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FDIC Publication Focuses on the Critical Role of Corporate Governance and Strategic Planning in Responding to Earnings Challenges

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The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) today released the summer 2015 issue of Supervisory Insights. The lead article, "Strategic Planning in an Evolving Earnings Environment," highlights the critical role of corporate governance and strategic planning in navigating a challenging operating environment.

"Although the financial performance of banks is steadily improving, the operating environment remains challenging," said Doreen R. Eberley, Director, Division of Risk Management Supervision. "Strategic planning can be a tool for an engaged bank management team to deal with tradeoffs between risk and return and promote sustainable earnings."

Another article, "Bank Investment in Securitizations: The New Regulatory Landscape in Brief," summarizes important new requirements related to investment in securitizations as a result of the enactment of the Dodd-Frank Act, including potential effects on bank capital. The article also explains how an investment decision process can be structured to help a bank remain compliant with these new requirements.

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supervision, and communicating about the emerging issues that bank supervisors face. The journal is available on the FDIC's website at

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