

Consolidated Financial Statements

**goeasy Ltd.**

For the Years Ended  
December 31, 2019 and 2018

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the shareholders of **goeasy Ltd.**

### Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of **goeasy Ltd.** and its subsidiaries (the Company), which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as at December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the consolidated statements of income, consolidated statements of comprehensive income, consolidated statements of changes in shareholders' equity and consolidated statements of cash flows for the years then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Company as at December 31, 2019 and 2018, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises:

- ▶ Management's Discussion & Analysis.
- ▶ The information, other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, in the Annual Report.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information, and in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We obtained Management's Discussion & Analysis prior to the date of this auditor's report. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

The Annual Report is expected to be made available to us after the date of the auditor's report. If based on the work we will perform on this other information, we conclude there is a material misstatement of other information, we are required to report that fact to those charged with governance.

## **Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRSs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

## **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements

represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is David Tedesco.

*Ernst & Young LLP*

Chartered Professional Accountants  
Licensed Public Accountants

Toronto, Canada  
February 12, 2020

**goeasy Ltd.**

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

(expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	As At December 31, 2019	As At December 31, 2018
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash (note 4)	<b>46,341</b>	100,188
Amounts receivable (note 5)	<b>18,482</b>	15,450
Prepaid expenses	<b>7,077</b>	3,835
Consumer loans receivable, net (note 6)	<b>1,040,552</b>	782,864
Investment (note 7)	<b>34,300</b>	-
Lease assets (note 8)	<b>48,696</b>	51,618
Property and equipment, net (note 9)	<b>23,007</b>	21,283
Deferred tax assets (note 18)	<b>14,961</b>	9,445
Derivative financial assets (note 13)	<b>-</b>	35,094
Intangible assets, net (note 10)	<b>17,749</b>	14,589
Right-of-use assets (note 3)	<b>46,147</b>	-
Goodwill (note 10)	<b>21,310</b>	21,310
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,318,622</b>	1,055,676
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Revolving credit facility (note 11)	<b>115,000</b>	-
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<b>41,350</b>	45,103
Income taxes payable	<b>4,187</b>	7,499
Dividends payable (note 14)	<b>4,448</b>	3,247
Deferred lease inducements (note 3)	<b>-</b>	1,234
Unearned revenue	<b>8,082</b>	6,002
Derivative financial liabilities (note 13)	<b>16,435</b>	-
Lease liabilities (note 3)	<b>52,573</b>	-
Convertible debentures (note 12)	<b>41,712</b>	40,581
Notes payable (note 13)	<b>702,414</b>	650,481
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>986,201</b>	754,147
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>		
Share capital (note 14)	<b>141,956</b>	138,090
Contributed surplus (note 15)	<b>20,296</b>	16,105
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	<b>(915)</b>	3,624
Retained earnings	<b>171,084</b>	143,710
<b>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>332,421</b>	301,529
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>1,318,622</b>	1,055,676

*See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.*

On behalf of the Board:

David Ingram  
Director

Donald K. Johnson  
Director

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME**

(expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars except earnings per share)

	Year Ended	
	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Interest income	345,997	255,997
Lease revenue	113,236	119,745
Commissions earned	135,510	117,000
Charges and fees	14,640	13,449
	<b>609,383</b>	<b>506,191</b>
<b>EXPENSES BEFORE DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION</b>		
Salaries and benefits	120,414	114,522
Stock-based compensation (note 15)	8,686	6,836
Advertising and promotion	26,699	19,145
Bad debts	156,742	118,980
Occupancy	20,573	34,665
Technology costs	12,293	11,118
Other expenses (note 16)	30,819	29,205
	<b>376,226</b>	<b>334,471</b>
<b>DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION</b>		
Depreciation of lease assets	37,402	40,088
Depreciation of right-of-use assets (note 3)	15,199	-
Depreciation of property and equipment	6,281	5,719
Amortization of intangible assets	5,482	6,196
	<b>64,364</b>	<b>52,003</b>
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>440,590</b>	<b>386,474</b>
Operating income	168,793	119,717
Finance costs		
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing charges (note 17)	55,094	45,800
Interest expense on lease liabilities (note 3)	2,464	-
Refinancing cost relating to notes payable (note 13)	21,723	-
	<b>79,281</b>	<b>45,800</b>
Income before income taxes	89,512	73,917
Income tax expense (recovery) (note 18)		
Current	27,763	24,354
Deferred	(2,600)	(3,561)
	<b>25,163</b>	<b>20,793</b>
<b>Net income</b>	<b>64,349</b>	<b>53,124</b>
<b>Basic earnings per share (note 19)</b>	<b>4.40</b>	<b>3.78</b>
<b>Diluted earnings per share (note 19)</b>	<b>4.17</b>	<b>3.56</b>

*See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.*

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

(expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Year Ended	
	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
Net income	64,349	53,124
<b>Other comprehensive income (loss) to be reclassified to the consolidated statement of income in subsequent periods</b>		
Change in foreign currency translation reserve	12	(20)
Change in fair value of cash flow hedge, net of taxes	3,014	3,503
Reclassification of cash flow hedge to the consolidated statement of income, net of taxes	(7,648)	-
Transfer of realized translation losses on disposal of a special purpose entity	83	-
	<b>(4,539)</b>	<b>3,483</b>
<b>Comprehensive income</b>	<b>59,810</b>	<b>56,607</b>

*See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.*

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY**

(expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Share Capital	Contributed Surplus	Total Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total Shareholders' Equity
<b>Balance, December 31, 2018</b>	<b>138,090</b>	<b>16,105</b>	<b>154,195</b>	<b>143,710</b>	<b>3,624</b>	<b>301,529</b>
International Financial Reporting Standards 16 adjustment (note 3)	-	-	-	(3,282)	-	(3,282)
<b>Adjusted Balance, January 1, 2019</b>	<b>138,090</b>	<b>16,105</b>	<b>154,195</b>	<b>140,428</b>	<b>3,624</b>	<b>298,247</b>
Common shares issued	8,334	(4,495)	3,839	-	-	3,839
Conversion of convertible debentures	6	-	6	-	-	6
Stock-based compensation (note 15)	-	8,686	8,686	-	-	8,686
Shares purchased for cancellation (note 14)	(4,474)	-	(4,474)	(15,839)	-	(20,313)
Comprehensive income	-	-	-	64,349	(4,539)	59,810
Dividends (note 14)	-	-	-	(17,854)	-	(17,854)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2019</b>	<b>141,956</b>	<b>20,296</b>	<b>162,252</b>	<b>171,084</b>	<b>(915)</b>	<b>332,421</b>
<b>Balance, December 31, 2017</b>	<b>85,874</b>	<b>15,305</b>	<b>101,179</b>	<b>126,924</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>228,244</b>
International Financial Reporting Standards 9 adjustment	-	-	-	(12,659)	-	(12,659)
<b>Adjusted Balance, January 1, 2018</b>	<b>85,874</b>	<b>15,305</b>	<b>101,179</b>	<b>114,265</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>215,585</b>
Common shares issued	48,112	(2,972)	45,140	-	-	45,140
Conversion of convertible debentures	7,924	-	7,924	-	-	7,924
Stock-based compensation (note 15)	-	6,836	6,836	-	-	6,836
Shares withheld related to net share settlement	-	(3,064)	(3,064)	-	-	(3,064)
Shares purchased for cancellation (note 14)	(3,820)	-	(3,820)	(11,175)	-	(14,995)
Comprehensive income	-	-	-	53,124	3,483	56,607
Dividends (note 14)	-	-	-	(12,504)	-	(12,504)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2018</b>	<b>138,090</b>	<b>16,105</b>	<b>154,195</b>	<b>143,710</b>	<b>3,624</b>	<b>301,529</b>

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

(expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Year Ended	
	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net income	<b>64,349</b>	53,124
Add (deduct) items not affecting cash		
Bad debts expense	156,742	118,980
Depreciation of lease assets	37,402	40,088
Refinancing cost relating to notes payable	21,723	-
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	15,199	-
Stock-based compensation (note 15)	8,686	6,836
Depreciation of property and equipment	6,281	5,719
Amortization of intangible assets	5,482	6,196
Amortization of deferred financing charges	3,506	4,540
Amortization of premium on notes payable	(1,879)	(1,005)
Deferred income tax recovery (note 18)	(2,600)	(3,561)
Gain on sale or disposal of assets	(2,591)	(568)
	<b>312,300</b>	230,349
Net change in other operating assets and liabilities (note 20)	(16,125)	1,847
Net issuance of consumer loans receivable	(415,069)	(405,827)
Purchase of lease assets	(36,975)	(37,913)
<b>Cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>(155,869)</b>	(211,544)
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Proceeds on sale of assets	6,032	1,231
Purchase of property and equipment	(8,218)	(11,225)
Purchase of intangible assets	(8,642)	(5,622)
Purchase of investment	(34,300)	-
<b>Cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(45,128)</b>	(15,616)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Advances from revolving credit facility	167,000	69,378
Issuance of notes payable (note 13)	79,810	203,202
Issuance of common shares	3,839	45,140
Lease incentive received (note 3)	1,208	-
Payment of lease liabilities (note 3)	(15,741)	-
Payment of common share dividends (note 14)	(16,653)	(11,683)
Purchase of common shares for cancellation (note 14)	(20,313)	(14,995)
Payment of advances from revolving credit facility	(52,000)	(70,000)
Shares withheld related to net share settlement	-	(3,064)
<b>Cash provided by financing activities</b>	<b>147,150</b>	217,978
<b>Net decrease in cash during the year</b>	<b>(53,847)</b>	(9,182)
Cash, beginning of year	<b>100,188</b>	109,370
<b>Cash, end of year</b>	<b>46,341</b>	100,188

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## **NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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### **1. CORPORATE INFORMATION**

goeasy Ltd. (the “Parent Company”) was incorporated under the laws of the Province of Alberta, Canada by Certificate and Articles of Incorporation dated December 14, 1990 and was continued as a corporation in the Province of Ontario pursuant to Articles of Continuance dated July 22, 1993. The Parent Company has common shares listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (the “TSX”) under the symbol “GSY” and its head office is located in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada.

The Parent Company and all of the companies that it controls (collectively referred to as “goeasy” or the “Company”) are a leading full-service provider of goods and alternative financial services that provides everyday Canadians with a path for a better tomorrow, today. The principal operating activities of the Company include: i) providing loans and other financial services to consumers; and ii) leasing household products to consumers.

The Company operates in two reportable segments: easyfinancial and easyhome. As at December 31, 2019, the Company operated 256 easyfinancial locations (including 20 kiosks within easyhome stores) and 163 easyhome stores (including 35 franchises and one consolidated franchise location). As at December 31, 2018, the Company operated 241 easyfinancial locations (including 33 kiosks within easyhome stores) and 165 easyhome stores (including 31 franchises and one consolidated franchise location).

The consolidated financial statements were authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on February 12, 2020.

### **2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2019 have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”). The policies applied in these consolidated financial statements were based on IFRS issued and outstanding as at December 31, 2019.

Certain comparative amounts have been restated to conform with the presentation adopted in the current period.

#### **Basis of Consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Parent Company and all of the companies that it controls. goeasy Ltd. controls an entity: i) when it has the power to direct the activities of the entity that have the most significant impact on the entity’s risks and/or returns; ii) where it is exposed to significant risks and/or returns arising from the entity; and iii) where it is able to use its power to affect the risks and/or returns to which it is exposed. This includes all wholly-owned subsidiaries and a special purpose entity (“SPE”) where goeasy Ltd. has control but does not have ownership of a majority of voting rights. In 2019, the Parent Company disposed the SPE.

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As at December 31, 2019, the Parent Company's principal subsidiaries were:

- RTO Asset Management Inc.
- easyfinancial Services Inc.
- easyhome U.S. Ltd.

All intra-group transactions and balances were eliminated on consolidation.

#### **Presentation Currency**

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars ("CAD"), which is the Parent Company's functional currency. The functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which a reporting entity operates and is normally the currency in which the entity generates and expends cash. All financial information presented in CAD has been rounded to the nearest thousand, unless noted otherwise.

#### **Foreign Currency Translation**

The Parent Company's presentation and functional currency is CAD. Each entity in the Company determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. The functional currency of the Company's United States (U.S.) subsidiary, easyhome U.S. Ltd. and its SPE, is the U.S. dollar ("USD"). The functional currency of all other entities that are consolidated is CAD.

Foreign currency transactions are initially recorded at the rate prevailing at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the spot rate on the reporting date. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions.

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations are translated into CAD at the rate of exchange prevailing at the reporting date and items in comprehensive income are translated at the average exchange rates prevailing for the year. The exchange differences arising on the translation are recognized in other comprehensive income (loss). On disposal or divestiture of a foreign operation, the component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) relating to that particular foreign operation is reclassified to net income.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenue is recognized to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding promotional discounts, rebates and sales taxes. The Company assesses its revenue arrangements against specific criteria in order to determine if it is acting as principal or agent. The Company has concluded that it is acting as principal in all of its revenue arrangements except for the sale of certain ancillary products where it acts as agent and therefore recognizes such revenue on a net basis.

##### i) Interest Income

Interest income from consumer loans receivable is recognized when earned using the effective interest rate method.

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#### **ii) Lease Revenue**

Merchandise is leased to customers pursuant to agreements that provide for periodic lease payments collected in advance. The lease agreements can be terminated by the customer at the end of the periodic lease period without any further obligation or cost to the customer.

Lease revenue consists of lease payments, product damage liability waivers and processing and other fees. Revenue from lease agreements is recognized when earned. Lease revenue also consists of revenue from the ultimate sale of goods to customers, which represents the culmination of the lease asset life cycle and occurs when title passes to the customer. Such revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

#### **iii) Commissions Earned and Charges and Fees**

Commissions earned are recognized when, or as, a performance obligation is satisfied by providing a service to a customer, in the amount of the consideration to which the Company expects to receive. Charges and fees are recognized as revenue at a point in time upon when the transaction is completed.

#### **Vendor Rebates**

The Company participates in various vendor rebate programs, including vendor volume rebates and vendor advertising incentives. The Company records the benefit of vendor volume rebates on purchases made as a reduction of lease assets based on the rebate amounts the Company believes are probable and reasonably estimable during the term of each rebate program. Vendor advertising incentives that are related to specific advertising programs are accounted for as a reduction of the related expenses.

#### **Cash**

Cash consists of bank balances and cash on hand, adjusted for in-transit items such as outstanding cheques and deposits.

#### **Financial Assets**

##### *Initial Recognition and Measurement*

Financial assets are classified at initial recognition at fair value through: i) profit or loss ("FVTPL"), ii) amortized cost, iii) debt financial instruments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI"), iv) equity financial instruments designated at FVOCI, or v) financial instruments designated at FVTPL, based on the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets and the business model under which the financial assets are managed. All financial assets are measured at fair value with the exception of financial assets measured at amortized cost. Financial assets are reclassified when and only when the business model under which they are managed has changed. All reclassifications are to be applied prospectively from the reclassification date.

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All debt instrument financial assets that do not meet a “solely payment of principal and interest” (“SPPI”) test, including those that contain embedded derivatives are classified at initial recognition as FVTPL. For debt instrument financial assets that meet the SPPI test, classification at initial recognition is determined based on the business model under which these instruments are managed. Debt instruments that are managed on a “held for trading” or “fair value” basis are classified as FVTPL. Debt instruments that are managed on a “hold to collect and for sale” basis are classified as FVOCI for debt. Debt instruments that are managed on a “hold to collect” basis are classified as amortized cost.

Financial assets consist of amounts receivable, consumer loans receivable and investment, and are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at amortized cost.

Amortized cost is determined using the effective interest rate method, factoring in acquisition costs paid to third parties, and the allowance for loan losses. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the carrying amount. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Company estimates future cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument.

The Company does not have any financial assets that are subsequently measured at fair value except for investment and the derivative financial instrument which may be in an asset or liability position depending on the prevailing foreign exchange rates at such time (see section “Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedge Accounting”).

Financial assets are derecognized when the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired or the Company has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset.

*Impairment of Financial Assets*

The Company applies an expected credit loss (“ECL”) model, where credit losses that are expected to transpire in future years irrespective of whether a loss event has occurred or not as at the statement of financial position date, are provided for. The Company assesses and segments its loan portfolio into performing (Stage 1), under-performing (Stage 2) and non-performing (Stage 3) categories as at each statement of financial position date. Loans are categorized as under-performing if there has been a significant increase in credit risk. The Company utilizes internal risk rating changes, delinquency and other identifiable risk factors to determine when there has been a significant increase or decrease in the credit risk of a loan. Indicators of a significant increase in credit risk include a recent degradation in internal company risk rating based on the Company’s custom behaviour credit scoring model, non-sufficient fund (“NSF”) transactions, delinquency and adjustments to the loan’s terms. Under-performing loans are recategorized to performing only if there is deemed to be a substantial decrease in credit risk. Loans are categorized as non-performing if there is objective evidence that such loans will likely charge-off in the future which the Company has determined to be when loans are delinquent for greater than 30 days. For performing loans, the Company is required to record an allowance for loan losses equal to the expected losses on that group of loans over the ensuing twelve months. For under-performing and non-performing loans, the Company is required to record an allowance for loan losses equal to the expected losses on those groups of loans over their remaining life.

The Company does not provide any additional credit to borrowers who are delinquent. In order for additional credit to be advanced to a borrower, they must be current on their pre-existing loan and meet the Company’s credit and underwriting requirements. In limited situations, the Company may amend the terms of a loan, typically through deferring payments and extending the loan amortization period, for customers that are current or are in arrears as a means to ensure the customer remains able to repay the loan.

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The key inputs in the measurement of ECL allowances are as follows:

- The probability of default is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon;
- The exposure at default is an estimate of the exposure at a future default date;
- The loss given default is an estimate of the loss arising in the case where a default occurs at a given time; and
- Forward-looking indicators ("FIs").

Ultimately, the ECL is calculated based on the probability weighted expected cash collected shortfall against the carrying value of the loan and considers reasonable and supportable information about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future events and economic conditions that may impact the credit profile of the loans. Forward-looking information is considered when determining significant increase in credit risk and measuring expected credit losses. Forward-looking macroeconomic factors are incorporated in the risk parameters as relevant. From an analysis of historical data, management has identified and reflected in the Company's ECL allowance those relevant FIs variables that contribute to credit risk and losses within the Company's loan portfolio. Within the Company's loan portfolio, the most highly correlated variables are unemployment rates, inflation, oil prices, and gross domestic product ("GDP").

Unsecured customer loan balances that are delinquent greater than 90 days and secured customer loan balances that are delinquent greater than 180 days are written off against the allowance for loan losses.

Consumer loan balances, together with the associated allowances, are written off when there is no realistic prospect of further recovery. If, in a subsequent year, the amount of the estimated impairment loss increases or decreases because of an event occurring after the impairment was recognized, the previously recognized impairment loss is increased or reduced by adjusting the allowance account. If a write-off is later recovered, the recovery is credited to bad debt expense.

For amounts receivable, the Company applies a simplified approach in calculating ECLs recognizing a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date.

*Modified Loans*

In cases where a borrower experiences financial difficulties, the Company may grant certain concessionary modifications to the terms and conditions of a loan. Modifications may include payment deferrals, extension of amortization periods, rate reductions and other modifications intended to minimize the economic loss. The Company has policies in place to determine the appropriate remediation strategy based on the individual borrower.

If the Company determines that a modification results in the expiry of cash flows, the original asset is derecognized while a new asset is recognized based on the new contractual terms. Significant increase in credit risk is assessed relative to the risk of default on the new financial instrument at the date of derecognition. A gain or loss is assessed at the date of modification or derecognition equal to the difference between the fair value of the cash flows under the original and modified terms.

If the Company determines that a modification does not result in derecognition, significant increase in credit risk is assessed based on the risk of default at initial recognition of the original asset. Expected cash flows arising from the modified contractual terms are considered when calculating the ECL for the modified asset. For loans that were modified while having lifetime ECLs, the loans can revert to having twelve-month ECLs after a period of performance and improvement in the borrower's financial condition.

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#### **Lease Assets**

Lease assets are stated at cost net of accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any.

The cost of lease assets comprises their purchase price and any costs directly attributable to bringing the assets to the location and condition necessary for them to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Vendor volume rebates are recorded as a reduction of the cost of lease assets.

As the leases are effectively cancellable by the customer with a week's notice, and there are no bargain purchase options provided to the customer, the customer leases are considered operating in nature. Lease agreements entitle customers to buy out a lease asset earlier in accordance with conditions stipulated in the lease agreements.

The residual value, useful life and depreciation method of the lease assets are reviewed at each financial year-end, and if expectations differ from previous estimates, they are adjusted, and the changes are accounted for prospectively as a change in accounting estimates. In the event management determines that the Company can no longer lease or sell certain lease assets, they are written off. The residual value of lease assets is nominal.

Depreciation on lease assets is charged to net income as follows:

- Lease assets, excluding game stations, computers and related equipment, are depreciated using the units of activity method over the expected lease agreement term.
- Game stations are depreciated on a straight-line basis over 18 months. Computers and related equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over 24 months.
- Depreciation for all lease assets includes the remaining book values at the time of disposition of the lease assets that have been sold and amounts that have been charged off as stolen, lost or no longer suitable for lease.

The Company's lease assets are subject to theft, loss or other damage from its customers. The Company records a provision against the carrying value of lease assets for estimated losses.

#### **Property and Equipment**

The cost of property and equipment comprises their purchase price and any costs directly attributable to bringing the assets to the location and condition necessary for them to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

Property and equipment are stated at cost net of accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any.

Subsequent costs are included in an asset's carrying amount or recognized as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other expenses are charged to net income as repairs and maintenance expense when incurred.

Depreciation on property and equipment is charged to net income.

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Property and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

<u>Asset Category</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
Furniture and fixtures	7 years
Computer	5 years
Office equipment	7 years
Automotive	5 years
Signage	7 years
Leasehold improvements	5 to 10 years depending on the lease term

Property and equipment are derecognized upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from their use or disposal. Any gains or losses arising on derecognition of the assets (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the assets) are included in net income in the period the assets are derecognized.

**Intangible Assets**

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. The costs of intangible assets acquired in a business combination are their estimated fair values at the date of acquisition. Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at costs less any accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Internally generated intangible assets, excluding capitalized development costs, are not capitalized and the expenditure is reflected in net income in the period in which the expenditure is incurred.

The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed as either finite or indefinite.

Intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over the economic useful life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortization period and the amortization method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at the end of each reporting period for potential impairment indicators. Changes in the expected useful life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset are accounted for by changing the amortization period or method, as appropriate, and are treated as changes in accounting estimates. The amortization expense on intangible assets with finite lives is recognized in net income.

Customer lists and software are amortized over their estimated useful lives of five years. Websites and digital properties are amortized over their estimated useful lives of three years.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are not amortized but are tested for impairment annually. The assessment of indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine whether the indefinite life continues to be supportable. If not, the change in useful life from indefinite to finite is made on a prospective basis.

The Company's trademarks have been assessed to have an indefinite life.

Gains or losses arising from the derecognition of intangible assets are measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amounts of the asset and are recognized in net income when the assets are derecognized.

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**Leases**

The Company assesses at contract inception whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. That is, if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

**A. Company as a Lessee**

The Company applies a single recognition and measurement approach for all leases, except for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. The Company recognizes lease liabilities to make lease payments and right-of-use assets representing the right to use the underlying assets.

**i) Right-of-use Assets**

The Company recognizes right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease (i.e., the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognized at the inception of the lease, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date less any lease incentives received. Unless the Company is reasonably certain to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the recognized right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its estimated useful life and the lease term. Right-of-use assets are subject to impairment.

**ii) Lease Liabilities**

At the commencement date of the lease, the Company recognizes lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The lease payments include fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable, plus variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, and amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Company and payments of penalties for terminating a lease, if the lease term reflects the Company exercising the option to terminate. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognized as expense in the period on which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

In determining a lease component, the Company does not separate the non-lease components from the lease component and instead accounts for each lease component and any associated non-lease components as a single lease component.

In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Company uses the incremental borrowing rate on leases at the lease commencement date if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable. After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in the in-substance fixed lease payments or a change in the assessment to purchase the underlying asset.

**iii) Short-term Leases and Leases of Low Value Assets**

The Company applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to its short-term leases (i.e., those leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option). It also applies the lease of low-value assets recognition exemption to leases of office equipment that are considered to be low value. Lease payments on short-term leases and leases of low value assets are recognized as expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

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**B. Company as a Lessor**

Leases in which the Company does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an asset are classified as operating leases. Lease revenue recognition is discussed above.

**Development Costs**

Development costs, including those related to the development of software, are recognized as an intangible asset when the Company can demonstrate:

- the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset so that it will be available for use or sale;
- its intention to complete and its ability to use or sell the asset;
- how the asset will generate future economic benefits;
- the availability of resources to complete the asset; and
- the ability to measure reliably the expenditure during development.

Following initial recognition of the development expenditure as an asset, the cost model is applied requiring the asset to be carried at cost less any accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses. Amortization of the asset begins when development is complete, and the asset is available for use. It is amortized over the period of the expected future benefit.

**Business Combinations and Goodwill**

Business combinations are accounted for using the purchase method. The cost of an acquisition is measured at the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments and liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange. Identifiable assets acquired, and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at fair value at the date of acquisition, irrespective of the extent of any non-controlling interest.

Goodwill is initially measured at cost being the excess of the cost of the business combination over the Company's share in the net fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities. If the fair values of the assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities can only be calculated on a provisional basis, the business combination is recognized initially using provisional values. Any adjustments resulting from the completion of the measurement process are recognized within twelve months of the date of acquisition.

After initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less accumulated impairment losses, if any. Goodwill is not amortized. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Company's operating segments that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets and liabilities of the acquiree are assigned to those segments.

**Impairment of Non-Financial Assets**

The Company assesses, at each reporting date, whether there is an indication that an asset or a cash-generating unit ("CGU") may be impaired.

The Company regularly reviews lease assets that are idle for more than 90 days for any indicators of impairment. Such assets deemed not leaseable or sellable are discarded and their net carrying value reduced to nil.

A CGU is defined as the smallest identifiable group of assets that generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

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For the easyhome business unit, a CGU was determined to be at the individual store level as the cash inflows of an individual store are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets in the Company. For the easyfinancial business unit, a CGU was determined to be at the business unit level rather than at the individual store or kiosk level, as the cash inflows are largely dependent on easyfinancial's centralized loan and collections centre.

If an indication of impairment exists, or when annual testing for an asset is required, the Company estimates the asset or CGU's recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset or CGU's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. The recoverable amount is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, in which case it is determined for the CGU to which the asset belongs. Where the carrying amount of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset or CGU. In determining fair value less costs to sell, an appropriate valuation model is used. Impairment losses are recognized in net income.

The impairment test calculations are based on detailed budgets and forecasts which are prepared annually for each CGU to which the assets are allocated. These budgets and forecasts generally cover a period of three years with a long-term growth rate applied after the third year.

For assets excluding goodwill, an assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any indication that previously recognized impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such indication exists, the Company estimates the asset's or CGU's recoverable amount. A previously recognized impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the assumptions used to determine the asset or CGU's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognized. The reversal is limited so that the carrying amount of the asset or CGU does not exceed its recoverable amount, nor exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of amortization, had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset or CGU in prior years. Such reversals are recognized in net income.

Goodwill is tested for impairment annually and when circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired. Impairment is determined for goodwill by assessing the recoverable amount of each group of CGUs to which the goodwill relates. Where the recoverable amount of the CGUs is less than their carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognized. Impairment losses relating to goodwill cannot be reversed in future periods.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually at the CGU level and when circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired.

#### **Financial Liabilities**

Financial liabilities are initially recognized at fair value. In the case of certain loans and borrowings, the fair value at initial recognition includes the value of proceeds received net of directly attributable transaction costs. The Company's financial liabilities include a revolving credit facility, USD denominated notes payable, convertible debentures, term loans, derivative financial instruments and accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

After initial recognition, the Company's interest-bearing debt is subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Amortized cost is calculated by taking into account any fees or costs related to the interest-bearing debt. Interest expense and the amortization of deferred financing charges are included in finance costs.

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Non-interest bearing financial liabilities, such as accounts payable and accrued liabilities, are carried at the amount owing.

A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is settled, discharged, cancelled or expired. Any gains or losses are recognized in net income when liabilities are derecognized.

### **Convertible Debentures**

Convertible debentures include both liability and equity components associated with the conversion option. The liability component of the convertible debentures is initially recognized at fair value determined by discounting the future principal and interest payments at the rate of interest prevailing at the date of issue for a similar non-convertible debt instrument.

The equity component of the convertible debentures is initially recognized at fair value determined as the difference between the gross proceeds of the convertible debt issuance less the liability component and the deferred tax liability that arises from the temporary difference between the carrying value of the liability and its tax basis. The equity component is allocated to contributed surplus within shareholders' equity. Directly attributable transaction costs related to the issuance of convertible debentures are allocated to the liability and equity components on a pro-rata basis, reducing the fair value at the time of initial recognition.

### **Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedge Accounting**

The Company's financing activities expose it to the financial risks of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Company utilizes derivative financial instruments as cash flow hedges to assist in the management of certain foreign exchange risks.

Derivative financial instruments are initially measured at fair value on the trade date and are subsequently remeasured at fair value at each reporting date using observable market inputs.

The Company designates derivative financial instruments as cash flow hedges to hedge the change due to foreign exchange risk when the derivative financial instruments meet the criteria for hedge accounting in accordance with IFRS 9, *Financial Instruments*.

In order to qualify for hedge accounting, formal documentation must include identification of the hedging instrument, the hedged item, the nature of the risk being hedged and how the Company will assess whether the hedging relationship meets the hedge effectiveness requirements (including the analysis of sources of hedge ineffectiveness and how the hedge ratio is determined). A hedging relationship qualifies for hedge accounting if it meets all the following effectiveness requirements:

- There is an economic relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument.
- The effect of credit risk does not dominate the change in values that result from that economic relationship.
- The hedge ratio of the hedging relationship is consistent with management's risk strategy.

Where an effective hedge exists, the change in the fair value of the derivative instrument is recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) and reclassified to profit or loss as a reclassification adjustment in the same period or periods during which the hedged cash flows (in this case the interest or principal payments of the Company's USD Notes Payable) affect profit or loss. As such there is no net impact on net income.

Hedge effectiveness is assessed at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis. Should a hedge cease to be effective any changes in fair value related to movements in the foreign currency rates would be taken in net income.

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**Provisions**

Provisions are recognized when the Company has a present obligation, legal or constructive, as a result of a past event, and the costs to settle the obligation are both probable and reliably measurable. Where there is expected to be a reimbursement of some or all of a provision, for example under an insurance contract, the reimbursement is recognized as a separate asset, but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are discounted. Where discounting is used, the increase in the provision as a result of the passage of time is recognized as a finance cost.

**Taxes**

i) Current Income Taxes

Current income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Current income tax assets and liabilities are only offset if a legally enforceable right exists to offset the amounts and the Company intends to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Current income tax relating to items recognized directly in equity is recognized in equity and not in net income.

Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation and establishes provisions where appropriate.

ii) Deferred Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes are provided for using the liability method on temporary differences at the reporting date between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and their carrying amount for financial reporting purposes. Deductible income tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred income tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences, carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable income will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and the carry-forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilized.

The following temporary differences do not result in deferred income tax assets or liabilities:

- the initial recognition of assets or liabilities, not arising in a business combination, that does not affect accounting or taxable profit;
- the initial recognition of goodwill; and
- investment in subsidiaries, associates and jointly controlled entities where the timing of reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and reversal in the foreseeable future is not probable.

The carrying amount of deferred income tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable income will be available to allow all or part of the deferred income tax asset to be utilized. Unrecognized deferred income tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period and are recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable income will be available to allow the deferred income tax asset to be recovered.

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Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the asset is realized, or the liability is settled, based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current income tax assets against current income tax liabilities and the deferred income taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

**iii) Sales Tax**

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognized net of the amount of sales tax except where the sales tax incurred on a purchase of assets or services is not recoverable from the taxation authority, in which case the sales tax is recognized as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense item as applicable.

The net amount of sales tax recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of amounts receivable or accounts payable and accrued liabilities in the consolidated statements of financial position.

**Stock-based Payment Transactions**

The Company has stock-based compensation plans as described in note 15.

**i) Equity-Settled Transactions**

The Company has stock options, Restricted Share Units ("RSUs") and Deferred Share Units ("DSUs") which are currently accounted for as equity-settled awards. The cost of such equity-settled transactions is measured by reference to the fair value determined using the market value on the grant date or the Black-Scholes option pricing model, as appropriate. The inputs into this model are based on management's judgments and estimates.

The cost of equity-settled transactions is charged to net income, with a corresponding increase in contributed surplus over the vesting period. The cumulative expense recognized for equity-settled transactions at each reporting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has elapsed and the Company's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The expense for a period is recognized in stock-based compensation expense in the consolidated statements of income. No expense is recognized for awards that do not ultimately vest.

**ii) Cash-Settled Transactions**

The Company has Performance Share Units ("PSUs") which mirror the value of the Company's publicly-traded common shares and can only be settled in cash ("cash-settled transactions"). The cost of cash-settled transactions is measured initially at fair value at the grant date. The liability is remeasured to fair value, at each reporting date up to and including the settlement date, based on the value of the Company's publicly-traded common shares and the Company's best estimate of the number of cash-settled instruments that will ultimately vest.

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The cost of cash-settled transactions is charged to net income, with a corresponding increase in liabilities, over the period in which the performance and service conditions are fulfilled. The cumulative expense recognized for cash-settled transactions at each reporting date reflected the extent to which the vesting period had elapsed and the Company's best estimate of the number of cash-settled instruments that will ultimately vest. The expense for a period including changes in fair value are recognized in stock-based compensation expense in the consolidated statements of income. No expense is recognized for awards that do not ultimately vest.

**Earnings Per Share**

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year.

Diluted earnings per share is calculated using the treasury stock method, which assumes that the cash that would be received on the exercise of options, warrants and convertible debentures is applied to purchase shares at the average price during the period and that the difference between the shares issued upon exercise of the options and the number of shares obtainable under this computation, on a weighted average basis, is added to the number of shares outstanding.

**Significant Accounting Judgements, Estimates and Assumptions**

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting periods.

These accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions are continuously evaluated and are based on management's historical experience, best knowledge of current events and conditions and other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. As future events and their effects cannot be determined with precision, actual results could differ significantly from these estimates, which could materially impact these consolidated financial statements. Changes in estimates will be reflected in the consolidated financial statements in future periods.

Key areas of estimation where management has made difficult, complex or subjective judgments often in respect of matters that are inherently uncertain are as follows:

i) Allowance for Credit Losses and Allowance for Loan Losses

ECL method is applied in determining the allowance for credit losses on gross consumer loans receivable. The key inputs in the measurement of ECL allowances, all of which are subject to accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions are discussed in note 2, Financial Assets.

ii) Interest Receivable from Consumer Loans

Consumer loans receivable include accrued interest earned from consumer loans that is expected to be received in future periods. Interest receivable from consumer loans is determined based on the amounts the Company believes will be collected in future periods.

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**iii) Depreciation of Lease Assets**

Certain assets on lease, (excluding game stations, computers and related equipment) are depreciated based on the time on lease against the lease agreement term, which is estimated by management for each product category. Other assets on lease such as game stations, computers and related equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives.

**iv) Impairment on Non-financial Assets**

The indicators of impairment are based on management's judgment. If an indication of impairment exists, or when annual testing for an asset is required, the Company estimates the asset's or CGU's recoverable amount. Where the carrying amount of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount. In assessing the recoverable amount, management estimates the asset's or CGU's value in use. Value in use is based on the estimated future cash flows of the asset or CGU discounted to their present value using a discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

The impairment test calculations are based on detailed budgets and forecasts which are prepared for each CGU to which the assets are allocated. These budgets and forecasts generally cover a period of three years with a long-term growth rate applied after the third year. Key areas of management judgment include the cash flow forecast, the growth rate applied to cash flows subsequent to the third year and the discount rate.

**v) Impairment of Goodwill and Indefinite-Life Intangible Assets**

In assessing the recoverable amount, management estimated the group of CGU's value in use. Value in use is based on the estimated future cash flows of the asset or CGU discounted to their present value using a discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. The impairment test calculations are based on detailed budgets and forecasts which are prepared for each CGU to which the assets are allocated. These budgets and forecasts generally cover a period of three years with a long-term growth rate applied after the third year. Key areas of management judgment involve the cash flow forecast, the growth rate applied to cash flows subsequent to the third year and the discount rate.

**vi) Fair Value of Stock-Based Compensation**

The fair value of equity-settled stock-based compensation plan grants are measured at the grant date using either the related market value or the Black-Scholes option pricing model, as appropriate. The Black-Scholes option pricing model was developed for estimating the fair value of traded options that are fully transferable and have no vesting restrictions. In addition, option pricing models require the input of highly subjective assumptions, including expected share price volatility. The Company's share options have characteristics significantly different from those of freely traded options and because changes in subjective input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate, the existing models do not necessarily provide a single reliable measure of the fair value of the unit options granted.

The vesting of the Company's stock-based compensation plans is based on the expected achievement of long-term targets and management retention rates, the assessment of which are subject to management's judgment.

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vii) Taxation Amounts

Tax provisions, including current and deferred income tax assets and liabilities, may require estimates and interpretations of federal and provincial income tax rules and regulations and judgments as to their interpretation and application to the Company's specific situation. Therefore, it is possible that the ultimate value of the tax assets and liabilities could change in the future and that changes to these amounts could have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

viii) Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue includes lease payments that have not yet been earned, lease processing fees that are received at the inception of a consumer lease and secured loan origination fees charged to consumers. The processing fees are recognized into income over the expected life of the lease agreement, as estimated by management. The secured loan origination fees are recognized into income over the expected life of the loan, as estimated by management.

ix) Convertible Debentures

The convertible debentures are accounted for as a compound financial instrument with a liability component and a separate equity component. The debt component of this compound financial instrument is measured at fair value on initial recognition by discounting the stream of future interest and principal payments at the rate of interest prevailing at the date of issue for instruments of similar term and risk as estimated by management. The debt component is subsequently deducted from the total carrying value of the compound financial instrument to derive the equity component.

x) Premises Lease Contracts

The Company determines the lease term as the non-cancellable term of the lease, together with any periods covered by an option to extend the lease if it is reasonably certain to be exercised, or any periods covered by an option to terminate the lease, if it is reasonably certain not to be exercised.

Under some of the Company's lease contracts for premises, it has the option to lease the premises for additional terms of one to ten years. The Company applies judgment in evaluating whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the option to renew. That is, it considers all relevant factors that create an economic incentive for it to exercise the renewal. After the commencement date, the Company reassesses the lease term if there is a significant event or change in circumstances that is within its control and affects its ability to exercise (or not to exercise) the option to renew (i.e., a change in business strategy).

xi) Fair Value Measurement of Investments

When the fair values of investments recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position cannot be measured based on quoted prices in active markets, their fair value is measured using alternative valuation techniques. The inputs to these models are taken from observable markets where possible, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in establishing fair values. Judgements include considerations of inputs such as liquidity risk, credit risk and volatility. Changes in assumptions relating to these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments.

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**3. ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTING STANDARD**

***IFRS 16, Leases ("IFRS 16")***

IFRS 16 supersedes IAS 17, *Leases* ("IAS 17"), IFRIC 4, *Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease* ("IFRIC 4"), SIC-15, *Operating Leases-Incentives* and SIC-27, *Evaluating the Substance of Transactions Involving the Legal Form of a Lease*. The standard sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases and requires lessees to account for most leases under a single on-balance sheet model.

Lessor accounting under IFRS 16 is substantially unchanged from IAS 17. Lessors will continue to classify leases as either operating or finance leases using similar principles as in IAS 17. Therefore, IFRS 16 did not have an impact for leases where the Company is the lessor such as the Company's easyhome merchandise leasing business.

The Company adopted IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective method of adoption with the date of initial application of January 1, 2019. Under this method, comparative figures for 2018 were not restated and the cumulative effect of initially applying the standard was recognized as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings as at January 1, 2019.

The Company elected to use the transition practical expedient allowing the standard to be applied only to contracts that were previously identified as leases applying IAS 17 and IFRIC 4 at the date of initial application. The Company also elected to use the recognition exemptions for lease contracts that, at the commencement date, have a lease term of 12 months or less and do not contain a purchase option ("short-term leases").

i) Impact of Adoption of IFRS 16

The following table summarizes the transition adjustment required to adopt IFRS 16 as at January 1, 2019.

	<b>Carrying amount under previous accounting standards as at December 31, 2018</b>	<b>Transition adjustment</b>	<b>IFRS 16 carrying amount as at January 1, 2019</b>
Right-of-use assets	-	41,763	41,763
Deferred tax assets	9,445	1,244	10,689
Lease liabilities	-	47,523	47,523
Deferred lease inducements	1,234	(1,234)	-
Retained earnings	143,710	(3,282)	140,428

The Company has lease contracts for various items of premises and vehicles. Before the adoption of IFRS 16, the Company classified each of its leases (as lessee) at the inception date as an operating lease under IAS 17. In such operating leases, the leased property was not capitalized, and the lease payments were recognized as rent expense in the consolidated statement of income on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

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Upon adoption of IFRS 16, the Company reviewed all operating leases under IAS 17, except for short-term leases (generally defined as those with a term of less than 12 months). The IFRS 16 standard provides specific exemptions for such short-term leases and hence the accounting for those leases did not change. The Company also applied the available practical expedients whereby the Company:

- Used a single discount rate to a portfolio of leases with reasonably similar characteristics.
- Used hindsight in determining the lease term where the contract contains options to extend or terminate the lease.

In accordance with IFRS 16, the Company recognized right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for those leases previously classified as operating leases, except for short-term leases.

The right-of-use assets for leases recognized as at January 1, 2019 (date of adoption) is the net carrying amount for the leases assuming that the standard had always been applied. As such, the net carrying amount is measured at the amount of lease liabilities recognized as if the standard had always been applied (apart from the use of incremental borrowing rates on leases at the date of initial application), less any accumulated depreciation (from the lease inception to the January 1, 2019 date of adoption) and less any lease incentives received. As such, the deferred lease inducements previously reported on the consolidated statements of financial position are effectively netted against the right-of-use assets. The lease liabilities were recognized based on the present value of the remaining lease payments as at January 1, 2019, discounted using the incremental borrowing rate on leases at the date of initial application. As mentioned above, the difference between the right-of-use assets and lease liabilities recognized at the date of initial application was recognized as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings as at January 1, 2019.

The lease liabilities as at January 1, 2019 can be reconciled to the operating lease commitments as at January 1, 2019 as follows:

Lease commitments as at January 1, 2019 (excluding commitments relating to estimated variable lease payments and short-term leases)	54,173
Weighted average incremental borrowing rate on leases as at January 1, 2019	4.7%
Lease liabilities as at January 1, 2019	47,523

The lease liabilities are derived by discounting the operating lease payments to which the Company is committed (but excluding variable lease payments such as property tax and common area maintenance charges on property leases and short-term leases as allowed under IFRS 16), at the average incremental borrowing rate on leases under the leases. The Company applied the available practical expedients whereby the Company did not separate the non-lease components from the lease component and instead accounts for each lease component and any associated non-lease components as a single lease component.

**ii) Impact on the Consolidated Statements of Income**

The net effect of adopting IFRS 16 on the consolidated statements of income is to decrease operating expenses before depreciation and amortization while increasing depreciation and amortization and financing costs with an insignificant impact on net income. By extension this will result in earnings before interest, income tax, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) increasing as the depreciation of the right-of-use assets and interest on the lease liabilities are excluded from this measure. Operating income will also increase as the interest on the lease liabilities are excluded from this measure. The adoption of IFRS 16 has no impact on the cash flows of the Company. For the year ended December 31, 2019, the adoption of IFRS 16 decreased net income by \$13 as described in the Company's Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2019.

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#### *Right-of-use Assets and Lease Liability*

Set out below, are the carrying amounts of the Company's right-of-use assets and lease liabilities and the movements during the period.

	<b>Right-of-use Assets</b>			<b>Lease Liabilities</b>
	<b>Premises</b>	<b>Vehicles</b>	<b>Total</b>	
As at January 1, 2019	<b>39,274</b>	<b>2,489</b>	<b>41,763</b>	<b>47,523</b>
Additions	<b>18,553</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>19,583</b>	<b>19,583</b>
Depreciation expense	<b>(14,408)</b>	<b>(791)</b>	<b>(15,199)</b>	-
Interest expense	-	-	-	<b>2,464</b>
Interest payment	-	-	-	<b>(2,464)</b>
Lease inducement received	-	-	-	<b>1,208</b>
Principal payment	-	-	-	<b>(15,741)</b>
<b>As at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>43,419</b>	<b>2,728</b>	<b>46,147</b>	<b>52,573</b>

For the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company recognized rent expense from short-term leases of \$1,438 and variable lease payments of \$11,266.

## **4. CASH**

Certain cash on deposit at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. The Company has pledged part of its cash to fulfill collateral requirements under its derivative financial instruments contract. As at December 31, 2019, the fair value of the cash pledged as a cash collateral in respect of the derivative financial instruments was \$11.6 million (2018 - \$29.9 million cash collateral was posted by the counterparties).

## **5. AMOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Vendor rebate receivable	<b>324</b>	593
Due from franchisees	<b>3,349</b>	2,467
Commission receivable	<b>11,082</b>	9,439
Other	<b>3,727</b>	2,951
	<b>18,482</b>	15,450
Current	<b>17,384</b>	14,438
Non-current	<b>1,098</b>	1,012
	<b>18,482</b>	15,450

Other amounts receivables consist of amounts due from customers and other items.

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### **6. CONSUMER LOANS RECEIVABLE**

Consumer loans receivable represent amounts advanced to customers and includes both unsecured and secured loans. Unsecured loan terms generally range from 9 to 60 months while secured loan terms generally range from 6 to 10 years.

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Gross consumer loans receivable	<b>1,110,633</b>	833,779
Interest receivable from consumer loans	<b>16,384</b>	10,472
Unamortized deferred acquisition costs	<b>20,642</b>	18,354
Allowance for credit losses	<b>(107,107)</b>	(79,741)
	<b>1,040,552</b>	782,864

The allocation of the Company's gross consumer loans receivable as at December 31, 2019 and 2018 based on loan types are as follows:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Unsecured instalment loans	<b>995,122</b>	780,850
Secured instalment loans	<b>115,511</b>	52,929
	<b>1,110,633</b>	833,779

The scheduled principal repayment aging analyses of the gross consumer loans receivable portfolio as at December 31, 2019 and 2018 are as follows:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>		<b>December 31, 2018</b>	
	\$	% of total loans	\$	% of total loans
0 - 6 months	<b>182,896</b>	<b>16.5%</b>	139,631	16.7%
6 - 12 months	<b>130,043</b>	<b>11.7%</b>	104,619	12.5%
12 - 24 months	<b>275,038</b>	<b>24.8%</b>	221,626	26.6%
24 - 36 months	<b>259,598</b>	<b>23.4%</b>	204,227	24.5%
36 - 48 months	<b>154,908</b>	<b>13.9%</b>	106,346	12.8%
48 - 60 months	<b>44,918</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	29,002	3.5%
60 months +	<b>63,232</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	28,328	3.4%
	<b>1,110,633</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	833,779	100.0%

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The gross consumer loans receivable portfolio categorized by the contractual time to maturity at year-ends are summarized as follows:

	December 31, 2019		December 31, 2018	
	\$	% of total loans	\$	% of total loans
0 - 1 year	42,623	3.8%	34,355	4.1%
1 - 2 years	139,414	12.6%	108,262	13.0%
2 - 3 years	296,891	26.7%	260,205	31.2%
3 - 4 years	366,359	33.0%	270,621	32.5%
4 - 5 years	156,439	14.1%	108,932	13.1%
5 years +	108,907	9.8%	51,404	6.1%
	1,110,633	100.0%	833,779	100.0%

An aging analysis of gross consumer loans receivable past due is as follows:

	December 31, 2019		December 31, 2018	
	\$	% of total loans	\$	% of total loans
1 - 30 days	40,508	3.7%	25,442	3.1%
31 - 44 days	7,692	0.7%	5,931	0.7%
45 - 60 days	7,579	0.7%	5,930	0.7%
61 - 90 days	8,578	0.8%	6,559	0.8%
91 - 180 days	321	0.0%	83	0.0%
	64,678	5.9%	43,945	5.3%

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The following table provides the gross consumer loans receivable split by the Company's risk ratings and further segregated by Stage 1, Stage 2, and Stage 3. The categorization of borrowers into low, normal and high risk is based on the Company's custom behaviour credit scoring model. This scoring model has been built and refined using analytical techniques and statistical modelling tools which has proven more effective at predicting future losses than traditional credit scores available from credit reporting agencies. Borrowers categorized as low risk have expected future losses that are lower than the average expected loss rate of the overall loan portfolio. Customers categorized as normal risk have expected future losses that are approximately the same as the average expected loss rate of the overall loan portfolio. Customers categorized as high risk have expected future losses that are higher than the average expected loss rate of the overall loan portfolio. The median TransUnion Risk Score for those borrowers categorized as low, normal and high risk is presented below as reference.

	As at December 31, 2019				
	Median TransUnion Risk Score	Stage 1 (Performing)	Stage 2 (Under- performing)	Stage 3 (Non- Performing)	Total
Low Risk	601	445,584	1,198	6	446,788
Normal Risk	531	400,040	6,379	225	406,644
High Risk	489	137,699	95,871	23,631	257,201
<b>Total</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>983,323</b>	<b>103,448</b>	<b>23,862</b>	<b>1,110,633</b>

  

	As at December 31, 2018				
	Median TransUnion Risk Score	Stage 1 (Performing)	Stage 2 (Under- performing)	Stage 3 (Non- Performing)	Total
Low Risk	610	324,989	1,517	-	326,506
Normal Risk	539	310,059	8,763	-	318,822
High Risk	496	66,119	103,998	18,334	188,451
<b>Total</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>701,167</b>	<b>114,278</b>	<b>18,334</b>	<b>833,779</b>

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An analysis of the changes in the classification of gross consumer loans receivable is as follows:

	<b>Year ended December 31, 2019</b>			
	<b>Stage 1 (Performing)</b>	<b>Stage 2 (Under- Performing)</b>	<b>Stage 3 (Non- Performing)</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance as at January 1, 2019	<b>701,167</b>	<b>114,278</b>	<b>18,334</b>	<b>833,779</b>
Gross loan originated	<b>1,095,375</b>	-	-	<b>1,095,375</b>
Principal payments and other adjustments	<b>(684,412)</b>	<b>12,999</b>	<b>(5,582)</b>	<b>(676,995)</b>
Transfers to (from)				
Stage 1 (Performing)	<b>281,552</b>	<b>(266,836)</b>	<b>(14,716)</b>	-
Stage 2 (Under-Performing)	<b>(334,752)</b>	<b>351,835</b>	<b>(17,083)</b>	-
Stage 3 (Non-Performing)	<b>(43,089)</b>	<b>(88,061)</b>	<b>131,150</b>	-
Gross charge-offs	<b>(32,518)</b>	<b>(20,767)</b>	<b>(88,241)</b>	<b>(141,526)</b>
<b>Balance as at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>983,323</b>	<b>103,448</b>	<b>23,862</b>	<b>1,110,633</b>

	<b>Year ended December 31, 2018</b>			
	<b>Stage 1 (Performing)</b>	<b>Stage 2 (Under- Performing)</b>	<b>Stage 3 (Non- Performing)</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance as at January 1, 2018	<b>446,920</b>	<b>68,440</b>	<b>11,186</b>	<b>526,546</b>
Gross loan originated	<b>922,550</b>	-	-	<b>922,550</b>
Principal payments and other adjustments	<b>(527,488)</b>	<b>13,559</b>	<b>(3,226)</b>	<b>(517,155)</b>
Transfers to (from)				
Stage 1 (Performing)	<b>135,378</b>	<b>(133,616)</b>	<b>(1,762)</b>	-
Stage 2 (Under-Performing)	<b>(234,495)</b>	<b>250,963</b>	<b>(16,468)</b>	-
Stage 3 (Non-Performing)	<b>(22,481)</b>	<b>(70,007)</b>	<b>92,488</b>	-
Gross charge-offs	<b>(19,217)</b>	<b>(15,061)</b>	<b>(63,884)</b>	<b>(98,162)</b>
<b>Balance as at December 31, 2018</b>	<b>701,167</b>	<b>114,278</b>	<b>18,334</b>	<b>833,779</b>

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The changes in the allowance for credit losses are summarized below:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Balance, beginning of year	<b>79,741</b>	49,112
Net amounts written-off against allowance	<b>(129,376)</b>	(88,351)
Increase due to lending and collection activities	<b>156,742</b>	118,980
<b>Balance, end of year</b>	<b>107,107</b>	79,741

An analysis of the changes in the classification of the allowance for credit losses is as follows:

	<b>Year ended December 31, 2019</b>			
	<b>Stage 1 (Performing)</b>	<b>Stage 2 (Under- Performing)</b>	<b>Stage 3 (Non- Performing)</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance as at January 1, 2019	37,715	28,214	13,812	79,741
Gross loans originated	53,740	-	-	53,740
Principal payments and other adjustments	(23,631)	3,006	(13,654)	(34,279)
Transfers to (from) including remeasurement				
Stage 1 (Performing)	57,526	(57,192)	(11,017)	(10,683)
Stage 2 (Under-Performing)	(30,588)	105,649	(12,913)	62,148
Stage 3 (Non-Performing)	(7,923)	(26,271)	120,010	85,816
Net amounts written-off against allowance	(30,909)	(19,735)	(78,732)	(129,376)
<b>Balance as at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>55,930</b>	<b>33,671</b>	<b>17,506</b>	<b>107,107</b>

	<b>Year ended December 31, 2018</b>			
	<b>Stage 1 (Performing)</b>	<b>Stage 2 (Under- Performing)</b>	<b>Stage 3 (Non- Performing)</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance as at January 1, 2018	24,384	16,193	8,535	49,112
Gross loans originated	53,883	-	-	53,883
Principal payments and other adjustments	(20,232)	2,713	(11,009)	(28,528)
Transfers to (from) including remeasurement				
Stage 1 (Performing)	23,634	(25,868)	(1,252)	(3,486)
Stage 2 (Under-Performing)	(20,893)	70,393	(12,403)	37,097
Stage 3 (Non-Performing)	(4,754)	(20,870)	85,638	60,014
Net amounts written-off against allowance	(18,307)	(14,347)	(55,697)	(88,351)
<b>Balance as at December 31, 2018</b>	<b>37,715</b>	<b>28,214</b>	<b>13,812</b>	<b>79,741</b>

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### **7. INVESTMENT**

In September 2019, the Company purchased a minority equity interest in PayBright for an aggregate price of \$34.3 million. PayBright is a non-listed Canadian lending company and payments platform focused on providing consumers with pay-later solutions at their favourite retailers, both online and in-store.

The Company's investment in PayBright is classified at FVTPL. The fair value of the PayBright was determined using an enterprise value technique. No gains or losses were incurred in the year ended December 31, 2019.

### **8. LEASE ASSETS**

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
<b>Cost</b>		
Balance, beginning of year	62,180	68,493
Additions	36,877	37,913
Disposals	(44,217)	(44,226)
<b>Balance, end of year</b>	<b>54,840</b>	62,180
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>		
Balance, beginning of year	(10,562)	(14,175)
Depreciation for the year	(37,402)	(40,088)
Disposals	41,820	43,701
<b>Balance, end of year</b>	<b>(6,144)</b>	(10,562)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>48,696</b>	51,618

During the year ended December 31, 2019, the net book value of the lease assets sold by the Company was \$2,397 (2018 – \$516).

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**9. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

	<b>Furniture and Fixtures</b>	<b>Computer and Office Equipment</b>	<b>Automotive</b>	<b>Signage</b>	<b>Leasehold Improvements</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Cost</b>						
As at December 31, 2017	14,501	10,398	212	5,911	26,631	57,653
Additions	1,926	2,066	-	393	6,840	11,225
Disposals	(683)	(1,400)	(6)	(121)	(1,451)	(3,661)
As at December 31, 2018	<b>15,744</b>	<b>11,064</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>6,183</b>	<b>32,020</b>	<b>65,217</b>
Additions	658	1,336	30	381	5,812	8,217
Disposals	(7,033)	(4,024)	(236)	(3,157)	(15,006)	(29,456)
<b>As at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>9,369</b>	<b>8,376</b>	-	<b>3,407</b>	<b>22,826</b>	<b>43,978</b>
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>						
As at December 31, 2017	(10,648)	(6,665)	(210)	(4,357)	(19,832)	(41,712)
Depreciation	(1,070)	(1,128)	(3)	(411)	(3,107)	(5,719)
Disposals	654	1,309	7	103	1,424	3,497
As at December 31, 2018	<b>(11,064)</b>	<b>(6,484)</b>	<b>(206)</b>	<b>(4,665)</b>	<b>(21,515)</b>	<b>(43,934)</b>
Depreciation	(1,127)	(1,178)	(3)	(449)	(3,524)	(6,281)
Disposals	7,022	3,936	209	3,138	14,939	29,244
<b>As at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>(5,169)</b>	<b>(3,726)</b>	-	<b>(1,976)</b>	<b>(10,100)</b>	<b>(20,971)</b>
<b>Net Book Value</b>						
As at December 31, 2018	4,680	4,580	-	1,518	10,505	21,283
<b>As at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>4,200</b>	<b>4,650</b>	-	<b>1,431</b>	<b>12,726</b>	<b>23,007</b>

As at December 31, 2019, the amount of property and equipment classified as under construction or development and not being amortized was \$0.9 million (2018 – \$1.5 million).

During the year ended December 31, 2019, the net book value of the property and equipment sold by the Company was \$212 (2018 – \$168).

For easyhome, various impairment indicators were used to determine the need to test a CGU for impairment. Examples of impairment indicators include a significant decline in revenue, performance significantly below budget and expectations and negative CGU operating income during the year. Where these impairment indicators existed, the carrying value of the assets within a CGU was compared with its estimated recoverable value which was generally considered to be the CGU's value in use. When determining the value in use of a CGU, the Company developed a discounted cash flow model for the individual CGU. Sales and cost forecasts were based on actual operating results, three-year operating budgets consistent with strategic plans presented to the Company's Board of Directors and a 1% long-term growth rate. The pre-tax discount rate used on the forecasted cash flows was 11.5%. Where the carrying value of the CGU's assets exceeded the recoverable amounts, as represented by the CGU's value in use, the store's property and equipment assets were written down. It was concluded that, due to the portability of lease assets held within the CGU and the cash flows generated by individual lease assets, no impairment write-down of the lease assets was required. As such, the CGU impairment charge would be limited to the property and equipment held by the impaired CGU.

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For easyfinancial, it was determined that no indicators of impairment existed that would require an impairment test on property and equipment.

For the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company recorded a net impairment recovery in depreciation of property and equipment of nil (2018 – \$150 net impairment recovery). All impairment charges and recoveries in 2018 are related solely to the easyhome segment.

**10. INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND GOODWILL**

	Trademarks	Customer Lists	Software	Total
<b>Cost</b>				
As at December 31, 2017	2,088	1,202	30,916	34,206
Additions	-	481	5,141	5,622
Disposals	-	-	(2)	(2)
As at December 31, 2018	<b>2,088</b>	<b>1,683</b>	<b>36,055</b>	<b>39,826</b>
Additions	-	9	8,633	8,642
Write-off	-	(438)	(9,795)	(10,233)
<b>As at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>2,088</b>	<b>1,254</b>	<b>34,893</b>	<b>38,235</b>
<b>Accumulated Amortization</b>				
As at December 31, 2017	(1,992)	(809)	(16,242)	(19,043)
Amortization	-	(230)	(5,966)	(6,196)
Disposals	-	-	2	2
As at December 31, 2018	<b>(1,992)</b>	<b>(1,039)</b>	<b>(22,206)</b>	<b>(25,237)</b>
Amortization	-	(257)	(5,225)	(5,482)
Write-off	-	438	9,795	10,233
<b>As at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>(1,992)</b>	<b>(858)</b>	<b>(17,636)</b>	<b>(20,486)</b>
<b>Net Book Value</b>				
As at December 31, 2018	96	644	13,849	14,589
<b>As at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>17,257</b>	<b>17,749</b>

Trademarks are considered indefinite-life intangible assets as there is no foreseeable limit to the period over which the assets are expected to generate net cash flows.

Included in additions for the year ended December 31, 2019 were \$8.6 million (2018 – \$5.1 million) of internally developed software application and website costs.

Goodwill was \$21.3 million as at December 31, 2019 (2018 – \$21.3 million). There were no disposals or impairments applied to goodwill during the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

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Goodwill and indefinite-life intangible assets were allocated to the group of CGUs to which they relate. The carrying value of goodwill was fully allocated to the easyhome CGUs. Impairment testing is performed annually and was performed as at December 31, 2019 and 2018. The impairment test consisted of comparing the carrying value of assets within the CGU to the recoverable amount of that CGU as measured by discounting the expected future cash flows using a value in use approach. The discounted cash flow model was based on historical operating results, detailed sales and cost forecasts over a three-year period, a 1% long-term growth rate and a pre-tax discount rate used on the forecasted cash flows of 11.5%, all of which were consistent with the strategic plans presented to the Company's Board of Directors.

Based on the analysis performed by management, no impairment charge was required on goodwill.

**11. REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITY**

The revolving credit facility is provided by a syndicate of banks.

During 2019, the Company entered into amendments to its revolving credit facility. The amendments increased the maximum principal amount available to be borrowed from \$174.5 million in 2018 to \$310.0 million and extended the maturity date from November 1, 2020 to February 12, 2022. As part of these amendments, the cost of borrowing under the revolving credit facility was also reduced. Previously, interest on advances was payable at either the Canadian Bankers' Acceptance rate ("BA") plus 450 bps or the lender's prime rate ("Prime") plus 350 bps, at the option of the Company. Subsequent to these amendments, interest on advances is payable at either the BA plus 300 bps or Prime plus 200 bps, at the option of the Company.

As at December 31, 2019, \$115.0 million was drawn on this facility based on 90-day BA rate plus 300 bps. No amount was drawn on this facility as at December 31, 2018.

The financial covenants of the revolving credit facility were as follows:

<b>Financial covenant</b>	<b>Requirements</b>	<b>December 31, 2019</b>
Minimum consolidated tangible net worth	>132,000, plus 50% of consolidated net income	<b>\$276,735</b>
Maximum consolidated leverage ratio	< 3.25	<b>3.08</b>
Minimum consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio	> 1.75	<b>2.27</b>
Maximum net charge-off ratio	< 15.0%	<b>13.3%</b>
Minimum collateral performance index	> 90.0%	<b>99.4%</b>

As at December 31, 2019, the Company was in compliance with all of its financial covenants under its credit agreements.

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**12. CONVERTIBLE DEBENTURES**

In June 2017, the Company issued \$53.0 million of 5.75% convertible unsecured subordinated debentures, with interest payable semi-annually on January 31 and July 31 each year and commenced on January 31, 2018 (the "Debentures"). The Debentures mature on July 31, 2022 and are convertible at the holder's option into common shares of the Company at a conversion price of \$44.00 per share.

On and after July 31, 2020, and prior to July 31, 2021, the Debentures may be redeemed in whole or in part from time to time and with proper notice by the Company, provided that the volume-weighted average trading price of the common shares on the TSX for the 20 consecutive trading days prior to the 5th trading day before redemption notification date was not less than 125% of the conversion price. On or after July 31, 2021, the Company may redeem with proper notice the convertible debentures for the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest.

The following table summarizes the details of the convertible debentures:

	<b>Liability component of Debenture</b>	<b>Equity component of Debenture</b>	<b>Net Book Value</b>
As at January 1, 2018	47,985	3,220	51,205
Conversion of debentures to equity (net of \$1,013 unamortized deferred financing costs)	(7,924)	-	(7,924)
Accretion in carrying value of debenture liability	1,234	-	1,234
Accrued interest	2,858	-	2,858
Interest payment	(3,572)	-	(3,572)
As at December 31, 2018	<b>40,581</b>	<b>3,220</b>	<b>43,801</b>
Conversion of debentures to equity (net of \$1 unamortized deferred financing costs)	(6)	-	(6)
Accretion in carrying value of debenture liability	1,137	-	1,137
Accrued interest	2,533	-	2,533
Interest payment	(2,533)	-	(2,533)
<b>As at December 31, 2019</b>	<b>41,712</b>	<b>3,220</b>	<b>44,932</b>

During 2019, \$7.0 thousand (2018 – \$8.9 million) of Debentures were converted into 158 (2018 – 203,108) common shares. Unamortized deferred financing costs related to these Debentures amount to \$1.0 thousand (2018 – \$1.0 million).

**13. NOTES PAYABLE**

On November 27, 2019, the Company issued USD550.0 million of 5.375% senior unsecured notes payable ("Notes Payable") with interest payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1 of each year and commencing on June 1, 2020. The Notes Payable mature on December 1, 2024.

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The Notes Payable include certain prepayment features: i) up to December 1, 2021, all of the Notes Payable can be prepaid at par plus a premium and accrued and unpaid interest or, if the proceeds are acquired from an equity offering, up to 40% of the Notes Payable (including future additions) can be prepaid at a price of 105.375% plus accrued and unpaid interest; ii) from December 1, 2021 to November 30, 2022, all of the Notes Payable can be prepaid at a price of 102.688% plus accrued and unpaid interest; iii) from December 1, 2022 to November 30, 2023, all of the Notes Payable can be prepaid at a price of 101.344% plus accrued and unpaid interest; and iv) subsequent to December 1, 2023 the Notes Payable can be prepaid at par plus accrued and unpaid interest.

The proceeds of the November 27, 2019 notes issuance was used to extinguish the Company's previous USD475.0 million of 7.875% senior unsecured outstanding notes payable that would have matured on November 1, 2022, and unwind the related cross-currency swap for USD325.0 million at USD1.000 = CAD1.289 and USD150.0 million at USD1.000 = CAD1.316. As a result of repaying these notes, the Company incurred an early repayment penalty, recognized the remaining unamortized deferred financing costs and unamortized premium associated with these notes, realized derivative loss, and reclassified the net change in cash flow hedge from other comprehensive income (loss) to the consolidated statement of income resulting in a one-time before tax charge of \$21.7 million.

The following table summarizes the details of the notes payable:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Notes Payable in CAD at issuance	<b>728,310</b>	616,383
Change in fair value of Notes Payable since issuance date due to changes in foreign exchange rate	<b>(13,851)</b>	31,375
	<b>714,459</b>	647,758
Accrued interest on credit facilities	<b>3,303</b>	8,169
Unamortized premium	-	8,868
Unamortized deferred financing costs	<b>(15,348)</b>	(14,314)
	<b>702,414</b>	650,481

The following table summarizes the total carrying value of the notes payable:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Issued November 2017	-	438,076
Issued July 2018	-	212,405
Issued November 2019	<b>702,414</b>	-
	<b>702,414</b>	650,481

Concurrent with the issuance of the Notes Payable, the Company entered into derivative financial instruments (the "cross-currency swaps") as cash flow hedges to fix the foreign currency exchange rate for the proceeds from the offering and for all required payments of principal and interest under the Notes Payable at a fixed exchange rate of USD1.000 = CAD1.3242, thereby fully hedging the USD550.0 million Notes Payable at a CAD interest rate of 5.65%. The cross-currency swaps fully hedge the obligation under the Notes Payable to \$728.3 million.

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The Company has elected to use hedge accounting for the notes payable and their cross-currency swaps (i.e., the same notional amount, maturity date, interest rate and interest payment dates). The Company has elected to designate foreign currency basis as a cost of hedging, thereby excluding foreign currency basis spreads from the designation of the hedging relationship, and has established a hedge ratio of 1:1 for the hedging relationships as the underlying risk of the foreign exchange contracts is identical to the hedged risk components. To test the hedge effectiveness, the Company uses the hypothetical derivative method and compares the changes in the fair value of the hedging instruments against the changes in fair value of the hedged items attributable to the hedged risks. There are no significant sources of hedge ineffectiveness between the Notes Payable and cross-currency swaps. There was no hedge ineffectiveness recognized in net income for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

As the notes payable and their cross-currency swaps are in an effective hedging relationship, changes in the fair value of the cross-currency swaps is recorded in other comprehensive income (loss) and subsequently reclassified into net income to offset the effect of foreign currency exchange rates related to the notes payable recognized in net income. The amount of the foreign currency basis spread at inception, designated as a cost of hedging, is amortized to profit and loss on a straight-line basis over the life of the Notes Payable.

The cross-currency swaps have an aggregated notional amount equal to the aggregated principal outstanding of the hedged notes payable. The fair value of cross-currency swaps is determined from swap curves adjusted for credit risks. Swap curves are obtained directly from market sources. The change in fair value of the cross-currency swaps used for measuring ineffectiveness for the period is as follows:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Derivative financial assets (liabilities)		
Issued November 2017	-	25,680
Issued July 2018	-	9,414
Issued November 2019	<b>(16,435)</b>	-
	<b>(16,435)</b>	35,094

### **14. SHARE CAPITAL**

#### **Authorized Capital**

The authorized capital of the Company consisted of an unlimited number of common shares with no par value and an unlimited number of preference shares.

Each common share represents a shareholder's proportionate undivided interest in the Company. Each common share confers to its holder the right to one vote at any meeting of shareholders and to participate equally and rateably in any dividends of the Company. The common shares are listed for trading on the TSX.

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#### **Common Shares Issued and Outstanding**

The changes in common shares issued and outstanding are summarized as follows:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>		<b>December 31, 2018</b>	
	<b># of shares (in 000s)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b># of shares (in 000s)</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Balance, beginning of year</b>	<b>14,405</b>	<b>138,090</b>	13,476	85,874
Exercise of stock options	188	4,284	46	562
Exercise of RSUs	201	3,560	146	2,860
Dividend reinvestment plan	10	490	12	508
Shares purchased for cancellation	(458)	(4,474)	(398)	(3,820)
Convertible debt	-	6	203	7,924
Share issuance, net of cost	-	-	920	44,182
<b>Balance, end of year</b>	<b>14,346</b>	<b>141,956</b>	14,405	138,090

#### **Dividends on Common Shares**

For the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company paid dividends of \$16.7 million (2018 – \$11.7 million) or \$1.155 per share (2018 – \$0.855 per share). On November 4, 2019, the Company declared a dividend of \$0.310 per share to shareholders of record on December 27, 2019, payable on January 10, 2020. The dividend paid on January 10, 2020 was \$4.4 million.

#### **Shares Purchased for Cancellation**

During the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company purchased and cancelled 458,260 (2018 – 398,452) of its common shares on the open market at an average price of \$44.31 (2018 – \$37.61) for a total cost of \$20.3 million (2018 – \$15.0 million) pursuant to a normal course issuer bid. This normal course issuer bid expired on November 12, 2019. The normal course issuer bid was renewed on December 18, 2019 which allows for a total purchase of up to 1,038,269 common shares and expires on December 19, 2020.

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### **15. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION**

#### **Share Option Plan**

Under the Company's share option plan, options to purchase common shares may be granted by the Board of Directors to directors, officers and employees. Options are generally granted at exercise prices equal to the fair market value at the grant date, vest at the end of a three-year period based on earnings per share targets and have exercise lives of five years.

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>		<b>December 31, 2018</b>	
	<b># of Options (in 000s)</b>	<b>Weighted average exercise price \$</b>	<b># of Options (in 000s)</b>	<b>Weighted average exercise price \$</b>
<b>Outstanding balance, beginning of year</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>27.67</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>23.70</b>
Options granted	115	40.60	186	35.50
Options exercised	(188)	17.74	(46)	9.81
Options forfeited or expired	(68)	35.33	(53)	31.30
<b>Outstanding balance, end of year</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>33.67</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>27.67</b>
<b>Exercisable balance, end of year</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>18.81</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>17.98</b>

Outstanding options to officers and employees as at December 31, 2019 were as follows:

Range of Exercise Prices	# of Options (in 000s)	<b>Outstanding</b>		<b>Exercisable</b>	
		Weighted average remaining contractual life in years	Weighted average exercise price \$	# of Options (in 000s)	Weighted average exercise price \$
18.81 - 19.99	47	0.13	18.81	47	18.81
20.00 - 29.99	-	-	-	-	-
30.00 - 39.99	330	2.97	33.73	-	-
40.80	95	4.12	40.80	-	-
<b>18.81 - 40.80</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>2.92</b>	<b>33.67</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>18.81</b>

The Company used the fair value method of accounting for stock options granted to employees. During the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company recorded an expense of \$1,151 (2018 – \$914) in stock-based compensation expense related to its stock option plan in the consolidated statements of income, with a corresponding adjustment to contributed surplus.

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Options granted in 2019 and 2018 were determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

	2019	2018
Risk-free interest rate (% per annum)	1.82	2.01
Expected hold period to exercise (years)	4.75	4.75
Volatility in the price of the Company's shares (%)	37.37	35.74
Dividend yield (%)	3.00	2.03

#### Restricted Share Unit ("RSU") Plan

Under the Company's RSU Plan, RSUs may be granted by the Board of Directors to employees of the Company. RSUs are granted at fair market value at the grant date and generally vest at the end of a three-year period based on long-term targets.

	December 31, 2019		December 31, 2018	
	# of RSUs (in 000s)	Weighted average fair value at grant date \$	# of RSUs (in 000s)	Weighted average fair value at grant date \$
<b>Outstanding balance, beginning of year</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>31.14</b>	641	22.78
RSUs granted	126	43.93	184	39.78
RSU dividend reinvestments	8	48.27	10	39.80
RSUs exercised	(201)	17.58	(226)	16.93
RSUs forfeited	(65)	37.03	(76)	25.26
<b>Outstanding balance, end of year</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>41.34</b>	533	31.14

For the year ended December 31, 2019, \$5,096 (2018 – \$5,181) was recorded as an expense in stock-based compensation expense related to the Company's RSU program in the consolidated statements of income with a corresponding adjustment to contributed surplus.

#### Deferred Share Unit ("DSU") Plan

During the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company granted 58,103 DSUs (2018 – 14,767 DSUs) to directors under its DSU Plan. DSUs are granted at fair market value at the grant date and vest immediately upon grant. For the year ended December 31, 2019, \$2,439 (2018 – \$741) was recorded as stock-based compensation expense under the DSU Plan in the consolidated statements of income. Additionally, for the year ended December 31, 2019, an additional 5,368 DSUs (2018 – 3,684 DSUs) were granted as a result of dividends reinvested.

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### **Contributed Surplus**

The following is a continuity of the activity in the contributed surplus account:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
<b>Contributed surplus, beginning of year</b>	<b>16,105</b>	15,305
Equity-settled stock-based compensation expense		
Stock options	1,151	914
Restricted share units	5,096	5,181
Deferred share units	2,439	741
Reduction due to exercise of stock-based compensation		
Stock options	(941)	(112)
Restricted share units	(3,554)	(5,924)
<b>Contributed surplus, end of year</b>	<b>20,296</b>	16,105

## **16. OTHER EXPENSES**

In the normal course of its operations, the Company periodically sells select lease portfolios, loan portfolio and other assets. For the year ended December 31, 2019, other expenses included net gains realized on the sale of lease portfolios, loan portfolio and other assets of \$2.6 million (2018 – \$0.6 million).

## **17. INTEREST EXPENSE AND AMORTIZATION OF DEFERRED FINANCING CHARGES**

Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing charges under finance costs in the consolidated statements of income include the following:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Interest expense		
Notes payable	46,118	39,250
Convertible debt	2,534	2,868
Revolving credit facility	2,631	630
Amortization of deferred financing costs and accretion expense	4,819	4,541
Interest income, net	(1,008)	(1,489)
	<b>55,094</b>	45,800

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**18. INCOME TAXES**

The Company's income tax expense was determined as follows:

	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
Combined basic federal and provincial income tax rates	<b>27.3%</b>	27.2%
Expected income tax expense	<b>24,439</b>	20,112
Non-deductible expenses	<b>1,090</b>	574
U.S. and SPE results not tax effected	<b>(70)</b>	27
Effect of capital gains on sale of assets and investments	<b>(248)</b>	(92)
Other	<b>(48)</b>	172
	<b>25,163</b>	20,793

The significant components of the Company's income tax expense are as follows:

	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
<b>Current income tax:</b>		
Current income tax charge	<b>27,876</b>	23,689
Adjustments in respect of prior years and other	<b>(113)</b>	665
	<b>27,763</b>	24,354
<b>Deferred income tax:</b>		
Relating to origination and reversal of temporary differences	<b>(2,600)</b>	(3,561)
	<b>25,163</b>	20,793

The significant components of the Company's deferred tax assets are as follows:

	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
Amounts receivable and allowance for credit losses	8,890	7,481
Financing fees	6,707	(1,044)
Stock-based compensation	2,411	1,994
Right-of-use assets, net of lease liabilities	1,224	-
Revaluation of notes payable and cross-currency swaps	685	(986)
Loss carry forwards	616	187
Unearned revenue	378	454
Tax cost of lease assets and property and equipment in excess of net book value	(5,950)	(991)
Premium on notes payable	-	2,350
	<b>14,961</b>	9,445

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All changes to the deferred tax assets were recorded as an expense in deferred tax expense in the consolidated statements of income.

As at December 31, 2019 and 2018, there was no recognized deferred tax liabilities for taxes that would be payable on the undistributed earnings of the Company's subsidiaries. The Company has determined that undistributed earnings of its subsidiaries would not be distributed in the foreseeable future.

**19. EARNINGS PER SHARE****Basic Earnings Per Share**

Basic earnings per share amounts were calculated by dividing the net income for the year by the weighted average number of ordinary shares and DSUs outstanding. DSUs were included in the calculation of the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding as these units vest upon grant.

	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
Net income	<b>64,349</b>	53,124
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding (in 000s)	<b>14,635</b>	14,045
<b>Basic earnings per ordinary share</b>	<b>4.40</b>	3.78

For the year ended December 31, 2019, 238,529 DSUs (2018 – 173,667 DSUs) were included in the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding.

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#### **Diluted Earnings Per Share**

Diluted earnings per share reflect the potential dilutive effect that could occur if additional common shares were assumed to be issued under securities or instruments that may entitle their holders to obtain common shares in the future. Dilution could occur through the exercise of stock options, the exercise of RSUs, or the exercise of the conversion option of the convertible debentures. The number of additional shares for inclusion in the diluted earnings per share calculation was determined using the treasury stock method. For the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, the convertible debentures were dilutive. Therefore, diluted earnings per share is calculated based on a fully diluted net income (adjusted for the after-tax financing cost associated with the convertible debentures) and including the shares to which those debentures could be converted.

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Net income	<b>64,349</b>	53,124
After tax impact of convertible debentures	<b>2,698</b>	2,690
Fully diluted net income	<b>67,047</b>	55,814
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding (in 000s)	<b>14,635</b>	14,045
Dilutive effect of stock-based compensation (in 000s)	<b>426</b>	496
Dilutive effect of convertible debentures (in 000s)	<b>1,001</b>	1,130
Weighted average number of diluted shares outstanding (in 000s)	<b>16,062</b>	15,671
<b>Dilutive earnings per ordinary share</b>	<b>4.17</b>	3.56

For the year ended December 31, 2019, 94,648 stock options to acquire common shares (2018 – 185,784), were considered anti-dilutive using the treasury stock method and therefore excluded in the calculation of diluted earnings per share.

### **20. NET CHANGE IN OTHER OPERATING ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

The net change in other operating assets and liabilities was as follows:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Amounts receivable	(3,032)	(1,028)
Prepaid expenses	(3,242)	(290)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(3,753)	2,032
Income taxes payable	(3,312)	(1,946)
Deferred lease inducements	-	(60)
Unearned revenue	2,080	1,183
Accrued interest	(4,866)	1,956
	<b>(16,125)</b>	1,847

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Supplemental disclosures in respect of the consolidated statements of cash flows comprised the following:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Income taxes paid	<b>31,948</b>	26,300
Income taxes refunded	873	-
Interest paid	60,492	45,023
Interest received	<b>338,361</b>	253,578

### **21. COMMITMENTS AND GUARANTEES**

The Company is committed to software maintenance, development and licensing service agreements, and operating leases for premises and vehicles. Some of the Company's lease contracts for premises include extension options. Management exercises significant judgement in determining whether these extension options are reasonably certain to be exercised. As at December 31, 2019, no extension option for lease contracts for premises is expected to be exercised.

The undiscounted potential future lease payments for operating leases for premises and vehicles and the estimated operating costs related to technology commitments required for the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

	<b>Within 1 year</b>	<b>After 1 year, but not more than 5 years</b>	<b>More than 5 years</b>
Premises	16,863	35,254	6,309
Vehicles	965	2,043	124
Technology commitments	9,893	11,221	-
	<b>27,721</b>	<b>48,518</b>	<b>6,433</b>

### **22. CONTINGENCIES**

The Company was involved in various legal matters arising in the ordinary course of business. The resolution of these matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, financial performance or cash flows.

The Company has agreed to indemnify its directors and officers and particular employees in accordance with the Company's policies. The Company maintains insurance policies that may provide coverage against certain claims.

### **23. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Company manages its capital to maintain its ability to continue as a going concern and to provide adequate returns to shareholders by way of share appreciation and dividends. The capital structure of the Company consists of bank debt (revolving operating facility), notes payable, convertible debentures and shareholders' equity, which includes share capital, contributed surplus, accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) and retained earnings.

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The Company manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of economic conditions. The Company, upon approval from its Board of Directors, will balance its overall capital structure through new share issues, share repurchases, the payment of dividends, increasing or decreasing bank debt and term debt or by undertaking other activities as deemed appropriate under specific circumstances. The Company's strategy, objectives, measures, definitions and targets have not changed significantly in the past year.

The Company has externally imposed capital requirements as governed through its financing facilities. These requirements are to ensure the Company continues to operate in the normal course of business and to ensure the Company manages its debt relative to net worth. The capital requirements are congruent with the Company's management of capital.

The Company monitors capital on the basis of the financial covenants of its financing facilities.

For the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Company was in compliance with all of its externally imposed financial covenants.

## **24. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT**

### **Overview**

The Company's activities are exposed to a variety of financial risks: credit risk, liquidity risk, interest rate risk and currency risk. The Company's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial and economic markets and seeks to minimize potential adverse effects on the Company's financial performance.

### **Credit Risk**

The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of the amounts receivable, consumer loans receivable and lease assets with customers under merchandise lease agreements. The Company makes consumer loans and leases products to thousands of customers pursuant to policies and procedures that are intended to ensure that there is no concentration of credit risk with any particular individual, company or other entity, although the Company is subject to a higher level of credit risk due to the credit constrained nature of many of the Company's customers and in circumstances where its policies and procedures are not complied with.

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The credit risk on the Company's consumer loans receivable made in accordance with policies and procedures is impacted by FLIs. The analysis performed by the Company determined that the rate of inflation and rate of unemployment were positively correlated with the Company's historic loss rates while oil prices and the rate of GDP were negatively correlated with the Company's historic loss rates. For purposes of determining its allowance for loan losses at each consolidated statement of financial position date, the Company utilizes the forecasts of these FLIs from five large Canadian banks. The impact on the allowance for credit losses as a percentage of ending gross consumer loans receivable should each of these FLIs increase (or decrease) by 10%, as at December 31, 2019 is as follows:

	<b>Change in FLIs</b>	<b>Impact on allowance for credit losses as a percentage of the ending gross consumer loans receivable</b>
Rate of unemployment	+/- 10%	+/- 2 bps
Rate of inflation	+/- 10%	+/- 6 bps
Oil prices	+/- 10%	-/+ 12 bps
GDP	+/- 10%	-/+ 2 bps

As at December 31, 2019, the Company's gross consumer loans receivable portfolio was \$1,110.6 million (2018 – \$833.8 million). Net charge-offs expressed as a percentage of the average loan book were 13.3% for the year ended December 31, 2019 (2018 – 12.7%).

The credit risk related to lease assets with customer's results from the possibility of customer default with respect to agreed upon payments or in not returning the lease assets. The Company has a standard collection process in place in the event of payment default, which includes the recovery of the lease asset if satisfactory payment terms cannot be worked out with the customer, as the Company maintains ownership of the lease assets until payment options are exercised. As at December 31, 2019, the Company's lease assets were \$48.7 million (2018 – \$51.6 million). Lease asset losses for the year ended December 31, 2019 represented 2.9% (2018 – 3.3%) of total revenue for the easyhome segment.

The credit risk related to other amounts receivable are managed in accordance with policies and procedures resulting from the possibility of default on rebate payments, amounts due from licensee and franchisees and other amounts receivable. The Company deals with credible companies, performs ongoing credit evaluations of creditors and consumers and allows for uncollectible amounts when determined to be appropriate.

#### **Liquidity Risk**

The Company addresses liquidity risk management by maintaining sufficient availability of funding through its financing facility. The Company manages its cash resources based on financial forecasts and anticipated cash flows, which are periodically reviewed with the Company's Board of Directors.

The Company believes that the cash flow provided by operations and funds available from the credit facility will be sufficient in the near term to meet operational requirements, purchase lease assets, meet capital spending requirements and pay dividends. In addition, the incremental financing obtained in 2019 will allow the Company to continue growing its consumer loans receivable portfolio into the third quarter of 2021. In order for the Company to achieve the full growth opportunities available, however, additional sources of financing over and above the currently available credit facility will be required in the future. There is no certainty that these long-term sources of capital will be available or at terms favourable to the Company.

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Substantially all liabilities are due within 12 months with the exception of convertible debentures and notes payable. These credit facilities have no current component and are due as disclosed in notes 12 and 13. As at December 31, 2019, \$115.0 million was drawn on the Company's revolving credit facility (note 11).

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk measures the Company's risk of financial loss due to adverse movements in interest rates. As at December 31, 2019, the notes payable and the convertible debentures had a fixed rate of interest. The \$310.0 million revolving credit facility has a variable interest rate at either the BA rate plus 300 bps or the Prime rate plus 200 bps, at the option of the Company.

The Company does not hedge interest rates on the revolving credit facility. Accordingly, future changes in interest rates will affect the amount of interest expense payable by the Company to the extent that draws are made on the variable rate revolving credit facility.

As at December 31, 2019, the Company's outstanding borrowing from its revolving credit facility was subject to movements in the BA rate. A 10% movement in the BA rate would have increased or decreased net income for the year by approximately \$193.

#### **Currency Risk**

Currency risk measures the Company's risk of financial loss due to adverse movements in currency exchange rates.

The Company completed an offering of USD\$550.0 million Notes Payable. These notes are due December 1, 2024 with a USD coupon rate of 5.375%. Concurrent with these offerings, the Company entered into currency swap agreements to fix the foreign exchange rate for the proceeds from the offerings and for all required payments of principal and interest under these notes effectively hedging the obligation. The hedge is designed to match the cash flow obligations of the Company under the Notes Payable.

The Company sources a portion of the assets it leases in Canada from U.S. suppliers. As a result, the Company had foreign exchange transaction exposure. These purchases were funded using the spot rate prevailing at the date of purchase. Pricing to customers can be adjusted to reflect changes in the CAD landed cost of imported goods and, as such, there is not a material foreign currency transaction exposure. A 5% movement in the CAD and USD exchange rate would have increased or decreased net income for the year by approximately \$34.

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### **25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

#### **Recognition and Measurement of Financial Instruments**

The Company classified its financial instruments as follows:

<b>Financial instruments</b>	<b>Measurement</b>	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Cash	Fair value	<b>46,341</b>	100,188
Amounts receivable	Amortized cost	<b>18,482</b>	15,450
Consumer loans receivable	Amortized cost	<b>1,040,552</b>	782,864
Investment	Fair value	<b>34,300</b>	-
Derivative financial assets	Fair value	-	35,094
Revolving credit facility	Amortized cost	<b>115,000</b>	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Amortized cost	<b>41,350</b>	45,103
Derivative financial liabilities	Fair value	<b>16,435</b>	-
Convertible debentures	Amortized cost	<b>41,712</b>	40,581
Notes payable	Amortized cost	<b>702,414</b>	650,481

#### **Fair Value Measurement**

All assets and liabilities for which fair value was measured or disclosed in the consolidated financial statements were categorized within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that was significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 — Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 — Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable.
- Level 3 — Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable.

The hierarchy required the use of observable market data when available. The following table provides the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured as at December 31, 2019 and 2018:

<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>
Cash	<b>46,341</b>	<b>46,341</b>	-	-
Amounts receivable	<b>18,482</b>	-	-	<b>18,482</b>
Consumer loans receivable	<b>1,040,552</b>	-	-	<b>1,040,552</b>
Investment	<b>34,300</b>	-	-	<b>34,300</b>
Revolving credit facility	<b>115,000</b>	-	-	<b>115,000</b>
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<b>41,350</b>	-	-	<b>41,350</b>
Derivative financial liabilities	<b>16,435</b>	-	<b>16,435</b>	-
Convertible debentures	<b>41,712</b>	-	-	<b>41,712</b>
Notes payable	<b>702,414</b>	-	-	<b>702,414</b>

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<b>December 31, 2018</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>
Cash	100,188	100,188	-	-
Amounts receivable	15,450	-	-	15,450
Consumer loans receivable	782,864	-	-	782,864
Derivative financial assets	35,094	-	35,094	-
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	45,103	-	-	45,103
Convertible debentures	40,581	-	-	40,581
Notes payable	650,481	-	-	650,481

There were no transfers between Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 during the current or prior year.

## **26. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Key management personnel includes all corporate officers with the position of president, executive vice president or senior vice president. The following summarizes the expense related to key management personnel during the year.

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
Short-term employee benefits including salaries	4,426	6,049
Share-based payment transactions	2,865	4,111
	<b>7,291</b>	<b>10,160</b>

## **27. SEGMENTED REPORTING**

For management purposes, the Company had two reportable segments: easyfinancial and easyhome. The Company's business units generate revenue in four main categories: i) interest generated on the Company's gross consumer loans receivable portfolio; ii) lease payments generated by easyhome lease agreements; iii) commissions and other revenues generated by the sale of various ancillary products; and iv) charges and fees.

General and administrative expenses directly related to the Company's business segments were included as operating expenses for those segments. All other general and administrative expenses were reported separately as part of Corporate. Management assessed the performance based on segment operating income (loss).

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The following tables summarize the relevant information for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018:

<b>Year ended December 31, 2019</b>	<b>easyfinancial</b>	<b>easyhome</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Total</b>
Revenue				
Interest income	<b>334,124</b>	<b>11,873</b>	-	<b>345,997</b>
Lease revenue	-	<b>113,236</b>	-	<b>113,236</b>
Commissions earned	<b>126,806</b>	<b>8,704</b>	-	<b>135,510</b>
Charges and fees	<b>9,278</b>	<b>5,362</b>	-	<b>14,640</b>
	<b>470,208</b>	<b>139,175</b>	-	<b>609,383</b>
Total operating expenses before depreciation and amortization	<b>267,356</b>	<b>67,253</b>	<b>41,617</b>	<b>376,226</b>
Depreciation and amortization				
Depreciation and amortization of lease assets, property and equipment and intangible assets	<b>7,194</b>	<b>39,140</b>	<b>2,831</b>	<b>49,165</b>
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	<b>6,521</b>	<b>7,943</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>15,199</b>
	<b>13,715</b>	<b>47,083</b>	<b>3,566</b>	<b>64,364</b>
Segment operating income (loss)	<b>189,137</b>	<b>24,839</b>	<b>(45,183)</b>	<b>168,793</b>
Finance costs				
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing charges				<b>55,094</b>
Interest expense on lease liabilities				<b>2,464</b>
Refinancing cost relating to notes payable				<b>21,723</b>
				<b>79,281</b>
<b>Income before income taxes</b>				<b>89,512</b>

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<b>Year ended December 31, 2018</b>	<b>easyfinancial</b>	<b>easyhome</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Total</b>
Revenue				
Interest income	250,622	5,375	-	255,997
Lease revenue	-	119,745	-	119,745
Commissions earned	110,423	6,577	-	117,000
Charges and fees	7,280	6,169	-	13,449
	368,325	137,866	-	506,191
Total operating expenses before depreciation and amortization	218,138	74,215	42,118	334,471
Depreciation and amortization				
Depreciation and amortization of lease assets, property and equipment and intangible assets	8,333	42,104	1,566	52,003
Segment operating income (loss)	141,854	21,547	(43,684)	119,717
Finance costs				
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing charges				45,800
<b>Income before income taxes</b>				<b>73,917</b>

As at December 31, 2019, the Company's goodwill of \$21.3 million (2018 – \$21.3 million) related entirely to its easyhome segment.

In scope under IFRS 15 are revenues relating to commissions earned and charges and fees. Lease revenue is covered under IFRS 16. Included in lease revenue is certain additional services provided by the Company related to the lease, but which fall under the scope of IFRS 15, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("IFRS 15"). These revenues totalled \$13.4 million and \$14.2 million in 2019 and 2018, respectively.

The Company's easyhome business consisted of four major product categories: furniture, electronics, computers and appliances. Lease revenue generated by these product categories as a percentage of total lease revenue for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 were as follows:

	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>
	<b>(%)</b>	<b>(%)</b>
Furniture	44	44
Electronics	32	31
Computers	11	12
Appliances	13	13
	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>