

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): July 30, 2008

MFA MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland

(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-13991

(Commission
File No.)

13-3974868

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

350 Park Avenue, 21st Floor, New York, New York 10022

(Address of Principal Executive Office) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (212) 207-6400

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

MFA Mortgage Investments, Inc. (“MFA”) issued a press release, dated July 30, 2008, announcing its financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2008, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information referenced in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1 referenced in Items 7.01 and 9.01 below) is being “furnished” under “Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition” and “Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure” and, as such, shall not be deemed to be “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1 referenced in Items 7.01 and 9.01 below) shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed by MFA pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

As discussed therein, the press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and, as such, may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These forward-looking statements relate to MFA’s current expectations and are subject to the limitations and qualifications set forth in the press release as well as in MFA’s other documents filed with the SEC, including, without limitation, that actual events and/or results may differ materially from those projected in such forward-looking statements.

ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

As discussed in Item 2.02 above, MFA issued a press release, dated July 30, 2008, announcing its financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2008, the text of which is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated July 30, 2008, announcing MFA’s financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2008.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MFA MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS, INC.

By: /s/ Timothy W. Korth

Timothy W. Korth

General Counsel and Senior Vice President –
Business Development

Date: July 30, 2008

MFA

MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS, INC.

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PRESS RELEASE

June 30, 2008

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MFA Mortgage Investments, Inc.
Announces Second Quarter 2008 Financial Results

MFA Mortgage Investments, Inc. (NYSE:MFA) today reported net income of \$33.0 million, or \$0.20 per share of common stock, for the second quarter ended June 30, 2008. For the second quarter, net income excluding items not affecting distributable income was \$37.0 million, or \$0.22 per share of common stock. On July 1, 2008, MFA announced its second quarter dividend of \$0.20 per share of common stock, which will be paid on July 31, 2008 to stockholders of record as of July 14, 2008. As of June 30, 2008, MFA's book value per share of common stock was \$6.59.

Stewart Zimmerman, MFA's Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer said, "We remain focused on high-quality Agency MBS and our portfolio spread has trended up in each of the last six quarters. During the second quarter of 2008, Agency MBS were available at attractive spreads and additional repurchase funding capacity was available to us from multiple counterparties. As a result, utilizing the net proceeds of \$304.3 million raised in our June 3, 2008 public equity offering, we grew our Agency MBS portfolio by \$2.4 billion and our repurchase agreement balances by \$2.0 billion. At June 30, 2008, approximately 99% of our assets consisted of MBS issued or guaranteed by an Agency of the U.S. government or a federally chartered corporation, other MBS rated AAA by a nationally recognized rating agency, MBS-related receivables and cash. Due to recent market volatility and credit issues throughout the financial system, we continue to maintain a relatively low leverage multiple. At June 30, 2008, our debt-to-equity multiple was 6.7x and our liquidity position was \$696 million consisting of \$232 million of cash and \$464 million of unpledged MBS. At this leverage multiple, our quarterly dividend annualized provides investors with a 12.1% yield relative to our quarter end book value."

"Recently, there has been well-publicized market focus on the adequacy of the capitalization of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Notwithstanding these concerns, the U.S. government continues to rely on these two GSEs (government sponsored enterprise) as a major source of funding for the U.S. housing market. Based on recent actions and announcements, we believe the relationship of these GSEs to the U.S. government has been reaffirmed and, in fact, strengthened. Based on existing regulatory policy, both of these GSEs have surplus capital relative to OFHEO mandated capital requirements."

At June 30, 2008, Agency MBS and related receivables constituted approximately 94.7% of MFA's assets (or approximately \$10.2 billion), AAA MBS and related receivables were approximately 2.8% (or approximately \$305 million), and cash was approximately 2.1% (or approximately \$232 million). The Company's remaining assets consist primarily of \$12.9 million of interest rate swaps, an \$11.5 million investment in real estate and \$1.8 million of securities rated below AAA. The value of securities rated below AAA decreased during the quarter as we wrote off all of our unrated securities resulting in impairment charges of \$4.0 million. The average cost basis of our MBS portfolio was 101.26% of par at June 30, 2008. MFA's MBS assets are liquid and continue to be financed with multiple funding providers through repurchase agreements. As of June 30, 2008, we financed our portfolio with 18 repurchase agreement counterparties.

During the second quarter of 2008, MFA's portfolio spread, which is the difference between MFA's interest-earning asset portfolio net yield of 5.23% and its 3.85% cost of funds, was 1.38% versus 0.90% for the first quarter of 2008. In the second quarter of 2008, MFA's costs for compensation and benefits and other general and administrative expense were \$5.0 million, which includes approximately \$1.0 million of expenses related to the postponed MFResidential Investments, Inc. initial public offering.

MFA's primary focus is high quality, higher coupon Agency hybrid and adjustable-rate MBS assets. The MBS in MFA's portfolio are primarily adjustable-rate or hybrids, which have an initial fixed interest rate for a specified period of time and, thereafter, generally reset annually. Assuming a 20% Constant Prepayment Rate (or CPR), approximately 27% of the MBS in MFA's portfolio are expected to prepay or have their interest rates reset within the next 12 months, with a total of 83% expected to reset or prepay during the next 60 months.

MFA takes into account both coupon resets and expected prepayments when measuring the sensitivity of its MBS portfolio to changing interest rates. In measuring its assets-to-borrowing repricing gap (or Repricing Gap), MFA measures the difference between: (a) the weighted average months until coupon adjustment or projected prepayment on its MBS portfolio; and (b) the months remaining on its repurchase agreements including the impact of interest rate swap agreements. Assuming a 20% CPR, the weighted average time to repricing or assumed prepayment for MFA's MBS portfolio, as of June 30, 2008, was approximately 33 months and the average term remaining on its repurchase agreements, including the impact of interest rate swaps, was approximately 17 months, resulting in a Repricing Gap of approximately 16 months. The prepayment speed on MFA's MBS portfolio averaged 15.8% CPR during the second quarter of 2008.

Stockholders interested in participating in MFA's Discount Waiver, Direct Stock Purchase and Dividend Reinvestment Plan (or the Plan) or receiving a Plan prospectus may do so by contacting BNY Mellon Shareowner Services, the Plan administrator, at 1-866-249-2610 (toll free). For more information about the Plan, interested stockholders may also go to the website established for the Plan at <http://www.melloninvestor.com> or visit MFA's website at www.mfa-reit.com.

MFA will hold a conference call on Wednesday, July 30, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. (New York City time) to discuss its second quarter 2008 financial results. The number to dial in order to listen to the conference call is (800) 553-0327 in the U.S. and Canada. International callers must dial (612) 332-0718. The replay will be available through Wednesday, August 6, 2008, at 11:59 p.m., and can be accessed by dialing (800) 475-6701 in the U.S. and Canada or (320) 365-3844 internationally and entering access code: 955793. The conference call will also be webcast over the internet and can be accessed at <http://www.mfa-reit.com> through the appropriate link on MFA's Investor Relations page or, alternatively, at <http://www.ccbn.com>. To listen to the call over the internet, go to the applicable website at least 15 minutes before the call to register and to download and install any needed audio software.

When used in this press release or other written or oral communications, statements which are not historical in nature, including those containing words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "plan," "continue," "intend," "should," "may" or similar expressions, are intended to identify "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and, as such, may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Statements regarding the following subjects, among others, may be forward-looking: changes in interest rates and the market value of MFA's MBS; changes in the prepayment rates on the mortgage loans securing MFA's MBS; MFA's ability to borrow to finance its assets; changes in government regulations affecting MFA's business; MFA's ability to maintain its qualification as a REIT for federal income tax purposes; MFA's ability to maintain its exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940; and risks associated with investing in real estate assets, including changes in business conditions and the general economy. These and other risks, uncertainties and factors, including those described in the annual, quarterly and current reports that MFA files with the SEC, could cause MFA's actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statements it makes. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made. New risks and uncertainties arise over time and it is not possible to predict those events or how they may affect MFA. Except as required by law, MFA is not obligated to, and does not intend to, update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

MFA MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

| <i>(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)</i> | June 30, 2008 | December 31, 2007 |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| | (Unaudited) | |
| Assets: | | |
| Investment securities at fair value (including pledged MBS of \$10,029,077 and \$8,046,947 at June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively) | \$ 10,492,955 | \$ 8,302,797 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 231,857 | 234,410 |
| Restricted cash | 387 | 4,517 |
| Interest receivable | 50,787 | 43,610 |
| Interest rate swap agreements ("Swaps"), at fair value | 12,891 | 103 |
| Real estate, net | 11,477 | 11,611 |
| Goodwill | 7,189 | 7,189 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 1,926 | 1,622 |
| Total Assets | \$ 10,809,469 | \$ 8,605,859 |
| Liabilities: | | |
| Repurchase agreements | \$ 9,310,176 | \$ 7,526,014 |
| Accrued interest payable | 20,169 | 20,212 |
| Mortgages payable on real estate | 9,385 | 9,462 |
| Swaps, at fair value | 53,656 | 99,836 |
| Excess margin cash collateral | 11,500 | - |
| Dividends and dividend equivalents payable | - | 18,005 |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities | 5,716 | 5,067 |
| Total Liabilities | 9,410,602 | 7,678,596 |
| Stockholders' Equity: | | |
| Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; series A 8.50% cumulative redeemable; 5,000 shares authorized; 3,840 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007 (\$96,000 aggregate liquidation preference) | 38 | 38 |
| Common stock, \$.01 par value; 370,000 shares authorized; 197,783 and 122,887 issued and outstanding at June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively | 1,978 | 1,229 |
| Additional paid-in capital, in excess of par | 1,643,614 | 1,085,760 |
| Accumulated deficit | (171,698) | (89,263) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (75,065) | (70,501) |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | 1,398,867 | 927,263 |
| Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | \$ 10,809,469 | \$ 8,605,859 |

MFA MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| <i>(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)</i> | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 |
| | (Unaudited) | | | |
| Interest Income: | | | | |
| Investment securities | \$ 118,542 | \$ 90,392 | \$ 243,607 | \$ 174,739 |
| Cash and cash equivalent investments | 2,151 | 634 | 5,182 | 1,082 |
| Interest Income | 120,693 | 91,026 | 248,789 | 175,821 |
| Interest Expense | 76,661 | 78,348 | 170,133 | 150,608 |
| Net Interest Income | 44,032 | 12,678 | 78,656 | 25,213 |
| Other Income/(Loss): | | | | |
| Net loss on sale of MBS | - | (116) | (24,530) | (113) |
| Other-than-temporary impairment on investment securities | (4,017) | - | (4,868) | - |
| Revenue from operations of real estate | 398 | 413 | 812 | 826 |
| Gain/(loss) on early termination of Swaps, net | - | 176 | (91,481) | 176 |
| Miscellaneous other income, net | 87 | 109 | 179 | 224 |
| Other (Loss)/Income | (3,532) | 582 | (119,888) | 1,113 |
| Operating and Other Expense: | | | | |
| Compensation and benefits | 2,687 | 1,409 | 5,331 | 3,021 |
| Real estate operating expense and mortgage interest | 424 | 429 | 873 | 849 |
| Other general and administrative expense | 2,351 | 1,244 | 3,469 | 2,428 |
| Operating and Other Expense | 5,462 | 3,082 | 9,673 | 6,298 |
| Net Income/(Loss) Before Preferred Stock Dividends | 35,038 | 10,178 | (50,905) | 20,028 |
| Less: Preferred Stock Dividends | 2,040 | 2,040 | 4,080 | 4,080 |
| Net Income/(Loss) to Common Stockholders | \$ 32,998 | \$ 8,138 | \$ (54,985) | \$ 15,948 |
| Income/(Loss) Per Share of Common Stock – Basic and Diluted | \$ 0.20 | \$ 0.10 | \$ (0.35) | \$ 0.20 |
| Dividends Declared Per Share of Common Stock | \$ 0.18 | \$ 0.08 | \$ 0.18 | \$ 0.08 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding: | | | | |
| Basic | 165,896 | 81,874 | 155,303 | 81,321 |
| Diluted | 165,925 | 81,908 | 155,303 | 81,356 |

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This press release contains disclosure relating to MFA's earnings for the three months ended June 30, 2008, which may constitute a non-GAAP financial measure within the meaning of Regulation G promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The table below presents the reconciliation of net income/(loss) allocable to common stockholders to net income excluding items not affecting distributable income. As a REIT, MFA must distribute at least 90% of its taxable ordinary net income, which excludes, among other things, capital gains and losses and impairment charges. MFA's management believes that the disclosure of this financial measure is useful in enabling investors to better understand MFA's minimum dividend requirement relating to its REIT status. MFA's management further believes that this financial measure, when considered together with MFA's GAAP financial measures, provides information that is useful to investors in understanding period-over-period operating results. Management also believes that this financial measure enhances the ability of investors to analyze MFA's operating trends and to better understand its operating performance. This financial measure does not, however, take into account the effect of the realized capital losses and impairment charges recognized by MFA in the three and six months ended June 30, 2008 and, therefore, should not be used as a substitute in assessing MFA's results of operations and financial position. An analysis of any non-GAAP financial measure should be used in conjunction with results presented in accordance with GAAP. A reconciliation of MFA's earnings excluding capital losses and impairment charges for the three and six months ended June 30, 2008 with the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP is as follows:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, 2008 | | Six Months Ended June 30, 2008 | |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| <i>(In Thousands, Except per Share Amounts)</i> | <i>(Per Share)</i> | | <i>(Per Share)</i> | |
| Net Income/(Loss) to Common Stockholders | \$ | 32,998 | \$ | (54,985) |
| Add: | | | | |
| Capital losses on sales of MBS | | - | | 24,530 |
| Capital losses from termination of Swaps | | - | | 91,481 |
| Other-than-temporary impairment on investment securities | | 4,017 | | 4,868 |
| Net Income Excluding Items Not Affecting Distributable Income | \$ | 37,015 | \$ | 65,894 |
| | | | | |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding – basic | | 165,896 | | 155,303 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding – diluted <i>(1)</i> | | 165,925 | | 155,357 |

(1) The impact of dilutive stock options is not included in the computation of earnings per share for periods in which their inclusion would be anti-dilutive.