

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Written Agreement by and between

CITIZENS CENTRAL BANCORP, INC.  
Macomb, Illinois

and

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF CHICAGO  
Chicago, Illinois

Docket No. 09-045-WA/RB-HC

WHEREAS, Citizens Central Bancorp, Inc., Macomb, Illinois (“CCB”), a registered bank holding company, owns and controls Citizens National Bank, Macomb, Illinois (the “Bank”), a national bank, and a nonbank subsidiary;

WHEREAS, it is the common goal of CCB and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (the “Reserve Bank”) to maintain the financial soundness of CCB so that CCB may serve as a source of strength to the Bank;

WHEREAS, CCB and the Reserve Bank have mutually agreed to enter into this Written Agreement (the “Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2009, the board of directors of CCB, at a duly constituted meeting, adopted a resolution authorizing and directing Gary L. Svec to enter into this Agreement on behalf of CCB, and consenting to compliance with each and every provision of this Agreement by CCB and its institution-affiliated parties, as defined in

sections 3(u) and 8(b)(3) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, as amended (the “FDI Act”) (12 U.S.C. §§ 1813(u) and 1818(b)(3)).

NOW, THEREFORE, CCB and the Reserve Bank agree as follows:

**Dividends and Distributions**

1. (a) CCB shall not declare or pay any dividends without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Director of the Division of Banking Supervision and Regulation (the “Director”) of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the “Board of Governors”).

(b) CCB shall not directly or indirectly take dividends or any other form of payment representing a reduction in capital from the Bank without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank.

(c) CCB and its nonbank subsidiary shall not make any distributions of interest, principal, or other sums on subordinated debentures or trust preferred securities without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Director.

(d) All requests for prior approval shall be received by the Reserve Bank at least 30 days prior to the proposed dividend declaration date, proposed distribution on subordinated debentures, and required notice of deferral on trust preferred securities. All requests shall contain, at a minimum, current and projected information on CCB’s capital, earnings, and cash flow; the Bank’s capital, asset quality, earnings, and allowance for loan and lease losses; and identification of the sources of funds for the proposed payment or distribution. For requests to declare or pay dividends, CCB must also demonstrate that the requested declaration or payment of dividends is consistent with the Board of Governors’ Policy Statement

on the Payment of Cash Dividends by State Member Banks and Bank Holding Companies, dated November 14, 1985 (Federal Reserve Regulatory Service, 4-877 at page 4-323).

### **Debt and Stock Redemption**

2. (a) CCB, and any nonbank subsidiary, shall not, directly or indirectly, incur, increase, or guarantee any debt without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank. All requests for prior written approval shall contain, but not be limited to, a statement regarding the purpose of the debt, the terms of the debt, and the planned source(s) for debt repayment, and an analysis of the cash flow resources available to meet such debt repayment.

(b) CCB shall not, directly or indirectly, purchase or redeem any shares of its stock without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank.

### **Source of Strength**

3. CCB shall serve as a source of financial strength to the Bank pursuant to section 225.4(a) of Regulation Y of the Board of Governors (12 C.F.R. § 225.4(a)), including, but not limited to, by providing and complying with any guarantee required by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency under section 38 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. §1831o).

### **Affiliate Transactions**

4. (a) CCB shall take all necessary action to ensure that the Bank complies with sections 23A and 23B of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. §§ 371c and 371c-1) and Regulation W of the Board of Governors (12 C.F.R. Part 223) in all transactions between the Bank and CCB.

(b) CCB shall not cause the Bank to violate any provision of sections 23A and 23B of the Federal Reserve Act or Regulation W of the Board of Governors.

### **Cash Flow Projections**

5. Within 60 days of this Agreement, CCB shall submit to the Reserve Bank a written statement of CCB's planned sources and uses of cash for debt service, operating expenses, and other purposes ("Cash Flow Projection") for 2009. CCB shall submit to the Reserve Bank a Cash Flow Projection for each subsequent calendar year at least one month prior to the beginning of that calendar year.

### **Compliance with Laws and Regulations**

6. (a) In appointing any new director or senior executive officer, or changing the responsibilities of any senior executive officer so that the officer would assume a different senior executive officer position, CCB shall comply with the notice provisions of section 32 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1831i) and Subpart H of Regulation Y of the Board of Governors (12 C.F.R. §§ 225.71 *et seq.*).

(b) CCB shall comply with the restrictions on indemnification and severance payments of section 18(k) of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1828(k)) and Part 359 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's regulations (12 C.F.R. Part 359).

### **Progress Reports**

7. Within 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter following the date of this Agreement, the board of directors shall submit to the Reserve Bank written progress reports detailing the form and manner of all actions taken to secure compliance with the provisions of this Agreement and the results thereof, and a parent company only balance sheet, income statement, and, as applicable, report of changes in stockholders' equity.

## **Communications**

8. All communications regarding this Agreement shall be sent to:
  - (a) Charles F. Luse  
Assistant Vice President  
Regional Director –Illinois  
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago  
230 S. LaSalle St.  
Chicago, Illinois 60604-1413
  - (b) Gary L. Svec  
Vice Chairman, President, and CEO  
Citizens Central Bancorp, Inc.  
127 South Side Square  
PO Box 1279  
Macomb, IL 61455

## **Miscellaneous**

9. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement, the Reserve Bank may, in its sole discretion, grant written extensions of time to CCB to comply with any provision of this Agreement.
10. The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon CCB and its institution-affiliated parties, in their capacities as such, and their successors and assigns.
11. Each provision of this Agreement shall remain effective and enforceable until stayed, modified, terminated, or suspended in writing by the Reserve Bank.
12. The provisions of this Agreement shall not bar, estop, or otherwise prevent the Board of Governors, the Reserve Bank, or any other federal or state agency from taking any other action affecting CCB, the Bank, any nonbank subsidiary of CCB, or any of their current or former institution-affiliated parties and their successors and assigns.

13. Pursuant to section 50 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1831aa), this Agreement is enforceable by the Board of Governors under section 8 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1818).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the 16th day of April, 2009.

CITIZENS CENTRAL BANCORP, INC.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF CHICAGO

By:     /s/ Gary L. Svec      
Gary L. Svec  
Vice Chairman, President &  
CEO

By:     /s/ Mark H. Kawa      
Mark H. Kawa  
Vice President