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FORM 10-Q

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

For Quarterly Period Ended
March 31, 2018

or

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

For the Transition Period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 001-15204

Kingsway Financial Services Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ontario, Canada
(State or other jurisdiction of Not Applicable (I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

45 St. Clair Avenue West, Suite 400 Toronto, Ontario M4V 1K9
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

1-416-848-1171

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period the registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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| Large accelerated filer <input type="checkbox"/> | Accelerated filer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Non-accelerated filer <input type="checkbox"/> (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) | Smaller Reporting Company <input type="checkbox"/> | Emerging Growth Company <input type="checkbox"/> |
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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes No
The number of shares, including restricted common shares, outstanding of the registrant's common stock as of May 14, 2018 was 23,660,855.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands, except share data)

| | March 31, 2018 | December 31, 2017 |
|---|-------------------|----------------------|
| | (unaudited) | |
| Assets | | |
| Investments: | | |
| Fixed maturities, at fair value (amortized cost of \$51,403 and \$53,746, respectively) | \$ 50,499 | \$ 53,214 |
| Equity investments, at fair value (cost of \$5,922 and \$9,146, respectively) | 6,472 | 8,994 |
| Limited liability investments | 25,749 | 25,173 |
| Limited liability investment, at fair value | 8,925 | 10,314 |
| Other investments, at cost which approximates fair value | 3,316 | 3,721 |
| Short-term investments, at cost which approximates fair value | 151 | 151 |
| Total investments | 95,112 | 101,567 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 47,197 | 44,286 |
| Investment in investee | 5,331 | 5,230 |
| Accrued investment income | 358 | 526 |
| Premiums receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$115 and \$115, respectively | 31,428 | 27,855 |
| Service fee receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$333 and \$318, respectively | 5,707 | 4,286 |
| Other receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of zero and zero, respectively | 7,398 | 7,139 |
| Deferred acquisition costs, net | 10,646 | 13,045 |
| Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$14,716 and \$13,600, respectively | 107,166 | 108,230 |
| Goodwill | 80,112 | 80,112 |
| Intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$8,605 and \$8,333, respectively | 87,343 | 87,615 |
| Other assets | 15,202 | 4,709 |
| Total Assets | \$493,000 | \$ 484,600 |
| Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity | | |
| Liabilities: | | |
| Unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses: | | |
| Property and casualty | \$ 61,658 | \$ 63,652 |
| Vehicle service agreements | 2,683 | 2,779 |
| Total unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses | 64,341 | 66,431 |
| Unearned premiums | 39,921 | 36,686 |
| Note payable | 185,530 | 186,469 |
| Bank loan | 4,667 | 4,917 |
| Subordinated debt, at fair value | 53,458 | 52,105 |
| Net deferred income tax liabilities | 30,352 | 30,331 |
| Deferred service fees | 41,072 | 39,741 |
| Income taxes payable | 2,876 | 2,644 |

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| Accrued expenses and other liabilities | 24,135 | 15,966 |
| Total Liabilities | 446,352 | 435,290 |
| Class A preferred stock, no par value; unlimited number authorized; 222,876 and 222,876 issued and outstanding at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively; redemption amount of \$5,572 | 5,469 | 5,461 |
| Shareholders' Equity: | | |
| Common stock, no par value; unlimited number authorized; 21,708,190 and 21,708,190 issued and outstanding at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively | — | — |
| Additional paid-in capital | 356,313 | 356,021 |
| Accumulated deficit | (356,273) | (313,487) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | 35,844 | (3,852) |
| Shareholders' equity attributable to common shareholders | 35,884 | 38,682 |
| Noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries | 5,295 | 5,167 |
| Total Shareholders' Equity | 41,179 | 43,849 |
| Total Liabilities, Class A preferred stock and Shareholders' Equity | \$ 493,000 | \$ 484,600 |

See accompanying notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Operations
(in thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

| | Three months ended March 31, | |
|--|---------------------------------|------------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Revenues: | | |
| Net premiums earned | \$28,636 | \$32,922 |
| Service fee and commission income | 10,557 | 6,562 |
| Rental income | 3,348 | 3,347 |
| Net investment (loss) income | (682) | 714 |
| Net realized gains | 13 | 398 |
| Gain on change in fair value of equity investments | 1,176 | — |
| Other income | 2,660 | 2,798 |
| Total revenues | 45,708 | 46,741 |
| Operating expenses: | | |
| Loss and loss adjustment expenses | 24,422 | 26,410 |
| Commissions and premium taxes | 5,443 | 6,278 |
| Cost of services sold | 2,252 | 1,304 |
| General and administrative expenses | 11,337 | 11,272 |
| Leased real estate segment interest expense | 1,552 | 1,574 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 272 | 291 |
| Impairment of intangible assets | — | 250 |
| Total operating expenses | 45,278 | 47,379 |
| Operating income (loss) | 430 | (638) |
| Other expenses (revenues), net: | | |
| Interest expense not allocated to segments | 1,386 | 1,159 |
| Foreign exchange losses, net | 2 | 4 |
| Loss on change in fair value of debt | 919 | 1,889 |
| Equity in net income of investee | (101) | (2,385) |
| Total other expenses, net | 2,206 | 667 |
| Loss before income tax expense | (1,776) | (1,305) |
| Income tax expense | 251 | 179 |
| Net loss | (2,027) | (1,484) |
| Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries | 135 | 105 |
| Less: dividends on preferred stock, net of tax | 129 | 174 |
| Net loss attributable to common shareholders | \$(2,291) | \$(1,763) |
| Loss per share – net loss attributable to common shareholders: | | |
| Basic: | \$(0.11) | \$(0.08) |
| Diluted: | \$(0.11) | \$(0.08) |
| Weighted-average shares outstanding (in '000s): | | |
| Basic: | 21,708 | 21,458 |
| Diluted: | 21,708 | 21,458 |

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INC.Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss
(in thousands)
(Unaudited)

| | Three months ended March 31, | |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Net loss | \$(2,027) | \$(1,484) |
| Other comprehensive loss, net of taxes ⁽¹⁾ : | | |
| Unrealized losses on available-for-sale investments: | | |
| Unrealized losses arising during the period | (365) | (163) |
| Reclassification adjustment for amounts included in net loss | (7) | (507) |
| Change in fair value of debt attributable to instrument-specific credit risk | (434) | — |
| Other comprehensive loss | (806) | (670) |
| Comprehensive loss | (2,833) | (2,154) |
| Less: comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries | 129 | 106 |
| Comprehensive loss attributable to common shareholders | \$(2,962) | \$(2,260) |

(1) Net of income tax expense of \$0 and \$0 for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017, respectively.

See accompanying notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements

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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(in thousands)
(Unaudited)

| | Three months ended March 31, | |
|---|---------------------------------|------------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Cash provided by (used in): | | |
| Operating activities: | | |
| Net loss | \$(2,027) | \$(1,484) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities: | | |
| Equity in net income of investee | (101) | (2,385) |
| Equity in net income of limited liability investments | (283) | (300) |
| Loss on change in fair value of limited liability investment | 1,389 | 367 |
| Depreciation and amortization expense | 1,388 | 1,440 |
| Stock-based compensation expense, net of forfeitures | 292 | 292 |
| Net realized gains | (13) | (398) |
| Gain on change in fair value of equity investments | (1,176) | — |
| Loss on change in fair value of debt | 919 | 1,889 |
| Deferred income taxes | 21 | (53) |
| Intangible asset impairment | — | 250 |
| Amortization of fixed maturities premiums and discounts | 45 | 58 |
| Amortization of note payable premium | (237) | (242) |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: | | |
| Premiums and service fee receivable, net | (4,994) | (2,236) |
| Other receivables, net | (259) | (2,322) |
| Deferred acquisition costs, net | 2,399 | (504) |
| Unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses | (2,090) | (5,736) |
| Unearned premiums | 3,235 | 3,865 |
| Deferred service fees | 1,331 | 130 |
| Other, net | (1,441) | (463) |
| Net cash used in operating activities | (1,602) | (7,832) |
| Investing activities: | | |
| Proceeds from sales and maturities of fixed maturities | 1,608 | 5,898 |
| Proceeds from sales of equity investments | 6,840 | 2,488 |
| Purchases of fixed maturities | (2,299) | (2,731) |
| Purchases of equity investments | (744) | (675) |
| Net acquisitions of limited liability investments | (293) | (150) |
| Net proceeds from other investments | 405 | 626 |
| Net proceeds from short-term investments | — | 250 |
| Net purchases of property and equipment | (52) | (43) |
| Net cash provided by investing activities | 5,465 | 5,663 |
| Financing activities: | | |
| Principal payments on bank loan | (250) | — |
| Principal payments on note payable | (702) | (619) |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (952) | (619) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 2,911 | (2,788) |

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| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 44,286 | 36,475 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$47,197 | \$33,687 |

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NOTE 1 BUSINESS

Kingsway Financial Services Inc. (the "Company" or "Kingsway") was incorporated under the Business Corporations Act (Ontario) on September 19, 1989. Kingsway is a Canadian holding company with operating subsidiaries located in the United States. The Company operates as a merchant bank with a focus on long-term value-creation. The Company owns or controls subsidiaries primarily in the insurance, extended warranty, asset management and real estate industries and pursues non-control investments and other opportunities acting as an advisor, an investor and a financier.

NOTE 2 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and notes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements of the Company. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation have been included and are of a normal recurring nature. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year. Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation. Such reclassifications had no impact on previously reported net loss or total shareholders' equity.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated interim financial statements and footnotes should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and footnotes included within our Annual Report on Form 10-K ("2017 Annual Report") for the year ended December 31, 2017.

The unaudited consolidated interim financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and classifications of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses, and the related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates. Estimates and their underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Changes in estimates are recorded in the accounting period in which they are determined. The critical accounting estimates and assumptions in the accompanying unaudited consolidated interim financial statements include the provision for unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses; valuation of fixed maturities and equity investments; impairment assessment of investments; valuation of limited liability investment, at fair value; valuation of deferred income taxes; valuation and impairment assessment of intangible assets; goodwill recoverability; deferred acquisition costs; fair value assumptions for performance shares; and fair value assumptions for subordinated

debt obligations.

The fair values of the Company's investments in fixed maturities and equity investments, limited liability investment, at fair value, performance shares and subordinated debt are estimated using a fair value hierarchy to categorize the inputs it uses in valuation techniques. The fair value of the Company's investment in investee is based on quoted market prices. Fair values for other investments approximate their unpaid principal balance. The carrying amounts reported in the consolidated balance sheets approximate fair values for cash, short-term investments and certain other assets and other liabilities because of their short-term nature.

The Company's financial results contained herein are reported in U.S. dollars unless otherwise indicated.

NOTE 3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

There have been no material changes to our significant accounting policies as reported in our 2017 Annual Report.

NOTE 4 RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

(a) Adoption of New Accounting Standards:

Effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers ("ASU 2014-09"), and the related amendments, utilizing the modified retrospective approach, which created a new comprehensive revenue recognition standard that serves as the single source of revenue guidance for all contracts with customers to transfer goods or services or contracts for the transfer of nonfinancial assets, unless those contracts are within the scope of other standards. The core principle of ASU 2014-09 is that an entity recognizes revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or

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services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. Insurance contracts, lease contracts and investments are not within the scope of ASU 2014-09; therefore, this standard does not apply to the majority of our consolidated revenues. ASU 2014-09 is applicable to the Company's service fee and commission income. Service fee and commission income represents vehicle service agreement fees, maintenance support service fees, warranty product commissions and homebuilder warranty service fees and commissions based on terms of various agreements with credit unions, consumers, businesses and homebuilders. The revenue recognition policy we utilize for our service fee and commission income aligns with the new guidance; therefore, there were no changes to the way we recognize revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2018. Since the adoption of the new standard did not have a material impact on the measurement or recognition of revenue, a cumulative effect adjustment to opening accumulated deficit was not deemed necessary. Refer to Note 12, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers," for further details.

Effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted ASU 2016-01, Financial Instruments-Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities ("ASU 2016-01"). The amendments in ASU 2016-01 address certain aspects of recognition, measurement, presentation, and disclosure of financial instruments. Most significantly, ASU 2016-01 requires (1) equity investments (except those accounted for under the equity method of accounting or those that result in consolidation of an investee) to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income (loss); and (2) an entity to present separately in other comprehensive income (loss) the portion of the total change in the fair value of a liability resulting from a change in the instrument-specific credit risk when the entity has elected to measure the liability at fair value in accordance with the fair value option for financial instruments. Previously, the Company recorded its equity investments at fair value with net unrealized gains or losses reported in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) and recorded its subordinated debt at fair value with the total change in fair value reported in net income (loss). As a result of the adoption of ASU 2016-01, cumulative net unrealized losses on equity investments of \$0.0 million were reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) into accumulated deficit and a cumulative \$40.5 million change in fair value of subordinated debt attributable to instrument-specific credit risk was reclassified from accumulated deficit to accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). Prior periods have not been restated to conform to the current presentation.

Effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted ASU 2016-15, Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments ("ASU 2016-15"). The objective of ASU 2016-15 is to reduce diversity in the classification of cash receipts and payments for specific cash flow issues, including debt prepayment or debt extinguishment costs, contingent consideration payments made after a business combination and proceeds from the settlement of insurance claims. The adoption of the standard did not affect the Company's consolidated statements of cash flows.

(b) Accounting Standards Not Yet Adopted:

In February 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU 2016-02, Leases ("ASU 2016-02"). ASU 2016-02 was issued to improve the financial reporting of leasing transactions. Under current guidance for lessees, leases are only included on the balance sheet if certain criteria, classifying the agreement as a capital lease, are met. This update will require the recognition of a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability, discounted to the present value, for all leases that extend beyond 12 months. For operating leases, the asset and liability will be expensed over the lease term on a straight-line basis, with all cash flows included in the operating section of the statement of cash flows. For finance leases, interest on the lease liability will be recognized separately from the amortization of the right-of-use asset in the statement of comprehensive income and the repayment of the principal portion of the lease liability will be classified as a financing activity while the interest component will be included in the operating section of the statement of cash flows. The accounting treatment for lessors will remain relatively unchanged. ASU 2016-02 is effective for annual and interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018. Early adoption is permitted. Upon adoption, leases will be recognized and measured at the beginning of the earliest period presented using a modified retrospective approach. The Company is currently evaluating the potential effect of the adoption of ASU 2016-02 on its consolidated financial statements.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments ("ASU 2016-13"). ASU 2016-13 replaces the current incurred loss model used to measure impairment losses with an expected loss model for trade, reinsurance, and other receivables as well as financial instruments measured at amortized cost. ASU 2016-13 will require a financial asset measured at amortized cost, including reinsurance balances recoverable, to be presented at the net amount expected to be collected by means of an allowance for credit losses that runs through net loss. Credit losses relating to available-for-sale debt securities will also be recorded through an allowance for credit losses. However, the amendments would limit the amount of the allowance to the amount by which fair value is below amortized cost. The measurement of credit losses on available-for-sale investments is similar under current GAAP, but the update requires the use of the allowance account through which amounts can be reversed, rather than through an irreversible write-down. ASU 2016-13 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those annual periods with early adoption

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permitted for fiscal years beginning after December 31, 2018 and interim periods within such year. The Company is currently evaluating ASU 2016-13 to determine the potential impact that adopting this standard will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, Intangibles - Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment ("ASU 2017-04"). ASU 2017-04 was issued to simplify the subsequent measurement of goodwill. This update changes the impairment test by requiring an entity to compare the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount as opposed to comparing the carrying amount of goodwill with its implied fair value. ASU 2017-04 is effective for annual and interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Early adoption is permitted. The Company does not believe the adoption of ASU 2017-04 will have a material effect on its consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 5 ACQUISITION

Professional Warranty Service Corporation:

On October 12, 2017, the Company acquired 100% of the outstanding shares of Professional Warranty Service Corporation ("PWSC") for estimated cash consideration of approximately \$9.9 million. The final purchase price is subject to a true-up that will be finalized in 2018. As further discussed in Note 17, "Segmented Information," PWSC is included in the Extended Warranty segment. PWSC is based in Virginia and is a leading provider of new home warranty products and administration services to the largest tier of domestic residential construction firms in the United States. This acquisition allows the Company to grow its portfolio of warranty companies and expand into the home warranty business.

The Company intends to finalize during 2018 its fair value analysis of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recorded in the consolidated financial statements at their estimated fair market values. These estimates, allocations and calculations are subject to change as we obtain further information; therefore, the final fair market values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed may not agree with the estimates included in the consolidated financial statements. The following table summarizes the estimated allocation of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition:

(in thousands)

| | October 12, 2017 |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$2,071 |
| Other receivables | 50 |

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Service fee receivable | 1,422 |
| Property and equipment | 238 |
| Other assets | 205 |
| Goodwill | \$9,051 |
| Total assets | \$13,037 |

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|--|---------|
| Deferred service fees | \$2,079 |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities | 1,089 |
| Total liabilities | \$3,168 |

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| Purchase price | \$9,869 |
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NOTE 6 INVESTMENTS

As further discussed in Note 4, "Recently Issued Accounting Standards," effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted ASU 2016-01. As a result of the adoption, equity investments are no longer classified as available-for-sale. Prior periods have not been restated to conform to the current presentation.

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses, and estimated fair value of the Company's available-for-sale investments at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 are summarized in the tables shown below:

| (in thousands) | March 31, 2018 | | | |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Amortized Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Estimated Fair Value |
| Fixed maturities: | | | | |
| U.S. government, government agencies and authorities | \$26,201 | \$ — | \$ 392 | \$25,809 |
| States, municipalities and political subdivisions | 3,753 | — | 62 | 3,691 |
| Mortgage-backed | 7,743 | 5 | 212 | 7,536 |
| Asset-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations | 2,151 | — | 22 | 2,129 |
| Corporate | 11,555 | — | 221 | 11,334 |
| Total fixed maturities | \$51,403 | \$ 5 | \$ 909 | \$50,499 |

| (in thousands) | December 31, 2017 | | | |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Amortized Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Estimated Fair Value |
| Fixed maturities: | | | | |
| U.S. government, government agencies and authorities | \$25,519 | \$ — | \$ 275 | \$25,244 |
| States, municipalities and political subdivisions | 3,826 | 3 | 46 | 3,783 |
| Mortgage-backed | 7,784 | 7 | 128 | 7,663 |
| Asset-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations | 2,279 | 1 | 11 | 2,269 |
| Corporate | 14,338 | 22 | 105 | 14,255 |
| Total fixed maturities | 53,746 | 33 | 565 | 53,214 |
| Equity investments: | | | | |
| Common stock | 7,583 | 199 | 363 | 7,419 |
| Warrants - publicly traded | 603 | 266 | 142 | 727 |

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| Warrants - not publicly traded | 960 | 173 | 285 | 848 |
| Total equity investments | 9,146 | 638 | 790 | 8,994 |
| Total fixed maturities and equity investments | \$62,892 | \$ 671 | \$ 1,355 | \$ 62,208 |

Net unrealized gains and losses in the tables above are reported as other comprehensive loss with the exception of net unrealized losses of \$0.1 million, at December 31, 2017, related to warrants - not publicly traded, which are reported in the consolidated statements of operations.

The table below summarizes the Company's fixed maturities at March 31, 2018 by contractual maturity periods.

Actual results may differ as issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations, with or without penalties, prior to the contractual maturity of these obligations.

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| (in thousands) | March 31, 2018 | |
|--|-------------------|----------------------------|
| | Amortized Cost | Estimated Fair Value |
| Due in one year or less | \$ 14,733 | \$ 14,674 |
| Due after one year through five years | 29,824 | 29,179 |
| Due after five years through ten years | 2,194 | 2,126 |
| Due after ten years | 4,652 | 4,520 |
| Total | \$ 51,403 | \$ 50,499 |

The following tables highlight the aggregate unrealized loss position, by security type, of available-for-sale investments in unrealized loss positions as of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017. The tables segregate the holdings based on the period of time the investments have been continuously held in unrealized loss positions.

| (in thousands) | March 31, 2018 | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | Less than 12 Months | | Greater than 12 Months | | Total | |
| | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Loss | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Loss | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Loss |
| Fixed maturities: | | | | | | |
| U.S. government, government agencies and authorities States, municipalities and political subdivisions | \$ 13,306 | \$ 138 | \$ 12,294 | \$ 254 | \$ 25,600 | \$ 392 |
| Mortgage-backed Asset-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations | 3,604 | 70 | 3,886 | 142 | 7,490 | 212 |
| Corporate | 1,309 | 14 | 820 | 8 | 2,129 | 22 |
| Total fixed maturities | 6,800 | 98 | 4,494 | 123 | 11,294 | 221 |
| | \$ 26,741 | \$ 335 | \$ 23,462 | \$ 574 | \$ 50,203 | \$ 909 |

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| | | | | | December 31, 2017 | |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | Less than 12 Months | | Greater than 12 Months | | Total | |
| | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Loss | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Loss | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Loss |
| Fixed maturities: | | | | | | |
| U.S. government, government agencies and authorities States, municipalities and political subdivisions | \$17,067 | \$ 136 | \$8,177 | \$ 139 | \$25,244 | \$ 275 |
| Mortgage-backed | 2,092 | 25 | 893 | 21 | 2,985 | 46 |
| Asset-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations | 5,550 | 86 | 1,789 | 42 | 7,339 | 128 |
| Corporate | 1,158 | 5 | 660 | 6 | 1,818 | 11 |
| Total fixed maturities | 6,807 | 62 | 2,201 | 43 | 9,008 | 105 |
| Equity investments: | 32,674 | 314 | 13,720 | 251 | 46,394 | 565 |
| Common stock | 4,515 | 363 | — | — | 4,515 | 363 |
| Warrants | 896 | 427 | — | — | 896 | 427 |
| Total equity investments | 5,411 | 790 | — | — | 5,411 | 790 |
| Total | \$38,085 | \$ 1,104 | \$13,720 | \$ 251 | \$51,805 | \$ 1,355 |

There are approximately 194 and 191 individual available-for-sale investments that were in unrealized loss positions as of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively.

The establishment of an other-than-temporary impairment on an investment requires a number of judgments and estimates. The Company performs a quarterly analysis of the individual investments to determine if declines in market value are other-than-temporary. The analysis includes some or all of the following procedures as deemed appropriate by the Company:

- identifying all unrealized loss positions that have existed for at least six months;
- identifying other circumstances management believes may affect the recoverability of the unrealized loss positions;
- obtaining a valuation analysis from third-party investment managers regarding the intrinsic value of these investments based on their knowledge and experience together with market-based valuation techniques;
- reviewing the trading range of certain investments over the preceding calendar period;
- assessing if declines in market value are other-than-temporary for debt instruments based on the investment grade credit ratings from third-party rating agencies;

- assessing if declines in market value are other-than-temporary for any debt instrument with a non-investment grade credit rating based on the continuity of its debt service record;
- determining the necessary provision for declines in market value that are considered other-than-temporary based on the analyses performed; and
- assessing the Company's ability and intent to hold these investments at least until the investment impairment is recovered.

The risks and uncertainties inherent in the assessment methodology used to determine declines in market value that are other-than-temporary include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- the opinions of professional investment managers could be incorrect;
- the past trading patterns of individual investments may not reflect future valuation trends;
- the credit ratings assigned by independent credit rating agencies may be incorrect due to unforeseen or unknown facts related to a company's financial situation; and
- the debt service pattern of non-investment grade instruments may not reflect future debt service capabilities and may not reflect a company's unknown underlying financial problems.

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As a result of the analysis performed by the Company to determine declines in market value that are other-than-temporary, there were no write-downs for other-than-temporary impairments related to investments recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017.

The Company has reviewed currently available information regarding investments with estimated fair values less than their carrying amounts and believes these unrealized losses are not other-than-temporary and are primarily due to temporary market and sector-related factors rather than to issuer-specific factors. The Company does not intend to sell those investments, and it is not likely it will be required to sell those investments before recovery of its amortized cost. The Company does not have any exposure to subprime mortgage-backed investments.

Limited liability investments include investments in limited liability companies and limited partnerships that primarily invest in income-producing real estate or real estate related investments. The Company's interests in these investments are not deemed minor and, therefore, are accounted for under the equity method of accounting. The most recently available financial statements are used in applying the equity method. The difference between the end of the reporting period of the limited liability entities and that of the Company is no more than three months. As of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the carrying value of limited liability investments totaled \$25.7 million and \$25.2 million, respectively. At March 31, 2018, the Company has unfunded commitments totaling \$1.0 million to fund limited liability investments. Income or loss from limited liability investments is recognized based on the Company's share of the earnings of the limited liability entities and is included in net investment (loss) income.

Limited liability investment, at fair value represents the Company's investment in 26.7% of the outstanding units of 1347 Investors LLC ("1347 Investors"). The Company has made an irrevocable election to account for this investment at fair value. As of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the carrying value of the Company's limited liability investment, at fair value was \$8.9 million and \$10.3 million, respectively. At March 31, 2018, there was no unfunded commitment related to the limited liability investment, at fair value.

Other investments include mortgage and collateral loans and are reported at their unpaid principal balance. As of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the carrying value of other investments totaled \$3.3 million and \$3.7 million, respectively.

The Company had previously entered into two separate performance share grant agreements with 1347 Property Insurance Holdings, Inc. ("PIH"), whereby the Company will be entitled to receive up to an aggregate of 475,000 shares of PIH common stock upon achievement of certain milestones for PIH's stock price. Pursuant to the performance share grant agreements, if at any time the last sales price of PIH's common stock equals or exceeds: (i) \$10.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period, the Company will receive 100,000 shares of PIH common stock; (ii) \$12.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period, the Company will receive 125,000 shares of PIH common stock (in

addition to the 100,000 shares of common stock earned pursuant to clause (i) herein); (iii) \$15.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period, the Company will receive 125,000 shares of PIH common stock (in addition to the 225,000 shares of common stock earned pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) herein); and (iv) \$18.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period, the Company will receive 125,000 shares of PIH common stock (in addition to the 350,000 shares of common stock earned pursuant to clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) herein). To the extent shares of PIH common stock are granted to the Company under either of the performance share grant agreements, they will be recorded at the time the shares are granted and will have a valuation equal to the last sales price of PIH common stock on the day prior to such grant. During the first quarter of 2018, the Company entered into an agreement with PIH to cancel the \$10.00 per share Performance Shares Grant Agreement in exchange for cash consideration of \$0.3 million. For the three months ended March 31, 2018, the Company recorded a gain of \$0.3 million related to this transaction which is included in gain on change in fair value of equity investments in the consolidated statements of operations. No shares were received by the Company under either of the performance share grant agreements as of March 31, 2018. Refer to Note 18, "Fair Value of Financial Instruments," for further details regarding the performance shares.

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Net investment (loss) income for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 is comprised as follows:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, 2018 2017 | |
|---|---|--------|
| Investment income: | | |
| Interest from fixed maturities | \$240 | \$206 |
| Dividends | 55 | 142 |
| Income from limited liability investments | 283 | 300 |
| Loss on change in fair value of limited liability investment, at fair value | (1,389) | (367) |
| Gain on change in fair value of warrants - not publicly traded | — | 245 |
| Other | 162 | 221 |
| Gross investment (loss) income | (649) | 747 |
| Investment expenses | (33) | (33) |
| Net investment (loss) income | \$(682) | \$714 |

Gross realized gains and losses on available-for-sale investments and limited liability investments for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 are comprised as follows:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, 20182017 | |
|-----------------------|---|-------|
| Gross realized gains | \$13 | \$424 |
| Gross realized losses | — | (26) |
| Net realized gains | \$13 | \$398 |

Gain on change in fair value of equity investments for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 is comprised as follows:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March | |
|----------------|--------------------------------|--|
| | | |

| | | |
|--|---------|------|
| | 31, | |
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Net gains recognized on equity investments sold during the period | \$648 | \$ — |
| Change in unrealized gains on equity investments held at end of the period | 528 | — |
| Gain on change in fair value of equity investments | \$1,176 | \$ — |

Fixed maturities and short-term investments with an estimated fair value of \$11.6 million and \$12.1 million were on deposit with state and provincial regulatory authorities at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. From time to time, the Company pledges investments to third parties as deposits or to collateralize liabilities incurred under its policies of insurance. The amount of such pledged investments was \$16.0 million and \$16.2 million at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively.

NOTE 7 INVESTMENT IN INVESTEE

Investment in investee includes the Company's investment in the common stock of Itasca Capital Ltd. ("ICL") and is accounted for under the equity method. The Company's investment in ICL is recorded on a three-month lag basis. The carrying value, estimated fair value and approximate equity percentage for the Company's investment in investee at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 were as follows:

(in thousands, except
for percentages)

| | March 31, 2018 | | | December 31, 2017 | | |
|-----|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| | Equity Percentage | Estimated Fair Value | Carrying Value | Equity Percentage | Estimated Fair Value | Carrying Value |
| ICL | 31.2% | \$ 3,354 | \$ 5,331 | 31.2% | \$ 3,816 | \$ 5,230 |

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The estimated fair value of the Company's investment in ICL at March 31, 2018 in the table above is calculated based on the published closing price of ICL at December 31, 2017 to be consistent with the three-month lag in reporting its carrying value under the equity method. The estimated fair value of the Company's investment in ICL based on the published closing price of ICL at March 31, 2018 is \$3.5 million.

For the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017, equity in net income of investee was \$0.1 million and \$2.4 million, respectively.

NOTE 8 DEFERRED ACQUISITION COSTS

Policy acquisition costs consist primarily of commissions, premium taxes, and underwriting and agency expenses, net of ceding commission income, incurred related to successful efforts to acquire new or renewal insurance contracts and vehicle service agreements. Acquisition costs deferred on both property and casualty insurance products and vehicle service agreements are amortized over the period in which the related revenues are earned.

The components of deferred acquisition costs and the related amortization expense for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 are comprised as follows:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Beginning balance, net | \$13,045 | \$13,609 |
| Additions | 11,866 | 7,687 |
| Amortization | (14,265) | (7,183) |
| Balance at March 31, net | \$10,646 | \$14,113 |

NOTE 9 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Intangible assets at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 are comprised as follows:

| (in thousands) | March 31, 2018 | | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Gross Carrying Value | Accumulated Amortization | Net Carrying Value |
| Intangible assets subject to amortization: | | | |
| Database | \$4,918 | \$ 2,644 | \$2,274 |
| Vehicle service agreements in-force | 3,680 | 3,647 | 33 |
| Customer relationships | 3,611 | 2,074 | 1,537 |
| In-place lease | 1,125 | 108 | 1,017 |
| Contract-based revenues | 731 | 132 | 599 |
| Intangible assets not subject to amortization: | | | |

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|---------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Tenant relationship | 73,667 | — | 73,667 |
| Insurance licenses | 7,553 | — | 7,553 |
| Trade name | 663 | — | 663 |
| Total | \$ 95,948 | \$ 8,605 | \$ 87,343 |

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| | December 31, 2017 | | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Gross Carrying Value | Accumulated Amortization | Net Carrying Value |
| Intangible assets subject to amortization: | | | |
| Database | \$ 4,918 | \$ 2,521 | \$ 2,397 |
| Vehicle service agreements in-force | 3,680 | 3,640 | 40 |
| Customer relationships | 3,611 | 1,965 | 1,646 |
| In-place lease | 1,125 | 92 | 1,033 |
| Contract-based revenues | 731 | 115 | 616 |
| Intangible assets not subject to amortization: | | | |
| Tenant relationship | 73,667 | — | 73,667 |
| Insurance licenses | 7,553 | — | 7,553 |
| Trade name | 663 | — | 663 |
| Total | \$ 95,948 | \$ 8,333 | \$ 87,615 |

The Company's intangible assets with definite useful lives are amortized either based on the patterns in which the economic benefits of the intangible assets are expected to be consumed or using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, which range from seven to eighteen years. Amortization of intangible assets was \$0.3 million and \$0.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017, respectively.

The tenant relationship, insurance licenses and trade name intangible assets have indefinite useful lives and are not amortized. No impairment charges were taken on intangible assets during the three months ended March 31, 2018. During the three months ended March 31, 2017, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$0.3 million related to its insurance licenses indefinite lived intangible asset. The impairment recorded was the result of Mendota Insurance Company ("Mendota") and Mendakota Insurance Company ("Mendakota") surrendering their insurance licenses in the state of New Mexico during the first quarter of 2017.

NOTE 10 UNPAID LOSS AND LOSS ADJUSTMENT EXPENSES

The establishment of the provision for unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses is based on known facts and interpretation of circumstances and is, therefore, a complex and dynamic process influenced by a large variety of factors. These factors include the Company's experience with similar cases and historical trends involving loss payment patterns, pending levels of unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses, product mix or concentration, loss severity and loss frequency patterns.

Other factors include the continually evolving and changing regulatory and legal environment; actuarial studies; professional experience and expertise of the Company's claims departments' personnel and independent adjusters

retained to handle individual claims; the quality of the data used for projection purposes; existing claims management practices including claims-handling and settlement practices; the effect of inflationary trends on future loss settlement costs; court decisions; economic conditions; and public attitudes.

Consequently, the process of determining the provision for unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses necessarily involves risks that the actual loss and loss adjustment expenses incurred by the Company will deviate, perhaps materially, from the estimates recorded.

The Company's evaluation of the adequacy of unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses includes a re-estimation of the liability for unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses relating to each preceding financial year compared to the liability that was previously established.

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(a) Property and Casualty

The results of this comparison and the changes in the provision for property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses, net of amounts recoverable from reinsurers, as of March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 were as follows:

| (in thousands) | March 31, 2018 | March 31, 2017 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Balance at beginning of period, gross | \$ 63,652 | \$ 53,795 |
| Less reinsurance recoverable related to property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses | 174 | 681 |
| Balance at beginning of period, net | 63,478 | 53,114 |
| Incurred related to: | | |
| Current year | 22,570 | 24,979 |
| Prior years | 576 | 212 |
| Paid related to: | | |
| Current year | (5,480) | (7,225) |
| Prior years | (20,654) | (23,468) |
| Balance at end of period, net | 60,490 | 47,612 |
| Plus reinsurance recoverable related to property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses | 1,168 | 589 |
| Balance at end of period, gross | \$ 61,658 | \$ 48,201 |

The Company reported unfavorable development on property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses of \$0.6 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017, respectively. The unfavorable development for the three months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily related to an increase in property and casualty loss and loss adjustment expenses at Kingsway Amigo Insurance Company ("Amigo") and Mendota. The unfavorable development reported for the three months ended March 31, 2017 was primarily related to an increase in property and casualty loss and loss adjustment expenses at Mendota.

(b) Vehicle Service Agreements

The results of the comparison and the changes in the provision for vehicle service agreement unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses as of March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 were as follows:

| (in thousands) | March 31, 2018 | March 31, 2017 |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Balance at beginning of period | \$ 2,779 | \$ 2,915 |
| Incurred related to: | | |

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| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Current year | 1,276 | 1,219 |
| Prior years | — | — |
| Paid related to: | | |
| Current year | (1,364) | (1,225) |
| Prior years | (8) | (136) |
| Balance at end of period | \$ 2,683 | \$ 2,773 |

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NOTE 11 DEBT

Debt consists of the following instruments at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017:

| (in thousands) | March 31, 2018 | | | December 31, 2017 | | |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-------------------|----------------|------------|
| | Principal | Carrying Value | Fair Value | Principal | Carrying Value | Fair Value |
| Note payable | \$ 175,435 | \$ 185,530 | \$ 165,813 | \$ 176,136 | \$ 186,469 | \$ 168,477 |
| Bank loan | 4,667 | 4,667 | 4,635 | 4,917 | 4,917 | 4,864 |
| Subordinated debt | 90,500 | 53,458 | 53,458 | 90,500 | 52,105 | 52,105 |
| Total | \$ 270,602 | \$ 243,655 | \$ 223,906 | \$ 271,553 | \$ 243,491 | \$ 225,446 |

(a) Note payable:

As part of the acquisition of CMC Industries, Inc. ("CMC") in July 2016, the Company assumed a mortgage, which is recorded as note payable in the consolidated balance sheets ("the Mortgage"). The Mortgage is nonrecourse indebtedness with respect to CMC and its subsidiaries, and the Mortgage is not, nor will it be, guaranteed by Kingsway or its affiliates. The Mortgage was recorded at its estimated fair value of \$191.7 million, which included the unpaid principal amount of \$180.0 million as of the date of acquisition plus a premium of \$11.7 million. The Mortgage matures on May 15, 2034 and has a fixed interest rate of 4.07%. The Mortgage is carried in the consolidated balance sheets at its amortized cost, which reflects the monthly pay-down of principal as well as the amortization of the premium using the effective interest rate method. The fair value of the Mortgage disclosed in the table above is derived from quoted market prices of A-rated industrial bonds with similar maturities.

(b) Bank loan:

On October 12, 2017, the Company borrowed a principal amount of \$5.0 million from a bank at a fixed interest rate of 5.0%. The bank loan matures on October 12, 2022. The carrying value of the bank loan represents its unpaid principal balance. The fair value of the bank loan disclosed in the table above is derived from quoted market prices of B and B minus rated industrial bonds with similar maturities.

(c) Subordinated debt:

The subordinated debt is carried in the consolidated balance sheets at fair value. See Note 18, "Fair Value of Financial Instruments," for further discussion of the subordinated debt. As further discussed in Note 4, "Recently Issued Accounting Standards," effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted ASU 2016-01. As a result, the portion of the change in fair value of subordinated debt related to the instrument-specific credit risk is now recognized in other comprehensive income (loss), whereas for 2017, the total change in fair value of subordinated debt was recorded in net income (loss). Of the \$1.4 million increase in fair value of the Company's subordinated debt between

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December 31, 2017 and March 31, 2018, \$0.4 million is reported as change in fair value of debt attributable to instrument-specific credit risk in the Company's consolidated statements of comprehensive loss and \$0.9 million is reported as loss on change in fair value of debt in the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

Subordinated debt consists of the following trust preferred debt instruments:

| Issuer | Principal (in thousands) | Issue date | Interest | Redemption date |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|---|--------------------|
| Kingsway CT Statutory Trust I | \$ 15,000 | 12/4/2002 | annual interest rate equal to LIBOR, plus 4.00% payable quarterly | 12/4/2032 |
| Kingsway CT Statutory Trust II | \$ 17,500 | 5/15/2003 | annual interest rate equal to LIBOR, plus 4.10% payable quarterly | 5/15/2033 |
| Kingsway CT Statutory Trust III | \$ 20,000 | 10/29/2003 | annual interest rate equal to LIBOR, plus 3.95% payable quarterly | 10/29/2033 |
| Kingsway DE Statutory Trust III | \$ 15,000 | 5/22/2003 | annual interest rate equal to LIBOR, plus 4.20% payable quarterly | 5/22/2033 |
| Kingsway DE Statutory Trust IV | \$ 10,000 | 9/30/2003 | annual interest rate equal to LIBOR, plus 3.85% payable quarterly | 9/30/2033 |
| Kingsway DE Statutory Trust VI | \$ 13,000 | 1/8/2004 | annual interest rate equal to LIBOR, plus 4.00% payable quarterly | 1/8/2034 |

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NOTE 12 REVENUE FROM CONTRACTS WITH CUSTOMERS

Revenue from contracts with customers relates to Extended Warranty segment service fee and commission income. Service fee and commission income represents vehicle service agreement fees, maintenance support service fees, warranty product commissions and homebuilder warranty service fees and commissions based on terms of various agreements with credit unions, consumers, businesses and homebuilders.

The following table disaggregates revenues from contracts with customers by revenue type:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, 2018 |
|--|--|
| Vehicle service agreement fees - IWS | \$4,916 |
| Maintenance support service fees - Trinity | 2,973 |
| Warranty product commissions - Trinity | 496 |
| Homebuilder warranty service fees and commissions - PWSC | 2,172 |
| Service fee and commission income | \$10,557 |

IWS' vehicle service agreement fees include the administrative fees from the sale of vehicle service agreements as well as the fees to administer future claims and are earned over the life of the contract. The administrative fee component is recognized in proportion to the costs incurred in acquiring and administering the vehicle service agreements. The claims fee component is earned over the life of the vehicle service agreements based on the greater of expected claims or actual claims experience.

Trinity's maintenance support service fees include the service fees collected to administer equipment breakdown and maintenance support services and are earned as services are rendered.

Trinity's warranty product commissions include the commissions from the sale of warranty contracts for certain new and used heating, ventilation, air conditioning ("HVAC"), standby generator, commercial LED lighting and refrigeration equipment. Warranty product commissions are earned at the time of the warranty product sales.

PWSC's homebuilder warranty service fees and commissions include the administrative fees, service fees and commissions collected from the sale of warranties issued by new homebuilders. Homebuilder warranty administrative

fees are earned when the home is enrolled and services are rendered. Homebuilder warranty service fees are earned over the warranty period, the majority of which is ten years and is based on homes closed by the builder. The Company estimates deferred service fees for years two through ten of the warranty period, based on historical dispute resolution services experience. Homebuilder warranty commissions are recognized as income on the certification date, which is typically the date of the closing of the sale of the home to the buyer. The Company also earns fees to manage remediation or repair services related to claims on insurance-backed warranty obligations, which are earned when the claims are closed; an incentive bonus on eligible warranties, which is based on expected ultimate loss ratio targets; and a profit-sharing percentage on expected profits, which is recognized at the time the bonus is received.

Receivables from contracts with customers are reported as service fee receivable, net in the consolidated balance sheets and at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 were \$5.7 million and \$4.3 million, respectively.

The Company records deferred service fees resulting from contracts with customers when payment is received in advance of satisfying the performance obligations. We expect to recognize within one year as service fee and commission income approximately 38.9% of the deferred service fees as of March 31, 2018 that are related to contracts with customers. Approximately \$6.1 million of service fee and commission income recognized during the three months ended March 31, 2018 was included in deferred service fees as of December 31, 2017.

NOTE 13 INCOME TAXES

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act") was enacted on December 22, 2017. The Tax Act makes broad and complex changes to the U.S. tax code, including a permanent reduction in the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate to 21% starting in 2018. Previously, the Company was subject to a 34% U.S. federal corporate income tax rate.

Income tax expense for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 varies from the amount that would result by applying the applicable U.S. federal corporate income tax rate of 21% and 34% , respectively, to loss before income tax expense. The following table summarizes the differences:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, | |
|--|------------------------------------|---------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Income tax benefit at U.S. statutory income tax rate | \$(373) | \$(444) |
| Valuation allowance | 376 | 544 |
| Change in unrecognized tax benefits ⁽¹⁾ | 70 | 212 |
| State income tax | 66 | 13 |
| Non-deductible compensation | 61 | 99 |
| Indefinite life intangibles | 20 | (53) |
| Foreign operations subject to different tax rates | (15) | (139) |
| Other | 46 | (53) |
| Income tax expense | \$251 | \$179 |

(1) Includes interest and penalty expense related to unrecognized tax benefits.

The Company maintains a valuation allowance for its gross deferred tax assets at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017. The Company's operations have generated substantial operating losses in prior years. These losses can be available to reduce income taxes that might otherwise be incurred on future taxable income; however, it is uncertain whether the Company will generate the taxable income necessary to utilize these losses or other reversing temporary differences. This uncertainty has caused management to place a full valuation allowance on its March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 net deferred tax asset, excluding the deferred income tax asset and liability amounts set forth in the paragraph below.

The Company carries net deferred income tax liabilities of \$30.4 million and \$30.3 million at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. At March 31, 2018, \$8.0 million relates to deferred income tax liabilities scheduled to reverse in periods after the expiration of the Company's consolidated U.S. net operating loss carryforwards, \$22.5 million relates to deferred income tax liabilities associated with land and indefinite lived intangible assets and \$0.1

million relates to deferred income tax assets associated with alternative minimum tax credits. At December 31, 2017, \$8.0 million relates to deferred income tax liabilities scheduled to reverse in periods after the expiration of the Company's consolidated U.S. net operating loss carryforwards, \$22.4 million relates to deferred income tax liabilities associated with land and indefinite lived intangible assets and \$0.1 million relates to deferred

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income tax assets associated with alternative minimum tax credits. The Company considered a tax planning strategy in arriving at its March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 net deferred income tax liabilities.

As of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Company carried a liability for unrecognized tax benefits of \$1.4 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, that is included in income taxes payable in the consolidated balance sheets. The Company classifies interest and penalty accruals, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits as income tax expense. The Company recorded income tax expense of \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million related to interest and penalty accruals for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017, respectively. At March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Company carried an accrual for the payment of interest and penalties of \$0.9 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, included in income taxes payable in the consolidated balance sheets.

NOTE 14 LOSS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the reconciliation of numerators and denominators for the basic and diluted loss per share computation for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017:

| (in thousands, except per share data) | Three months ended March 31, | |
|---|---------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Numerator: | | |
| Net loss | \$(2,027) | \$(1,484) |
| Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | (135) | (105) |
| Less: dividends on preferred stock, net of tax | (129) | (174) |
| Net loss attributable to common shareholders | \$(2,291) | \$(1,763) |
| Denominator: | | |
| Weighted average basic shares | | |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding | 21,708 | 21,458 |
| Weighted average diluted shares | | |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding | 21,708 | 21,458 |
| Effect of potentially dilutive securities | — | — |
| Total weighted average diluted shares | 21,708 | 21,458 |
| Basic loss per share | \$(0.11) | \$(0.08) |
| Diluted loss per share | \$(0.11) | \$(0.08) |

Basic loss per share is calculated using weighted-average common shares outstanding. Diluted loss per share is calculated using weighted-average diluted shares. Weighted-average diluted shares is calculated by adding the effect of potentially dilutive securities to weighted-average common shares outstanding. Potentially dilutive securities consist of stock options, unvested restricted stock awards, unvested restricted stock units, warrants and convertible

preferred stock. Because the Company is reporting a net loss for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017, all potentially dilutive securities outstanding were excluded from the calculation of diluted loss per share since their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive.

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NOTE 15 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

(a) Stock Options

The following table summarizes the stock option activity during the three months ended March 31, 2018:

| | Number of Options Outstanding | Weighted-Average Exercise Price | Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Term (in Years) | Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in Thousands) |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2017 | 651,875 | \$ 4.51 | 0.4 | \$ 352 |
| Granted | — | — | | |
| Expired | — | — | | |
| Outstanding at March 31, 2018 | 651,875 | \$ 4.51 | 0.1 | \$ — |
| Exercisable at March 31, 2018 | 651,875 | \$ 4.51 | 0.1 | \$ — |

The aggregate intrinsic value of stock options outstanding and exercisable is the difference between the March 31, 2018 market price for the Company's common shares and the exercise price of the options, multiplied by the number of options where the fair value exceeds the exercise price.

The Company uses the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of each option on the date of grant. No options were granted during the three months ended March 31, 2018.

(b) Restricted Stock Awards

Under the 2013 Equity Incentive Plan, the Company made grants of restricted common stock awards ("Restricted Stock Awards") to certain officers of the Company on March 28, 2014. The Restricted Stock Awards shall become fully vested and the restriction period shall lapse as of March 28, 2024 subject to the officers' continued employment through the vesting date. The Restricted Stock Awards are amortized on a straight-line basis over the ten-year requisite service period. Total unamortized compensation expense related to unvested Restricted Stock Awards at March 31, 2018 was \$4.8 million. The grant-date fair value of the Restricted Stock Awards was determined using the closing price of Kingsway common stock on the date of grant. The following table summarizes the activity related to unvested Restricted Stock Awards for the three months ended March 31, 2018:

| | Number of Restricted Stock Awards | Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value (per Share) |
|-------------------------------|--|--|
| Unvested at December 31, 2017 | 1,952,665 | \$ 4.14 |

| | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Granted | — | — |
| Forfeited | — | — |
| Unvested at March 31, 2018 | 1,952,665 | \$ 4.14 |

(c) Restricted Stock Units

The Company granted restricted common stock units ("Restricted Stock Units") to an officer of the Company pursuant to a Restricted Stock Unit Agreement dated August 24, 2016. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a right to receive one common share on the vesting date. The Restricted Stock Units shall become fully vested and the restriction period shall lapse as of March 28, 2024 subject to the officer's continued employment through the vesting date. The Restricted Stock Units are amortized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period. Total unamortized compensation expense related to unvested Restricted Stock Units at March 31, 2018 was \$2.3 million. The grant-date fair value of the Restricted Stock Units was determined using the closing price of Kingsway common stock on the date of grant. The following table summarizes the activity related to unvested Restricted Stock Units for the three months ended March 31, 2018:

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| | Number of Restricted Stock Units | Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value (per Share) |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Unvested at December 31, 2017 | 500,000 | \$ 5.73 |
| Granted | — | — |
| Vested | — | — |
| Forfeited | — | — |
| Unvested at March 31, 2018 | 500,000 | \$ 5.73 |

Total stock-based compensation expense, net of forfeitures, was \$0.3 million and \$0.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017, respectively.

NOTE 16 ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The tables below detail the changes in the balances of each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 as relates to shareholders' equity attributable to common shareholders on the consolidated balance sheets. On the other hand, the unaudited consolidated statements of comprehensive loss present the components of other comprehensive loss, net of tax, only for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 and inclusive of the components attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries.

As further discussed in Note 4, "Recently Issued Accounting Standards," effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted ASU 2016-01. As a result of the adoption, equity investments are no longer classified as available-for-sale with unrealized gains and losses recognized in other comprehensive income (loss); rather, changes in the fair value of equity investments are now recognized in net income (loss). Also as a result of the adoption, the portion of the total change in the fair value of our subordinated debt resulting from the change in instrument-specific credit risk is no longer recognized in net income (loss) and is now presented in other comprehensive income (loss). Prior periods have not been restated to conform to the current presentation.

(in thousands)

| | Three months ended March 31, 2018 | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Available-for-Sale Investments | Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments | Change in Fair Value of Debt Attributable to Instrument-Specific Credit Risk | Total Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income |

| | | | | (Loss) |
|---|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| Balance at January 1, 2018 | \$ (566) | \$ (3,286) | \$ — | \$ (3,852) |
| Cumulative effect of adoption of ASU 2016-01 | 40 | — | 40,455 | 40,495 |
| Balance at January 1, 2018, as adjusted | (526) | (3,286) | 40,455 | 36,643 |
| Other comprehensive loss arising during the period | (358) | — | (434) | (792) |
| Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | (7) | — | — | (7) |
| Net current-period other comprehensive loss | (365) | — | (434) | (799) |
| Balance at March 31, 2018 | \$ (891) | \$ (3,286) | \$ 40,021 | \$ 35,844 |

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| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, 2017 | | |
|---|--|---|--|
| | Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Available-for-Sale Investments | Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments | Total Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss |
| Balance at January 1, 2017 | \$ 3,572 | \$(3,780) | \$ (208) |
| Other comprehensive loss arising during the period | (164) | — | (164) |
| Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | (507) | — | (507) |
| Net current-period other comprehensive loss | (671) | — | (671) |
| Balance at March 31, 2017 | \$ 2,901 | \$(3,780) | \$ (879) |

Components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) were reclassified to the following lines of the unaudited consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, 2018 | | 2017 | |
|--|--|--|------|-------|
| Reclassification of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) from unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale investments to: | | | | |
| Net realized gains | | | \$7 | \$507 |
| Other-than-temporary impairment loss | | | — | — |
| Loss before income tax expense | | | 7 | 507 |
| Income tax expense | | | — | — |
| Net loss | | | \$7 | \$507 |

NOTE 17 SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Company conducts its business through the following three reportable segments: Insurance Underwriting, Extended Warranty and Leased Real Estate.

Insurance Underwriting Segment

Insurance Underwriting includes the following subsidiaries of the Company: Mendota, Mendakota, Mendakota Casualty Company ("MCC"), Amigo and Kingsway Reinsurance Corporation (collectively, "Insurance Underwriting"). Insurance Underwriting principally offers personal automobile insurance to drivers who do not meet the criteria for coverage by standard automobile insurers. Insurance Underwriting has policyholders in 12 states; however, new business is currently accepted in only seven states.

The Company previously placed Amigo and MCC into voluntary run-off in 2012 and 2011, respectively. Each of Amigo and MCC entered into a comprehensive run-off plan that was approved by its respective state of domicile. Kingsway continues to manage Amigo and MCC in a manner consistent with the run-off plans. During the first quarter of 2015, MCC sent a letter of intent to the Illinois Department of Insurance to resume writing private passenger automobile policies in the state of Illinois. MCC began writing these policies on April 1, 2015.

Extended Warranty Segment

Extended Warranty includes the following subsidiaries of the Company: IWS Acquisition Corporation ("IWS"), Trinity Warranty Solutions LLC ("Trinity") and PWSC (collectively, "Extended Warranty").

IWS is a licensed motor vehicle service agreement company and is a provider of after-market vehicle protection services distributed by credit unions in 23 states and the District of Columbia to their members.

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Trinity sells warranty products and provides maintenance support to consumers and businesses in the heating, ventilation, air conditioning ("HVAC"), standby generator, commercial LED lighting and refrigeration industries. Trinity distributes its warranty products through original equipment manufacturers, HVAC distributors and commercial and residential contractors. Trinity distributes its maintenance support directly through corporate owners of retail spaces throughout the United States.

PWSC sells new home warranty products and provides administration services to home builders and homeowners across the United States. PWSC distributes its products and services through an in house sales team and through insurance brokers and insurance carriers throughout all states except Alaska and Louisiana.

Leased Real Estate Segment

Leased Real Estate includes the Company's subsidiary, CMC, which was acquired on July 14, 2016. CMC owns a parcel of real property consisting of approximately 192 acres located in the State of Texas (the "Real Property") that is leased to a third party pursuant to a long-term triple net lease. The Real Property is also subject to the Mortgage. When assessing and measuring the operational and financial performance of the Leased Real Estate segment, interest expense related to the Mortgage is included in Leased Real Estate's segment operating income.

Revenues and Operating Income (Loss) by Reportable Segment

Results for the Company's reportable segments are based on the Company's internal financial reporting systems and are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements. The following tables provide financial data used by management. Segment assets are not allocated for management use and, therefore, are not included in the segment disclosures below.

Revenues by reportable segment reconciled to consolidated revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 were:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Revenues: | | |
| Insurance Underwriting: | | |
| Net premiums earned | \$28,636 | \$32,922 |
| Other income | 2,427 | 2,473 |
| Total Insurance Underwriting | 31,063 | 35,395 |
| Extended Warranty: | | |
| Service fee and commission income | 10,557 | 6,562 |
| Other income | 66 | 85 |

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|--|----------|----------|
| Total Extended Warranty | 10,623 | 6,647 |
| Leased Real Estate: | | |
| Rental income | 3,342 | 3,341 |
| Other income | 147 | 212 |
| Total Leased Real Estate | 3,489 | 3,553 |
| Total segment revenues | 45,175 | 45,595 |
| Rental income not allocated to segments | 6 | 6 |
| Net investment (loss) income | (682 |) 714 |
| Net realized gains | 13 | 398 |
| Gain on change in fair value of equity investments | 1,176 | — |
| Other income not allocated to segments | 20 | 28 |
| Total revenues | \$45,708 | \$46,741 |

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The operating income (loss) by reportable segment in the following table is before income taxes and includes revenues and direct segment costs. Total segment operating income reconciled to the consolidated net loss for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 were:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, | |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Segment operating income (loss): | | |
| Insurance Underwriting | \$(292) | \$(742) |
| Extended Warranty | 1,571 | 586 |
| Leased Real Estate | 874 | 918 |
| Total segment operating income | 2,153 | 762 |
| Net investment (loss) income | (682) | 714 |
| Net realized gains | 13 | 398 |
| Gain on change in fair value of equity investments | 1,176 | — |
| Amortization of intangible assets | (272) | (291) |
| Impairment of intangible assets | — | (250) |
| Interest expense not allocated to segments | (1,386) | (1,159) |
| Other income and expenses not allocated to segments, net | (1,958) | (1,971) |
| Foreign exchange losses, net | (2) | (4) |
| Loss on change in fair value of debt | (919) | (1,889) |
| Equity in net income of investee | 101 | 2,385 |
| Loss before income tax expense | (1,776) | (1,305) |
| Income tax expense | 251 | 179 |
| Net loss | \$(2,027) | \$(1,484) |

Insurance Underwriting net premiums earned by line of business for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 were:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended March 31, | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Insurance Underwriting: | | |
| Private passenger auto liability | \$19,681 | \$22,376 |
| Auto physical damage | 8,955 | 10,546 |
| Total net premiums earned | \$28,636 | \$32,922 |

NOTE 18 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair value amounts represent estimates of the consideration that would currently be agreed upon between knowledgeable, willing parties who are under no compulsion to act. Fair value is best evidenced by quoted bid or ask price, as appropriate, in an active market. Where bid or ask prices are not available, such as in an illiquid or inactive market, the closing price of the most recent transaction of that instrument subject to appropriate adjustments as required is used. Where quoted market prices are not available, the quoted prices of similar financial instruments or valuation models with observable market-based inputs are used to estimate the fair value. These valuation models may use multiple observable market inputs, including observable interest rates, foreign exchange rates, index levels, credit spreads, equity prices, counterparty credit quality, corresponding market volatility levels and option volatilities. Minimal management judgment is required for fair values calculated using quoted market prices or observable market inputs for models. Greater subjectivity is required when making valuation adjustments for financial instruments in inactive markets or when using models where observable parameters do not exist. Also, the calculation of estimated fair value is based on market conditions at a specific point in time and may not be reflective of future fair values. For the Company's financial instruments carried at cost or amortized cost, the book value is not adjusted to reflect increases or decreases in fair value due to

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market fluctuations, including those due to interest rate changes, as it is the Company's intention to hold them until there is a recovery of fair value, which may be to maturity.

The Company classifies its investments in fixed maturities as available-for-sale and reports these investments at fair value. The Company's equity investments, limited liability investment, at fair value, performance shares and subordinated debt are measured and reported at fair value.

Fixed maturities and equity investments - Fair values of fixed maturities for which no active market exists are derived from quoted market prices of similar instruments or other third party evidence. Fair values of equity investments, including warrants, reflect quoted market values based on latest bid prices, where active markets exist, or models based on significant market observable inputs, where no active markets exist.

Limited liability investment, at fair value - The fair value of the limited liability investment, at fair value is calculated based on a model that distributes the net equity of 1347 Investors to all classes of membership interests. The model uses quoted market prices and significant market observable inputs.

Performance shares - The performance shares, for which no active market exists, are required to be valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Company. Such determination of fair value would require the Company to develop a model based upon relevant observable market inputs as well as significant unobservable inputs, including developing a sufficiently reliable estimate for an appropriate discount to reflect the illiquidity and unique structure of the security. The Company determined its model for the performance shares was not sufficiently reliable. As a result, the Company has assigned a fair value of zero to the performance shares. Refer to Note 6, "Investments," for further details regarding the performance shares.

Subordinated debt - The fair value of the subordinated debt is calculated using a model based on significant market observable inputs and inputs developed by a third party. These inputs include credit spread assumptions developed by a third party and market observable swap rates.

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The Company employs a fair value hierarchy to categorize the inputs it uses in valuation techniques to measure the fair value. The extent of use of quoted market prices (Level 1), valuation models using observable market information (Level 2) and internal models without observable market information (Level 3) in the valuation of the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 was as follows:

(in thousands)

| | March 31, 2018 | | | |
|-------|---|---|--|--|
| | Fair Value Measurements at the End of the Reporting Period Using | | | |
| | Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) | |
| Total | | | | |

Recurring fair value measurements:

Assets:

Fixed maturities:

| | | | | | |
|--|----------|-------|----------|----|---|
| U.S. government, government agencies and authorities States, municipalities and political subdivisions | \$25,809 | \$— | \$25,809 | \$ | — |
| Mortgage-backed | 3,691 | — | 3,691 | — | — |
| Asset-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations | 7,536 | — | 7,536 | — | — |
| Corporate | 2,129 | — | 2,129 | — | — |
| Total fixed maturities | 11,334 | — | 11,334 | — | — |
| Equity investments: | 50,499 | — | 50,499 | — | — |
| Common stock | 4,694 | 4,694 | — | — | — |
| Warrants | 1,778 | 579 | 1,199 | — | — |

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| | | | | |
|---|----------|---------|----------|------|
| Total equity investments | 6,472 | 5,273 | 1,199 | — |
| Limited liability investment, at fair value | 8,925 | — | 8,925 | — |
| Other investments | 3,316 | — | 3,316 | — |
| Short-term investments | 151 | — | 151 | — |
| Total assets | \$69,363 | \$5,273 | \$64,090 | \$ — |
| Liabilities: | | | | |
| Subordinated debt | \$53,458 | \$— | \$53,458 | \$ — |
| Total liabilities | \$53,458 | \$— | \$53,458 | \$ — |

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(in thousands)

December 31, 2017
Fair Value Measurements at the
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| Total | Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |
|-------|---|---|--|
|-------|---|---|--|

Recurring fair value measurements:

Assets:

Fixed maturities:

| | | | | | |
|---|----------|---------|-----------|----|---|
| U.S. government, government agencies and authorities | \$25,244 | \$— | \$ 25,244 | \$ | — |
| States municipalities and political subdivisions | 3,783 | — | 3,783 | — | — |
| Mortgage-backed | 7,663 | — | 7,663 | — | — |
| Asset-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations | 2,269 | — | 2,269 | — | — |
| Corporate | 14,255 | — | 14,255 | — | — |
| Total fixed maturities | 53,214 | — | 53,214 | — | — |
| Equity investments: | | | | | |
| Common stock | 7,419 | 7,419 | — | — | — |
| Warrants | 1,575 | 727 | 848 | — | — |
| Total equity investments | 8,994 | 8,146 | 848 | — | — |
| Limited liability investment, at fair value | 10,314 | — | 10,314 | — | — |
| Other investments | 3,721 | — | 3,721 | — | — |
| Short-term investments | 151 | — | 151 | — | — |
| Total assets | \$76,394 | \$8,146 | \$ 68,248 | \$ | — |

Liabilities:

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|-----|-----------|----|---|
| Subordinated debt | \$52,105 | \$— | \$ 52,105 | \$ | — |
| Total liabilities | \$52,105 | \$— | \$ 52,105 | \$ | — |

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NOTE 19 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related party transactions, including services provided to or received by the Company's subsidiaries, are measured in part by the amount of consideration paid or received as established and agreed by the parties. Management believes consideration paid for such services in each case approximates fair value. Except where disclosed elsewhere in these unaudited consolidated interim financial statements, the following is a summary of related party transactions.

On October 25, 2017, the Company executed an agreement to sell 900,000 shares of PIH common stock, at a price of \$7.85 per share, to Fundamental Global Investors ("FGI") in two separate transactions for cash proceeds totaling \$7.1 million. On November 1, 2017, the Company sold 475,428 of the 900,000 shares of PIH common stock to FGI for cash proceeds totaling \$3.7 million. The second transaction, for the sale of the remaining 424,572 shares of PIH common stock for cash proceeds totaling \$3.4 million, closed on March 15, 2018 following FGI having obtained the necessary regulatory approvals. FGI is a greater than 5% shareholder of the Company.

NOTE 20 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

(a) Legal proceedings:

In connection with its operations in the ordinary course of business, the Company and its subsidiaries are named as defendants in various actions for damages and costs allegedly sustained by the plaintiffs. While it is not possible to estimate the loss, or range of loss, if any, that would be incurred in connection with any of the various proceedings at this time, it is possible an individual action would result in a loss having a material adverse effect on the Company's business, results of operations or financial condition.

(b) Guarantee:

The Company provided indemnity and hold harmless agreements to a third party for certain customs bonds reinsured by Lincoln General Insurance Company ("Lincoln General") during a period of the time Lincoln General was a subsidiary of the Company. These agreements may require the Company to compensate the third party if Lincoln General is unable to fulfill its obligations relating to the customs bonds. The Company's potential exposure under these agreements is not determinable, and no liability has been recorded in the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements at March 31, 2018. No assurances can be given, however, the Company will not be required to perform under these agreements in a manner that would have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, results of operations or financial condition.

(c) Commitments:

The Company has entered into subscription agreements to commit up to \$2.7 million of capital to allow for participation in limited liability investments. At March 31, 2018, the unfunded commitment was \$1.0 million.

NOTE 21 SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On May 9, 2018, the Company executed a letter of intent to sell Mendota and its wholly owned subsidiaries MCC, Mendakota and Amigo (the "LOI") for a price equal to the statutory surplus of Mendota, which was \$29.1 million at March 31, 2018. Pursuant to the terms of the LOI, the holding company will redeploy the proceeds from the sale to assist it in acquiring the remainder of the limited liability investments, limited liability investment, at fair value and other investments that will still be owned by Mendota, Mendakota, MCC and Amigo at the time of the closing, which total \$29.0 million at March 31, 2018. The transaction is subject to the execution of definitive agreements and receipt of regulatory approvals. The transaction is expected to close during the third quarter of 2018, at which time the Company would record a loss on disposal of discontinued operations that it currently estimates to be approximately \$8.5 million before actual and contingent expenses related to the transaction.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are not historical facts, and involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expected and projected. Words such as "expects," "believes," "anticipates," "intends," "estimates," "seeks" and variations and similar words and expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements relate to future events or future performance, but reflect Kingsway management's current beliefs, based on information currently available and include statements relating to the proposed sale of our insurance subsidiaries. A number of factors could cause actual events, performance or results to differ materially from the events, performance and results discussed in the forward-looking statements, including the failure to reach a definitive agreement with respect to the proposed sale of our insurance subsidiaries, the timing to consummate the proposed sale, the failure to obtain necessary regulatory approvals and the diversion of management time on transaction-related matters. For information identifying important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements, see Kingsway's securities filings, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 ("2017 Annual Report"). The Company's securities filings can be accessed on the Canadian Securities Administrators' website at www.sedar.com, on the EDGAR section of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's website at www.sec.gov or through the Company's website at www.kingsway-financial.com. Except as expressly required by applicable securities law, the Company disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements because of new information, future events or otherwise.

OVERVIEW

Kingsway is a Canadian holding company with operating subsidiaries located in the United States. The Company operates as a merchant bank with a focus on long-term value-creation. The Company owns or controls subsidiaries primarily in the insurance, extended warranty, asset management and real estate industries and pursues non-control investments and other opportunities acting as an advisor, an investor and a financier. Kingsway conducts its business through the following three reportable segments: Insurance Underwriting, Extended Warranty and Leased Real Estate. Insurance Underwriting includes the following subsidiaries of the Company: Mendota Insurance Company ("Mendota"), Mendakota Insurance Company ("Mendakota"), Mendakota Casualty Company ("MCC"), Kingsway Amigo Insurance Company ("Amigo") and Kingsway Reinsurance Corporation ("Kingsway Re"). Throughout Management's Discussion and Analysis, the term "Insurance Underwriting" is used to refer to this segment. Insurance Underwriting provides non-standard automobile insurance to individuals who do not meet the criteria for coverage by standard automobile insurers. Insurance Underwriting has policyholders in 12 states; however, new business is currently accepted in only seven states. For the three months ended March 31, 2018, production in the following states represented 88.7% of the Company's gross premiums written: Florida (28.6%), Texas (19.6%), Nevada (13.7%), California (12.5%), Colorado (9.0%) and Illinois (5.3%). For the three months ended March 31, 2018, non-standard automobile insurance accounted for 100.0% of the Company's gross premiums written. The Company previously placed Amigo and MCC into voluntary run-off in 2012 and 2011, respectively. Each of Amigo and MCC entered into a comprehensive run-off plan that was approved by its respective state of domicile. Kingsway continues to manage Amigo and MCC in a manner consistent with the run-off plans. During the first quarter of 2015, MCC sent a letter of intent to the Illinois Department of Insurance to resume writing private passenger automobile policies in the state of Illinois. MCC began writing these policies on April 1, 2015. Extended Warranty includes the following subsidiaries of the Company: IWS Acquisition Corporation ("IWS"), Trinity Warranty Solutions LLC ("Trinity") and Professional Warranty Service Corporation ("PWSC"). Throughout Management's Discussion and Analysis, the term "Extended Warranty" is used to refer to this segment. IWS is a licensed motor vehicle service agreement company and is a provider of after-market vehicle protection services distributed by credit unions in 23 states and the District of Columbia to their members.

Trinity sells warranty products and provides maintenance support to consumers and businesses in the heating, ventilation, air conditioning ("HVAC"), standby generator, commercial LED lighting and refrigeration industries. Trinity distributes its warranty products through original equipment manufacturers, HVAC distributors and commercial and residential contractors. Trinity distributes its maintenance support directly through corporate owners of retail spaces throughout the United States.

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PWSC sells new home warranty products and provides administration services to home builders and homeowners across the United States. PWSC distributes its products and services through an in house sales team and through insurance brokers and insurance carriers throughout all states except Alaska and Louisiana.

Leased Real Estate includes the Company's subsidiary, CMC Industries, Inc. ("CMC"). CMC owns, through an indirect wholly owned subsidiary (the "Property Owner"), a parcel of real property consisting of approximately 192 acres located in the State of Texas (the "Real Property"), which is subject to a long-term triple net lease agreement. The Real Property is also subject to a mortgage, which is recorded as note payable in the consolidated balance sheets (the "Mortgage"). Throughout Management's Discussion and Analysis, the term "Leased Real Estate" is used to refer to this segment.

NON-U.S. GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

Throughout this quarterly report, we present our operations in the way we believe will be most meaningful, useful and transparent to anyone using this financial information to evaluate our performance. Our unaudited consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") for interim financial information. In addition to the U.S. GAAP presentation of net loss, we show certain statutory reporting information and other non-U.S. GAAP financial measures we believe are valuable in managing our business and drawing comparisons to our peers. These measures are segment operating income (loss), gross premiums written, net premiums written and underwriting ratios.

Following is a list of non-U.S. GAAP measures found throughout this report with their definitions, relationships to U.S. GAAP measures and explanations of their importance to our operations.

Segment Operating Income (Loss)

Segment operating income (loss) represents one measure of the pretax profitability of our segments and is derived by subtracting direct segment expenses from direct segment revenues. Revenues and expenses are presented in the unaudited consolidated statements of operations, but are not subtotaled by segment; however, this information is available in total and by segment in Note 17, "Segmented Information," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements, regarding reportable segment information. The nearest comparable U.S. GAAP measure is loss before income tax expense that, in addition to segment operating income (loss), includes net investment (loss) income, net realized gains, gain on change in fair value of equity investments, amortization of intangible assets, impairment of intangible assets, interest expense not allocated to segments, other income and expenses not allocated to segments, net, foreign exchange losses, net, loss on change in fair value of debt and equity in net income of investee. A reconciliation of segment operating income (loss) to loss before income tax expense for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017 is presented in Table 1 of the "Results of Operations" section of Management's Discussion and Analysis.

Gross Premiums Written

While net premiums earned is the related U.S. GAAP measure used in the unaudited consolidated statements of operations, gross premiums written is the component of net premiums earned that measures insurance business produced before the effect of ceding reinsurance premiums, but without respect to when those premiums will be recognized as actual revenue. We use this measure as an overall gauge of gross business volume in Insurance Underwriting.

Net Premiums Written

While net premiums earned is the related U.S. GAAP measure used in the unaudited consolidated statements of operations, net premiums written is the component of net premiums earned that measures the difference between gross premiums written and the effect of ceding reinsurance premiums, but without respect to when those premiums will be recognized as actual revenue. We use this measure as an indication of retained or net business volume in Insurance Underwriting.

Underwriting Ratios

Kingsway, like many insurance companies, analyzes performance based on underwriting ratios such as loss and loss adjustment expense ratio, expense ratio and combined ratio. The loss and loss adjustment expense ratio is derived by dividing the amount of net loss and loss adjustment expenses incurred by net premiums earned. The expense ratio is derived by dividing the sum of commissions and premium taxes, general and administrative expenses and policy fee income by net premiums earned. The combined ratio is the sum of the loss and loss adjustment expense ratio and the expense ratio. A combined ratio below 100% demonstrates underwriting profit whereas a combined ratio over 100% demonstrates underwriting loss.

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CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS

The preparation of unaudited consolidated interim financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and classifications of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses, and the related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates. Estimates and their underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Changes in estimates are recorded in the accounting period in which they are determined. The critical accounting estimates and assumptions in the accompanying unaudited consolidated interim financial statements include the provision for unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses; valuation of fixed maturities and equity investments; impairment assessment of investments; valuation of limited liability investment, at fair value; valuation of deferred income taxes; valuation and impairment assessment of intangible assets; goodwill recoverability; deferred acquisition costs; fair value assumptions for performance shares; and fair value assumptions for subordinated debt obligations.

The Company's critical accounting estimates and assumptions are described in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in the 2017 Annual Report. There has been no material change subsequent to December 31, 2017 to the information previously disclosed in the 2017 Annual Report with respect to these critical accounting estimates and assumptions.

RESULTS OF CONTINUING OPERATIONS

A reconciliation of total segment operating income to net loss for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017 is presented in Table 1 below:

Table 1 Segment Operating Income (Loss)
(in thousands of dollars)

| | For the three months ended March 31, | | |
|--|---|---------|---------|
| | 2018 | 2017 | Change |
| Segment operating income (loss): | | | |
| Insurance Underwriting | (292) | (742) | 450 |
| Extended Warranty | 1,571 | 586 | 985 |
| Leased Real Estate | 874 | 918 | (44) |
| Total segment operating income | 2,153 | 762 | 1,391 |
| Net investment (loss) income | (682) | 714 | (1,396) |
| Net realized gains | 13 | 398 | (385) |
| Gain on change in fair value of equity investments | 1,176 | — | 1,176 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | (272) | (291) | 19 |
| Impairment of intangible assets | — | (250) | 250 |
| Interest expense not allocated to segments | (1,386) | (1,159) | (227) |
| Other income and expenses not allocated to segments, net | (1,958) | (1,971) | 13 |
| Foreign exchange losses, net | (2) | (4) | 2 |
| Loss on change in fair value of debt | (919) | (1,889) | 970 |
| Equity in net income of investee | 101 | 2,385 | (2,284) |
| Loss before income tax expense | (1,776) | (1,305) | (471) |
| Income tax expense | 251 | 179 | 72 |
| Net loss | (2,027) | (1,484) | (543) |
| Net Loss | | | |

In the first quarter of 2018, we reported net loss of \$2.0 million compared to \$1.5 million in the first quarter of 2017. The net loss for the three months ended March 31, 2018 is primarily due to operating loss in Insurance Underwriting, net investment loss, interest expense not allocated to segments, other income and expenses not allocated to segments,

net and loss on change in fair value of debt, partially offset by operating income in Extended Warranty and Leased Real Estate and gain on change in fair value of equity investments. The net loss for the three months ended March 31, 2017 is primarily attributable to operating loss in Insurance Underwriting, interest expense not allocated to segments, other income and expenses not allocated to segments, net and

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loss on change in fair value of debt, partially offset by operating income in Extended Warranty and Leased Real Estate, net investment income and equity in net income of investee.

Insurance Underwriting

In the first quarter of 2018, Insurance Underwriting gross premiums written were \$33.6 million compared to \$36.8 million in the first quarter of 2017, representing an 8.7% decrease. Net premiums written decreased 37.8% to \$22.9 million in the first quarter of 2018 compared with \$36.8 million in the first quarter of 2017. Net premiums earned decreased 13.1% to \$28.6 million in the first quarter of 2018 compared with \$32.9 million in the first quarter of 2017. The decrease in gross premiums written is related to the Company having approximately 13% fewer policies in force at March 31, 2018 compared to March 31, 2017. The decrease in policies in-force reflects the Company's actions to increase rates, revise payment terms and invoke certain market restrictions, all with the intention of improving the profitability of the Company's business. The decrease in net premiums written and net premiums earned for the three months ended March 31, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017, is primarily the result of Mendota and MCC entering into 50% quota share reinsurance agreements with a highly rated reinsurer, effective February 1, 2018, for all premiums written with the exception of premium written in California. Because of the natural lag between when premiums are written and when premiums are earned, the decrease in net premiums written was more immediately responsive to the execution of the reinsurance agreements than the decrease in net premiums earned.

The Insurance Underwriting operating loss was \$0.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 compared to \$0.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2017. The decrease in operating loss is primarily attributable to a decrease in loss and loss adjustment expenses, commissions and premium taxes and general and administrative expenses at Mendota for the three months ended March 31, 2018 compared to the same period in 2017, partially offset by loss adjusting expenses recorded at Amigo as part of Amigo's continuing voluntary runoff.

The Insurance Underwriting loss and loss adjustment expense ratio for the first quarter of 2018 was 80.8% compared to 76.5% for the first quarter of 2017. The increase in the loss and loss adjustment expense ratio is primarily attributable to a proportionately greater decrease in net premiums earned, reflecting the explanations above, than the decrease in loss and loss adjustment expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2018 compared to the same period in 2017. This dynamic was driven largely by the loss adjusting expenses recorded in Amigo's runoff and the mix shift that occurred at Mendota for the three months ended March 31, 2018. California is Mendota's highest loss ratio business. Because the California premium is excluded from the 50% quota share reinsurance agreement entered into by Mendota, the California business had a greater relative effect on Mendota's loss ratio for the three months ended March 31, 2018 than for the three months ended March 31, 2017. In order to address the performance of the California premium, Mendota placed additional underwriting restrictions on its California agents during the three months ended March 31, 2018. Beginning May 1, 2018, Mendota stopped writing new business in California and is currently working on a plan with the California Department of Insurance under which Mendota would voluntarily withdraw from writing any business in California, effectively exiting the California market. See "Liquidity and Capital Resources - Regulatory Capital" section below for further discussion.

The Insurance Underwriting expense ratio was 20.7% for the first quarter of 2018 compared to 25.9% for the first quarter of 2017. The decrease in the expense ratio for the first quarter of 2018 is primarily attributable to proportionately greater decreases in salary and benefits expense, bad debt expense and commissions and premium taxes at Mendota and MCC in the first quarter of 2018 compared to the same period in 2017 in relation to the decrease in net premiums earned. This dynamic was driven by Mendota's expense reduction initiatives and by the benefit of reinsurance ceding commission recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2018.

The Insurance Underwriting combined ratio was 101.5% in the first quarter of 2018 compared with 102.4% in the first quarter of 2017, reflecting the dynamics that affected the loss and loss adjustment expense ratio and expense ratio.

Extended Warranty

The Extended Warranty service fee and commission income increased 60.6% to \$10.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 compared with \$6.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2017. This increase is

partially due to increased service fee and commission income at both IWS and Trinity. IWS experienced increased sales of vehicle service agreements due to higher automobile sales and improved penetration of its credit union distribution channel. Trinity experienced increased sales to existing customers of both its maintenance support and warranty products. The increase in service fee and commission income is also reflective of the inclusion of PWSC in 2018 following its acquisition effective October 12, 2017. PWSC service fee and commission income was \$2.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018.

The Extended Warranty operating income was \$1.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 compared with \$0.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2017. The increase in operating income is primarily due to the inclusion of PWSC in 2018, as noted above. The increase in operating income also reflects the improved revenues at both Trinity and IWS, partially offset by

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related increases in cost of services sold at Trinity and commission expense at IWS, for the three months ended March 31, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017. PWSC operating income was \$0.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018.

Leased Real Estate

In the first quarter of 2018, Leased Real Estate rental income was \$3.3 million compared to \$3.3 million in the first quarter of 2017. The rental income is derived from CMC's long-term triple net lease. The Leased Real Estate operating income was \$0.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 compared with \$0.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2017. Leased Real Estate operating income includes interest expense of \$1.6 million and \$1.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. See "Investments" section below for further discussion.

Net Investment (Loss) Income

Net investment loss was \$0.7 million in the first quarter of 2018 compared to net investment income of \$0.7 million in the first quarter of 2017. The decrease is primarily due to a \$1.4 million decrease in fair value of the Company's limited liability investment, at fair value recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2018 compared to a \$0.4 million decrease in fair value of the Company's limited liability investment, at fair value recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2017.

Net Realized Gains

Net realized gains were \$0.0 million in the first quarter of 2018 compared to \$0.4 million in the first quarter of 2017. The net realized gains for the three months ended March 31, 2017 resulted primarily from the liquidation of equity investments in Insurance Underwriting. Beginning in 2018, gains from equity investments are recorded as gain on change in fair value of equity investments, as further discussed below.

Gain on Change in Fair Value of Equity Investments

Gain on change in fair value of equity investments was \$1.2 million in the first quarter of 2018 compared to zero in the first quarter of 2017. As further discussed in Note 4, "Recently Issued Accounting Standards," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements, effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted ASU 2016-01. As a result, all changes in the fair value of equity investments are now recognized in net income (loss). The gain on change in fair value of equity investments for the three months ended March 31, 2018 includes realized gains on equity investments sold during the first quarter of 2018 of \$0.7 million and unrealized gains on equity investments held as of March 31, 2018 of \$0.5 million.

Amortization of Intangible Assets

The Company's intangible assets with definite useful lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives.

Amortization of intangible assets was \$0.3 million in the first quarter of 2018 compared to \$0.3 million in the first quarter of 2017.

Impairment of Intangible Assets

No impairment charges were taken on intangible assets during the three months ended March 31, 2018. During the first quarter of 2017, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$0.3 million related to its insurance licenses indefinite lived intangible asset. The impairment recorded was the result of Mendota and Mendakota surrendering their insurance licenses in the state of New Mexico during the first quarter of 2017.

Interest Expense not Allocated to Segments

Interest expense not allocated to segments for the first quarter of 2018 was \$1.4 million compared to \$1.2 million in the first quarter of 2017. The increase for the three months ended March 31, 2018 is primarily attributable to generally higher London interbank offered interest rates for three-month U.S. dollar deposits ("LIBOR") during the three months ended March 31, 2018 compared to the same period in 2017. The Company's subordinated debt bears interest at the rate of LIBOR, plus spreads ranging from 3.85% to 4.20%. The increase is also reflective of the inclusion of interest expense on the Company's bank loan incurred as part of its acquisition of PWSC effective October 12, 2017.

Other Income and Expenses not Allocated to Segments, Net

Other income and expenses not allocated to segments was a net expense of \$2.0 million in the first quarter of 2018 compared to \$2.0 million in the first quarter of 2017.

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Foreign Exchange Losses, Net

During the first quarter of 2018, the Company incurred foreign exchange losses, net of \$0.0 million compared to \$0.0 million in the first quarter of 2017.

Loss on Change in Fair Value of Debt

Loss on change in fair value of debt amounted to \$0.9 million in the first quarter of 2018 compared to \$1.9 million in the first quarter of 2017. The loss for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017 is due to an increase in the fair value of the subordinated debt. As further discussed in Note 4, "Recently Issued Accounting Standards," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements, effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted ASU 2016-01. As a result, the portion of the change in fair value of subordinated debt related to the instrument-specific credit risk is now recognized in other comprehensive income (loss), whereas for 2017, the total change in fair value of subordinated debt was recorded in net income (loss). See "Debt" section below for further information.

Equity in Net Income of Investee

Equity in net income of investee for the first quarter of 2018 was \$0.1 million compared to \$2.4 million in the first quarter of 2017. Equity in net income of investee represents the Company's investment in Itasca Capital Ltd. See Note 7, "Investment in Investee," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements, for further discussion.

Income Tax Expense

Income tax expense for the first quarter of 2018 was \$0.3 million compared to \$0.2 million in the first quarter of 2017. See Note 13, "Income Taxes," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements, for additional detail of the income tax expense recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017.

INVESTMENTS

Portfolio Composition

All of our investments in fixed maturities are classified as available-for-sale and are reported at fair value. All of our equity investments are reported at fair value. Prior to the adoption of ASU 2016-01, equity investments were considered available-for-sale. At March 31, 2018, we held cash and cash equivalents and investments with a carrying value of \$142.3 million. Investments held by our insurance subsidiaries must comply with applicable domiciliary state regulations that prescribe the type, quality and concentration of investments. Our U.S. operations typically invest in U.S. dollar-denominated instruments to mitigate their exposure to currency rate fluctuations.

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Table 2 below summarizes the carrying value of investments, including cash and cash equivalents, at the dates indicated.

TABLE 2 Carrying value of investments, including cash and cash equivalents
(in thousands of dollars, except for percentages)

| Type of investment | March 31, 2018 | % of Total | December 31, 2017 | % of Total |
|---|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Fixed maturities: | | | | |
| U.S. government, government agencies and authorities | 25,809 | 18.1 | % 25,244 | 17.3 % |
| States, municipalities and political subdivisions | 3,691 | 2.6 | % 3,783 | 2.6 % |
| Mortgage-backed | 7,536 | 5.3 | % 7,663 | 5.3 % |
| Asset-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations | 2,129 | 1.5 | % 2,269 | 1.5 % |
| Corporate | 11,334 | 8.0 | % 14,255 | 9.8 % |
| Total fixed maturities | 50,499 | 35.5 | % 53,214 | 36.5 % |
| Equity investments: | | | | |
| Common stock | 4,694 | 3.3 | % 7,419 | 5.0 % |
| Warrants | 1,778 | 1.2 | % 1,575 | 1.1 % |
| Total equity investments | 6,472 | 4.5 | % 8,994 | 6.1 % |
| Limited liability investments | 25,749 | 18.1 | % 25,173 | 17.3 % |
| Limited liability investment, at fair value | 8,925 | 6.3 | % 10,314 | 7.0 % |
| Other investments | 3,316 | 2.3 | % 3,721 | 2.6 % |
| Short-term investments | 151 | 0.1 | % 151 | 0.1 % |
| Total investments | 95,112 | 66.8 | % 101,567 | 69.6 % |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 47,197 | 33.2 | % 44,286 | 30.4 % |
| Total | 142,309 | 100.0 | % 145,853 | 100.0 % |

Other-Than-Temporary Impairment

The Company performs a quarterly analysis of its investments classified as available-for-sale to determine if declines in market value are other-than-temporary. Prior to the adoption of ASU 2016-01, equity investments were considered available-for-sale and were included in the analysis of other-than-temporary impairments. Following the adoption of ASU 2016-01 beginning with the first quarter of 2018, the Company includes only its investments in fixed maturities in its quarterly analysis for other-than-temporary declines in market value. Further information regarding our detailed analysis and factors considered in establishing an other-than-temporary impairment on an investment is discussed within Note 6, "Investments," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements.

As a result of the analysis performed by the Company to determine declines in market value that are other-than-temporary, there were no write-downs for other-than-temporary impairments related to investments recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017.

The length of time a fixed maturity investment may be held in an unrealized loss position may vary based on the opinion of the investment manager and their respective analyses related to valuation and to the various credit risks that may prevent us from recapturing the principal investment. In the case of a fixed maturity investment where the investment manager determines that there is little or no risk of default prior to the maturity of a holding, we would elect to hold the investment in an unrealized loss position until the price recovers or the investment matures. In situations where facts emerge that might increase the risk associated with recapture of principal, the Company may elect to sell a fixed maturity investment at a loss. Prior to the adoption of ASU 2016-01, the Company considered the ability and intent to hold an equity investment for a period of time sufficient to allow for anticipated recovery.

At March 31, 2018, the gross unrealized losses for fixed maturities amounted to \$0.9 million, and there were no unrealized losses attributable to non-investment grade fixed maturities. At December 31, 2017, the gross unrealized

losses for fixed maturities and equity investments amounted to \$1.4 million, and there were no unrealized losses attributable to non-investment grade fixed maturities. At each of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, all unrealized losses on individual investments were considered temporary.

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Limited Liability Investments

The Company owns investments in various limited liability companies ("LLCs") and limited partnerships ("LPs") that primarily invest in income-producing real estate or real estate related investments. The Company's investments in these LLCs and LPs are accounted for under the equity method of accounting and reported as limited liability investments in the consolidated balance sheets. The most recently available financial statements of the LLCs and LPs are used in applying the equity method. The difference between the end of the reporting period of the LLCs and LPs and that of the Company is no more than three months. Most of the real estate investments are held on a triple net lease basis whereby the lessee agrees to pay all real estate taxes, building insurance and maintenance. Table 3 below presents additional information pertaining to the limited liability investments at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

TABLE 3 Limited liability investments
(in thousands of dollars)

| | Carrying Value | |
|---|----------------|-------------------|
| | March 31, 2018 | December 31, 2017 |
| Triple net lease limited liability investments | 13,395 | 13,010 |
| Other real estate related limited liability investments | 4,081 | 4,167 |
| Non-real estate limited liability investments | 8,273 | 7,996 |
| Total | 25,749 | 25,173 |

Triple Net Lease Investments

Table 4 below presents total income from triple net lease investments included in the Company's net loss for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017.

TABLE 4 Income from triple net lease investments included in net loss
(in thousands of dollars)

| | Three months ended | |
|---|--------------------|----------------|
| | March 31, 2018 | March 31, 2017 |
| Income from triple net lease limited liability investments | 385 | 418 |
| Income from CMC operations | 693 | 673 |
| Total income included in net loss as a result of triple net lease investments and CMC acquisition | 1,078 | 1,091 |

The Company has been increasing its exposure to triple net lease investments. These can take the form of limited liability investments as well as the Company's investment in CMC.

Income from triple net lease limited liability investments in the table above is recognized based on the Company's share of the earnings of the limited liability entities and is included in net investment (loss) income in the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

Income from CMC operations in the table above for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017, is comprised of Leased Real Estate segment operating income of \$0.9 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, amortization of intangible assets of \$0.0 million and \$0.0 million, respectively and income tax expense of \$0.2 million and \$0.2 million, respectively.

With respect to CMC, the Company expects to record income each year based upon the rental income recognized under its existing triple net lease agreement on the Real Property less operating expenses, which are comprised principally of interest on the Mortgage and depreciation and amortization of certain of the assets acquired. Over the next three years, the Company generally expects to recognize in its consolidated statements of operations income of approximately \$2.8 to \$3.1 million per year related to its ownership of CMC. Effective beginning the first quarter of

2017, the Company executed a lease amendment between CMC and its tenant under which the tenant will pay an aggregate \$25.0 million of additional rental income through May 2034, the remaining term of the lease (the "Lease Amendment"). Because of the Lease Amendment, CMC may be in a position to distribute to the Company some of the cash received from the additional rental income. Any material cash flow to the Company, however, remains likely to occur only upon the occurrence of one of the three events that would trigger payment of service fees. There can be no assurance

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as to the timing of the occurrence, or the resulting outcome, from one of these events. Refer to the "Liquidity and Capital Resources" section below for further discussion.

Limited Liability Investment, at Fair Value

The Company owns 26.7% of the outstanding units of 1347 Investors LLC ("1347 Investors"). The Company's investment in 1347 Investors is accounted for at fair value and reported as limited liability investment, at fair value in the consolidated balance sheets, with any changes in fair value to be reported in net investment (loss) income in the consolidated statements of operations. As of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the carrying value of the Company's limited liability investment, at fair value was \$8.9 million and \$10.3 million, respectively.

The fair value of this investment is calculated based on a model that distributes the net equity of 1347 Investors to all classes of membership interests. The model uses quoted market prices and significant market observable inputs. The Company recorded net investment loss of \$1.4 million and \$0.4 million related to this investment for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and March 31, 2017, respectively.

PROPERTY AND CASUALTY UNPAID LOSS AND LOSS ADJUSTMENT EXPENSES

Property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses represent the estimated liabilities for reported loss events, incurred but not reported ("IBNR") loss events and the related estimated loss adjustment expenses.

Tables 5 and 6 present distributions, by line of business, of the provision for property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses gross and net of external reinsurance, respectively.

TABLE 5 Provision for property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses - gross
(in thousands of dollars)

| Line of Business | March 31, 2018 | December 31, 2017 |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Non-standard automobile | 60,260 | 62,219 |
| Commercial automobile | 642 | 580 |
| Other | 756 | 853 |
| Total | 61,658 | 63,652 |

TABLE 6 Provision for property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses - net of reinsurance recoverable (in thousands of dollars)

| Line of Business | March 31, 2018 | December 31, 2017 |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Non-standard automobile | 59,108 | 62,053 |
| Commercial automobile | 626 | 572 |
| Other | 756 | 853 |
| Total | 60,490 | 63,478 |

Non-Standard Automobile

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At March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the gross provisions for property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses for our non-standard automobile business were \$60.3 million and \$62.2 million, respectively. The decrease is primarily due to a decrease in unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses at Mendota.

Commercial Automobile

At March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the gross provisions for property and casualty unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses for our commercial automobile business were \$0.6 million and \$0.6 million, respectively. Information with respect to development of our provision for prior years' property and casualty loss and loss adjustment expenses is presented in Table 7.

TABLE 7 Increase in prior years' provision for property and casualty loss and loss adjustment expenses (in thousands of dollars)

| | Three months ended March 31, 2018 | 2017 |
|--|---|------|
| Unfavorable change in provision for property and casualty loss and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years | 576 | 212 |

For the three months ended March 31, 2018, the Company reported \$0.6 million of unfavorable development for property and casualty loss and loss adjustment expenses from prior accident years compared with unfavorable development of \$0.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2017. The unfavorable development reported for the three months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily related to an increase in property and casualty loss and loss adjustment expenses at Amigo and Mendota. The unfavorable development reported for the three months ended March 31, 2017 was primarily related to an increase in property and casualty loss and loss adjustment expenses at Mendota.

See the "Critical Accounting Estimates and Assumptions" section of Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in the 2017 Annual Report for additional information pertaining to the Company's process of estimating the provision for unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses.

DEBT

Note Payable

As part of the acquisition of CMC in July 2016, the Company assumed the Mortgage and recorded the Mortgage at its estimated fair value of \$191.7 million, which included the unpaid principal amount of \$180.0 million as of the date of acquisition plus a premium of \$11.7 million. The Mortgage matures on May 15, 2034 and has a fixed interest rate of 4.07%. The Mortgage is carried in the consolidated balance sheets at its amortized cost, which reflects the monthly pay-down of principal as well as the amortization of the premium using the effective interest rate method.

Bank Loan

On October 12, 2017, the Company borrowed a principal amount of \$5.0 million from a bank to partially finance its acquisition of PWSC. The bank loan matures on October 12, 2022 and has a fixed interest rate of 5.0%. The bank loan is carried in the consolidated balance sheets at its unpaid principal balance.

Subordinated Debt

Between December 4, 2002 and December 16, 2003, six subsidiary trusts of the Company issued \$90.5 million of 30-year capital securities to third parties in separate private transactions. In each instance, a corresponding floating rate junior subordinated deferrable interest debenture was then issued by Kingsway America Inc. to the trust in exchange for the proceeds from the private sale. The floating rate debentures bear interest at the rate of LIBOR, plus spreads ranging from 3.85% to 4.20%. The Company has the right to call each of these securities at par value any time after five years from their issuance until their maturity.

The Company's subordinated debt is measured and reported at fair value. At March 31, 2018, the carrying value of the subordinated debt is \$53.5 million. The fair value of the subordinated debt is calculated using a model based on significant market observable inputs and inputs developed by a third party. For a description of the market observable inputs and inputs developed by a third party used in determining fair value of debt, see Note 18, "Fair Value of Financial Instruments," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements.

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During the three months ended March 31, 2018, the market observable swap rates changed, and the Company experienced a decrease in the credit spread assumption developed by the third party. Changes in the market observable swap rates affect the fair value model in different ways. An increase in the LIBOR swap rates has the effect of increasing the fair value of the Company's subordinated debt while an increase in the risk-free swap rates has the effect of decreasing the fair value. The decrease in the credit spread assumption has the effect of increasing the fair value of the Company's subordinated debt while an increase in the credit spread assumption has the effect of decreasing the fair value. The other primary variable affecting the fair value of debt calculation is the passage of time, which will always have the effect of increasing the fair value of debt. The changes to the credit spread and swap rate variables during the three months ended March 31, 2018, along with the passage of time, contributed to the \$1.4 million increase in fair value of the Company's subordinated debt between December 31, 2017 and March 31, 2018. As further discussed in Note 4, "Recently Issued Accounting Standards," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements, effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted ASU 2016-01. As a result, the portion of the change in fair value of subordinated debt related to the instrument-specific credit risk is now recognized in other comprehensive income (loss), whereas for 2017, the total change in fair value of subordinated debt was recorded in net income (loss). Of the \$1.4 million increase in fair value of the Company's subordinated debt between December 31, 2017 and March 31, 2018, \$0.4 million is reported as change in fair value of debt attributable to instrument-specific credit risk in the Company's unaudited consolidated statements of comprehensive loss and \$0.9 million is reported as loss on change in fair value of debt in the Company's unaudited consolidated statements of operations.

Also as a result of the adoption of ASU 2016-01, a cumulative \$40.5 million change in fair value of subordinated debt attributable to instrument-specific credit risk was reclassified from accumulated deficit to accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). As long as the Company repays its subordinated debt at maturity, it can be expected that this \$40.5 million reclassification will reverse without being reported in the Company's consolidated statements of operations. Though changes in the market observable swap rates will continue to introduce some volatility each quarter to the Company's reported gain or loss on change in fair value of debt, changes in the credit spread assumption developed by the third party will no longer introduce volatility to the Company's consolidated statements of operations. The fair value of the Company's subordinated debt will eventually equal the principal value of the subordinated debt by the time of the stated redemption date of each trust, beginning with the trust maturing on December 4, 2032 and continuing through January 8, 2034, the redemption date of the last of the Company's outstanding trusts; however, the remaining cumulative change in fair value of subordinated debt expected to be recorded in net income (loss) is no longer expected to be material given the anticipated accounting for the \$40.5 million reclassification.

For a description of each of the Company's six subsidiary trusts, see Note 11, "Debt," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements.

RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

See Note 4, "Recently Issued Accounting Standards," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements, for discussion of certain accounting standards that may be applicable to the Company's current and future consolidated financial statements.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The purpose of liquidity management is to ensure there is sufficient cash to meet all financial commitments and obligations as they fall due. The liquidity requirements of the Company and its subsidiaries have been met primarily by funds generated from operations, capital raising, disposal of discontinued operations, investment maturities and income and other returns received on investments or from the sale of investments. Cash provided from these sources is used primarily for making investments and for loss and loss adjustment expense payments, debt servicing and other

operating expenses. The timing and amount of payments for loss and loss adjustment expenses may differ materially from our provisions for unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses, which may create increased liquidity requirements.

Cash Flows

During the three months ended March 31, 2018, the Company reported on the unaudited consolidated statements of cash flows \$1.6 million of net cash used in operating activities. The reconciliation between the Company's reported net loss of \$2.0 million and the \$1.6 million of net cash used in operating activities can be explained primarily by the \$5.0 million increase in premiums and service fee receivables, the \$2.1 million decrease in the provision for unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses and the \$1.2 million gain on change in fair value of equity investments, offset by the \$3.2 million increase in unearned premiums, the \$2.4 million decrease in deferred acquisition costs, the \$1.4 million loss on change in fair value of limited liability investment and \$1.4 million of depreciation and amortization expense.

During the three months ended March 31, 2018, the net cash provided by investing activities as reported on the unaudited consolidated statements of cash flows was \$5.5 million. This source of cash was driven primarily by proceeds from sales and maturities of fixed maturities, equity investments and other investments in excess of purchases of fixed maturities, equity investments and limited liability investments.

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During the three months ended March 31, 2018, the net cash used in financing activities as reported on the unaudited consolidated statements of cash flows was \$1.0 million. This use of cash is attributed to principal repayments of \$0.7 million on the Mortgage and \$0.3 million on the bank loan.

In summary, as reported on the unaudited consolidated statements of cash flows, the Company's net increase in cash and cash equivalents during the three months ended March 31, 2018 was \$2.9 million.

The Company's Insurance Underwriting subsidiaries fund their obligations primarily through premium and investment income and maturities in the investments portfolios. The Company's Extended Warranty subsidiaries fund their obligations primarily through service fee and commission income. The Company's Leased Real Estate subsidiary funds its obligations through rental income.

The liquidity of the holding company is managed separately from its subsidiaries. Actions available to the holding company to raise liquidity in order to meet its obligations include the sale of passive investments; sale of subsidiaries; issuance of debt or equity securities; certain excess cash flow from the Company's Extended Warranty subsidiaries and giving notice to its Trust Preferred trustees of its intention to exercise its voluntary right to defer interest payments for up to 20 quarters, which right the Company previously exercised during the period from the first quarter of 2011 through the fourth quarter of 2015.

Receipt of dividends from the Insurance Underwriting subsidiaries is not generally considered a source of liquidity for the holding company. The insurance subsidiaries require regulatory approval for the return of capital and, in certain circumstances, prior to the payment of dividends. At March 31, 2018, the U.S. insurance subsidiaries of the Company were restricted from making any dividend payments to the holding company without regulatory approval pursuant to the domiciliary state insurance regulations.

Receipt of dividends from the Extended Warranty subsidiaries is limited for the holding company at this time even though excess cash generated by Trinity's operating results is freely available for distribution to the holding company. IWS is somewhat constrained from paying dividends, given the existence of a 10% minority owner of its common equity, and PWSC is constrained from paying dividends while the bank loan incurred to partially finance the acquisition of PWSC remains outstanding.

Receipt of dividends from the Leased Real Estate segment is not generally considered a source of liquidity for the holding company. Because of the Lease Amendment, CMC may be in a position to distribute to the Company some of the cash received from the additional rental income. Any material cash flow to the Company, however, to help the Company meet its holding company obligations remains likely to occur only upon the occurrence of one of the three events described in the next paragraph that would trigger payment of service fees. There can be no assurance as to the timing of the occurrence, or the resulting outcome, from one of these events.

Pursuant to the terms of the management services agreement entered into at the closing of the acquisition of CMC, an affiliate of the seller (the "Service Provider") will provide certain services to CMC and its subsidiaries in exchange for service fees. Such services (collectively, the "Services") will include (i) causing an affiliate of the Service Provider to guaranty certain obligations of the Property Owner (pursuant to an Indemnity and Guaranty Agreement between such affiliate and the holder of the Mortgage (the "Mortgagor")), (ii) providing certain individuals to serve as members of the board of directors and/or certain executive officers of CMC and/or its subsidiaries and (iii) providing asset management services with respect to the Real Property. In exchange for the Services, the Property Owner will pay certain fees to the Service Provider. The payment of such service fees may be triggered by (i) a sale of the Real Property, (ii) a restructuring of the lease to which the Real Property is subject or (iii) a refinancing or restructuring of the Mortgage. The amount of the service fees will range from 40%-80% of the net proceeds generated by the event triggering the payment of the service fees (depending on the nature and timing of the triggering event). The Lease Amendment has not triggered the payment of service fees to the Service Provider.

The holding company's liquidity, defined as the amount of cash in the bank accounts of Kingsway Financial Services Inc. and Kingsway America Inc., was \$3.0 million and \$0.6 million at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. These amounts are reflected in the cash and cash equivalents of \$47.2 million and \$44.3 million reported at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively, on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. The cash and cash equivalents other than the holding company's liquidity represent restricted and unrestricted cash held by the Company's Insurance Underwriting, Extended Warranty and Leased Real Estate subsidiaries and are not considered to be available to meet holding company obligations, which primarily consist of interest payments on subordinated debt; holding company operating expenses; transaction-driven expenses of the Company's merchant banking activities; investments; and any other extraordinary demands on the holding company, including the purchase of certain investments from the Company's insurance subsidiaries. See "Regulatory Capital" section below for further discussion. The holding company's liquidity of \$3.0 million at March 31, 2018 represented approximately three months of interest payments on subordinated debt and regularly recurring operating expenses before any transaction-driven expenses of the Company's merchant

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banking activities, any new holding company investments or any other extraordinary demands on the holding company. In addition, the holding company owns investments in publicly traded securities and has access to some of the operating cash generated by the Extended Warranty subsidiaries. While these liquid sources do not represent cash of the holding company at March 31, 2018, they do represent future sources of liquidity that make it probable that the holding company will be able to meet its obligations as they become due over the next 12 months.

Regulatory Capital

In the United States, a risk-based capital ("RBC") formula is used by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC") to identify property and casualty insurance companies that may not be adequately capitalized. In general, insurers reporting surplus as regards policyholders below 200% of the authorized control level, as defined by the NAIC, at December 31 are subject to varying levels of regulatory action, including discontinuation of operations. As of December 31, 2017, surplus as regards policyholders reported by each of our U.S. insurance subsidiaries, with the exception of Mendota, exceeded the 200% threshold.

Kingsway Re, our reinsurance subsidiary domiciled in Barbados, is required by the regulator in Barbados to maintain minimum statutory capital of \$125,000. Kingsway Re is currently operating with statutory capital near the regulatory minimum, requiring us to periodically contribute capital to fund operating expenses. Kingsway Re incurs operating expenses of approximately \$0.1 million per year.

The Illinois Department of Insurance ("IDOI") completed in 2016 a financial examination of MCC for the five-year period ending December 31, 2015. No financial statement adjustments were required. The Florida Office of Insurance Regulation ("FOIR") completed in 2016 a financial examination of Amigo for the three-year period ending December 31, 2014 and completed in the first quarter of 2018 a financial examination of Amigo for the two-year period ending December 31, 2016. No financial statement adjustments were required as a result of either examination. In 2017, the MDOC began a financial examination of Mendota and Mendakota for the five-year period ending December 31, 2016. This examination is expected to be completed by June 30, 2018.

As of December 31, 2017, Mendota's RBC was 196%, which is at the company action level, as defined by the NAIC. Mendota has prepared a comprehensive RBC plan, which it filed with the Minnesota Department of Commerce ("MDOC") on March 15, 2018. The comprehensive plan is intended to outline Mendota's future plans, including the current and projected RBC level, and is subject to approval by the MDOC. Included in Mendota's RBC plan is a proposed action to reduce the limited liability investments, limited liability investment, at fair value and other investments held by Mendota and its wholly owned subsidiaries, primarily by having the holding company purchase these investments from Mendota, MCC and Amigo at their carrying values. At March 31, 2018, Mendota owned \$17.0 million of the Company's \$25.7 million of limited liability investments and \$4.0 million of the Company's \$8.9 million of limited liability investment, at fair value. In addition, MCC and Amigo, which are wholly owned subsidiaries of Mendota, owned another \$3.8 million of the Company's limited liability investments, \$2.2 million of the Company's \$3.3 million of other investments and \$2.0 million of the Company's investment in PWSC.

Achievement of the comprehensive plan depends on future events and circumstances, the outcome of which cannot be assured. As part of the Company's response to improve Mendota's RBC and to reduce the risk profile of its business, Mendota entered into a 50% quota share reinsurance agreement with a highly rated reinsurer, effective February 1, 2018, for all premiums written with the exception of premium written in California. The reinsurance arrangement will reduce Mendota's net premiums written during 2018, which will reduce the risk-based capital charge assigned to the business and should, as a result, improve Mendota's RBC. MCC also entered into a 50% quota share reinsurance agreement with the same reinsurer, effective February 1, 2018.

On May 9, 2018, the Company received a letter of intent to acquire Mendota and its wholly owned subsidiaries MCC, Mendakota and Amigo (the "LOI") for a price equal to the statutory surplus of Mendota, which was \$29.1 million at March 31, 2018. Following deliberation by the Company's board of directors, taking into account the recent financial performance of the Insurance Underwriting segment and the time and resources required to successfully execute the

RBC plan, the Company decided to execute the LOI and pursue the sale of Mendota, MCC, Mendakota and Amigo. Pursuant to the terms of the LOI, the holding company will redeploy the proceeds from the sale to assist it in acquiring the remainder of the limited liability investments, limited liability investment, at fair value and other investments that will still be owned by Mendota, Mendakota, MCC and Amigo at the time of the closing, which total \$29.0 million at March 31, 2018. As the transaction is contemplated in the LOI, at the closing, none of Mendota, MCC, Mendakota or Amigo will own any limited liability investments, limited liability investment, at fair value or other investments. These investments will all be owned by the holding company following the close of the proposed transaction. This transaction is subject to the execution of definitive agreements and regulatory approvals by the MDOC, the FOIR and the IDOI. There can be no assurance that the buyer and the Company will execute definitive agreements or that all required regulatory approvals will be secured. Failing the consummation of the proposed transaction, there can be no assurance that the domiciliary regulators in general, or the MDOC in particular with respect to the continuing financial examination of Mendota and Mendakota,

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will not propose financial adjustments or take other actions that would be material to the Company's business, results of operations or financial condition.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Company has an off-balance sheet arrangement related to a guarantee, which is further described in Note 20, "Commitments and Contingent Liabilities," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that we will incur losses due to adverse changes in interest or currency exchange rates and equity prices. We have exposure to market risk through our investment activities and our financing activities. Given our U.S. operations typically invest in U.S. dollar denominated fixed maturity instruments, our primary market risk exposures in the investments portfolio are to changes in interest rates. Periodic changes in interest rate levels generally affect our financial results to the extent that the investments are recorded at market value and reinvestment yields are different than the original yields on maturing instruments. During periods of rising interest rates, the market values of the existing fixed maturities will generally decrease. The reverse is true during periods of declining interest rates.

We manage our exposure to risks associated with interest rate fluctuations through active review of our investment portfolio by our management and Board, consultation with third-party financial advisors and by managing the maturity profile of our fixed maturity portfolio. Our goal is to maximize the total after-tax return on all of our investments. An important strategy we employ to achieve this goal is to try to hold enough in cash and short-term investments in order to avoid liquidating longer-term investments to pay loss and loss adjustment expenses.

Table 8 below summarizes the fair value by contractual maturities of the fixed maturities portfolio, excluding cash and cash equivalents, at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

TABLE 8 Fair value of fixed maturities by contractual maturity date
(in thousands of dollars, except for percentages)

| | March 31, 2018 | % of Total | December 31, 2017 | % of Total | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------------|------------|---|
| Due in less than one year | 14,674 | 29.1 | % 11,154 | 21.0 | % |
| Due in one through five years | 29,179 | 57.8 | % 33,791 | 63.5 | % |
| Due after five through ten years | 2,126 | 4.2 | % 3,780 | 7.1 | % |
| Due after ten years | 4,520 | 8.9 | % 4,489 | 8.4 | % |
| Total | 50,499 | 100.0 | % 53,214 | 100.0 | % |

At March 31, 2018, 86.9% of fixed maturities, including treasury bills, government bonds and corporate bonds, had contractual maturities of five years or less. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities because certain issuers have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. The Company holds cash and high-grade short-term assets that, along with fixed maturities, management believes are sufficient in amount for the payment of unpaid loss and loss adjustment expenses and other obligations on a timely basis. In the event additional cash is required to meet obligations to our policyholders and customers, we believe the high-quality investments in the portfolios provide us with sufficient liquidity.

Based upon the results of interest rate sensitivity analysis, Table 9 below shows the interest rate risk of our investments in fixed maturities, measured in terms of fair value (which is equal to the carrying value for all our fixed maturity securities), at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

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(in thousands of dollars)

| | 100 Basis Point Decrease in Interest Rates | No Change | 100 Basis Point Increase in Interest Rates |
|---|---|--------------|--|
| As of March 31, 2018 | | | |
| Estimated fair value | \$ 51,552 | \$50,499 | \$49,446 |
| Estimated increase (decrease) in fair value | \$ 1,053 | \$— | \$(1,053) |

As of December 31, 2017

| | | | |
|---|-----------|----------|------------|
| Estimated fair value | \$ 54,411 | \$53,214 | \$52,017 |
| Estimated increase (decrease) in fair value | \$ 1,197 | \$— | \$(1,197) |

We use both fixed and variable rate debt as sources of financing. Because our subordinated debt is LIBOR-based, our primary market risk related to financing activities is to changes in LIBOR. As of March 31, 2018, each one hundred basis point increase in LIBOR would result in an approximately \$0.9 million increase in our annual interest expense.

Equity Risk

Equity risk is the risk we will incur economic losses due to adverse changes in equity prices. Our exposure to changes in equity prices results from our holdings of common stock. We principally manage equity price risk through industry and issuer diversification and asset allocation techniques and by continuously evaluating market conditions.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is defined as the risk of financial loss due to failure of the other party to a financial instrument to discharge an obligation. Credit risk arises from our positions in short-term investments, corporate debt instruments and government bonds.

The Investment Committee of the Board of Directors is responsible for the oversight of key investment policies and limits. These policies and limits are subject to annual review and approval by the Investment Committee. The Investment Committee is also responsible for ensuring these policies are implemented and procedures are in place to manage and control credit risk.

Table 10 below summarizes the composition of the fair values of fixed maturities, excluding cash and cash equivalents, at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, by rating as assigned by Standard and Poor's ("S&P") or Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's"). Fixed maturities consist of predominantly high-quality instruments in corporate and government bonds with approximately 95.6% of those investments rated 'A' or better at March 31, 2018. 'Not Rated' in Table 10 below at December 31, 2017 includes \$3.0 million of 8% preferred stock of 1347 Property Insurance Holdings, Inc., redeemable on February 24, 2020. During the first quarter of 2018, the preferred stock was redeemed at its par value of \$3.0 million.

TABLE 10 Credit ratings of fixed maturities
(ratings as a percentage of total fixed maturities)

| Rating (S&P/Moody's) | March 31, 2018 | December 31, 2017 | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|
| AAA/Aaa | 74.7 | %70.6 | % |
| AA/Aa | 8.1 | 7.4 | |
| A/A | 12.8 | 12.1 | |
| Percentage rated A/A2 or better | 95.6 | %90.1 | % |

| | | | |
|-----------|-------|---------|---|
| BBB/Baa | 2.7 | 2.6 | |
| BB/Ba | 1.2 | 1.1 | |
| Not rated | 0.5 | 6.2 | |
| Total | 100.0 | % 100.0 | % |

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company's management performed an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's principal executive officer and the principal financial officer, and completed an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as that term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e), as adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("the Exchange Act") as of March 31, 2018. Disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure information required to be disclosed in the reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure information required to be disclosed in the reports the Company files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management, including the principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

Based on that evaluation, the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

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Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

During the Company's last fiscal quarter, there were no changes in internal control over financial reporting that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Information concerning pending legal proceedings is incorporated herein by reference to Note 20, "Commitments and Contingencies," to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements in Part I of this Form 10-Q.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There are no material changes with respect to those risk factors previously disclosed in our 2017 Annual Report.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

None

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

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Item 5. Other Information

None

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Item 6. Exhibits

- 31.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

101.INS XBRL Instance Document

101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema

101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase

101.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase

101.LAB XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase

101.PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

KINGSWAY FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

Date: May 14, 2018 By: /s/ Larry G. Swets, Jr.

Larry G. Swets, Jr., Chief Executive Officer and Director
(principal executive officer)

Date: May 14, 2018 By: /s/ William A. Hickey, Jr.

William A. Hickey, Jr., Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President
(principal financial officer)