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CASHMERE VALLEY BANK REPORTS ROBUST EARNINGS OF \$8.0 MILLION

CASHMERE, WA, October 19, 2021 – Cashmere Valley Bank (OTCQX: CSHX) ("Bank"), announced 2021 quarterly earnings of \$8.0 million and year to date earnings of \$22.2 million for the periods ended September 30, 2021. Year to date diluted earnings per share were \$5.64, representing an increase of \$0.98 per share, or 20.9%.

As of September 30, 2021, deposit balances totaled \$1.9 billion. Deposit balances have increased approximately \$234.5 million from September 30, 2020, representing an 14.0% increase. Deposit balances continued to increase throughout the quarter. The quarterly increase was \$37.9 million.

"We were pleasantly surprised that our deposit balances have continued to increase at a significant pace" said Greg Oakes, President and CEO. "Our earnings continue to increase year-over-year though we would like improvement in our net interest margin, which is inflated at this time due to PPP forgiveness."

Third Quarter Highlights

The Bank reported the following statement of condition highlights as of September 30, 2021:

- September 30, 2021 gross loans and leases totaled \$946.8 million representing a decrease of \$33.8 million from September 30, 2020. PPP loans have decreased \$47.3 million due to ongoing PPP forgiveness. Excluding PPP loans, the Bank has increased its loan portfolio from September 30, 2020 by \$13.5 million. During the third quarter gross loans increased by \$5.7 million. PPP loans decreased by \$16.7 million which results in non-PPP loan growth of \$22.4 million in the third quarter.
- Total deposits have increased by \$234.5 million or 14.0% from September 30, 2020. Non-interest bearing deposits total \$443.8 million and represent 23.2% of total deposits. During the third quarter deposits increased by \$37.9 million.
- Net income for the quarter was \$8.0 million, an increase of \$1,465,000 or 22.5% over the same quarter one year ago. Diluted earnings per share increased \$0.41 per share to \$2.05 per share.
 Included in third quarter of 2021 earnings is a one-time settlement of \$1.1 million which will not reoccur.
- Year-over-year return on assets has increased 1 basis point to 1.41%.
- Year-to-date return on equity has increased 110 basis points to 12.53%. The increase from the
 prior year is due to increased earnings. The Bank's capital ratios have not substantially
 increased due to the Bank's asset growth.

Pandemic Response Update

As of September 30, 2021, the remaining balance on PPP loans totaled \$22.7 million. Remaining fees to be earned totaled \$1.1 million. During the quarter, net deferred fees reported through income totaled \$810,000 and year to date net deferred fees totaled \$2,645,000.

The Bank began providing support to its employees at the onset of COVID-19 including at-risk employees, and employees with child care needs. During the past year the Bank has continued to provide child care support as well as support to get vaccinated and recover from vaccination side effects.

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash totaled \$92.1 million at September 30, 2021, compared to \$151.3 million at September 30, 2020. The decrease in cash has been intentional as the Bank has deployed excess cash into loans and available for sale securities.

Investments

The investment portfolio totaled \$1.1 billion at September 30, 2021, an increase of \$326.6 million from September 30, 2020. The increase is a result of significant deposit growth combined with efforts to deploy excess cash. The Bank has intentionally increased the credit risk in the securities portfolio in an attempt to mitigate the decreasing loan to asset ratio. Non-agency asset backed securities total \$79.1 million and corporate debt totaled \$42.8 million.

Loans and Credit Quality

Gross loans totaled \$946.8 million as of September 30, 2021 an increase of \$5.6 million from June 30, 2021 and a decrease of \$33.8 million from September 30, 2020. As compared to September 30, 2020 real estate balances consisting of multifamily and consumer adjustable rate mortgages have decreased \$34.7 million as many residential real estate loans have refinanced into fixed rate Freddie Mac loans that were sold off of the Bank's balance sheet. Commercial and agriculture balances have decreased \$15.6 million. The decrease in commercial and agriculture balances were primarily the result of a decrease of \$47.3 million in PPP loans which were partially offset by increases in commercial loans. Commercial real estate loans have increased \$9.5 million and construction and land development loans have increased \$9.2 million since September 30, 2020.

The allowance for loans and lease losses (ALLL) was 1.45% of gross loans as compared to 1.38% one year ago. The Bank has not made any provisions during 2021 and the allowance totals \$13.8 million.

Credit quality remains exceptionally strong with non-performing loans totaling \$712,000 representing 0.08% of total loans as of September 30, 2021.

Deposits

Deposits totaled \$1.910 billion at September 30, 2021, as compared to \$1.676 billion at September 30, 2020. The \$234.5 million increase in deposits from September 30, 2020 represented a 14.0% increase. Transaction accounts grew \$271.8 million while time deposits decreased \$37.3 million over the prior 12 months.

Capital

Capital levels remain strong. Tier 1 capital was \$210.3 million as of September 30, 2021 as compared to \$194.7 million as of September 30, 2020.

The Bank has returned \$13.0 million to shareholder in the form of dividends and stock repurchases in 2021. Dividend payments represented \$6.1 million and the share repurchase totaled \$6.9 million.

Earnings

Net Interest Income

Net interest income totaled \$13.4 million during the third quarter of 2021 and \$38.9 million year to date as compared to \$11.4 million during the third quarter of 2020 and \$34.6 million during the first nine months of 2020. The primary reason for increases in net interest income were increases in PPP fees which are recorded into income at the time of PPP loan forgiveness. Net PPP fees totaled approximately \$2.6 million in the first nine months of 2021. Net fees in the second quarter were approximately \$810,000. PPP fees recognized in the first nine months of 2020 were negligible.

Interest income from available for sale securities totaled \$13.5 million in the first nine months of 2021, compared to \$11.2 million in the comparable period from one year ago. As compared to the prior year, yields on investment securities have decreased from 2.39% to 1.88%.

The net interest margin was 2.60% for the first nine months of 2021, compared to 2.75% in the first nine months of 2020. Loan yields have increased 13 basis points, while cash and available for sale securities yields have decreased 37 and 51 basis points respectively. PPP forgiveness was attributable for 17 basis points of the net interest margin for the nine months ended September 31, 2021. Absent PPP forgiveness the Bank's net interest margin was 2.43%.

Non-Interest Income

Year-to-date non-interest income totals \$15.1 million versus \$16.1 million during the prior year. Included in 2021 non-interest income is a one-time gain of \$1.1 million. The decrease in non-interest income was due to a \$2.5 million reduction on gains on security sales and a reduction of \$1.2 million in income from mortgage banking.

Non-Interest Expense

Non-interest expense has increased 7.3% year-over-year, or \$1.9 million. Wages and benefits have increased \$973,000 as wage rates have been under pressure and health insurance premiums have increased.

Professional and legal expenses have increased \$296,000 due primarily to consulting expenses.

The Bank's efficiency ratio remains strong and was 54.7% through the first nine months of 2021 as compared to 54.3% in the first nine months of 2020.

About Cashmere Valley Bank

Cashmere Valley Bank was established September 24, 1932 and now has 11 retail offices in Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas and Yakima Counties and a municipal lending office in King County. The Bank provides business and personal banking, commercial lending, insurance services through its wholly owned subsidiary Mitchell, Reed & Schmitten Insurance, investment services, mortgage services, equipment lease financing, auto and marine dealer financing and municipal lending. The success of Cashmere Valley Bank is the result of maintaining a high level of personal service and controlling expenses so our fees and charges offer our customers the best value available. We remain committed to those principles that we feel are best summarized as, "the little Bank with the big circle of friends."

Forward-Looking Statements

This release may contain certain forward-looking statements that are based on management's current expectations regarding economic, legislative, and regulatory issues that may impact the Bank's earnings in future periods. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. They often include the words "believe," "expect," "intend," "anticipate," "estimate," "will," "would," "should," "could" or "may." Factors that could cause future results to vary materially from current management expectations include, but are not limited to, general economic conditions, economic uncertainty in the United States and abroad, changes in interest rates, deposit flows, real estate values, costs or effects of acquisitions, competition, changes in accounting principles, policies or guidelines, legislation or regulation, and other economic, competitive, governmental, regulatory and technological factors affecting the Bank's operations. The Bank undertakes no obligation to release publicly the result of any revisions to these forward-looking statements that may be made to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this press release or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Consolidated Balance Sheets (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in Thousands) Cashmere Valley Bank and Subsidiary			
	September 30, 2021	June 30, 2021	September 30, 2020
Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalent:			
Cash & due from banks	\$26,878	\$21,890	\$22,130
Interest bearing deposits	56,910	94,013	121,931
Fed funds sold	8,352	18,743	7,202
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	92,140	134,646	151,263
Securities available for sale	1,086,559	1,007,823	759,994
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	2,393	2,393	1,982
Loans held for sale	356	532	4,109
Loans	946,843	941,176	980,598
Allowance for credit losses	(13,760)	(13,854)	(13,496)
Net loans	933,083	927,322	967,102
Premises and equipment	17,061	17,348	16,605
Accrued interest receivable	8,851	8,181	7,905
Bank Owned Life Insurance	26,313	26,138	15,791
Goodwill	7,518	7,518	7,182
Intangibles	2,044	2,233	1,683
Mortgage servicing rights	2,759	2,808	2,776
Other assets	10,187	10,552	8,078
Total assets	\$2,189,264	\$2,147,494	\$1,944,470
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity			
Liabilities			
Deposits:			
Non-interest bearing demand	\$443,846	\$422,606	\$376,319
Savings and interest-bearing demand	1,257,270	1,232,659	1,053,022
Time	209,088	217,057	246,376
Total deposits	1,910,204	1,872,322	1,675,717
Accrued interest payable	437	506	653
Short-term borrowings	29,344	25,409	15,590
Other liabilities	13,976	14,587	23,718
Total liabilities	1,953,961	1,912,824	1,715,678
Shareholders' Equity			
Common stock (no par value); authorized 10,000,000 shares;			
Issued and outstanding: 9/30/2021 3,880,786;			
6/30/2021 3,876,931 ; 9/30/2020 3,972,149	4,150	3,898	3,685
Treasury stock	(16,784)	(16,784)	(9,908)
Retained Earnings	233,608	228,723	210,495
Accumulated other comprehensive income	14,329	18,833	24,520
Total shareholders' equity	235,303	234,670	228,792
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Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$2,189,264	\$2,147,494	\$1,944,470

Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in Thousands)

Cashmere Valley Bank & Subsidiary For the quarters ended, **September 30, 2021** June 30, 2021 September 30, 2020 **Interest Income** \$9,779 \$9,656 \$9,460 Loans Deposits at other financial institutions 32 23 34 Federal funds sold Securities available for sale: 3,143 2,061 Taxable 2,862 Tax-exempt 1,646 1,657 1,531 13,086 Total interest income 14,600 14,198 **Interest Expense** 1,206 1,341 1,682 Deposits 14 12 Short-term borrowings 11 1,220 1,352 1,694 Total interest expense Net interest income 13,380 12,846 11,392 **Provision for Credit Losses** 386 41 8 13,339 12,838 11,006 Net interest income after provision for credit losses **Non-Interest Income** Service charges on deposit accounts 466 354 254 Mortgage banking operations 1,050 1,364 2,242 Net gain (loss) on sales of securities available for sale 21 Brokerage commissions 290 369 338 1,393 1,264 1,105 Insurance commissions and fees Net interchange income (expense) 1,801 783 705 176 116 116 BOLI cash value Dividends from correspondent banks 18 15 15 Other 332 314 333 Total non-interest income 5,526 4,600 5,108 Non-Interest Expense 5,429 5,349 4,808 Salaries and employee benefits 720 Occupancy and equipment 852 756 Audits and examinations 87 168 85 State and local business and occupation taxes 275 228 251 FDIC insurance & WA state assessments 166 148 137 Legal and professional fees 258 125 217 Check losses and charge-offs 87 131 94 Low income housing investment losses 144 155 136 Data processing 1,160 1,214 1,211 Product delivery 287 284 223 Other 907 797 747 8,537 9,652 9,447 Total non-interest expense Income before income taxes 9,213 7,991 7,577 **Income Taxes** 1,226 1,092 1,055 \$7,987 \$6,899 \$6,522 Net income **Earnings Per Share** \$ Basic 1.76 \$ 1.64 2.06 \$ \$ Diluted 2.05 \$ 1.75 \$ 1.64

Year-to-Date Consolidated Statements of Income (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in Thousands) Cashmere Valley Bank & Subsidiary For the nine months ended, September 30, 2021 September 30, 2020 **Interest Income** \$29,357 \$28,358 Loans Deposits at other financial institutions 80 385 Federal Funds Sold Securities available for sale: 8,559 7,109 Taxable Tax-exempt 4,944 4,094 42,940 39,946 Total interest income **Interest Expense** 3,984 5,333 Deposits 33 30 Short-term borrowings 4,017 5,363 Total interest expense Net interest income 38,923 34,583 **Provision for Credit Losses** 45 2,853 Net interest income after provision for credit losses 38,878 31,730 Non-Interest Income Service charges on deposit accounts 1,147 921 Mortgage banking operations 4,294 5,511 Net gain (loss) on sales of securities available for sale 21 2,520 Brokerage commissions 875 800 Insurance commissions and fees 3,910 3,434 Net interchange income (expense) 3,293 1,659 344 406 BOLI cash value 55 Dividends from correspondent banks 51 Other 1,110 906 Total non-interest income 15,111 16,146 Non-Interest Expense 15,991 15,018 Salaries and employee benefits 2,198 Occupancy and equipment 2,353 Audits and examinations 413 403 State and local business and occupation taxes 755 713 FDIC insurance & WA state assessments 460 333 Legal and professional fees 697 401 Check losses and charge-offs 419 314 Low income housing investment losses 444 554 Data processing 3,424 3,481 Product delivery 804 775 Other 2,444 2,105 26,295 Total non-interest expense 28,204 Income before income taxes 25,785 21,581 **Income Taxes** 3,583 3,052 \$22,202 \$18,529 Net income **Earnings Per Share** Basic \$ 4.67 5.66 \$ \$ Diluted 5.64 \$ 4.66