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Financial Ratios and Equity, Capital Credits, Forecast/Cash Flows October 8, 2015

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Equity Management







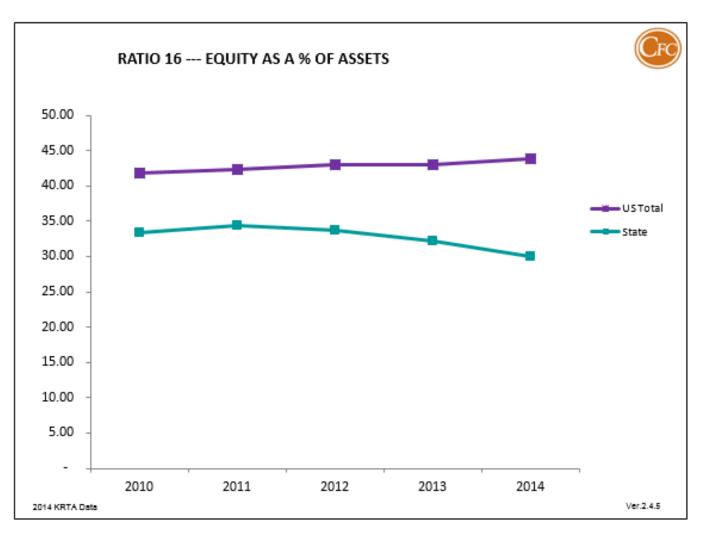
Determining the "Right" Equity Level

- · Dual goals
- · Raise capital at the lowest cost to the members
- \cdot While
- Maintaining an adequate level to mitigate business risk and take advantage of business opportunities
- Where do you start?
 - Benchmarks



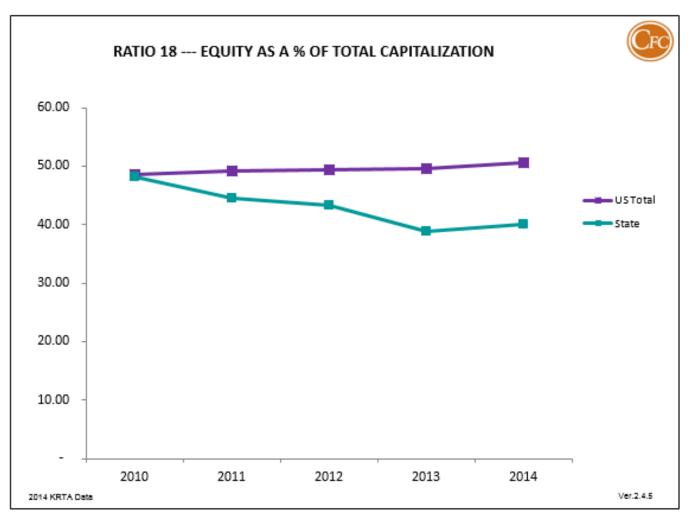


14% Lower





Much Closer







Capital Credits

\cdot Legal issues

- Not retiring
- Net present value
 - Common business practice
- Past members
 - Interesting
- More then a reasonable amount of equity
 - 501 (c) (12) only maintain a reasonable amount
- State enabling/cooperative act
 - Alaska "A cooperative shall be operated on a nonprofit basis for the mutual benefit of its members and patrons. The bylaws of a cooperative or its contracts with members and patrons must contain such provisions relating to the disposition of revenues and receipts as may be necessary and appropriate to establish and maintain its nonprofit and cooperative character".
- Settlements
 - High discount rate



Cooperative Status IRS 501 (c)(12)

Three requirements

- Subordination of capital
- Democratically controlled
- Operation at cost

• 85/15 test

- Must pass annually to be exempt from federal income tax





Capital Credit Task Force Report – 12 Recommendations

- 1. Have a capital credit policy
- 2. Have an equity management plan
- 3. Adequate equity level
- 4. Permanent equity
- 5. Notify members of allocations
- 6. Contractual forfeiture
- 7. Retirement methods based on goals





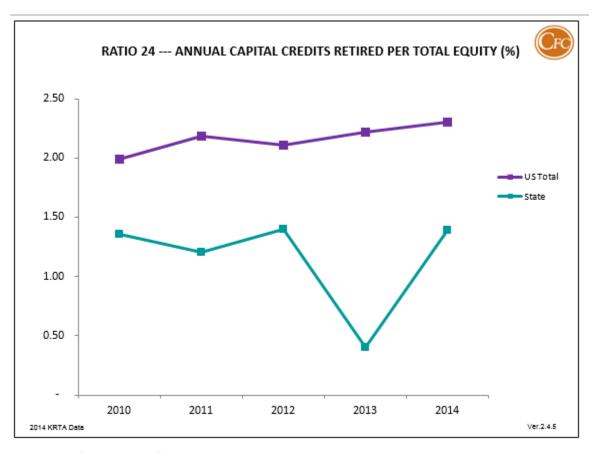
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- 8. Discount special not general retirements
- 9. Discount rate equal weighted average cost of capital
- 10. Age of members
- 11. Director flexibility
- 12. Communications





2014 – 10 Out Of 15







Forecasting Cash Flows

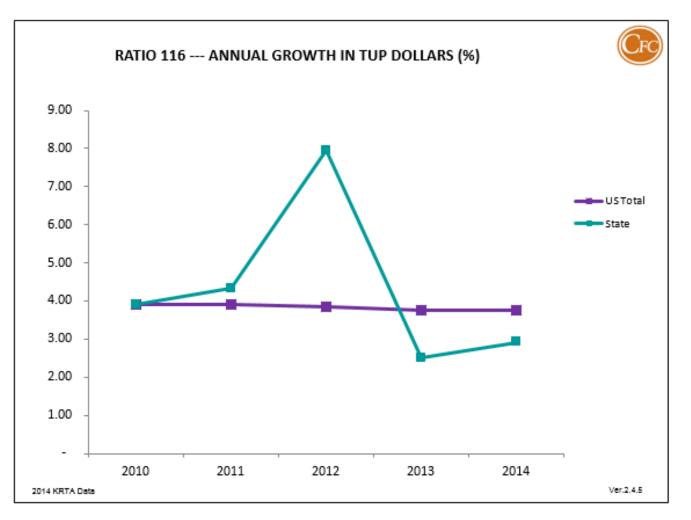
· Annual budget

- Operating margins plus depreciation
- Less
 - Capital credit retirement
 - Asset additions determined by desired equity level
 - Principal payments
- Increase/decrease in cash
- · Meaningful information for the board
 - Can demonstrate the need to borrow or adjust rates





Growth in TUP







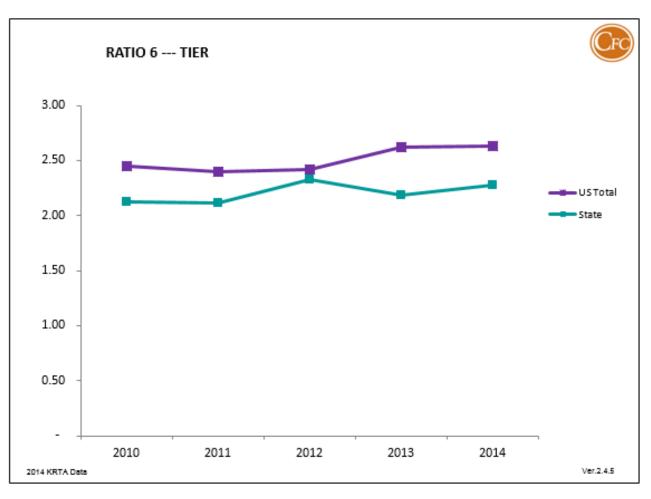
Margin Requirements

- · Cash
- · Lender
- · Equity
- Biggest number wins
- $\cdot\,$ Target an operating ratio that generates the required margin





Margins







Alaska Median Numbers

- Equity as a percent of capitalization 2014 40.12%
- Five year averages 2010 2014

 Capital credits retirements % of equity
 Growth in assets
 TIER
 Blended interest rate

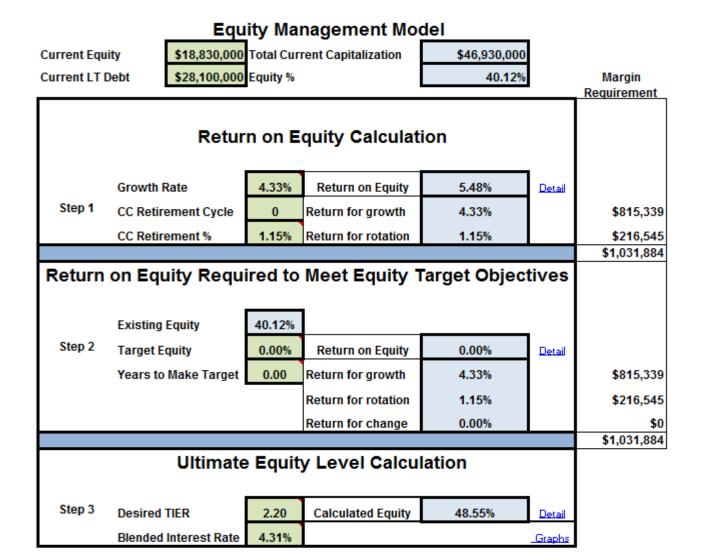
 Five year averages 2010 2014

 1.15%
 2.20
 3.98%





Tying It All Together







Summary

