



Basel III Pillar 3 Disclosures

December 31, 2023

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This document represents the Pillar 3 disclosures for Digital Commerce Bank (the “Bank”) as at December 31, 2023 pursuant to the Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions’ (“OSFI”) requirements. This report is unaudited.

I. Capital Adequacy

OSFI requires banks to measure capital adequacy in accordance with guidelines for determining risk adjusted capital and risk-weighting assets. The Bank complies with the Basel III framework.

Risk Based Capital Ratio	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4
Assets					
Total Assets	\$111,059,592	\$93,856,411	\$91,668,577	\$113,007,775	\$100,276,800
Basic Indicator Approach					
Charge for Operational Risk	60,397,367	60,365,006	56,233,467	53,332,978	48,607,166
Charge for Credit Risk	29,430,908	27,569,425	25,915,293	30,254,191	28,508,098
Total Risk Weighted Assets	\$89,828,275	\$87,934,430	\$82,148,760	\$83,587,169	\$77,115,264
Regulatory Capital	\$17,107,638	\$16,909,005	\$15,594,884	\$15,520,887	\$14,283,813
Total Risk Based Capital Ratio	19.04%	19.23%	18.98%	18.57%	18.52%
Tier 1 Risk Based Capital Ratio	19.04%	19.23%	18.98%	18.57%	18.52%
OSFI Target	10.50%	10.50%	10.50%	10.50%	10.50%
Internal Target	18.50%	18.50%	18.50%	18.50%	18.50%

The Bank has used the basic indicator approach to determine operational risk which calculates operational risk to be 15% of the Bank’s three-year average with a total of other income plus the minimum of 2.25% interest asset value or net interest income to multiplied by 12.5. This is a permitted approach under the Basel III framework.

The Bank has taken a charge for credit risk. This amount is calculated as 20% of the Bank’s cash and securities held with Canadian deposit-taking institutions and 100% of the Bank’s remaining assets.

The Bank’s total risk-based capital ratio is 19.04% as at December 31, 2023 which is compliant with OSFI’s ratios and the Bank’s internal targets.

The bank’s leverage ratio is 15.40% as at December 31, 2023 which is compliant with OSFI’s ratios and the Bank’s internal targets. The Bank’s Leverage Ratio is calculated by dividing total Tier 1 Capital by total assets.

Leverage Ratio	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4
Assets					
Total Assets	\$111,059,592	\$93,856,411	\$91,668,577	\$113,007,775	\$100,276,800
Capital					
Common Shares	5,500,000	5,500,000	5,500,000	5,500,000	5,500,000
Retained Earnings	11,607,638	11,409,005	10,094,884	10,020,887	8,783,813
Total Tier 1 Regulatory Capital	\$17,107,638	\$16,909,005	\$15,594,884	\$15,520,887	\$14,283,813
Leverage Ratio					
	15.40%	18.02%	17.01%	13.73%	14.24%
OSFI Target					
	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%
Internal Target					
	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%

Capital is managed in accordance with policies and plans that are regularly reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors and take into account forecasted capital needs. The goal is to meet or exceed minimum regulated capital, protect individual and corporate deposits and provide capacity for internally generated growth.

II. Basel III Capital Disclosure

The Basel Committee on Banking Supervision has published the Basel III rules supporting more stringent global standards on capital adequacy and liquidity (Basel III). OSFI has implemented the Basel III rules for Canadian banks and has issued guidance and advisories on its implementation plan for all Canadian financial institutions on an accelerated basis. Significant changes under Basel III that are most relevant to the Bank include additional capital buffers and new requirements for levels of liquidity and new liquidity measurements.

Management believes that the transition to Basel III will not significantly impact the Bank as the Bank's equity consists solely of tier 1 components (common shares and retained earnings). As a result, there will be no phasing-out of non-qualifying regulatory capital instruments or phasing-in of regulatory adjustments. In addition, the strengthening of the risk weights for several asset categories will not affect the Bank due to its conservative investment policies, and the fact that there is no loan portfolio in the Bank. Pro forma Basel III calculations for the Bank confirm that the Bank will comply with Basel III's new minimum capital ratios for the next 5 years.

Basel III Pillar 3 Capital Disclosures

The new Basel III Pillar 3 public capital disclosure requirements are intended to improve both the transparency and comparability of the Bank's capital positions. The following table is prepared on the All-in Capital Disclosure template (Annex 1) provided in OSFI's Public Capital Disclosure Requirements. The template has been modified to exclude line items that are not relevant. However, for purposes of comparability, row numbering has been maintained from the OSFI template.

Basel III All-in Capital Disclosure Template			
Common Equity Tier 1 capital: instruments and reserves			Cross-Reference ⁽¹⁾
1	Directly issued qualifying common share capital (and equivalent for non-joint stock companies) plus related stock surplus	5,500,000	a
2	Retained earnings	11,607,638	b
3	Accumulated other comprehensive income (and other reserves)	n/a	
4	Directly issued capital subject to phase out from CET1 (only applicable to non-joint stock companies)	n/a	
5	Common share capital issued by subsidiaries and held by third parties (amount allowed in group CET1)	n/a	
6	Common Equity Tier 1 capital (CET1) before regulatory adjustments	17,107,638	
Common Equity Tier 1 capital: regulatory adjustments - n/a			
28	Total regulatory adjustments to Common Equity Tier 1	0	
29	Common Equity Tier 1 capital (CET1)	17,107,638	
Additional Tier 1 capital: instruments - n/a			
36	Additional Tier 1 capital before regulatory adjustments	0	
Additional Tier 1 capital: regulatory adjustments n/a			
43	Total regulatory adjustments applied to Additional Tier 1 capital	0	
44	Additional Tier 1 capital (AT1)	0	
45	Tier 1 capital (T1 = CET1 + AT1)	17,107,638	
Tier 2 capital: instruments and provisions - n/a			
51	Tier 2 capital before regulatory adjustments	0	
Tier 2 capital: regulatory adjustments - n/a			
57	Total regulatory adjustments to Tier 2 capital	0	
58	Tier 2 capital (T2)	0	
59	Total capital (TC = T1 + T2)	17,107,638	
60	Total risk weighted assets	89,828,275	
Capital ratios			
61	Common Equity Tier 1 (as a percentage of risk weighted assets)	19.04%	
62	Tier 1 (as a percentage of risk weighted assets)	19.04%	
63	Total capital (as a percentage of risk weighted assets)	19.04%	
OSFI all-in target			
69	Common Equity Tier 1 all-in target ratio	7.0%	
70	Tier 1 capital all-in target ratio	8.5%	
71	Total capital all-in target ratio	10.5%	
Amounts below the thresholds for deduction (before risk-weighting)			
72	Non-significant investments in the capital of other financials	n/a	
73	Significant investments in the common stock of financials	n/a	
74	Mortgage servicing rights (net of related tax liability)	n/a	
75	Deferred tax assets arising from temporary differences (net of related tax liability)	n/a	
Capital instruments subject to phase-out arrangements (only applicable between 1 Jan 2013 and 1 Jan 2022)			
80	Current cap on CET1 instruments subject to phase out arrangements	n/a	
81	Amount excluded from CET1 due to cap (excess over cap after redemptions and maturities)	n/a	
82	Current cap on AT1 instruments subject to phase out arrangements	n/a	
83	Amount excluded from AT1 due to cap (excess over cap after redemptions and maturities)	n/a	
84	Current cap on T2 instruments subject to phase out arrangements	n/a	
85	Amount excluded from T2 due to cap (excess over cap after redemptions and maturities)	n/a	

⁽¹⁾ Cross-referenced to Statement of Financial Position

Statements of Financial Position as at December 31, 2023

	Balance Sheet as reported to Shareholders	Under regulatory scope of consolidation	Cross-Reference to Definition of Capital Components
Assets			
<i>Cash resources:</i>			
Cash in bank	\$ 93,518,838	\$ 93,518,838	
	93,518,838	93,518,838	
<i>Securities:</i>			
Short term investments	8,277,726	8,277,726	
Long term investments	-	-	
Accrued interest	239,291	239,291	
	8,517,017	8,517,017	
<i>Other:</i>			
Trade and other receivables	3,059,243	3,059,243	
Income Tax Receivable	-	-	
Prepaid expenses	761,109	761,109	
Deposits	19,513	19,513	
Inventory	15,680	15,680	
Property and equipment	5,168,192	5,168,192	
	9,023,737	9,023,737	
	\$ 111,059,592	\$ 111,059,592	
Liabilities and shareholders' equity			
<i>Deposits (non-interest bearing):</i>			
Corporate	\$ 87,467,909	\$ 87,467,909	
Individual	462,403	462,403	
	87,930,312	87,930,312	
<i>Other:</i>			
Trade and other payables	4,528,176	4,528,176	
Lease Liability: Right-of-Use: Building	649,470	649,470	
Deferred income tax payable	829,000	829,000	
Income tax payable	14,996	14,996	
	6,021,642	6,021,642	
Shareholders' equity:			
Share capital	5,500,000	5,500,000	a
Retained earnings	11,607,638	11,607,638	b
	17,107,638	17,107,638	
	\$ 111,059,592	\$ 111,059,592	

Basel III Transitional Capital Disclosure Template		
29	Common Equity Tier 1 capital (CET1)	17,107,638
45	Tier 1 capital (T1 = CET1 + AT1)	17,107,638
59	Total capital (TC = T1 + T2)	17,107,638
60	Total risk weighted assets	89,828,275
61	Common Equity Tier 1 (as a percentage of risk weighted assets)	19.04%
62	Tier 1 (as a percentage of risk weighted assets)	19.04%
63	Total capital (as a percentage of risk weighted assets)	19.04%

Description of the Bank

Founded in 2007, Digital Commerce Bank (the “Bank”) is a Schedule 1 Canadian chartered bank. It was issued its letters patent of incorporation on October 3, 2007 and was granted its Order to Commence and Carry on Business on January 24, 2008 pursuant to the Bank Act (Canada). The Bank’s registered head office is located at 736 Meridian Road NE, Calgary, Alberta, T2A 2N7.

The Bank’s mission is to provide innovative payment and banking solutions to its clients. The Bank works closely with its clients, providing personalized service and customized programs that deliver increased value and diverse financial and payment solutions to its clients. DCBank is a deposit taking financial institution, which provides deposit accounts and banking services to individual and corporate clients. The Bank does not engage in any lending activities.

III. Risk Summary

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Bank’s risk management framework.

The Bank’s risk management policies are established to identify and analyze the risks faced by the Bank, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions, products and services offered. The Bank, through its training and management standards and procedures, aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment, in which all employees understand their roles and obligations.

The Conduct Review and Risk Policy Committee and the Audit Committee are responsible for monitoring compliance with the Bank’s risk management policies and procedures, and for reviewing the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to the risks faced by the Bank. The Audit Committee is assisted in these functions by internal audit. Internal Audit undertakes an annual review, the results of which are reported to the Audit Committee.

a. Counterparty risk

The Bank uses a variety of single source counterparties for things such as technology, settlement and access to certain banking and payment services. A disruption in these outsourcing

arrangements could have a material impact on the Bank's ability to continue offering the same service to the Bank's clients.

b. Market risk

Market risk is the risk of a loss resulting from changes in interest rates and market prices and volatilities that arise from the Bank's funding and investment activities. The Bank does not engage in any foreign exchange or trading activities. As such, the Bank's principal risk arises from interest rate risk.

• **Interest rate risk**

The Bank does not currently pay interest on its deposit accounts and does not engage in any lending which eliminates its exposure to interest rate spread fluctuations.

However, the Bank's interest income could be negatively impacted by declines in interest rates earned on short-term investments and cash in bank. Deposits are due on demand.

A change in interest rates of plus/minus 1% would increase/decrease interest earned by \$82,777 in 2023 and \$137,787 in 2022 based on current account balances.

c. Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss associated with the counterparty's inability to fulfill its payment obligations. Financial instruments which potentially expose the Bank to concentration of credit risk are comprised of trade and other receivables, and major customers.

• **Trade and Other Receivables**

The Bank does business and extends credit based on an evaluation of the customers' financial condition generally without collateral. Exposure to losses on receivables is expected to vary by customer due to the financial condition of each customer. Exposure to credit losses on receivables is evaluated continuously by management. As of December 31, 2023, the Company had a credit provision of \$143,466 (2022 - \$495,208).

The following table is the accounts receivable aging:

Trade and Other Receivables	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Current	2,855,175	2,214,246
1-30 Days	47,280	117,586
31-60 Days	(79,486)	1,184,106
61-90 Days	(10,979)	645,956
Over 90 Days	380,714	1,393,959
Total Trade Receivables	\$ 3,192,704	\$ 5,555,853
Less: credit provision	(143,466)	(495,208)
Add: other receivables	10,006	98,026
Total	\$ 3,059,243	\$ 5,158,671

As at December 31, 2023, 74% (2022 – 67%) of trade receivables was owed from 2 customers (2022 – 2 customers), each with greater than ten percent outstanding.

d. Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Bank will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations from its financial liabilities. The Bank's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Bank's reputation. The Bank's cash in Bank and short-term investments exceed its financial liabilities.

• Deposit Counterparty Risk

The Bank maintains some of its liquidity in the form of cash and guaranteed investment certificates at small Canadian Financial Institutions. In the event that these small institutions become insolvent or subject to a regulatory order, these values could be at risk.

e. Reputational risk

Reputational risk is the impact on the Bank's earnings and capital arising from negative public opinion; thereby affecting the Bank's ability to establish new relationships or continue servicing existing customers. The Bank's value is only minimally exposed by reputational risk.

f. Litigation risk

The Bank has litigation risk arising from its agreements with end users, cardholders, its program manager agreements and its agency agreements as well as various other agreements with third parties.

g. Regulatory risk

Regulatory risk includes the risk of non-compliance with the regulatory requirements facing the Bank and the risk of changing regulations. Regulatory risks may have an adverse impact on the Bank's ability to operate in accordance with its business plan and strategies, may result in increased costs, penalties or sanctions borne by the Bank to comply with such amended regulatory requirements.

IV. Capital Structure

The Bank's regulatory capital is comprised of share capital and retained earnings (Tier 1 Capital). In accordance with the Bank's letters patent of incorporation, the Bank's initial share capital is \$5,500,000. As of December 31, 2023, the Bank's total capital is \$17,107,638.

V. Statement of Risk Appetite

The Bank has a low tolerance for risk and its risk tolerance is reviewed quarterly by management and the board of directors.

VI. Remuneration

Key management personnel (which are comprised of senior executive officers and directors) receive compensation in the form of short-term and long-term employee benefits. For the year ended

December 31, 2023, the Bank has made a cash payment to executive personnel for remuneration of \$2,421,544 plus \$186,366 of other short-term employee benefits (2022 - \$2,503,896 plus \$201,081, respectively). As at December 31, 2023 key management personnel had deposits of \$317,602 with the Bank (2022 - \$295,468).