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):

November 15, 2004

CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Commission File Number 000-20202

Michigan (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

25505 W. TWELVE MILE ROAD, SUITE 3000 Southfield, Michigan (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

38-1999511 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

48034-8339

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (248) 353-2700

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Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

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The information furnished in this report shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Investor Presentation Materials, dated November 15, 2004

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.

CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Douglas W. Busk

Douglas W. Busk Treasurer November 15, 2004

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Investor Presentation

November 2004



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Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements in this presentation that are not historical facts, such as those using terms like "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "assumptions," "forecasts," "estimates" and those regarding the Company's future plans and objectives, are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the federal securities laws. These forward-looking statements represent the Company's outlook only as of the date of this presentation. While the Company believes that its forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially since the statements are based on current expectations, which are subject to risks and uncertainties. The most significant risks are detailed from time to time in the Company's filings and reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the vear ended December 31, 2003. Such risks include-but are not limited to-inability to forecast future collections, increased competition, fluctuating interest rates, reliance on capital markets, inability to generate sufficient cash flow, regulatory changes, and adverse economic conditions. Other factors not currently anticipated by management may also materially and adversely affect the Company's results of operations. The Company does not undertake, and expressly disclaims any obligation, to update or alter its statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable law.



Company Overview



Unique Company

✓ Founded in 1972

✓ No other successful program like CA's in 32 years

 \checkmark Large underserved market

✓ Unique business model



Model is different from a standard auto lender.....

✓ CA does not purchase loans at a discount

✓ CA does:

- ✓ Advance a portion of expected future cash flows to the Dealer-Partner ("DP") at loan inception
- ✓ Service loans for a 20% fee
- \checkmark Credit 80% of the cash flows to DPs
 - ✓ Portion delivered at inception in the form of the Advance
 - ✓ Remainder as 80% of cash flows received after repayment of initial Advance



Sample Loan Example

Assumes 100% Collection Rate

Basic Loar	<u>1</u>	Cash Flow to	Dealer
Wholesale Cost	\$5,420	Advance	\$4,700
Mark-Up	3,680	Down Payment	1,820
Selling Price	9,100	Total	6,520
Down Payment	(1,820)	Wholesale Cost	5,420
Amount Financed	7,280	Immediate Profit	1,100
Interest (36 months @ 22%)	2,720	Holdback	3,300
Total Loan	\$10,000	Dealer Profit	\$4,400
	All	<u>ocation</u>	
Advance		\$4,700	
Holdback		_3,300	
Deal	8,000		
CAC	Fee (20%) <u>2,000</u>		
Tot	\$10,000		
NOTE: Loan specifics and assumptions are s Detail of CA's actual loan size and collection			



- \checkmark DP enters into loan with customer
 - \checkmark Assigns loan to CA
 - \checkmark Customer makes payments to CA
- ✓ DP earns modest profit at loan origination thru a combination of an advance from CA and a down payment from customer
- ✓ Advance is conservative compared to expected future cash flows on loan and wholesale value of vehicle
- ✓ A significant down payment is received from customer
- ✓ Loan terms are short relative to "C" lenders
- ✓ DP has significant profit potential (dealer holdback) if loan performs



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Sample Balance Sheet

(Assumes 10 Loans Exactly Like The Previous Sample)

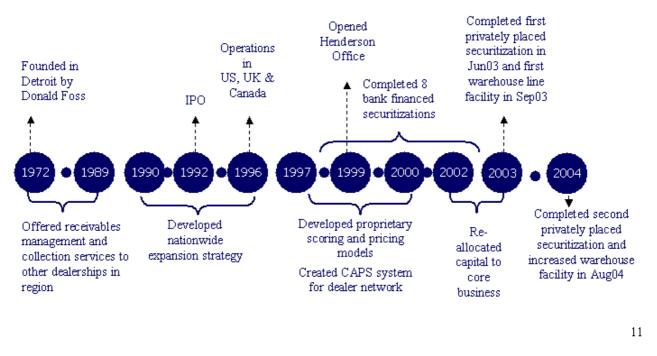
ASSETS Cash	(\$47,000)
Loans receivable Unearned finance charges Loans receivable, net	\$100,000 (20,000) \$ <u>80,000</u>
Total Assets	\$33,000
LIABILITIES Dealer holdbacks Advances Dealer holdbacks, net	\$80,000 (47,000) \$33,000



- ✓ DPs can group loans in discrete "pools" of not less than 100 loans
- ✓ DPs share of the collections (80%) applied to reduce the aggregate advance owing on pool
- ✓ Once the advance on a pool has been repaid, CA remits the DPs share of collections to the DP
- ✓ DP's aggregate advance balance is secured by the future collections on all loans originated by the DP that are assigned to CA

Acceptance

CA has been operating with the same business model for 32 years





Large market opportunity	
 ✓ Annual US Vehicle Sales ✓ 16 Million New ✓ 44 Million Used 	
 ✓ Dealerships ✓ 20,000 Franchised ✓ 54,000 Independent 	
 ✓ Adult Population ✓ 15% or 32 million ✓ 30% or 63 million 	Beacon Score below 550 below 640
and CA has a very small pie	ce of the market today



 ✓ Guaranteed Credit Approval delivered instantly through the Internet

- ✓ Incremental vehicle sales
 - ✓ Repeat and referral business
 - \checkmark Increases traditional sales

 \checkmark Incremental service and body shop business

 ✓ Benefit from other services (sales training and marketing assistance)

Value to Customers



Customer Options

Without our program

 \checkmark Pay cash for a vehicle

 \checkmark Do without a vehicle

✓ Finance thru a BHPH

Outcome

✓ No opportunity to reestablish credit

With our program

✓ Finance an affordable vehicle

✓ Opportunity to reestablish credit



Current Business Summary

Current Business Summary



 \checkmark Consists of:

 $\checkmark\,$ An active United States retail operation

✓ A liquidating portfolio of discontinued operations

✓ US retail operation

✓ Increasing the number of active DPs

✓ Modest reduction in originations per active DP

✓ Increasing Return on Capital

 Liquidating portfolio expected to return \$12.8 million in capital for investment in US over next two years:

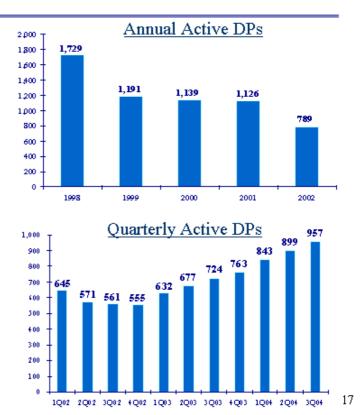
- ✓ UK \$10.5
- 🗸 Canada 👘 1.7
- ✓ Leasing <u>0.6</u>
 - Total <u>\$12.8</u>



US Active Dealer-Partners

<u> 1998 - 2002</u>

- ✓ Five year trend of declining number of active DPs
- ✓ Focus on increasing Return on Capital (ROC) resulted in termination of DP relationships that were not meeting CA's ROC targets



Since 1Q02

- ✓ Declining trend ceased at end of 2002
- ✓ 33% increase YTD 2004 vs. same period in 2003

Note: An "Active" DP originated at least one loan in the period

US Originations Per Active Dealer-Partner



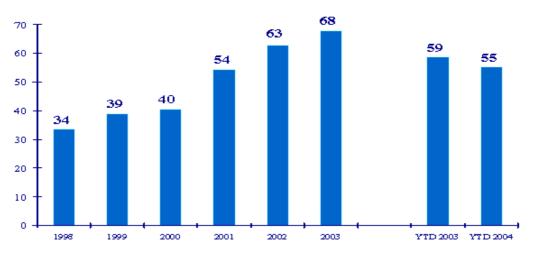
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<u> 1998 - 2003</u>

- ✓ Increased originations per active DP
- ✓ 2001 introduction of CAPS resulted in significantly increased originations per active DP

<u>2004</u>

✓ Modest reduction in loans per active DP





Sales & Marketing



$\checkmark\,$ Current sales force

- ✓ 58 Market Area Managers
- ✓ 9 Regional Area Managers

✓ Sales representative responsibilities

- ✓ Enroll new DPs
- $\checkmark~$ Enhance relationships with existing DPs



- $\checkmark~$ New DPs selected from
 - ✓ CA direct marketing
 - ✓ Referrals and inquiries
 - ✓ Cold calling
 - ✓ Industry conferences and trade shows
- ✓ New DPs pay \$9,850 enrollment fee



Enhancement of Existing DP Relationships

- ✓ Other services provided to DPs to assist them in servicing the below 640 Beacon score market
 - ✓ Marketing Assistance
 - ✓ Direct mailers
 - ✓ Point of sale materials
 - ✓ Internet leads
 - ✓ Radio, TV, Print ads

✓ Training

- ✓ CA University
- ✓ In-Dealership training
- ✓ Regional training seminars
- ✓ E-Learning internet training



Risk Management



Appropriately managing the spread between the forecasted collection rate and the advance rate is critical to CA's success

Benefits of Increasing Spread

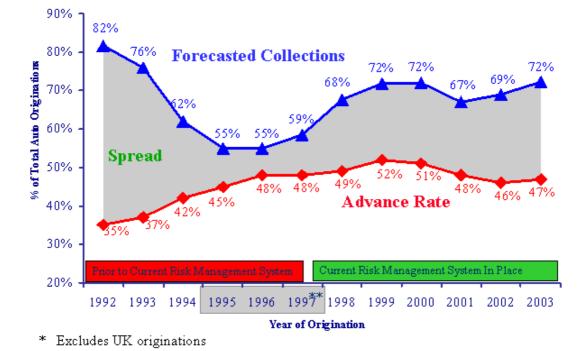
 \checkmark Increases the margin for error

✓ Improves Return on Capital

✓ Increases long-term DP commitment

Historical Spread *





** 1995-1997 Loan originations produced high levels of advance losses due to the narrow spread between the forecasted collection rate and the advance rate.

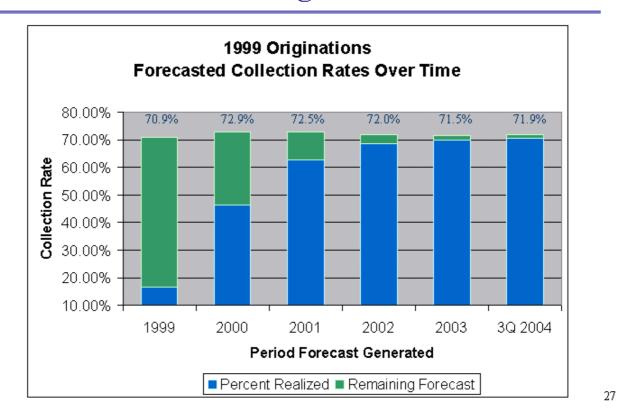


 \checkmark Largest risk to future performance

- ✓ Over 80% of forecast realized in first 36 months following loan origination
- ✓ Forecasts become more precise as loan pools mature

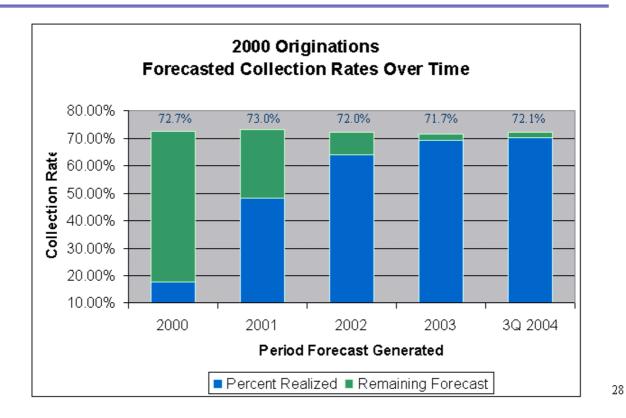
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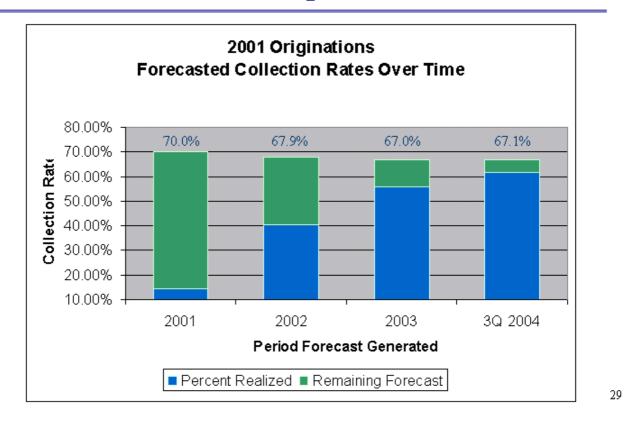
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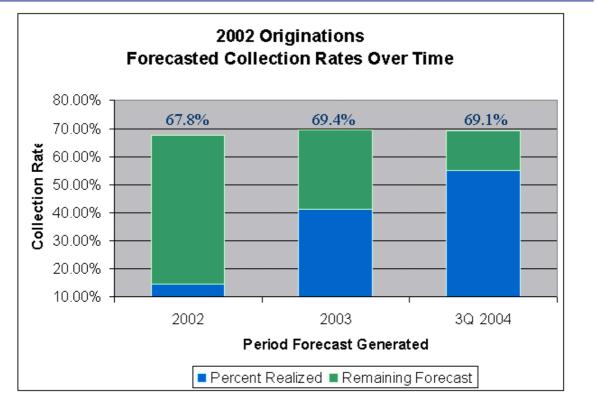
Forecast Accuracy 2001 Originations





Forecast Accuracy 2002 Originations







Liquidity



- ✓ \$76M available on \$135M revolving credit facility as of September 30, 2004
- ✓ \$160M available on the \$200M warehouse facility as of September 30, 2004
- ✓ Completion of privately placed securitizations improves future access to debt capital



✓ \$135 Million Capacity

✓ \$76.3 million of availability as of September 30, 2004

- ✓ Renewed in June of 2004
- ✓ Two Year Facility Term
- ✓ Covenants and borrowing base not presently restrictive

✓ Six Commercial Banks in Syndicate



 ✓ Completed eight bank-financed securitizations to date ✓ \$510 million in debt financing raised via two different commercial bank conduits
\checkmark The last seven were accounted for as On-Balance-Sheet
✓ All repaid as of June 30, 2003
 ✓ Completed a bank-financed revolving warehouse securitization September 2003 ✓ \$200 million in debt financing available ✓ Accounted for as On-Balance-Sheet ✓ Renewed August 2004 ✓ One year term



- ✓ Completed two privately placed securitization to date
 - ✓ 1st Completed June 2003
 - ✓ \$100 million
 - \checkmark 6 month revolving period
 - ✓ Paid in full September 2004
 - ✓ 2nd Completed August 2004
 - ✓ \$100 million
 - \checkmark 6 month revolving period
- ✓ Improves future access to capital



For more information about Credit Acceptance, please see our internet website at: www.creditacceptance.com