Annual Report of Holding Companies—FR Y-6

Report at the close of business as of the end of fiscal year

This Report is required by law: Section 5(c)(1)(A) of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. § 1844 (c)(1)(A)); Section 8(a) of the International Banking Act (12 U.S.C. § 3108(a)); Sections 11(a)(1), 25 and 25A of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. §§ 248(a)(1), 602, and 611a); Section 211.13(c) of Regulation K (12 C.F.R. § 211.13(c)); and Section 225.5(b) of Regulation Y (12 C.F.R. § 225.5(b)) and section 10(c)(2)(H) of the Home Owners' Loan Act. Return to the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank the original and the number of copies specified.

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I, Thomas H. Lyles
Name of the Holding Company Director and Official
President and CEO
Title of the Holding Company Director and Official

attest that the Annual Report of Holding Companies (including the supporting attachments) for this report date has been prepared in conformance with the instructions issued by the Federal Reserve System and are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Signature of Holding Company Director and Official
2/29/16

For holding companies not registered with the SEC—Indicate status of Annual Report to Shareholders:
☐ is included with the FR Y-6 report
☐ will be sent under separate cover
☐ is not prepared

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Date of Report (top-tier holding company's fiscal year-end):
December 31, 2015
Month / Day / Year
N/A

Reporter's Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) (20-Character LEI Code)

Reporter's Name, Street, and Mailing Address
Tidelands Bancshares, Inc.

Legal Title of Holding Company
875 Lowcountry Blvd./P.O. Box 1087

(Mailing Address of the Holding Company) Street / P.O. Box

Mt. Pleasant SC 29464

City State Zip Code

840 Lowcountry Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Physical Location (if different from mailing address)

Person to whom questions about this report should be directed:
John D. Dalton Controller, VP & PFO

Name Title

843-284-1186

Area Code / Phone Number / Extension

843-513-1654

Area Code / FAX Number

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E-mail Address

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Address (URL) for the Holding Company's web page

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☐ Yes Please identify the report items to which this request applies:

☐ In accordance with the instructions on pages GEN-2 and 3, a letter justifying the request is being provided.

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☐ No

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10/2014
Form FR Y-6
Tidelands Bancshares, Inc.
December 31, 2015

Report Item
1:  
a. Tidelands Bancshares has filed a 10-K with the SEC.

     b. Tidelands Bancshares incorporated its annual report for shareholders in the 10-K.

2: Organization Chart

     a. Tidelands Bancshares, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina is the trust designed to invest in common stock of Tidelands Bancshares, Inc. Tidelands Bancshares, Inc. and was incorporated in South Carolina. Employee Stock Ownership Plan holds 4.86% of shares in Tidelands Bancshares, Inc. Every entity in the Organization chart was incorporated in the state of South Carolina.

     b. Tidelands Bancshares, Inc. in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina is the holding company and was incorporated in South Carolina.

     c. Tidelands Bank in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina is a 100% wholly-owned subsidiary of Tidelands Bancshares, Inc. and was incorporated in South Carolina.

     d. Tidelands Statutory Trust I in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina is a 100% grantor trust. The grantor is Tidelands Bancshares, Inc. and was incorporated in South Carolina.

     e. Tidelands Statutory Trust II in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina is a 100% grantor trust. The grantor is Tidelands Bancshares, Inc. and was incorporated in South Carolina.

3. Shareholders

Current Shareholders with ownership, control or holdings of 5% or more with power to vote as of December 31, 2015

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<th>(1)(a) Name and Address (City, State, Country)</th>
<th>(1)(b) Country of Citizenship Or Incorporation</th>
<th>(1)(c) Number and Percentage of Each Class of Voting Securities</th>
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Current Shareholders with ownership, control or holdings of 5% or more with power to vote during the year 2015 but not as of December 31, 2015

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TARP Information:

US Treasury
Washington, DC
USA
571,821-13.4%--No Warrants have been exercised as of December 31, 2015.
**Results:** A list of branches for your holding company: TIDELANDS BANCSHARES, INC. (3385476) of MOUNT PLEASANT, SC. The data are as of 12/31/2015. Data reflects information that was received and processed through 01/07/2016.

**Reconciliation and Verification Steps**
1. In the **Data Action** column of each branch row, enter one or more of the actions specified below.
2. If required, enter the date in the **Effective Date** column.

**Actions**
- **OK:** If the branch information is correct, enter 'OK' in the Data Action column.
- **Change:** If the branch information is incorrect or incomplete, revise the data, enter 'Change' in the Data Action column and the date when this information first became valid in the Effective Date column.
- **Close:** If a branch listed was sold or closed, enter 'Close' in the Data Action column and the sale or closure date in the Effective Date column.
- **Delete:** If a branch listed was never owned by this depository Institution, enter 'Delete' in the Data Action column.
- **Add:** If a reportable branch is missing, insert a row, add the branch data, and enter 'Add' in the Data Action column and the opening or acquisition date in the Effective Date column.

**Submission Procedure**
When you are finished, send a saved copy to your FRB contact. See the detailed instructions on this site for more information.

If you are e-mailing this to your FRB contact, put your Institution name, city and state in the subject line of the e-mail.

**Note:**
- To satisfy the FR Y-10 reporting requirements, you must also submit FR Y-10 Domestic Branch Schedules for each branch with a **Data Action** of Change, Close, Delete, or Add.
- The FR Y-10 report may be submitted in a hardcopy format or via the FR Y-10 Online application - [https://y10online.federalreserve.gov](https://y10online.federalreserve.gov).

* FDIC UNINUM, Office Number, and ID_RSSD columns are for reference only. Verification of these values is not required.

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### Directors and Officers

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<td>Mike W. Burrell Summerville, SC</td>
<td>Retired Educator</td>
<td>Director</td>
<td>Director Tidelands Bank</td>
<td>Retired</td>
<td>1.29%</td>
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<td>Alan D. Clemmons Myrtle Beach, SC</td>
<td>Attorney</td>
<td>Director</td>
<td>Director Tidelands Bank</td>
<td>Sole shareholder, Clemmons Law Firm LLC</td>
<td>1.45%</td>
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<td>John W. Gandy, CPA Murrells Inlet, SC</td>
<td>Certified Public Accountant/ Consultant</td>
<td>Director</td>
<td>Director Tidelands Bank</td>
<td>Owner Gandy CPA Group, various real estate</td>
<td>0.19%</td>
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<td>Focus Marketing Group, LLC 50%</td>
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<td>Thomas H. Lyles Mt. Pleasant, SC</td>
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<td>President and CEO Tidelands Bank</td>
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<td>Robert H. Mathewes, Jr. Mt. Pleasant, SC</td>
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<td>EVP and Chief Community Banker</td>
<td>Executive VP/ Chief Community Banker</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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<td>MVP Group International, Inc.</td>
<td>Director</td>
<td>Director Tidelands Bank</td>
<td>CEO MVP Group International, Inc.</td>
<td>0.46%</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Van Deventer Family, LLC 100%, Van Deventer Investments, Inc. 50%, MTT Holding Corp., LLC 100% (Individually &amp; with Van Deventer Family, LLC), Masters Consultants SC, Inc. 100%, MVP Textiles &amp; Apparel, Inc. 60%, MVP Granite and Marble, LLC 50%, MVP Funding, LLC 33%.</td>
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<td>Tanya D. Robinson Summerville, SC</td>
<td>Dorchester District Two Schools</td>
<td>Director and Vice Chairman</td>
<td>Director Tidelands Bank</td>
<td>Elected member of Board of Trustees for Dorchester District Two Schools</td>
<td>0.71%</td>
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<td>Milon C. Smith Mt. Pleasant, SC</td>
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<td>EVP and CCO</td>
<td>Executive VP/CCO Tidelands Bank</td>
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<td>Larry W. Tarleton Charleston, SC</td>
<td>Retired, The Post and Courier</td>
<td>Director Emeritus</td>
<td>Director Tidelands Bank</td>
<td>Retired Publisher, The Post and Courier</td>
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<td>John D. Dalton Mt. Pleasant, SC</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Controller, VP and PFO/PAO</td>
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