## Blount Memorial Hospital

Plan of Finance Overview: Series 2013A Debt Refinancing \& Swaps

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## Goals \& Objectives

## Goals \& Objectives Overview

- Address Blount Memorial's capital structure needs
- Address refinancing of Blount Memorial's Series 2013A loan due on 12/30/2019
- Minimize cost burden to Blount Memorial
- Reduce financial obligation to Blount County
- Reduce capital structure risk profile
- Interest rate movement risk
- Renewal risk (bank loan had 3 year maturity)
- Collateral posting risk / Termination payment risk (swaps)
- Review of Blount Memorial's debt and swap structure
- Review of financing alternatives available and the pros and cons to each alternative
- Prepare education and recommendation


## Debt \& Swap Objectives

## Secure Bank Loan with Hospital Revenues Only

## Refinance with Attractive Interest Rate

## Refinance with Longer <br> Term Loan

Debt Finance New Money

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Provide Hedge to Interest Rate Movement
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## Review modifications or termination of swap

- Series 2013A JPM Bank Loan expires on December 30, 2019. Given current low cost, optimal to leave in place as long as possible.
- Pinnacle Bank and First Tennessee Bank have offered loans secured by Hospital revenues only, not Blount County tax pledge
- Pinnacle Bank and First Tennessee Bank have offered interest rates less than 3\%
- Pinnacle Bank and First Tennessee have offered bank loans through 2029 (final maturity of debt)
- Pinnacle Bank and First Tennessee have loan capacity for $\$ 10$ to $\$ 15 \mathrm{~mm}$ of new debt
- $\$ 55.7 \mathrm{~mm}$ of Series 2013A is hedged by increases in rate; hedge increases over time through 2029
- Change of obligor to a weaker credit will significantly increase cost of swap to Blount Memorial and may require a bank guaranty / posting of collateral; termination would cost $\sim \$ 9 \mathrm{~mm}$. Termination can be financed through several alternatives.
- Least costly alternative is for the swaps to remain with Blount County and to continue payment agreement with Blount Memorial. Should the swap be terminated, financing the cost over multiple years is more attractive than upfront termination.

Review of Capital Structure

## Blount Memorial Debt \& Swap Overview

## Debt Overview



Amortization


## Synthetic Fixed Rate Debt: Alternative to Fixed Rate Debt

## Synthetic Fixed Structure: How it works



Avg Cost of Series 2013A with swaps (since '13): 3.26\%
Current Cost of Series 2013A with swaps: 4.07\%

## Update in 2006: Receive 5 year LIBOR vs. 1 month LIBOR

Structure Amendment in 2006


## Series <br> 2013A

Why did the structure change?


## Result of Swap Amendment: Higher Cashflow Over Time

- The impact of the swap amendment in 2006 has resulted in a positive cashflow of an average of $+0.65 \%$ or $\$ 362 \mathrm{~K} /$ year based on the LIBOR legs.
- In today's market, the yield curve is flat ( 5 year LIBOR < 1 month LIBOR) and cashflow is negative

Differential ( $63.9 \%$ of 5 yr LIBOR - $70 \%$ of 1 mLIBOR )


## Capital Structure Performance to Date

$\checkmark$ Blount Memorial's Series 2013A has benefitted from low variable rates at a cost of $67 \%$ of $1 \mathrm{mLIB}+0.43 \%$, current cost of $2.11 \%$
$\checkmark$ The floating-to-fixed rate swaps have hedged movement against variable rates and have averaged positive cashflow of $0.65 \%$ since 2006
$\checkmark$ Blount County is not required to post collateral as swaps' mark-to-market has weakened
$\checkmark$ Blount Memorial makes ongoing swap payments to Blount County
$\times$ Swap payments may increase if 5 -year LIBOR decreases
$\times$ Blount Memorial has some unhedged variable rate exposure of $17 \%$ of total debt and variable rates have increased
$\times$ Blount County financials include change in mark-to-market value
$\times$ Mark-to-market value has worsened as rates have decreased and the yield curve has flattened

## Swap Considerations

## Swap Structure Considerations

Issue

## Risk Mitigant

| TN Regulations | TN law prohibits municipalities from having swaps that are not related to debt | Blount County remains issuer of Series 2013A (not obligor) to enable swaps to remain in place |
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| Change of Obligor from Blount County to Blount Memorial | Change from ' $\mathrm{A} \mathrm{A}^{\prime}$ credit to ' BBB ' credit would require collateral posting or give DeutscheBank termination rights and force payment | Keep Blount County as counterparty to swap; Blount Memorial continues to make swap payments to Blount County |
| MTM Valuation | Significant negative value given rates are lower and yield curve is flat | Avoid today's termination cost; wait until rates increase and yield curve steepens or keep swap outstanding. If Blount chooses to terminate, consider financing vs upfront cash payment. |

## Swap Termination Considerations

- Should Blount County terminate the swap, a payment of $\$ 9 \mathrm{~mm}$ would be due to Deutsche Bank
- The swap current valuation is significantly negatively to Blount County given current low rate environment and flat yield curve
- Swap valuation will improve as interest rates increase and yield curve steepens

*MTM as of 3/29/2019 provided by Deutsche Bank.


## Swap Mark-to-Market Factors

The value of a swap (MTM) is based on long term swap rates

- The $\$ 30.70$ million fixed payer with a 2029 maturity is used as an example


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Review of Financing Alternatives

## Blount Memorial Debt Financing Needs \& Bank Proposals

## Debt Financing Needs

|  |  | Amount |
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|  | Series 2013A Refinancing | $\$ 67.4 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| New Money Capital Needs | $\$ 5 \mathrm{~mm}$ to $\$ 15 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| Total Refinancing / New Money Needs | $\$ 72.4 \mathrm{~mm}$ to $\$ 82.4 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| Bank Proposals | Swap Termination | $+\$ 9 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
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|  | Security | Capacity | Tenor | Variable Rate | Fixed Rate | Covenants | Existing Creditor? |
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| First Tennessee Bank | Hospital <br> Revenue Pledge + Investments | ~\$91mm | 2029 |  |  | Debt Service Coverage of at least 1:1, Days | Yes |
| Pinnacle Bank | Hospital Revenue Pledge + Investments | $\sim \$ 85 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 2029 | ~2.60\% to 2.90\% | $\sim 2.75 \%$ to 2.95\% | Cash on Hand minimum, May have Limit of Additional Debt | No |
| First Tennessee Bank (swap termination) |  | \$9mm | 2024 |  | 3.10\% to 3.25\% |  |  |

## Market Environment: Variable Rates Have Increased and Fixed Rates Are Historically Low



## Series 2013A Debt Refinancing Alternatives

|  | Current Capital Structure | Alternative \#1: Refinance with Variable / Fixed, Keep Swap | Alternative \#2: Refinance with Fixed, Terminate Swap with tax-exempt New Money replacement |
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| Series 2013A Structure | General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Blount County Issuer) | Hospital Revenue Refunding Bonds (Blount County Issuer) | Hospital Revenue Refunding Bonds (Blount County Issuer) |
| Debt Security | General Obligation of Blount County | Gross Revenues Pledge \& Investment Account Pledge | Gross Revenues Pledge \& Investment Account Pledge |
| Entity Providing Pledge | Blount County | Blount County \& Blount Memorial | Blount County \& Blount Memorial |
| Bank Provider | JP Morgan Chase | Pinnacle Bank / First TN | Pinnacle Bank / First TN |
| Total Debt |  | $\$ 77.4 \mathrm{~mm}$ (with $\$ 10 \mathrm{~mm}$ new money) | $\begin{gathered} \$ 86.4 \mathrm{~mm} \\ \text { (with } \$ 10 \mathrm{~mm} \text { new money }+\$ 9 \mathrm{~mm} \text { addtl } \\ \text { new money) } \end{gathered}$ |
| Bank Tenor | $\begin{gathered} 3 \text { years (originally) } \\ 12 / 30 / 2019 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \text { years } \\ & 6 / 1 / 2029 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \text { years } \\ & 6 / 1 / 2029 \end{aligned}$ |
| Bank Pricing | 100\% Variable Rate <br> Based on current rates: $\underline{\text { 2.11\% }}$ | Variable Rate: 2.70\% <br> Fixed Rate: 2.75\% | Fixed Rate 2.75\% |
| Swap Action | None County remains Obligor | None County remains Obligor | Terminate and replace with $\$ 9 \mathrm{~mm}$ of new money tax-exempt funding |
| Debt Mix | 81\% Synthetic Fixed / 2\% Fixed / 17 \% Variable | 71\% Synthetic Fixed / 29\% Fixed | 100\% Fixed |
| Interest Rate and MTM Risk | Yes | Yes | No |
| FY 2020 Interest Expense | \$1.4mm | \$2.1mm | \$2.4mm |
| FY2020 DS \& Swap payments | \$6.9mm | \$8.5mm | \$8.3mm |
| Total DS \& Swap payments | \$86.8mm | \$101.4mm | \$102.8mm |



## Next Steps

- Continue discussions with Blount County including education workshop in May/June
- Monitor interest rate movement
- Impact on bank pricing
- MTM movement
- Finalize negotiations with banks and decision on bank selection
- Recommendation targeted between June - August
- Bank financing will take 2-3 months to complete
- Given $12 / 30 / 19$ debt expiration, selection should be made by late September

