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FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2011

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 No. 001-14428

RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda
(State or Other Jurisdiction of

98-014-1974
(I.R.S. Employer

Incorporation or Organization)

Identification Number)

Renaissance House, 12 Crow Lane, Pembroke HM 19 Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices)

(441) 295-4513

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Indicate by check mark 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 that 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 that 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 the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Large accelerated filer , Accelerated filer , Non-accelerated filer , Smaller reporting company .

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

The number of outstanding shares of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. s common shares, par value US \$1.00 per share, as of October 27, 2011 was 51,786,700.

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(in thousands of United States Dollars)

| | September 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 |
|---|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | (Unaudited) | (Audited) |
| Assets | | |
| Fixed maturity investments trading, at fair value (Amortized cost \$3,671,728 and \$3,859,442 at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively) | \$ 3,687,669 | \$ 3,871,780 |
| Fixed maturity investments available for sale, at fair value (Amortized cost \$139,283 and \$225,549 at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively) | 149,969 | 244,917 |
| Short term investments, at fair value | 1,557,937 | 1,110,364 |
| Equity investments trading, at fair value (Cost \$47,996 at September 30, 2011) | 45,607 | |
| Other investments, at fair value | 736,757 | 787,548 |
| Investments in other ventures, under equity method | 78,071 | 85,603 |
| Total investments | 6,256,010 | 6,100,212 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 235,058 | 277,738 |
| Premiums receivable | 695,163 | 322,080 |
| Prepaid reinsurance premiums | 164,547 | 60,643 |
| Reinsurance recoverable | 434,553 | 101,711 |
| Accrued investment income | 34,237 | 34,560 |
| Deferred acquisition costs | 71,225 | 35,648 |
| Receivable for investments sold | 33,791 | 99,226 |
| Other secured assets | | 14,250 |
| Other assets | 176,114 | 205,373 |
| Goodwill and other intangibles | 14,230 | 14,690 |
| Assets of discontinued operations held for sale | 2,481 | 872,147 |
| Total assets | \$ 8,117,409 | \$ 8,138,278 |
| Liabilities, Noncontrolling Interests and Shareholders Equity | | |
| Liabilities | | |
| Reserve for claims and claim expenses | \$ 2,226,005 | \$ 1,257,843 |
| Unearned premiums | 623,596 | 286,183 |
| Debt | 349,224 | 549,155 |
| Reinsurance balances payable | 317,627 | 318,024 |
| Payable for investments purchased | 233,282 | 195,383 |
| Other secured liabilities | | 14,000 |
| Other liabilities | 174,424 | 222,310 |
| Liabilities of discontinued operations held for sale | 9,098 | 598,511 |
| Total liabilities | 3,933,256 | 3,441,409 |

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Commitments and Contingencies

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| Redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe | 633,112 | 757,655 |
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Shareholders Equity

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|--|-----------|-----------|
| Preference shares | 550,000 | 550,000 |
| Common shares | 51,787 | 54,110 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 9,331 | |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | 11,092 | 19,823 |
| Retained earnings | 2,925,604 | 3,312,392 |

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| <i>Total shareholders equity attributable to RenaissanceRe</i> | 3,547,814 | 3,936,325 |
| Noncontrolling interest | 3,227 | 2,889 |

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| <i>Total shareholders equity</i> | 3,551,041 | 3,939,214 |
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| <i>Total liabilities, noncontrolling interest and shareholders equity</i> | \$ 8,117,409 | \$ 8,138,278 |
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See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

Table of Contents**RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Statements of Operations****For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010**

(in thousands of United States Dollars, except per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

| | Three months ended | | Nine months ended | |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | September 30, 2011 | September 30, 2010 | September 30, 2011 | September 30, 2010 |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 139,938 | \$ 111,543 | \$ 1,392,006 | \$ 1,134,094 |
| Net premiums written | \$ 103,010 | \$ 82,307 | \$ 983,580 | \$ 818,800 |
| Decrease (increase) in unearned premiums | 126,214 | 130,048 | (231,640) | (143,621) |
| Net premiums earned | 229,224 | 212,355 | 751,940 | 675,179 |
| Net investment (loss) income | (27,940) | 59,570 | 65,669 | 151,452 |
| Net foreign exchange losses | (2,650) | (529) | (6,511) | (12,480) |
| Equity in earnings (losses) of other ventures | 4,794 | (6,740) | (13,831) | (1,424) |
| Other (loss) income | (2,015) | 25,021 | 42,963 | 15,088 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on investments | 16,983 | 92,342 | 46,748 | 210,593 |
| Total other-than-temporary impairments | (498) | | (498) | (831) |
| Portion recognized in other comprehensive income, before taxes | 49 | | 49 | 2 |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | (449) | | (449) | (829) |
| Total revenues | 217,947 | 382,019 | 886,529 | 1,037,579 |
| Expenses | | | | |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | 77,830 | 77,936 | 857,628 | 156,473 |
| Acquisition expenses | 26,057 | 26,143 | 72,275 | 76,158 |
| Operational expenses | 42,169 | 36,970 | 126,298 | 120,160 |
| Corporate expenses | 3,582 | 5,590 | 9,657 | 15,392 |
| Interest expense | 5,722 | 6,164 | 17,647 | 15,526 |
| Total expenses | 155,360 | 152,803 | 1,083,505 | 383,709 |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations before taxes | 62,587 | 229,216 | (196,976) | 653,870 |
| Income tax benefit | 1,435 | 2,399 | 3,260 | 6,320 |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations | 64,022 | 231,615 | (193,716) | 660,190 |
| (Loss) income from discontinued operations | (965) | 21,234 | (12,585) | 51,562 |

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|---|-----------|------------|--------------|------------|
| <i>Net income (loss)</i> | 63,057 | 252,849 | (206,301) | 711,752 |
| Net (income) loss attributable to noncontrolling interests | (5,044) | (37,524) | 58,545 | (99,989) |
| <i>Net income (loss) attributable to RenaissanceRe</i> | 58,013 | 215,325 | (147,756) | 611,763 |
| Dividends on preference shares | (8,750) | (10,575) | (26,250) | (31,725) |
| <i>Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders</i> | \$ 49,263 | \$ 204,750 | \$ (174,006) | \$ 580,038 |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - basic | \$ 0.98 | \$ 3.33 | \$ (3.19) | \$ 9.21 |
| (Loss) income from discontinued operations (attributable) available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - basic | (0.02) | 0.40 | (0.25) | 0.92 |
| Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - basic | \$ 0.96 | \$ 3.73 | \$ (3.44) | \$ 10.13 |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted (1) | \$ 0.97 | \$ 3.31 | \$ (3.19) | \$ 9.12 |
| (Loss) income from discontinued operations (attributable) available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted (1) | (0.02) | 0.39 | (0.25) | 0.92 |
| Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted (1) | \$ 0.95 | \$ 3.70 | \$ (3.44) | \$ 10.04 |
| Dividends per common share | \$ 0.26 | \$ 0.25 | \$ 0.78 | \$ 0.75 |

(1) Earnings per share calculations use average common shares outstanding - basic, when in a net loss position, as required by FASB ASC Topic *Earnings per Share*.

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

Table of Contents**RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity****For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010**

(in thousands of United States Dollars)

(Unaudited)

| | Nine months ended | |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | September 30, 2011 | September 30, 2010 |
| Preference shares | | |
| Balance - January 1 | \$ 550,000 | \$ 650,000 |
| Balance - September 30 | 550,000 | 650,000 |
| Common shares | | |
| Balance - January 1 | 54,110 | 61,745 |
| Repurchase of shares | (2,655) | (7,417) |
| Exercise of options and issuance of restricted stock and awards | 332 | 547 |
| Balance - September 30 | 51,787 | 54,875 |
| Additional paid-in capital | | |
| Balance - January 1 | | |
| Repurchase of shares | 546 | (17,979) |
| Change in redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe | (305) | 5,009 |
| Exercise of options and issuance of restricted stock and awards | 9,090 | 18,810 |
| Balance - September 30 | 9,331 | 5,840 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | | |
| Balance - January 1 | 19,823 | 41,438 |
| Change in net unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments available for sale | (8,682) | (17,662) |
| Portion of other-than-temporary impairments recognized in other comprehensive income | (49) | (2) |
| Balance - September 30 | 11,092 | 23,774 |
| Retained earnings | | |
| Balance - January 1 | 3,312,392 | 3,087,603 |
| Net (loss) income | (206,301) | 711,752 |
| Net loss (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests | 58,545 | (99,989) |
| Repurchase of shares | (172,683) | (385,939) |
| Dividends on common shares | (40,099) | (42,381) |
| Dividends on preference shares | (26,250) | (31,725) |

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| Balance - September 30 | 2,925,604 | 3,239,321 |
| Noncontrolling interest | 3,227 | |
| Total shareholders equity | \$ 3,551,041 | \$ 3,973,810 |

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

Table of Contents**RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)****For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010**

(in thousands of United States Dollars)

(Unaudited)

| | Three months ended | | Nine months ended | |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | September 30, 2011 | September 30, 2010 | September 30, 2011 | September 30, 2010 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | | | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 63,057 | \$ 252,849 | \$ (206,301) | \$ 711,752 |
| Change in net unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments available for sale | (6,890) | (1,979) | (8,688) | (21,086) |
| Portion of other-than-temporary impairments recognized in other comprehensive income | (49) | | (49) | (2) |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | 56,118 | 250,870 | (215,038) | 690,664 |
| Net (income) loss attributable to noncontrolling interests | (5,044) | (37,524) | 58,545 | (99,989) |
| Change in net unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments available for sale attributable to noncontrolling interests | | 3,600 | 6 | 3,424 |
| Comprehensive (income) loss attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe | (5,044) | (33,924) | 58,551 | (96,565) |
| Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to RenaissanceRe | \$ 51,074 | \$ 216,946 | \$ (156,487) | \$ 594,099 |
| Disclosure regarding net unrealized gains | | | | |
| Total realized and net unrealized holding (losses) gains on fixed maturity investments available for sale and net other-than-temporary impairments | \$ (4,320) | \$ 16,731 | \$ (3,418) | \$ 58,347 |
| Net realized gains on fixed maturity investments available for sale | (3,019) | (15,110) | (5,713) | (76,838) |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments recognized in earnings | 449 | | 449 | 829 |
| Change in net unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments available for sale | \$ (6,890) | \$ 1,621 | \$ (8,682) | \$ (17,662) |

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

Table of Contents**RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows****For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010**

(in thousands of United States dollars)

(Unaudited)

| | Nine months ended | |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | September 30, 2011 | September 30, 2010 |
| <i>Cash flows provided by operating activities</i> | | |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (206,301) | \$ 711,752 |
| <i>Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities</i> | | |
| Amortization, accretion and depreciation | 27,040 | 40,026 |
| Equity in undistributed losses of other ventures | 14,552 | 14,956 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments | (46,748) | (217,715) |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | 449 | 829 |
| Net unrealized gains included in net investment (loss) income | (16,018) | (21,005) |
| Net unrealized losses included in other (loss) income | 1,542 | 18,856 |
| Change in: | | |
| Premiums receivable | (373,083) | (173,722) |
| Prepaid reinsurance premiums | (103,904) | (86,420) |
| Reinsurance recoverable | (332,842) | (6,678) |
| Deferred acquisition costs | (35,577) | (18,436) |
| Reserve for claims and claim expenses | 968,162 | 4,333 |
| Unearned premiums | 337,413 | 244,022 |
| Reinsurance balances payable | (397) | (17,057) |
| Other | (39,802) | 2,700 |
| <i>Net cash provided by operating activities</i> | 194,486 | 496,441 |
| <i>Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities</i> | | |
| Proceeds from sales and maturities of fixed maturity investments trading | 4,771,628 | 5,418,604 |
| Purchases of fixed maturity investments trading | (4,353,649) | (8,939,654) |
| Proceeds from sales and maturities of fixed maturity investments available for sale | 97,302 | 3,666,224 |
| Purchases of fixed maturity investments available for sale | (4,092) | (402,524) |
| Purchases of equity investments trading | (47,996) | |
| Net (purchases) sales of short term investments | (535,055) | 117,519 |
| Net sales of other investments | 26,878 | 86,049 |
| Net (purchases) sales of investments in other ventures | (21,000) | 13,835 |
| Net sales of other assets | 58,568 | 2,730 |
| Net proceeds from sale of discontinued operations held for sale | 269,520 | |
| <i>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</i> | 262,104 | (37,217) |
| <i>Cash flows used in financing activities</i> | | |

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| Dividends paid - RenaissanceRe common shares | (40,099) | (42,381) |
| Dividends paid - preference shares | (26,250) | (31,725) |
| RenaissanceRe common share repurchases | (174,792) | (411,335) |
| Third party DaVinciRe share transactions | (59,357) | (131,370) |
| Net repayment of debt | (200,000) | |
| Issuance of 5.75% Senior Notes | | 249,046 |
| <i>Net cash used in financing activities</i> | (500,498) | (367,765) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on foreign currency cash | 1,228 | (400) |
| <i>Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents</i> | (42,680) | 91,059 |
| <i>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents of discontinued operations</i> | | (46,051) |
| <i>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period</i> | 277,738 | 203,112 |
| <i>Cash and cash equivalents, end of period</i> | \$ 235,058 | \$ 248,120 |

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

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RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries

Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

(Expressed in U.S. Dollars) (Unaudited)

NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) for interim financial information and in conformity with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, these unaudited consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation of the Company s financial position and results of operations as at the end of and for the periods presented. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated from these statements. Except as discussed in Note 3. Discontinued Operations, and unless otherwise noted, the notes to the consolidated financial statements reflect the Company s continuing operations.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported and disclosed amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates. The major estimates reflected in the Company s consolidated financial statements include, but are not limited to, the reserve for claims and claim expenses, reinsurance recoverables, including allowances for reinsurance recoverables deemed uncollectible, estimates of written and earned premiums, fair value, including the fair value of investments, financial instruments and derivatives, impairment charges and the Company s net deferred tax asset.

This report on Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010.

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (RenaissanceRe) was formed under the laws of Bermuda on June 7, 1993. Together with its wholly owned and majority-owned subsidiaries and DaVinciRe (as defined below), which are collectively referred to herein as the Company , RenaissanceRe provides reinsurance and insurance coverages and related services to a broad range of customers.

Renaissance Reinsurance Ltd. (Renaissance Reinsurance), the Company s principal reinsurance subsidiary, provides property catastrophe and specialty reinsurance coverages to insurers and reinsurers on a worldwide basis.

The Company also manages property catastrophe and specialty reinsurance business written on behalf of joint ventures, which principally include Top Layer Reinsurance Ltd. (Top Layer Re), recorded under the equity method of accounting, and DaVinci Reinsurance Ltd. (DaVinci). Because the Company owns a noncontrolling equity interest in, but controls a majority of the outstanding voting power of, DaVinci s parent, DaVinciRe Holdings Ltd. (DaVinciRe), the results of DaVinci and DaVinciRe are consolidated in the Company s financial statements. Redeemable noncontrolling interest DaVinciRe represents the interests of external parties with respect to the net income (loss) and shareholders equity of DaVinciRe. Renaissance Underwriting Managers, Ltd. (RUM), a wholly owned subsidiary, acts as exclusive underwriting manager for these joint ventures in return for fee-based income and profit participation.

RenaissanceRe Syndicate 1458 (Syndicate 1458) is the Company s Lloyd s syndicate which was licensed to start writing certain lines of insurance and reinsurance business effective June 1, 2009. RenaissanceRe Corporate Capital (UK) Limited (RenaissanceRe CCL), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, is Syndicate 1458 s sole corporate member and RenaissanceRe Syndicate Management Ltd. (RSML), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company from November 2, 2009, is the managing agent for Syndicate 1458.

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The Company, through Renaissance Trading Ltd. (Renaissance Trading) and RenRe Energy Advisors Ltd. (REAL), transacts certain derivative-based risk management products primarily to address weather and energy risk and engages in hedging and trading activities related to those transactions.

On November 18, 2010, the Company entered into a definitive stock purchase agreement (the Stock Purchase Agreement) with QBE Holdings, Inc. (QBE) to sell substantially all of its U.S.-based insurance operations including its U.S. property and casualty business underwritten through managing general agents, its crop insurance business underwritten through Agro National Inc. (Agro National), its commercial property insurance operations and its claims operations. At December 31, 2010, the Company classified the assets and liabilities associated with this transaction as held for sale. The financial results for these operations have been presented in the Company s consolidated financial statements as discontinued operations for all periods presented. On March 4, 2011, the Company and QBE closed the transaction contemplated by the Stock Purchase Agreement. Refer to Note 3. Discontinued Operations, for more information. Insurance policies previously written in connection with the Company s Bermuda-based insurance operations not sold to QBE are included in the Company s continuing operations and are included in the Company s Insurance segment.

Certain comparative information has been reclassified to conform to the current presentation. Because of the seasonality of the Company s business, the results of operations and cash flows for any interim period will not necessarily be indicative of the results of operations and cash flows for the full fiscal year or subsequent quarters.

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

There have been no changes to our significant accounting policies as described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Accounting for Costs Associated with Acquiring or Renewing Insurance Contracts

In October 2010, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2010-26, *Accounting for Costs Associated with Acquiring or Renewing Insurance Contracts* (ASU 2010-26), which amends FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic *Financial Services Insurance*. ASU 2010-26 modifies the definition of the types of costs that can be capitalized in relation to the acquisition of new and renewal insurance contracts. The amended guidance requires costs to be incremental or directly related to the successful acquisition of new or renewal contracts in order to be capitalized as a deferred acquisition cost. Capitalized costs would include incremental direct costs, such as commissions paid to brokers. Additionally, the portion of employee salaries and benefits directly related to time spent for acquired contracts would be capitalized. Costs that fall outside the revised definition must be expensed when incurred. ASU 2010-26 will be effective for fiscal periods beginning on or after December 15, 2011 with prospective or retroactive application permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the potential impacts of the adoption of ASU 2010-26, but does not currently expect this standard to have a material impact on its consolidated statements of operations and financial condition.

Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-04, *Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs* (ASU 2011-04), which amends FASB ASC Topic *Fair Value Measurement*. ASU 2011-04 was issued to provide largely identical guidance about fair value measurement and disclosure requirements with the International Accounting Standards Board s new International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) 13, *Fair Value Measurement*. ASU 2011-04 does not extend the use of fair value but, rather, provides guidance about how fair value should be applied where it is already required or permitted under GAAP and requires enhanced disclosures covering all transfers between Levels 1 and 2 of the fair value hierarchy. Additional disclosures covering Level 3 assets are also required. ASU 2011-04 will be effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2011. Early adoption is not permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the potential impacts of the adoption of ASU 2011-04, but does not currently expect this standard to have a material impact on its consolidated statements of operations and financial condition.

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Presentation of Comprehensive Income

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-05, *Presentation of Comprehensive Income* (ASU 2011-05), which amends FASB ASC Topic *Comprehensive Income*. ASU 2011-05 increases the prominence of items reported in other comprehensive income and eliminates the option to present components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of changes in shareholders' equity. ASU 2011-05 requires that all non-owner changes in shareholders' equity be presented either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. ASU 2011-05 will be effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2011, with retroactive application required. The Company is currently evaluating the potential impacts of the adoption of ASU 2011-05, but does not currently expect this standard to have a material impact on its consolidated statements of operations, consolidated statements of comprehensive income, or its financial condition.

NOTE 3. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

U.S.-Based Insurance Operations

On November 18, 2010, the Company entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement with QBE to sell substantially all of its U.S.-based insurance operations, including its U.S. property and casualty business underwritten through managing general agents, its crop insurance business underwritten through Agro National, its commercial property insurance operations and its claims operations. At December 31, 2010, the Company classified the assets and liabilities associated with this transaction as held for sale and the assets and liabilities were recorded at the lower of the carrying value or fair value less costs to sell. The financial results for these operations have been presented as discontinued operations in the Company's consolidated statements of operations for all periods presented.

Consideration for the transaction was book value at December 31, 2010, for the aforementioned businesses, payable in cash at closing and subject to adjustment for certain tax and other items. The transaction closed on March 4, 2011 and net consideration of \$269.5 million was received by the Company.

Pursuant to the Stock Purchase Agreement, the Company is subject to a post-closing review following December 31, 2011 of the net reserve for claims and claim expenses for loss events occurring on or prior to December 31, 2010 (the Reserve Collar). Subsequent to the post-closing review, the Company is liable to pay, or otherwise reimburse QBE amounts up to \$10.0 million for net adverse development on prior accident years net claims and claim expenses. Conversely, if prior accident years net claims and claim expenses experience net favorable development, QBE is liable to pay, or otherwise reimburse the Company amounts up to \$10.0 million.

During the three months ended June 30, 2011, the Company recognized a \$10.0 million liability and corresponding expense related to the Reserve Collar. The \$10.0 million represents the maximum amount payable under the Reserve Collar. No adjustments to the amount payable under the Reserve Collar were made during the three months ended September 30, 2011. The Company will continue to evaluate any favorable or adverse developments relating to the Reserve Collar quarterly pursuant to the terms of the Stock Purchase Agreement with QBE.

NOTE 4. CEDED REINSURANCE

The Company purchases reinsurance and other protection to manage its risk portfolio and to reduce its exposure to large losses. The Company currently has in place contracts that provide for recovery of a portion of certain claims and claim expenses, generally in excess of various retentions or on a proportional basis. In addition to loss recoveries, certain of the Company's ceded reinsurance contracts provide for recoveries of additional premiums, reinstatement premiums and for lost no-claims bonuses, which are incurred when losses are ceded to other reinsurance contracts. The Company remains liable to the extent that any reinsurance company fails to meet its obligations.

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The following tables set forth the effect of reinsurance and retrocessional activity on premiums written and earned and on net claims and claim expenses incurred:

| Three months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 0000000000 2011 | 0000000000 2010 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Premiums written</u> | | |
| Direct | \$ 6,423 | \$ 1,466 |
| Assumed | 133,515 | 110,077 |
| Ceded | (36,928) | (29,236) |
| Net premiums written | \$ 103,010 | \$ 82,307 |
| <u>Premiums earned</u> | | |
| Direct | \$ 5,262 | \$ 1,696 |
| Assumed | 342,019 | 294,567 |
| Ceded | (118,057) | (83,908) |
| Net premiums earned | \$ 229,224 | \$ 212,355 |
| <u>Claims and claim expenses</u> | | |
| Gross claims and claim expenses incurred | \$ 179,664 | \$ 95,312 |
| Claims and claim expenses recovered | (101,834) | (17,376) |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | \$ 77,830 | \$ 77,936 |
| | | |
| Nine months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 0000000000 2011 | 0000000000 2010 |
| <u>Premiums written</u> | | |
| Direct | \$ 21,984 | \$ 5,545 |
| Assumed | 1,370,022 | 1,128,549 |
| Ceded | (408,426) | (315,294) |
| Net premiums written | \$ 983,580 | \$ 818,800 |
| <u>Premiums earned</u> | | |
| Direct | \$ 11,777 | \$ 3,416 |
| Assumed | 1,043,311 | 909,806 |
| Ceded | (303,148) | (238,043) |
| Net premiums earned | \$ 751,940 | \$ 675,179 |
| <u>Claims and claim expenses</u> | | |
| Gross claims and claim expenses incurred | \$ 1,207,657 | \$ 201,691 |

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| Claims and claim expenses recovered | (350,029) | (45,218) |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | \$ 857,628 | \$ 156,473 |

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The Company accounts for its weighted average shares in accordance with FASB ASC Topic *Earnings per Share*. Basic earnings per common share is based on weighted average common shares and excludes any dilutive effects of stock options and restricted stock. Diluted earnings per common share assumes the exercise of all dilutive stock options and restricted stock grants. In accordance with FASB ASC Topic *Earnings per Share*, earnings per share calculations use average common shares outstanding basic, when the Company is in a net loss position for the period.

The following tables set forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per common share:

| Three months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars, except per share data) | 2011 | 2010 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Numerator: | | |
| Net income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | \$ 49,263 | \$ 204,750 |
| Amount allocated to participating common shareholders (1) | (911) | (5,147) |
| | \$ 48,352 | \$ 199,603 |
| Denominator (in thousands): | | |
| Denominator for basic income per RenaissanceRe common share - | | |
| Weighted average common shares | 50,501 | 53,467 |
| Per common share equivalents of employee stock options and restricted shares | 472 | 498 |
| Denominator for diluted income per RenaissanceRe common share - | | |
| Adjusted weighted average common shares and assumed conversions | 50,973 | 53,965 |
| Basic income per RenaissanceRe common share | | |
| | \$ 0.96 | \$ 3.73 |
| Diluted income per RenaissanceRe common share | | |
| | \$ 0.95 | \$ 3.70 |

- (1) Represents earnings attributable to holders of unvested restricted shares issued under the Company's 2001 Stock Incentive Plan and Non-Employee Director Stock Incentive Plan.

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| Nine months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars, except per share data) | 2011 | 2010 |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| Numerator: | | |
| Net (loss) income (attributable) available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | \$ (174,006) | \$ 580,038 |
| Amount allocated to participating common shareholders (1) | (761) | (14,639) |
| | \$ (174,767) | \$ 565,399 |
| Denominator (in thousands): | | |
| Denominator for basic (loss) income per RenaissanceRe common share - | | |
| Weighted average common shares | 50,830 | 55,804 |
| Per common share equivalents of employee stock options and restricted shares | | 495 |
| Denominator for diluted (loss) income per RenaissanceRe common share - | | |
| Adjusted weighted average common shares and assumed conversions (2) | 50,830 | 56,299 |
| Basic (loss) income per RenaissanceRe common share | \$ (3.44) | \$ 10.13 |
| Diluted (loss) income per RenaissanceRe common share (2) | \$ (3.44) | \$ 10.04 |

- (1) Represents earnings attributable to holders of unvested restricted shares issued under the Company's 2001 Stock Incentive Plan and Non-Employee Director Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) Earnings per share calculations use average common shares outstanding - basic, when in a net loss position, as required by the FASB ASC Topic *Earnings Per Share*.

NOTE 6. DIVIDENDS AND COMMON SHARE REPURCHASES

The Board of Directors of RenaissanceRe declared, and RenaissanceRe paid, a dividend of \$0.26 per common share to shareholders of record on each of March 15, June 15 and September 15, 2011, respectively.

On May 18, 2011, the Board of Directors approved an increase in the Company's authorized share repurchase program to an aggregate amount of \$500.0 million. Unless terminated earlier by resolution of the Company's Board of Directors, the program will expire when the Company has repurchased the full value of the shares authorized. The Company repurchased 2.7 million shares in open market transactions during the three months ended March 31, 2011, at an aggregate cost of \$174.8 million and at an average share price of \$65.84. The Company did not repurchase any shares during the three months ended June 30, 2011 and the three months ended September 30, 2011. Future repurchases of common shares will depend on, among other matters, the market price of the common shares and the capital requirements of the Company. See Part II, Item 2 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds for additional information.

NOTE 7. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Company has three reportable segments: Reinsurance, Lloyd's and Insurance.

The Company's Reinsurance operations are comprised of: 1) property catastrophe reinsurance, primarily written through Renaissance Reinsurance and DaVinci; 2) specialty reinsurance, primarily written through Renaissance Reinsurance and DaVinci; and 3) certain property catastrophe and specialty joint ventures, as described herein. The Reinsurance segment is managed by the Global Chief Underwriting Officer, who leads a team of underwriters, risk modelers and other industry professionals, who have access to the Company's proprietary risk management, underwriting and modeling resources and tools.

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The Company's Lloyd's segment includes reinsurance and insurance business written through Syndicate 1458. Syndicate 1458 started writing certain lines of insurance and reinsurance business incepting on or after June 1, 2009. The syndicate was established to enhance the Company's underwriting platform by providing access to Lloyd's extensive distribution network and worldwide licenses and is managed by the Chief Underwriting Officer Lloyd's. RenaissanceRe Corporate Capital (UK) Limited (RenaissanceRe CCL), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, is the sole corporate member of Syndicate 1458.

The Company's Insurance segment includes the operations of the Company's former Insurance segment that were not sold pursuant to the Stock Purchase Agreement with QBE, as discussed in Note 1. Organization and Basis of Presentation. The Insurance segment is managed by the Global Chief Underwriting Officer. The Insurance business is written by Glencoe Insurance Ltd. (Glencoe). Glencoe is a Bermuda domiciled excess and surplus lines insurance company that is currently eligible to do business on an excess and surplus lines basis in 49 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The financial results of the Company's strategic investments, weather and energy risk management operations and noncontrolling interests are included in the Other category of the Company's segment results. Also included in the Other category of the Company's segment results are the Company's investments in other ventures, investments unit, corporate expenses and capital servicing costs.

The Company does not manage its assets by segment; accordingly, net investment (loss) income and total assets are not allocated to the segments.

A summary of the significant components of the Company's revenues and expenses is as follows:

| Three months ended September 30, 2011 | Reinsurance | Lloyd's | Insurance | Eliminations | Other | Total |
|---|-------------|------------|------------|--------------|----------|------------|
| Gross premiums written | \$ 122,811 | \$ 17,127 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 139,938 |
| Net premiums written | \$ 86,745 | \$ 16,125 | \$ 140 | | | \$ 103,010 |
| Net premiums earned | \$ 208,074 | \$ 20,797 | \$ 353 | | | \$ 229,224 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | 58,565 | 14,141 | 5,124 | | | 77,830 |
| Acquisition expenses | 21,964 | 4,013 | 80 | | | 26,057 |
| Operational expenses | 32,462 | 9,560 | 147 | | | 42,169 |
| Underwriting income (loss) | \$ 95,083 | \$ (6,917) | \$ (4,998) | | | 83,168 |
| Net investment loss | | | | | (27,940) | (27,940) |
| Net foreign exchange losses | | | | | (2,650) | (2,650) |
| Equity in earnings of other ventures | | | | | 4,794 | 4,794 |
| Other loss | | | | | (2,015) | (2,015) |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on investments | | | | | 16,983 | 16,983 |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | | | | | (449) | (449) |
| Corporate expenses | | | | | (3,582) | (3,582) |
| Interest expense | | | | | (5,722) | (5,722) |
| Income from continuing operations before taxes | | | | | | 62,587 |
| Income tax benefit | | | | | 1,435 | 1,435 |
| Loss from discontinued operations | | | | | (965) | (965) |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | | | | | (5,044) | (5,044) |
| Dividends on preference shares | | | | | (8,750) | (8,750) |
| Net income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | | | | | | \$ 49,263 |

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|--|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - current accident year | \$ 72,358 | \$ 14,089 | \$ (17) | \$ 86,430 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - prior accident years | (13,793) | 52 | 5,141 | (8,600) |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - total | \$ 58,565 | \$ 14,141 | \$ 5,124 | \$ 77,830 |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - current accident year | 34.8% | 67.7% | (4.8%) | 37.7% |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident years | (6.7%) | 0.3% | 1,456.4% | (3.7%) |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - calendar year | 28.1% | 68.0% | 1,451.6% | 34.0% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 26.2% | 65.3% | 64.3% | 29.7% |
| Combined ratio | 54.3% | 133.3% | 1,515.9% | 63.7% |

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| Three months ended September 30, 2010 | \$1,303,897 Reinsurance | \$1,303,897 Lloyd s | \$1,303,897 Insurance | \$1,303,897 Eliminations (1) | \$1,303,897 Other | \$1,303,897 Total |
|--|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Gross premiums written | \$ 110,577 | \$ 8,762 | \$ 591 | \$ (8,387) | \$ | \$ 111,543 |
| Net premiums written | \$ 86,309 | \$ 6,141 | \$ (10,143) | | | \$ 82,307 |
| Net premiums earned | \$ 205,057 | \$ 13,979 | \$ (6,681) | | | \$ 212,355 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | 72,480 | 7,687 | (2,231) | | | 77,936 |
| Acquisition expenses | 22,464 | 3,351 | 328 | | | 26,143 |
| Operational expenses | 29,637 | 6,246 | 1,087 | | | 36,970 |
| Underwriting income (loss) | \$ 80,476 | \$ (3,305) | \$ (5,865) | | | 71,306 |
| Net investment income | | | | | 59,570 | 59,570 |
| Net foreign exchange losses | | | | | (529) | (529) |
| Equity in losses of other ventures | | | | | (6,740) | (6,740) |
| Other income | | | | | 25,021 | 25,021 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on investments | | | | | 92,342 | 92,342 |
| Corporate expenses | | | | | (5,590) | (5,590) |
| Interest expense | | | | | (6,164) | (6,164) |
| Income from continuing operations before taxes | | | | | | 229,216 |
| Income tax benefit | | | | | 2,399 | 2,399 |
| Income from discontinued operations | | | | | 21,234 | 21,234 |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | | | | | (37,524) | (37,524) |
| Dividends on preference shares | | | | | (10,575) | (10,575) |
| Net income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | | | | | | \$ 204,750 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - current accident year | \$ 106,344 | \$ 7,702 | \$ 816 | | | \$ 114,862 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - prior accident years | (33,864) | (15) | (3,047) | | | (36,926) |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - total | \$ 72,480 | \$ 7,687 | \$ (2,231) | | | \$ 77,936 |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - current accident year | 51.9% | 55.1% | (12.2%) | | | 54.1% |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident years | (16.6%) | (0.1%) | 45.6% | | | (17.4%) |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - calendar year | 35.3% | 55.0% | 33.4% | | | 36.7% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 25.5% | 68.6% | (21.2%) | | | 29.7% |

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|----------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| Combined ratio | 60.8% | 123.6% | 12.2% | 66.4% |
|----------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|

- (1) Represents \$(1.5) million and \$9.8 million of gross premiums ceded from the Insurance segment to the Lloyd's segment and from the Insurance segment to the Reinsurance segment, respectively.

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| Nine months ended September 30, 2011 | \$1,303,897 Reinsurance | \$1,303,897 Lloyd s | \$1,303,897 Insurance | \$1,303,897 Eliminations (1) | \$1,303,897 Other | \$1,303,897 Total |
|--|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Gross premiums written | \$ 1,303,897 | \$ 87,873 | \$ 313 | \$ (77) | \$ | \$ 1,392,006 |
| Net premiums written | \$ 906,167 | \$ 76,946 | \$ 467 | | | \$ 983,580 |
| Net premiums earned | \$ 696,964 | \$ 53,704 | \$ 1,272 | | | \$ 751,940 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | 797,188 | 53,283 | 7,157 | | | 857,628 |
| Acquisition expenses | 62,187 | 9,779 | 309 | | | 72,275 |
| Operational expenses | 97,726 | 27,167 | 1,405 | | | 126,298 |
| Underwriting loss | \$ (260,137) | \$ (36,525) | \$ (7,599) | | | (304,261) |
| Net investment income | | | | | 65,669 | 65,669 |
| Net foreign exchange losses | | | | | (6,511) | (6,511) |
| Equity in losses of other ventures | | | | | (13,831) | (13,831) |
| Other income | | | | | 42,963 | 42,963 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on investments | | | | | 46,748 | 46,748 |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | | | | | (449) | (449) |
| Corporate expenses | | | | | (9,657) | (9,657) |
| Interest expense | | | | | (17,647) | (17,647) |
| Loss from continuing operations before taxes | | | | | | (196,976) |
| Income tax benefit | | | | | 3,260 | 3,260 |
| Loss from discontinued operations | | | | | (12,585) | (12,585) |
| Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests | | | | | 58,545 | 58,545 |
| Dividends on preference shares | | | | | (26,250) | (26,250) |
| Net loss attributable to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | | | | | | \$ (174,006) |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - current accident year | \$ 902,118 | \$ 53,027 | \$ (86) | | | \$ 955,059 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - prior accident years | (104,930) | 256 | 7,243 | | | (97,431) |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - total | \$ 797,188 | \$ 53,283 | \$ 7,157 | | | \$ 857,628 |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - current accident year | 129.4% | 98.7% | (6.8%) | | | 127.0% |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident years | (15.0%) | 0.5% | 569.5% | | | (12.9%) |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - calendar year | 114.4% | 99.2% | 562.7% | | | 114.1% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 22.9% | 68.8% | 134.7% | | | 26.4% |

| | | | | |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Combined ratio | 137.3% | 168.0% | 697.4% | 140.5% |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|

(1) Represents \$0.1 million of gross premiums ceded from the Reinsurance segment to the Lloyd's segment.

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| Nine months ended September 30, 2010 | Reinsurance | Lloyds | Insurance | Eliminations (1) | Other | Total |
|--|--------------|------------|-------------|------------------|----------|--------------|
| Gross premiums written | \$ 1,105,679 | \$ 57,627 | \$ 1,276 | \$ (30,488) | \$ | \$ 1,134,094 |
| Net premiums written | \$ 793,967 | \$ 52,122 | \$ (27,289) | | | \$ 818,800 |
| Net premiums earned | \$ 646,349 | \$ 37,580 | \$ (8,750) | | | \$ 675,179 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | 141,095 | 18,026 | (2,648) | | | 156,473 |
| Acquisition expenses | 63,064 | 7,682 | 5,412 | | | 76,158 |
| Operational expenses | 93,523 | 17,333 | 9,304 | | | 120,160 |
| Underwriting income (loss) | \$ 348,667 | \$ (5,461) | \$ (20,818) | | | 322,388 |
| Net investment income | | | | | 151,452 | 151,452 |
| Net foreign exchange losses | | | | | (12,480) | (12,480) |
| Equity in losses of other ventures | | | | | (1,424) | (1,424) |
| Other income | | | | | 15,088 | 15,088 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on investments | | | | | 210,593 | 210,593 |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | | | | | (829) | (829) |
| Corporate expenses | | | | | (15,392) | (15,392) |
| Interest expense | | | | | (15,526) | (15,526) |
| Income from continuing operations before taxes | | | | | | 653,870 |
| Income tax benefit | | | | | 6,320 | 6,320 |
| Income from discontinued operations | | | | | 51,562 | 51,562 |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | | | | | (99,989) | (99,989) |
| Dividends on preference shares | | | | | (31,725) | (31,725) |
| Net income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | | | | | | \$ 580,038 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - current accident year | \$ 361,403 | \$ 18,202 | \$ 6,302 | | | \$ 385,907 |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - prior accident years | (220,308) | (176) | (8,950) | | | (229,434) |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred - total | \$ 141,095 | \$ 18,026 | \$ (2,648) | | | \$ 156,473 |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - current accident year | 55.9% | 48.4% | (72.0%) | | | 57.2% |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident years | (34.1%) | (0.4%) | 102.3% | | | (34.0%) |
| Net claims and claim expense ratio - calendar year | 21.8% | 48.0% | 30.3% | | | 23.2% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 24.3% | 66.5% | (168.2%) | | | 29.1% |
| Combined ratio | 46.1% | 114.5% | (137.9%) | | | 52.3% |

- (1) Represents \$20.1 million, \$10.1 million and \$0.2 million of gross premiums ceded from the Insurance segment to the Lloyd's segment, from the Insurance segment to the Reinsurance segment and from the Reinsurance segment to Lloyd's segment, respectively.

NOTE 8. INVESTMENTS*Fixed Maturity Investments Trading*

The following table summarizes the fair value of fixed maturity investments trading:

| (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | September 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|
| U.S. treasuries | \$ 428,865 | \$ 761,461 |
| Agencies | 127,063 | 216,963 |
| Non-U.S. government (Sovereign debt) | 390,637 | 157,867 |
| FDIC guaranteed corporate | 183,314 | 388,468 |
| Non-U.S. government-backed corporate | 594,573 | 356,119 |
| Corporate | 1,273,432 | 1,476,029 |
| Agency mortgage-backed | 347,387 | 383,403 |
| Non-agency mortgage-backed | 80,503 | 5,765 |
| Commercial mortgage-backed | 247,509 | 125,705 |
| Asset-backed | 14,386 | |
| Total fixed maturity investments trading, at fair value | \$ 3,687,669 | \$ 3,871,780 |

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The following table summarizes the amortized cost, fair value and related unrealized gains and losses and non-credit other-than-temporary impairments of fixed maturity investments available for sale:

| September 30, 2011 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Amortized Cost | Included in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income | | Fair Value | Non-Credit Other-Than- Temporary Impairments (1) |
|--|-------------------|---|----------------------------|-------------------|---|
| | | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | | |
| Non-U.S. government (Sovereign debt) | \$ 10,685 | \$ 998 | \$ (32) | \$ 11,651 | \$ |
| Non-U.S. government-backed corporate | 313 | 11 | | 324 | |
| Corporate | 20,308 | 1,297 | (595) | 21,010 | (147) |
| Agency mortgage-backed | 15,184 | 1,243 | | 16,427 | |
| Non-agency mortgage-backed | 22,027 | 2,097 | (86) | 24,038 | (1,901) |
| Commercial mortgage-backed | 65,774 | 5,537 | (15) | 71,296 | |
| Asset-backed | 4,992 | 231 | | 5,223 | |
| Total fixed maturity investments available for sale | \$ 139,283 | \$ 11,414 | \$ (728) | \$ 149,969 | \$ (2,048) |

- (1) Represents the non-credit component of other-than-temporary impairments recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income since the adoption of guidance related to the recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairments under FASB ASC Topic *Investments - Debt and Equity Securities*, during the second quarter of 2009, adjusted for subsequent sales of securities. It does not include the change in fair value subsequent to the impairment measurement date.

| December 31, 2010 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Amortized Cost | Included in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income | | Fair Value | Non-Credit Other-Than- Temporary Impairments (1) |
|--|-------------------|---|----------------------------|-------------------|---|
| | | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | | |
| Non-U.S. government (Sovereign debt) | \$ 23,836 | \$ 2,830 | \$ (146) | \$ 26,520 | \$ |
| Non-U.S. government-backed corporate | 1,332 | 53 | | 1,385 | |
| Corporate | 33,018 | 3,768 | (404) | 36,382 | (1,818) |
| Agency mortgage-backed | 17,159 | 1,245 | | 18,404 | |
| Non-agency mortgage-backed | 24,972 | 3,452 | (40) | 28,384 | (2,063) |
| Commercial mortgage-backed | 86,194 | 7,570 | (29) | 93,735 | |
| Asset-backed | 39,038 | 1,124 | (55) | 40,107 | (598) |
| Total fixed maturity investments available for sale | \$ 225,549 | \$ 20,042 | \$ (674) | \$ 244,917 | \$ (4,479) |

- (1) Represents the non-credit component of other-than-temporary impairments recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income since the adoption of guidance related to the recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairments under FASB ASC Topic

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Investments - Debt and Equity Securities, during the second quarter of 2009, adjusted for subsequent sales of securities. It does not include the change in fair value subsequent to the impairment measurement date.

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Contractual maturities of fixed maturity investments are as follows. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

| September 30, 2011 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Trading | | Available for Sale | | Total Fixed Maturity Investments | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Amortized Cost | Fair Value |
| Due in less than one year | \$ 167,947 | \$ 168,432 | \$ 174 | \$ 125 | \$ 168,121 | \$ 168,557 |
| Due after one through five years | 1,876,919 | 1,880,559 | 11,869 | 12,857 | 1,888,788 | 1,893,416 |
| Due after five through ten years | 815,283 | 817,714 | 13,172 | 13,482 | 828,455 | 831,196 |
| Due after ten years | 127,583 | 131,180 | 6,090 | 6,520 | 133,673 | 137,700 |
| Mortgage-backed | 669,592 | 675,399 | 102,985 | 111,761 | 772,577 | 787,160 |
| Asset-backed | 14,404 | 14,385 | 4,993 | 5,224 | 19,397 | 19,609 |
| Total | \$ 3,671,728 | \$ 3,687,669 | \$ 139,283 | \$ 149,969 | \$ 3,811,011 | \$ 3,837,638 |

Equity Investments Trading

The following table summarizes the fair value of equity investments trading:

| (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | September 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Financial institution securities | \$ 45,607 | \$ |

Pledged Investments

At September 30, 2011, \$895.5 million of cash and investments at fair value were on deposit with, or in trust accounts for the benefit of various counterparties, including with respect to the Company's principal letter of credit facility. Of this amount, \$78.9 million is on deposit with, or in trust accounts for the benefit of, U.S. state regulatory authorities.

Net Investment (Loss) Income

The components of net investment (loss) income are as follows:

| Three months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 2011 | 2010 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Fixed maturity investments | \$ 11,435 | \$ 35,219 |
| Short term investments | 281 | 635 |
| Equity investments trading | 171 | |
| Other investments | | |
| Hedge funds and private equity investments | (25,702) | 7,491 |
| Other | (11,665) | 18,979 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 66 | 74 |
| | (25,414) | 62,398 |
| Investment expenses | (2,526) | (2,828) |

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|------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Net investment (loss) income | \$ (27,940) | \$ 59,570 |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----------|

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| Nine months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 2011 | 2010 |
|---|-----------|------------|
| Fixed maturity investments | \$ 63,774 | \$ 92,108 |
| Short term investments | 1,309 | 1,803 |
| Equity investments trading | 297 | |
| Other investments | | |
| Hedge funds and private equity investments | 6,035 | 33,215 |
| Other | 2,000 | 32,013 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 152 | 157 |
| | 73,567 | 159,296 |
| Investment expenses | (7,898) | (7,844) |
| Net investment income | \$ 65,669 | \$ 151,452 |

The Company's net realized and unrealized gains on investments and net other-than-temporary impairments are as follows:

| Three months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 2011 | 2010 |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Gross realized gains | \$ 38,054 | \$ 30,959 |
| Gross realized losses | (6,099) | (748) |
| Net realized gains on fixed maturity investments | 31,955 | 30,211 |
| Net unrealized (losses) gains on fixed maturity investments trading | (13,007) | 62,131 |
| Net unrealized losses on equity investments trading | (1,965) | |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on investments | \$ 16,983 | \$ 92,342 |
| Total other-than-temporary impairments | \$ (498) | \$ |
| Portion recognized in other comprehensive income, before taxes | 49 | |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | \$ (449) | \$ |

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| Nine months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 2011 | 2010 |
|---|-----------|------------|
| Gross realized gains | \$ 64,046 | \$ 108,560 |
| Gross realized losses | (22,872) | (11,880) |
| Net realized gains on fixed maturity investments | 41,174 | 96,680 |
| Net unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments trading | 7,963 | 113,913 |
| Net unrealized losses on equity investments trading | (2,389) | |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on investments | \$ 46,748 | \$ 210,593 |
| Total other-than-temporary impairments | \$ (498) | \$ (831) |
| Portion recognized in other comprehensive income, before taxes | 49 | 2 |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | \$ (449) | \$ (829) |

The following tables provide an analysis of the length of time the Company's fixed maturity investments available for sale in an unrealized loss have been in a continual unrealized loss position.

| September 30, 2011 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Less than 12 Months | | 12 Months or Greater | | Total | |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|
| | Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Fair Value | Unrealized Losses |
| Non-U.S. government (Sovereign debt) | \$ 1,442 | \$ (30) | \$ 44 | \$ (2) | \$ 1,486 | \$ (32) |
| Corporate | 6,887 | (334) | 572 | (261) | 7,459 | (595) |
| Non-agency mortgage-backed | 4,238 | (33) | 850 | (53) | 5,088 | (86) |
| Commercial mortgage-backed | 3,374 | (13) | 470 | (2) | 3,844 | (15) |
| Total | \$ 15,941 | \$ (410) | \$ 1,936 | \$ (318) | \$ 17,877 | \$ (728) |

| December 31, 2010 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Less than 12 Months | | 12 Months or Greater | | Total | |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|
| | Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Fair Value | Unrealized Losses |
| Non-U.S. government (Sovereign debt) | \$ 2,363 | \$ (129) | \$ 291 | \$ (17) | \$ 2,654 | \$ (146) |
| Corporate | 2,581 | (285) | 801 | (119) | 3,382 | (404) |
| Non-agency mortgage-backed | | | 1,645 | (40) | 1,645 | (40) |
| Commercial mortgage-backed | 2,199 | (29) | | | 2,199 | (29) |
| Asset-backed | 3,172 | (39) | 3,196 | (16) | 6,368 | (55) |
| Total | \$ 10,315 | \$ (482) | \$ 5,933 | \$ (192) | \$ 16,248 | \$ (674) |

At September 30, 2011, the Company held 24 fixed maturity investments available for sale securities that were in an unrealized loss position for twelve months or greater. The Company does not intend to sell these securities and it is not more likely than not that the Company will be required to sell these securities before the anticipated recovery of the remaining amortized cost basis. The Company performed reviews of its investments for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, in order to determine whether declines in the fair value below the amortized cost basis of its fixed maturity investments available for sale were considered other-than-temporary in accordance with the

applicable guidance, as discussed below.

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Other-Than-Temporary Impairment Process

The Company's process for assessing whether declines in the fair value of its fixed maturity investments available for sale represent impairments that are other-than-temporary includes reviewing each fixed maturity investment available for sale that is impaired and determining: (i) if the Company has the intent to sell the debt security or (ii) if it is more likely than not that the Company will be required to sell the debt security before its anticipated recovery; and (iii) whether a credit loss exists, that is, where the Company expects that the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected from the security are less than the amortized cost basis of the security.

In assessing the Company's intent to sell securities, the Company's procedures may include actions such as discussing planned sales with its third party investment managers, reviewing sales that have occurred shortly after the balance sheet date, and consideration of other qualitative factors that may be indicative of the Company's intent to sell or hold the relevant securities. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company recognized \$Nil of other-than-temporary impairments due to the Company's intent to sell securities as of September 30, 2011 (September 30, 2010 - \$Nil).

In assessing whether it is more likely than not that the Company will be required to sell a security before its anticipated recovery, the Company considers various factors including its future cash flow forecasts and requirements, legal and regulatory requirements, the level of its cash, cash equivalents, short term investments, fixed maturity investments trading and fixed maturity investments available for sale in an unrealized gain position, and other relevant factors. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company recognized \$Nil of other-than-temporary impairments due to required sales (September 30, 2010 - \$Nil).

In evaluating credit losses, the Company considers a variety of factors in the assessment of a security including: (i) the time period during which there has been a significant decline below cost; (ii) the extent of the decline below cost and par; (iii) the potential for the security to recover in value; (iv) an analysis of the financial condition of the issuer; (v) the rating of the issuer; (vi) the implied rating of the issuer based on an analysis of option adjusted spreads; (vii) the absolute level of the option adjusted spread for the issuer; and (viii) an analysis of the collateral structure and credit support of the security, if applicable.

Once the Company determines that it is possible that a credit loss may exist for a security, the Company performs a detailed review of the cash flows expected to be collected from the issuer. The Company estimates expected cash flows by applying estimated default probabilities and recovery rates to the contractual cash flows of the issuer, with such default and recovery rates reflecting long-term historical averages adjusted to reflect current credit, economic and market conditions, giving due consideration to collateral and credit support, if applicable, and discounting the expected cash flows at the purchase yield on the security. In instances in which a determination is made that an impairment exists but the Company does not intend to sell the security and it is not more likely than not that the Company will be required to sell the security before the anticipated recovery of its remaining amortized cost basis, the impairment is separated into: (i) the amount of the total other-than-temporary impairment related to the credit loss; and (ii) the amount of the total other-than-temporary impairment related to all other factors. The amount of the other-than-temporary impairment related to the credit loss is recognized in earnings. The amount of the other-than-temporary impairment related to all other factors is recognized in other comprehensive income. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the Company recognized \$0.4 million and \$0.8 million of credit related other-than-temporary impairments, respectively, which were recognized in earnings and \$49 thousand and \$2 thousand, respectively, related to other factors.

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The following table provides a rollforward of the amount of other-than-temporary impairments related to credit losses recognized in earnings for which a portion of an other-than-temporary impairment was recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income:

| | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Three months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 0,000 2011 | 0,000 2010 |
| Balance - July 1 | \$ 2,629 | \$ 3,598 |
| Additions: | | |
| Amount related to credit loss for which an other-than-temporary impairment was not previously recognized | 30 | |
| Amount related to credit loss for which an other-than-temporary impairment was previously recognized | 134 | |
| Reductions: | | |
| Securities sold during the period | (2,256) | |
| Securities for which the amount previously recognized in other comprehensive income was recognized in earnings, because the Company intends to sell the security or is more likely than not the Company will be required to sell the security | | |
| Increases in cash flows expected to be collected that are recognized over the remaining life of the security | | |
| Balance - September 30 | \$ 537 | \$ 3,598 |
| Nine months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 0,000 2011 | 0,000 2010 |
| Balance - January 1 | \$ 3,098 | \$ 9,987 |
| Additions: | | |
| Amount related to credit loss for which an other-than-temporary impairment was not previously recognized | 30 | |
| Amount related to credit loss for which an other-than-temporary impairment was previously recognized | 134 | 70 |
| Reductions: | | |
| Securities sold during the period | (2,725) | (6,459) |
| Securities for which the amount previously recognized in other comprehensive income was recognized in earnings, because the Company intends to sell the security or is more likely than not the Company will be required to sell the security | | |
| Increases in cash flows expected to be collected that are recognized over the remaining life of the security | | |
| Balance - September 30 | \$ 537 | \$ 3,598 |

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NOTE 9. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The use of fair value to measure certain assets and liabilities with resulting unrealized gains or losses is pervasive within the Company's financial statements. Fair value is defined under accounting guidance currently applicable to the Company to be the price that would be received upon the sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between open market participants at the measurement date. The Company recognizes the change in unrealized gains and losses arising from changes in fair value in its consolidated statements of operations, with the exception of changes in unrealized gains and losses on its fixed maturity investments available for sale, which are recognized as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income in shareholders' equity.

FASB ASC Topic *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* prescribes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to the respective valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

Fair values determined by Level 1 inputs utilize unadjusted quoted prices obtained from active markets for identical assets or liabilities for which the Company has access. The fair value is determined by multiplying the quoted price by the quantity held by the Company;

Fair values determined by Level 2 inputs utilize inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, such as interest rates and yield curves that are observable at commonly quoted intervals, broker quotes and certain pricing indices; and

Level 3 inputs are based on unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability. In these cases, significant management assumptions can be used to establish management's best estimate of the assumptions used by other market participants in determining the fair value of the asset or liability.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the asset or liability. The Company's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and the Company considers factors specific to the asset or liability.

In order to determine if a market is active or inactive for a security, the Company considers a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the spread between what a seller is asking for a security and what a buyer is bidding for the same security, the volume of trading activity for the security in question, the price of the security compared to its par value (for fixed maturity investments), and other factors that may be indicative of market activity.

There have been no material changes in the Company's valuation techniques, nor have there been any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2, or Level 2 and Level 3, respectively, during the period represented by these consolidated financial statements.

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Below is a summary of the assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis and also represents the carrying amount on the Company's consolidated balance sheet:

| September 30, 2011 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Total | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Fixed maturity investments | | | | |
| U.S. treasuries | \$ 428,865 | \$ 428,865 | \$ | \$ |
| Agencies | 127,063 | | 127,063 | |
| Non-U.S. government (Sovereign debt) | 402,288 | | 402,288 | |
| FDIC guaranteed corporate | 183,314 | | 183,314 | |
| Non-U.S. government-backed corporate | 594,897 | | 594,897 | |
| Corporate | 1,294,442 | | 1,273,528 | 20,914 |
| Agency mortgage-backed | 363,814 | | 363,814 | |
| Non-agency mortgage-backed | 104,541 | | 104,541 | |
| Commercial mortgage-backed | 318,805 | | 318,805 | |
| Asset-backed | 19,609 | | 19,609 | |
| Total fixed maturity investments | 3,837,638 | 428,865 | 3,387,859 | 20,914 |
| Short term investments | 1,557,937 | | 1,557,937 | |
| Equity investments trading | 45,607 | 45,607 | | |
| Other investments | | | | |
| Private equity partnerships | 345,986 | | | 345,986 |
| Senior secured bank loan funds | 243,766 | | 231,251 | 12,515 |
| Catastrophe bonds | 85,800 | | 85,619 | 181 |
| Non-U.S. fixed income funds | 29,440 | | 29,440 | |
| Hedge funds | 26,810 | | 26,810 | |
| Miscellaneous other investments | 4,955 | | | 4,955 |
| Total other investments | 736,757 | | 373,120 | 363,637 |
| Other assets and (liabilities) | | | | |
| Assumed and ceded (re)insurance contracts | 4,418 | | | 4,418 |
| Derivatives | 2,720 | (773) | 950 | 2,543 |
| Other | 13,375 | (4,241) | | 17,616 |
| Total other assets and (liabilities) | 20,513 | (5,014) | 950 | 24,577 |
| | \$ 6,198,452 | \$ 469,458 | \$ 5,319,866 | \$ 409,128 |

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| December 31, 2010 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Total | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Fixed maturity investments | | | | |
| U.S. treasuries | \$ 761,461 | \$ 761,461 | \$ | \$ |
| Agencies | 216,963 | | 216,963 | |
| Non-U.S. government (Sovereign debt) | 184,387 | | 184,387 | |
| FDIC guaranteed corporate | 388,468 | | 388,468 | |
| Non-U.S. government-backed corporate | 357,504 | | 357,504 | |
| Corporate | 1,512,411 | | 1,490,626 | 21,785 |
| Agency mortgage-backed | 401,807 | | 401,807 | |
| Non-agency mortgage-backed | 34,149 | | 34,149 | |
| Commercial mortgage-backed | 219,440 | | 219,440 | |
| Asset-backed | 40,107 | | 40,107 | |
| Total fixed maturity investments | 4,116,697 | 761,461 | 3,333,451 | 21,785 |
| Short term investments | 1,110,364 | | 1,110,364 | |
| Other investments | | | | |
| Private equity partnerships | 347,556 | | | 347,556 |
| Senior secured bank loan funds | 166,106 | | 158,386 | 7,720 |
| Catastrophe bonds | 123,961 | | 123,961 | |
| Non-U.S. fixed income funds | 80,224 | | 80,224 | |
| Hedge funds | 41,005 | | 41,005 | |
| Miscellaneous other investments | 28,696 | | 21,870 | 6,826 |
| Total other investments | 787,548 | | 425,446 | 362,102 |
| Other secured assets | 14,250 | | 14,250 | |
| Other assets and (liabilities) | | | | |
| Platinum warrants | 44,925 | | 44,925 | |
| Assumed and ceded (re)insurance contracts | 1,772 | | | 1,772 |
| Derivatives | 2,693 | (51) | 6,245 | (3,501) |
| Other | 13,629 | (4,599) | | 18,228 |
| Total other assets and (liabilities) | 63,019 | (4,650) | 51,170 | 16,499 |
| | \$ 6,091,878 | \$ 756,811 | \$ 4,934,681 | \$ 400,386 |

Fixed Maturity Investments

Fixed maturity investments included in Level 1 consist of the Company's investments in U.S. treasuries. Fixed maturity investments included in Level 2 are agencies, non-U.S. government, FDIC guaranteed corporate, non-U.S. government-backed corporate, corporate, agency mortgage-backed, non-agency mortgage-backed, commercial mortgage-backed and asset-backed fixed maturity investments.

The Company's fixed maturity investments portfolios are priced using broker quotations and pricing services, such as index providers and pricing vendors. The pricing vendors provide pricing for a high volume of liquid securities that are actively traded. For securities that do not trade on an exchange, the pricing services generally utilize market data and other observable inputs in matrix pricing models to determine prices. Prices are generally verified using third party data. Prices obtained from broker quotations are considered non-binding, however they are based on observable inputs and by observing secondary trading of similar securities obtained from active, non-distressed markets. The Company considers these Level 2 inputs as they are corroborated with other externally obtained information. The techniques generally used to determine the fair value of our fixed maturity investments are detailed below by asset class.

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U.S. treasuries

At September 30, 2011, the Company's U.S. treasuries fixed maturity investments had a weighted average effective yield of 0.9%, a weighted average credit quality of AA, and are primarily priced by pricing vendors. When pricing these securities, the vendor utilizes daily data from many real time market sources, including active broker dealers, as such, the Company considers its U.S. treasuries fixed maturity investments Level 1. All data sources are regularly reviewed for accuracy to ensure the most reliable price source is used for each issue and maturity date.

Agencies

At September 30, 2011, the Company's agencies fixed maturity investments had a weighted average effective yield of 0.5% and a weighted average credit quality of AA. The issuers of the Company's agencies fixed maturity investments primarily consist of the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation and other agencies. Fixed maturity investments included in agencies are primarily priced by pricing vendors. When evaluating these securities, the vendor gathers information from market sources and integrates other observations from markets and sector news. Evaluations are updated by obtaining broker dealer quotes and other market information including actual trade volumes, when available. The dollar value for each security is individually computed using analytical models which incorporate option adjusted spreads and other daily interest rate data. The Company considers its agencies fixed maturity investments Level 2.

Non-U.S. government (Sovereign debt)

Non-U.S. government fixed maturity investments held by the Company at September 30, 2011, had a weighted average effective yield of 1.6% and a weighted average credit quality of AA. The issuers for securities in this sector are generally non-U.S. governments and agencies as well as supranational organizations. Securities held in these sectors are primarily priced by pricing vendors who employ proprietary discounted cash flow models to value the securities. Key quantitative inputs for these models are daily observed benchmark curves for treasury, swap and high issuance credits. The pricing vendor then applies a credit spread for each security which is developed by in-depth and real time market analysis. For securities in which trade volume is low, the pricing vendor utilizes data from more frequently traded securities with similar attributes. These models may also be supplemented by daily market and credit research for international markets. The Company considers its non-U.S. government fixed maturity investments Level 2.

FDIC guaranteed corporate

The Company's FDIC guaranteed corporate fixed maturity investments had a weighted average effective yield of 0.4% and a weighted average credit quality of AA at September 30, 2011. The issuers consist of well known corporate issuers who participate in the FDIC program. The Company's FDIC guaranteed corporate fixed maturity investments are primarily priced by pricing vendors. When evaluating these securities, the vendor gathers information from market sources regarding the issuer of the security, obtain credit data, as well as other observations from markets and sector news. Evaluations are updated by obtaining broker dealer quotes and other market information including actual trade volumes, when available. The pricing vendor also considers the specific terms and conditions of the securities, including any specific features which may influence risk. Each security is individually evaluated using a spread model which is added to the U.S. treasury curve. The Company considers its FDIC guaranteed corporate fixed maturity investments Level 2.

Non-U.S. government-backed corporate

Non-U.S. government-backed corporate fixed maturity investments are considered Level 2 by the Company and had a weighted average effective yield of 1.2% and a weighted average credit quality of AAA at September 30, 2011. Non-U.S. government-backed fixed maturity investments are primarily priced by pricing vendors who employ proprietary discounted cash flow models to value the securities. Key quantitative inputs for these models are daily observed benchmark curves for treasury, swap and high issuance credits. The pricing vendor then applies a credit spread for each security which is developed by in-depth and real time market analysis. For securities in which trade volume is low, the pricing vendor utilizes data from more frequently traded securities with similar attributes. These models may also be supplemented by daily market and credit research for international markets.

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Corporate

At September 30, 2011, the Company's corporate fixed maturity investments had a weighted average effective yield of 4.6% and a weighted average credit quality of A, and principally consist of U.S. and international corporations. The Company's corporate fixed maturity investments are primarily priced by pricing vendors, and are considered Level 2 by the Company. When evaluating these securities, the vendor gathers information from market sources regarding the issuer of the security, obtains credit data, as well as other observations from markets and sector news. Evaluations are updated by obtaining broker dealer quotes and other market information including actual trade volumes, when available. The pricing vendor also considers the specific terms and conditions of the securities, including any specific features which may influence risk. Each security is individually evaluated using a spread model which is added to the U.S. treasury curve.

The fair value of certain corporate fixed maturity investments are valued using internally developed models and are considered Level 3 by the Company. The internally developed models use a combination of quantitative and qualitative factors, which may include, but are not limited to, discounted cash flow analysis, financial statement analysis, budgets and forecasts, capital transactions and third party valuations.

Agency mortgage-backed

At September 30, 2011, the Company's agency mortgage-backed fixed maturity investments included agency residential mortgage-backed securities with a weighted average effective yield of 1.8%, a weighted average credit quality of AA and a weighted average life of 2.8 years. The Company's agency mortgage-backed fixed maturity investments are primarily priced by pricing vendors using a mortgage pool specific model which utilizes daily inputs from the active and the to be announced (TBA) market which is very liquid, as well as the U.S. treasury market. The vendor model also utilizes additional information, such as the weighted average maturity, weighted average coupon and other available pool level data which is provided by the sponsoring agency. Valuations are also corroborated with daily active market quotes. The Company considers its agency mortgage-backed fixed maturity investments Level 2.

Non-agency mortgage-backed

The Company's non-agency mortgage-backed fixed maturity investments include non-agency prime residential mortgage-backed and non-agency Alt-A fixed maturity investments, and the Company considers these fixed maturity investments Level 2. The Company has no fixed maturity investments classified as sub-prime held in its fixed maturity investments portfolio. At September 30, 2011, the Company's non-agency prime residential mortgage-backed fixed maturity investments have a weighted average effective yield of 7.4%, a weighted average credit quality of BBB and a weighted average life of 4.0 years. The Company's non-agency Alt-A fixed maturity investments held at September 30, 2011 have a weighted average effective yield of 8.8%, a weighted average credit quality of A, a weighted average life of 3.8 years, and are from vintage years 2006 and prior. Securities held in these sectors are primarily priced by pricing vendors using an option adjusted spread (OAS) model or other relevant models, which principally utilize inputs including benchmark yields, available trade information or broker quotes, and issuer spreads. The pricing vendor also reviews collateral prepayment speeds, loss severity and delinquencies among other collateral performance indicators for the securities valuation, when applicable.

Commercial mortgage-backed

The Company's commercial mortgage-backed fixed maturity investments held at September 30, 2011 have a weighted average effective yield of 3.5%, a weighted average credit quality of AA and a weighted average life of 4.1 years. Securities held in these sectors are primarily priced by pricing vendors and are considered Level 2 by the Company. The pricing vendor applies dealer quotes and other available trade information such as bid and offers, prepayment speeds which may be adjusted for the underlying collateral or current price data, the U.S. treasury curve and swap curve as well as cash settlement. The model utilizes a single cash flow stream and computes both a yield to call and weighted average yield to maturity. The model generates a derived price for the bond by applying the most likely scenario.

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Asset-backed

At September 30, 2011, the Company's asset-backed fixed maturity investments had a weighted average effective yield of 1.0%, a weighted average credit quality of AAA and a weighted average life of 1.2 years. The underlying collateral for the Company's asset-backed fixed maturity investments primarily consists of student loans, credit card receivables and other receivables. Securities held in these sectors are primarily priced by pricing vendors and are considered Level 2 by the Company. The pricing vendor applies dealer quotes and other available trade information such as bids and offers, prepayment speeds which may be adjusted for the underlying collateral or current price data, the U.S. treasury curve and swap curve as well as cash settlement. The model utilizes a single cash flow stream and computes both a yield to call and weighted average yield to maturity. The model generates a derived price for the bond by applying the most likely scenario.

Short term investments

Short term investments are considered Level 2 and fair values are generally determined using amortized cost which approximates fair value and, in certain cases, in a manner similar to the Company's fixed maturity investments noted above.

Equity investments, classified as trading

Equity investments are considered Level 1 by the Company and fair values are primarily priced by pricing vendors, reflecting the closing price quoted for the final trading day of the period. When pricing these securities, the vendor utilizes daily data from many real time market sources, including active broker dealers and applicable securities exchanges. All data sources are regularly reviewed for accuracy to ensure the most reliable price source is used for each issue.

Other Investments

Private equity partnerships

Included in the Company's investments in private equity partnerships at September 30, 2011 are alternative asset limited partnerships (or similar corporate structures) that invest in certain private equity asset classes including U.S. and global leveraged buyouts; mezzanine investments; distressed securities; real estate; and oil, gas and power. The fair value of private equity partnership investments is based on net asset values obtained from the investment manager or general partner of the respective entity. The type of underlying investments held by the investee which form the basis of the net asset valuation include assets such as private business ventures, for which the Company does not have access to financial information, and as a result is unable to corroborate the fair value measurement and therefore requires significant management judgment to determine the underlying value of the private equity partnership and accordingly the fair value of the Company's investment in each private equity partnership is considered Level 3. The Company also considers factors such as recent financial information, the value of capital transactions with the partnership and management's judgment regarding whether any adjustments should be made to the net asset value. The Company regularly reviews the performance of its private equity partnerships directly with the fund managers.

Senior secured bank loan funds

At September 30, 2011, the Company's investments in senior secured bank loan funds include funds that invest primarily in bank loans and other senior debt instruments. The fair value of the Company's senior secured bank loan funds are estimated using the net asset value per share of the funds. Investments of \$231.3 million are redeemable in part, on a monthly basis, or in whole over a three month period. These investments are valued at the net asset value of the fund and are considered Level 2. The Company also has a \$12.5 million investment in a closed end fund which invests primarily in loans. The Company has no right to redeem its investment in this fund. The Company's investment in this fund is valued using monthly net asset valuations received from the investment manager. The lock up provisions in this fund result in a lack of current observable market transactions between the fund participants and the fund, and therefore, the Company considers the fair value of its investment in this fund to be determined using Level 3 inputs.

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Catastrophe bonds

The Company's other investments include investments in catastrophe bonds which are recorded at fair value. The fair value of the Company's investments in catastrophe bonds considered Level 2 are based on quoted market prices, or when such prices are not available, by reference to broker or underwriter bid indications. In addition, the Company's investments in catastrophe bonds considered Level 3 are based on internal valuation models with the inputs to the internal valuation model based on quoted market prices, or when such prices are not available, by reference to broker or underwriter bid indications.

Non-U.S. fixed income funds

The Company considers its investments in non-U.S. fixed income funds Level 2. The Company's non-U.S. fixed income funds invest primarily in non-U.S. convertible securities. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by third parties such as the relevant investment manager or administrator, recent financial information issued by the applicable investee entity or available market data.

Hedge funds

The Company has investments in hedge funds that pursue multiple strategies. The fair values of the Company's hedge funds have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by third parties such as the relevant investment manager or administrator, recent financial information issued by the applicable investee entity or available market data to estimate fair value. The Company considers its hedge fund investments Level 2.

Other secured assets

Other secured assets represented contractual rights under a purchase agreement, contingent purchase agreement and credit derivatives agreement with a major bank to sell certain securities within the Company's catastrophe-linked securities portfolio. The Company's other secured assets were accounted for at fair value based on quoted market prices, or when such prices are not available, by reference to broker or underwriter bid indications. As such, the Company considered its other secured assets Level 2.

Other assets and liabilities

Included in other assets and liabilities measured at fair value at September 30, 2011 are certain derivative-based risk management products primarily to address weather and energy risks, and hedging and trading activities related to these risks. The trading markets for these derivatives are generally linked to energy and agriculture commodities, weather and other natural phenomena and the fair value of these contracts is obtained through the use of exchange traded market prices, or in the absence of such market prices, industry or internal valuation models, as such, these products are considered Level 1 and Level 3, respectively. The Company considers assumed and ceded reinsurance contracts accounted for at fair value as Level 3, as the fair value of these contracts is obtained through the use of internal valuation models with the inputs to the internal valuation model based on proprietary data as observable market inputs are not available. In addition, other assets and liabilities include certain other derivatives entered into by the Company; the fair value of these transactions include the fair value of certain exchange traded foreign currency forward contracts which are considered Level 1, and the fair value of certain credit derivatives, determined using industry valuation models and considered Level 2, as the inputs to the valuation model are based on observable market inputs.

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Below is a reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances, for the periods shown, of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 3 inputs. Interest and dividend income are included in net investment (loss) income and are excluded from the reconciliation.

| | Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) | | | Total |
|---|---|---|--|------------|
| | and liabilities Fixed maturity investments trading | and liabilities Other investments | and liabilities Other assets and (liabilities) | |
| Three months ended September 30, 2011 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | | | | |
| Balance - July 1 | \$ 21,264 | \$ 381,123 | \$ 72,992 | \$ 475,379 |
| Total unrealized losses | | | | |
| Included in net investment (loss) income | (350) | (25,262) | | (25,612) |
| Included in other (loss) income | | | (46,116) | (46,116) |
| Total realized gains | | | | |
| Included in net investment (loss) income | | | | |
| Included in other (loss) income | | | 48,393 | 48,393 |
| Total foreign exchange losses | | (2,511) | (55) | (2,566) |
| Purchases | | 19,460 | 26,224 | 45,684 |
| Sales | | | (19,860) | (19,860) |
| Settlements | | (9,173) | (57,001) | (66,174) |
| Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | | | | |
| Balance - September 30 | \$ 20,914 | \$ 363,637 | \$ 24,577 | \$ 409,128 |

| | Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) | | | Total |
|--|---|---|--|------------|
| | and (liabilities) Fixed maturity investments trading | and (liabilities) Other investments | and (liabilities) Other assets and (liabilities) | |
| Nine months ended September 30, 2011 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | | | | |
| Balance - January 1 | \$ 21,785 | \$ 362,102 | \$ 16,499 | \$ 400,386 |
| Total unrealized (losses) gains | | | | |
| Included in net investment (loss) income | (871) | 4,630 | | 3,759 |
| Included in other (loss) income | | | (4,517) | (4,517) |
| Total realized gains | | | | |
| Included in net investment (loss) income | | | | |
| Included in other (loss) income | | | 61,215 | 61,215 |
| Total foreign exchange losses | | (589) | (197) | (786) |
| Purchases | | 48,144 | 36,839 | 84,983 |
| Sales | | | (30,884) | (30,884) |
| Settlements | | (50,650) | (54,378) | (105,028) |
| Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | | | | |

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|------------------------|----|--------|----|---------|----|--------|----|---------|
| Balance - September 30 | \$ | 20,914 | \$ | 363,637 | \$ | 24,577 | \$ | 409,128 |
|------------------------|----|--------|----|---------|----|--------|----|---------|

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| Three months ended September 30, 2010 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable | | |
|---|--|---|------------|
| | Other investments | Inputs (Level 3) Other assets and (liabilities) | Total |
| Balance - July 1 | \$ 314,663 | \$ 15,153 | \$ 329,816 |
| Total unrealized losses | | | |
| Included in net investment (loss) income | 156 | | 156 |
| Included in other (loss) income | | (6,496) | (6,496) |
| Total realized gains | | | |
| Included in net investment (loss) income | | | |
| Included in other (loss) income | | 18,237 | 18,237 |
| Total foreign exchange losses | 2,354 | (16) | 2,338 |
| Purchases | 31,727 | 8,147 | 39,874 |
| Issuances | | (12,181) | (12,181) |
| Settlements | (15,035) | (10,396) | (25,431) |
| Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | | | |
| Balance - September 30 | \$ 333,865 | \$ 12,448 | \$ 346,313 |

| Nine months ended September 30, 2010 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable | | |
|--|--|---|------------|
| | Other investments | Inputs (Level 3) Other assets and (liabilities) | Total |
| Balance - January 1 | \$ 393,913 | \$ 17,026 | \$ 410,939 |
| Total unrealized losses | | | |
| Included in net investment (loss) income | 3,323 | | 3,323 |
| Included in other (loss) income | | (6,482) | (6,482) |
| Total realized gains | | | |
| Included in net investment (loss) income | | | |
| Included in other (loss) income | | 31,349 | 31,349 |
| Total foreign exchange losses | (912) | (717) | (1,629) |
| Purchases | 51,401 | 12,448 | 63,849 |
| Issuances | | (39,414) | (39,414) |
| Settlements | (113,860) | (1,762) | (115,622) |
| Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | | | |
| Balance - September 30 | \$ 333,865 | \$ 12,448 | \$ 346,313 |

Table of Contents*Senior Notes*

In January 2003, RenaissanceRe issued \$100.0 million, which represents the carrying amount on the Company's consolidated balance sheet, of 5.875% Senior Notes due February 15, 2013, with interest on the notes payable on February 15 and August 15 of each year. At September 30, 2011, the fair value of the 5.875% Senior Notes was \$102.9 million (December 31, 2010 - \$105.9 million).

In March 2010, RenRe North America Holdings Inc. (RRNAH) issued \$250.0 million of 5.75% Senior Notes due March 15, 2020, with interest on the notes payable on March 15 and September 15 of each year. At September 30, 2011, the fair value of the 5.75% Senior Notes was \$256.3 million (December 31, 2010 - \$252.4 million).

The fair value of RenaissanceRe's 5.875% Senior Notes and RRNAH's 5.75% Senior Notes is determined using indicative market pricing obtained from third-party service providers.

The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

The Company has elected to account for certain assets and liabilities at fair value under FASB ASC Topic *Financial Instruments*. The Company has elected to use the guidance under FASB ASC Topic *Financial Instruments*, as it represents the most current authoritative GAAP. Below is a summary of the balances the Company has elected to account for at fair value:

| (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | September 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Other investments | \$ 736,757 | \$ 787,548 |
| Other secured assets | \$ | \$ 14,250 |
| Other assets and (liabilities) | \$ 22,034 | \$ 20,000 |

Included in net investment (loss) income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 was \$42.9 million and \$9.2 million, respectively, of net unrealized losses related to the changes in fair value of other investments (September 30, 2010 - net unrealized gains of \$15.3 million and \$21.0 million, respectively). Net unrealized losses related to the changes in the fair value of other secured assets recorded in other (loss) income was \$Nil and \$0.1 million, respectively, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 (September 30, 2010 - net unrealized gains of \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million, respectively). Net unrealized losses related to the changes in the fair value of other assets and liabilities recorded in other (loss) income was \$45.5 million and \$2.2 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 (September 30, 2010 - net unrealized losses of \$0.6 million and \$1.5 million, respectively).

Reinsurance Contracts Accounted for at Fair Value

The Company assumes and cedes certain reinsurance contracts that are accounted for at fair value under the fair value option. The fair value of these contracts is obtained through the use of internal valuation models. These contracts are recorded on the Company's balance sheet in other assets and other liabilities and totaled \$4.5 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010 - \$1.8 million and \$Nil, respectively). During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company recorded (losses) gains of \$(2.7) million and \$39.9 million, respectively, which are included in other (loss) income and represent changes in the fair value of these contracts (September 30, 2010 - losses of \$0.8 million and \$3.1 million, respectively).

Table of Contents*Measuring the Fair Value of Other Investments Using Net Asset Valuations*

The table below shows the Company's portfolio of other investments measured using net asset valuations:

| September 30, 2011 (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Fair Value | Unfunded Commitments | Redemption Frequency | Redemption Notice Period |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Private equity partnerships | \$ 345,986 | \$ 155,373 | See below | See below |
| Senior secured bank loan funds | 243,766 | 12,050 | See below | See below |
| Non-U.S. fixed income funds | 29,440 | | Monthly, bi-monthly | 5 - 20 days |
| Hedge funds | 26,810 | | Annually, bi-annually | 45 - 90 days |
| Total other investments measured using net asset valuations | \$ 646,002 | \$ 167,423 | | |

Private equity partnerships Included in the Company's investments in private equity partnerships are alternative asset limited partnerships (or similar corporate structures) that invest in certain private equity asset classes including U.S. and global leveraged buyouts; mezzanine investments; distressed securities; real estate; and oil, gas and power. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value of the investments. The Company generally has no right to redeem its interest in any of these private equity partnerships in advance of dissolution of the applicable partnership. Instead, the nature of these investments is that distributions are received by the Company in connection with the liquidation of the underlying assets of the applicable limited partnership. It is estimated that the majority of the underlying assets of the limited partnerships would liquidate over 7 to 10 years from inception of the limited partnership.

Senior secured bank loan funds The Company's investment in senior secured bank loan funds includes funds that invest primarily in bank loans and other senior debt instruments. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the funds. Investments of \$231.3 million are redeemable, in part on a monthly basis, or in whole over a three month period.

The Company also has a \$12.5 million investment in a closed end fund which invests in loans. The Company has no right to redeem its investment in this fund.

Non-U.S. fixed income funds The Company's non-U.S. fixed income funds invest primarily in non-U.S. convertible securities. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the funds. Investments of \$29.4 million are redeemable, in whole or in part, on a bi-monthly basis. The issuers of these securities may permit redemptions which exceed this amount, but they are not obliged to do so.

Hedge funds The Company invests in hedge funds that pursue multiple strategies. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the funds. Included in the Company's hedge funds is \$6.8 million of so called side pocket investments which are not redeemable at the option of the shareholder. As to each investment in a hedge fund that includes side pocket investments, if the investment is otherwise fully redeemed, the Company will still retain its interest in the side pocket investments until the underlying investments attributable to such side pockets are liquidated, realized or deemed realized at the discretion of the fund manager.

Table of Contents**NOTE 10. NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS***Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest DaVinciRe*

In October 2001, the Company formed DaVinciRe and DaVinci with other equity investors. RenaissanceRe owns a noncontrolling economic interest in DaVinciRe; however, because RenaissanceRe controls a majority of DaVinciRe's outstanding voting rights, the consolidated financial statements of DaVinciRe are included in the consolidated financial statements of the Company. The portion of DaVinciRe's earnings owned by third parties for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 is recorded in the consolidated statements of operations as net loss (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests. The Company's ownership in DaVinciRe was 42.8% at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010 - 41.2%).

DaVinciRe shareholders are party to a shareholders agreement (the Shareholders Agreement) which provides DaVinciRe shareholders, excluding RenaissanceRe, with certain redemption rights that enable each shareholder to notify DaVinciRe of such shareholder's desire for DaVinciRe to repurchase up to half of such shareholder's initial aggregate number of shares held, subject to certain limitations, such as limiting the aggregate of all share repurchase requests to 25% of DaVinciRe's capital in any given year and satisfying all applicable regulatory requirements. If total shareholder requests exceed 25% of DaVinciRe's capital, the number of shares repurchased will be reduced among the requesting shareholders pro-rata, based on the amounts desired to be repurchased. Shareholders desiring to have DaVinci repurchase their shares must notify DaVinciRe before March 1 of each year. The repurchase price will be based on GAAP book value as of the end of the year in which the shareholder notice is given, and the repurchase will be effective as of such date. Payment will be made by April 1 of the following year, following delivery of the audited financial statements for the year in which the repurchase was effective. The repurchase price is subject to a true-up for development on outstanding loss reserves after settlement of all claims relating to the applicable years.

Certain third party shareholders of DaVinciRe submitted repurchase notices on or before the required annual redemption notice date of March 1, 2010, in accordance with the Shareholders Agreement. The repurchase notices submitted on or before March 1, 2010, were for shares of DaVinciRe with a GAAP book value of \$88.4 million at December 31, 2010. Furthermore, DaVinciRe resolved to return additional capital of \$86.6 million to the remaining shareholders, including the Company, after the receipt of the repurchase notices described above. Effective January 1, 2011, DaVinciRe redeemed the shares and returned additional capital for an aggregate of \$175.0 million, less a \$17.5 million reserve holdback. As a result of the above transactions, the Company's ownership interest in DaVinciRe increased to 44.0% effective January 1, 2011.

In advance of the March 1, 2011 redemption notice date, certain third party shareholders of DaVinciRe submitted repurchase notices, in accordance with the Shareholders Agreement, for shares of DaVinciRe with a GAAP book value of \$8.9 million at September 30, 2011.

On June 1, 2011, DaVinciRe completed an equity raise of \$100.0 million from new and existing shareholders, including \$30.0 million contributed by the Company. The capital raised will be used to support the ongoing underwriting activities of DaVinci, which primarily writes property catastrophe reinsurance and certain classes of specialty reinsurance. As a result of the equity raise, the Company's ownership in DaVinciRe decreased to 42.8% effective June 1, 2011, compared to 44.0% effective January 1, 2011. The Company expects its ownership in DaVinciRe to fluctuate over time.

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The activity in the Company's redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe is detailed in the table below:

| Three months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 0000000000 2011 | 0000000000 2010 |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Balance - July 1 | \$ 628,001 | \$ 707,541 |
| Purchase of shares from redeemable noncontrolling interest | (136) | (362) |
| Comprehensive income: | | |
| Net income attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interest | 5,247 | 37,524 |
| Other comprehensive loss attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interest | | (3,600) |
| Balance - September 30 | \$ 633,112 | \$ 741,103 |
| | | |
| Nine months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 0000000000 2011 | 0000000000 2010 |
| Balance - January 1 | \$ 757,655 | \$ 786,647 |
| Purchase of shares from redeemable noncontrolling interest | (135,754) | (142,109) |
| Sale of shares to redeemable noncontrolling interest | 70,000 | |
| Comprehensive income: | | |
| Net (loss) income attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interest | (58,783) | 99,989 |
| Other comprehensive loss attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interest | (6) | (3,424) |
| Balance - September 30 | \$ 633,112 | \$ 741,103 |

Angus Fund L.P. (the Angus Fund)

In December 2010, REAL and RenRe Commodity Advisors Inc. (RRCA), both wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company, formed the Angus Fund with other equity investors. REAL, the general partner of the Angus Fund, invested \$40 thousand in the Angus Fund, representing a 1.0% ownership interest at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010 - \$40 thousand and 1.0%, respectively), and RRCA, a limited partner, invested \$1.0 million in the Angus Fund, representing a 24.2% ownership interest at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010 - \$1.0 million and 24.8%, respectively). The Angus Fund was formed to provide capital to, and make investments in, companies primarily in the heating oil and propane distribution industries to supplement the Company's weather and energy risk management operations. The Angus Fund meets the definition of a variable interest entity (VIE), and therefore the Company evaluated its ownership in the Angus Fund to determine if it is the primary beneficiary. The Company has concluded it is the primary beneficiary of the Angus Fund as it has the power to direct, and has a more than insignificant economic interest in, the activities of the Angus Fund and as such, the financial position and results of operations of the Angus Fund are consolidated. The Company expects its ownership in the Angus Fund to fluctuate over time. The portion of the Angus Fund's earnings owned by third parties for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 is recorded in the consolidated statements of operations as net loss (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests.

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The activity in noncontrolling interest is detailed in the table below:

| | |
|--|----------|
| Three months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 2011 |
| Balance - July 1 | \$ 3,430 |
| Net sale of shares to noncontrolling interest | |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest | (203) |
| Balance - September 30 | \$ 3,227 |
| Nine months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | 2011 |
| Balance - January 1 | \$ 2,889 |
| Net sale of shares to noncontrolling interest | 100 |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest | 238 |
| Balance - September 30 | \$ 3,227 |

NOTE 11. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

The Company enters into derivative instruments such as futures, options, swaps, forward contracts and other derivative contracts primarily to manage its foreign currency exposure, obtain exposure to a particular financial market, for yield enhancement, or for trading and speculation. The Company accounts for its derivatives in accordance with FASB ASC Topic *Derivatives and Hedging*, which requires all derivatives to be recorded at fair value on the Company's balance sheet as either assets or liabilities, depending on the rights or obligations of the derivatives, with changes in fair value reflected in current earnings. The Company does not currently apply hedge accounting in respect of any positions reflected in its consolidated financial statements. Where the Company has entered into master netting agreements with counterparties, or the Company has the legal and contractual right to offset positions, the derivative positions are generally netted by counterparty and are reported accordingly in other assets and other liabilities.

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The table below shows the location on the consolidated balance sheets and fair value of the Company's principal derivative instruments:

| (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Other liabilities | Other liabilities | Other liabilities | Other liabilities |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | Derivative Assets | | | |
| | September 30, 2011 | | December 31, 2010 | |
| | Balance Sheet Location | Fair Value | Balance Sheet Location | Fair Value |
| Interest rate futures | Other assets | \$ 246 | Other assets | \$ 2,459 |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (1) | Other assets | | Other assets | 6,341 |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (2) | Other assets | 9,820 | Other assets | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (3) | Other assets | 948 | Other assets | |
| Credit default swaps | Other assets | | Other assets | 3,064 |
| Energy and weather contracts (4) | Other assets | 23,855 | Other assets | 17,925 |
| Platinum warrant | Other assets | | Other assets | 44,925 |
| Total | | \$ 34,869 | | \$ 74,714 |

| (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Other liabilities | Other liabilities | Other liabilities | Other liabilities |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | Derivative Liabilities | | | |
| | September 30, 2011 | | December 31, 2010 | |
| | Balance Sheet Location | Fair Value | Balance Sheet Location | Fair Value |
| Interest rate futures | Other liabilities | \$ 1,019 | Other liabilities | \$ 719 |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (1) | Other liabilities | 9,281 | Other liabilities | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (2) | Other liabilities | | Other liabilities | 3,141 |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (3) | Other liabilities | | Other liabilities | 44 |
| Credit default swaps | Other liabilities | 537 | Other liabilities | |
| Energy and weather contracts (4) | Other liabilities | 21,312 | Other liabilities | 15,013 |
| Total | | \$ 32,149 | | \$ 18,917 |

- (1) Contracts used to manage foreign currency risks in underwriting operations.
- (2) Contracts used to manage foreign currency risks in investment operations.
- (3) Contracts used to manage foreign currency risks in energy and risk operations.
- (4) Included in other assets is \$28.0 million of derivative assets and \$4.2 million of derivative liabilities at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010 - \$21.7 million and \$3.7 million, respectively). Included in other liabilities is \$10.8 million of derivative assets and \$32.1 million of derivative liabilities at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010 - \$9.9 million and \$24.9 million, respectively).

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The location and amount of the gain (loss) recognized in the Company's consolidated statements of operations related to its derivative instruments is shown in the following table:

| Three months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Location of gain (loss) recognized on derivatives | Amount of gain (loss) recognized on derivatives | |
|--|--|--|------------|
| | | 2011 | 2010 |
| Interest rate futures | Net investment (loss) income | \$ (15,235) | \$ 5,806 |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (1) | Net foreign exchange losses | (15,927) | (1,160) |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (2) | Net foreign exchange losses | 14,586 | (25,528) |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (3) | Net foreign exchange losses | 775 | (790) |
| Credit default swaps | Other (loss) income | (4,290) | 310 |
| Energy and weather contracts | Other (loss) income | 2,272 | (11) |
| Platinum warrant | Other (loss) income | | 14,352 |
| Total | | \$ (17,819) | \$ (7,021) |

- (1) Contracts used to manage foreign currency risks in underwriting operations.
- (2) Contracts used to manage foreign currency risks in investment operations.
- (3) Contracts used to manage foreign currency risks in energy and risk operations.

| Nine months ended September 30, (in thousands of U.S. dollars) | Location of gain (loss) recognized on derivatives | Amount of gain (loss) recognized on derivatives | |
|---|--|--|-----------|
| | | 2011 | 2010 |
| Interest rate futures | Net investment (loss) income | \$ (23,582) | \$ 5,341 |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (1) | Net foreign exchange losses | 1,080 | (686) |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (2) | Net foreign exchange losses | (6,566) | 13,281 |
| Foreign currency forward contracts (3) | Net foreign exchange losses | 127 | 126 |
| Credit default swaps | Other (loss) income | (3,148) | 223 |
| Energy and weather contracts | Other (loss) income | 12,201 | 7,174 |
| Platinum warrant | Other (loss) income | 2,975 | 8,987 |
| Total | | \$ (16,913) | \$ 34,446 |

- (1) Contracts used to manage foreign currency risks in underwriting operations.
- (2) Contracts used to manage foreign currency risks in investment operations.
- (3) Contracts used to manage foreign currency risks in energy and risk operations.

The Company is not aware of the existence of any credit risk-related contingent features that it believes would be triggered in its derivative instruments that are in a net liability position at September 30, 2011.

Interest Rate Futures

The Company uses interest rate futures within its portfolio of fixed maturity investments to manage its exposure to interest rate risk, which can include increasing or decreasing its exposure to this risk. At September 30, 2011, the Company had \$4.5 billion of notional long positions and \$298.0 million of notional short positions of primarily Eurodollar and U.S. Treasury and non-U.S. dollar futures contracts (December 31, 2010 -

\$2.2 billion and \$209.1 million, respectively). The fair value of these derivatives is determined using exchange traded prices.

Foreign Currency Derivatives

The Company's functional currency is the U.S. dollar. The Company writes a portion of its business in currencies other than U.S. dollars and may, from time to time, experience foreign exchange gains and losses in the Company's consolidated financial statements. All changes in exchange rates, with the exception of non-U.S. dollar denominated

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investments classified as available for sale and non-monetary assets and liabilities, are recognized currently in the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

Underwriting Operations Related Foreign Currency Contracts

The Company's foreign currency policy with regard to its underwriting operations is generally to hold foreign currency assets, including cash, investments and receivables that approximate the foreign currency liabilities, including claims and claim expense reserves and reinsurance balances payable. When necessary, the Company may use foreign currency forward and option contracts to minimize the effect of fluctuating foreign currencies on the value of non-U.S. dollar denominated assets and liabilities associated with its underwriting operations. The fair value of the Company's underwriting operations related foreign currency contracts is determined using indicative pricing obtained from counterparties or broker quotes. At September 30, 2011, the Company had outstanding underwriting related foreign currency contracts of \$123.7 million in notional long positions and \$694.2 million in notional short positions, denominated in U.S. dollars (December 31, 2010 - \$42.0 million and \$188.1 million, respectively).

Investment Portfolio Related Foreign Currency Forward Contracts

The Company's investment operations are exposed to currency fluctuations through its investments in non-U.S. dollar fixed maturity investments, short term investments and other investments. To economically hedge its exposure to currency fluctuations from these investments, the Company has entered into foreign currency forward contracts. Foreign exchange gains (losses) associated with the Company's hedging of these non-U.S. dollar investments are recorded in net foreign exchange losses in its consolidated statements of operations. The fair value of the Company's investment portfolio related foreign currency forward contracts is determined using an interpolated rate based on closing forward market rates. At September 30, 2011, the Company had outstanding investment portfolio related foreign currency contracts of \$166.4 million in notional long positions and \$350.2 million in notional short positions, denominated in U.S. dollars (December 31, 2010 - \$69.2 million and \$281.0 million, respectively).

Energy and Risk Operations Related Foreign Currency Contracts

The Company's energy and risk operations are exposed to currency fluctuations through certain derivative transactions it enters into that are denominated in non-U.S. dollars. The Company may, from time to time, use foreign currency forward and option contracts to minimize the effect of fluctuating foreign currencies on the value of non-U.S. dollar denominated assets and liabilities associated with these operations. The fair value of the Company's energy and risk operations related foreign currency contracts is based on exchange traded prices. At September 30, 2011, the Company's energy and risk management operations had outstanding foreign currency contracts of \$75.0 million in notional long positions and \$17.1 million in notional short positions, denominated in U.S. dollars (December 31, 2010 - \$Nil and \$10.0 million, respectively).

Credit Derivatives

The Company's exposure to credit risk is primarily due to its fixed maturity investments, short term investments, premiums receivable and reinsurance recoverable. From time to time, the Company purchases credit derivatives to hedge its exposures in the insurance industry and to assist in managing the credit risk associated with ceded reinsurance. The Company also employs credit derivatives in its investment portfolio to either assume credit risk or hedge its credit exposure. The fair value of the credit derivatives is determined using industry valuation models, broker bid indications or internal pricing valuation techniques. The fair value of these credit derivatives can change based on a variety of factors including changes in credit spreads, default rates and recovery rates, the correlation of credit risk between the referenced credit and the counterparty, and market rate inputs such as interest rates. At September 30, 2011, the Company had outstanding credit derivatives of \$15.0 million in notional long positions and \$79.0 million in notional short positions, denominated in U.S. dollars (December 31, 2010 - \$15.0 million and \$118.0 million, respectively).

Table of Contents**Energy and Weather-Related Derivatives**

The Company regularly transacts in certain derivative-based risk management products primarily to address weather and energy risks and engages in hedging and trading activities related to these risks. The trading markets for these derivatives are generally linked to energy and agriculture commodities, weather and other natural phenomena. Currently, a significant percentage of the Company's derivative-based risk management products are transacted on a dual-trigger basis combining weather or other natural phenomenon, with prices for commodities or securities related to energy or agriculture. The fair value of these contracts is obtained through the use of quoted market prices, or in the absence of such quoted prices, industry or internal valuation models. Generally, the Company's current portfolio of such derivative contracts is of comparably short duration and such contracts are predominantly seasonal in nature. Over time, the Company currently expects that its participation in these markets, and the impact of these operations on its financial results, is likely to increase on both an absolute and relative basis.

The Company had the following gross derivative contract positions outstanding relating to its energy and weather derivatives trading activities.

| | Quantity (1) | | Unit of measurement |
|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--|
| | September 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 | |
| Energy | 170,550,283 | 136,767,119 | One million British thermal units (MMBTUs) |
| Temperature | 12,896,109 | 5,419,846 | \$ per Degree Day Fahrenheit |
| Agriculture | 12,008,000 | 260,000 | Bushels |

(1) Represents the sum of gross long and gross short derivative contracts.

At September 30, 2011, RenaissanceRe had provided guarantees in the aggregate amount of \$368.4 million to certain counterparties of the weather and energy risk operations of Renaissance Trading. In the future, RenaissanceRe may issue guarantees for other purposes or increase the amount of guarantees issued to counterparties of Renaissance Trading.

Table of Contents**NOTE 12. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL INFORMATION PROVIDED IN CONNECTION WITH OUTSTANDING DEBT OF SUBSIDIARIES**

The following tables present condensed consolidating balance sheets at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, condensed consolidating statements of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, and statements of cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, for RenaissanceRe, RRNAH and RenaissanceRe's other subsidiaries. RRNAH is a wholly owned subsidiary of RenaissanceRe.

On March 17, 2010, RRNAH issued, and RenaissanceRe guaranteed, \$250.0 million of 5.75% Senior Notes due March 15, 2020, with interest on the notes payable on March 15 and September 15. The notes can be redeemed by RRNAH prior to maturity subject to payment of a make-whole premium. The notes, which are senior obligations, contain various covenants, including limitations on mergers and consolidations, restrictions as to the disposition of the stock of designated subsidiaries and limitations on liens of the stock of designated subsidiaries.

| Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet | RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (Parent Guarantor) | RenRe North America Holdings Inc. (Subsidiary Issuer) | Other RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Subsidiaries and Eliminations (Non-guarantor Subsidiaries) (1) | Consolidating Adjustments (2) | RenaissanceRe Consolidated |
|--|---|---|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| September 30, 2011 | | | | | |
| Assets | | | | | |
| Total investments | \$ 609,060 | \$ 126,002 | \$ 5,520,948 | \$ | \$ 6,256,010 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 7,706 | 5,166 | 222,186 | | 235,058 |
| Investments in subsidiaries | 2,801,567 | 131,967 | | (2,933,534) | |
| Due from subsidiaries and affiliates | 55,016 | | | (55,016) | |
| Premiums receivable | | | 695,163 | | 695,163 |
| Prepaid reinsurance premiums | | | 164,547 | | 164,547 |
| Reinsurance recoverable | | | 434,553 | | 434,553 |
| Accrued investment income | 5,240 | 703 | 28,294 | | 34,237 |
| Deferred acquisition costs | | | 71,225 | | 71,225 |
| Other assets | 207,912 | 17,880 | 200,424 | (202,081) | 224,135 |
| Assets of discontinued operations held for sale | | 2,481 | | | 2,481 |
| Total assets | \$ 3,686,501 | \$ 284,199 | \$ 7,337,340 | \$ (3,190,631) | \$ 8,117,409 |
| Liabilities, Noncontrolling Interests and Shareholders Equity | | | | | |
| Liabilities | | | | | |
| Reserve for claims and claim expenses | \$ | \$ | 2,226,005 | \$ | \$ 2,226,005 |
| Unearned premiums | | | 623,596 | | 623,596 |
| Debt | 124,000 | 249,224 | | (24,000) | 349,224 |
| Amounts due to subsidiaries and affiliates | | 3,222 | | (3,222) | |
| Reinsurance balances payable | | | 317,627 | | 317,627 |
| Other liabilities | 14,687 | 11,496 | 381,731 | (208) | 407,706 |
| Liabilities of discontinued operations held for sale | | 9,098 | | | 9,098 |
| Total liabilities | 138,687 | 273,040 | 3,548,959 | (27,430) | 3,933,256 |
| Redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe | | | 633,112 | | 633,112 |
| Shareholders Equity | | | | | |
| Total shareholders equity | 3,547,814 | 11,159 | 3,155,269 | (3,163,201) | 3,551,041 |

| | | | | | |
|---|--------------|------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| <i>Total liabilities, noncontrolling interests and shareholders equity</i> | \$ 3,686,501 | \$ 284,199 | \$ 7,337,340 | \$ (3,190,631) | \$ 8,117,409 |
|---|--------------|------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|

- (1) Includes all other subsidiaries of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and eliminations.
- (2) Includes Parent Guarantor and Subsidiary Issuer consolidating adjustments.

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| Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet | RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (Parent Guarantor) | RenRe North America Holdings Inc. (Subsidiary Issuer) | Other RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Subsidiaries and Eliminations (Non-guarantor Subsidiaries) (1) | Consolidating Adjustments (2) | RenaissanceRe Consolidated |
|--|---|---|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| December 31, 2010 | | | | | |
| Assets | | | | | |
| Total investments | \$ 517,640 | \$ 12,560 | \$ 5,570,012 | \$ | \$ 6,100,212 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 3,414 | 3,940 | 270,384 | | 277,738 |
| Investments in subsidiaries | 3,533,266 | 140,923 | | (3,674,189) | |
| Due from subsidiaries and affiliates | 145,298 | | | (145,298) | |
| Premiums receivable | | | 322,080 | | 322,080 |
| Prepaid reinsurance premiums | | | 60,643 | | 60,643 |
| Reinsurance recoverable | | | 101,711 | | 101,711 |
| Accrued investment income | 3,720 | 5 | 30,835 | | 34,560 |
| Deferred acquisition costs | | | 35,648 | | 35,648 |
| Other assets | 139,654 | 2,307 | 318,077 | (126,499) | 333,539 |
| Assets of discontinued operations held for sale | | 872,147 | | | 872,147 |
| Total assets | \$ 4,342,992 | \$ 1,031,882 | \$ 6,709,390 | \$ (3,945,986) | \$ 8,138,278 |
| Liabilities, Noncontrolling Interests and Shareholders Equity | | | | | |
| Liabilities | | | | | |
| Reserve for claims and claim expenses | \$ | \$ | \$ 1,257,843 | \$ | \$ 1,257,843 |
| Unearned premiums | | | 286,183 | | 286,183 |
| Debt | 377,512 | 374,196 | 200,000 | (402,553) | 549,155 |
| Amounts due to subsidiaries and affiliates | | 843 | | (843) | |
| Reinsurance balances payable | | | 318,024 | | 318,024 |
| Other liabilities | 29,155 | 22,623 | 379,915 | | 431,693 |
| Liabilities of discontinued operations held for sale | | 598,511 | | | 598,511 |
| Total liabilities | 406,667 | 996,173 | 2,441,965 | (403,396) | 3,441,409 |
| Redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe | | | 757,655 | | 757,655 |
| Shareholders Equity | | | | | |
| Total shareholders equity | 3,936,325 | 35,709 | 3,509,770 | (3,542,590) | 3,939,214 |
| Total liabilities, noncontrolling interests and shareholders equity | \$ 4,342,992 | \$ 1,031,882 | \$ 6,709,390 | \$ (3,945,986) | \$ 8,138,278 |

(1) Includes all other subsidiaries of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and eliminations.

(2) Includes Parent Guarantor and Subsidiary Issuer consolidating adjustments.

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| Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations For the three months ended September 30, 2011 | RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (Parent Guarantor) | RenRe North America Holdings Inc. (Subsidiary Issuer) | Other RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Subsidiaries and Eliminations (Non-guarantor Subsidiaries) (1) | Consolidating Adjustments (2) | RenaissanceRe Consolidated |
|--|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Revenues | | | | | |
| Net premiums earned | \$ | \$ | \$ 229,224 | \$ | \$ 229,224 |
| Net investment income (loss) | 5,266 | 423 | (31,756) | (1,873) | (27,940) |
| Net foreign exchange losses | (120) | | (2,530) | | (2,650) |
| Equity in earnings of other ventures | | | 4,794 | | 4,794 |
| Other loss | (367) | | (1,648) | | (2,015) |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on investments | 9,741 | 3,067 | 4,175 | | 16,983 |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | | | (449) | | (449) |
| Total revenues | 14,520 | 3,490 | 201,810 | (1,873) | 217,947 |
| Expenses | | | | | |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | | | 77,830 | | 77,830 |
| Acquisition expenses | | | 26,057 | | 26,057 |
| Operational expenses | (979) | 2,197 | 40,951 | | 42,169 |
| Corporate expenses | 3,045 | 60 | 477 | | 3,582 |
| Interest expense | 1,469 | 3,616 | (8,557) | 9,194 | 5,722 |
| Total expenses | 3,535 | 5,873 | 136,758 | 9,194 | 155,360 |
| Income (loss) before equity in net income (loss) of subsidiaries and taxes | 10,985 | (2,383) | 65,052 | (11,067) | 62,587 |
| Equity in net income (loss) of subsidiaries | 47,028 | (2,689) | | (44,339) | |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations before taxes | 58,013 | (5,072) | 65,052 | (55,406) | 62,587 |
| Income tax benefit | | 1,077 | 358 | | 1,435 |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations | 58,013 | (3,995) | 65,410 | (55,406) | 64,022 |
| Loss from discontinued operations | | (965) | | | (965) |
| Net income (loss) | 58,013 | (4,960) | 65,410 | (55,406) | 63,057 |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | | | (5,044) | | (5,044) |
| Net income (loss) attributable to RenaissanceRe | 58,013 | (4,960) | 60,366 | (55,406) | 58,013 |
| Dividends on preference shares | (8,750) | | | | (8,750) |
| Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | \$ 49,263 | \$ (4,960) | \$ 60,366 | \$ (55,406) | \$ 49,263 |

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- (1) Includes all other subsidiaries of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and eliminations.
- (2) Includes Parent Guarantor and Subsidiary Issuer consolidating adjustments.

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| Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 | RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (Parent Guarantor) | RenRe North America Holdings Inc. (Subsidiary Issuer) | Other RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Subsidiaries and Eliminations (Non-guarantor Subsidiaries) (1) | Consolidating Adjustments (2) | RenaissanceRe Consolidated |
|---|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Revenues | | | | | |
| Net premiums earned | \$ | \$ | \$ 751,940 | \$ | \$ 751,940 |
| Net investment income | 16,016 | 642 | 52,887 | (3,876) | 65,669 |
| Net foreign exchange losses | (24) | | (6,487) | | (6,511) |
| Equity in losses of other ventures | | | (13,831) | | (13,831) |
| Other (loss) income | (172) | | 43,135 | | 42,963 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on investments | 12,073 | 3,028 | 31,647 | | 46,748 |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | | | (449) | | (449) |
| Total revenues | 27,893 | 3,670 | 858,842 | (3,876) | 886,529 |
| Expenses | | | | | |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | | | 857,628 | | 857,628 |
| Acquisition expenses | | | 72,275 | | 72,275 |
| Operational expenses | (3,395) | 5,241 | 124,452 | | 126,298 |
| Corporate expenses | 8,560 | 169 | 928 | | 9,657 |
| Interest expense | 9,003 | 10,951 | (6,803) | 4,496 | 17,647 |
| Total expenses | 14,168 | 16,361 | 1,048,480 | 4,496 | 1,083,505 |
| Income (loss) before equity in net loss of subsidiaries and taxes | 13,725 | (12,691) | (189,638) | (8,372) | (196,976) |
| Equity in net loss of subsidiaries | (161,771) | (3,421) | | 165,192 | |
| Loss from continuing operations before taxes | (148,046) | (16,112) | (189,638) | 156,820 | (196,976) |
| Income tax benefit (expense) | 290 | 4,154 | (1,184) | | 3,260 |
| Loss from continuing operations | (147,756) | (11,958) | (190,822) | 156,820 | (193,716) |
| Loss from discontinued operations | | (12,585) | | | (12,585) |
| Net loss | (147,756) | (24,543) | (190,822) | 156,820 | (206,301) |
| Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests | | | 58,545 | | 58,545 |
| Net loss attributable to RenaissanceRe | (147,756) | (24,543) | (132,277) | 156,820 | (147,756) |
| Dividends on preference shares | (26,250) | | | | (26,250) |
| Net loss attributable to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | \$ (174,006) | \$ (24,543) | \$ (132,277) | \$ 156,820 | \$ (174,006) |

(1) Includes all other subsidiaries of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and eliminations.

- (2) Includes Parent Guarantor and Subsidiary Issuer consolidating adjustments.

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| Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations For the three months ended September 30, 2010 | RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (Parent Guarantor) | RenRe North America Holdings Inc. (Subsidiary Issuer) | Other RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Subsidiaries and Eliminations (Non-guarantor Subsidiaries) (1) | Consolidating Adjustments (2) | RenaissanceRe Consolidated |
|--|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Revenues | | | | | |
| Net premiums earned | \$ | \$ | \$ 212,355 | \$ | \$ 212,355 |
| Net investment income | 1,559 | 21 | 57,990 | | 59,570 |
| Net foreign exchange gains (losses) | 197 | | (726) | | (529) |
| Equity in losses of other ventures | | | (6,740) | | (6,740) |
| Other income | 212 | (34) | 24,843 | | 25,021 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments | 12,683 | | 79,659 | | 92,342 |
| Total revenues | 14,651 | (13) | 367,381 | | 382,019 |
| Expenses | | | | | |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | | | 77,936 | | 77,936 |
| Acquisition expenses | | | 26,143 | | 26,143 |
| Operational expenses | (1,176) | 2,162 | 37,392 | (1,408) | 36,970 |
| Corporate expenses | 4,908 | 63 | 619 | | 5,590 |
| Interest expense | 1,469 | 3,537 | 4,695 | (3,537) | 6,164 |
| Total expenses | 5,201 | 5,762 | 146,785 | (4,945) | 152,803 |
| Income (loss) before equity in net income (loss) of subsidiaries and taxes | 9,450 | (5,775) | 220,596 | 4,945 | 229,216 |
| Equity in net income (loss) of subsidiaries | 205,875 | (19,506) | | (186,369) | |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations before taxes | 215,325 | (25,281) | 220,596 | (181,424) | 229,216 |
| Income tax benefit (expense) | | 6,758 | (4,359) | | 2,399 |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations | 215,325 | (18,523) | 216,237 | (181,424) | 231,615 |
| Income from discontinued operations | | 21,234 | | | 21,234 |
| Net income | 215,325 | 2,711 | 216,237 | (181,424) | 252,849 |
| Net income attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe | | | (37,524) | | (37,524) |
| Net income attributable to RenaissanceRe | 215,325 | 2,711 | 178,713 | (181,424) | 215,325 |
| Dividends on preference shares | (10,575) | | | | (10,575) |
| Net income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | \$ 204,750 | \$ 2,711 | \$ 178,713 | \$ (181,424) | \$ 204,750 |

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- (1) Includes all other subsidiaries of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and eliminations.
- (2) Includes Parent Guarantor and Subsidiary Issuer consolidating adjustments.

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| Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations | RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (Parent Guarantor) | RenRe North America Holdings Inc. (Subsidiary Issuer) | Other RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Subsidiaries and Eliminations (Non-guarantor Subsidiaries) (1) | Consolidating Adjustments (2) | RenaissanceRe Consolidated |
|--|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 | | | | | |
| Revenues | | | | | |
| Net premiums earned | \$ | \$ | \$ 675,179 | \$ | \$ 675,179 |
| Net investment income | 4,614 | 901 | 145,937 | | 151,452 |
| Net foreign exchange losses | (498) | | (11,982) | | (12,480) |
| Equity in losses of other ventures | | | (1,424) | | (1,424) |
| Other income | 479 | (34) | 14,643 | | 15,088 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on fixed maturity investments | 19,248 | (2,432) | 193,777 | | 210,593 |
| Net other-than-temporary impairments | | | (829) | | (829) |
| Total revenues | 23,843 | (1,565) | 1,015,301 | | 1,037,579 |
| Expenses | | | | | |
| Net claims and claim expenses incurred | | | 156,473 | | 156,473 |
| Acquisition expenses | | | 76,158 | | 76,158 |
| Operational expenses | (2,584) | 3,696 | 119,048 | | 120,160 |
| Corporate expenses | 13,281 | 136 | 1,975 | | 15,392 |
| Interest expense | 4,374 | 10,860 | 11,152 | (10,860) | 15,526 |
| Total expenses | 15,071 | 14,692 | 364,806 | (10,860) | 383,709 |
| Income (loss) before equity in net income (loss) of subsidiaries and taxes | 8,772 | (16,257) | 650,495 | 10,860 | 653,870 |
| Equity in net income (loss) of subsidiaries | 602,991 | (47,756) | | (555,235) | |
| Income (loss) before taxes | 611,763 | (64,013) | 650,495 | (544,375) | 653,870 |
| Income tax benefit (expense) | | 10,684 | (4,364) | | 6,320 |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations | 611,763 | (53,329) | 646,131 | (544,375) | 660,190 |
| Income from discontinued operations | | 51,562 | | | 51,562 |
| Net income (loss) | 611,763 | (1,767) | 646,131 | (544,375) | 711,752 |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | | | (99,989) | | (99,989) |
| Net income (loss) attributable to RenaissanceRe | 611,763 | (1,767) | 546,142 | (544,375) | 611,763 |
| Dividends on preference shares | (31,725) | | | | (31,725) |
| Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders | \$ 580,038 | \$ (1,767) | \$ 546,142 | \$ (544,375) | \$ 580,038 |

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- (1) Includes all other subsidiaries of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and eliminations.
- (2) Includes Parent Guarantor and Subsidiary Issuer consolidating adjustments.

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| Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows | RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (Parent Guarantor) | RenRe North America Holdings Inc. (Subsidiary Issuer) | Other RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Subsidiaries and Eliminations (Non-guarantor Subsidiaries) (1) | RenaissanceRe Consolidated |
|---|---|---|--|-------------------------------|
| For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 | | | | |
| <i>Cash flows (used in) provided by operating activities</i> | | | | |
| <i>Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities</i> | \$ (71,737) | \$ (32,579) | \$ 298,802 | \$ 194,486 |
| <i>Cash flows provided by investing activities</i> | | | | |
| Proceeds from sales and maturities of fixed maturity investments trading | 279,923 | 198,641 | 4,293,064 | 4,771,628 |
| Purchases of fixed maturity investments trading | (489,766) | (282,627) | (3,581,256) | (4,353,649) |
| Proceeds from sales and maturities of fixed maturity investments available for sale | | | 97,302 | 97,302 |
| Purchases of fixed maturity investments available for sale | | | (4,092) | (4,092) |
| Purchases of equity investments trading | | | (47,996) | (47,996) |
| Net sales (purchases) of short term investments | 26,329 | (26,926) | (534,458) | (535,055) |
| Net sales of other investments | 102,717 | | (75,839) | 26,878 |
| Net purchases of investments in other ventures | | | (21,000) | (21,000) |
| Net sales of other assets | | | 58,568 | 58,568 |
| Dividends and return of capital from subsidiaries | 945,196 | 9,306 | (954,502) | |
| Contributions to subsidiaries | (301,334) | (8,294) | 309,628 | |
| Due to (from) subsidiary | 7,617 | (843) | (6,774) | |
| Net proceeds from sale of discontinued operations held for sale | | 269,520 | | 269,520 |
| <i>Net cash provided by investing activities</i> | 570,682 | 158,777 | (467,355) | 262,104 |
| <i>Cash flows used in financing activities</i> | | | | |
| Dividends paid - RenaissanceRe common shares | (40,099) | | | (40,099) |
| Dividends paid - preference shares | (26,250) | | | (26,250) |
| RenaissanceRe common share repurchases | (174,792) | | | (174,792) |
| Third party DaVinciRe share transactions | | | (59,357) | (59,357) |
| Net repayment of debt | (253,512) | (124,972) | 178,484 | (200,000) |
| <i>Net cash used in financing activities</i> | (494,653) | (124,972) | 119,127 | (500,498) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on foreign currency cash | | | 1,228 | 1,228 |
| <i>Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</i> | 4,292 | 1,226 | (48,198) | (42,680) |
| <i>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year</i> | 3,414 | 3,940 | 270,384 | 277,738 |
| <i>Cash and cash equivalents, end of year</i> | \$ 7,706 | \$ 5,166 | \$ 222,186 | \$ 235,058 |

(1) Includes all other subsidiaries of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and eliminations.

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| Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows | RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (Parent Guarantor) | RenRe North America Holdings Inc. (Subsidiary Issuer) | Other RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Subsidiaries and Eliminations (Non-guarantor Subsidiaries) (1) | RenaissanceRe Consolidated |
|--|---|---|--|-------------------------------|
| For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 | | | | |
| <i>Cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities</i> | | | | |
| <i>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</i> | \$ 8,710 | \$ (24,709) | \$ 512,440 | \$ 496,441 |
| <i>Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities</i> | | | | |
| Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments trading | 524,506 | | 4,894,098 | 5,418,604 |
| Purchases of investments trading | (597,999) | | (8,341,655) | (8,939,654) |
| Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments available for sale | 37,457 | 244,147 | 3,384,620 | 3,666,224 |
| Purchases of investments available for sale | (240) | (246,570) | (155,714) | (402,524) |
| Net sales (purchases) of short term investments | 105,460 | (145) | 12,204 | 117,519 |
| Net (purchases) sales of other investments | (2,814) | | 88,863 | 86,049 |
| Net sales of investments in other ventures | | | 13,835 | 13,835 |
| Net sales of other assets | | | 2,730 | 2,730 |
| Dividends and return of capital from subsidiaries | 826,974 | 38,727 | (865,701) | |
| Contributions to subsidiaries | (591,742) | (18,728) | 610,470 | |
| Due (from) to subsidiary | (76,766) | (691) | 77,457 | |
| <i>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</i> | 224,836 | 16,740 | (278,793) | (37,217) |
| <i>Cash flows (used in) provided by financing activities</i> | | | | |
| Dividends paid - RenaissanceRe common shares | (42,381) | | | (42,381) |
| Dividends paid - preference shares | (31,725) | | | (31,725) |
| RenaissanceRe common share repurchases | (411,335) | | | (411,335) |
| Return of additional paid in capital to parent company | | (149,600) | 149,600 | |
| Net issuance of debt | 249,046 | 169,132 | (169,132) | 249,046 |
| Third party DaVinciRe share transactions | | | (131,370) | (131,370) |
| <i>Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities</i> | (236,395) | 19,532 | (150,902) | (367,765) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on foreign currency cash | (594) | | 194 | (400) |
| <i>Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents</i> | (3,443) | 11,563 | 82,939 | 91,059 |
| <i>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents of discontinued operations</i> | | | (46,051) | (46,051) |
| <i>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year</i> | 15,206 | 7,606 | 180,300 | 203,112 |
| <i>Cash and cash equivalents, end of year</i> | \$ 11,763 | \$ 19,169 | \$ 217,188 | \$ 248,120 |

(1) Includes all other subsidiaries of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and eliminations.

NOTE 13. LITIGATION

There are no material changes from the legal proceedings previously disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

The Company and its subsidiaries are subject to lawsuits and regulatory actions in the normal course of business that do not arise from or directly relate to claims on reinsurance treaties or contracts or direct surplus lines insurance policies. This category of business litigation may involve allegations of underwriting or claims-handling errors or misconduct, employment claims, regulatory actions or disputes arising from the Company's business ventures. The Company's operating subsidiaries are subject to claims litigation involving disputed interpretations of policy coverages. Generally, the Company's direct surplus lines insurance operations are subject to greater frequency and diversity of claims and claims-related litigation than its reinsurance operations and, in some jurisdictions, may be subject to direct actions by allegedly injured persons or entities seeking damages from policyholders. These lawsuits, involving claims on policies issued by the Company's subsidiaries which are typical to the insurance industry in general and in the normal course of business, are considered in its loss and loss expense reserves which are discussed in its loss reserves discussion. In addition, the Company may from time to time engage in litigation or arbitration related to its claims for payment in respect of ceded reinsurance. Any such litigation or arbitration contains an element of uncertainty, and the Company believes the inherent uncertainty in such matters may have increased recently and will likely continue to increase. Currently, the Company believes that no individual litigation or arbitration to which it is presently a party is likely to have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business or operations.

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Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following is a discussion and analysis of our results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. The following also includes a discussion of our liquidity and capital resources at September 30, 2011. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the unaudited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in this filing and the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010. This filing contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from the results described or implied by these forward-looking statements. See Note on Forward-Looking Statements.

OVERVIEW

RenaissanceRe was established in Bermuda in 1993 to write principally property catastrophe reinsurance and today is a leading global provider of reinsurance and insurance coverages and related services. Our aspiration is to be the world's best underwriter of high-severity, low frequency risks. Through our operating subsidiaries, we seek to produce superior returns for our shareholders by being a trusted, long-term partner to our customers for assessing and managing risk, delivering responsive solutions, and keeping our promises. We accomplish this by leveraging our core capabilities of risk assessment and information management, and by investing in our capabilities to serve our customers across the cycles that have historically characterized our markets. Overall, our strategy focuses on superior risk selection, customer relationships and capital management. We provide value to our customers and joint venture partners in the form of financial security, innovative products, and responsive service. We are known as a leader in paying valid reinsurance claims promptly. We principally measure our financial success through long-term growth in tangible book value per common share plus the change in accumulated dividends, which we believe is the most appropriate measure of our Company's financial performance, and believe we have delivered superior performance in respect of this measure over time.

Since a substantial portion of the reinsurance and insurance we write provides protection from damages relating to natural and man-made catastrophes, our results depend to a large extent on the frequency and severity of such catastrophic events, and the coverages we offer to customers affected by these events. We are exposed to significant losses from these catastrophic events and other exposures that we cover. Accordingly, we expect a significant degree of volatility in our financial results and our financial results may vary significantly from quarter-to-quarter or from year-to-year, based on the level of insured catastrophic losses occurring around the world.

Our revenues are principally derived from three sources: 1) net premiums earned from the reinsurance and insurance policies we sell; 2) net investment income and realized and unrealized gains from the investment of our capital funds and the investment of the cash we receive on the policies which we sell; and 3) other income received from our joint ventures, advisory services, weather and energy risk management operations and various other items.

Our expenses primarily consist of: 1) net claims and claim expenses incurred on the policies of reinsurance and insurance we sell; 2) acquisition costs which typically represent a percentage of the premiums we write; 3) operating expenses which primarily consist of personnel expenses, rent and other operating expenses; 4) corporate expenses which include certain executive, legal and consulting expenses, costs for research and development, and other miscellaneous costs, including those associated with operating as a publicly traded company; 5) redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe, which represents the interest of third parties with respect to the net income (loss) of DaVinciRe; and 6) interest and dividend costs related to our debt and preference shares. We are also subject to taxes in certain jurisdictions in which we operate; however, since the majority of our income is currently earned in Bermuda, a non-taxable jurisdiction, the tax impact to our operations has historically been minimal.

The operating results, also known as the underwriting results, of an insurance or reinsurance company are discussed frequently by reference to its net claims and claim expense ratio, underwriting expense ratio, and combined ratio. The net claims and claim expense ratio is calculated by dividing net claims and claim expenses incurred by net premiums earned. The underwriting expense ratio is calculated by dividing underwriting expenses (acquisition expenses and operational expenses) by net premiums earned. The combined ratio is the sum of the net claims and claim expense ratio and the underwriting expense ratio. A combined ratio below 100% generally indicates

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profitable underwriting prior to the consideration of investment income. A combined ratio over 100% generally indicates unprofitable underwriting prior to the consideration of investment income. We also discuss our net claims and claim expense ratio on an accident year basis. This ratio is calculated by taking net claims and claim expenses, excluding development on net claims and claim expenses from events that took place in prior fiscal years, divided by net premiums earned.

Discontinued Operations

On November 18, 2010, we entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement with QBE to sell substantially all of our U.S.-based insurance operations, including our U.S. property and casualty business underwritten through managing general agents, our crop insurance business underwritten through Agro National, our commercial property insurance operations and our claims operations. The Company classified the assets and liabilities associated with this transaction as held for sale and its financial results are reflected in our Consolidated Financial Statements as discontinued operations. Except as explicitly described as held for sale or as discontinued operations, and unless otherwise noted, all discussions and amounts presented herein relate to our continuing operations.

Consideration for the transaction was book value at December 31, 2010 for the aforementioned businesses, payable in cash at closing and subject to adjustment for certain tax and other items. The transaction closed on March 4, 2011 and net consideration of \$269.5 million was received by the Company.

Segments

Our reportable segments include: (1) Reinsurance, which includes catastrophe reinsurance, specialty reinsurance and certain property catastrophe and specialty joint ventures, (2) Lloyd's, which includes reinsurance and insurance business written through Syndicate 1458, and (3) Insurance, which includes the Bermuda-based insurance operations of our former Insurance segment which were not sold pursuant to the Stock Purchase Agreement with QBE. In addition, our Other category primarily reflects our strategic investments, weather and energy risk management operations, investments unit, corporate expenses, capital servicing costs and noncontrolling interests.

Reinsurance

Our Reinsurance segment has two main units:

- (1) Property catastrophe reinsurance, written for our own account, and for DaVinci, is our traditional core business. We believe we are one of the world's leading providers of this coverage, based on catastrophe gross premiums written. This coverage protects against large natural catastrophes, such as earthquakes, hurricanes and tsunamis, as well as claims arising from other natural and man-made catastrophes such as winter storms, freezes, floods, fires, wind storms, tornadoes, explosions and acts of terrorism. We offer this coverage to insurance companies and other reinsurers primarily on an excess of loss basis. This means that we begin paying when our customers' claims from a catastrophe exceed a certain retained amount.
- (2) Specialty reinsurance, written for our own account, and for DaVinci, covering certain targeted classes of business where we believe we have a sound basis for underwriting and pricing the risk that we assume. Our portfolio includes various classes of business, such as catastrophe exposed workers' compensation, surety, terrorism, political risk, trade credit, financial, mortgage guarantee, catastrophe-exposed personal lines property, casualty clash, certain other casualty lines and other specialty lines of reinsurance that we collectively refer to as specialty reinsurance. We believe that we are seen as a market leader in certain of these classes of business. We are seeking to expand our specialty reinsurance operations over time, although we cannot assure you that we will do so, particularly in light of current and forecasted market conditions.

Lloyd's

Our Lloyd's segment includes insurance and reinsurance business written for our own account through Syndicate 1458. Syndicate 1458 started writing certain lines of insurance and reinsurance business incepting on or after June 1, 2009. The syndicate was established to enhance our underwriting platform by providing access to Lloyd's extensive distribution network and worldwide licenses. RenaissanceRe CCL, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, is the sole corporate member of Syndicate 1458.

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Insurance

Our Insurance segment includes the insurance policies written in connection with our Bermuda-based insurance operations which were not sold to QBE. Our Insurance segment is managed by the Global Chief Underwriting Officer. The Bermuda-based insurance business is written by Glencoe, a Bermuda domiciled excess and surplus lines insurance company that is currently eligible to do business on an excess and surplus lines basis in 49 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Although we are not actively underwriting new business in the Insurance segment, we may from time to time evaluate potential new business opportunities for our Insurance segment.

Other

Our Other category primarily includes the results of: (1) our share of strategic investments in certain markets we believe offer attractive risk-adjusted returns or where we believe our investment adds value, such as our investments in the Tower Hill Companies, Essent Group Ltd. and the Angus Fund, where, rather than assuming exclusive management responsibilities ourselves, we partner with other market participants; (2) our weather and energy risk management operations primarily through Renaissance Trading and REAL, (3) our investment unit which manages and invests the funds generated by our consolidated operations and (4) corporate expenses, capital services costs and noncontrolling interests.

New Business

From time to time we consider diversification into new ventures, either through organic growth, the formation of new joint ventures, or the acquisition of or the investment in other companies or books of business of other companies. This potential diversification includes opportunities to write targeted, additional classes of risk-exposed business, both directly for our own account and through possible new joint venture opportunities. We also regularly evaluate potential strategic opportunities that we believe might utilize our skills, capabilities, proprietary technology and relationships to support possible expansion into further risk-related coverages, services and products. Generally, we focus on underwriting or trading risks where reasonably sufficient data may be available, and where our analytical abilities may provide us a competitive advantage, in order for us to seek to model estimated probabilities of losses and returns in accordance with our approach in respect of our then current portfolio of risks.

We regularly review potential strategic transactions that might improve our portfolio of business, enhance or focus our strategies, expand our distribution or capabilities, or to seek other benefits. In evaluating potential new ventures or investments, we generally seek an attractive estimated return on equity, the ability to develop or capitalize on a competitive advantage, and opportunities which we believe will not detract from our core operations. While we regularly review potential strategic transactions and periodically engage in discussions regarding possible transactions, there can be no assurance that we will complete any such transactions or that any such transaction would be successful or materially enhance our results of operations or financial condition. We believe that our ability to potentially attract investment and operational opportunities is supported by our strong reputation and financial resources, and by the capabilities and track record of our ventures unit.

Risk Management

We seek to develop and effectively utilize sophisticated computer models and other analytical tools to assess and manage the risks that we underwrite and attempt to optimize our portfolio of reinsurance and insurance contracts and other financial risks. Our policies, procedures, tools and resources to monitor and assess our operational risks companywide, as well as our global enterprise-wide risk management practices, are overseen by our Chief Risk Officer, who reports directly to our Chief Financial Officer.

With respect to our Reinsurance operations, since 1993 we have developed and continuously seek to improve our proprietary, computer-based pricing and exposure management system, REMS[®]. We believe that REMS[®], as updated from time to time, is a more robust underwriting and risk management system than is currently commercially available elsewhere in the reinsurance industry and offers us a significant competitive advantage. REMS[®] was originally developed to analyze catastrophe risks, though we continuously seek ways to enhance the program in order to analyze other classes of risk.

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SUMMARY OF CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES