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Q1 2005	Q1 2004
\$602 MM	\$521 MM
\$621 MM	\$540 MM
\$1.16	\$1.00
\$1.19	\$1.03
61.9%	64.7%
19.4%	18.3%
	\$602 MM \$621 MM \$1.16 \$1.19 61.9%



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WELL POSITIONED TO ACHIEVE TARGETS

Performance Measure	Q1 2005	F2005 Target
EPS Growth ¹ (base of \$4.21)	22%	3-8%
Specific Provision for Credit Losses	\$43 MM	\$400 MM or less <i>Now estimated to be:</i> \$350 MM or less
Cash Productivity Ratio	288 bps improvement	150-200 bps improvement
Return On Equity	19.4%	17-18%
Tier 1 Capital	9.72%	Minimum 8%
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¹ excluding changes in the general allowance



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- Accelerate growth in the U.S. both organically and through acquisitions
 - Completed Mercantile Bancorp acquisition



*Based on the assumption that current dividend level continues for the rest of the year

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