	108.0	12.9							
MHA <sup>(6)</sup>	200.8	3.4							
Seasoned	4.1	5.9							
Jumbo	2.8	79.9							
Other	54.9	21.0							
Totals	\$757.7	9.5							
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# Collateral Characteristics and Historical 3-month CPR Agency Fixed Rate Pool Portfolio 9/30/13: \$848MM<sup>(2)</sup>



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	Characteristic <sup>(4)</sup>	Fair Value <sup>(2)(5)</sup>	3-Month Historical CPR <sup>(3)</sup>
	Geography	\$10.2	0.0
	High LTV	35.1	13.9
	High Non-Owner Occupied	66.0	8.8
	Non-Owner	10.4	0.7
	Low Loan Bal	299.2	8.9
	Low FICO	83.7	9.8
	MHA <sup>(6)</sup>	277.8	2.0
	Jumbo	0.6	92.7
	Other	65.1	9.3
	Totals	\$848.1	6.9
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<sup>(1)</sup> Does not include long TBA positions. Agency long portfolio includes \$946.1 million of long Agency securities at September 30, 2013 and \$833.3 million of long Agency securities at June 30, 2013. Additionally, the long Agency portfolio includes \$37.0 million of interest only securities at September 30, 2013 and \$27.4 million of interest only securities at June 30, 2013.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes reverse mortgage pool securities with a value of \$60.5 million at September 30, 2013 and \$65.1 million at June 30, 2013.

<sup>(3)</sup> Excludes Agency fixed rate RMBS without any prepayment history with a total value of \$84.5 million at September 30, 2013 and \$48.8 million at June 30, 2013

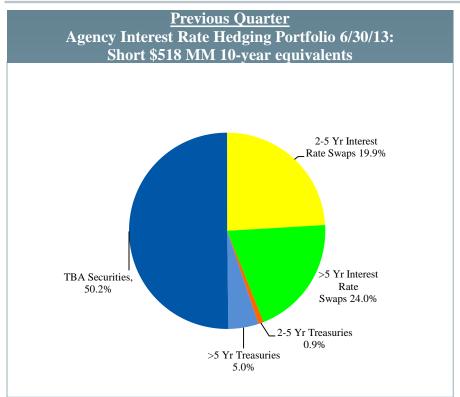
<sup>(4)</sup> Classification methodology may change over time as market practices change.

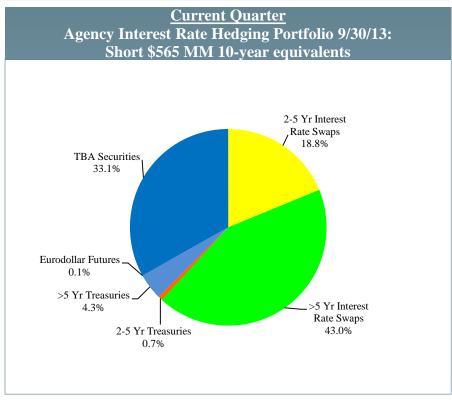
<sup>(5)</sup> Fair values are shown in millions.

<sup>(6) &</sup>quot;MHA" indicates those pools where underlying borrowers have participated in the Making Homes Affordable program.

Represents weighted average net pass-through rate. Excludes interest only securities.

# EFC: Agency Interest Rate Hedging Portfolio





- Agency interest rate hedges are shown in normalized units of risk, with each group of positions measured in "10-year equivalents."
- During the third quarter:
  - Rotated a larger percentage of the portfolio hedge out of TBAs and into interest rate swaps as the TBA-swap basis moved to yearly wides during the quarter



# EFC: Agency Interest Rate Hedging Portfolio Continued

### Calculation of Exposure to Agency RMBS Based on Fair Value of TBA Portfolio:

### (In millions)

Agency-related Portfolio	6/30/2013	9/30/2013
Long Agency RMBS	\$861	\$983
Net Short TBA Positions	(458)	(400)
Net Long Exposure to Agency RMBS	\$403	\$583

- Shorting "generic" pools (or TBAs) allows EFC to significantly reduce interest rate risk and basis risk in its Agency portfolio; interest rate risk is also hedged with swaps, U.S. Treasury Securities, etc.
- For those Agency pools hedged with comparable TBAs, the biggest risk is a drop in "pay-ups," which portfoliowide average only 0.22% of the value of our fixed rate Agency pool portfolio as of September 30, 2013 as compared to 0.41% as of June 30, 2013

Estimated Change in Fair Value as of 9/30/13 for Agency Pools, Agency IOs, and Related Hedges if Interest Rates Move:

(In thousands)	Down 50 BPS	Up 50 BPS
Agency ARM Pools	\$432	(\$482)
Agency Fixed Rate Pools and IOs	22,660	(26,733)
TBAs	(6,951)	9,166
Interest Rate Swaps	(15,401)	14,657
U.S. Treasury Securities	(1,239)	1,191
Eurodollar Futures	(20)	20
Repo and Reverse Repo Agreements	(560)	716
Totals	(\$1,079)	(\$1,465)

Note.

The above table reflects a parallel shift in interest rates based on the market environment as of September 30, 2013. The preceding analysis does not include sensitivities to changes in interest rates for our derivatives on corporate securities (whether debt or equity related), or other categories of instruments for which we believe that the effect of a change in interest rates is not material to the value of the overall portfolio and/or cannot be accurately estimated. Results are based on forward-looking models, which are inherently imperfect, and incorporate various simplifying assumptions. Therefore, the table above is for illustrative purposes only and actual changes in interest rates would likely cause changes in the actual value of our portfolio that would differ from those presented above, and such differences might be significant and adverse.

# Borrowings

# EFC: Repo Borrowings as of September 30, 2013

(\$ In Millions)		Repo Borrowings		
Remaining Days to Maturity	Non-Agency	Agency	Total	% of Total Borrowings
30 Days or Less	\$109.6	\$367.2	\$476.8	35.4%
31-60 Days	119.9	246.7	366.6	27.3
61-90 Days	105.7	84.7	190.4	14.1
91-120 Days	0.0	7.4	7.4	0.6
121-150 Days	6.8	60.4	67.2	5.0
151-180 Days	110.0	126.8	236.8	17.6
Total Borrowings	\$452.0	\$893.2	\$1,345.2	100.0%
Weighted Average Remaining Days to Maturity	79	57	65	

### **■** As of September 30, 2013:

- EFC had borrowings outstanding with 13 counterparties, an increase from 12 as of June 30th
- Borrowings from the largest counterparty represented 20% of total outstanding borrowings
- EFC had repo borrowings with a remaining weighted average maturity of 65 days; maturities are staggered to mitigate liquidity risk
  - Non-Agency borrowings weighted average maturity declined by 8 days compared to June 30, 2013
  - Agency borrowings increased by 7 days compared to June 30, 2013

# EFC: Average Cost of Borrowings

(\$ In thousands)	As of September 30, 2013	For the Quarter Ende	ed September 30, 2013
Collateral for Borrowing	Outstanding Borrowings <sup>1</sup>	Average Borrowings for the Quarter Ended <sup>1</sup>	Average Cost of Funds <sup>1</sup>
Non-Agency RMBS, CMBS, and Other	\$452,008	\$447,218	2.00%
Agency RMBS	893,215	830,748	0.40
Total	\$1,345,223	\$1,277,966	0.96%

- Debt-to-equity ratio<sup>(2)(3)</sup> of 2.14:1 as of September 30, 2013 compared to 2.02:1 as of June 30, 2013
- Borrowing rates and haircuts for non-Agency MBS and Agency RMBS relatively stable compared to second quarter
  - Smaller banks beginning to express interest in providing repo for Agency RMBS, particularly as larger banks affected by revised leverage ratio rules may shift emphasis to more profitable non-Agency MBS repo

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes securitized debt valued at \$1.0 million as of September 30, 2013.

<sup>2)</sup> Includes securitized debt valued at \$1.0 million and \$1.2 million as of September 30, 2013 and June 30, 2013, respectively.

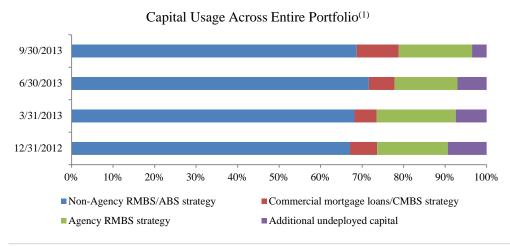
<sup>3)</sup> Debt to equity ratio based on outstanding borrowings at end of period/total equity.

# **Supplemental Information**

# EFC: Gross Profit and Loss

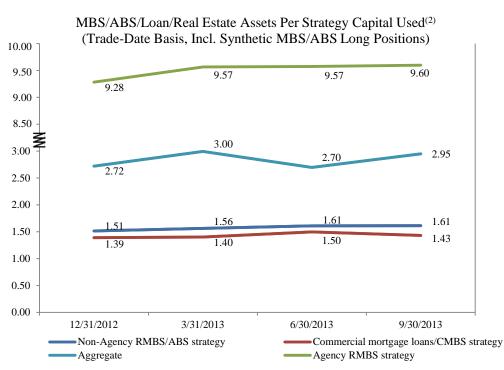
	Nine Mon	ths Ended					Years 1					
	Septembe	r 30, 2013	201	12	20	2011		2010		09	200	08
(\$ In thousands)	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>		<u>%</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
Long: Non-Agency	80,595	13.92	129,830	30.02	1,505	0.39	70,840	21.87	101,748	36.33	(64,565)	(26.20)
Credit Hedge and Other: Non-												
Agency	(10,494)	(1.81)	(14,642)	(3.39)	19,895	5.16	(7,958)	(2.46)	10,133	3.62	78,373	31.81
Interest Rate Hedge: Non-Agency	8,435	1.45	(3,851)	(0.89)	(8,171)	(2.12)	(12,150)	(3.75)	(1,407)	(0.50)	(3,446)	(1.40)
Long: Agency	(13,882)	(2.40)	37,701	8.72	63,558	16.47	21,552	6.65	22,171	7.92	4,763	1.93
Interest Rate Hedge: Agency	17,060	2.95	(20,040)	(20,040) $(4.63)$ $($		(14.04)	(14,524)	(4.48)	(8,351)	(2.98)	(6,414)	(2.60)
Gross Profit	81,714	14.11	128,998	29.83	22,614	5.86	57,760	17.83	124,294	44.39	8,711	3.54

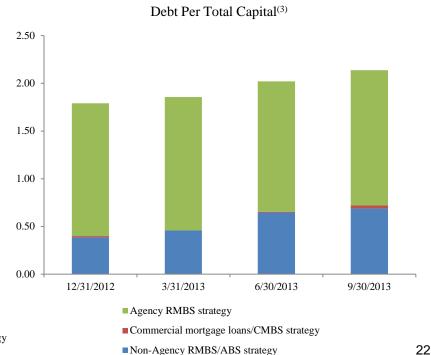
# EFC: Capital and Leverage



### **Notes**

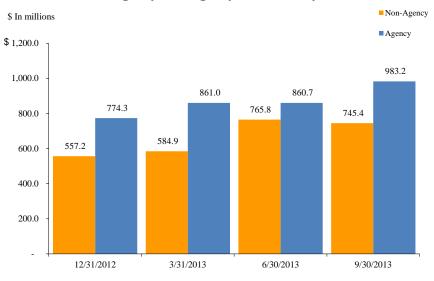
- (1) Capital usage based on pro forma calculation of leverage generally applicable to long positions in target asset classes
- (2) Assets per strategy capital includes in the numerator holdings on a trade date basis of:
  - long cash bond holdings of MBS/ABS (such as CMOs, CDOs, Agency pools)
  - long holdings of commercial mortgage loans notes and unsecuritized mortgage loans
  - bond equivalent amount of synthetic long holdings of MBS/ABS (in the form of single name and index ABS CDS)
  - long TBA positions held for investment, rather than hedging, purposes
- Debt per total capital includes in the numerator repo borrowings and securitized debt



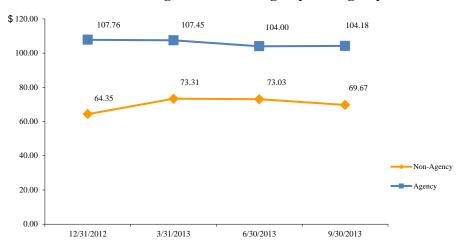


# EFC: Non-Agency and Agency Fair Values and Average Prices

### Non-Agency and Agency Portfolios by Fair Value

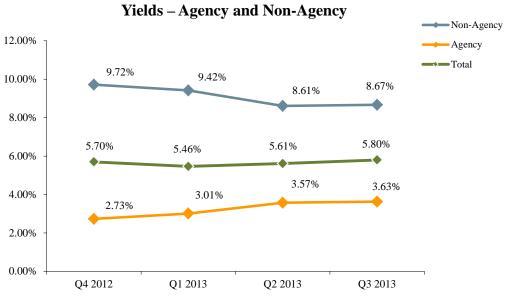


### Average Price - Non-Agency and Agency

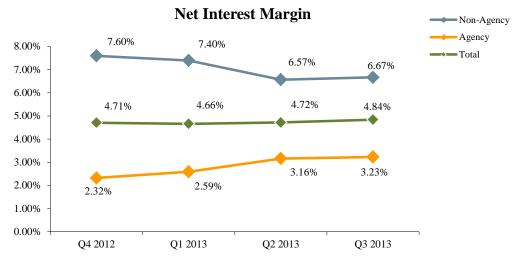


Note: Excludes interest only, principal only, equity tranches and other similar securities. Also excludes credit default swaps.

# EFC: Yields and Net Interest Margin

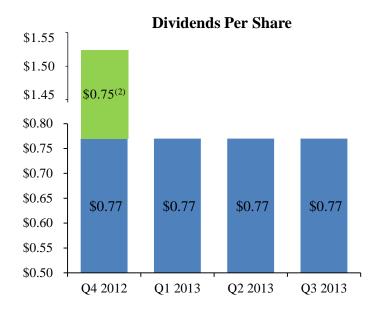


Note: Yields are based on amortized cost, not fair value.



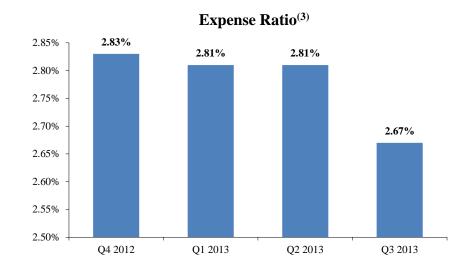
Note: Net interest margin figures are based on amortized cost, not fair value, and exclude hedging related expenses.

# EFC: Dividends and Expense Ratio



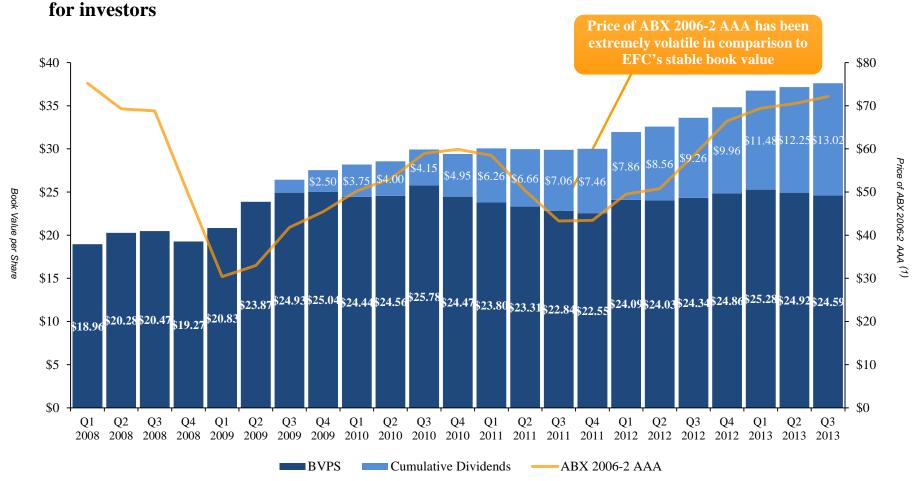
Dividend Yield as of November 05, 2013 13.4%<sup>(1)</sup>

- (1) Based on NYSE closing price as of 11/05/2013.
- (2) Special dividend.
- (3) Expense ratios annualized.



### EFC: Book Value

■ EFC has successfully preserved book value through market cycles, while producing strong results



EFC life-to-date net-asset-value-based total return from inception in August 2007 through Q3 2013 is approximately 117%

# **Income Statement**

(Unaudited)

### ELLINGTON FINANCIAL LLC CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

CONSOLIDAT		Three Month	Nine Month Period Ended			
·		tember 30,	une 30,		tember 30,	
(In thousands, except per share data)	•	2013	2013	•	2013	
Investment income						
Interest income	\$	24,069	\$ 20,335	\$	62,786	
Expenses						
Base management fee		2,378	2,405		6,751	
Incentive fee		2,038	1,182		5,275	
Interest expense		3,277	2,582		8,001	
Other investment related expenses		85	327		412	
Other operating expenses		1,885	1,671		5,203	
Total expenses		9,663	 8,167		25,642	
Net investment income		14,406	12,168		37,144	
Net realized gain (loss) on:						
Investments		10,731	10,598		35,326	
Financial derivatives		(6,442)	(4,927)		(12,774)	
Tillaliciai delivatives		4,289	 5,671		22,552	
		4,207	 3,071	-	22,332	
Change in net unrealized gain (loss) on:						
Investments		(4,867)	(27,971)		(10,000)	
Financial derivatives		(2,005)	 21,837		14,578	
		(6,872)	 (6,134)		4,578	
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on						
investments and financial derivatives		(2,583)	(463)		27,130	
		(2,505)	 (102)	-	27,120	
Net increase in equity resulting from						
operations	\$	11,823	\$ 11,705	\$	64,274	
Less: Net increase in equity resulting from						
operations attributable to non-controlling						
interest		96	105		612	
Net increase in shareholders' equity						
resulting from operations	\$	11,727	\$ 11,600	\$	63,662	
Net increase in shareholders' equity						
resulting from operations per share:						
Basic and diluted	\$	0.45	\$ 0.49	\$	2.73	
Weighted average shares and LTIP units						
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outstanding		25,814	23,444		23,566	
Weighted average shares and convertible units						
outstanding		26,026	23,656		23,578	

# Balance Sheet

(Unaudited)

### ELLINGTON FINANCIAL LLC CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIA	As of					
	Ser	tember 30,		June 30.	De	cember 31,
(In thousands, except share amounts)	~-1	2013		2013		2012(1)
ASSETS	_	2013		2013	_	2012
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	186,737	\$	201,795	\$	59,084
Investments, financial derivatives and repurchase agreements:	Ψ	100,737	Ψ	201,793	Ψ	33,004
Investments at fair value (Cost - \$1,806,749, \$1,675,134, and \$1,328,153)		1,851,751		1,710,422		1,375,116
Financial derivatives - assets at fair value (Net cost - \$43,199, \$47,291,		1,031,731		1,710,422		1,373,110
and \$65,860)		43,567		46,977		48,504
Repurchase agreements (Cost - \$40,994, \$41,188, and \$13,650)		40,994		41,188		13,650
Total Investments, financial derivatives and repurchase agreements	_	1,936,312		1,798,587	_	1,437,270
Due from brokers		65,159		48,294		22,744
Receivable for securities sold		926,638		672,035		626,919
Interest and principal receivable		6,691		6,571		5,719
Other assets		1,165		1,125		3,719
Total assets	ф.		ф.		ф.	
Total assets	\$	3,122,702	<u>\$</u>	2,728,407	<u>\$</u>	2,152,115
LIABILITIES						
Investments and financial derivatives:						
Investments sold short at fair value (Proceeds - \$850,801, \$614,208, and						
\$621,048)	\$	860,128	\$	608,922	\$	622,301
Financial derivatives - liabilities at fair value (Net proceeds - \$28,271,	Ψ	000,120	Ψ	000,722	Ψ	022,301
\$16,042, and \$13,171)		33,457		18,543		15,212
Total investments and financial derivatives	_	893,585	_	627,465	_	637,513
Reverse repurchase agreements		1,345,223		1,287,992		905,718
Due to brokers		13,740		30,345		30,954
Payable for securities purchased		230,650		136,084		57,333
Securitized debt (Proceeds - \$1,050, \$1,150, and \$1,311)		1,038		1,168		1,335
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		2,241		1,917		1,995
Base management fee payable		2,241		2,405		1,934
Incentive fee payable		2,038		1,182		7,343
Other payables		507		311		903
Interest and dividends payable		1,500		1,680		732
Total liabilities	_				_	
EQUITY	_	2,492,900	_	2,090,549	_	1,645,760
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	ф.	629,802	ф.	637,858	_	506,355
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITT	\$	3,122,702	<u>\$</u>	2,728,407	<u>\$</u>	2,152,115
ANALYSIS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:						
Common shares, no par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized;						
(25,418,937, 25,412,011, and 20,370,469 shares issued and outstanding)	\$	616,104	¢	624,096	¢	497,373
Additional paid-in capital - LTIP units	Ψ	9,069	Ψ	9,066	Ψ	8,982
Total Shareholders' Equity	\$	625,173	\$	633,162	\$	506,355
Non-controlling interest	Ψ	4,629	Ψ	4,696	Ψ	- 500,555
Total Equity	\$	629,802	\$		\$	506,355
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PER SHARE INFORMATION:						
Common shares, no par value	\$	24.59	\$	24.92	\$	24.86
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Common shares and convertible units, no par value	\$	24.19	\$	24.51	\$	24.38

# **About Ellington**

- EFC is managed by Ellington Financial Management LLC, an affiliate of Ellington Management Group, L.L.C. ("EMG")
- EMG was founded in 1994 by Michael Vranos and five partners; currently has over 130 employees, giving EFC access to time-tested infrastructure and proprietary resources in trading, research, risk management, and operational support
  - EMG has approximately \$5.6 billion in assets under management
- EMG's portfolio managers are among the most experienced in the MBS sector and the firm's analytics have been developed over an 18-year history
  - Prior to forming EMG, five of the founding partners constituted the core of Kidder Peabody's MBS trading and research group, while one spent ten years at Lehman Brothers where he ran collateralized mortgage obligation ("CMO") trading
  - The founding partners each have advanced academic training in mathematics and engineering, including among them several Ph.D.'s and Master's degrees
- Management owns over 13% of EFC; interests are aligned with shareholders

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