

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):
May 22, 2018

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Maryland</u>	<u>1-33796</u>	<u>26-0630461</u>
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

520 Madison Avenue, 32nd Fl	
<u>New York, New York</u>	<u>10022</u>
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 626-2300

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

Chimera Investment Corporation (the “Company”) hereby furnishes the information set forth in the presentation (the “Presentation”) attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated herein by reference.

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The Presentation contains statements that, to the extent they are not recitations of historical fact, constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the “Reform Act”). All such forward-looking statements are intended to be subject to the safe harbor protection provided by the Reform Act. Actual outcomes and results could differ materially from those forecast due to the impact of many factors beyond the control of the Company. All forward looking statements included in the Presentation are made only as of the date of the Presentation and are subject to change without notice. Certain factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements are included in the Company’s periodic reports filed with the SEC. Copies are available on the SEC’s website at www.sec.gov. The Company disclaims any obligation to update its forward looking statements unless required by law.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 [First Quarter 2018 Investor Presentation](#)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Chimera Investment Corporation

By: /s/ Rob Colligan

Name: Rob Colligan

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 22, 2018



**INVESTOR
PRESENTATION**
NYSE: CIM

1st Quarter 2018



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Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance upon any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. Chimera does not undertake or accept any obligation to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement to reflect any change in its expectations or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based. Additional information concerning these and other risk factors is contained in Chimera’s most recent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements concerning Chimera or matters attributable to Chimera or any person acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements above.

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CHIMERA IS A RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE REIT

Chimera develops and manages a portfolio of leveraged mortgage investments to produce an attractive quarterly dividend for shareholders

- Established in 2007
- Internally managed since August 2015
- Total Capital \$3.7 Billion
- Total Portfolio \$20.9 Billion
- Common Stock Price \$17.41 / Dividend Yield 11.49%
- 8.00% Fixed Series A Preferred Stock Price \$25.38
- 8.00% Variable Series B Preferred Stock Price \$25.48
- Overall leverage ratio 4.6:1 / Recourse leverage ratio 2.0:1

All data as of March 31, 2018

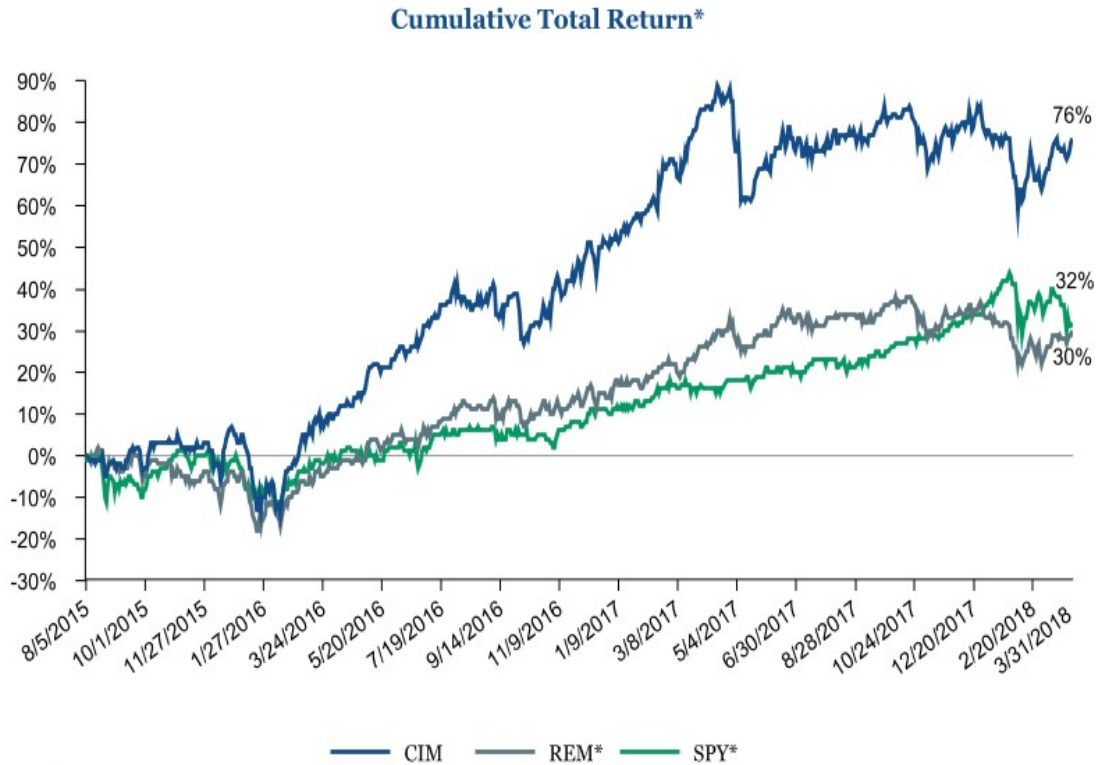
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TOTAL RETURN

Chimera has outperformed mortgage REITs and the S&P 500 since internalization of management



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Source: Bloomberg

*Assuming reinvestment of dividends

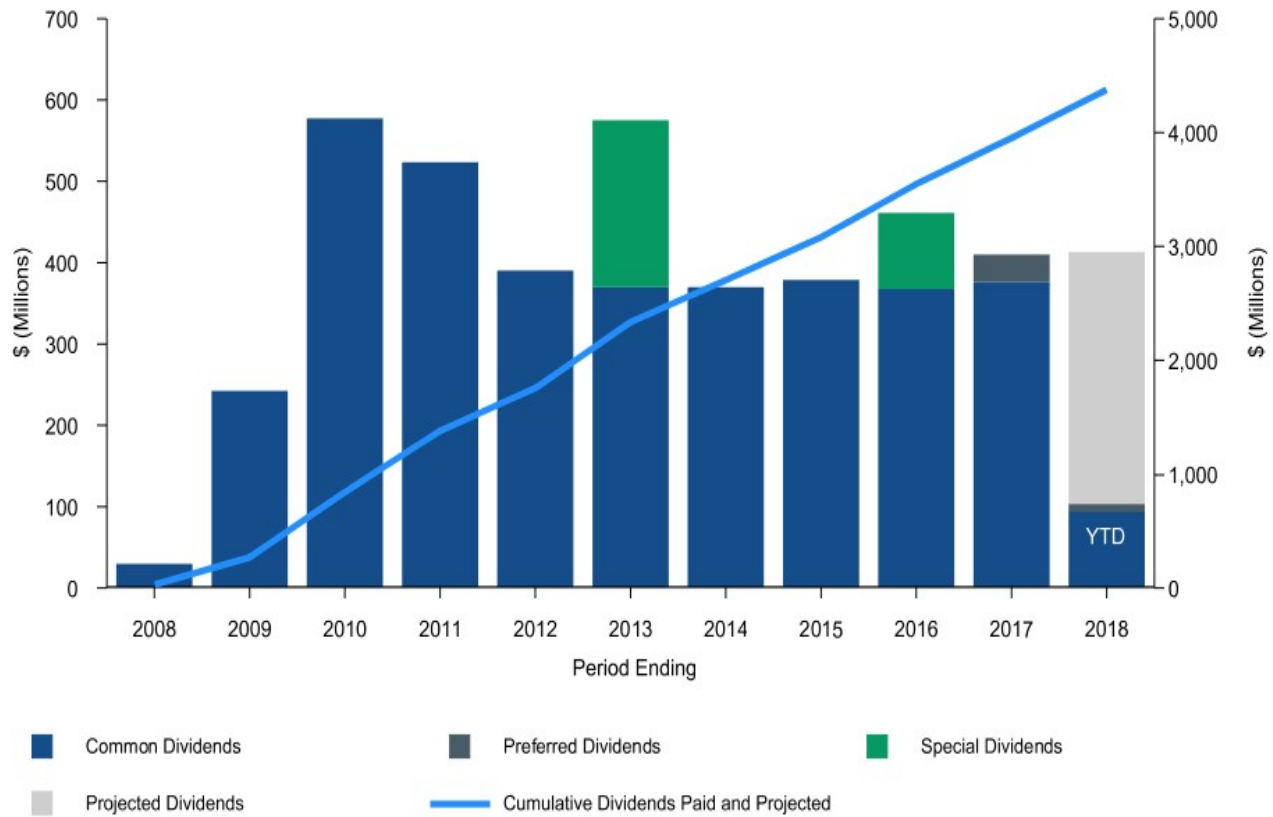
SPY: The SPDR® S&P 500® ETF Trust seeks to provide investment results that, before expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of the S&P 500® Index.

REM: The iShares Mortgage Real Estate ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. REITs that hold U.S. residential and commercial mortgages.

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DIVIDENDS

Chimera has paid over \$4 billion in dividends since inception



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DYNAMIC INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Chimera focuses on acquiring Residential Mortgage Loans, Non-Agency RMBS, Agency RMBS and Agency CMBS

Residential Mortgage Loans

Chimera acquires residential mortgage loans. Chimera utilizes leverage through a combination of securitization, repo and warehouse facilities to manage risk and increase returns on the portfolio. Chimera's loan portfolio has historically generated higher returns with less price volatility and interest rate risk than comparable Agency RMBS.

Non-Agency RMBS

Chimera invests in both investment grade and non-investment grade RMBS. This portfolio provides high risk-adjusted returns while providing increased liquidity. Non-Agency RMBS securities carry higher yields than Agency RMBS.

Agency RMBS

Agency mortgage-backed securities that are backed by residential loans provide spread income for the portfolio with added benefit of liquidity. Chimera utilizes repo and various hedging techniques to increase returns on the portfolio while managing interest rate risk. Agency mortgage backed securities are amongst the most liquid securities available in the fixed income market.

Agency CMBS

Agency CMBS provide many of the same benefits as Agency RMBS while adding convexity to the portfolio. Agency CMBS typically carry prepay protection for the investor enabling more efficient hedging techniques than Agency RMBS.

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

84% of Chimera's equity capital is allocated to mortgage credit



All data as of March 31, 2018

(1) Financing excludes unsettled trades

Net Investment Analysis⁽¹⁾

	Residential Mortgage Credit Portfolio	Agency Portfolio	Total Portfolio
Gross Asset Yield:	6.9%	3.4%	6.2%
Financing Cost ⁽²⁾ :	4.1%	2.0%	3.7%
Net Interest Spread:	2.8%	1.4%	2.5%
Net Interest Margin:	3.3%	1.8%	3.0%

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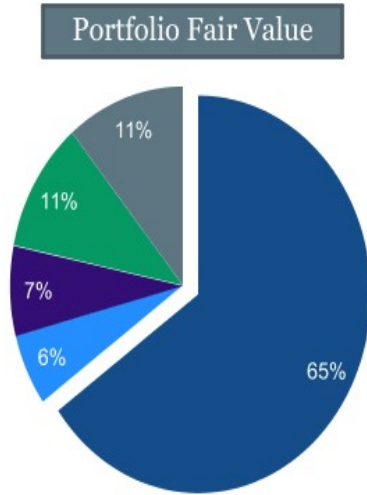
(1) Reflects first quarter 2018 average assets, yields, and spreads

(2) Includes the interest incurred on interest rate swaps

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LOAN PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

Chimera has acquired a unique portfolio of residential mortgage loans comprising 65% of the total portfolio



- Securitized Loan Portfolio
- Non-Agency RMBS
- Consolidated RMBS Securitizations
- Agency CMBS
- Agency RMBS

Seasoned Low Loan Balance Mortgage Portfolio

Total Current Unpaid Balance	<i>\$13.4 Billion</i>
Total Number of Loans	<i>147,720</i>
Weighted Average Loan Size	<i>\$90,879</i>
Weighted Average Coupon	<i>6.85%</i>
Average Loan Age	<i>146 Months</i>

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UNIQUE MORTGAGE CREDIT PORTFOLIO

Key transactions distinguish Chimera from other Mortgage REITs

Re-Remic Subordinate Bond Portfolio

2009–2011 Chimera Creates and Retains \$3.2 Billion High Yield Subordinate Bonds

- \$1.6 billion current remaining face value of subordinate bonds
- Durable value over wide band of prepayment rates
- Difficult to re-create in size and price

Springleaf Seasoned Loan Portfolio

2014 Chimera Acquires \$4.8 Billion Seasoned Loan Portfolio

- Originated by American General
- 7 Securitizations with embedded call options
- 7 deals called and re-securitized

Risk Retention Seasoned Loan Portfolio

2016-2018 Chimera Securitizes \$13.4 Billion Seasoned Loans

- Performing loans with 10 years of payment history
- 16 securitizations with all senior securities placed
- \$ 2.9 billion bonds retained for investment portfolio

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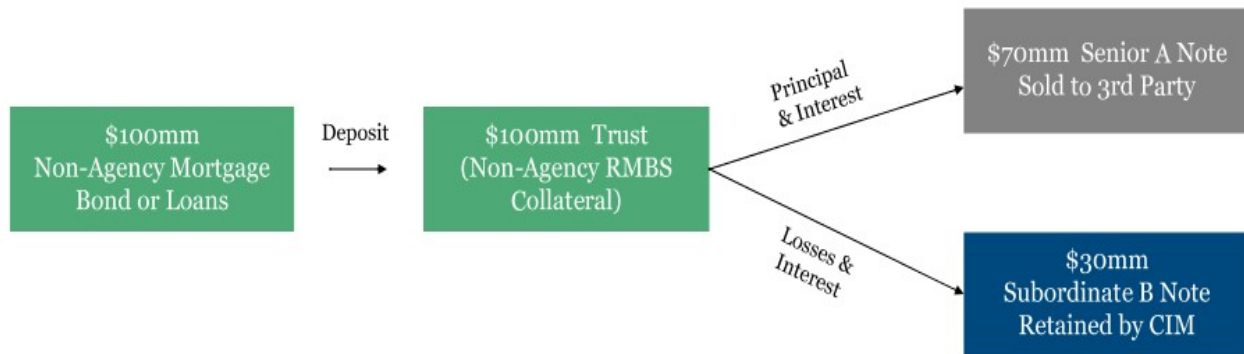
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THE SECURITIZATION PROCESS

Chimera has created term-funding through securitization

Creation of senior and subordinate bonds



1

CIM buys \$100mm Non-Agency mortgage bond or loans from dealer

2

CIM deposits the bond or loans into a trust
The trust issues bonds backed by the cashflow of the underlying bond or loans

3

- CIM sells the Senior A note
 - The A note receives P&I from the \$100mm bond until the \$70mm is paid off
- CIM retains the Subordinate B note
 - The B note receives interest, all losses from the \$100mm bond and starts to receive principal only after the Senior A note is paid off in full

SECURITIZATION ACTIVITY

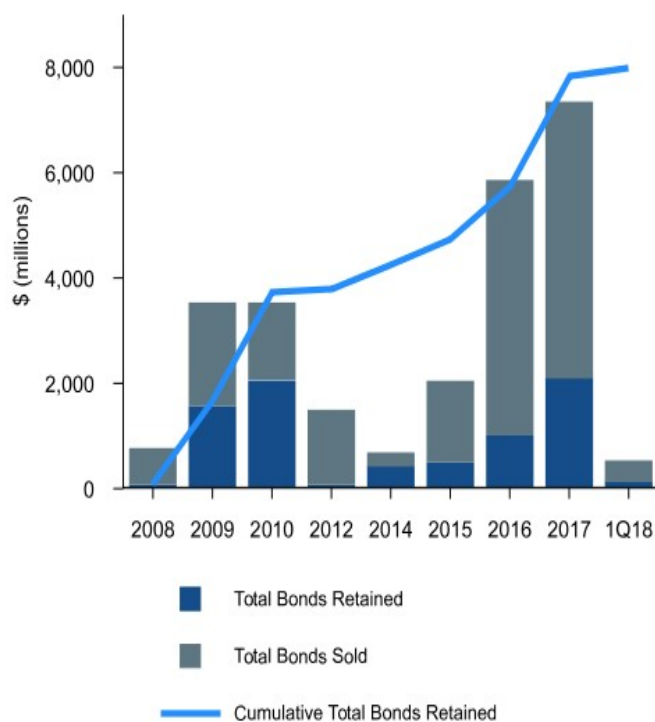
Chimera securitized \$26 billion of collateral and retained \$8 billion of bonds

- 87% of our credit portfolio is related to loans or bonds Chimera securitized
- 68% of our total portfolio is related to loans or bonds Chimera securitized

(\$ in thousands)

Vintage	Type	Total Original Face	Deal Total	
			Total Bonds Sold (Financing)	Total Bonds Retained
2008	Loan	770,865	691,506	79,359
2009	Re-Remic	3,535,035	1,965,001	1,570,034
2010	Re-Remic	3,536,329	1,465,616	2,070,713
2012	Loan	1,496,917	1,417,875	79,042
2014	Both	701,136	268,087	433,050
2015	Loan	2,048,483	1,545,888	502,595
2016	Loan	5,861,316	4,856,979	1,004,337
2017	Loan	7,364,441	5,257,780	2,106,661
2018	Loan	549,324	406,501	142,823
Total		25,863,846	17,875,233	7,988,614

Securitization Activity

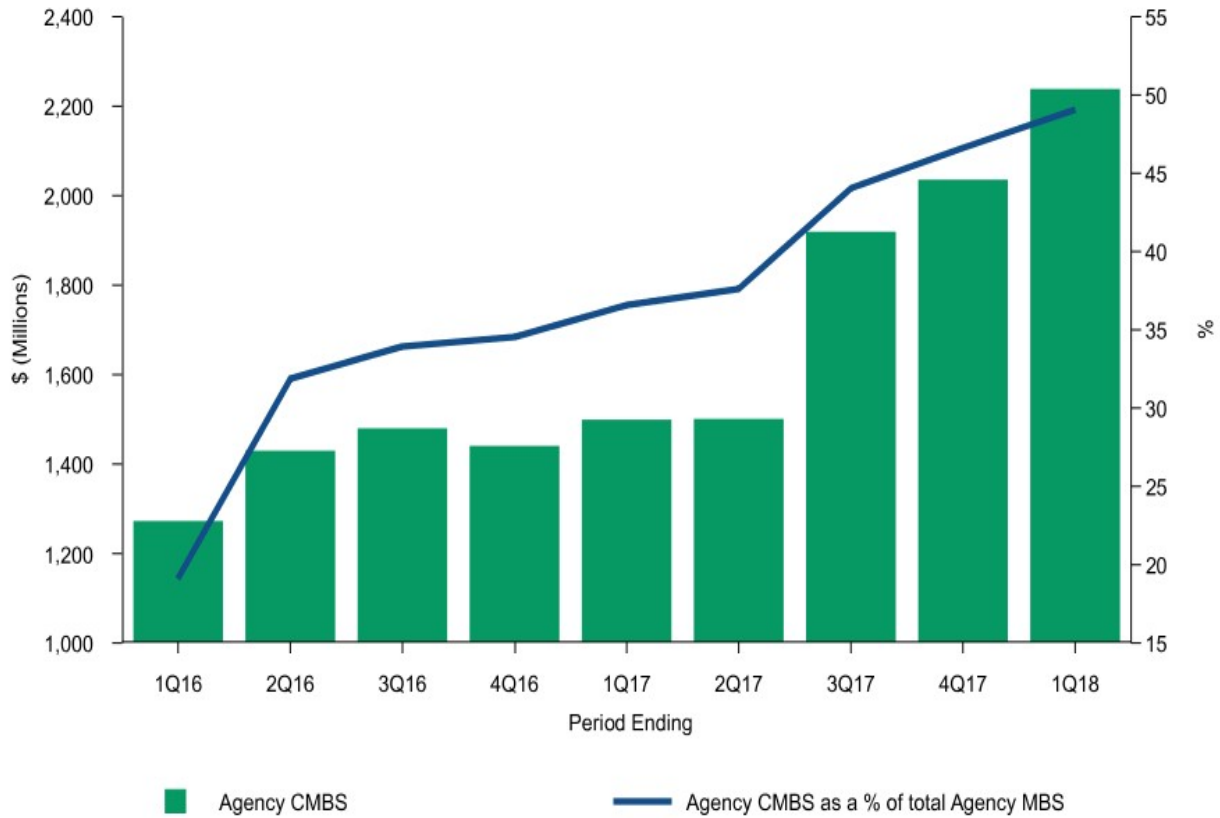


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AGENCY PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

Chimera has been increasing its Agency CMBS portfolio, investing primarily in Ginnie Mae project loans. Agency CMBS typically have less prepayment risk vs Agency RMBS.



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CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

Chimera continues to add shareholder value while diversifying its capital structure

- Board of Directors announced intention to pay \$2.00 dividends in 2018
- Board of Directors re-authorized \$100 million common stock repurchase in February 2018 and Chimera has executed on \$15 million of this amount during 1Q18
- In 2015 Chimera repurchased 18 million shares of common stock for \$250 million
- Chimera has raised \$470 million in preferred stock, representing 13% of total capital

Preferred Stock

 5,800,000 Shares 8.00% Fixed Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock October 2016 Liquidation Preference \$25.00 Per Share
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 13,000,000 Shares 8.00% Variable Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock February 2017 Liquidation Preference \$25.00 Per Share
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- Series A is a fixed coupon and is callable in 5 years on October 30, 2021
- Series B is a fixed coupon for 7 years then floats at LIBOR plus 5.791%
- Series B is a callable in 7 years on March 30, 2024
- Series A and B preferred shared trade on the New York Stock Exchange under symbols CIM PRA and CIM PRB

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SUMMARY

Chimera has assembled a unique portfolio of mortgage assets with a goal to provide high and durable income to shareholders

Dynamic Investment Strategy

Chimera has developed a diversified portfolio of mortgage backed securities to maximize risk-adjusted returns. Chimera's total return has outperformed Mortgage REITs and the S&P 500 since internalization of management in 2015.

Unique Mortgage Credit Portfolio

Chimera has created a high yield mortgage portfolio through securitization activity. Chimera's seasoned mortgage portfolio has a weighted average coupon of 6.85% with a weighted average loan size of ninety thousand dollars.

Positive Macro-Economic Environment

Upward trending macro-economic conditions for U.S. employment and housing are positive for the credit of Chimera's mortgage portfolio.

Appendix

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2018 SECURITIZATION ACTIVITY

Chimera securitized \$549 million of loans in 2018 growing the investment portfolio to \$20.9 billion

Loan Securitizations

 CIM 2018-R1 \$169,032,000 March 2018	 CIM 2018-R2 \$380,292,000 March 2018
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- Chimera has one of the largest seasoned, performing, small balance residential loan portfolios in the Mortgage REIT Industry
- Chimera closed two securitizations in the first quarter of 2018
- Chimera sold \$407 million of securitized debt and retained an investment of \$143 million
- CIM 2018-R1 was a refinancing of the CIM 2015-1EC deal
- CIM2018-R2 was a securitization of loans acquired in 2017 and 2018


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2017 SECURITIZATION ACTIVITY

Chimera securitized \$6.9 billion of loans in 2017

Loan Securitizations

 CIM 2017-1 \$526,267,000 January 2017	 CIM 2017-2 \$331,440,000 February 2017	 CIM 2017-3 \$2,434,640,000 March 2017
 CIM 2017-4 \$830,510,000 March 2017	 CIM 2017-5 \$377,034,000 May 2017	 CIM 2017-6 \$782,725,000 August 2017
 CIM 2017-7 \$512,446,000 October 2017	 CIM 2017-8 \$1,148,050,000 October 2017	

- Chimera closed eight securitizations in 2017 of seasoned, performing, low-loan balance residential mortgage loans
- Chimera sold \$5.1 billion of securitized debt, retaining an interest of \$1.8 billion






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2016 SECURITIZATION ACTIVITY

Chimera securitized \$5.8 billion of loans in 2016

Loan Securitizations

 CIM 2016-1 \$1,499,341,000 April 2016	 CIM 2016-2 \$1,762,177,000 May 2016	 CIM 2016-3 \$1,746,084,000 May 2016
 CIM 2016-4 \$601,733,000 October 2016	 CIM 2016-5 \$66,171,000 October 2016	 CIM 2016-FRE 1 \$185,881,000 October 2016

- Chimera securitized \$185 million loans with Freddie Mac in a pilot program
- Chimera expects high single digit yields on these securitizations without leverage

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AGENCY MBS PORTFOLIO AND FUNDING

The majority of Chimera's Agency Portfolio consists of highly liquid pass-through securities

Agency Securities – As of March 31, 2018

Security Type	Coupon ⁽¹⁾	Current Face	Weighted Average Market Price	Weighted Average CPR
Agency Pass-through	3.50%	\$828,730	100.4	7.9
	4.00%	1,276,070	102.8	11.9
	4.50%	160,833	105.5	15.1
Commercial	3.6%	2,153,980	99.7	—
Agency IO	0.7%	N/M ⁽²⁾	3.3	8.0
Total		\$4,419,613		

Repo Days to Maturity – As of March 31, 2018

Maturity	Principal Balance	Weighted Average Rate	Weighted Average Days
Within 30 days	\$1,844,287	1.70%	
30 to 59 days	887,135	1.8%	
60 to 89 days	579,055	1.91%	
Total	\$3,310,477	1.77%	32 Days

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(1) Coupon is a weighted average for Commercial and Agency IO

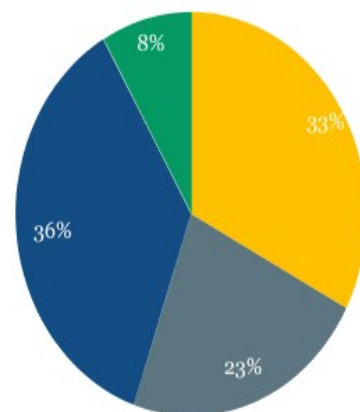
(2) Notional Agency IO was \$3.0 billion as of March 31, 2018

INTEREST RATE SENSITIVITY

Chimera added to its Agency Commercial and hedge portfolios during the quarter

Description (\$ in thousands)		- 100 Basis Points	- 50 Basis Points	Unchanged	+50 Basis Points	+100 Basis Points
Agency Securities	Market Value	\$ 4,842,053	\$ 4,703,683	\$ 4,557,799	\$ 4,407,918	\$ 4,256,875
	Percentage Change	6.2 %	3.2 %	-	(3.3)%	(6.6)%
Swap	Market Value	(173,915)	(84,994)	-	84,348	165,956
	Percentage Change	(3.8)%	(1.9)%	-	1.9 %	3.6 %
Futures	Market Value	(34,235)	(16,884)	-	16,432	32,423
	Percentage Change	(0.8)%	(0.4)%	-	0.4 %	0.7 %
Net Gain/(Loss)		\$ 76,104	\$ 44,006	-	\$ (49,101)	\$ (102,545)
Percentage Change in Portfolio Value ⁽¹⁾		1.7 %	1.0 %	-	(1.1)%	(2.2)%

Hedge Book Maturities



- Near Term 0-3
- Short Term 3-5
- Medium Term 5-10
- Long Term 10-30

Total Notional Balance - Derivative Instruments

	March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Agency Interest Rate Swaps	3,358,900	3,011,400
Swaptions	361,000	391,000
Futures	619,700	619,700

(1) Based on instantaneous moves in interest rates.

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