# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 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): August 6, 2013

# HORIZON TECHNOLOGY FINANCE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

814-00802 (Commission File Number) 27-2114934 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

312 Farmington Avenue Farmington, CT 06032

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (860) 676-8654

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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| Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Section 2 Financial Information

# Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On August 6, 2013, Horizon Technology Finance Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three months ended June 30, 2013. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 furnished herewith, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to liabilities of such Section. The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

# Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 furnished herewith, may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements other than statements of historical facts included in this Current Report on Form 8-K may constitute forward-looking statements and are not guarantees of future performance or results and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including those described from time to time in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company undertakes no duty to update any forward-looking statement made herein. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

## Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release of the Company dated August 6, 2013.

# SIGNATURE

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.

Date: August 6, 2013 HORIZON TECHNOLOGY FINANCE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Robert D. Pomeroy, Jr.

Robert D. Pomeroy, Jr. Chief Executive Officer

# **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release of the Company dated August 6, 2013



# Horizon Technology Finance Announces Second Quarter 2013 Financial Results

Net Investment Income increases to \$0.38 Per Share Locks in 3% coupon rate on \$90 million of Borrowings

**FARMINGTON, Conn., August 6, 2013** – Horizon Technology Finance Corporation (NASDAQ: HRZN) (the "Company" or "Horizon"), a leading specialty finance company that provides secured loans to venture capital and private equity-backed development-stage companies in the technology, life science, healthcare information and services, and cleantech industries, today announced its second quarter financial results for the three months ended June 30, 2013.

#### Second Quarter 2013 Highlights

- Earned net investment income ("NII") of \$3.6 million, or \$0.38 per share
- Funded \$29.1 million in loans to new and existing portfolio companies
- Closed new loan commitments totaling \$33.5 million
- Ended the quarter with an investment portfolio of \$246.9 million
- Achieved a portfolio weighted average yield of 14.5%
- Net asset value equaled \$142.7 million, or \$14.89 per share
- Declared monthly dividends of \$0.115 per share for each of July, August and September 2013
- Unfunded loan approvals and commitments totaled \$19.0 million
- Reduced pricing on revolving credit facility to LIBOR plus 3.25%, a reduction of 0.75%
- Completed a \$189 million securitization of secured loans and issued \$90 million of asset-backed notes rated A2 (sf) by Moody's Investor Services, Inc. with a fixed rate of 3.0%
- 92% of total borrowings now at fixed interest rates

"During the second quarter, Horizon maintained a portfolio of quality, high yielding assets delivering solid financial results for shareholders," said Robert D. Pomeroy, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "We generated a strong level of net investment income of \$0.38 per share and a portfolio yield of 14.5% from a combination of an existing portfolio, strong loan originations and portfolio loan prepayments during the quarter. We are pleased that our second quarter NII more than covered our dividends of \$0.345 per share paid in the second quarter."

Mr. Pomeroy added, "During the quarter, we strategically enhanced Horizon's future earnings potential. Specifically, in May we reduced the interest rate on our revolving credit facility and in June we issued \$90 million of asset-back notes with a fixed interest rate of 3.0%. Our practiced approach to capital deployment, a hallmark of our success, positions Horizon well to continue to generate a predictable stream of investment income while maintaining the opportunity to realize significant gains from our portfolio of warrants in 72 companies."

# **Operating Results**

Total investment income increased 60.3% to \$8.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2013, as compared to \$5.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012. For the three months ended June 30, 2013, total investment income consisted primarily of \$8.4 million in interest income from investments, which included \$1.8 million in income from the amortization of origination fees and end-of-term payments on investments. Interest income on investments and other investment income rose primarily due to the increased average size of the loan portfolio. Fee income of \$0.4 million was primarily comprised of prepayment fees from four portfolio companies. For the three months ended June 30, 2012, total investment income consisted of \$5.5 million in interest income from investments, which included \$0.8 million in income from the amortization of origination fees and end-of-term payments on investments.

For the six months ended June 30, 2013, total investment income increased 33.4% to \$16.2 million as compared to \$12.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012. For the six months ended June 30, 2013, total investment income consisted primarily of \$15.8 million in interest income from investments, which included \$3.0 million in income from the amortization of origination fees and end-of-term payments on investments.

The Company's dollar-weighted average annualized portfolio yield on average loans for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 was 14.5% and 12.9%, respectively. The Company's dollar-weighted average annualized portfolio yield on average loans for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 was 13.7% and 14.1%, respectively.

Total expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2013 were \$5.1 million, as compared to \$3.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012. Total expenses for each period consisted primarily of interest expense, management fees, incentive and administrative fees and, to a lesser degree, professional fees and general and administrative expenses. Interest expense increased quarter-over-quarter primarily due to the increase in average debt outstanding as well as a higher borrowing cost associated with the Company's term loan credit facility. Total expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2013 were \$9.7 million, as compared to \$6.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012.

For the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, net investment income was \$3.6 million, or \$0.38 per share, and \$2.3 million, or \$0.30 per share, respectively. For the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, net investment income was \$6.4 million, or \$0.67 per share, and \$5.6 million, or \$0.74 per share, respectively.

For both the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, the Company reported a net realized loss on investments of \$0.1 million, or \$0.01 per share. For the six months ended June 30, 2013, the Company reported a net realized loss on investments of \$0.3 million, or \$0.03 per share, as compared to a net realized loss on investments of \$0.1 million, or \$0.01 per share, for the six months ended June 30, 2012.

For the three months ended June 30, 2013, the net unrealized depreciation on investments was \$2.4 million, which was primarily due to the change in fair values of our investment portfolio during the period. This compares to net unrealized appreciation on investments of \$0.02 million, for the three months ended June 30, 2012, which was primarily due to the change in portfolio investment fair values during the quarter. For the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, the net unrealized depreciation on investments was \$2.0 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, which was primarily due to the change in fair values of our investment portfolio.

For the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, the net increase in net assets resulting from operations was \$1.1 million, or \$0.12 per share, and \$2.2 million, or \$0.29 per share, respectively. For the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, the net increase in net assets resulting from operations was \$4.1 million, or \$0.43 per share, and \$4.8 million, or \$0.62 per share, respectively.

# Portfolio Summary and Investment Activity

As of June 30, 2013, the Company's debt portfolio consisted of 52 secured loans with an aggregate fair value of \$237.9 million. In addition, the Company's warrant portfolio had an aggregate fair value of \$6.0 million as of June 30, 2013. Total portfolio investment activity as of and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 was as follows:

	For the three months ended June 30,			For the six months ended June 30,				
		2013		2012		2013		2012
Beginning portfolio	\$	247,781	\$	167,296	\$	228,613	\$	178,013
New loan funding		29,143		37,295		57,643		68,995
Less refinanced balances and participation		_		_		_		(18,739)
Net new loan funding		29,143		37,295		57,643		50,256
Principal payments received on investments		(8,695)		(8,795)		(18,657)		(17,915)
Early pay-offs		(19,278)		_		(19,278)		(14,205)
Accretion of loan fees		753		450		1,301		1,092
New loan fees		(368)		(566)		(688)		(748)
New equity		_		_		73		_
Proceeds from sale on investments		(39)		(38)		(39)		(38)
Net realized loss on investments		(45)		(60)		(62)		(61)
Net appreciation (depreciation) on investments		(2,391)		18		(1,972)		(794)
Other		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		(73)		<u>—</u>
Ending Portfolio	\$	246,861	\$	195,600	\$	246,861	\$	195,600

# **Net Asset Value**

At June 30, 2013, the Company's net assets were approximately \$142.7 million, an increase of 11.6%, as compared to \$127.9 million as of June 30, 2012, and a decrease of 1.4% as compared to \$144.8 million as of March 31, 2013.

### Portfolio Asset Quality

The following table shows the classification of Horizon's loan portfolio at fair value by credit rating as of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

		June 30,	2013	March	31, 2013	December 31, 2012			
Loans at Fair Value		Percentage of Loan Portfolio	of Loan Fair		Loans at Fair Value	Percentage of Loan Portfolio			
Credit Rating									
4	\$	25,169	10.6%	\$ 33,696	14.1%	6 \$ 30,818	14.0%		
3		190,794	80.2%	180,859	75.8%	6 181,019	82.2%		
2		19,257	8.1%	18,914	7.9%	3,560	1.6%		
1		2,651	1.1%	5,280	2.2%	6 4,900	2.2%		
Total	\$	237,871	100.0	\$ 238,749	100.0%	§ 220,297	100.0%		

As of June 30, 2013, March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company's loan portfolio had a weighted average credit rating of 3.1, 3.1 and 3.2, respectively, with 4 being the highest credit quality rating and 3 being the rating for a standard level of risk. A rating of 2 represents an increased level of risk and while no loss is currently anticipated for a 2 rated loan, there is potential for future loss of principal. A rating of 1 represents a deteriorating credit quality and increased risk.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

As of June 30, 2013, the Company had approximately \$34.7 million in available liquidity, including cash and investments in money market funds totaling \$24.7 million, and approximately \$10 million in funds available under existing credit facility commitments.

Effective May 1, 2013, the stated interest rate under Horizon's revolving credit facility was reduced to one month LIBOR plus 3.25%, as compared to the previous interest rate of one month LIBOR plus 4.00%. The credit facility will continue to have a LIBOR floor of 1.00%. All other terms of the credit facility remain unchanged.

On June 28, 2013, Horizon completed a \$189 million securitization of its secured loans. The Company's newly formed wholly owned subsidiary, Horizon Funding Trust 2013-1, issued \$90 million of notes (the "Notes") rated A2 (sf) by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. which were backed by \$189 million of secured loans originated by Horizon. The Notes bear interest at a fixed interest rate of 3.00% per annum and have a stated maturity date of May 15, 2018. The securitization fixed the stated interest rate on 68% of Horizon's total borrowings outstanding as of June 30, 2013 at 3.00%. In addition, the interest rate on 92% of Horizon's borrowings are now fixed.

As of June 30, 2013, there were no borrowings outstanding under the Company's revolving credit facility with Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC and there was \$10 million outstanding under the Company's term loan credit facility with Fortress Credit Co LLC.

As of June 30, 2013, the asset coverage for borrowed amounts was 207%.

#### Monthly Dividends Declared in Third Quarter 2013

On August 2, 2013, the Company's Board of Directors declared monthly dividends of \$0.115 per share payable in October, November and December 2013. These monthly dividends, as set forth in the following table, total \$0.345 per share:

Declared	Ex-Dividend Date	Record Date	Payment Date	Amount Per Share	
August 2, 2013	September 16, 2013	September 18, 2013	October 15, 2013	\$0.115	
August 2, 2013	October 15, 2013	October 17, 2013	November 15, 2013	\$0.115	
August 2, 2013	November 15, 2013	November 19, 2013	December 16, 2013	\$0.115	
				Total: \$0.345	

When declaring dividends, the Company's Board of Directors reviews estimates of taxable income available for distribution, which may differ from consolidated net income under generally accepted accounting principles due to (i) changes in unrealized appreciation and depreciation, (ii) temporary and permanent differences in income and expense recognition and (iii) the amount of spillover income carried over from a given year for distribution in the following year. The final determination of taxable income for each tax year, as well as the tax attributes for dividends in such tax year, will be made after the close of the tax year.

# **Conference Call**

The Company will host a conference call on Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. ET to discuss its latest corporate developments and financial results. The dial-in number for callers in the U.S. is (877) 677-9112, and the dial-in number for international callers is (708) 290-1396. The access code for all callers is 18210812.

A live webcast will be available on the Company's website at www.horizontechnologyfinancecorp.com.

A replay of the call will be available through August 9, 2013. To access the replay, please (855) 859-2056 in the U.S. and (404) 537-3406 outside the U.S., and then enter the access code 18210812. An online archive of the webcast will be available on the Company's website for 30 days following the call.

# **About Horizon Technology Finance**

Horizon Technology Finance Corporation is a business development company that provides secured loans to development-stage companies backed by established venture capital and private equity firms within the technology, life science, healthcare information and services, and clean-tech industries. The investment objective of Horizon is to maximize total risk-adjusted returns by generating current income from a portfolio of directly originated secured loans as well as capital appreciation from warrants to purchase the equity of portfolio companies. Headquartered in Farmington, Connecticut, with regional offices in Walnut Creek, California and Reston, Virginia, Horizon is externally managed by its investment advisor, Horizon Technology Finance Management LLC. Horizon's common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the ticker symbol "HRZN". In addition, Horizon's 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "HTF". To learn more, please visit <a href="https://www.horizontechnologyfinancecorp.com">www.horizontechnologyfinancecorp.com</a>.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

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# Horizon Technology Finance Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities (Unaudited) (In thousands, except share data)

December 31, 2012	Ι	June 30, 2013		
				Assets
				Non-affiliate investments at fair value (cost of \$259,605 and
\$ 228,613	\$	246,861	\$	\$239,385, respectively)
2,560		2,800		Investment in money market funds
1,048		21,871		Cash
2,811		3,867		Interest receivable
4,626		6,322		Other assets
\$ 239,658	\$	281,721	\$	Total assets
				Liabilities
\$ 89,020	\$	133,000	\$	Borrowings
3,301		3,305		Dividends payable
402		470		Base management fee payable
855		900		Incentive fee payable
1,108		1,359		Other accrued expenses
94,686		139,034		Total liabilities
				Net assets
				Preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share, 1,000,000 shares authorized, zero shares issued and outstanding as of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012
				Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized,
				9,580,446 and 9,567,225 shares outstanding as of June 30, 2013 and
10		10		December 31, 2012, respectively
154,384		154,577		Paid-in capital in excess of par
1,428		1,194		Accumulated undistributed net investment income
,		(12,744)		Net unrealized depreciation on investments
		(350)		Net realized loss on investments
144,972		142,687		Total net assets
\$ 239,658	\$	281.721	\$	Total liabilities and net assets
\$ 15.15	_	14.89	\$	Net asset value per common share
		14.89	<u>\$</u>	Net asset value per common share

# Horizon Technology Finance Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited) (In thousands, except share data)

		For the Three Months Ended June 30,			For the Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2013		2012		2013		2012
Investment income		_						
Interest income on non-affiliate investments	\$	8,407	\$	5,467	\$	15,754	\$	11,377
Fee income on non-affiliate investments		380		15		402		730
Total investment income		8,787		5,482		16,156	·	12,107
Expenses								
Interest expense		1,924		990		3,697		1,665
Base management fee		1,329		961		2,570		1,955
Performance based incentive fee		900		412		1,593		1,250
Administrative fee		317		246		602		502
Professional fees		311		292		693		599
General and administrative		325		323		546		525
Total expenses	<u></u>	5,106		3,224		9,701		6,496
Net investment income before excise tax		3,681		2,258		6,455		5,611
Provision for excise tax		(80)				(80)		
Net investment income		3,601		2,258		6,375		5,611
Net realized and unrealized (loss) gain on investments								
Net realized loss on investments		(62)		(60)		(272)		(61)
Net unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments		(2,391)		18		(1,972)		(794)
Net realized and unrealized loss on investments	·	(2,453)		(42)		(2,244)		(855)
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$	1,148	\$	2,216	\$	4,131	\$	4,756
Net investment income per common share	\$	0.38	\$	0.30	\$	0.67	\$	0.74
Net increase in net assets per common share	\$	0.12	\$	0.29	\$	0.43	\$	0.62
Dividends declared per share	\$	0.345	\$	0.45	\$	0.69	\$	0.90
Weighted average shares outstanding		9,578,421		7,640,833		9,574,626		7,638,721