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Stifel Financial Corp. Reports Second Quarter Financial Results

Highlights for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the three months ended June 30, 2009:

- Net Income of \$21.1 million, an increase of 34%.
- Record Net Revenues of \$328.0 million, an increase of 25%.
- Diluted Earnings Per Share of \$0.60, an increase of 18%.
- Pre-merger Diluted Earnings Per Share of \$0.69.*

Highlights for the first six months of 2010 compared to first six months of 2009:

- Record Net Income of \$44.8 million, an increase of 55%.
- Record Net Revenues of \$640.0 million, an increase of 33%.
- Record Diluted Earnings Per Share of \$1.28, an increase of 36%.
- Pre-merger Diluted Earnings Per Share of \$1.37.*

St. Louis, Missouri – **August 9, 2010** – Stifel Financial Corp. (NYSE: "SF") today announced unaudited quarterly net income of \$21.1 million, or \$0.60 per diluted share, on record net revenues of \$328.0 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2010, compared to \$15.8 million, or \$0.51 per diluted share, on net revenues of \$261.5 million reported for the same period last year. For the six months ended June 30, 2010, the company posted record net income of \$44.8 million, or \$1.28 per diluted share, on record net revenues of \$640.0 million, compared with \$29.0 million, or \$0.94 per diluted share, on net revenues of \$481.5 million, in the prior year period. Results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2010 were impacted by merger-related expenses of \$0.09 per share related to the merger with Thomas Weisel Partners Group, Inc. ("TWPG"), which closed on July 1, 2010. Excluding the merger-related charges, net income was \$24.1 million, or \$0.69 per diluted share, and \$47.8 million, or \$1.37 per diluted share, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, respectively. As of June 30, 2010, stockholders' equity was \$927.1 million, resulting in book value per share of \$30.02.

Chairmen's Comments

"We are very pleased to report record quarterly revenue and record six-month net income and revenue results, which reflect the investments we've made over the past several years. The merger with Thomas Weisel Partners closed on July 1, 2010, and we are confident that through the synergies of the combined company we can build the premier middle-market investment bank. Our capital raising and strategic advisory deal pipeline is promising, although we recognize that we will need a functional market environment to realize its full revenue potential. Looking forward, we will continue our goal of balanced growth by capitalizing on opportunities to build-out our Global Wealth Management business," commented Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Ronald J. Kruszewski.

Co-Chairman Thomas W. Weisel added, "We are very excited to be a part of the Stifel platform. With the major components of the integration complete, the reception we've received so far by our clients has been very complimentary. Together, we are now better positioned to strengthen our client relationships through the company's significant resources, additional products and expanded reach."

			S	ummary R	Results of	Oper	ations (Un	audited)				
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Results of operations data (θ)	$00\overline{s}$:							·				
Total revenues	\$	330,358	\$	264,550	24.9%	\$	314,371	5.1%	\$ 644,729	\$	486,882	32.4%
Net revenues	\$	328,009	\$	261,505	25.4%	\$	312,030	5.2%	\$ 640,039	\$	481,486	32.9%
Net income	\$	21,109	\$	15,815	33.5%	\$	23,740	(11.1)%	\$ 44,849	\$	28,992	54.7%
Pre-merger net income*	\$	24,061	\$	15,815	52.2%	\$	23,740	1.4%	\$ 47,836	\$	28,992	65.0%
Earnings per share:												
Basic	\$	0.68	\$	0.58	17.3%	\$	0.77	(11.7)%	\$ 1.46	\$	1.07	36.5%
Diluted	\$	0.60	\$	0.51	17.7%	\$	0.68	(11.8)%	\$ 1.28	\$	0.94	36.2%
Pre-merger diluted*	\$	0.69	\$	0.51	35.3%	\$	0.68	1.5%	\$ 1.37	\$	0.94	45.8%
Weighted average shares out	stand	ling (000s):										
Basic		30,838		27,455	12.4%		30,720	0.4%	30,779		27,116	13.5%
Diluted		34,901		31,270	11.7%		35,025	(0.4)%	34,973		30,752	13.8%
* Non-GAAP measure. See discus	ssion t	elow under "Y	Non-	GAAP Financi	ial Measures.'	,						

Stifel Financial Corp.

Summary Results of Operations (Unaudited)

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

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	\$ 122,923	\$	121,261	1.4%	\$	117,420	4.7%	\$	240,343	\$	218,539	10.0%
Commissions	103,634		80,721	28.4		105,035	(1.4)		208,669		155,331	34.3
Asset management and service fees	44,138		25,433	73.5		41,103	7.4		85,241		51,254	66.3
Investment banking	41,252		24,702	67.0		34,221	20.5		75,473		40,206	87.7
Other income	3,757		1,849	103.2		1,945	93.2		5,702		1,076	429.9
Operating revenues	315,704		253,966	24.3		299,724	5.4		615,428		466,406	32.0
Interest revenue	14,654		10,584	38.5		14,647	0.1		29,301		20,476	43.1
Total revenues	330,358		264,550	24.9		314,371	5.1	_	644,729		486,882	32.4
Interest expense	2,349		3,045	(22.9)		2,341	0.4		4,690		5,396	(13.1)
Net revenues	328,009		261,505	25.4		312,030	5.2		640,039		481,486	32.9
Non-interest expenses:												
Compensation and benefits	216,907		175,881	23.3		206,242	5.2		423,149		323,721	30.7
Occupancy and equipment rental	26,595		20,714	28.4		24,858	7.0		51,453		38,581	33.4
Communications and office supplies	15,925		13,129	21.3		14,418	10.5		30,343		24,974	21.5
Commission and floor brokerage	5,272		6,321	(16.6)		5,744	(8.3)		11,016		10,681	3.1
Other operating expenses	27,365		19,351	41.4		21,203	29.1		48,568		35,265	37.7
Total non-interest expenses	292,064		235,396	24.1		272,465	7.2		564,529		433,222	30.3
Income before income taxes	35,945		26,109	37.7		39,565	(9.2)		75,510		48,264	56.5
Provision for income taxes	14,836		10,294	44.1		15,825	(6.3)	_	30,661	_	19,272	59.1
Net income	\$ 21,109	\$	15,815	33.5%	\$	23,740	(11.1)%	\$	44,849	\$	28,992	54.7%
Earnings per share:	<u>.</u>				_		, , , = · ·			+		
	\$ 0.68	\$	0.58	17.3%	\$	0.77	(11.7)%		1.46	\$	1.07	36.5%
Diluted	\$ 0.60	\$	0.51	17.7%	\$	0.68	(11.8)%	\$	1.28	\$	0.94	36.2%
Weighted												
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:												
Basic	30,838		27,455	12.4%		30,720	0.4%		30,779		27,116	13.5%
Diluted	34,901		31,270	11.7%		35,025	(0.4)%		34,973		30,752	13.8%
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(in thousands, except per share, employee and location amounts)														
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\$	30.02	\$	24.86	20.8%	\$	29.50	1.8%							
	1,916		1,562	22.7%		1,900	0.9%							
	4,587		3,849	19.2%		4,518	1.6%							
	301		239	26.0%		294	2.4%							
\$	92,423,000	\$	64,653,000	43.0%	\$	95,319,000	(3.1)%							
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Review of Business Highlights

Second Quarter Highlights

For the three months ended June 30, 2010, the company posted record net revenues of \$328.0 million, a 25% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and a 5% increase from the first quarter of 2010. The company recognized revenue growth across every revenue line item compared to the second quarter of 2009. Net income of \$21.1 million, or \$0.60 per diluted share, increased 34% from the second quarter of 2009 and decreased 11% from the first quarter of 2010.

Revenues

- Principal transactions revenue of \$122.9 million increased 1% from the second quarter of 2009 and increased 5% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Commission revenue of \$103.6 million increased 28% from the second quarter of 2009 and decreased 1% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Asset management and service fees revenue increased 74% from the second quarter of 2009 to \$44.1 million and increased 7% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Investment banking revenue of \$41.2 million increased 67% from the second quarter of 2009 and increased 21% from the first quarter of 2010.
 - Capital raising revenues of \$30.7 million increased 116% from the second quarter of 2009 and increased 21% from the first quarter of 2010.
 - Strategic advisory fees of \$10.5 million increased 1% from the second quarter of 2009 and increased 18% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Net interest increased 63% to \$12.3 million as compared to the second quarter of 2009 and remained relatively unchanged from the first quarter of 2010.

Non-interest expenses

- Compensation and benefits expense increased 23% to \$216.9 million from the second quarter of 2009 and increased 5% from the first quarter of 2010, primarily due to increased production and headcount associated with the expansion of the Global Wealth Management ("GWM") and Institutional Group ("IG") segments. For the three months ended June 30, 2010, compensation and benefits expense includes transition pay of \$20.3 million, or 6% of net revenues, which primarily consist of upfront notes, signing bonuses and retention awards in connection with the company's continuing expansion efforts, compared to \$13.8 million, or 5% of net revenues, for the comparable period in 2009 and \$19.3 million, or 6% of net revenues, for the first quarter of 2010. The three and six months ended June 30, 2010 includes a \$3.1 million charge for a reduction in headcount associated with the merger with TWPG.
- Non-compensation operating expenses increased 26% to \$75.2 million from the second quarter of 2009, and increased 14% from the first quarter of 2010 primarily due to the aforementioned expansion of the GWM and IG segments. The three and six months ended June 30, 2010 includes transaction costs of \$1.9 million related to the merger with TWPG, which closed on July 1, 2010.

Provision for income taxes

• Provision for income taxes was \$14.8 million, representing an effective tax rate of 41%, compared to \$10.3 million for the comparable period in 2009, representing an effective tax rate of 39% and \$15.8 million for the first quarter of 2010, representing an effective tax rate of 40%.

Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 Highlights

For the six months ended June 30, 2010, the company posted net revenues of \$640.0 million, a 33% increase from the comparable period in 2009. The company recognized revenue growth across every revenue line item from the comparable period in 2009. Net income of \$44.8 million, or \$1.28 per diluted share, increased 55% from the comparable period in 2009.

Revenues

- Principal transactions revenue for the six months ended June 30, 2010 increased 10% to \$240.3 million from the comparable period in 2009.
- Commission revenue of \$208.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 increased 34% from the comparable period in 2009
- Asset management and service fees revenue for the six months ended June 30, 2010 increased 66% to \$85.2 million from the comparable period in 2009.
- Investment banking revenue for the six months ended June 30, 2010 increased 88% to \$75.5 million from the comparable period in 2009.
 - For the six months ended June 30, 2010, capital raising revenues increased 184% to \$56.0 million from the comparable period in 2009.

- Strategic advisory fees decreased 5% to \$19.5 million from the comparable period in 2009.
- Net interest for the six months ended June 30, 2010 increased 63% to \$24.6 million from the comparable period in 2009.

Non-interest expenses

- For the six months ended June 30, 2010, compensation and benefits expense increased 31% to \$423.1 million from the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to increased production and headcount associated with the expansion of the GWM and IG segments. For the six months ended June 30, 2010, compensation and benefits expense includes \$39.6 million, or 6% of net revenues, of transition pay compared to \$26.0 million, or 5% of net revenues, for the comparable period in 2009.
- Non-compensation operating expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2010 increased 29% to \$141.4 million from the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to the aforementioned expansion of the GWM and IG segments.

Provision for income taxes

• For the six months ended June 30, 2010, the provision for income taxes was \$30.7 million, representing an effective tax rate of 41%, compared to \$19.3 million for the comparable period in 2009, representing an effective tax rate of 40%.

Business Segment Results

				Summa	ry Segment	Resu	lts (Unaudited)						
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				Th	ree Months	Six Months Ended							
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Net revenues:													
Global Wealth Management	\$	199,940	\$	136,200	46.8%	\$	199,421	0.3%	\$	399,361	\$	251,252	58.9%
Institutional Group		124,602		125,136	(0.4)		113,292	10.0		237,894		230,608	3.2
Other		3,467		169	*		(683)	*		2,784		(374)	*
Net revenues	\$	328,009	\$	261,505	25.4%	\$	312,030	5.1%	\$	640,039	\$	481,486	32.9%
Operating contribution:										<u> </u>			
Global Wealth Management	\$	40,441	\$	23,197	74.3%	\$	39,158	3.3%	\$	79,599	\$	41,319	92.6%
Institutional Group		30,769		31,850	(3.4)		27,456	12.1		58,225		57,884	0.6
Other		(35,265)		(28,938)	21.9		(27,049)	30.4		(62,314)		(50,939)	22.3
Income before income taxes	\$	35,945	\$	26,109	37.7%	\$	39,565	(9.2)%	\$	75,510	\$	48,264	56.5%
* Percentage is not meaningful.	_												

Global Wealth Management Segment

Second Quarter Highlights

- Net revenues increased 47% from the second quarter of 2009 to \$199.9 million and remained relatively unchanged from the first quarter of 2010. The Global Wealth Management segment consists of the Private Client Group ("PCG") and Stifel Bank & Trust ("Stifel Bank") reporting units.
 - PCG reported net revenues of \$191.0 million, a 45% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and a 1% increase from the first quarter of 2010.
 - Stifel Bank reported net revenues of \$8.9 million, a 116% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and an 8% decrease from the first quarter of 2010.
- Operating contribution of \$40.4 million increased 74% from the second quarter of 2009 and increased 3% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Commission revenue increased 53% from the second quarter of 2009 and remained relatively unchanged from the first quarter of 2010.
- Principal transactions revenue increased 20% from the second quarter of 2009 and decreased 2% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Asset management and service fees revenue increased 73% from the second quarter of 2009 and increased 7% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Investment banking revenues, which represents sales commissions on investment banking underwritings, increased 93% from the second quarter of 2009 and increased 4% from the first quarter of 2010.
- For the three months ended June 30, 2010, compensation and benefits expense was 62% of net revenues, relatively unchanged from 62% in the second quarter of 2009 and 63% in the first quarter of 2010.
- For the three months ended June 30, 2010, non-interest expenses increased 41% from the comparable period in 2009 and decreased 1% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Nine PCG offices and 43 Financial Advisors were added during the second quarter of 2010 as part of the company's ongoing footprint expansion efforts.

Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 Highlights

- Net revenues of \$399.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 represents a 59% increase from the comparable period in 2009.
 - PCG reported net revenues of \$380.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010, a 56% increase from the comparable period in 2009.
 - Stifel Bank reported net revenues of \$18.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010, a 140% increase from the comparable period in 2009.
- For the six months ended June 30, 2010, operating contribution increased 93% to \$79.6 million from \$41.3 million for the comparable period in 2009.
- Commissions and principal transactions revenue for the six months ended June 30, 2010 increased 67% and 36%, respectively, from the comparable period in 2009.
- Asset management and service fees revenue increased 66% from the comparable period in 2009.
- Investment banking revenue, which represents sales commissions on investment banking underwritings, increased 120% from the comparable period in 2009.
- For the six months ended June 30, 2010, compensation and benefits expense was 62% of net revenues, relatively unchanged from the prior year comparable period.
- For the six months ended June 30, 2010, non-interest expenses increased 52% from the comparable period in 2009.
- 15 PCG offices and 89 Financial Advisors were added during the first six months of 2010 as part of the company's ongoing footprint expansion efforts.
- Stifel Bank's investment portfolio increased \$606.9 million to \$740.1 million from the second quarter of 2009, primarily the result of an increase in cash primarily due to the growth in deposits. This increase allowed Stifel Bank to expand its investment strategy. At June 30, 2010, agency bonds and agency mortgage-backed securities comprised approximately 80% of the portfolio.
- Stifel Bank's retained loan portfolio increased 102% from the second quarter of 2009, driven by the addition of stock-secured loans acquired in the UBS transaction.
- Bank deposits increased 167% from the second quarter of 2009, driven by the addition of customer deposits acquired in the UBS transaction.
- Non-performing assets, which includes non-performing loans and foreclosed assets held for sale, as a percentage of total bank assets was 0.16% at June 30, 2010.

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Revenues:													
Commissions	\$	79,521	\$	52,091	52.7%	\$	79,587	(0.1)%	\$	159,108	\$	95,307	66.9%
Principal transactions		58,675		48,759	20.4		59,871	(2.0)		118,546		87,196	36.0
Asset management and service fees		43,777		25,342	72.7		40,894	7.1		84,671		51,061	65.8
Net interest		11,506		5,531	108.0		11,034	4.3		22,540		10,938	106.1
Investment banking		5,494		2,843	93.2		5,302	3.6		10,796		4,913	119.7
Other income		967		1,634	(40.8)		2,733	(64.6)		3,700		1,837	101.4
Net revenues		199,940		136,200	46.8		199,421	0.3		399,361		251,252	58.9
Non-interest expenses:													
Compensation and benefits		123,609		83,829	47.5		124,738	(0.9)		248,347		156,458	58.7
Other non-interest expenses		35,890		29,174	23.0		35,525	1.1		71,415		53,475	33.5
Total non-interest expenses		159,499		113,003	41.1		160,263	(0.5)		319,762		209,933	52.3
Income before income taxes	\$	40,441	\$	23,197	74.3%	\$	39,158	3.3%	\$	79,599	\$	41,319	92.6%
As a percentage of net revenues:													
Compensation and benefits		61.8%	6	61.5%			62.6%			62.2%	6	62.3%	
Other non-interest expenses		18.0%	6	21.5%			17.8%			17.9%	6	21.3%	
Income before income taxes		20.29	6	17.0%			19.6%			19.9%	6	16.4%	

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	 6/30/2010		3/31/2010	Change	6	5/30/2009	Change
Other information:							
Assets	\$ 1,392,828	\$	1,115,329	22.2 %	\$	532,308	161.7%
Investment securities	\$ 740,121	\$	549,121	27.9 %	\$	133,238	455.5%
Retained loans, net	\$ 366,391	\$	341,718	9.8 %	\$	181,580	101.8%
Loans held for sale, net (1)	\$ 60,154	\$	72,179	(34.0) %	\$	43,320	38.9%
Deposits (2)	\$ 1,255,292	\$	988,263	19.9 %	\$	470,430	166.9%
Allowance as a percentage of loans (3)	0.53%)	0.49%			1.77%	
Non-performing assets as a percentage of total assets	0.16%	,)	0.10%			1.19%	

⁽¹⁾ Includes loans of \$31.0 million held for sale as part of the branch sale at March 31, 2010. The sale of the branch was announced during the fourth quarter of 2009 and closed on April 30, 2010.

⁽²⁾ Includes deposits of \$18.9 million held for sale as part of the branch sale at March 31, 2010. The sale of the branch was announced during the fourth quarter of 2009 and closed on April 30, 2010.

⁽³⁾ Excluding acquired loans of \$174.8 million and \$171.0 million, the allowance as a percentage of gross loans totaled 1.00% and 1.01% as of June 30, 2010 and March 31, 2010, respectively.

Institutional Group Segment

Second Quarter Highlights

- Net revenues of \$124.6 million were relatively unchanged from the second quarter of 2009 and represent a 10% increase from the first quarter of 2010. The Institutional Group segment consists of the Equity Institutional ("Equity") and Fixed Income Institutional ("Fixed Income") reporting units.
- For the three months ended June 30, 2010, operating contribution decreased 3% to \$30.8 million from \$31.9 million in the second quarter of 2009 and increased 12% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Institutional brokerage revenues were \$88.4 million, a 13% decrease from the second quarter of 2009 and a 7% increase from the first quarter of 2010.
 - Equity institutional brokerage revenues were \$44.1 million, a 16% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and a 14% increase from the first quarter of 2010.
 - Fixed Income institutional brokerage revenues were \$44.3 million, a 30% decrease from the second quarter of 2009 and a slight decrease from the first quarter 2010.
- Investment banking revenues were \$35.7 million, a 64% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and a 24% increase from the first quarter of 2010.
 - Capital raising revenues were \$25.2 million, a 121% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and a 26% increase from the first quarter of 2010.
 - Equity capital raising revenues were \$20.8 million, a 176% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and a 48% increase from the first quarter of 2010.
 - o Fixed Income capital raising revenues were \$4.4 million, a 15% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and a 25% decrease from the first quarter of 2010.
 - Advisory fees were \$10.5 million, a 1% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and an 18% increase from the first quarter of 2010.
 - o Equity advisory fees were \$9.2 million, a 7% decrease from the second quarter of 2009 and a 9% increase from the first quarter of 2010.
 - Fixed Income advisory fees were \$1.3 million, a 137% increase from the second quarter of 2009 and a 209% increase from the first quarter of 2010.
- For the three months ended June 30, 2010, compensation and benefits expense was 58% of net revenues compared to 59% for the second quarter of 2009 and 59% for the first quarter of 2010.
- For the three months ended June 30, 2010, non-interest expenses increased 1% from the comparable period in 2009 and increased 9% from the first quarter of 2010.
- Net margins for the three months ended June 30, 2010 were 25% compared to 25% for the second quarter of 2009 and 24% in the first quarter 2010.

Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 Highlights

- Net revenues were \$237.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010, a 3% increase from the comparable period in 2009.
- For the six months ended June 30, 2010, operating contribution increased 1% to \$58.2 million from \$57.9 million in the comparable period in 2009.
- Institutional brokerage revenues were \$171.4 million, an 11% decrease from the comparable period in 2009.
 - Equity and Fixed Income institutional brokerage revenues were \$82.8 million and \$88.6 million, an 11% increase and 24% decrease, respectively, from the comparable period in 2009.
- Investment banking revenues were \$64.7 million, an 83% increase from the comparable period in 2009.
 - Capital raising revenues were \$45.2 million, a 205% increase from the comparable period in 2009.
 - Equity and Fixed Income capital raising revenues were \$34.9 million and \$10.3 million, a 323% and 57% increase, respectively, from the comparable period in 2009.
 - Advisory fees were \$19.5 million, a 5% decrease from the comparable period in 2009.
 - Equity and Fixed Income advisory fees were \$17.7 million and \$1.8 million, an 8% decrease and a 51% increase, respectively, from the comparable period in 2009.

- For the six months ended June 30, 2010, compensation and benefits expense was 58% of net revenues compared to 59% for the comparable period in 2009.
- For the six months ended June 30, 2010, non-interest expenses increased 4% from the comparable period in 2009.
- Net margins for the six months ended June 30, 2010 were 25%, relatively unchanged from the comparable period in 2009.
- 61 and 51 revenue producers in the Equity and Fixed Income reporting units, respectively, have been added since June 30, 2009.

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			Thre	e Months E	nded				Si	x M	onths Ended	
	 6/30/10		6/30/09	Change		3/31/10	Change	(6/30/10		6/30/09	Change
Revenues:												
Principal transactions	\$ 64,249	\$	72,502	(11.4)%	\$	57,549	11.7%	\$	121,798	\$	131,343	(7.3)%
Commissions	24,113		28,630	(15.8)		25,448	(5.3)		49,561		60,024	(17.4)
	27.220		11.201	101.4		20.004	2 - 1		45.004		14.020	205.1
Capital raising	25,220		11,391	121.4		20,004	26.1		45,224		14,820	205.1
Advisory fees	 10,539	_	10,467	0.7		8,914	18.3		19,453	_	20,473	(5.0)
Investment banking	35,759		21,858	63.6		28,918	23.7		64,677		35,293	83.3
Other income *	 481	_	2,146	(77.6)		1,377	(65.1)		1,858		3,948	(53.0)
Net revenues	 124,602		125,136	(0.4)		113,292	10.0		237,894		230,608	3.2
Ion-interest expenses:												
Compensation and benefits	72,578		74,250	(2.3)		66,304	9.5		138,882		136,768	1.5
Other non-interest expenses	21,255		19,036	11.7		19,532	8.9		40,787		35,956	13.4
Total non-interest expenses	 93,833		93,286	0.6		85,836	9.4		179,669		172,724	4.0
Income before income taxes	\$ 30,769	\$	31,850	(3.4)%	\$	27,456	12.1%	\$	58,225	\$	57,884	0.6%
s a percentage of net revenues:												
Compensation and benefits	58.2%	6	59.3%			58.5%			58.4%	o	59.3%	
Other non-interest expenses	17.1%	6	15.3%			17.3%			17.1%	o	15.6%	
Income before income taxes	24.7%	6	25.4%			24.2%			24.5%	o	25.1%	

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The company utilized non-GAAP calculations of presented net revenues, compensation and benefits, other non-interest expenses, income before income taxes, provision for income taxes, net income, compensation and other non-interest expense ratios, pre-tax margin and diluted earnings per share as an additional measure to aid in understanding and analyzing the company's financial results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010. Specifically, the company believes that the non-GAAP measures provide useful information by excluding certain items that may not be indicative of the company's core operating results and business outlook. The company believes that these non-GAAP measures will allow for a better evaluation of the operating performance of the business and facilitate a meaningful comparison of the company's results in the current period to those in prior periods and future periods. Reference to these non-GAAP measures should not be considered as a substitute for results that are presented in a manner consistent with GAAP. These non-GAAP measures are provided to enhance investors' overall understanding of the company's current financial performance. These non-GAAP amounts exclude compensation and benefits and other non-interest operating expenses associated with the merger with TWPG, principally severance and transaction costs.

A limitation of utilizing these non-GAAP measures of net revenues, compensation and benefits, other non-interest expenses, income before income taxes, provision for income taxes, net income, compensation and other non-interest expense ratios, pre-tax margin and diluted earnings per share is that the GAAP accounting effects of these merger-related charges do in fact reflect the underlying financial results of the company's business and these effects should not be ignored in evaluating and analyzing its financial results. Therefore, the company believes that GAAP measures of net revenues, compensation and benefits, other non-interest expenses, income before income taxes, provision for income taxes, net income, compensation and other non-interest expense ratios, pre-tax margin and diluted earnings per share and the same respective non-GAAP measures of the company's financial performance should be considered together.

The following table provides details with respect to reconciling net revenues, compensation and benefits, other non-interest expenses, income before income taxes, provision for income taxes, net income, compensation and other non-interest expense ratios, pre-tax margin and diluted earnings per share on a GAAP basis for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 to the aforementioned expenses on a non-GAAP basis for the same respective period.

	Reco	nciliation of	f GA		-GA	l Corp. AP Earnings (share amounts		udited)					
		Three Mo		s Ended Ju	ne 30	Six Months Ended June 30, 2010							
		GAAP	Merger- related			on-GAAP		GAAP		Merger- related			
Net revenues	\$	328,009	\$	_	\$	328,009	\$	640,039	\$	_	\$	640,039	
Non-interest expenses:													
Compensation and benefits		216,907		(3,119)		213,788		423,149		(3,119)		420,030	
Other non-interest expenses		75,157		(1,906)		73,251		141,380		(1,908)		139,472	
Total non-interest expenses		292,064		(5,025)		287,039		564,529		(5,027)		559,502	
Income before income taxes		35,945		5,025		40,970		75,510		5,027		80,537	
Provision for income taxes		14,836		2,074		16,910		30,661		2,041		32,702	
Net income	\$	21,109	\$	2,951	\$	24,060	\$	44,849	\$	2,986	\$	47,835	
Earnings per share – diluted	\$	0.60	\$	0.09	\$	0.69	\$	1.28	\$	0.09	\$	1.37	
As a percentage of net revenues:													
Compensation and benefits		66.1%	6			65.2%		66.1%	6			65.6%	
Other non-interest expenses		22.9%	6			22.3%		22.1%	6			21.8%	
Income before income taxes		11.0%	6			12.5%		11.8%	6			12.6%	

Statement of Financial Condition Highlights (Unaudited)

Total assets increased 47% to \$3.4 billion at June 30, 2010 from \$2.3 billion at June 30, 2009. The increase is primarily attributable to increased receivables, including the Reg T loans added as part of the UBS transaction, trading inventory, financial instruments, bank loans, including the stock-secured loans added as part of the UBS transaction, loans and advances to financial advisors and the recognition of goodwill and intangible assets associated with the acquisition of UBS, which was completed in the fourth quarter of 2009. The Company's broker-dealer subsidiary's gross assets and liabilities, including trading inventory, stock loan/borrow, receivables and payables from/to brokers, dealers and clearing organizations and clients, fluctuate with business levels and overall market conditions. The increase in assets is primarily attributable to the growth of the company, both organically and through the acquisition of UBS. Total stockholders' equity increased \$224.4 million, or 32%, to \$927.1 million as of June 30, 2010, principally due to proceeds from an equity offering completed during the third quarter of 2009, net income, and amortization of stock-based awards, offset by the repurchase of, \$24.4 million, or 472,900 shares, of the company's common stock pursuant to existing Board repurchase authorizations during the second quarter of 2010.

As of June 30, 2010, the company reported total securities owned and investments at fair value of \$1.4 billion, which included securities categorized as level 3 of \$89.7 million. The company's level 3 assets include auction rate securities, for which the auctions have failed, with a fair value of \$73.6 million as of June 30, 2010.

Conference Call Information

Stifel Financial Corp. will hold a conference call Tuesday, August 10, 2010, at 8:30 a.m. Eastern. This call will be webcast and slides can be accessed on the Investor Relations portion of the Stifel Financial Corp. website at www.stifel.com, as well as on all sites within Thomson/CCBN's Investor Distribution Network. For those who cannot listen to the live broadcast, a replay of the conference call will be available through the above-reference website beginning one hour following the completion of the call. The conference call may include forward-looking statements. All interested parties are invited to participate by dialing (888) 676-3684 and referencing conference ID #92229766.

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