## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

## FORM 8-K

## **Current Report**

## Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 2, 2011

## Two Harbors Investment Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-34506

(Commission File Number) 27-0312904

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

601 Carlson Parkway, Suite 150 Minnetonka, MN 55305

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (612) 629-2500

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) 

### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 2, 2011, Two Harbors Investment Corp. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2011. A copy of the press release and the 2011 Third Quarter Earnings Call Presentation are attached hereto as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Current Report, including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 attached hereto, is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for any other purpose, including for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report, including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings (unless the registrant specifically states that the information or exhibit in this particular Current Report is incorporated by reference).

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

## Exhibit No. Description

- 99.1 Press Release, dated November 2, 2011, issued by Two Harbors Investment Corp. announcing Third Quarter 2011 results.
- 99.2 2011 Third Quarter Earnings Call Presentation.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

TWO HARBORS INVESTMENT CORP.

By: <u>/s/ TIMOTHY W. O'BRIEN</u> Timothy O'Brien Secretary and General Counsel

Date: November 2, 2011



## Two Harbors Investment Corp. Reports Third Quarter 2011 Financial Results

Strong Underlying Performance of Portfolio Resulting in Core Earnings of \$0.40 per Weighted Share, 16.2% Return on Average Equity

**NEW YORK, November 2, 2011** - <u>Two Harbors Investment Corp.</u> (NYSE: TWO; NYSE Amex: TWO.WS), a real estate investment trust that invests in residential mortgage-backed securities (RMBS), residential mortgage loans and other financial assets, today announced its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2011.

## Highlights

- Increased Core Earnings 64.9% on a sequential quarter basis to \$51.8 million, or \$0.40 per diluted weighted average share.
- RMBS portfolio generated an aggregate yield of 5.5%, driven by non-Agency portfolio performance of 9.8% in the third quarter of 2011 as compared to 8.8% in the previous quarter.
- Declared a dividend of \$0.40 per common share, or 18.1% annualized dividend yield, based upon September 30, 2011 closing price of \$8.83.
- Completed accretive secondary stock offering in July, which resulted in the issuance of 48.3 million shares for net proceeds of approximately \$483.6 million. The deployed proceeds increased the company's investment portfolio to \$6.6 billion at September 30, 2011 compared to \$4.6 billion at June 30, 2011.
- Continued development of infrastructure to support asset securitization program.
- Announced Board of Director authorization for a share repurchase program of up to 10 million shares.

"We are pleased with our investment team's performance against a backdrop of volatile market conditions," said Thomas Siering, Two Harbors' President and Chief Executive Officer. "Our relative portfolio performance this quarter exceeded many indices for the same period and we believe our continued focus on security selection, thoughtful capital allocation and sophisticated hedging strategies distinguishes Two Harbors from its peers."

## **Operating Performance**

The following table summarizes the company's GAAP and non-GAAP earnings measurements and key metrics for the third quarter of 2011:

Two Harbors Operating Performance							
(dollars in thousands, except per share data)		Q3-2011			Q3 Y	TD 2011	
<u>Earnings</u>	 Earnings	Per diluted weighted share	Return (Loss) on average equity	 Earnings		r diluted ted share	Return (Loss) on average equity
Core Earnings <sup>1</sup>	\$ 51,801	\$ 0.40	16.2 %	\$ 97,979	\$	1.16	15.7%
GAAP Net Income	\$ 54,609	\$ 0.42	17.1 %	\$ 76,002	\$	0.90	12.2%
Adjusted GAAP Earnings <sup>2</sup>	\$ 71,259	\$ 0.55	22.3 %	\$ 125,188	\$	1.48	20.0%
Comprehensive (Loss) Income	\$ (17,964)	\$ (0.14)	(5.6)%	\$ 27,058	\$	0.32	4.3%
Operating Metrics	 Q3-2011						
Dividend per common share	\$ 0.40	_					
Book value per diluted share at period end	\$ 9.30						
Operating expenses as a percentage of average equity	0.9%	)					

(1) Core Earnings is a non-GAAP measure that the company defines as GAAP net income, excluding impairment losses, gains or losses on sales of securities and termination of interest rate swaps, unrealized gains or losses on trading securities, interest rate swaps and swaptions, certain gains or losses on derivative instruments and non-recurring business combination expenses. As defined, Core Earnings includes interest income associated with the company's inverse interest-only securities ("Agency derivatives") and premium income on credit default swaps.

(2) Adjusted GAAP Earnings is a non-GAAP measure that the company defines as GAAP net income, excluding the unrealized fair value gains and losses associated with the company's interest rate swaps and swaptions utilized to economically hedge interest rate risk associated with the company's short-term LIBOR-based repurchase agreements and available-for-sale securities.

## Earnings Summary

Two Harbors reported Core Earnings for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 of \$51.8 million, or \$0.40 per diluted weighted average common share outstanding, as compared to Core Earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 2011 of \$31.4 million, or \$0.41 per diluted weighted average common share outstanding.

In anticipation of the potential release of HARP 2.0 combined with the substantially lower interest rate environment, the company repositioned its Agency portfolio during the quarter. This resulted in the company selling RMBS for \$681.1 million with an amortized cost of \$660.4 million for a net realized gain of \$20.7 million, net of tax. The company recognized additional sales of RMBS and U.S. Treasuries for \$427.4 million with an amortized cost of \$660.4 million for a net realized gain of \$6.7 million, net of tax. In unison with the Agency RMBS portfolio adjustment, the company lowered its cost of financing through the termination of certain interest rate swap positions and realized a loss of \$19.8 million, net of tax. The company recognized other-than-temporary impairment losses on its non-Agency RMBS securities of \$3.4 million, net of tax, and recognized unrealized gains on its U.S. Treasury trading securities of \$2.4 million, net of tax. In addition, the company recognized in earnings an unrealized loss, net of \$16.7 million associated with its interest rate swaps and swaptions economically hedging its repurchase agreements and an unrealized gain, net of tax, of \$4.7 million associated with its interest rate swaps economically hedging its trading securities and TBA contracts. The third quarter 2011 results also included net gains on other derivative instruments of approximately \$8.1 million, net of tax, including \$14.3 million of net unrealized gains on inverse interest-only securities, TBA contracts and credit default swaps.

The company reported GAAP Net Income of \$54.6 million, or \$0.42 per diluted weighted average share outstanding, for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, as compared to GAAP Net Loss of approximately \$1.0

million, or negative \$0.01 per diluted weighted average share outstanding, for the quarter ended June 30, 2011. This increase in GAAP Net Income, from a quarter ago, is primarily due to strong underlying RMBS performance and favorable hedging gains on TBAs, credit default swaps and U.S. Treasuries combined with higher prior quarter valuation deterioration in the company's swap and swaption hedges, which are recognized in the GAAP income statement. On a GAAP basis, the company earned an annualized return on average equity of 17.1% for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 and negative 0.5% for the quarter ended June 30, 2011.

Two Harbors reported Adjusted GAAP Earnings for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 of \$71.3 million, or \$0.55 per diluted weighted average common share outstanding, as compared to Adjusted GAAP Earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 2011 of \$36.1 million, or \$0.47 per diluted weighted average common share outstanding. Included in Adjusted GAAP are unrealized gains on other derivative hedging activity associated with inverse interest-only securities, TBA contracts and credit default swaps. On an Adjusted GAAP Earnings basis, the company recognized an annualized return on average equity of 22.3% and 18.7% for the comparative periods.

The company reported a Comprehensive Loss of \$18.0 million, or negative \$0.14 per diluted weighted average share outstanding, for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, as compared to Comprehensive Income of \$13.5 million, or \$0.18 per diluted weighted average share outstanding, for the quarter ended June 30, 2011. The third quarter 2011 was negatively impacted by a net unrealized fair value loss of \$89.1 million on the company's non-Agency portfolio. The company records unrealized fair value gains and losses for RMBS, classified as available-for-sale, as Other Comprehensive Income in the Statement of Stockholders' Equity. On a Comprehensive Income basis, the company recognized an annualized loss on average equity of 5.6% and a return of 7.0% for the quarters ended September 30, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively.

### Other Key Metrics

Two Harbors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.40 per common share for the quarter ended September 30, 2011. The annualized dividend yield on the company's common stock for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, based on the September 30, 2011 closing price of \$8.83, was 18.1%.

The company's book value per diluted share, after giving effect to the third quarter 2011 dividend of \$0.40, was \$9.30 as of September 30, 2011, compared to \$9.73 as of June 30, 2011. The company's book value for the third quarter 2011 was significantly impacted by valuation losses as described above on its non-Agency portfolio.

Other operating expenses for the third quarter of 2011 were approximately \$2.9 million, or 0.9% of average equity, compared to approximately \$2.2 million, or 1.1%, for the second quarter of 2011.

## **Portfolio Summary**

"Our portfolio increased nearly sevenfold from a year ago due to the secondary offerings we completed over the last year," said Bill Roth, Two Harbors' Co-Chief Investment Officer. "We continued our opportunistic approach in deploying capital, and are pleased with the expansion of our net interest margin as a result of strong performance on both Agency and non-Agency strategies."

For the quarter ended September 30, 2011, the annualized yield on average RMBS and Agency derivatives was 5.5% and the annualized cost of funds on the average borrowings, which includes net interest rate spread expense on interest rate swaps, was 1.3%. This resulted in a net interest rate spread of 4.2%, up from 4.1% in the prior quarter. The company reported debt-to-equity, defined as total borrowings to fund RMBS and Agency derivatives divided by total equity, of 4.4:1.0 and 4.2:1.0 at September 30, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively.

The company's portfolio is principally composed of RMBS available-for-sale securities and Agency derivatives. As of September 30, 2011, the total value of the portfolio was \$6.6 billion, of which approximately \$5.3 billion was Agency RMBS and derivatives and \$1.3 billion was non-Agency RMBS. As of September 30, 2011, fixed-rate securities composed 78.0% of the company's portfolio and adjustable-rate securities composed 22.0% of the

company's portfolio. In addition, the company held \$1.5 billion of U.S. Treasuries classified on its balance sheet as trading securities.

Two Harbors was a party to interest rate swaps and swaptions as of September 30, 2011 with an aggregate notional amount of \$8.2 billion, of which \$6.1 billion was utilized to economically hedge interest rate risk associated with the company's short-term LIBOR-based repurchase agreements.

The following table summarizes the company's portfolio:

### **Two Harbors Portfolio**

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

RMBS and Agency Derivatives Portfolio Composition	As of September 30, 2011	
Agency Bonds		
Fixed Rate Bonds	\$ 4,917,465	74.8%
Hybrid ARMs	239,229	3.6%
Total Agency	5,156,694	78.4%
Agency Derivatives	160,473	2.5%
Non-Agency Bonds		
Senior Bonds	994,883	15.1%
Mezzanine Bonds	261,318	4.0%
Total Non-Agency	1,256,201	19.1%
Aggregate Portfolio	\$ 6,573,368	
Fixed-rate investment securities as a percentage of aggregate portfolio	78.0%	
Adjustable-rate investment securities as a percentage of aggregate portfolio	22.0%	
	For the Quarter Ended	
Portfolio Metrics	 September 30, 2011	
Annualized yield on average RMBS and Agency derivatives during the quarter		
Agency	4.3%	
Non-Agency	9.8%	
Aggregate Portfolio	5.5%	
Annualized cost of funds on average repurchase balance during the quarter <sup>1</sup>	1.3%	
Annualized interest rate spread for aggregate portfolio during the quarter	4.2%	
Weighted average cost basis of principal and interest securities		
Agency	\$ 106.28	
Non-Agency	\$ 55.79	
Weighted average three month CPR for its RMBS portfolio		
•	5.0%	
Agency	0 40/	
Agency Non-Agency	2.4%	

(1) Cost of funds includes interest spread expense associated with the portfolio's interest rate swaps.

(2) Defined as total borrowings to fund RMBS and Agency derivatives divided by total equity.

RMBS Agency securities owned by the company at period end experienced a three-month average Constant Prepayment Rate (CPR) of 5.0% during the second and third quarters of 2011. Including Agency inverse interest-only derivatives, the company experienced a three-month average CPR of 5.5% during the third quarter of 2011, as

compared to 5.3% during the second quarter of 2011. The weighted average cost basis of the Agency portfolio was 106.3% of par as of September 30, 2011 and 105.1% of par as of June 30, 2011. The net premium amortization was \$15.1 million and \$9.3 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively.

Non-Agency securities owned by the company at September 30, 2011 experienced a three-month average CPR of 2.4% during the third quarter of 2011 as compared to 3.0% during the second quarter of 2011. The weighted average cost basis of the non-Agency portfolio was 55.8% of par as of September 30, 2011 and 59.3% of par as of June 30, 2011. The discount accretion was \$19.9 million and \$7.0 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively. The total net discount remaining was \$1.3 billion and \$0.7 billion as of September 30, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively.

### Share Repurchase Plan Announced

On October 5, 2011, the company announced that its Board of Directors authorized the company to repurchase up to 10 million shares of its common stock. The shares may be repurchased from time to time through privately negotiated transactions or open market transactions, or by any combination of such methods.

### **Conference** Call

Two Harbors Investment Corp. will host a conference call on November 3, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. EDT to discuss third quarter 2011 financial results and related information. To participate in the teleconference, please call toll-free 877-868-1835 (or 914-495-8581 for international callers) approximately 10 minutes prior to the above start time. You may also listen to the teleconference live via the Internet on the company's website at <u>www.twoharborsinvestment.com</u> in the Investor Relations section under the Events and Presentations link. For those unable to attend, a telephone playback will be available beginning at 12 p.m. EDT on November 3, 2011 through 9 p.m. EDT on November 10, 2011. The playback can be accessed by calling 855-859-2056 (or 404-537-3406 for international callers) and providing Confirmation Code 19735201. The call will also be archived on the company's website in the Investor Relations section under the Events and Presentations link.

### About Two Harbors Investment Corp.

Two Harbors Investment Corp., a Maryland corporation, is a real estate investment trust that invests in residential mortgage-backed securities, residential mortgage loans and other financial assets. Two Harbors is headquartered in Minnetonka, Minnesota, and is externally managed and advised by PRCM Advisers, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Pine River Capital Management L.P. Additional information is available at <u>www.twoharborsinvestment.com</u>.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results may differ from expectations, estimates and projections and, consequently, readers should not rely on these forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. Words such as "expect," "target," "assume," "estimate," "project," "budget," "forecast," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "may," "will," "could," "should," "believe," "predicts," "potential," "continue," and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from expected results. Factors that could cause actual results to differ include, but are not limited to, higher than expected operating costs, changes in prepayment speeds of mortgages underlying the company's RMBS, the rates of default or decreased recovery on the mortgages underlying its non-Agency securities, failure to recover certain losses that are expected to be temporary, changes in interest rates or the availability of financing, the impact of new legislation or regulatory changes on its operations, the impact of any deficiencies in the servicing or foreclosure practices of third parties and related delays in the foreclosure process, the impact of new or modified government

mortgage refinance or principal reduction programs, and unanticipated changes in overall market and economic conditions.

Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance upon any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. Two Harbors does not undertake or accept any obligation to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement to reflect any change in its expectations or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based. Additional information concerning these and other risk factors is contained in Two Harbors' most recent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). All subsequent written and oral forward looking statements concerning Two Harbors or matters attributable to Two Harbors or any person acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements above.

### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

In addition to disclosing financial results calculated in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), this press release and the accompanying investor presentation present non-GAAP financial measures that exclude certain items. Two Harbors' management believes that these non-GAAP measures enable it to perform meaningful comparisons of past, present and future results of the company's core business operations, and uses these measures to gain a comparative understanding of the company's operating performance and business trends. The non-GAAP financial measures presented by the company represent supplemental information to assist investors in analyzing the results of Two Harbors' operations; however, as these measures are not in accordance with GAAP, they should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, the financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. Our GAAP financial results and the reconciliations from these results should be carefully evaluated. See the GAAP to Non-GAAP reconciliation table on page 9 of this release.

### **Additional Information**

Stockholders and warrant holders of Two Harbors, and other interested persons, may find additional information regarding the company at the SEC's Internet site at <u>www.sec.gov</u> or by directing requests to: Two Harbors Investment Corp., Attn: Investor Relations, 601 Carlson Parkway, Suite 150, Minnetonka, MN 55305, telephone 612-629-2500.

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## TWO HARBORS INVESTMENT CORP.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Sep	tember 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
		(unaudited)	
ASSETS			
Available-for-sale securities, at fair value	\$	6,412,895 \$	1,354,405
Trading securities, at fair value		1,526,330	199,523
Cash and cash equivalents		409,947	163,900
Total earning assets		8,349,172	1,717,828
Restricted cash		164,276	22,548
Accrued interest receivable		25,510	5,383
Due from counterparties		33,918	12,304
Derivative assets, at fair value		245,314	38,109
Other assets		619	1,260
Total Assets	\$	8,818,809 \$	1,797,432
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Repurchase agreements	\$	7,300,613 \$	1,169,803
Derivative liabilities, at fair value	*	46,182	158
Accrued interest payable		5,442	785
Due to counterparties		90,880	231,724
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		7,747	2,063
Dividends payable		56,235	10,450
Other liabilities		4,579	1
Total Liabilities		7,511,678	1,414,984
Stockholders' Equity			
Preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share; 50,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued			
and outstanding			
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share; 450,000,000 shares authorized and 140,586,736			
and 40,501,212 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		1,406	405
Additional paid-in capital		1,372,944	366,974
Additional pard-in capital Accumulated other comprehensive income		(26,325)	22,619
Cumulative earnings		106,022	30,020
Cumulative earnings		(146,916)	(37,570)
Total stockholders' equity		1,307,131	382,448
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	8,818,809 \$	1,797,432

TWO HARBORS INVESTMENT CORP. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Mo	nths	Ended	Nine Months Ended				
	 Septen	nber :	30,		Septen	ıber	30,	
	 2011		2010		2011		2010	
Interest income:								
Available-for-sale securities	\$ 65,919	\$	11,823	\$	125,413	\$	27,064	
Trading securities	1,706		15		2,783		15	
Cash and cash equivalents	114		27		241		70	
Total interest income	67,739		11,865		128,437		27,149	
Interest expense	7,218		1,395		13,580		2,777	
Net interest income	 60,521		10,470		114,857		24,372	
Other-than-temporary impairments:								
Total other-than-temporary impairments losses	(3,371)		_		(3,665)		_	
Non-credit portion of loss recognized in other comprehensive income (loss)	_		_		_		_	
Net other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	 (3,371)		_		(3,665)		_	
Other income:								
Gain on investment securities, net	31,432		2,577		36,159		4,608	
Loss on interest rate swap and swaption agreements	(39,311)		(4,436)		(88,180)		(10,037	
Gain on other derivative instruments	 22,361		3,098		37,474		4,197	
Total other income (loss)	14,482		1,239		(14,547)		(1,232	
Expenses:								
Management fees	4,785		862		9,063		2,068	
Other operating expenses	 2,850		1,213		6,516		3,332	
Total expenses	7,635		2,075		15,579		5,400	
Net income before income taxes	63,997		9,634		81,066		17,740	
Income tax (expense) benefit	(9,388)		246		(5,064)		1,555	
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 54,609	\$	9,880	\$	76,002	\$	19,295	
Net income available per share to common stockholders:								
Basic and Diluted	\$ 0.42	\$	0.38	\$	0.90	\$	0.93	
Weighted average shares outstanding:								
Basic and Diluted	130,607,566		26,126,212		84,751,854		20,691,461	
Comprehensive (loss) income:								
Net income	\$ 54,609	\$	9,880	\$	76,002	\$	19,295	
Other comprehensive (loss) income								
Net unrealized (loss) gain on available-for-sale securities	(72,573)		14,229		(48,944)		17,001	
Other comprehensive (loss) income	 (72,573)	_	14,229	_	(48,944)		17,001	
Comprehensive (loss) income	\$ (17,964)	\$	24,109	\$	27,058	\$	36,296	

## TWO HARBORS INVESTMENT CORP.

## RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

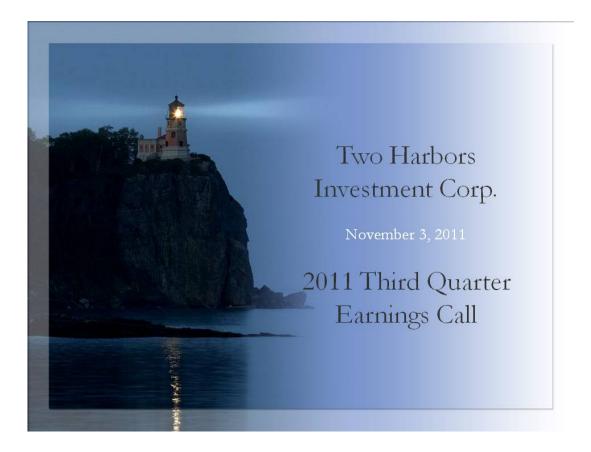
Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended		
Septen	ıber 30,	September 30,		
2011	2010	2011	2010	

Reconciliation of net income attributable to common stockholders

to Core Earnings:

Net income attributable to common stockholders	54,609	9,880	76,002		19,295
Adjustments for non-core earnings:					
Gain on sale of securities, net of tax	(27,422)	(2,494)	(29,584)		(4,525
Other-than-temporary impairment loss	3,371	_	3,665		_
Unrealized gain on trading securities, net of tax	(2,422)	_	(3,953)		_
Unrealized loss, net of tax, on interest rate swap and swaptions economically hedging repurchase agreements and available-for-sale securities	16,650	361	49,186		3,795
Unrealized gain, net of tax, on interest rate swaps economically hedging trading securities and TBA contracts	(4,686)	_	(3,429)		_
Realized loss on termination of swaps, net of tax	19,834	2,486	19,983		2,486
Gain on other derivative instruments, net of tax	(8,133)	(1,213)	(13,891)		(1,765
_					
Core Earnings	51,801	9,020	97,979	_	19,286
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic and diluted	130,607,566	26,126,212	84,751,854		20,691,461
Core Earnings per weighted average share outstanding - basic and diluted \$	0.40	\$ 0.35	\$ 1.16	\$	0.93

	Three Months Ended					Nine Months Ended					
		Septen	nber	30,	September 30,						
		2011		2010		2011		2010			
Reconciliation of net income attributable to common stockholders											
to Adjusted GAAP Earnings:											
Net gain income attributable to common stockholders	\$	54,609	\$	9,880	\$	76,002	\$	19,295			
Adjustments to GAAP Net Income:											
Unrealized loss, net of tax, on interest rate swap and swaptions economically hedging repurchase agreements and available-for- sale securities		16,650		361		49,186		3,795			
		,				,					
Adjusted GAAP Earnings	\$	71,259	\$	10,241	\$	125,188	\$	23,090			
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic and diluted		130,607,566		26,126,212		84,751,854		20,691,461			
Adjusted GAAP Earnings per weighted avg. share outstanding - basic and diluted	\$	0.55	\$	0.39	\$	1.48	\$	1.12			



## Safe Harbor Statement

### Forward-Looking Statements

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## Strong Underlying Performance Despite Macro Environment

TWO Harbors' Performance

- Strong underlying performance of portfolio
- Managed portfolio well, despite macro conditions
- Completed an accretive secondary stock offering of 48.3 million shares for net proceeds of approximately \$484 million

Macro Events Created Uncertainty

- Ongoing European and U.S. debt crisis
- S&P downgrade to U.S. credit rating
- Fed's pledge to keep interest rates near zero until 2013
- Operation Twist



## Securitization Program On-Track

We are continuing to make progress on our securitization program in partnership with Barclays.

- We believe the securitization program:
  - Provides business diversification; and
  - Leverages our strength of credit expertise.
- At this time, we:
  - Continue to build out infrastructure; and
  - Gain traction on signing up originators.
- We don't expect the securitization program will have a material impact on our 2011 results.

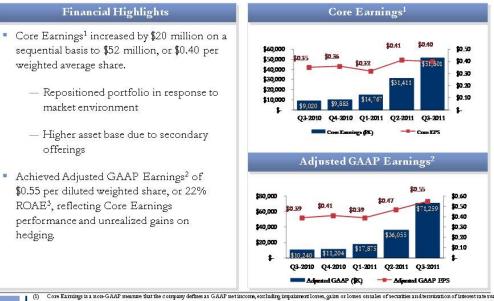


## SEC Concept Release Update

- On August 31, 2011, the SEC issued a Concept Release regarding the application of the Investment Company Act of 1940 to mortgage REITs, such as Two Harbors. Among the matters the SEC intends to review is the scope of the exemption that applies to such REITs under section 3(c)(5)(C) of the 1940 Investment Company Act.
- We plan to submit a response to the SEC by the November 7<sup>th</sup> deadline.
- Although it has created some uncertainty, we anticipate that it will take time for this matter to play out.



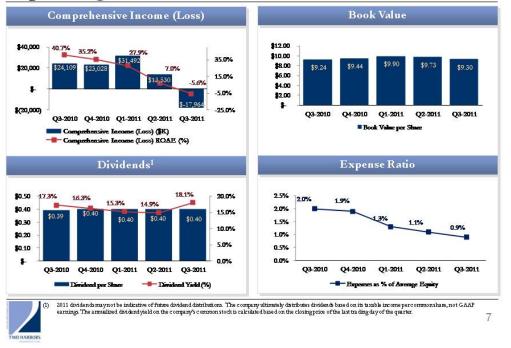
## Financial Summary



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## Operating Performance



## Market and Portfolio Summary

### **Portfolio Highlights** Annualized Yields by Portfolio<sup>1</sup> Focused on non-Agency sector for July capital raise 11.4% 12.0% 10.4% 9.8% 9.7% - bonds purchased have an anticipated yield around 8.8% 10.0% 10% 8.0% 5 9% 5.8% 5.4% 5.5% 5.2% 6.0% Maintain opportunistic stance towards non-Agency 4.0% sector 2.0% Repositioned Agency portfolio for additional prepayment protection in low interest rate Q3-2010 Q4-2010 Q1-2011 Q2-2011 Q3-2011 environment and in anticipation of potential Agency RMBS Aggregate Postfolic Non-Agency RMBS government refinance actions Net Interest Spread<sup>3</sup> Benchmark Indices<sup>2</sup> Q3-2011 Sector Three Months Ended September 30, 2011 June 30, 2011 Agency Strategy: Barclays US MBS Fixed Rate (3.1%) Non-Agency Aggregate Agency Aggregate 4.3% 9.8% 5.5% 4.7% Non- Aggregate Agency Portfolio Index vs. 4-year swaps at 6:1 leverage Annualized Yield 8.8% 5.4% (9.8%) Credit: High Yield 16 Cost of repurchase (0.3%) (2.1%) (0.6%) (0.3%) (2.0%) (0.5%) agreements Credit: ABX 06-2 AAA (13.9%) Cost of interest rate swaps (0.8%) (0.7%) (0.9%) (0.8%) Equity: SPX (14.3%) C ost of financing (1.1%) (2.1%) (1.3%) (1.2%) (2.0%) (1.3%) Two Harbors' Total Equity Return Net interest spread 3.2% 7.7% 4.2% 3.5% 6.8% (4.1%) (0.3%)



Respective yields include II Os accounted for as derivatives. Source for benchmark indices: Eloomberg, Two Harbors' to al return represents the sum of the charge in book value during the quarter and the dividend declared divided by the Beginning book value Net interest spread includes II Os accounte dforas derivatives, cost of financing RMES and swap interest rate spread d

omposition	_	_
Agency: Vintage & Prepayment Protection	Q2-2011	Q3-201
Lower loan balances <sup>2</sup>	26%	55%
GNMA HECM pools	18%	18%
Seasoned (2005 and prior vintages)	14%	10%
Prepayment protected	6%	6%
n High LT∀ <sup>3</sup>	14%	4%
2006 & subsequent vintages – Discount	16%	3%
2006 & subsequent vintages – Premium and IOs	6%	4%
Non-Agency: Loan Type	Q2-2011	Q3-201
Sub-Prime	55%	75%
Option-ARM	32%	18%
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Alt-A	11%	6%
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# RMBS Portfolio Composition

# Key Portfolio Metrics

	Portfolio Metrics			Hedging
<ul> <li>Decreas from \$5</li> <li>Targete</li> </ul>	ue to realize low and stable ( sed non-Agency weighted a 9.3 to \$55.8 d debt-to-equity ratios: ncy: 6-7x		st basis	<ul> <li>Maintained low interest rate exposure</li> <li>Average pay rate on swaps of only 1.017%</li> <li>Optional protection still in place - greatly reduced premium at risk</li> </ul>
- 0	1-Agency 1.0-1.5x			
- 0	n-Agency 1.0-1.5x	Q2-2011	Q3-2011	Financing
— Nor	n-Agency 1.0-1.5x	<b>Q2-2011</b> 5.0%	Q3-2011 5.0%	Financing Maturities over 90 days represented 36% of total
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Represents range of the percentage change in equity value for 1/100 by change in intenser ta tes Change in equity value is portfolo value change adjusted for leverage. Debt-to-equity is defined a total borrowings to find ARMES securities and Agency 100 detact tables divided by total equity. If the open ta de positions had settled as of Jame 30, 2011, the debt-to-equity ratio, as define d, would have increase difform 42:10 to approximately 45:10.

## Interest Rate Hedging Strategy

Hedging seeks to preserve book value in the event of significant interest rate movements

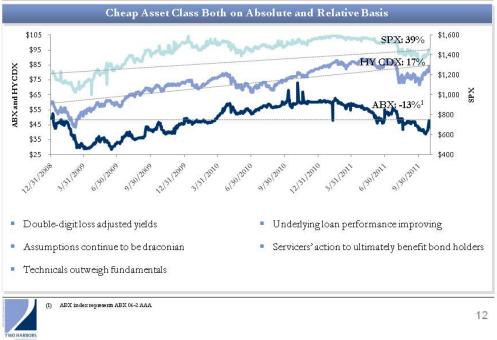
- Agency hedge interest rate exposure. Hedging tools include interest rate swaps, swaptions, TBAs, IOs and IIOs.
- Non-Agency credit performance exposure. Interest rate hedging is not used on the non-Agency book

Swaptions provide "optional protection"

- A swaption is an option to enter into an interest rate swap
- More hedged when interest rates rise, less hedged when rates fall
- Loss is limited to the cost of purchasing the swaption







Appendix



# Operating Performance

<b>Operating Performance</b> In millions, except forpershate amounts)	E	Core mings	B	ealized Gains	U	realized MTM	F	Q2-2011 inancials	Е	Core amings	R	ealized Gains	Unrealized MTM		Q3-2011 inancials
interest income	\$	40.8	\$	87	\$		\$	40.8	\$	67.7	\$		\$ -	\$	67.7
interest expense		3.9		1		2		3.9		7.2		2			7.2
Net interest income		36.9		35				36.9		60.5		5	5		60.5
Net other-than-temporary impairment lowes		4		<u>_</u>		(0.3)		(0.3)		-		-	(ð.4)		(3.4)
Gain on sale of investment securities, net		10		1.3		1.9		3.2		10		27.7	3.7		31.4
Gain (loss) on interest rate swap and swaptions		(7.1)		(1.5)		(42.2)		(50.8)		(8.3)		(17.8)	(13.2)		(39.3)
Gain (loss) on other derivative instruments		6.5		(0.6)		3.9		9.8		7.0		1.1	14.3		22.4
Total other income		(0.6)		(0.8)		(36. <b>4</b> )		(37.8)		(1.3)		11.0	4.8	1	14.5
Management fees & Other operating expenses		4.9		3 <b>2</b>		1		4.9		7.6					7.6
Net income (loss) before income taxes		31.4		(0.8)		(36.7)		(6.1)		51.6		11.0	1.4		64.0
income tax (expense) benefit		×		0.3		4.8		5.1		0.2		(1.2)	(8.4)		(9.4)
Netincome (loss)	\$	31.4	\$	(0.5)	\$	(31.9)	\$	(1.0)	\$	51.5	\$	9.5	\$ (7.0)	\$	54.6
Basic and dibited weighted average EPS	\$	0.41	\$	(0.01)	\$	(0.41)	\$	(0.01)	\$	0.40	\$	0.07	\$ (0.05)	\$	0.42
Supplemental data:															
Unrealized gains / (losses) on interest rate suaps ar	ıdsuaption	a.					\$	(41.0)						\$	(20.2)
Income Benefit (Expense)								3.9							3.6
							\$	(37.1)						\$	(16.6)

# Change in Stockholders' Equity

Change in Stockholders' Equity (Inmillions, except for per share amounts)	E	Q2-2011 Book Value	Value j	)11 Book per Share d basis) <sup>1</sup>	В	Q3-2011 ook Vahue	Q3-2011 Book Value per Share (diluted basis) <sup>1</sup>	
Beginning stockholders' equity	\$	685.6	\$	9.90	\$	897.6	\$	9.73
Net proceeds from common stock issuance		235.3		0.08		483.7		0.10
GAAP Net Income:								
Core Earnings, net of tax benefit of \$0.3 million		31.4		0.34		51.8		0.37
Realized gains and losses, net of tax expense of \$1.2 million		(0.5)		(0.01)		9.8		0.07
Unrealized mark-to-market gains and losses, net of tax expense of \$8.5 million		(31.9)		(0.34)		(7.0)		(0.05)
Other Comprehensive Income (Loss), net of tax		14.5		0.16		(72.6)		(0.52)
Dividend declaration		(36.9)		(0.40)		(56.2)		(0.40)
Other		0.1		8 <u>1</u>		8		12
Ending stockholders' equity	\$	897.6	\$	9.73		1,307.1	\$	9.30



Diluted shares outstanding at end of periodare used as the denominator for the change in book value per share calculation. If the open trade positions had settled as of June 30, 2011, the debt-to-equity ratio, as define d, would have increase d from 4.2.10 to a pproximately 4.5.10.

## Portfolio Metrics

Р	ortfolio Yiel	ds and N	letrics		Agency RMBS CPR
Portfolio Yield	Realized Q2-2011	At Jun. 30, 2011	Realized Q3-2011	At Sept. 30, 2011	30.0%
Annualized yield <sup>1</sup>	5.4%	4.8%	5.5%	4.7%	20.0% -
Agency	4.7%	3.9%	4.3%	3.4%	15.0%
Non-Agency	8.8%	9.2%	9.8%	9.6%	5.0% - 9.7% 8.0% 6.9% 5.0% 5.0%
Cost of financing <sup>2</sup>	1.3%	1.3%	1.3%	1.3%	0.0% Q3-2010 Q4-2010 Q1-2011 Q2-2011 Q3-2011
Net interest sprea	4.1%	3.5%	4.2%	3.4%	Agency RMBS CPR
Portfolio Metrics	ŧ		Q2-2011	Q3-2011	Non-Agency RMBS CPR
Agency	Weighted average	3-month CPR	5.0%	5.0%	30.0%
	Weighted average	cost basis	\$105.1	\$106.3	25.0%
N on-Agency	Weighted average	3-month CPR	3.0%	2.4%	20.0% -
	Weighted average	cost basis	\$59.3	\$55.8	10.0% - 11.9%
Change in equity v interest rates <sup>3</sup>	value for +/- 100bp:	s change in	6.7%	4.3%	5.0% 4.0% 3.4% 3.0% 2.4% Q3-2010 Q4-2010 Q1-2011 Q2-2011 Q3-2011
Debt-to-Equity <sup>4</sup>			4.2x	4.4x	Non-Agency RMBS CPR



Annua lized yield includes impact of IIO accounted for as derivatives. Interest income on IIO suas \$6.2 million and \$3.2 million for the second and third quarter of 2011, contributing an additional 0.6% and 0.4% in interest yield, respectively.
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# Financing and Hedging Strategy

	Interes	t Rate Swa	ups <sup>1</sup>		Financing			
	0.500 	ember 30, 2011			Repurchase Agreements: RMBS and Agency Derivatives <sup>2</sup>	September 30, 2011 Amount (\$M)		
Swaps Maturities	Notional Amounts (\$K)	Average Fixed Pay Rate	Average Receive Rate	Average Maturity (Years)	Within 30 days	\$1,582	27%	
2012	25,000	0.868%	0.295%	1.23	30 to 59 days	1,308	23%	
2013	1,275,000	0.795%	0.292%	1.63	60 to 89 days	804	14%	
2014	1,275,000	0.670%	0.355%	2.97	90 to 119 days	678	12%	
2014	1. 1				Over 120 days	1,399	24%	
2015	820,000	1.575%	0.299%	3.77		\$5,771		
2016	240,000	2.156%	0.276%	4.57				
	3,635,000	1.017%	0.315%	2.77				

## Interest Rate Swaptions

## September 30, 2011

			Option	2723	<b>Underlying Swap</b>			
	Expiration	Cost (\$K)	FairValue (\$K)	Average Months to Expiration	Notional Amount (\$K)	Average Fixed Pay Rate	Average Receive Rate	Average Term (Years)
Payer	<6 Months	\$10,511	\$97	5.30	575,000	3.18%	3M Libor	4.65
Payer	≥6 Months	14,646	2,749	11.65	1,875,000	3.09%	3M Libor	4.04
Total Payer	1	\$25,157	\$2,846	11.60	2,450,000	3.11%	3M Libor	4.18



Notionalamounts do not include \$1.8 billion of notional interest rate swaps economical lyke dging our trading securities and \$0.3 billion of notional interest rates waps to he dge mortgage basis widening in combination with TBA contracts.
 Does not include repuechase agreements collateralize dby U.S. Treasuries of \$1.5 billion as of September 30, 2011.

# Agency Securities

	Pa	ur Value (\$K)	Market Value (\$K)	% of Agency Portfolio	Amortized Cost Basis (\$K)	Weighted Average Cost	Weighted Average Age (Months)
30-Year Mortgages							
≤ 4.5%	\$	1,360,328	\$ 1,448,336	27.3%	\$ 1,445,039	4.2%	8
5.0-6.0%		1,087,362	1,187,283	22.3%	1,177,874	5.4%	25
≥ 6.5%		122,013	138,721	2.6%	137,987	7.2%	108
	\$	2,569,703	\$ 2,774,340	52.2% \$	\$ 2,760,900	4.9%	21
15-Year Mortgages							
≤ 4.0%	\$	744,587	\$ 772,566	14.5% \$	736,391	3.3%	11
≥ 4.5%		11,894	13,718	0.3%	13,326	6.9%	127
	\$	756,481	\$ 786,284	14.8% \$	5 749,717	3.3%	13
HECM Pools	\$	848,028	\$ 927,754	17.4% \$	\$ 914,597	4.8%	4
Hybrid ARMs		223,999	239,229	4.5%	235,747	4.1%	85
Other-Fixed		306,736	338,913	6.4%	326,586	5.0%	50
IOs and IIOs <sup>1</sup>		2,321,563	250,648	4.7%	275,108	5.3%	65
	Total <sup>1</sup> \$	7,026,510	\$ 5,317,168	100.0%	5,262,655	4.6%	23

(1) IOs and AgencyIIO derivatives of \$138 million as of June 30, 2011 and \$160 million as of September30, 2011.

