Filed by The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. Pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act of 1933 and deemed filed pursuant to Rule 14a-12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

> Subject Company: Mercantile Bankshares Corporation Commission File No. 0-5127

On January 31, 2007, Joseph C. Guyaux, President of The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. (the "Corporation"), gave a presentation to investors at the Citigroup Financial Services Conference. This presentation was accompanied by a series of electronic slides that include information pertaining to the financial results and business strategies of the Corporation. A copy of the slides follows below.

EXHIBIT 99.1



The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.

Citigroup Financial Services Conference

January 31, 2007

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information

This presentation contains forward-looking statements regarding our outlook or expectations relating to PNC's future business, operations, financial condition, financial performance and asset quality. Forward-looking statements are necessarily subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties, which change over time.

The forward-looking statements in this presentation are qualified by the factors affecting forward-looking statements identified in the more detailed Cautionary Statement included in the Appendix, which is in the version of the presentation materials posted on our corporate website at www.pnc.com under "About PNC – Investor Relations." We provide greater detail regarding those factors in our 2005 Form 10-K, including in the Risk Factors and Risk Management sections, and in our 2006 Form 10-Qs and other SEC reports (accessible on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov and on or through our corporate website).

Future events or circumstances may change our outlook or expectations and may also affect the nature of the assumptions, risks and uncertainties to which our forward-looking statements are subject. The forward-looking statements in this presentation speak only as of the date of this presentation. We do not assume any duty and do not undertake to update those statements.

In this presentation, we will sometimes refer to adjusted results to help illustrate (1) the impact of BlackRock deconsolidation near the end of third quarter 2006 and the application of the equity method accounting for our investment in BlackRock and (2) the impact of certain significant 2006 items due to the magnitude of the aggregate of these items. These items include the BlackRock/MLIM transaction gain and integration costs and the costs of balance sheet repositionings that we have disclosed earlier. We provide details of the adjustments in the Appendix. While we have not provided other adjustments for the periods discussed, this is not intended to imply that there could not have been other similar types of adjustments, but any such adjustments would not have been similar in magnitude to the amount of the adjustments shown.

This presentation may also include a discussion of non-GAAP financial measures, which, to the extent not so qualified therein or in the Appendix, is qualified by GAAP reconciliation information available on our corporate website at www.pnc.com under "About PNC - Investor Relations."



Today's Discussion

- PNC overview
- Retail Banking
 - High performing model
 - Our framework for winning in 2007
 - Investing to drive growth



2006 Highlights

- Record net income
- Closed on BlackRock/Merrill transaction – \$1.6 billion increase in capital
- Strong client activity business segment earnings* grew 9%
- Balance sheet well positioned for this interest rate environment
- Overall asset quality remained very strong
- Mercantile acquisition will continue expansion into attractive region

Total business segment earnings are reconciled to total GAAP consolidated earnings in the attached Appendix

2006 Financial Highlights

Net income	\$2.6 billion
Net income adjusted ⁽¹⁾	\$1.5 billion
ROCE	28%
ROCE adjusted ⁽¹⁾	16%
Noninterest income to total revenue	74%
Noninterest income to total revenue adjuste	ed ⁽²⁾ 61%
Loans to deposits (3)	76%

(1) Adjusted net income and ROCE exclude the after-tax gain on BlackRock/MLIM transaction of \$1.293 billion, the securities portfolio rebalancing after-tax loss of \$127 million, BlackRock/MLIM integration costs of \$47 million after-tax, and the mortgage loan portfolio repositioning after-tax loss of \$31 million due to the magnitude of the aggregate of those items and are reconciled to GAAP in the Appendix.

(2) Reconciled to GAAP in Appendix

(3) Loans to deposits as of December 31, 2006

PNC

PNC – A Diversified Financial Services Company

Business Leadership		Regional, National and International Bu		
Winning in the Payments Space	 Retail Banking A leading community bank in PNC major markets Top 10 SBA lender in the U.S. One of the nation's largest bank wealth management firms 	 PNC Bank Branches PNC Employees / Offices Outside of Retail Footprint 		
A Premier Middle- market Franchise	 Corporate & Institutional Banking Top 10 Treasury Management business The nation's second largest lead arranger of asset-based loan syndications Harris Williams - one of the nation's largest M&A advisory firms for middlemarket companies 	NO PA		
World Class Asset Manager	 BlackRock A global asset management company with over \$1.1 trillion in assets under management 	International fund processing: PFPC – with offices in U.S., Ireland & Luxembourg		
A Leading Global Servicing Platform	 PFPC Among the largest providers of mutual fund transfer agency and accounting and administration services in the U.S. 	International investment management: BlackRock – with offices in 18 countries		
50. -		PNC		

PNC's High Return Business Mix

Business Resultswelve Months Ended December 31, 2006



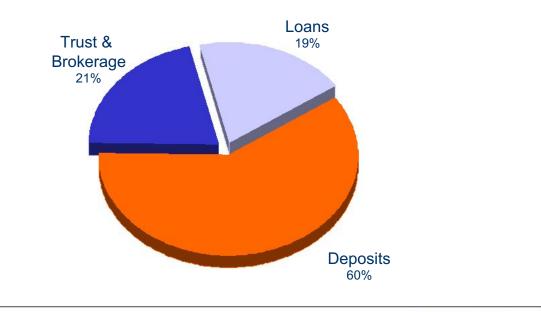
* Business earnings, earnings growth and return on capital reconciled to GAAP net income, growth and returns in attached Appendix.

(1) Percentage for PFPC reflects return on average equity. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current period presentation.

PNC

Retail Bank's Deposit Franchise is a Primary Source of Revenue

2006 Retail Banking Revenue Generated by Product Segment





Retail Banking Model is Relationship Driven

Focused on:

- The payments system
- Acquisition, retention and growth of checking relationships
- Capturing increased share of investable assets
- Opportunistically generating value-added loans

PNC

Retail Banking Model Has Been Delivering Superior Results

Expanding RelationshipsImproving Efficiency **Growing Earnings** Average Deposits **Efficiency Ratio Earnings** Average Loans 11% CAG \$765 \$46 \$43 \$682 \$39 63% \$610 \$37 62% \$566 60% \$24 58% \$23 \$20 \$16 2006 2003 2005 2006 2006 2003 2004 2005 2004 2003 2004 2005

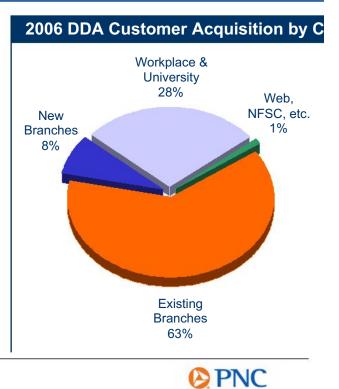
Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current period presentation.





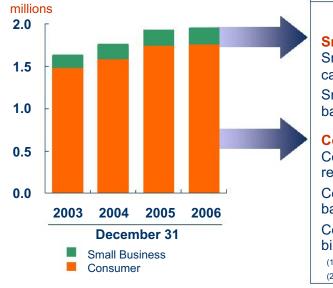
Multiple Channels Drive Checking Acquisition

- Expanding investment in new branches
- Upgrading our existing branch facilities
- Increasing commitment to alternative channels
- The Web as an expanded acquisition channel



Increasing and Deepening Checking Relationships

Retail Banking Checking Customer Base



	FY	
	2006	Growth
Small Business Small Business debit		
card revenue (\$ millions)	\$12.3	+24%
Small Business online banking users	48%	+17% ⁽
Consumer debit card revenue (\$ millions)	\$100.6	+17%
Consumer online banking users	53%	+10%
Consumer online bill-pay users	23%	+97%
(1) Growth is for FY 2006 vs. FY 20(2) Reflects growth in users	005	

... Provides Opportunities to

Leverage Increased Ownership



Differentiated Customer Experience

PNC Ranked Highest in Inaugural J.D. Power and Associates Small Business Banking Sa



"Highest in Customer Satisfaction with Small Business Banking"

PNC Bank received the highest numerical score in the proprietary J.D. Power and Associates 2006 Small Business Banking Satisfaction StudySM- Study based on 4,996 total responses, measuring 13 financial institutions and measures opinions of small business customers with annual revenues from \$100,000 to \$10 million. Proprietary study results are based on experiences and perceptions of customers surveyed in July – September 2006. Your experiences may vary. Visit jdpower.com.



Initiatives to Further Differentiate the Customer Experience

- Human Sigma program
 - Measurement, intervention and reward approach to improving customer and employee engagement

Service excellence program

- Focused on problem reduction and process simplification
- Employee selection, retention and development
 - Developing talented, motivated, committed and successful employees



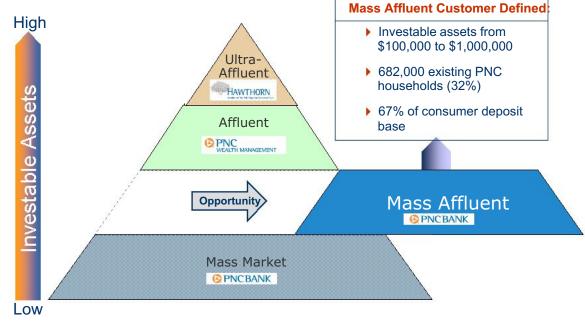
Investing to Drive Growth

Recent Investments

- Banking made easy
- Mortgage origination
- Credit card
- Merchant services
- Private Client Group



Focused on Winning in the Affluent Segment



Percentages in definition are as of December 31, 2006



Investing to Drive Growth

Recent Investments	Continuing Investments		
Banking made easy	Expanded 2007 marketing		
Mortgage origination	program		
Credit card	Enhancing pnc.com		
Merchant services	Remote check capture		
Private Client Group	Simplified business checking		
y i invato olioni oroup	New branches		
	M&A activity - Mercantile		



Success in Greater Washington, DC Market Highlights Scalability of Model

Demonstrating Ease of PNC

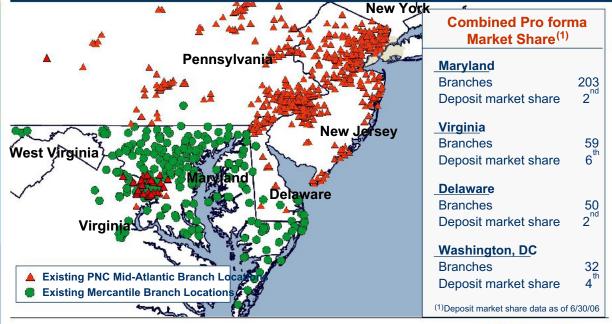
- Client retention exceeded plan
- Leveraging successful technology platform
- Extended hours
- Free ATMs
- Established Business Banking team

Improved Monthly Same Store Sales Production for PNC's Greater Washington Market				
	Increase cember '06 ve ecember '05			
Consumer	<u>, 10</u>			
Checking relationships	+14%			
Average deposits	+6%			
Average home equity loans	+17%			
Small Business				
Checking relationships	+24%			
Average deposits	+23%			
Average loans	+140%			



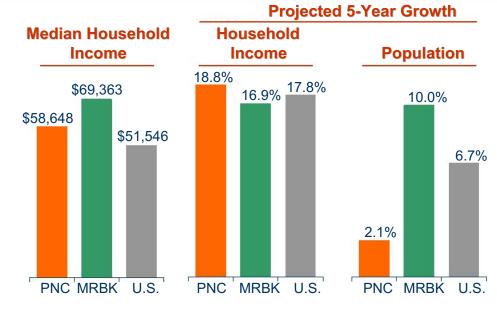
Mercantile Acquisition Will Create a Mid-Atlantic Powerhouse

69% of PNC Pro forma Branches Located in the Mid-Atlantic Regio





Fast Growing and Affluent Region



PNC - 78 county footprint Mercantile – 38 county footprint Source: SNL DataSource



Mercantile Opportunity

Retail Banking

- Distribute broader deposit product set and increase Mercantile's online banking penetration
- Provide enhanced consumer offerings such as home equity and credit card lending
- Leverage PNC's small business technology capabilities across Mercantile's banking footprint
- Expand scale and product capability of Mercantile's Wealth Management business

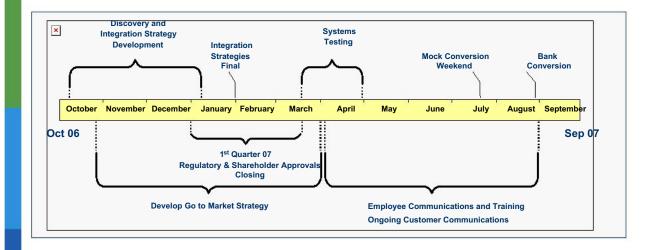
Corporate & Institutional Banking

- Deliver PNC Treasury Management, Capital Markets and other corporate services to Mercantile's corporate customers
- Expand the coverage of corporate customers



Integration - Top Priority is Retaining Leadership and Clients

Key Milestones





Summary

- Achieved remarkable 2006 results
- Built a differentiated Retail Banking franchise
- Designed strategies for winning in a difficult retail banking environment
- Investing to drive growth



Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information

We make statements in this presentation, and we may from time to time make other statements, regarding our outlook or expectations for earnings, revenues, expenses and/or other matters regarding or affecting PNC that are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "outlook," "estimate," "forecast," "project" and other similar words and expressions.

Forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties, which change over time. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. We do not assume any duty and do not undertake to update our forward-looking statements. Because forward-looking statements are subject to assumptions and uncertainties, actual results or future events could differ, possibly materially, from those that we anticipated in our forward-looking statements, and future results could differ materially from our historical performance.

Our forward-looking statements are subject to the following principal risks and uncertainties. We provide greater detail regarding some of these factors in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 and in our 2006 Form 10-Qs, including in the Risk Factors and Risk Management sections of those reports. Our forward-looking statements may also be subject to other risks and uncertainties, including those that we may discuss elsewhere in this presentation or in our filings with the SEC, accessible on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov and on or through our corporate website at www.pnc.com under "About PNC – Investor Relations – Financial Information."

- Our business and operating results are affected by business and economic conditions generally or specifically in the principal markets in which we do business. We are affected by changes in our customers' financial performance, as well as changes in customer preferences and behavior, including as a result of changing economic conditions.
- The value of our assets and liabilities as well as our overall financial performance are affected by changes in interest rates or in valuations in the debt
 and equity markets. Actions by the Federal Reserve and other government agencies, including those that impact money supply and market interest
 rates, can affect our activities and financial results.
- Competition can have an impact on customer acquisition, growth and retention, as well as on our credit spreads and product pricing, which can affect
 market share, deposits and revenues.
- Our ability to implement our One PNC initiative, as well as other business initiatives and strategies we may pursue, could affect our financial
 performance over the next several years.
- Our ability to grow successfully through acquisitions is impacted by a number of risks and uncertainties related both to the acquisition transactions themselves and to the integration of the acquired businesses into PNC after closing. These uncertainties are present in transactions such as our pending acquisition of Mercantile Bankshares Corporation.



Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information (continued)

- Legal and regulatory developments could have an impact on our ability to operate our businesses or our financial condition or results of operations or our competitive position or reputation. Reputational impacts, in turn, could affect matters such as business generation and retention, our ability to attract and retain management, liquidity and funding. These legal and regulatory developments could include: (a) the unfavorable resolution of legal proceedings or regulatory and other governmental inquiries; (b) increased litigation risk from recent regulatory and other governmental developments; (c) the results of the regulatory examination process, our failure to satisfy the requirements of agreements with governmental agencies, and regulators' future use of supervisory and enforcement tools; (d) legislative and regulatory reforms, including changes to laws and regulations involving tax, pension, and the protection of confidential customer information; and (e) changes in accounting policies and principles.
- Our business and operating results are affected by our ability to identify and effectively manage risks inherent in our businesses, including, where appropriate, through the effective use of third-party insurance and capital management techniques.
- Our ability to anticipate and respond to technological changes can have an impact on our ability to respond to customer needs and to meet competitive demands.
- The adequacy of our intellectual property protection, and the extent of any costs associated with obtaining rights in intellectual property claimed by others, can impact our business and operating results.
- Our business and operating results can be affected by widespread natural disasters, terrorist activities or international hostilities, either as a result of
 the impact on the economy and financial and capital markets generally or on us or on our customers, suppliers or other counterparties specifically.
- Also, risks and uncertainties that could affect the results anticipated in forward-looking statements or from historical performance relating to our
 interest in BlackRock, Inc. are discussed in more detail in BlackRock's 2005 Form 10-K, including in the Risk Factors section, and in BlackRock's
 other filings with the SEC, accessible on the SEC's website and on or through BlackRock's website at www.blackrock.com.

In addition, our pending acquisition of Mercantile Bankshares presents us with a number of risks and uncertainties related both to the acquisition transaction itself and to the integration of the acquired businesses into PNC after closing. These risks and uncertainties include the following:

- Completion of the transaction is dependent on, among other things, receipt of regulatory and Mercantile shareholder approvals, the timing of which
 cannot be predicted with precision at this point and which may not be received at all. The impact of the completion of the transaction on PNC's
 financial statements will be affected by the timing of the transaction.
- The transaction may be more expensive to complete than anticipated, including as a result of unexpected factors or events.



Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information (continued)

- The integration of Mercantile's business and operations with those of PNC, which will include conversion of Mercantile's different systems and
 procedures, may take longer than anticipated, may be more costly than anticipated, and may have unanticipated adverse results relating to
 Mercantile's or PNC's existing businesses.
- The anticipated benefits, including anticipated strategic gains and anticipated cost savings and other synergies of the transaction, may be significantly
 harder or take longer to be realized than anticipated or may not be achieved in their entirety, including as a result of unexpected factors or events, and
 attrition in key client, partner and other relationships relating to the transaction may be greater than expected.
- The anticipated benefits to PNC are dependent in part on Mercantile's business performance in the future, and there can be no assurance as to actual
 future results, which could be impacted by various factors, including the risks and uncertainties generally related to PNC's and Mercantile's
 performance (with respect to Mercantile, see Mercantile's SEC reports, accessible on the SEC's website) or due to factors related to the acquisition of
 Mercantile and the process of integrating it into PNC.

In addition to the pending Mercantile Bankshares transaction, we grow our business from time to time by acquiring other financial services companies. Acquisitions in general present us with risks other than those presented by the nature of the business acquired. In particular, acquisitions may be substantially more expensive to complete (including as a result of costs incurred in connection with the integration of the acquired company) and the anticipated benefits (including anticipated cost savings and strategic gains) may be significantly harder or take longer to achieve than expected. In some cases, acquisitions involve our entry into new businesses or new geographic or other markets, and these situations also present risks resulting from our inexperience in these new areas. As a regulated financial institution, our pursuit of attractive acquisition opportunities could be negatively impacted due to regulatory delays or other regulatory issues. Regulatory and/or legal issues related to the pre-acquisition operations of an acquired business may cause reputational harm to PNC following the acquisition and integration of the acquired business into ours and may result in additional future costs and expenses arising as a result of those issues.

Any annualized, proforma, estimated, third party or consensus numbers in this presentation are used for illustrative or comparative purposes only and may not reflect actual results. Any consensus earnings estimates are calculated based on the earnings projections made by analysts who cover that company. The analysts' opinions, estimates or forecasts (and therefore the consensus earnings estimates) are theirs alone, are not those of PNC or its management, and may not reflect PNC's, Mercantile's or other company's actual or anticipated results.



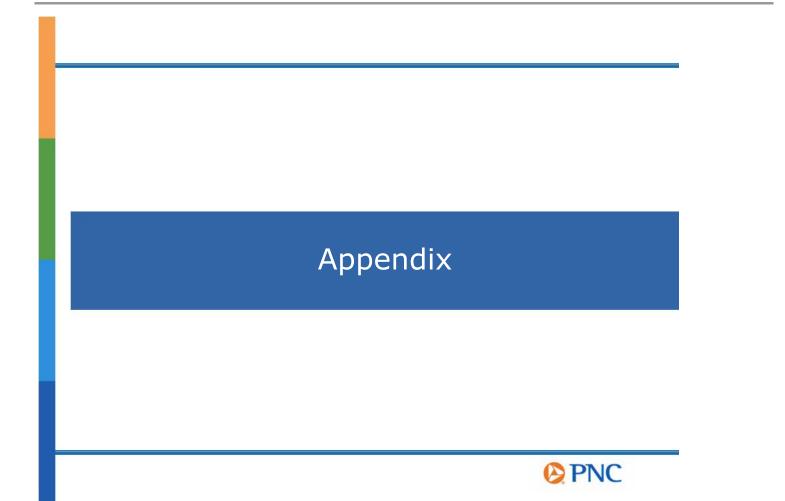
Additional Information About The PNC/Mercantile Transaction

The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. and Mercantile Bankshares Corporation have filed a proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant documents concerning the merger with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). WE URGE INVESTORS TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE MERGER OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Investors may obtain these documents free of charge at the SEC's website (www.sec.gov). In addition, documents filed with the SEC by The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. are available free of charge from Shareholder Relations at (800) 843-2206. Documents filed with the SEC by Mercantile Bankshares are available free of charge from Mercantile Bankshares Corporation, 2 Hopkins Plaza, P.O. Box 1477, Baltimore, Maryland 21203, Attention: Investor Relations.

The directors, executive officers, and certain other members of management and employees of Mercantile Bankshares Corporation are participants in the solicitation of proxies in favor of the merger from the shareholders of Mercantile Bankshares Corporation. Information about the directors and executive officers of Mercantile Bankshares Corporation is set forth in the proxy statement for its 2006 annual meeting of shareholders, which was filed with the SEC on March 29, 2006. Additional information regarding the interests of such participants is included in the proxy statement/prospectus filed with the SEC.





Non-GAAP to GAAP Reconcilement

Income Statement and Selected (Raties Ended December 31, 2006

\$ millions (except per share data)	Reported, GAAP Basis	Adjustments (b)	BlackRock Deconsolidation & Other Adjustments	BlackRock Equity Method ^(c)	As Adjusted
Net interest income	\$2,245		(\$10)		\$2,235
Noninterest income	6,327	(\$1,824)	(1,087)	\$144	3,560
Total revenue	8,572	(1,824)	(1,097)	144	5,795
Noninterest expense	4,443	(91)	(765)		3,587
Pretax, pre-provision income	4,129	(1,733)	(332)	144	2,208
Provision	124				124
Income before minority interest and income taxes	4,005	(1,733)	(332)	144	2,084
Minority interest in income of BlackRo	ck 47	18	(65)		-
Income taxes	1,363	(663)	(130)	7	577
Net income	\$2,595	(\$1,088)	(\$137)	\$137	\$1,507

(a) The table above represents a reconciliation of certain GAAP disclosures to adjusted amounts for the year ended December 31, 2006. This reconciliation is provided for informational purposes only and reflects historical consolidated financial information of PNC(1) with amounts adjustedfor the impact of certain significant 2006 items and (2) as if we had recorded our investmentin BlackRock on the equity method for all of 2006. We have provided these adjusted amounts and reconciliations on that shareholders, investor analysts, regulators and otherswill be better able to evaluate the impact of certain significant items on our GAAP results for the twelve months ended December 31, 2006 in addition to providing a basis of comparability for the impact of BlackRock. This informationsupplements our results as reported in accordance with GAAP and should not be viewed in isolation from, or as a substitute for, our GAAP results. The absence of other adjustments is not intended to imply that there could not have been other similar types of adjustments, but any such adjustmentswold not have been similar in magnitude to the adjustments sportfolio rebalancing and mortgage loan portfolio repositioning.

(b) Includes the impact of the following items, all on a pretax basis: \$2,078 milliongain on BlackRock/MLIMtransaction, \$196 millionsecurities portfolio rebalancing loss, \$101 millionof BlackRock/MLIMtransaction integration costs, and \$48 millionmortgage loan portfolio repositioning loss.

(c) BlackRock investment revenue represents PNC'sownership interest in earnings of BlackRock excluding our share of pretax BlackRock/MLIMtransaction integration costs totaling \$101 million. The income taxes amount represents additional income taxes recorded by PNC related to BlackRock earnings.



Non-GAAP to GAAP Reconcilement

Income Statement and Selected (Raties Ended December 31, 2006

\$ millions (except per share data)	Reported, GAAP Basis \$6,327	Adjustments ^(b) (\$1,824)	BlackRock Deconsolidation & Other Adjustments (\$1,087)	BlackRock Equity Method ^(c) \$144	As Adjusted \$3,560
Total revenue	\$8,572	(\$1,824)	(\$1,097)	\$144	\$5,795
Net income	\$2,595	(\$1,088)	(\$137)	\$137	\$1,507
Average common shareholders'equity	\$9,275				\$9,275
Return on average common shareholders' equity	27.97%				16.24%
Noninterest income to total revenue	74%				61%

(a) The table above represents a reconciliation of certain GAAP disclosures to adjusted amounts for the year ended December 31, 2006. This reconciliation is provided for informational purposes only and reflects historical consolidated financial information of PNC(1) with amounts adjustedfor the impact of certain significant 2006 items and (2) as if we had recorded our investmentin BlackRock on the equity method for all of 2006. We have provided these adjusted amounts and reconciliations on that shareholders, investor analysts, regulators and otherswill be better able to evaluate the impact of certain significant items on our GAAP results for the twelve months ended December 31, 2006 in addition to providing a basis of comparability for the impact of BlackRock. This informationsupplements our results as reported in accordance with GAAP and should not be viewed in isolation from, or as a substitute for, our GAAP results. The absence of other adjustments is not intended to imply that there could not have been other similar types of adjustments, but any such adjustmentswold not have been similar in magnitude to the adjustments sportfolio rebalancing and mortgage loan portfolio repositioning.

(b) Includes the impact of the following items, all on a pretax basis: \$2,078 milliongain on BlackRock/MLIMtransaction, \$196 millionsecurities portfolio rebalancing loss, \$101 millionof BlackRock/MLIMtransaction integration costs, and \$48 millionmortgage loan portfolio repositioning loss.

(c) BlackRock investment revenue represents PNC'sownership interest in earnings of BlackRock excluding our share of pretax BlackRock/MLIMtransaction integration costs totaling \$101 million. The income taxes amount represents additional income taxes recorded by PNC related to BlackRock earnings.



Non-GAAP to GAAP Reconcilement

Business Earnings Summary

	Year Ended December 31 Earnings (Loss)			2006 Return on Average
\$ millions	2006	2005	Growth	Capital
Retail Banking	\$765	\$682	12%	26%
Corporate & Institutional Banking	463	480	(4)%	23%
BlackRock (a)(b)(c)	187	152	23%	N/A
PFPC (e)	124	104	19%	29%
Total business segment earnings	1,539	1,418	9%	
Other (c)(d)	1,056	(93)		
Total consolidated net income	\$2,595	\$1,325	96%	28%

(a) PNC's ownership interest in BlackRock was approximately 69%-70% for 2005 and through the first nine months of 2006. Effective September 29, 2006, PNC's ownership interest in BlackRock dropped to approximately 34%.

(b) These amounts have been reduced by minority interest in income of BlackRock, excluding MLIM integration costs, totaling \$65 million and \$71 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

(c) For this PNC business segment reporting presentation, integration costs incurred by BlackRock for the MLIM transaction totaling \$47 million for 2006 have been reclassified from BlackRock to "Other". These amounts are after-tax and, as applicable, net of minority interest.

(d) "Other" for 2006 includes the after-tax impact of the net gain on the BlackRock/MLIM transaction, MLIM integration costs and costs associated with the securities portfolio rebalancing and mortgage loan portfolio repositioning. (e) 2006 return percentage for PFPC reflects return on average equity.

Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current period presentation



Peer Group of Super-Regional Banks

Appendix

	Ticker
BB&T Corporation	BBT
Comerica	CMA
Fifth Third Bancorp	FITB
KeyCorp	KEY
National City Corporation	NCC
The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.	PNC
Regions Financial	RF
SunTrust Banks, Inc.	STI
U.S. Bancorp	USB
Wachovia Corporation	WB
Wells Fargo & Company	WFC

PNC

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PNC/MERCANTILE TRANSACTION

The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. and Mercantile Bankshares Corporation have filed a proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant documents concerning the merger with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). WE URGE INVESTORS TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE MERGER OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Investors may obtain these documents free of charge at the SEC's website (www.sec.gov). In addition, documents filed with the SEC by The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. are available free of charge from Shareholder Relations at (800) 843-2206. Documents filed with the SEC by Mercantile Bankshares are available free of charge from Mercantile Bankshares Corporation, 2 Hopkins Plaza, P.O. Box 1477, Baltimore, Maryland 21203, Attention: Investor Relations.

The directors, executive officers, and certain other members of management and employees of Mercantile Bankshares Corporation are participants in the solicitation of proxies in favor of the merger from the shareholders of Mercantile Bankshares Corporation. Information about the directors and executive officers of Mercantile Bankshares Corporation is set forth in the proxy statement for its 2006 annual meeting of shareholders, which was filed with the SEC on March 29, 2006. Additional information regarding the interests of such participants is included in the proxy statement/prospectus filed with the SEC.