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### **DESCRIPTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the Quarterly Period Ended September 30, 2010 OR

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

For the Transition Period From \_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

### Commission File Number GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ireland 98-0664891

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

ARTHUR COX BUILDING EARLSFORT TERRACE DUBLIN 2 IRELAND

(Address of principal executive office including zip code)

353 (0) 1 618 0517

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 þ No o 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 registrant was required to submit and post such files.). Yes o No o

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

Large accelerated filer o; Accelerated filer þ; Non-accelerated filer o; Smaller reporting company o Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No þ

As of November 4, 2010, the registrant had outstanding 18,302,058 Class A Ordinary Shares and 12,061,370 Class B Ordinary Shares.

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Global Indemnity refers to Global Indemnity plc, an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of Ireland, and its U.S. and Non-U.S. Subsidiaries;

- 2) we, us, our, and the Company refer to Global Indemnity and its subsidiaries or, prior to July 2, 2010, to United America Indemnity;
- 3) United America Indemnity refers to United America Indemnity, Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted company that, on that date, became a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of Global Indemnity plc, and its subsidiaries;
- 4) our U.S. Subsidiaries refers to Global Indemnity Group, Inc., Global Indemnity Services, LLC, AIS, Penn-America Group, Inc., and our Insurance Operations;
- 5) our United States Based Insurance Operations and Insurance Operations refer to the insurance and related operations conducted by the U.S. Insurance Companies, American Insurance Adjustment Agency, Inc., Global Indemnity Collectibles Insurance Services, LLC, and J.H. Ferguson & Associates, LLC;
- 6) our U.S. Insurance Companies refers to the insurance and related operations conducted by United National Insurance Company, Diamond State Insurance Company, United National Casualty Insurance Company, United National Specialty Insurance Company, Penn-America Insurance Company, Penn-Star Insurance Company and Penn-Patriot Insurance Company;

- 7) our Predecessor Insurance Operations refers to Wind River Investment Corporation, which was dissolved on May 31, 2006, AIS, American Insurance Adjustment Agency, Inc., Emerald Insurance Company, which was dissolved on March 24, 2008, the United National Insurance Company, Diamond State Insurance Company, United National Casualty Insurance Company, United National Specialty Insurance Company, and J.H. Ferguson & Associates, LLC;
- 8) Wind River Reinsurance refers to Wind River Reinsurance Company, Ltd.;
- 9) our Non-U.S. Subsidiaries refers to Global Indemnity Services Ltd., Global Indemnity (Gibraltar) Limited, Global Indemnity (Cayman) Limited, Wind River Reinsurance, the Luxembourg Companies, and U.A.I. (Ireland) Limited:
- 10) our International Reinsurance Operations and Reinsurance Operations refer to the reinsurance and related operations of Wind River Reinsurance;
- 11) the Luxembourg Companies refers to Global Indemnity (Luxembourg) Limited, U.A.I. (Luxembourg) I S.à r.l., U.A.I. (Luxembourg) II S.à r.l., U.A.I. (Luxembourg) IV S.à r.l., U.A.I. (Luxembourg) IV S.à r.l., U.A.I. (Luxembourg) IV S.à r.l., U.A.I. (Luxembourg) Investment S.à r.l., and Wind River (Luxembourg) S.à r.l.;
- 12) Global Indemnity Group refers to Global Indemnity Group, Inc., (fka United America Indemnity Group, Inc.);
- 13) AIS refers to American Insurance Service, Inc.:
- 14) Penn-America refers to our product classification that includes property and general liability products for small commercial businesses distributed through a select network of wholesale general agents with specific binding authority;
- 15) United National refers to our product classification that includes property, general liability, and professional liability lines products distributed through program administrators with specific binding authority;
- 16) Diamond State refers to our product classification that includes property, casualty, and professional liability lines products distributed through wholesale brokers and program administrators with specific binding authority;
- 17) the Statutory Trusts refers to United National Group Capital Trust I, United National Group Capital Statutory Trust II, Penn-America Statutory Trust II, whose registration was cancelled effective January 15, 2008, and Penn-America Statutory Trust II, whose registration was cancelled effective February 2, 2009;
- 18) Fox Paine & Company refers to Fox Paine & Company, LLC and affiliated investment funds;
- 19) GAAP refers to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; and
- 20) \$ or dollars refers to U.S. dollars.

### PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### **Item 1. Financial Statements**

### **GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC**

### **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(Dollars in thousands, except share amounts)

		Unaudited) eptember 30, 2010	De	ecember 31, 2009
ASSETS				
Fixed maturities:				
Available for sale, at fair value (amortized cost: \$1,409,580 and	Ф	1 477 061	ф	1 471 570
\$1,423,050)	\$	1,477,061	\$	1,471,572
Equity securities:				
Preferred stocks: Available for sale, at fair value (cost: \$930 and \$1,509)		2,408		2,599
Common stocks:		2,400		2,399
Available for sale, at fair value (cost: \$117,654 and \$50,709)		130,472		63,057
Other invested assets		130,472		03,037
Available for sale, at fair value (cost: \$4,255 and \$4,323)		4,115		6,854
Securities classified as trading, at fair value (cost: \$1,100 and \$1,145)		1,100		1,145
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Total investments		1,615,156		1,545,227
Cash and cash equivalents		94,397		186,087
Accounts receivable, net		68,600		69,711
Reinsurance receivables		463,111		543,351
Federal income taxes receivable		7,785		3,521
Deferred federal income taxes		6,926		13,819
Deferred acquisition costs		36,095		33,184
Goodwill		4,820		
Intangible assets		19,177		9,236
Prepaid reinsurance premiums		12,064		16,546
Other assets		24,898		25,098
Total assets	\$	2,353,029	\$	2,445,780
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY				
Liabilities:				
Unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses	\$	1,120,463	\$	1,257,741
Unearned premiums	Ψ	145,733	Ψ	131,582
Ceded balances payable		5,175		16,009
Contingent commissions		6,720		11,169
Payable for securities purchased		10,857		37,258
Notes and debentures payable		121,356		121,569
Other liabilities		31,491		38,476
Total liabilities		1,441,795		1,613,804

### Commitments and contingencies (Note 10)

### Shareholders equity:

Ordinary shares, \$0.0001 par value, 900,000,000 ordinary shares authorized; Class A ordinary shares issued: 21,340,821 and 21,243,345, respectively; Class A ordinary shares outstanding: 18,302,058 and 18,215,239, respectively; Class B ordinary shares issued and outstanding: 12,061,370 and 12,061,370, respectively 3 3 Additional paid-in capital 621,965 619,473 Accumulated other comprehensive income 62,235 48,481 Retained earnings 327,914 264,739 Class A ordinary shares in treasury, at cost: 3,038,763 and 3,028,106 shares, respectively (100,883)(100,720)Total shareholders equity 911,234 831,976 \$ Total liabilities and shareholders equity 2,353,029 \$ 2,445,780

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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### **GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC Consolidated Statements of Operations**

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Q	(Unau uarters End 30	ed Se		(Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30,				
		2010	•			2010	•,	2009	
Revenues:									
Gross premiums written	\$	86,235	\$	75,806	\$	271,138	\$	266,474	
Net premiums written	\$	73,206	\$	62,932	\$	234,210	\$	227,023	
Net premiums earned Net investment income Net realized investment gains: Other-than-temporary impairment losses	\$	70,089 14,089	\$	72,893 15,267	\$	215,579 42,609	\$	226,165 54,049	
on investments Other-than-temporary impairment losses on investments recognized in other		(15)		(2,108)		(467)		(5,689)	
comprehensive income				8		43		133	
Other net realized investment gains		1,833		8,713		22,043		8,971	
Total net realized investment gains Other income		1,818 173		6,613		21,619 515		3,415	
Total revenues		86,169		94,773		280,322		283,629	
Losses and Expenses: Net losses and loss adjustment expenses		29,789		38,887		104,253		130,674	
Acquisition costs and other underwriting		,,,,,,,		,		- ,		,	
expenses		28,541		27,564		87,697		88,350	
Corporate and other operating expenses		5,106		4,676		15,065		12,314	
Interest expense		1,825		1,776		5,397		5,462	
Income before income taxes		20,908		21,870		67,910		46,829	
Income tax expense (benefit)		1,146		(2,673)		4,706		808	
Income before equity in net income									
(loss) of partnerships		19,762		24,543		63,204		46,021	
Equity in net income (loss) of partnerships, net of taxes				2,809		(29)		4,742	
Net income	\$	19,762	\$	27,352	\$	63,175	\$	50,763	

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### Per share data:

Net income Basic	\$	0.65	\$	0.91	\$	2.09	\$	2.08
Diluted	\$	0.65	\$	0.91	\$	2.09	\$	2.08
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding Basic	30.	273,757	30	,144,896	3	30,222,074	2	4,403,005
Diluted	30,	308,489	30	,155,553	3	30,245,890	2	4,423,029

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

### **GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC**Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(Dollars in thousands)

	Qı	Unau) uarters Endo 30	ed Se		(Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30,				
		2010		2009	2010			2009	
Net income	\$	19,762	\$	27,352	\$	63,175	\$	50,763	
Other comprehensive income, net of taxes: Unrealized holding gains arising during period Portion of other-than-temporary impairment		19,607		30,337		29,728		39,532	
losses recognized in other comprehensive loss, net of taxes		23		394		135		3,069	
Recognition of previously unrealized holding gains Unrealized foreign currency translation gains		(1,272)		(5,046)		(16,066)		(2,274)	
(losses)		175		137		(43)		214	
Other comprehensive income, net of taxes		18,533		25,822		13,754		40,541	
Comprehensive income, net of taxes	\$	38,295	\$	53,174	\$	76,929	\$	91,304	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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### **GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC**

### Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders Equity

(Dollars in thousands, except share amounts)

	Nin 1	naudited) e Months Ended ember 30, 2010	Year Ended December 31, 2009
Number of Class A ordinary shares issued:			10 71 6 000
Number at beginning of period Ordinary shares issued under share incentive plans		21,243,345 58,015	12,516,308 36,064
Ordinary shares issued to directors		39,461	101,762
Ordinary shares issued under Rights Offering		,	8,589,211
Number at end of period		21,340,821	21,243,345
Number of Class B ordinary shares issued:			
Number at beginning of period Ordinary shares issued under Rights Offering		12,061,370	6,343,750 5,717,620
Ordinary shares issued under Rights Oriening			3,717,020
Number at end of period		12,061,370	12,061,370
Par value of Class A ordinary shares: Balance at beginning of period Ordinary shares issued under Rights Offering	\$	2	\$ 2
Balance at end of period	\$	2	\$ 2
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Par value of Class B ordinary shares: Balance at beginning of period	\$	1	\$ 1
Ordinary shares issued under Rights Offering			
Balance at end of period	\$	1	\$ 1
Additional paid-in capital: Balance at beginning of period Share compensation plans Ordinary shares issued under Rights Offering	\$	619,473 2,492	\$ 524,346 3,294 91,833
Balance at end of period	\$	621,965	\$ 619,473

### Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of deferred income tax:

Balance at beginning of period Other comprehensive income:	\$	48,481	\$	25,108
Unrealized holding gains arising during the period		13,662		29,554
Unrealized foreign currency translation gains (losses)		(43)		140
		, ,		
Other comprehensive income		13,619		29,694
Change in other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized in other				
comprehensive income, net of taxes		135		(1)
Cumulative effect adjustment per new impairment accounting				
guidance				(6,320)
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Balance at end of period	\$	62,235	\$	48,481
Retained earnings:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$	264,739	\$	182,982
Net income	Ψ	63,175	Ψ	75,437
Cumulative effect adjustment per new impairment accounting		,		,
guidance				6,320
				,
Balance at end of period	\$	327,914	\$	264,739
Number of Treasury Shares:				
Number at beginning of period		3,028,106		3,009,577
Class A ordinary shares purchased		10,657		18,529
The state of the s		-,		-,-
Number at end of period		3,038,763		3,028,106
Treasury Shares, at cost:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$	(100,720)	\$	(100,446)
Class A ordinary shares purchased, at cost		(163)		(274)
Delenge at and of maried	\$	(100 992)	¢	(100.720)
Balance at end of period	Φ	(100,883)	\$	(100,720)
Total shareholders equity	\$	911,234	\$	831,976
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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### **GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

(Dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Nin	e Months En		eptember
	2	2010	• •	2009
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$	63,175	\$	50,763
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used for operating activities:				
Amortization of trust preferred securities issuance costs		62		62
Amortization and depreciation		1,825		55
Restricted stock expense		2,713		3,119
Deferred federal income taxes		3,560		7,874
Amortization of bond premium and discount, net		2,579		1,545
Net realized investment gains		(21,619)		(3,415)
Equity in net (income) loss of partnerships		29		(4,742)
Changes in:				
Accounts receivable, net		1,111		(16,955)
Reinsurance receivables		80,240		101,454
Unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses		(137,278)		(165,835)
Unearned premiums		14,151		(4,921)
Ceded balances payable		(10,834)		(7,026)
Other assets and liabilities, net		(8,464)		(506)
Contingent commissions		(4,449)		2,927
Federal income taxes receivable		(4,264)		5,785
Deferred acquisition costs		(2,911)		11,122
Prepaid reinsurance premiums		4,482		(837)
Net cash used for operating activities		(15,892)		(19,531)
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Proceeds from sale of fixed maturities		560,306		231,258
Proceeds from sale of stocks		30,442		68,834
Proceeds from maturity of fixed maturities		36,245		41,085
Proceeds from sale of other invested assets		68		16,699
Purchases of fixed maturities		(595,832)		(421,040)
Purchases of stocks		(91,417)		(65,242)
Purchases of other invested assets				(30,687)
Other		(14,970)		, , ,
Net cash used for investing activities		(75,158)		(159,093)
Cash flows from financing activities:		_		
Tax expense associated with share-based compensation plans Issuance of ordinary shares		(221)		(171) 99,168

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Purchases of Class A ordinary shares	(163)	(247)
Principal payments of term debt	(213)	(205)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities	(597)	98,545
Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents	(43)	214
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(91,690)	(79,865)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	186,087	292,604
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 94,397	\$ 212,739

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

### GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

### 1. Principles of Consolidation and Basis of Presentation

Global Indemnity plc was incorporated on March 9, 2010, and is domiciled in Ireland. The Company s predecessor, United America Indemnity, Ltd., was incorporated on August 26, 2003 and is domiciled in the Cayman Islands. United America Indemnity, Ltd., is now an Irish tax resident. See Note 2 below for details regarding the redomestication. The Company s Class A ordinary stock is publicly traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the trading symbol GBLI.

The interim consolidated financial statements are unaudited, but have been prepared in conformity with GAAP, which differ in certain respects from those principles followed in reports to insurance regulatory authorities. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported 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 from those estimates.

The unaudited consolidated financial statements include all adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, of a normal recurring nature and are necessary for a fair statement of results for the interim periods. Results of operations for the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 are not necessarily indicative of the results of a full year. The accompanying notes to the unaudited consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated financial statements contained in the Company s 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Global Indemnity. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The Company s wholly-owned business trust subsidiaries, United National Group Capital Trust I ( UNG Trust I ) and United National Group Capital Statutory Trust II ( UNG Trust II ), are not consolidated pursuant to the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) Accounting Standards Codification (the Codification ). The Company s business trust subsidiaries have issued \$30.0 million in floating rate capital securities ( Trust Preferred Securities ) and \$0.9 million of floating rate common securities. The sole assets of the Company s business trust subsidiaries are \$30.9 million of junior subordinated debentures issued by the Company, which have the same terms with respect to maturity, payments, and distributions as the Trust Preferred Securities and the floating rate common securities. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

### 2. Redomestication

In February 2010, the Company s Board of Directors approved a plan for the Company to redomesticate from the Cayman Islands to Ireland pursuant to a scheme of arrangement. At a special shareholders meeting held on May 27, 2010, the Company s shareholders voted in favor of completing the redomestication proposal pursuant to which all United America Indemnity, Ltd. common shares would be cancelled and all holders of such shares would receive ordinary shares of Global Indemnity plc, a newly formed Irish company that was incorporated on March 9, 2010, on a two-for-one basis (two United America Indemnity, Ltd. shares exchanged for one Global Indemnity plc share). The redomestication transaction was completed on July 2, 2010, following approval from the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands, at which time Global Indemnity plc replaced United America Indemnity, Ltd. as the ultimate parent company, and United America Indemnity, Ltd. became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Global Indemnity plc. Shares of United America Indemnity, Ltd. previously traded on the NASDAQ Global Select market under the symbol INDM. Shares of the Irish company, Global Indemnity plc, began trading on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on July 6, 2010 under the symbol GBLI.

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### GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) (Unaudited)

#### 3. Investments

The Company s investments in fixed maturities, preferred stock, and common stock are classified as available for sale and are carried at their fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair values of the Company s available for sale portfolio, excluding the limited partnership interest, are determined on the basis of quoted market prices where available. If quoted market prices are not available, the Company uses third party pricing services to assist in determining fair value. In many instances, these services examine the pricing of similar instruments to estimate fair value. The Company purchases bonds with the expectation of holding them to their maturity; however, changes to the portfolio are sometimes required to assure it is appropriately matched to liabilities. In addition, changes in financial market conditions and tax considerations may cause the Company to sell an investment before it matures. Corporate loans have stated maturities; however, they generally do not reach their final maturity due to borrowers refinancing. The difference between amortized cost and fair value of the Company s available for sale investments, excluding the Company s convertible bond and convertible preferred stock portfolios, net of the effect of deferred income taxes, is reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income in shareholders equity and, accordingly, has no effect on net income other than for the credit loss component of impairments deemed to be other-than-temporary. The difference between amortized cost and fair value of the convertible bonds and convertible preferred stocks is included in income.

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of investments were as follows as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009:

(Dollars in thousands) As of September 30, 2010 Fixed maturities:	A	mortized Cost	Un	Gross realized Gains	Un	Gross arealized Losses	stimated air Value	ter imp rec	ner-than- mporary pairments cognized in OCI (1)
U.S. treasury and agency									
obligations	\$	198,483	\$	14,191	\$		\$ 212,674	\$	
Obligations of states and political									
subdivisions		239,026		9,201		(97)	248,130		
Mortgage-backed securities		274,572		11,715		(57)	286,230		(26)
Commercial mortgage-backed									
securities		1,618		8			1,626		
Asset-backed securities		118,810		3,234		(80)	121,964		(43)
Corporate notes and loans		514,784		26,471		(714)	540,541		(134)
Foreign corporate bonds		62,287		3,609			65,896		
Total fixed maturities		1,409,580		68,429		(948)	1,477,061		(203)
Common stock		117,654		14,429		(1,611)	130,472		
Preferred stock		930		1,478			2,408		
Other invested assets		5,355				(140)	5,215		
Total	\$	1,533,519	\$	84,336	\$	(2,699)	\$ 1,615,156	\$	(203)

(1) Represents the total amount of other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income ( AOCI ) since the date of adoption of the recent guidance other-than-temporary impairments. Per the accounting guidance, these items were not included in earnings as of September 30, 2010.

			,	Gross	•	Gross			tem <sub>l</sub> impai	r-than- porary irments gnized
	Amortized		Un	realized	Unrealized		<b>Estimated</b>		in	
(Dollars in thousands)		Cost	(	Gains	I	Losses	Fa	air Value	AO	CI (1)
As of December 31, 2009										
Fixed maturities:										
U.S. treasury and agency										
obligations	\$	228,386	\$	7,936	\$	(234)	\$	236,088	\$	
Obligations of states and political										
subdivisions		217,713		8,255		(370)		225,598		
Mortgage-backed securities		349,287		15,219		(506)		364,000		(72)
Asset-backed securities		112,287		2,322		(446)		114,163		(10)
Corporate notes and loans		446,570		15,419		(1,259)		460,730		(698)
Foreign corporate bonds		68,809		2,354		(170)		70,993		
Total fixed maturities		1,423,052		51,505		(2,985)		1,471,572		(780)
Common stock		50,709		12,473		(125)		63,057		, ,
Preferred stock		1,509		1,090		, ,		2,599		
Other invested assets		5,468		2,531				7,999		
Total	\$	1,480,738	\$	67,599	\$	(3,110)	\$	1,545,227	\$	(780)

(1) Represents the total amount of other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized in AOCI since the date of

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adoption of the recent guidance on other-than-temporary impairments. Per the accounting guidance, these items were not included in earnings as of December 31, 2009.

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## GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) (Unaudited)

Excluding U.S. treasury and agency bonds, the Company did not hold any debt or equity investments in a single issuer that was in excess of 10.0% of shareholders—equity at September 30, 2010 or December 31, 2009.

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of the Company—s fixed maturities portfolio classified as available for sale at September 30, 2010, by contractual maturity, are shown below. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

(Dollars in thousands)	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Due in one year or less	\$ 79,696	\$ 80,887
Due after one year through five years	655,574	689,759
Due after five years through ten years	203,893	214,506
Due after ten years through fifteen years	30,171	33,417
Due after fifteen years	45,246	48,672
Mortgaged-backed securities	274,572	286,230
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	1,618	1,626
Asset-backed securities	118,810	121,964
	\$ 1,409,580	\$ 1,477,061

The following table contains an analysis of the Company s securities with gross unrealized losses, categorized by the period that the securities were in a continuous loss position as of September 30, 2010:

	Less tl	12 nan	months	12	12 months or longe		nger (1)		Total		
		т.	Gross			_	ross			Gross	
	Fair	U	nrealized		Fair	Unr	ealized	Fair	Un	realized	
(Dollars in thousands)	Value		Losses	,	ran Value	T.	osses	Value	I	Losses	
Fixed maturities:	v uluc		Losses		, arac		OBBCB	v uiuc	-	205505	
Obligations of states and											
political subdivisions	\$ 8,01	7 \$	(61)	\$	2,405	\$	(36)	\$ 10,422	\$	(97)	
Mortgage-backed securities	5,25	6	(5)		546		(52)	5,802		(57)	
Asset-backed securities	1,76	6	(13)		935		(67)	2,701		(80)	
Corporate notes and loans	46,21	0	(714)					46,210		(714)	
Total fixed maturities	61,24	9	(793)		3,886		(155)	65,135		(948)	
Common stock	23,14	7	(1,611)					23,147		(1,611)	
Other invested assets	4,11	5	(140)					4,115		(140)	
Total	\$ 88,51	1 \$	(2,544)	\$	3,886	\$	(155)	\$ 92,397	\$	(2,699)	

(1) Fixed maturities in a gross unrealized loss

position for twelve months or longer are primarily comprised of non-credit losses on investment grade securities where management does not intend to sell, and it is more likely than not that the Company will not be forced to sell the security before recovery. The Company has analyzed these securities and has determined that they are not impaired.

The following table contains an analysis of the Company s securities with gross unrealized losses, categorized by the period that the securities were in a continuous loss position as of December 31, 2009:

	Less than	12 n	onths	12 months or longer (1)		Total					
		(	Gross			(	Gross			(	Gross
		Un	realized			Un	realized			Un	realized
	Fair				Fair				Fair		
(Dollars in thousands)	Value	I	Losses	,	Value	I	Losses	,	Value	]	Losses
Fixed maturities:											
U.S. treasury and agency											
obligations	\$ 56,445	\$	(234)	\$		\$		\$	56,445	\$	(234)
Obligations of states and											
political subdivisions	26,488		(239)		6,403		(131)		32,891		(370)
Mortgage-backed securities	23,612		(217)		5,020		(289)		28,632		(506)
Asset-backed securities	31,255		(246)		1,625		(200)		32,880		(446)
Corporate notes and loans	87,286		(1,166)		3,556		(93)		90,842		(1,259)
Foreign corporate bonds	11,835		(170)						11,835		(170)
Total fixed maturities	236,921		(2,272)		16,604		(713)	,	253,525		(2,985)
Common stock	3,184		(73)		1,107		(52)		4,291		(125)
Total	\$ 240,105	\$	(2,345)	\$	17,711	\$	(765)	\$ 2	257,816	\$	(3,110)

**(1)** 

Fixed maturities in a gross unrealized loss position for twelve months or longer are primarily comprised of non-credit losses on investment grade securities where management does not intend to sell, and it is more likely than not that the Company will not be forced to sell the security before recovery. The Company has analyzed these securities and has determined that they are not impaired.

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The Company regularly performs various analytical valuation procedures with respect to its investments, including reviewing each fixed maturity security in an unrealized loss position to assess whether the security is a candidate for credit loss. Specifically, the Company considers credit rating, market price, and issuer specific financial information, among other factors, to assess the likelihood of collection of all principal and interest as contractually due. Securities for which the Company determines that a credit loss is likely are subjected to further analysis through discounted cash flow testing to estimate the credit loss to be recognized in earnings, if any. The specific methodologies and significant assumptions used by asset class are discussed below. Upon identification of such securities and periodically thereafter, a detailed review is performed to determine whether the decline is considered other-than-temporary. This review includes an analysis of several factors, including but not limited to, the credit ratings and cash flows of the securities, and the magnitude and length of time that the fair value of such securities is below cost.

For fixed maturities, the factors considered in reaching the conclusion that a decline below cost is other-than-temporary include, among others, whether:

- (1) the issuer is in financial distress:
- (2) the investment is secured;
- (3) a significant credit rating action occurred;
- (4) scheduled interest payments were delayed or missed;
- (5) changes in laws or regulations have affected an issuer or industry;
- (6) the investment has an unrealized loss and was identified by the Company s Investment Manager as an investment to be sold before recovery or maturity; and
- (7) the investment failed cash flow projection testing to determine if anticipated principal and interest payments will be realized.

According to the most recent accounting guidance, for debt securities in an unrealized loss position, the Company is required to assess whether the Company has the intent to sell the debt security or more likely than not will be required to sell the debt security before the anticipated recovery. If either of these conditions is met, the Company must recognize an other-than-temporary impairment with the entire unrealized loss being recorded through earnings. For debt securities in an unrealized loss position not meeting these conditions, the Company assesses whether the impairment of a security is other-than-temporary. If the impairment is deemed to be other-than-temporary, the Company must separate the other-than-temporary impairment into two components: the amount representing the credit loss and the amount related to all other factors, such as changes in interest rates. The credit loss represents the portion of the amortized book value in excess of the net present value of the projected future cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate implicit in the debt security prior to impairment. The credit loss component of the other-than-temporary impairment is recorded through earnings, whereas the amount relating to factors other than credit losses are recorded in other comprehensive income, net of taxes.

For equity securities, management carefully reviews all securities with unrealized losses and further focuses on securities that have either:

- (1) persisted for more than twelve consecutive months or
- (2) the value of the investment has been 20% or more below cost for six continuous months or more to determine if the security should be impaired.

The amount of any write-down is included in earnings as a realized loss in the period in which the impairment arose.

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The following is a description, by asset type, of the methodology and significant inputs that the Company used to measure the amount of credit loss recognized in earnings, if any:

Mortgage-backed securities non-agency As of September 30, 2010, gross unrealized losses related to

**Obligations of states and political subdivisions** As of September 30, 2010, gross unrealized losses related to obligations of states and political subdivisions were \$0.1 million. Of this amount, \$0.04 million has been in an unrealized loss position for twelve months or greater. All of these securities are rated investment grade. The Company s investment manager s analysis for this sector includes on-site visits and meetings with officials in addition to the standard rigorous analysis that determines the financial condition of the issuer.

mortgage-backed securities non-agency were \$0.06 million. Of this amount, \$0.05 million has been in an unrealized loss position for twelve months or greater. All of these securities are rated AAA. The Company s investment manager models each residential mortgage-backed security to project principal losses under downside, base, and upside scenarios for the economy and home prices. The primary assumption that drives the security and loan level modeling is the Home Price Index ( HPI ) projection. The Company s investment manager first projects HPI at the national level, then at the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) level based on the historical relationship between the individual MSA HPI and the national HPI, using inputs from its macroeconomic team, mortgage portfolio management team, and structured analyst team. The model utilizes loan level data and borrower characteristics including FICO score, geographic location, original and content loan size, loan age, mortgage rate and type (e.g. fixed rate / interest-only / adjustable rate mortgage), issuer / originator, residential type (e.g. owner occupied / investor property), dwelling type (e.g. single family / multi-family), loan purpose, level of documentation, and delinquency status as inputs. Asset backed securities (ABS) As of September 30, 2010, gross unrealized losses related to asset backed securities were \$0.08 million. Of this amount, \$0.07 million has been in an unrealized loss position for twelve months or greater. These securities are rated investment grade. The weighted average credit enhancement for the Company s asset backed portfolio is 29.4. The Company s investment manager analyzes every ABS transaction on a stand-alone basis. This analysis involves a thorough review of the collateral, prepayment, and structural risk in each transaction. Additionally, their analysis includes an in-depth credit analysis of the originator and servicer of the collateral. The Company s investment manager projects an expected loss for a deal given a set of assumptions specific to the asset type. These assumptions are used to calculate at what level of losses that the deal will incur a dollar of loss. The major assumptions used to calculate this ratio are loss severities, recovery lags, and no advances on principal and interest. **Corporate notes and loans** As of September 30, 2010, gross unrealized losses related to corporate notes and loans were \$0.7 million. All unrealized losses have been in an unrealized loss position for less than twelve months. All of these securities are corporate loans which are below investment grade. The Company s investment managers analysis for this sector includes maintaining detailed financial models that include a projection of each issuer s future financial performance, including prospective debt servicing capabilities, capital structure composition, and the value of the collateral. The analysis incorporates the macroeconomic environment, industry conditions in which the issuer operates, issuer s current competitive position, vulnerability to changes in the competitive environment, regulatory environment, issuer liquidity, issuer commitment to bondholders, issuer creditworthiness, and asset protection. Part of the process also includes running downside scenarios to evaluate the expected likelihood of default as well as potential losses in the event of default.

The Company recorded the following other-than-temporary impairments (OTTI) on its investment portfolio for the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009:

	Quarter Septem		Nine Months Ended September 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009		2010		2009	
Fixed maturities:							
OTTI losses, gross	\$ 15	\$	2,108	\$	121	\$	4,449

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Portion of loss recognized in other comprehensive income (pre-tax)		(8)	(43)	(133)
Net impairment losses on fixed maturities recognized in earnings Common stock Preferred stock	15	2,100	78 346	4,316 593 647
Total	\$ 15	\$ 2,100	\$ 424	\$ 5,556

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The following table is an analysis of the credit losses recognized in earnings on debt securities held by the Company for the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 for which a portion of the OTTI loss was recognized in other comprehensive income.

		Quarter Septem			Nine Months Ended September 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)	2	010	20	009	20	010	20	009	
Balance at beginning of period	\$	113	\$	21	\$	50	\$	22	
Additions where no OTTI was previously recorded Additions where an OTTI was previously recorded		15		3 9		47 31		33	
Reductions for securities for which the company intends to sell or more likely than not will be									
required to sell before recovery									
Reductions reflecting increases in expected cash flows to be collected									
Reductions for securities sold during the period									
Balance at end of period	\$	128	\$	33	\$	128	\$	33	

### Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

Accumulated other comprehensive income as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 was as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	September 30, 2010			December 31, 2009		
Net unrealized gains (losses) from:						
Fixed maturities	\$	67,481	\$	48,522		
Preferred stocks		1,478		1,090		
Common stocks		12,818		12,348		
Partnerships < 3% owned		(140)		2,531		
Foreign currency fluctuations				43		
Deferred taxes		(19,402)		(16,053)		
Accumulated other comprehensive income	\$	62,235	\$	48,481		

### Net Realized Investment Gains (Losses)

The components of net realized investment gains (losses) for the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were as follows:

		Quarter Septem		Nine Months Ended September 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)	2	010	2	009		2010		2009
Fixed maturities	\$	846	\$	487	\$	16,225	\$	(4,659)

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Convertibles Common stock Preferred stock	972	4,021 2,105	3 5,391	7,121 2,030 (1,077)
Total	\$ 1,818	\$ 6,613	\$ 21,619	\$ 3,415

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The proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities resulting in net realized investment gains (losses) for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	Nine Montl Septemb				
	2010		2009		
Fixed maturities	\$ 560,306	\$	231,258		
Equity securities	30,442		68,834		

Net Investment Income

The sources of net investment income for the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were as follows:

	Qı	arters End	ed Se <sub>l</sub> 0,	Nine Months Ended September 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)		2010		2009		2010		2009
Fixed maturities Preferred and common stocks	\$	14,885 613	\$	15,808 351	\$	45,597 1,419	\$	46,485 1,281
Cash and cash equivalents Other invested assets		32		225		141 4		1,077 8,647
Total investment income Investment expense		15,530 (1,441)		16,384 (1,117)		47,161 (4,552)		57,490 (3,441)
Net investment income	\$	14,089	\$	15,267	\$	42,609	\$	54,049

The Company s total investment return on an after-tax basis for the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were as follows:

	Qu	arters Endo 30	-	otember	Nin	Nine Months Ended Septem 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)		2010		2009		2010		2009		
Net investment income	\$	12,039	\$	12,586	\$	36,109	\$	43,494		
Net realized investment gains: Invested assets excluding partnerships Partnerships		1,272		4,763 2,809		16,066 (29)		1,991 4,742		
Total net realized investment gains Net unrealized investment gains		1,272 18,358		7,572 25,685		16,037 13,797		6,733 40,328		
Net investment gains		19,630		33,257		29,834		47,061		

Total investment return	\$	31,669	\$ 45,843	\$ 65,943	90,555			
Total investment return % (1)		1.9%	2.7%	3.9%		5.4%		
Average investment portfolio (2)	\$ 1	1,686,638	\$ 1,710,395	\$ 1,696,376	\$	1,670,782		

- (1) Not annualized.
- (2) Average of total cash and invested assets, net of payable for securities purchased, as of the beginning and ending of the period.

### Subprime and Alt-A Investments

The Company had approximately \$2.9 million and \$2.5 million worth of investment exposure through subprime and Alt-A investments as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. An Alt-A investment is one which is backed by a loan that contains limited documentation. As of September 30, 2010, approximately \$0.3 million of those investments were rated AAA, \$0.8 million were rated BBB+ to AA, \$1.1 million were rated BB, and \$0.7 million were rated CCC- to CCC. As of December 31, 2009, approximately \$0.8 million of those investments were rated AAA, \$1.6 million were rated BBB- to AA, and \$0.1 million were rated CCC. Impairments on these investments were \$0.02 million and \$0.04 million during the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively, and \$0.9 million during the year ended December 31, 2009.

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### **Insurance Enhanced Municipal Bonds**

As of September 30, 2010, the Company held insurance enhanced municipal bonds of approximately \$123.8 million, which represented approximately 7.2% of the Company s total cash and invested assets. These securities had an average rating of AA. Approximately \$49.6 million of these bonds are pre-refunded with U.S. treasury securities, of which \$39.6 million are backed by financial guarantors, meaning that funds have been set aside in escrow to satisfy the future interest and principal obligations of the bond. Of the remaining \$74.2 million of insurance enhanced municipal bonds, \$31.3 million would have carried a lower credit rating had they not been insured. The following table provides a breakdown of the ratings for these municipal bonds with and without insurance.

(Dollars in thousands) Rating	V	Ratings with Insurance		
AAA	\$	13,497	\$	
AA		12,849		8,435
A		1,630		17,415
BBB				1,777
BB				349
NR		3,316		3,316
Total	\$	31,292	\$	31,292

A summary of the Company s insurance enhanced municipal bonds that are backed by financial guarantors, including the pre-refunded bonds that are escrowed in U.S. government obligations, as of September 30, 2010 is as follows:

(Dollars in thousands) Financial Guarantor	Total	 refunded curities	Gua	ernment ranteed curities	Pre- Gov Gua	osure Net of refunded & ernment aranteed curities
Ambac Financial Group	\$ 13,515	\$ 5,839	\$		\$	7,676
Financial Guaranty Insurance Company	2,502	2,502				
Financial Security Assurance, Inc.	42,591	16,481				26,110
Municipal Bond Insurance Association	44,592	12,200				32,392
Federal Housing Association	2,295			2,295		
Federal National Housing Association	780			780		
Government National Housing Association	4,164	898		3,266		
Permanent School Fund Guaranty	3,349	1,630		1,719		
Total backed by financial guarantors	113,788	39,550		8,060		66,178
Other credit enhanced municipal bonds	10,060	10,060				
Total	\$ 123,848	\$ 49,610	\$	8,060	\$	66,178

In addition to the \$123.8 million of insurance enhanced municipal bonds, the Company also held unrated insurance enhanced asset-backed and credit securities with a market value of approximately \$35.5 million, which represented approximately 2.1% of the Company s total invested assets. The financial guarantors of the Company s \$35.5 million of insurance enhanced asset-backed and credit securities include Financial Guaranty Insurance Company (\$0.9 million), Municipal Bond Insurance Association (\$12.3 million), Ambac (\$4.5 million), Financial Security Assurance, Inc. (\$6.7 million), Assured Guaranty Insurance Group (\$5.8 million), and Other (\$5.3 million).

The Company had no direct investments in the entities that have provided financial guarantees or other credit support to any security held by the Company at September 30, 2010.

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### **Bonds Held on Deposit**

Certain cash balances, cash equivalents, and bonds available for sale were deposited with various governmental authorities in accordance with statutory requirements or were held in trust pursuant to intercompany reinsurance agreements. The estimated fair values of bonds available for sale and on deposit or held in trust were as follows as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009:

	Estima	ted Fa	ir Value
(Dollars in thousands)	eptember 30, 2010	D	ecember 31, 2009
On deposit with governmental authorities	\$ 44,663	\$	41,336
Intercompany trusts held for the benefit of U.S. policyholders	637,328		653,500
Held in trust pursuant to third party requirements	64,738		29,884
Held in trust pursuant to U.S. regulatory requirements for the benefit of U.S.			
policyholders	5,959		6,169
Total	\$ 752,688	\$	730,889

### 4. Fair Value Measurements

The Company elected to apply the fair value option within its limited partnership investment portfolio to an investment where the Company previously owned more than a 3% interest. The fair value of this investment was \$1.1 million as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009. Effective December 31, 2009, the Company redeemed the majority of its ownership interest in this limited partnership, resulting in its ownership interest falling below 3%. As of September 30, 2010, the Company s remaining interest in this limited partnership was comprised of convertible preferred securities of a privately held company. Accordingly, this investment is classified as Level 3 within the fair value hierarchy.

During the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, the Company recognized the following gains (losses), net of taxes, due to changes in the value of these investments.

	Quarter En	Quarter Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30.				
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	,	2009	2	010	,	2009			
Limited partnership > 3% ownership	\$	\$	2,809	\$	(29)	\$	4,742			

These gains (losses) are reflected on the consolidated statement of operations as equity in net income (loss) of partnerships, net of taxes.

The fair value option was not elected for the Company s investments in limited partnerships with less than a 3% ownership interest.

The accounting standards related to fair value measurements define fair value, establish a framework for measuring fair value, outline a fair value hierarchy based on inputs used to measure fair value, and enhance disclosure requirements for fair value measurements. These standards do not change existing guidance as to whether or not an instrument is carried at fair value. The Company has determined that its fair value measurements are in accordance with the requirements of these accounting standards.

The Company s invested assets are carried at their fair value and are categorized based upon a fair value hierarchy:

Level 1 inputs utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2 inputs utilize other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the similar assets, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable for the asset, and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset.

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 falls has been determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The Company s assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and considers factors specific to the asset.

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Both observable and unobservable inputs may be used to determine the fair value of positions that the Company has classified within the Level 3 category. As a result, the unrealized gains and losses for invested assets within the Level 3 category presented in the tables below may include changes in fair value that are attributed to both observable (e.g., changes in market interest rates) and unobservable (e.g., changes in unobservable long-dated volatilities) inputs. The following tables present information about the Company s invested assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, and indicate the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques utilized by the Company to determine such fair value.

As of September 30, 2010 (Dollars in thousands)	]	Level 1		air Value M Level 2		ements evel 3	Total
Fixed maturities: U.S. treasury and agency obligations Obligations of states and political subdivisions Mortgage-backed securities Commercial mortgage-backed securities Asset-backed securities Corporate notes and loans Foreign corporate bonds	\$	96,253	\$	116,421 248,130 286,230 1,626 121,964 540,541 65,896	\$		\$ 212,674 248,130 286,230 1,626 121,964 540,541 65,896
Total fixed maturities		96,253		1,380,808			1,477,061
Preferred shares Common shares Other invested assets		130,472		2,408		5,215	2,408 130,472 5,215
Total invested assets	\$	226,725	\$	1,383,216	\$	5,215	\$ 1,615,156
As of December 31, 2009			F	air Value M	Ieasur	ements	
(Dollars in thousands)	]	Level 1		Level 2		evel 3	Total
Fixed maturities: U.S. treasury and agency obligations Obligations of states and political subdivisions Mortgage-backed securities Asset-backed securities Corporate notes and loans Foreign corporate bonds	\$	82,021	\$	154,067 225,598 364,000 114,163 460,730 70,993	\$		\$ 236,088 225,598 364,000 114,163 460,730 70,993
Total fixed maturities Preferred shares Common shares Other invested assets		82,021 579 63,057		1,389,551 2,020		7,999	1,471,572 2,599 63,057 7,999
Total invested assets	\$	145,657	\$	1,391,571	\$	7,999	\$ 1,545,227

The securities classified as Level 1 in the above table consist of U.S. Treasuries and equity securities actively traded on an exchange.

The securities classified as Level 2 in the above table consist primarily of fixed maturity securities. Based on the typical trading volumes and the lack of quoted market prices for fixed maturities, security prices are derived through recent reported trades for identical or similar securities making adjustments through the reporting date based upon available market observable information. If there are no recent reported trades, matrix or model processes are used to develop a security price where future cash flow expectations are developed based upon collateral performance and discounted at an estimated market rate. Included in the pricing of asset-backed securities, collateralized mortgage obligations, and mortgage-backed securities are estimates of the rate of future prepayments of principal over the remaining life of the securities. Such estimates are derived based on the characteristics of the underlying structure and prepayment speeds previously experienced at the interest rate levels projected for the underlying collateral. For corporate loans, price quotes from multiple dealers along with recent reported trades for identical or similar securities are used to develop prices.

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The following tables present changes in Level 3 investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2010:

Quarter Ended September 30, 2010 (Dollars in thousands)	In	Other vested Assets
Beginning balance at July 1, 2010 Total losses (realized / unrealized):	\$	6,490
Included in accumulated other comprehensive income		(1,275)
Ending balance at September 30, 2010	\$	5,215
Net unrealized losses included in net income for the period related to assets still held at September 30, 2010	\$	
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 (Dollars in thousands)	In	Other vested Assets
(Dollars in thousands)  Beginning balance at January 1, 2010	In	vested
(Dollars in thousands)	In	vested Assets
(Dollars in thousands)  Beginning balance at January 1, 2010 Total losses (realized / unrealized):	In	Assets 7,999
(Dollars in thousands)  Beginning balance at January 1, 2010 Total losses (realized / unrealized): Included in equity in net loss of partnership Included in accumulated other comprehensive income	In	7,999 (44) (2,672)

The securities classified as Level 3 in the above tables consist of \$5.2 million related to investments in limited partnerships. Of the investments in limited partnerships, \$4.1 million was comprised of securities for which there is no readily available independent market price, and the remaining \$1.1 million of the \$5.2 million was related to a limited partnership which holds convertible preferred securities of a privately held company. These securities are subject to an appraisal action in Delaware State Court. Until the appraisal action is resolved, the Company s ownership interest in this limited partnership is wholly illiquid. The estimated fair value of these limited partnerships is determined by the general partner of each limited partnership based on comparisons to transactions involving similar investments. Material assumptions and factors utilized in pricing these securities include future cash flows, constant default rates, recovery rates, and any market clearing activity that may have occurred since the prior month-end pricing period. The following tables present changes in Level 3 investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2009:

Quarter Ended September 30, 2009 (Dollars in thousands)	In	Other ivested Assets
Beginning balance at July 1, 2009 Total gains (losses) (realized / unrealized):	\$	50,817
Included in equity in net income of partnership		3,638
Included in accumulated other comprehensive income		(1,995)
Purchases		32
Ending balance at September 30, 2009	\$	52,492
Net unrealized gains included in net income for the period related to assets still held at September 30, 2009	\$	3,638

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009 (Dollars in thousands)		Other nvested Assets
Beginning balance at January 1, 2009 Total gains (losses) (realized / unrealized):	\$	46,672
Included in equity in net income of partnership		6,375
Included in accumulated other comprehensive income		(5,879)
Purchases		30,687
Sales		(25,363)
Ending balance at September 30, 2009	\$	52,492
Net unrealized gains included in net income for the period related to assets still held at September 30, 2009	\$	6,375

The securities classified as Level 3 in the above table consist of \$52.5 million related to the Company s limited partnership investments. Of this amount, \$8.7 million was comprised of securities for which there is no readily available independent market price. Material assumptions and factors utilized in pricing these securities include future cash flows, constant default rates, recovery rates, and any market clearing activity that may have occurred since the prior month-end pricing period. \$12.1 million was related to a partnership that invests mainly in securities that are publicly traded. However, since the Company does not have the ability to see the invested asset composition of this limited partnership on a daily basis, this investment has been classified within the Level 3 category. The remaining \$31.7 million was related to a limited partnership that invests in bank loans. This investment is classified within the Level 3 category since the bank loans trade infrequently, and therefore have little or no readily available pricing. Unobservable inputs are used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available.

#### Fair Value of Alternative Investments

Included in Other invested assets in the fair value hierarchy at September 30, 2010 are limited liability partnerships measured at fair value. The following table provides the fair value and future funding commitments related to these investments at September 30, 2010.

(Dollars in thousands)	Fair	· Value	Fun	ture ding itments
Equity Fund, LP (1) High Yield Convertible Securities Fund, LP (2)	\$	4,115 1,100	\$	2,569
Total	\$	5,215	\$	2,569

(1) This limited partnership

invests in companies, from various business sectors, whereby the partnership has acquired control of the operating business as a lead or organizing investor. The Company does not have the contractual option to redeem its limited partnership interest but receives distributions based on the liquidation of the underlying assets. The Company does not have the ability to sell or transfer its limited partnership interest without consent from

(2) This limited partnership is a registered mutual fund which invests in a portfolio of high yield convertible securities issued by companies with small to medium market capitalizations and lower credit

the general partner.

ratings

(generally

below

investment

grade). In

accordance with

the partnership

agreement, the

Company has

exercised its

right to submit a

capital

withdrawal

request effective

December 31,

2009. As of

December 31,

2009, the

Company was

unable to

redeem a

portion of its

ownership

interest in this

limited

partnership with

a fair market

value of

\$1.1 million.

This is related to

convertible

preferred

securities of one

company which

are subject to an

Appraisal

Action in

Delaware Court.

The partnership

decided to

participate in

the Appraisal

Action to

maximize the

value of its

preferred share.

Until the

appraisal action

is resolved, the

claim relating to

the preferred

share is wholly illiquid.

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#### **Pricing**

The Company s pricing vendors provide prices for all investment categories except for investments in limited partnerships. One vendor provides prices for equity securities and select fixed maturity categories including: corporate loans, commercial mortgage backed securities, high yield, investment grade, short term securities, and international fixed income securities, if any. A second vendor provides prices for other fixed maturity categories including: asset backed securities (ABS), collateralized mortgage obligations (CMO), and municipals. A third vendor provides prices for the remaining fixed maturity categories including mortgage backed securities (MBS) and treasuries. The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used by the Company s pricing vendors for investment securities carried at fair value:

Equity prices are received from all primary and secondary exchanges.

Corporate notes are individually evaluated on a nominal spread or an option adjusted spread basis depending on how the market trades a security or sector. Spreads are updated each day and compared with those from the broker/dealer community and contributing firms. Issues are generally benchmarked off of the U.S. treasuries or LIBOR.

For CMOs, which are categorized with mortgage-backed securities in the tables listed above, a volatility-driven, multi-dimensional single cash flow stream model or option-adjusted spread model is used. For ABSs, a single expected cash flow stream model is utilized. For both asset classes, evaluations utilize standard inputs plus new issue data, monthly payment information, and collateral performance. The evaluated pricing models incorporate security set-up, prepayment speeds, cash flows, treasury, swap curves and spread adjustments.

For municipals, a series of matrices are used to evaluate securities within this asset class. The evaluated pricing models for this asset class incorporate security set-up, sector curves, yield to worst, ratings updates, and adjustments for material events notices.

U.S. Treasuries are priced on the bid side by a market maker.

For MBSs, the pricing vendor utilizes a matrix model correlation to TBA (a forward MBS trade) or benchmarking to value a security.

Corporate loans are priced using averages of bids and offers obtained from the broker/dealer community involved in trading such loans.

The Company performs certain procedures to validate whether the pricing information received from the pricing vendors is reasonable, to ensure that the fair value determination is consistent with the most recent accounting guidance, and to ensure that its assets are properly classified in the fair value hierarchy. The Company s procedures include, but are not limited to:

Examining market value changes on an overall portfolio basis to determine if the market value reported by the pricing vendors appears reasonable. Duration of the portfolio and changes to benchmark yields are compared to the market value change reported by the Investment Manager to make this determination. The fair values reported are reviewed by management.

Reviewing periodic reports provided by the Investment Manager that provides information regarding rating changes and securities placed on watch. This procedure allows the Company to understand why a particular security s market value may have changed.

Understanding and periodically evaluating the various pricing methods and procedures used by the Company s pricing vendors to ensure that investments are properly classified within the fair value hierarchy.

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During the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company has not needed to adjust quotes or prices obtained from the pricing vendors.

#### 5. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

In April 2010, the Company recorded goodwill of \$4.8 million and intangible assets of \$10.2 million as a result of an acquisition. The acquisition was recorded as a business combination using the purchase method of accounting in accordance with applicable accounting guidance. The intangible assets were comprised of trademarks, customer relationships, and non-compete agreements. The trademarks have been determined to have indefinite lives and therefore will not be subject to amortization. The customer relationships and non-compete agreements have been determined to have definite lives and will therefore be amortized over their estimated useful lives. The customer relationships will be amortized over fifteen years, and the non-compete agreements will be amortized over two years. The result of this acquisition combined with the remaining intangible assets from the Penn-America merger result in goodwill and intangible asset balances of \$4.8 million and \$19.2 million, respectively, as of September 30, 2010.

#### 6. Reinsurance

The Company cedes insurance to unrelated reinsurers on a pro rata ( quota share ) and excess of loss basis in the ordinary course of business to limit its net loss exposure on insurance contracts. Reinsurance ceded arrangements do not discharge the Company of primary liability as the originating insurer. Moreover, reinsurers may fail to pay the Company due to a lack of reinsurer liquidity for losses on risks that are excluded from reinsurance coverage, and other similar factors, all of which could adversely affect the Company s financial results.

The Company had the following reinsurance balances as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009:

(Dollars in thousands)	Sep	tember 30, 2010	December 31, 2009		
Reinsurance receivables Collateral securing reinsurance receivables	\$	463,111 (316,492)	\$	543,351 (378,056)	
Reinsurance receivables, net of collateral	\$	146,619	\$	165,295	
Allowance for uncollectible reinsurance receivables Prepaid reinsurance premiums	\$	12,947 12,064	\$	12,947 16,546	

The Company regularly evaluates retention levels to ensure that the ultimate reinsurance cessions are aligned with corporate risk tolerance and capital levels, as follows:

**Property Catastrophe Excess of Loss** The Company s current property writings create exposure to catastrophic events. To protect against these exposures, the Company purchases a property catastrophe treaty. Effective June 1, 2010, the Company renewed its property catastrophe excess of loss treaty which provides occurrence coverage for losses of \$75.0 million in excess of \$15.0 million. This treaty provides for one full reinstatement of coverage at 100% additional premium as to time and pro rata as to amount of limit reinstated. This replaces the treaty that expired on May 31, 2010, which provided identical coverage.

**Property Per Risk Excess of Loss** Effective January 1, 2010, the Company renewed its property per risk excess of loss treaty which provides coverage of \$14.0 million per risk in excess of \$1.0 million per risk. This replaces the treaty that expired December 31, 2009, which also covered \$14.0 million per risk in excess of \$1.0 million per risk. This treaty provides coverage in two layers: \$4.0 million per risk in excess of \$1.0 million per risk, and \$10.0 million per risk in excess of \$5.0 million per risk. Similar to expiring terms, the first layer is subject to a \$4.0 million limit of liability for all risks involved in one loss occurrence, and the second layer is subject to a \$10.0 million limit for all risks involved in one loss occurrence.

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**Professional Liability Excess of Loss** Effective January 1, 2010, the Company renewed its professional liability excess of loss treaty which provides coverage of \$4.0 million per policy / occurrence in excess of \$1.0 million per policy / occurrence. This replaces the treaty that expired December 31, 2009, which provided identical limits of coverage.

Casualty Excess of Loss Effective May 1, 2010, the Company renewed its casualty excess of loss treaty which provides coverage for \$2.0 million per occurrence in excess of \$1.0 million per occurrence for general liability and auto liability. Allocated loss adjustment expenses are included within limits. This replaces the treaty that expired April 30, 2010, which provided coverage for \$2.25 million per occurrence in excess of \$0.75 million per occurrence, with allocated loss adjustment expenses shared in proportion to losses retained and ceded.

Casualty Clash Excess of Loss Effective January 1, 2010, the Company renewed its casualty clash excess of loss treaty which provides coverage of \$10.0 million per occurrence in excess of \$3.0 million per occurrence, subject to a \$20.0 million limit for all loss occurrences. This replaces the treaty that expired December 31, 2009, which provided identical coverage.

**Workers Compensation Excess of Loss** Effective April 15, 2010, the Company entered into two new workers compensation excess of loss treaties. The first treaty provides coverage for \$3.0 million per occurrence in excess of \$2.0 million per occurrence, with three full reinstatements of coverage one at no cost and two at 100% additional premium as to time and pro rata as to amount of limit reinstated. The second treaty provides coverage in three layers for \$45.0 million per occurrence in excess of \$5.0 million per occurrence. The first layer of \$5.0 million in excess of \$5.0 million provides for two full reinstatements of coverage at 100% additional premium. The second layer of \$10.0 million in excess of \$10.0 million, and the third layer of \$30.0 million in excess of \$20.0 million, provides for one full reinstatement of coverage at 100% additional premium.

*Marine Excess of Loss* Effective May 24, 2010, the Company entered into a new marine excess of loss treaty which provides coverage in three layers for \$13.0 million per occurrence in excess of \$2.0 million per occurrence. The first layer of \$3.0 million in excess of \$2.0 million, and the second layer of \$5.0 million in excess of \$5.0 million, provides for two full reinstatements of coverage at 100% additional premium. The third layer of \$5.0 million in excess of \$10.0 million provides for one full reinstatement of coverage at 100% additional premium.

**Property Quota Share** Effective January 1, 2010, the Company renewed its quota share treaty related to the Penn-America property line of business. The expiring quota share program was terminated on a cut-off basis. The renewal quota share program covers premiums earned in 2010 on policies written in 2009 and 2010. The quota share percentage was increased from 30% to 40%. During the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company ceded \$3.3 million and \$10.9 million of earned premium, respectively.

There were no other significant changes to any of the Company s other reinsurance treaties during the quarter or nine months ended September 30, 2010.

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#### 7. Income Taxes

The statutory income tax rates of the countries where the Company does business are 35.0% in the United States, 0.0% in Bermuda, 0.0% in the Cayman Islands, 28.59% in the Duchy of Luxembourg, and 25.0% on non-trading income and 12.5% on trading income in the Republic of Ireland. The statutory income tax rate of each country is applied against the expected annual taxable income of the Company in each country to estimate the annual income tax expense. Total estimated annual income tax expense is divided by total estimated annual pre-tax income to determine the expected annual income tax rate used to compute the income tax provision. On an interim basis, the expected annual income tax rate is applied against interim pre-tax income, excluding net realized gains and losses and limited partnership distributions, and then adding that amount to income taxes on net realized gains and losses and limited partnership distributions. The Company s income before income taxes from the Non-U.S. Subsidiaries and U.S. Subsidiaries, including the results of the quota share agreement between Wind River Reinsurance and the U.S. Insurance Operations, for the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were as follows:

Quarter Ended September 30, 2010: (Dollars in thousands)	on-U.S. osidiaries	Sul	U.S. osidiaries	Eli	minations	Total
Revenues:						
Gross premiums written	\$ 47,586	\$	66,213	\$	(27,564)	\$ 86,235
Net premiums written	\$ 47,586	\$	25,620	\$		\$ 73,206
Net premiums earned	\$ 47,225	\$	22,864	\$		\$ 70,089
Net investment income	11,089		7,648		(4,648)	14,089
Net realized investment gains	258		1,560			1,818
Other income			173			173
Total revenues  Losses and Expenses:	58,572		32,245		(4,648)	86,169
Net losses and loss adjustment expenses	24,412		5,377			29,789
Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses	17,243		11,298			28,541
Corporate and other operating expenses	2,802		2,304			5,106
Interest expense			6,473		(4,648)	1,825
Income before income taxes	\$ 14,115	\$	6,793	\$		\$ 20,908
Quarter Ended September 30, 2009: (Dollars in thousands)	on-U.S. osidiaries	Sul	U.S. osidiaries	Eli	minations	Total
Revenues:						
Gross premiums written	\$ 37,943	\$	67,368	\$	(29,505)	\$ 75,806
Net premiums written	\$ 37,928	\$	25,004	\$		\$ 62,932
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Net premiums earned Net investment income Net realized investment gains	\$ 45,656 10,229 1,327	\$ 27,237 9,686 5,286	\$ (4,648)	\$ 72,893 15,267 6,613
Total revenues Losses and Expenses:	57,212	42,209	(4,648)	94,773
Net losses and loss adjustment expenses	23,823	15,064		38,887
Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses	17,472	10,092		27,564
Corporate and other operating expenses	4,116	560		4,676
Interest expense		6,424	(4,648)	1,776
Income before income taxes	\$ 11,801	\$ 10,069	\$	\$ 21,870

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010: (Dollars in thousands)	on-U.S. osidiaries	Sul	U.S. bsidiaries	Elin	ninations	Total
Revenues:						
Gross premiums written	\$ 165,372	\$	181,815	\$	(76,049)	\$ 271,138
Net premiums written	\$ 164,588	\$	69,622	\$		\$ 234,210
Net premiums earned Net investment income Net realized investment gains Other income	\$ 145,724 32,760 5,754	\$	69,855 23,641 15,865 515	\$	(13,792)	\$ 215,579 42,609 21,619 515
Total revenues Losses and Expenses:	184,238		109,876		(13,792)	280,322
Net losses and loss adjustment expenses Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses Corporate and other operating expenses Interest expense	76,485 56,292 7,795		27,768 31,405 7,270 19,189		(13,792)	104,253 87,697 15,065 5,397
Income before income taxes	\$ 43,666	\$	24,244	\$	( - ) /	\$ 67,910
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009: (Dollars in thousands)	on-U.S. osidiaries	Sul	U.S. bsidiaries	Eliı	ninations	Total
Revenues: Gross premiums written	\$ 149,934	\$	207,675	\$	(91,135)	\$ 266,474
Net premiums written	\$ 149,389	\$	77,634	\$		\$ 227,023
Net premiums earned Net investment income Net realized investment gains (losses)	\$ 135,845 31,156 (655)	\$	90,320 36,685 4,070	\$	(13,792)	\$ 226,165 54,049 3,415
Total revenues Losses and Expenses:	166,346		131,075		(13,792)	283,629
Net losses and loss adjustment expenses Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses Corporate and other operating expenses Interest expense	73,615 54,001 7,635		57,059 34,349 4,679 19,254		(13,792)	130,674 88,350 12,314 5,462
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Income before income taxes \$ 31,095 \$ 15,734 \$ \$ 46,829

The following tables summarize the differences between the tax provisions under accounting guidance applicable to interim financial statement periods and the expected tax provision at the weighted average tax rate:

	Quarters Ended September 30,									
		201	09							
			% of Pre- Tax			% of Pre- Tax				
(Dollars in thousands)	$\mathbf{A}$	mount	Income	A	mount	Income				
Expected tax provision at weighted average rate Adjustments:	\$	2,379	11.4%	\$	3,544	16.2%				
Tax exempt interest		(504)	-2.4		(616)	-2.8				
Dividend exclusion		(123)	-0.6		(79)	-0.4				
Effective tax rate adjustment		150	0.7		(3,447)	-15.8				
Other		(756)	-3.6		(2,075)	-9.4				
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$	1,146	5.5%	\$	(2,673)	-12.2%				

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009 2010 % of Pre-% of Pre-Tax Tax (Dollars in thousands) Amount Income Amount Income Expected tax provision at weighted average rate \$ 8,564 12.6% 5,567 11.9% Adjustments: Tax exempt interest (1,488)-2.2 (1,996)-4.3 Dividend exclusion -0.4(289)-0.6(286)Effective tax rate adjustment (1,376)-2.0(496)-1.1 -1.1 -4.2 Other (708)(1.978)6.9% \$ \$ 808 1.7% Income tax expense 4,706

The effective income tax expense rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was 6.9%, compared to 1.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The increase in the effective tax rate is primarily due to the difference in the release of the prior year s uncertain tax reserves. The effective rates differed from the weighted average expected income tax expense rates of 12.6% and 11.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, primarily due to tax-exempt interest and dividends and the release of the prior year s uncertain tax reserves. The Company and some of its subsidiaries file income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, and various states and foreign jurisdictions. The Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal tax examinations by tax authorities for tax years before 2007.

The alternative minimum tax credit carryover was \$6.5 million and \$3.2 million as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively.

The Company applies a more-likely-than-not recognition threshold for all tax uncertainties whereby it only recognizes those tax benefits that have a greater than 50% likelihood of being sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities. The Company s unrecognized tax benefit was \$0.7 million and \$1.1 million as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. If recognized, the gross unrecognized tax benefits could lower the effective income tax rate in any future period.

The Company classifies all interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions as income tax expense. As of September 30, 2010, the Company has recorded \$0.1 million in liabilities for tax-related interest and penalties on its consolidated balance sheet.

#### 8. Liability for Unpaid Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses

The liability for unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses reflects the Company s best estimate for future amounts needed to pay claims and related settlement expenses and the impact of the Company s reinsurance coverages with respect to insured events. Estimating the ultimate claims liability of the Company is a complex and judgmental process, because the amounts are based on management s informed estimates and judgments using data currently available. In some cases, significant periods of time, up to several years or more, may elapse between the occurrence of an insured loss and the reporting of such to the Company. The method for determining the Company s liability for unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses includes, but is not limited to, reviewing past loss experience and considering other factors such as industry data and legal, social, and economic developments. As additional experience and data become available, the Company s estimate for the liability for unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses is revised accordingly. If the Company s ultimate losses, net of reinsurance, prove to differ substantially from the amounts recorded with respect to unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses at September 30, 2010, the related

adjustments could have a material impact on the Company s future results of operations.

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Activity in the liability for unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses is summarized as follows:

(Dallana in the constant)	Quarter Septem	ber 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 2009			
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	2010	2009		
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 1,168,759	\$ 1,394,818	\$ 1,257,741	\$ 1,506,429		
Less: Ceded reinsurance receivables	484,344	613,664	527,413	670,591		
Net balance at beginning of period	684,415	781,154	730,328	835,838		
Incurred losses and loss adjustment expenses related to:						
Current year	44,854	40,527	137,974	135,224		
Prior years	(15,065)	(1,640)	(33,721)	(4,550)		
Total incurred losses and loss adjustment expenses	29,789	38,887	104,253	130,674		
Paid losses and loss adjustment expenses related to:						
Current year	10,429	12,892	22,021	28,962		
Prior years	43,068	42,941	151,853	173,342		
Total paid losses and loss adjustment expenses	53,497	55,833	173,874	202,304		
Net balance at end of period	660,707	764,208	660,707	764,208		
Plus: Ceded reinsurance receivables	459,756	576,386	459,756	576,386		
Balance at end of period	\$ 1,120,463	\$ 1,340,594	\$ 1,120,463	\$ 1,340,594		
Datance at one of period	Ψ 1,120,703	$\psi$ 1,570,577	Ψ 1,120,703	$\psi$ 1,570,577		

When analyzing loss reserves and prior year development, the Company considers many factors, including the frequency and severity of claims, loss trends, case reserve settlements that may have resulted in significant development, and any other additional or pertinent factors that may impact reserve estimates. In the third quarter of 2010, the Company reduced its prior accident year loss reserves by \$15.1 million, which consisted of a \$1.6 million reduction in property lines, a \$14.2 million reduction in general liability lines, and a \$1.3 million reduction in umbrella lines, offset by a \$0.1 million increase in professional liability lines and a \$1.7 million increase in commercial auto lines:

**Property:** The \$1.6 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$1.7 million related to accident years 2009, 2008, and 2006 and prior due to decreases in expected unallocated loss adjustment expenses and lower than anticipated severity. This reduction was offset by an increase of \$0.1 million related to accident year 2007.

**General liability:** The \$14.2 million reduction primarily consisted of reductions of \$16.3 million related to accident years 2004 through 2009 due to lower than anticipated frequency and severity. Incurred losses for

these segments have developed at a rate lower than the Company s historical averages. This reduction was offset by a net increase of \$2.1 million related to accident years 2003 and prior primarily due to increases in expected unallocated loss adjustment expenses, as well as, higher than expected claim frequency and severity.

**Umbrella:** The \$1.3 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$1.5 million related to accident years 2009 and 2007 and prior due to lower than anticipated severity. As these accident years have matured, more weight has been given to experience based methods which continue to develop favorably compared to the Company s initial indications. This reduction was offset by an increase of \$0.2 million related to accident year 2008 due to an increase in severity.

**Professional liability:** The \$0.1 million increase primarily consisted of an increase of \$1.9 million related to accident years 2007 and 2009 where the Company experienced higher than expected claim frequency and severity. This increase was offset by a reduction of \$1.8 million related to accident years 2008 and 2006 and prior driven by lower than expected paid and incurred activity during the quarter.

**Commercial auto:** The \$1.7 million increase consisted of an increase of \$1.9 million related to accident year 2009 due to increased frequency on two non-standard auto treaties. This increase was offset by net reductions of \$0.2 million related to accident years 2008 and prior. Programs related to these accident years are in run-off, and loss severity has been lower than the Company s prior projections.

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In the third quarter of 2009, the Company reduced its prior accident year loss reserves by \$2.0 million and increased its allowance for uncollectible reinsurance by \$0.4 million. The loss reserves reduction of \$2.0 million consisted of a \$0.2 million reduction in property lines, a \$2.7 million reduction in general liability lines, and a \$0.4 million reduction in umbrella lines, offset by a \$1.3 million increase in professional liability lines:

**Property:** The \$0.2 million reduction consisted of net reductions of \$0.5 million related to accident years 2007 and prior, offset by an increase of \$0.3 million related to accident year 2008.

**General liability:** The \$2.7 million reduction consisted of net reductions of \$5.1 million related to accident years 2005 and prior, offset by increases of \$2.4 million related to accident years 2006 through 2008.

**Umbrella:** The \$0.4 million reduction related to accident years 2003 and 2001.

**Professional liability:** The \$1.3 million increase primarily consisted of increases of \$1.6 million related to accident years 2004 through 2008, offset by net reductions of \$0.3 million related to accident years 2003 and prior.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company reduced its prior accident year loss reserves by \$33.7 million, which consisted of a \$1.9 million reduction in property lines, a \$26.9 million reduction in general liability lines, a \$2.9 million reduction in professional liability lines, and a \$3.7 million reduction in umbrella lines, offset by a \$1.5 million increase in commercial auto lines:

**Property:** The \$1.9 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$2.4 million related to accident years 2008 and prior primarily due to lower than anticipated severity. This reduction was offset by an increase of \$0.5 million to accident year 2009 that was driven by higher than expected claim frequency and severity.

**General liability:** The \$26.9 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$30.2 million related to accident years 2002 through 2009 due to severity that was lower than originally anticipated. Incurred losses have developed at a rate lower than the Company s historical averages. This reduction was partially offset by a net increase of \$3.3 million related to accident years 2001 and prior where the Company experienced higher than expected claim frequency and severity.

**Professional liability:** The \$2.9 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$6.1 million related to accident years 2008 and prior due to severity that was lower than originally anticipated, partially offset by an increase of \$3.2 million related to accident year 2009 where the Company experienced higher than expected claim frequency and severity.

**Umbrella:** The \$3.7 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions related to accident years 2009 and prior primarily due to lower than anticipated severity. As these accident years have matured, more weight has been given to experience based methods which continue to develop favorably compared to the Company s initial indications.

**Commercial auto:** The \$1.5 million increase primarily consisted of a net increase of \$2.1 million related to accident years 2008 and 2009 where losses were higher than anticipated. This increase was offset by net reductions of \$0.6 million related to accident years 2007 and prior. Programs related to these accident years are in run-off, and loss severity has been lower than the Company s prior projections.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company reduced its prior accident year loss reserves by \$4.2 million and reduced its allowance for uncollectible reinsurance by \$0.4 million. The loss reserves reduction of \$4.2 million primarily consisted of a \$2.4 million reduction in property lines, a \$5.2 million reduction in general liability lines, and a \$0.4 million reduction in umbrella lines, offset by a \$3.8 million increase in professional liability lines:

**Property:** The \$2.4 million reduction primarily consisted of reductions related to accident year 2007 and 2008.

**General liability:** The \$5.2 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$9.7 million related to accident years 2006 and prior, offset by increase of \$4.5 million to accident years 2007 and 2008.

**Umbrella:** The \$0.4 million reduction primarily related to accident years 2003 and 2001. **Professional liability:** The \$3.8 million increase primarily related to increases of \$6.1 million related to accident years 2007 and 2008, offset by net reductions of \$2.3 million primarily to accident years 2005 and prior.

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#### 9. Related Party Transactions

#### Fox Paine & Company

As of September 30, 2010, Fox Paine & Company beneficially owned shares having approximately 89.5% of the Company s total outstanding voting power. Fox Paine & Company can nominate a certain number of Directors, dependent on Fox Paine & Company s percentage ownership of voting shares in the Company for so long as Fox Paine & Company hold an aggregate of 25% or more of the voting power in the Company. The Company s Board of Directors currently consists of nine directors, five of which were nominated by Fox Paine & Company. The Company s Chairman is a member of Fox Paine & Company. The Company relies on Fox Paine & Company to provide management services and other services related to the operations of the Company. The Company incurred management fees of \$0.3 million in each of the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 and \$1.1 million in each of the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 as part of the annual management fee that is paid to Fox Paine & Company. The Company reimbursed Fox Paine & Company \$0.0 million and \$0.1 million during the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, and \$0.4 million and \$0.2 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, for expenses incurred in providing management services. At September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, Wind River Reinsurance was a limited partner in investment funds managed by Fox Paine & Company. This investment was originally made by United National Insurance Company in June 2000 and pre-dates the September 5, 2003 acquisition by Fox Paine & Company of Wind River Investment Corporation, the holding company for the Company s Predecessor Insurance Operations. The Company s investment in this limited partnership was valued at \$4.1 million and \$5.6 million at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. At September 30, 2010, the Company had an unfunded capital commitment of \$2.6 million to the partnership. A distribution of \$0.07 million was received from the limited partnership during the first quarter of 2010. As part of the Company s redomestication from the Cayman Islands to Ireland, the Company has agreed to indemnify Fox Paine & Company against any Irish stamp duty that it may incur. As of the filing date of this report, the Company has not been made aware by Fox Paine & Company that it has incurred any Irish stamp duty.

#### Cozen O Connor

During the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, the Company incurred \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million respectively, for legal services rendered by Cozen O Connor. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, the Company incurred \$0.2 million and \$0.2 million respectively, for legal services rendered by Cozen O Connor. Stephen A. Cozen, the chairman of Cozen O Connor, is a member of the Company s Board of Directors. *Validus Reinsurance, Ltd.* 

Validus is a participant in a quota share retrocession agreement with Wind River Reinsurance. The Company estimated that the following written premium and losses related to the quota share retrocession agreement have been assumed by Validus from Wind River Reinsurance:

	•	ter Ended ember 30,	Nine Months Ended Septen 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009		2010		2009	
Ceded written premium Ceded losses	\$	\$	\$	(2,401)( <b>1</b> ) 644	\$	2,748 972	

(1) Includes an adjustment made in the first quarter to true up the

Company s estimated amount of ceded premium to actual.

Edward J. Noonan, the chairman and chief executive officer of Validus, was a member of the Company s Board of Directors until June 1, 2007, when he resigned from the Company s Board. Validus remains a related party since the current quota share retrocession agreement between Validus and Wind River Reinsurance was put in place during the period when Mr. Noonan was a member of the Company s Board of Directors.

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#### Frank Crystal & Company

During each of the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, the Company paid \$0.2 million in brokerage fees to Frank Crystal & Company, an insurance broker. James W. Crystal, the chairman and chief executive officer of Frank Crystal & Company, became a member of the Company s Board of Directors, effective as of July 6, 2010. The transactions mentioned were entered into before Mr. Crystal became a Director.

#### 10. Commitments and Contingencies

#### Legal Proceedings

The Company is, from time to time, involved in various legal proceedings in the ordinary course of business. The Company purchases insurance and reinsurance policies covering such risks in amounts that it considers adequate. However, there can be no assurance that the insurance and reinsurance coverage that the Company maintains is sufficient or will be available in adequate amounts or at a reasonable cost. The Company does not believe that the resolution of any currently pending legal proceedings, either individually or taken as a whole, will have a material adverse effect on the Company s business, results of operations, or financial condition.

There is a greater potential for disputes with reinsurers who are in a runoff of their reinsurance operations. Some of the Company s reinsurers reinsurance operations are in runoff, and therefore, the Company closely monitors those relationships. The Company anticipates that, similar to the rest of the insurance and reinsurance industry, it will continue to be subject to litigation and arbitration proceedings in the ordinary course of business.

On December 4, 2008, a federal jury in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia) returned a \$24.0 million verdict in favor of United National Insurance Company (United National), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, against AON Corp., an insurance and reinsurance broker. On July 24, 2009, a federal judge from the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia) upheld that jury verdict. In doing so, the U.S. District Judge increased the verdict to \$32.2 million by adding more than \$8.2 million in prejudgment interest. AON has filed its Notice of Appeal and a Bond in the amount of \$33.0 million. A court ordered mediation took place on December 10, 2009, which did not result in a settlement. Oral arguments were heard by the Appellate Court on October 26, 2010. The Court suggested that both parties participate in further mediation in an effort to resolve the case. If the case is not resolved, it is anticipated that it will take six to nine months for the Court to render its opinion.

#### 11. Share-Based Compensation Plans

All share amounts have been adjusted to reflect the one-for-two stock exchange of Global Indemnity plc shares for United America Indemnity, Ltd. shares effective July 2, 2010 as part of the redomestication to Ireland. See Note 2 above for more information regarding the redomestication.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company granted 47,610 Class A ordinary shares, subject to certain restrictions, at a weighted average grant date value of \$14.83 per share, to key employees of the Company under the Global Indemnity plc Share Incentive Plan (the Plan ). In addition, during the same period, the Company granted an aggregate of 58,119 fully vested Class A ordinary shares, subject to certain restrictions, at a weighted average grant date value of \$16.34 per share, to non-employee directors of the Company under the Plan. During 2010, the Company replaced the existing Return On Equity (ROE) Award and Accident Year Look Back (AYLB) Award with the Officer Incentive Plan. The Officer Incentive Plan is based on achieving predetermined combined ratio targets measured at a consolidated level. 50% of the award vests ratably over a 3 year period, and the remaining 50% is subject to re-measurement of the combined ratio after three years with the re-measurement requiring

approval from the Board of Directors. The award, as a percentage of salary, and in terms of cost to the Company, are

similar to the prior combined ROE & AYLB awards.

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#### 12. Earnings Per Share

Earnings per share have been computed using the weighted average number of ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents outstanding during the period. All share counts and corresponding per share market prices have been adjusted to reflect the one-for-two stock exchange of Global Indemnity plc shares for United America Indemnity, Ltd. shares as part of the redomestication to Ireland. See Note 2 above for more information regarding the redomestication. As detailed below, share counts for the prior year have also been restated as a result of the Rights Offering that took place in 2009.

The Company issued non-transferable rights to stockholders of record on March 16, 2009. The rights entitled the holders to purchase 0.9013 shares of ordinary stock for every right held. The Rights Offering expired on April 6, 2009. On May 5, 2009, the Company issued 8.6 million Class A ordinary shares and 5.7 million Class B ordinary shares at a subscription price of \$7.00 per share in conjunction with the Rights Offering.

The market price of the Company s Class A ordinary shares was \$9.78 per share on March 12, 2009, which was the ex-rights date related to the Rights Offering. Since the \$7.00 per share subscription price of the shares issued under the Rights Offering was lower than the \$9.78 per share market price on March 12, 2009, the Rights Offering contained a bonus element. In computing the basic and diluted weighted share counts, the number of shares outstanding prior to May 5, 2009 (the date that the ordinary shares were issued in conjunction with the Rights Offering) was adjusted by a factor of 1.114 to reflect the impact of a bonus element associated with the Rights Offering. The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share.

(Dollars in thousands,	(	Quarters En	ded \$ 30,	September	N	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
except per share data)		2010		2009		2010		2009	
Net income	\$	19,762	\$	27,352	\$	63,175	\$	50,763	
Basic earnings per share: Weighted average shares outstanding basic Adjustment for bonus element of Rights Offering		30,273,757		30,144,896		30,222,074		23,588,613 814,392	
Adjusted weighted average shares outstanding basic		30,273,757		30,144,896		30,222,074		24,403,005	
Net income per share	\$	0.65	\$	0.91	\$	2.09	\$	2.08	
Diluted earnings per share: Weighted average shares outstanding diluted Adjustment for bonus element of Rights Offering		30,308,489		30,155,553		30,245,890		23,608,637 814,392	
Adjusted weighted average shares outstanding diluted		30,308,489		30,155,553		30,245,890		24,423,029	

Net income per share \$ 0.65 \$ 0.91 \$ 2.08

A reconciliation of weighted average shares for basic earnings per share to weighted average shares for diluted earnings per share is as follows:

	Quarters Ende	-	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2010	2009	2010	2009		
Weighted average shares for basic earnings per share Non-vested restricted stock Options	30,273,757 34,732	30,144,896 10,657	30,222,074 23,816	24,403,005 20,024		
Weighted average shares for diluted earnings per share	30,308,489	30,155,553	30,245,890	24,423,029		
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The weighted average shares outstanding used to determine dilutive earnings per shares for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 do not include 341,809 and 442,121 shares, respectively, that were deemed to be anti-dilutive. The weighted average shares outstanding used to determine dilutive earnings per shares for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 do not include 352,309 and 446,036 shares, respectively, that were deemed to be anti-dilutive.

#### 13. Segment Information

The Company manages its business through two business segments: United States Based Insurance Operations, which includes the operations of the U.S. Insurance Companies, and International Reinsurance Operations, which includes the operations of Wind River Reinsurance.

The United States Based Insurance Operations segment and the International Reinsurance Operations segment follow the same accounting policies used for the Company s consolidated financial statements. For further disclosure regarding the Company s accounting policies, please see Note 2 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 8 of Part II of the Company s 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The following are tabulations of business segment information for the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009.

Quarter Ended September 30, 2010:	Insurance Operations (1)		Reinsurance Operations			
(Dollars in thousands)			-	(2)	,	Total
Revenues: Gross premiums written	\$	66,213	\$	20,022	\$	86,235
Net premiums written	\$	53,185	\$	20,021	\$	73,206
Net premiums earned Other income	\$	47,932 173	\$	22,157	\$	70,089 173
Total revenues Losses and Expenses:		48,105		22,157		70,262
Net losses and loss adjustment expenses Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses		13,584 22,556( <b>3</b> )		16,205 5,985( <b>4</b> )		29,789 28,541
Income (loss) from segments	\$	11,965	\$	(33)		11,932
Unallocated Items: Net investment income Net realized investment gains Corporate and other operating expenses Interest expense						14,089 1,818 (5,106) (1,825)
Income before income taxes Income tax expense						20,908 1,146

Net income \$ 19,762

Total assets \$ 1,698,557 \$ 654,472(**5**) \$ 2,353,029

- (1) Includes business ceded to Reinsurance Operations.
- (2) External business only, excluding business assumed from Insurance Operations.
- (3) Includes federal excise tax of \$251 relating to the quota share and stop loss agreements.
- (4) Includes all
  Wind River
  Reinsurance
  expenses other
  than federal
  excise tax.
- (5) Comprised of Wind River Reinsurance s total assets less its investment in subsidiaries.

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Quarter Ended September 30, 2009: (Dollars in thousands)	Insurance Operations (1)			nsurance erations (2)	Total		
(Donars in thousands)				(2)		Total	
Revenues: Gross premiums written	\$	\$ 67,368		8,438	\$	75,806	
Net premiums written	\$	54,510	\$	8,422	\$	62,932	
Net premiums earned  Losses and Expenses:  Net losses and loss adjustment expenses	\$	58,971 33,292	\$	13,922 5,595	\$	72,893 38,887	
Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses		24,028( <b>3</b> )		3,536( <b>4</b> )		27,564	
Income from segments	\$	1,651	\$	4,791		6,442	
Unallocated Items: Net investment income Net realized investment gains Corporate and other operating expenses Interest expense						15,267 6,613 (4,676) (1,776)	
Income before income taxes Income tax benefit						21,870 (2,673)	
Income before equity in net income of partnership Equity in net income of partnership, net of tax						24,543 2,809	
Net income					\$	27,352	
Total assets	\$	1,868,061	\$	632,266(5)	\$ 2	,500,327	

(1) Includes
business ceded
to Reinsurance
Operations.

(2) External business only, excluding business

assumed from Insurance Operations.

- (3) Includes federal excise tax of \$317 relating to the quota share and stop loss agreements.
- (4) Includes all
  Wind River
  Reinsurance
  expenses other
  than federal
  excise tax.
- (5) Comprised of Wind River Reinsurance s total assets less its investment in subsidiaries.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010:		Insurance Operations		surance rations				
(Dollars in thousands)	(1)		(2)			Total		
Revenues: Gross premiums written	\$	181,815	\$	89,323	\$	271,138		
Net premiums written	\$	145,674	\$	88,536	\$	234,210		
Net premiums earned Other income	\$	146,412 515	\$	69,167	\$	215,579 515		
Total revenues  Losses and Expenses:  Net losses and loss adjustment expenses		146,927 59,582		69,167 44,671		216,094 104,253		
Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses  Income from segments	\$	67,666( <b>3</b> ) 19,679	\$	20,031( <b>4</b> ) 4,465		87,697 24,144		
Unallocated Items: Net investment income Net realized investment gains Corporate and other operating expenses Interest expense						42,609 21,619 (15,065) (5,397)		

Income before income taxes				67,910
Income tax expense				4,706
Income before equity in net loss of partnership Equity in net loss of partnership, net of tax				63,204 (29)
Net income			\$	63,175
Total assets	\$ 1,698,557	\$ 654,472 <b>(5</b> )	\$ 2	,353,029

(1) Includes
business ceded
to the
Company s
Reinsurance
Operations.

(2) External business only, excluding business assumed from the Company s Insurance Operations.

(3) Includes federal excise tax of \$766 relating to the quota share and stop loss agreements.

(4) Includes all
Wind River
Reinsurance
expenses other
than federal
excise tax.

(5) Comprised of Wind River Reinsurance s total assets less its investment in subsidiaries.

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009:	Insurance Operations (1)		Reinsurance Operations			
(Dollars in thousands)			° p	(2)		Total
Revenues: Gross premiums written	\$	\$ 207,675		58,799	\$	266,474
Net premiums written	\$	168,770	\$	58,253	\$	227,023
Net premiums earned  Losses and Expenses:  Net losses and loss adjustment expenses  Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses	\$	194,137 115,583 80,408( <b>3</b> )	\$	32,028 15,091 7,942( <b>4</b> )	\$	226,165 130,674 88,350
Income (loss) from segments	\$	(1,854)	\$	8,995		7,141
Unallocated Items: Net investment income Net realized investment gains Corporate and other operating expenses Interest expense						54,049 3,415 (12,314) (5,462)
Income before income taxes Income tax expense						46,829 808
Income before equity in net income of partnership Equity in net income of partnership, net of tax						46,021 4,742
Net income					\$	50,763
Total assets	\$	1,868,061	\$	632,266(5)	\$ 2	2,500,327

(1) Includes

business ceded to the

Company s

Reinsurance

Operations.

(2) External

business only,

excluding business assumed from the Company s Insurance Operations.

- (3) Includes federal excise tax of \$1,038 relating to the quota share and stop loss agreements.
- (4) Includes all
  Wind River
  Reinsurance
  expenses other
  than federal
  excise tax.
- (5) Comprised of Wind River Reinsurance s total assets less its investment in subsidiaries.

#### 14. Supplemental Cash Flow Information

The Company paid the following amounts in cash for net U.S. federal income taxes and interest during the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009:

	Quarters Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(Dollars in thousands)	2	2010		2009		2010		2009
Net U.S. federal income taxes paid (recovered) Interest paid	\$	1,650 3,182	\$	(10,957) 3,058	\$	3,704 6,625	\$	(18,019) 6,830

#### 15. Subsequent Events

On November 2, 2010, we committed to a restructuring plan with respect to our U.S. insurance operations. The plan was initiated on November 4, 2010, and is part of our efforts to streamline our operations in response to the continuing impact of the domestic recession as well as the competitive landscape within the excess and surplus lines market. As part of this restructuring plan, the company intends to enhance profitability and earnings through reducing its U.S. based census by approximately 25%, closing underperforming U.S. facilities, and supplementing staffing in Bermuda and in Ireland. We expect that all action items relating to this plan will be implemented by the end of 2010. The total estimated cost of implementing this restructuring plan will be reported in our consolidated statements of operations for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2010. Components of the plan include: (1) employee termination and severance; (2) expenses relating to the continuing costs of several operating leases related to excess office space, net of sublease income; (3) restructuring expenses for related asset and leasehold improvement impairments; and (4) expenses relating to the curtailment of our workers compensation product initiative.

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

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes of Global Indemnity included elsewhere in this report. Some of the information contained in this discussion and analysis or set forth elsewhere in this report, including information with respect to our plans and strategy, constitutes forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Please see Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements at the end of this Item 2 for a discussion of important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results described in or implied by the forward-looking statements contained herein. For more information regarding our business and operations, please see our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

#### **Recent Developments**

In February 2010, our Board of Directors approved a plan for us to redomesticate from the Cayman Islands to Ireland pursuant to a scheme of arrangement. At a special shareholders meeting held on May 27, 2010, our shareholders approved the redomestication proposal pursuant to which all United America Indemnity, Ltd. common shares would be cancelled and all holders of such shares would receive ordinary shares of Global Indemnity plc, a newly formed Irish company, on a two-for-one basis. The redomestication transaction was completed on July 2, 2010, following approval from the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands, at which time Global Indemnity plc replaced United America Indemnity, Ltd. as the ultimate parent company, and United America Indemnity, Ltd. became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Global Indemnity plc. Shares of United America Indemnity, Ltd. previously traded on the NASDAQ Global Select market under the symbol INDM. Shares of the Irish company, Global Indemnity plc, began trading on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on July 6, 2010 under the symbol GBLI.

We believe incorporation in Ireland will offer increased strategic flexibility and operational benefits as we continue to expand the rapidly growing international portion of our business. We do not expect that the reorganization will have any material impact on our financial results.

On July 1, 2010, we announced the appointment of Matthew B. Scott as President of the United National Group, the specific binding authority side of our Insurance Operations. This appointment coincides with the resignation of J. Scott Reynolds, who had served as President of the United National Group since July 2008. Mr. Scott will continue as President of the Penn-America Group, our wholesale general agency business.

On July 6, 2010, we announced the appointment of Mr. James W. Crystal to our Board of Directors, effective as of that date.

On September 22, 2010, we announced that Mr. Stephen A. Cozen is retiring from our Board of Directors, effective as of year-end, and that Ms. Mary R. Hennessy, FCAS, has joined the Board, effective as of September 20, 2010.

#### Overview

We operate predominantly in the excess and surplus lines marketplace.

Our United States Based Insurance Operations distribute property and casualty insurance products through a group of approximately 110 professional general agencies that have limited quoting and binding authority, as well as a number of wholesale insurance brokers who in turn sell our insurance products to insureds through retail insurance brokers. Our United States Based Insurance Operations also provide workers compensation insurance that is distributed through a limited group of professional specialist wholesale, retail, and program brokers.

Our International Reinsurance Operations are comprised of the operations of Wind River Reinsurance, a Bermuda based third party treaty and facultative reinsurer of excess and surplus and specialty lines of property and casualty insurance.

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We derive our revenues primarily from premiums paid on insurance policies that we write and from income generated by our investment portfolio, net of fees paid for investment management services. The amount of insurance premiums that we receive is a function of the amount and type of policies we write, as well as of prevailing market prices. Our expenses include losses and loss adjustment expenses, acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses, corporate and other operating expenses, interest, other investment expenses, and income taxes. Losses and loss adjustment expenses are estimated by management and reflect our best estimate of ultimate losses and costs arising during the reporting period and revisions of prior period estimates. We record losses and loss adjustment expenses based on an actuarial analysis of the estimated losses we expect to incur on the insurance policies we write. The ultimate losses and loss adjustment expenses will depend on the actual costs to resolve claims. Acquisition costs consist principally of commissions that are typically a percentage of the premiums on the insurance policies we write, net of ceding commissions earned from reinsurers and allocated internal costs. Other underwriting expenses consist primarily of personnel expenses and general operating expenses. Corporate and other operating expenses are comprised primarily of outside legal fees, other professional fees, including accounting fees, directors fees, management fees, salaries and benefits for company personnel whose services relate to the support of corporate activities, development of additional products, and taxes incurred. Interest expense consists primarily of interest on senior notes payable, junior subordinated debentures, and funds held on behalf of others.

#### **Critical Accounting Estimates and Policies**

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in conformity with GAAP, which requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from those estimates and assumptions. We believe that of our significant accounting policies, the following may involve a higher degree of judgment and estimation.

#### Liability for Unpaid Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses

Although variability is inherent in estimates, we believe that the liability for unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses reflects our best estimate for future amounts needed to pay losses and related loss adjustment expenses and the impact of our reinsurance coverages with respect to insured events.

In developing loss and loss adjustment expense (loss or losses) reserve estimates, our actuaries perform detailed reserve analyses each quarter. To perform the analysis, the data is organized at a reserve category level. A reserve category can be a line of business such as commercial automobile liability, or it can be a particular type of claim such as construction defect. The reserves within a reserve category level are characterized as either short-tail or long-tail. Most of our third party business can be characterized as medium to long-tail. For long-tail business, it will generally be several years between the time the business is written and the time when all claims are settled. Our long-tail exposures include general liability, professional liability, products liability, commercial automobile liability, excess and umbrella, and workers compensation (for our Reinsurance Operations only). Short-tail exposures include property, commercial automobile physical damage, and equine mortality. For further discussion about our product classifications, see General Our Insurance Operations in Item 1 of Part I of our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Each of our product classifications contain both long-tail and short-tail exposures. Every reserve category is analyzed by our actuaries each quarter. The analyses generally include reviews of losses gross of reinsurance and net of reinsurance.

For the third quarter of 2010, an independent actuary performed a peer review of the loss reserves of our Insurance Operations and performed a full review of the loss reserves of our Reinsurance Operations. We do not rely upon the review of the independent actuaries to develop our reserves; however, the data is used to corroborate the analysis performed by the in-house staff.

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The methods that we use to project ultimate losses for both long-tail and short-tail exposures include, but are not limited to, the following:

Paid Development method;

Incurred Development method;

Expected Loss Ratio method;

Bornhuetter-Ferguson method using premiums and paid loss;

Bornhuetter-Ferguson method using premiums and incurred loss; and

Average Loss method.

The Paid Development method estimates ultimate losses by reviewing paid loss patterns and applying them to accident years with further expected changes in paid loss. Selection of the paid loss pattern requires analysis of several factors including the impact of inflation on claims costs, the rate at which claims professionals make claim payments and close claims, the impact of judicial decisions, the impact of underwriting changes, the impact of large claim payments and other factors. Claim cost inflation itself requires evaluation of changes in the cost of repairing or replacing property, changes in the cost of medical care, changes in the cost of wage replacement, judicial decisions, legislative changes and other factors. Because this method assumes that losses are paid at a consistent rate, changes in any of these factors can impact the results. Since the method does not rely on case reserves, it is not directly influenced by changes in the adequacy of case reserves.

For many reserve categories, paid loss data for recent periods may be too immature or erratic for accurate predictions. This situation often exists for long-tail exposures. In addition, changes in the factors described above may result in inconsistent payment patterns. Finally, estimating the paid loss pattern subsequent to the most mature point available in the data analyzed often involves considerable uncertainty for long-tail reserve categories.

The Incurred Development method is similar to the Paid Development method, but it uses case incurred losses instead of paid losses. Since this method uses more data (case reserves in addition to paid losses) than the Paid Development method, the incurred development patterns may be less variable than paid development patterns. However, selection of the incurred loss pattern requires analysis of all of the factors listed in the description of the Paid Development method. In addition, the inclusion of case reserves can lead to distortions if changes in case reserving practices have taken place and the use of case incurred losses may not eliminate the issues associated with estimating the incurred loss pattern subsequent to the most mature point available.

The Expected Loss Ratio method multiplies premiums by an expected loss ratio to produce ultimate loss estimates for each accident year. This method may be useful if loss development patterns are inconsistent, losses emerge very slowly, or there is relatively little loss history from which to estimate future losses. The selection of the expected loss ratio requires analysis of loss ratios from earlier accident years or pricing studies and analysis of inflationary trends, frequency trends, rate changes, underwriting changes, and other applicable factors.

The Bornhuetter-Ferguson method using premiums and paid losses is a combination of the Paid Development method and the Expected Loss Ratio method. This method normally determines expected loss ratios similar to the method used for the Expected Loss Ratio method and requires analysis of the same factors described above. The method assumes that only future losses will develop at the expected loss ratio level. The percent of paid loss to ultimate loss implied from the Paid Development method is used to determine what percentage of ultimate loss is yet to be paid. The use of the pattern from the Paid Development method requires consideration of all factors listed in the description of the Paid Development method. The estimate of losses yet to be paid is added to current paid losses to estimate the ultimate loss for each year. This method will react very slowly if actual ultimate loss ratios are different from expectations due to changes not accounted for by the expected loss ratio calculation.

The Bornhuetter-Ferguson method using premiums and incurred losses is similar to the Bornhuetter-Ferguson method using premiums and paid losses except that it uses case incurred losses. The use of case incurred losses instead of paid losses can result in development patterns that are less variable than paid development patterns. However, the inclusion of case reserves can lead to distortions if changes in case reserving practices have taken place, and the method requires analysis of all the factors that need to be reviewed for the Expected Loss Ratio and Incurred Development methods.

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The Average Loss method multiplies a projected number of ultimate claims by an estimated ultimate average loss for each accident year to produce ultimate loss estimates. Since projections of the ultimate number of claims are often less variable than projections of ultimate loss, this method can provide more reliable results for reserve categories where loss development patterns are inconsistent or too variable to be relied on exclusively. In addition, this method can more directly account for changes in coverage that impact the number and size of claims. However, this method can be difficult to apply to situations where very large claims or a substantial number of unusual claims result in volatile average claim sizes. Projecting the ultimate number of claims requires analysis of several factors including the rate at which policyholders report claims to us, the impact of judicial decisions, the impact of underwriting changes and other factors. Estimating the ultimate average loss requires analysis of the impact of large losses and claim cost trends based on changes in the cost of repairing or replacing property, changes in the cost of medical care, changes in the cost of wage replacement, judicial decisions, legislative changes and other factors.

For many exposures, especially those that can be considered long-tail, a particular accident year may not have a sufficient volume of paid losses to produce a statistically reliable estimate of ultimate losses. In such a case, our actuaries typically assign more weight to the Incurred Development method than to the Paid Development method. As claims continue to settle and the volume of paid losses increases, the actuaries may assign additional weight to the Paid Development method. For most of our reserve categories, even the incurred losses for accident years that are early in the claim settlement process will not be of sufficient volume to produce a reliable estimate of ultimate losses. In these cases, we will not assign any weight to the Paid and Incurred Development methods and will use the Bornhuetter-Ferguson and Expected Loss Ratio methods. For short-tail exposures, the Paid and Incurred Development methods can often be relied on sooner primarily because our history includes a sufficient number of years to cover the entire period over which paid and incurred losses are expected to change. However, we may also use the Expected Loss Ratio, Bornhuetter-Ferguson and Average Loss methods for short-tail exposures.

Generally, reserves for long-tail lines use the Expected Loss Ratio method for the most recent accident year, shift to the Bornhuetter-Ferguson methods for the next two years, and then shift to the Incurred and/or Paid Development method. Claims related to umbrella business are usually reported later than claims for other long-tail lines. For umbrella business, the Expected Loss Ratio and Bornhuetter-Ferguson methods are used for as many as six years before shifting to the Incurred Development method. Reserves for short-tail lines use the Bornhuetter-Ferguson methods for the most recent accident year and shift to the Incurred and/or Paid Development method in subsequent years.

For other more complex reserve categories where the above methods may not produce reliable indications, we use additional methods tailored to the characteristics of the specific situation. Such reserve categories include losses from construction defects and asbestos and environmental ( A&E ).

For construction defect losses, our actuaries organize losses by the year in which they were reported. To estimate losses from claims that have not been reported, various extrapolation techniques are applied to the pattern of claims that have been reported to estimate the number of claims yet to be reported. This process requires analysis of several factors including the rate at which policyholders report claims to us, the impact of judicial decisions, the impact of underwriting changes and other factors. An average claim size is determined from past experience and applied to the number of unreported claims to estimate reserves for these claims.

Establishing reserves for A&E and other mass tort claims involves considerably more judgment than other types of claims due to, among other things, inconsistent court decisions, an increase in bankruptcy filings as a result of asbestos-related liabilities, and judicial interpretations that often expand theories of recovery and broaden the scope of coverage. The insurance industry continues to receive a substantial number of asbestos-related bodily injury claims, with an increasing focus being directed toward other parties, including installers of products containing asbestos rather than against asbestos manufacturers. This shift has resulted in significant insurance coverage litigation implicating applicable coverage defenses or determinations, if any, including but not limited to, determinations as to whether or not an asbestos related bodily injury claim is subject to aggregate limits of liability found in most comprehensive general liability policies. In response to these continuing developments, management increased gross and net A&E reserves during the second quarter of 2008 to reflect its best estimate of A&E exposures. In 2009, one of our insurance

companies was dismissed from a lawsuit seeking coverage from it and other unrelated insurance companies. The suit involved issues related to approximately 3,900 existing asbestos related bodily injury claims and future claims. The dismissal was the result of a settlement of a disputed claim related to accident year 1984. The settlement is conditioned upon certain legal events occurring which will trigger financial obligations by the insurance company. Management will continue to monitor the developments of the litigation to determine if any additional financial exposure is present.

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Reserve analyses performed by our actuaries result in actuarial point estimates. The results of the detailed reserve reviews were summarized and discussed with our senior management to determine the best estimate of reserves. This group considered many factors in making this decision. The factors included, but were not limited to, the historical pattern and volatility of the actuarial indications, the sensitivity of the actuarial indications to changes in paid and incurred loss patterns, the consistency of claims handling processes, the consistency of case reserving practices, changes in our pricing and underwriting, and overall pricing and underwriting trends in the insurance market.

Management s best estimate at September 30, 2010 was recorded as the loss reserve. Management s best estimate is as of a particular point in time and is based upon known facts, our actuarial analyses, current law, and our judgment. This resulted in carried gross and net reserves of \$1,120.5 million and \$660.7 million, respectively, as of September 30, 2010. A breakout of our gross and net reserves, excluding the effects of our intercompany pooling arrangements and intercompany quota share reinsurance agreement, as of September 30, 2010 is as follows:

	Gross Reserves							
(Dollars in thousands)		Case	I	BNR (1)		Total		
Insurance Operations Reinsurance Operations	\$	356,937 17,252	\$	695,151 51,123	\$	1,052,088 68,375		
Total	\$	374,189	\$	746,274	\$	1,120,463		
			Net I	Reserves (2)	)			
(Dollars in thousands)		Case	I	BNR (1)		Total		
Insurance Operations Reinsurance Operations	\$	212,355 17,128	\$	380,845 50,379	\$	593,200 67,507		
Total	\$	229,483	\$	431,224	\$	660,707		

- (1) Losses incurred but not reported, including the expected future emergence of case reserves.
- (2) Does not include reinsurance receivable on paid losses or reserve for uncollectible reinsurance.

We continually review these estimates and, based on new developments and information, we include adjustments of the estimated ultimate liability in the operating results for the periods in which the adjustments are made. The establishment of loss and loss adjustment expense reserves makes no provision for the possible broadening of

coverage by legislative action or judicial interpretation, or the emergence of new types of losses not sufficiently represented in our historical experience or that cannot yet be quantified or estimated. We regularly analyze our reserves and review pricing and reserving methodologies so that future adjustments to prior year reserves can be minimized. However, given the complexity of this process, reserves require continual updates and the ultimate liability may be higher or lower than previously indicated. Changes in estimates for loss and loss adjustment expense reserves are recorded in the period that the change in these estimates is made. See Note 8 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for details concerning the changes in the estimate for incurred loss and loss adjustment expenses related to prior accident years.

The detailed reserve analyses that our actuaries complete use a variety of generally accepted actuarial methods and techniques to produce a number of estimates of ultimate loss. We determine our best estimate of ultimate loss by reviewing the various estimates and assigning weight to each estimate given the characteristics of the reserve category being reviewed. The reserve estimate is the difference between the estimated ultimate loss and the losses paid to date. The difference between the estimated ultimate loss and the case incurred loss (paid loss plus case reserve) is considered to be IBNR. IBNR calculated as such includes a provision for development on known cases (supplemental development) as well as a provision for claims that have occurred but have not yet been reported (pure IBNR). In light of the many uncertainties associated with establishing the estimates and making the assumptions necessary to establish reserve levels, we review our reserve estimates on a regular basis and make adjustments in the period that the need for such adjustments is determined. The anticipated future loss emergence continues to be reflective of historical patterns, and the selected development patterns have not changed significantly from those underlying our most recent analyses.

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The key assumptions fundamental to the reserving process are often different for various reserve categories and accident years. Some of these assumptions are explicit assumptions that are required of a particular method, but most of the assumptions are implicit and cannot be precisely quantified. An example of an explicit assumption is the pattern employed in the Paid Development method. However, the assumed pattern is itself based on several implicit assumptions such as the impact of inflation on medical costs and the rate at which claim professionals close claims. Loss frequency is a measure of the number of claims per unit of insured exposure, and loss severity is a measure of the average size of claims. Each reserve segment has an implicit frequency and severity for each accident year as a result of the various assumptions made.

Previous reserve analyses have resulted in our identification of information and trends that have caused us to increase or decrease our frequency and severity assumptions in prior periods and could lead to the identification of a need for additional material changes in loss and loss adjustment expense reserves, which could materially affect our results of operations, equity, business and insurer financial strength and debt ratings. Factors affecting loss frequency include, among other things, the effectiveness of loss controls and safety programs and changes in economic activity or weather patterns. Factors affecting loss severity include, among other things, changes in policy limits and deductibles, rate of inflation and judicial interpretations. Another factor affecting estimates of loss frequency and severity is the loss reporting lag, which is the period of time between the occurrence of a loss and the date the loss is reported to us. The length of the loss reporting lag affects our ability to accurately predict loss frequency (loss frequencies are more predictable for short-tail lines) as well as the amount of reserves needed for IBNR.

If the actual levels of loss frequency and severity are higher or lower than expected, the ultimate losses will be different than management s best estimate. For most of our reserving classes, we believe that frequency can be predicted with greater accuracy than severity. Therefore, we believe management s best estimate is more sensitive to changes in severity than frequency. The following table, which we believe reflects a reasonable range of variability around our best estimate based on our historical loss experience and management s judgment, reflects the impact of changes (which could be favorable or unfavorable) in frequency and severity on our current accident year gross loss estimate of \$138.0 million for claims occurring during the nine months ended September 30, 2010:

		Severity Change										
(Dollars in thousands)		-10%	-5%	0%	5%	10%						
Frequency Change	-5%	\$ (20,006)	\$ (13,452)	\$ (6,899)	\$ (345)	\$ 6,209						
	-3%	(17,523)	(10,831)	(4,139)	2,553	9,244						
	-2%	(16,281)	(9,520)	(2,759)	4,001	10,762						
	-1%	(15,039)	(8,209)	(1,380)	5,450	12,280						
	0%	(13,797)	(6,899)		6,899	13,797						
	1%	(12,556)	(5,588)	1,380	8,347	15,315						
	2%	(11,314)	(4,277)	2,759	9,796	16,833						
	3%	(10,072)	(2,966)	4,139	11,245	18,351						
	5%	(7,589)	(345)	6,899	14,142	21,386						

Our net reserves for losses and loss expenses of \$660.7 million as of September 30, 2010 relate to multiple accident years. Therefore, the impact of changes in frequency and severity for more than one accident year could be higher or lower than the amounts reflected above.

## Recoverability of Reinsurance Receivables

We regularly review the collectibility of our reinsurance receivables, and we include adjustments resulting from this review in earnings in the period in which the adjustment arises. A.M. Best ratings, financial history, available collateral, and payment history with the reinsurers are several of the factors that we consider when judging collectibility. Changes in loss reserves can also affect the valuation of reinsurance receivables if the change is related to loss reserves that are ceded to reinsurers. Certain amounts may be uncollectible if our reinsurers dispute a loss or if the reinsurer is unable to pay. If our reinsurers do not pay, we are still legally obligated to pay the loss. At September 30, 2010, our reinsurance receivables were \$463.1 million, net of an allowance for uncollectible

reinsurance receivables of \$12.9 million. See Note 6 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for more details concerning the collectibility of our reinsurance receivables.

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#### Investments

The carrying amount of our investments approximates their estimated fair value. We regularly perform various analytical valuation procedures with respect to investments, including reviewing each fixed maturity security in an unrealized loss position to determine the amount of unrealized loss related to credit loss and the amount related to all other factors, such as changes in interest rates. The credit loss represents the portion of the amortized book value in excess of the net present value of the projected future cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate implicit in the debt security prior to impairment. The credit loss component of the other-than-temporary impairment is recorded through earnings, whereas the amount relating to factors other than credit losses are recorded in other comprehensive income, net of taxes. During our review, we consider credit rating, market price, and issuer specific financial information, among other factors, to assess the likelihood of collection of all principal and interest as contractually due. Securities for which we determine that a credit loss is likely are subjected to further analysis to estimate the credit loss to be recognized in earnings, if any. See Note 3 of the notes to consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for the specific methodologies and significant assumptions used by asset class. Upon identification of such securities and periodically thereafter, a detailed review is performed to determine whether the decline is considered other-than-temporary. This review includes an analysis of several factors, including but not limited to, the credit ratings and cash flows of the securities, and the magnitude and length of time that the fair value of such securities is below cost.

For an analysis of our securities with gross unrealized losses as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, and for other-than-temporary impairment losses that we recorded for the quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, please see Note 3 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report.

### Fair Value Measurements

We categorize our assets that are accounted for at fair value in the consolidated statements into a fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy is directly related to the amount of subjectivity associated with the inputs utilized to determine the fair value of these assets. See Note 4 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for further information about the fair value hierarchy and our assets that are accounted for at fair value.

## Goodwill and Intangible Assets

In April 2010, we recorded goodwill of \$4.8 million and intangible assets of \$10.2 million as a result of an acquisition. The intangible assets were comprised of trademarks, customer relationships, and non-compete agreements. See Note 5 of the notes to consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for details. We use several techniques to value the recoverability of our goodwill and intangible assets. Market capitalization and discounted cash flow were used to value goodwill. State insurance licenses were valued by comparing our licenses to comparable companies. Software was evaluated based on the cost to build and the cost to replace existing software. Reviews of recoverability and useful lives are performed at least annually.

Our intangible assets that are deemed to have indefinite useful lives, which include trademarks and state insurance licenses, are not amortized. Our intangible assets that are not deemed to have indefinite useful lives, which include customer relationships, non-compete agreements, and software technology, are amortized over their useful lives. Our software technology was fully amortized during the second quarter of 2010.

#### **Taxation**

Our deferred tax assets and liabilities primarily result from temporary differences between the amounts recorded in our consolidated financial statements and the tax basis of our assets and liabilities.

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At each balance sheet date, management assesses the need to establish a valuation allowance that reduces deferred tax assets when it is more likely than not that all, or some portion, of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. A valuation allowance would be based on all available information including our assessment of uncertain tax positions and projections of future taxable income from each tax-paying component in each jurisdiction, principally derived from business plans and available tax planning strategies. There are no valuation allowances as of September 30, 2010. The deferred tax asset balance is analyzed regularly by management. Based on these analyses, we have determined that our deferred tax asset is recoverable. Projections of future taxable income incorporate several assumptions of future business and operations that are apt to differ from actual experience. If, in the future, our assumptions and estimates that resulted in our forecast of future taxable income for each tax-paying component prove to be incorrect, a valuation allowance may be required. This could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, and liquidity.

On an interim basis, we book our tax provision using the expected full year effective tax rate. Forecasts which compute taxable income and taxes expected to be incurred in the jurisdictions where we do business are prepared several times per year. The effective tax rate is computed by dividing forecasted income tax expense not including net realized investment gains (losses) by forecasted pre-tax income not including net realized investment gains (losses). Changes in pre-tax and taxable income in the jurisdictions where we do business can change the effective tax rate. To compute our income tax expense on an interim basis, we apply our expected full year effective tax rate against our pre-tax income excluding net realized investment gains (losses) and then add actual tax on net realized investment gains (losses) to that result.

We apply a more likely than not recognition threshold for all tax uncertainties, only allowing the recognition of those tax benefits that have a greater than 50% likelihood of being sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities. Please see Note 7 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for a discussion of our tax uncertainties.

### **Our Business Segments**

We manage our business through two business segments: United States Based Insurance Operations, which includes the operations of the U.S. Insurance Companies, and International Reinsurance Operations, which are the operations of Wind River Reinsurance.

We evaluate the performance of our United States Based Insurance Operations and International Reinsurance Operations segments based on gross and net premiums written, revenues in the form of net premiums earned and commission and fee income, and expenses in the form of (1) net losses and loss adjustment expenses, (2) acquisition costs, and (3) other underwriting expenses.

For a description of our segments, see Business Segments in Item 1 of Part I in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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The following table sets forth an analysis of financial data for our segments during the periods indicated:

(Dollars in thousands)	Quarters Ended September 30, 2010 2009			Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 2009			
Insurance Operations premiums written: Gross premiums written Ceded premiums written	\$	66,213 13,028	\$	67,368 12,858	\$ 181,815 36,141	\$	207,675 38,905
Net premiums written	\$	53,185	\$	54,510	\$ 145,674	\$	168,770
Reinsurance Operations premiums written: Gross premiums written Ceded premiums written	\$	20,022	\$	8,438 16	\$ 89,323 787	\$	58,799 546
Net premiums written	\$	20,021	\$	8,422	\$ 88,536	\$	58,253
Revenues: (1) Insurance Operations Reinsurance Operations Total revenues	\$	48,105 22,157 70,262	\$	58,971 13,922 72,893	\$ 146,927 69,167 216,094	\$	194,137 32,028 226,165
Expenses: (2) Insurance Operations (3) Reinsurance Operations (4)	\$	36,140 22,190	\$	57,320 9,131	\$ 127,248 64,702	\$	195,991 23,033
Total expenses	\$	58,330	\$	66,451	\$ 191,950	\$	219,024
Income (loss) from segments: Insurance Operations Reinsurance Operations	\$	11,965 (33)	\$	1,651 4,791	\$ 19,679 4,465	\$	(1,854) 8,995
Total income from segments	\$	11,932	\$	6,442	\$ 24,144	\$	7,141
Insurance combined ratio analysis: (5) Insurance Operations							
Loss ratio Expense ratio		28.4 47.1		56.4 40.7	40.7 46.2		59.5 41.4
Combined ratio		75.5		97.1	86.9		100.9

Reinsurance Operations				
Loss ratio	73.1	40.2	64.6	47.1
Expense ratio	27.0	25.4	29.0	24.8
Combined ratio	100.1	65.6	93.6	71.9
Consolidated				
Loss ratio	42.5	53.4	48.4	57.8
Expense ratio	40.7	37.8	40.7	39.1
Combined ratio	83.2	91.2	89.1	96.9

- (1) Excludes net investment income and net realized investment gains, which are not allocated to our segments.
- (2) Excludes
  corporate and
  other operating
  expenses and
  interest expense,
  which are not
  allocated to our
  segments.
- (3) Includes excise tax of \$251 and \$317 for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, and excise tax of \$766 and \$1,038 for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, related to the quota share and stop loss agreements.

- (4) Includes all
  Wind River
  Reinsurance
  expenses other
  than excise tax
  related to the
  quota share and
  stop loss
  agreements.
- (5) Our insurance combined ratios are non-GAAP financial measures that are generally viewed in the insurance industry as indicators of underwriting profitability. The loss ratio is the ratio of net losses and loss adjustment expenses to net premiums earned. The expense ratio is the ratio of acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses to net premiums earned. The combined ratio is the sum of the loss and expense ratios.

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## **Results of Operations**

All percentage changes included in the text below have been calculated using the corresponding amounts from the applicable tables.

# **Quarter Ended September 30, 2010 Compared with the Quarter Ended September 30, 2009**<u>United States Based Insurance Operations</u>

The components of income from our Insurance Operations segment and corresponding underwriting ratios are as follows:

	Q	uarters End	_				
			0,		Increase / (Decrease)		
(Dollars in thousands)		2010		2009		\$	%
Gross premiums written	\$	66,213	\$	67,368	\$	(1,155)	-1.7%
Net premiums written	\$	53,185	\$	54,510	\$	(1,325)	-2.4%
Net premiums earned	\$	47,932	\$	58,971	\$	(11,039)	-18.7%
Other income		173				173	100.0%
Losses and expenses: Net losses and loss adjustment expenses Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses (1)		13,584 22,556		33,292 24,028		(19,708) (1,472)	-59.2% -6.1%
Income from segment	\$	11,965	\$	1,651	\$	10,314	624.7%
Underwriting Ratios: Loss ratio: Current accident year Prior accident year		63.6 (35.2)		59.2 (2.8)		4.4 (32.4)	
Calendar year Expense ratio		28.4 47.1		56.4 40.7		(28.0) 6.4	
Combined ratio		75.5		97.1		(21.6)	

(1) Includes excise tax of \$251 and \$317 related to cessions from our U.S.
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Wind River Reinsurance for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

## **Premiums**

Gross premiums written, which represent the amount received or to be received for insurance policies written without reduction for reinsurance costs or other deductions, were \$66.2 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$67.4 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$1.1 million or 1.7%. The decrease was primarily due to a reduction of \$2.5 million due to terminated programs and agents, a reduction of \$0.7 million due to aggregate price decreases, and a reduction of \$3.6 million from active product lines due to continued soft market conditions and other market factors, partially offset by an increase of \$5.7 million from new agents and new programs.

Net premiums written, which equal gross premiums written less ceded premiums written, were \$53.2 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$54.5 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$1.3 million or 2.4%. The decrease was primarily due to the reduction of gross premiums written noted above. The ratio of net premiums written to gross premiums written was 80.3% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 and 80.9% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, a decline of 0.6 points, which was primarily due to changes in our mix of business and in our reinsurance structure and costs.

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Net premiums earned were \$47.9 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$59.0 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$11.1 million or 18.7%. The decrease was primarily due to the reduction of gross premiums written noted above. Property net premiums earned for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$18.4 million and \$24.5 million, respectively. Casualty net premiums earned for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$29.5 million and \$34.5 million, respectively.

### Other Income

Other income was \$0.2 million and \$0.0 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Other income is comprised of commission and fee income.

## Net Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses

The loss ratio for our Insurance Operations was 28.4% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 compared with 56.4% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009. The loss ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure that is generally viewed in the insurance industry as an indicator of underwriting profitability and is calculated by dividing net losses and loss adjustment expenses by net premiums earned.

The current accident year loss ratio for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 increased 4.4 points from the quarter ended September 30, 2009:

The current accident year property loss ratio increased 7.1 points from 49.3% in the quarter ended September 30, 2009 to 56.4% in the quarter ended September 30, 2010, which consists of a 8.5 point increase in the non-catastrophe loss ratio from 45.1% in the quarter ended September 30, 2009 to 53.6% in the quarter ended September 30, 2010 and a 1.4 point decrease in the catastrophe loss ratio from 4.2% in the quarter ended September 30, 2009 to 2.8% in the quarter ended September 30, 2010. The increase in the non-catastrophe loss ratio is primarily due to higher reinsurance costs. Non-catastrophe losses were \$9.9 million and \$11.0 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The decrease in the catastrophe loss ratio is primarily due to less than expected frequency and severity. Catastrophe losses were \$0.5 million and \$1.0 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Property net premiums earned for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$18.4 million and \$24.5 million, respectively.

The current accident year casualty loss ratio increased 1.7 points from 66.3% in the quarter ended September 30, 2009 to 68.0% in the quarter ended September 30, 2010 primarily due to changes in our mix of business. Casualty net premiums earned for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$29.5 million and \$34.5 million, respectively.

The impact of changes to prior accident years is 32.4 points resulting from a reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years of \$16.9 million in the quarter ended September 30, 2010 compared to a reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years of \$1.6 million in the quarter ended September 30, 2009. When analyzing loss reserves and prior year development, we consider many factors, including the frequency and severity of claims, loss trends, case reserve settlements that may have resulted in significant development, and any other additional or pertinent factors that may impact reserve estimates.

In 2010, we reduced our prior accident year loss reserves by \$16.9 million, which reduced our loss ratio by 35.2 points. The reduction of our prior accident year loss reserves primarily consisted of a \$1.6 million reduction in our property lines, a \$14.2 million reduction in our general liability lines, and a \$1.3 million reduction in our umbrella lines.

- 1. **Property:** The \$1.6 million reduction is primarily due to a net reduction of \$1.7 million related to accident years 2009, 2008, and 2006 and prior due to decreases in expected unallocated loss adjustment expenses, and lower than anticipated severity. This reduction was offset by an increase of \$0.1 million related to accident year 2007.
- 2. **General liability:** The \$14.2 million reduction primarily consisted of reductions of \$16.3 million related to accident years 2004 through 2009 due to lower than anticipated severity. Incurred losses for these segments have developed at a rate lower than our historical averages. This reduction was offset by a net increase of \$2.1 million related to accident years 2003 and prior primarily due to

increases in expected unallocated loss adjustment expense, as well as higher than expected claim frequency and severity.

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3. **Umbrella:** The \$1.3 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$1.5 million related to accident years 2009 and 2007 and prior primarily due to lower than anticipated severity. As these accident years have matured, more weight has been given to experience based methods which continue to develop favorably compared to our initial indications. This reduction was offset by an increase of \$0.2 million related to accident year 2008 due to an increase in severity.

In 2009, we reduced our prior accident year loss reserves by \$2.0 million and increased our allowance for uncollectible reinsurance by \$0.4 million, which reduced our loss ratio by 2.8 points. The loss reserves reduction of \$2.0 million primarily consisted of a \$0.2 million reduction in our property lines, a \$2.7 million reduction in our general liability lines, and a \$0.4 million reduction in our umbrella lines, offset by a \$1.3 million increase in our professional liability lines:

- 1. **Property:** The \$0.2 million reduction consisted of net reductions primarily related to accident years 2007 and prior.
- 2. **General liability:** The \$2.7 million reduction consisted of net reductions of \$5.1 million related to accident years 2005 and prior, offset by increases of \$2.4 million related to accident years 2006 through 2008.
- 3. **Umbrella:** The \$0.4 million reduction related to accident years 2003 and 2001.
- 4. **Professional liability:** The \$1.3 million increase primarily consisted of increases of \$1.6 million related to accident years 2004 through 2008, offset by net reductions of \$0.3 million related to accident years 2003 and prior.

Net losses and loss adjustment expenses were \$13.6 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$33.3 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$19.7 million or 59.2%. Excluding the \$16.9 million reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the quarter ended September 30, 2010 and the \$1.6 million reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the quarter ended September 30, 2009, the current accident year net losses and loss adjustment expenses were \$30.5 million and \$34.9 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. This decrease is primarily attributable to a decrease in net premiums earned, and the factors described above.

## Acquisition Costs and Other Underwriting Expenses

Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses were \$22.6 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$24.0 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$1.4 million or 6.1%. The decrease is comprised of a \$2.4 million decrease in acquisition costs and a \$1.0 million increase in other underwriting expenses:

The \$2.4 million decrease in acquisition costs is primarily due to a decrease in commissions resulting from a decrease in net premiums earned partially offset by an increase in contingent commissions due to improved prior year results.

The \$1.0 million increase in other underwriting expenses is primarily due to an increase in total compensation and other miscellaneous expenses.

## **Expense and Combined Ratios**

The expense ratio for our Insurance Operations was 47.1% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with 40.7% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009. The expense ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure that is calculated by dividing the sum of acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses by net premiums earned. The increase in the expense ratio is primarily due to the decrease in net premiums earned in addition to the increase in contingent commissions noted above. In addition, there was a reduction in employee incentive expenses in the quarter ended September 30, 2009.

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The combined ratio for our Insurance Operations was 75.5% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with 97.1% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009. The combined ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure and is the sum of our loss and expense ratios. Excluding the \$16.9 million reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the quarter ended September 30, 2010 and the \$1.6 million reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the quarter ended September 30, 2009, the combined ratio increased from 99.9% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009 to 110.7% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. See discussion of loss ratio included in Net Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses above and discussion of expense ratio in preceding paragraph above for an explanation of this increase.

## Income from segment

The factors described above resulted in income for our Insurance Operations of \$12.0 million and \$1.7 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

## **International Reinsurance Operations**

The components of income from our Reinsurance Operations segment and corresponding underwriting ratios are as follows:

Quarters Ended September								
		30	),	]	Increase / (D	ecrease)		
(Dollars in thousands)		2010		2009		\$	%	
Gross premiums written	\$	20,022	\$	8,438	\$	11,584	137.3%	
Net premiums written	\$	20,021	\$	8,422	\$	11,599	137.7%	
Net premiums earned	\$	22,157	\$	13,922	\$	8,235	59.2%	
Losses and expenses: Net losses and loss adjustment expenses Acquisition costs and other underwriting		16,205		5,595		10,610	189.6%	
expenses		5,985		3,536		2,449	69.3%	
Income (losses) from segment	\$	(33)	\$	4,791	\$	(4,824)	NM	
Underwriting Ratios: Loss ratio:								
Current accident year Prior accident year		64.9 8.2		40.2		24.7 8.2		
Calendar year loss ratio		73.1 27.0		40.2 25.4		32.9 1.6		
Expense ratio  Combined ratio								
Comonica ratio		100.1		65.6		34.5		

NM Not meaningful

**Premiums** 

Gross premiums written, which represent the amount received or to be received for reinsurance agreements written without reduction for reinsurance costs or other deductions, were \$20.0 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$8.4 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$11.6 million or 137.3%. The increase was primarily due to several new reinsurance treaties that commenced during 2009 and 2010. Net premiums written, which equal gross premiums written less ceded premiums written, were \$20.0 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$8.4 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$11.6 million or 137.7%. The increase was primarily due to the increase of gross premiums written noted above. The ratio of net premiums written to gross premiums written was 100.0% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 and 99.8% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, an increase of 0.2 points.

Net premiums earned were \$22.2 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$13.9 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$8.3 million or 59.2%. The increase was primarily due to the increase of gross premiums written noted above in addition to increased writings from 2008 and 2009. Property net premiums earned for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$14.6 million and \$8.0 million, respectively. Casualty net premiums earned for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$7.6 million and \$5.9 million, respectively.

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## Net Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses

The loss ratio for our Reinsurance Operations was 73.1% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 compared with 40.2% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009. The loss ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure that is generally viewed in the insurance industry as an indicator of underwriting profitability and is calculated by dividing net losses and loss adjustment expenses by net premiums earned.

The current accident year loss ratio for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 increased 24.7 points from the quarter ended September 30, 2009.

The current accident year property loss ratio increased 43.9 points from 9.3% in the quarter ended September 30, 2009 to 53.2% in the quarter ended September 30, 2010. This increase was primarily due to an increase in severity. Current accident year property losses for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$7.7 million and \$0.7 million, respectively.

The current accident year casualty loss ratio increased 5.7 points from 81.6% in the quarter ended September 30, 2009 to 87.3% in the quarter ended September 30, 2010. This increase was primarily due to an increase in our professional liability lines where losses were higher than anticipated.

The impact of changes to prior accident years is an increase of 8.2 points resulting from an increase of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years of \$1.8 million in the quarter ended September 30, 2010. When analyzing loss reserves and prior year development, we consider many factors, including the frequency and severity of claims, loss trends, case reserve settlements that may have resulted in significant development, and any other additional or pertinent factors that may impact reserve estimates.

In 2010, we increased our prior accident year loss reserves by \$1.8 million, which increased our loss ratio by 8.2 points. This increase is primarily related to our commercial auto liability lines and is due to increased frequency on two non-standard auto treaties.

There were no significant changes to prior accident year loss reserves in 2009.

Net losses and loss adjustment expenses were \$16.2 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$5.6 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$10.6 million or 189.6%. Excluding the \$1.8 million increase of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the quarter ended September 30, 2010, the current accident year net losses and loss adjustment expenses increased from \$5.6 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. This increase is primarily attributable to an increase in severity from catastrophe losses and net premiums earned. Net premiums earned increased from \$13.9 million in 2009 to \$22.2 million in 2010. Property net premiums earned for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$14.6 million and \$8.0 million, respectively. Casualty net premiums earned for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$7.6 million and \$5.9 million, respectively.

## Acquisition Costs and Other Underwriting Expenses

Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses were \$6.0 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$3.5 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$2.5 million or 69.3%. The increase is due to a \$2.2 million increase in acquisition costs and a \$0.3 million increase in other underwriting expenses:

The \$2.2 million increase in acquisition costs is primarily due to an increase in commissions resulting from an increase in net premiums earned.

The \$0.3 million increase in other underwriting expenses is primarily due to an increase in total compensation expenses and professional services expenses.

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## **Expense and Combined Ratios**

The expense ratio for our Reinsurance Operations was 27.0% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with 25.4% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009. The expense ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure that is calculated by dividing the sum of acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses by net premiums earned. The increase in the expense ratio is primarily due to the increase in commissions noted above, partially offset by the increase in net premiums earned.

The combined ratio for our Reinsurance Operations was 100.1% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with 65.6% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009. The combined ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure and is the sum of our loss and expense ratios. Excluding the impact of a \$1.8 million increase of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the quarter ended September 30, 2010, the combined ratio increased from 65.6% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009 to 91.9% for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. See discussion of loss ratio included in Net Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses above and discussion of expense ratio in the preceding paragraph above for an explanation of this increase.

## Income (loss) from segment

The factors described above resulted in a loss from our Reinsurance Operations of \$0.03 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 compared to income of \$4.8 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009.

## **Unallocated Corporate Items**

The following items are not allocated to our Insurance Operations or Reinsurance Operations segments:

	Q	uarters Endo	ed Sej					
	30,					Increase / (Decrease)		
(Dollars in thousands)	2010		2009		\$		%	
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Net investment income	\$	14,089	\$	15,267	\$	(1,178)	-7.7%	
Net realized investment gains		1,818		6,613		(4,795)	-72.5%	
Corporate and other operating expenses		(5,106)		(4,676)		(430)	9.2%	
Interest expense		(1,825)		(1,776)		(49)	2.8%	
Income tax benefit (expense)		(1,146)		2,673		(3,819)	NM	
Equity in net income of partnership, net of tax				2,809		(2,809)	-100.0%	

## NM Not meaningful

#### Net Investment Income

Net investment income, which is gross investment income less investment expenses, was \$14.1 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$15.3 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$1.2 million or 7.7%.

Gross investment income, excluding realized gains and losses, was \$15.5 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$16.4 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$0.9 million or 5.2%. The decrease was primarily due to lower yields on fixed maturities when compared to the corresponding period in 2009. In addition, there was negative net operating cash flow during the twelve month period ending September 30, 2010.

Investment expenses were \$1.4 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$1.1 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$0.3 million or 29.0%. The increase was primarily due to additional fees related to our investment in corporate loans.

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The average duration of our fixed maturities portfolios was 2.2 years as of September 30, 2010, compared with 2.8 years as of September 30, 2009. Including cash and short-term investments, the average duration of our investments as of September 30, 2010 and 2009 was 2.1 years and 2.4 years, respectively. At September 30, 2010, our embedded book yield on our fixed maturities, not including cash, was 3.96% compared with 4.72% at September 30, 2009. The embedded book yield on the \$248.1 million of municipal bonds in our portfolio was 3.66% at September 30, 2010, compared to an embedded book yield of 3.97% on our municipal bond portfolio of \$212.0 million at September 30, 2009.

### Net Realized Investment Gains

Net realized investment gains were \$1.8 million and \$6.6 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The net realized investment gains for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 consist primarily of net gains of \$1.8 million relative to our fixed maturities and equity portfolios. The net realized investment gains for the quarter ended September 30, 2009 consist primarily of net gains of \$4.7 million relative to our bond and equity portfolios and net gains of \$4.0 million relative to market value changes in our convertible portfolio, offset by other than temporary impairments of \$2.1 million relative to our bond portfolio.

See Note 3 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for an analysis of total investment return on an after-tax basis for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009.

## Corporate and Other Operating Expenses

Corporate and other operating expenses consist of outside legal fees, other professional fees, directors fees, management fees, salaries and benefits for holding company personnel, development costs for new products, and taxes incurred which are not directly related to operations. Corporate and other operating expenses were \$5.1 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$4.7 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$0.4 million or 9.2%. The increase was primarily due to costs associated with our redomestication, an increase in compensation and related benefits costs, and the incurrence of infrastructure costs related to information technology upgrades and additional office locations.

### Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$1.8 million for each of the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009. See Note 9 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 8 of Part II of our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K for details on our debt.

## Income Tax Expense (Benefit)

Income tax expense was \$1.1 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 compared to income tax benefit of \$2.7 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2009. See Note 7 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for a comparison of income tax expense between periods.

Our alternative minimum tax ( AMT ) credit carryforward was \$6.5 million as of September 30, 2010.

## Equity in Net Income of Partnerships

Equity in net income of partnerships, net of tax was \$0.0 million and \$2.8 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, a decrease of \$2.8 million. The decrease was due to liquidation of the majority of our partnership interests as of December 31, 2009.

## Net Income

The factors described above resulted in net income of \$19.8 million and \$27.4 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, a decrease of \$7.6 million or 27.7%.

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# Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 Compared with the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009 <u>United States Based Insurance Operations</u>

The components of income (loss) from our Insurance Operations segment and corresponding underwriting ratios are as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	Nine Mont Septem 2010		Increase / (	Decrease) %
Gross premiums written	\$ 181,815	\$ 207,675	\$ (25,860)	-12.5%
Net premiums written	\$ 145,674	\$ 168,770	\$ (23,096)	-13.7%
Net premiums earned	\$ 146,412	\$ 194,137	\$ (47,725)	-24.6%
Other income	515		515	100.0%
Losses and expenses: Net losses and loss adjustment expenses Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses (1) Income (loss) from segment	\$ 59,582 67,666 19,679	\$ 115,583 80,408 (1,854)	\$ (56,001) (12,742) 21,533	-48.5% -15.8% NM
Underwriting Ratios: Loss ratio: Current accident year Prior accident year	64.4 (23.7)	61.9 (2.4)	2.5 (21.3)	
Calendar year Expense ratio	40.7 46.2	59.5 41.4	(18.8) 4.8	
Combined ratio	86.9	100.9	(14.0)	

(1) Includes excise tax of \$766 and \$1,038 related to cessions from our U.S.
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ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

NM Not meaningful.

### **Premiums**

Gross premiums written, which represent the amount received or to be received for insurance policies written without reduction for reinsurance costs or other deductions, were \$181.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$207.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$25.9 million or 12.5%. The decrease was primarily due to a reduction of \$10.0 million due to terminated programs and agents, a reduction of \$2.4 million due to aggregate price decreases, and reductions of \$21.1 million from continued soft market conditions and other market factors, partially offset by an increase of \$7.6 million from new agents and new programs. Net premiums written, which equal gross premiums written less ceded premiums written, were \$145.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$168.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$23.1 million or 13.7%. The decrease was primarily due to the reduction of gross premiums written noted above, offset by the return of \$5.2 million of unearned premium related to the cut-off of the 2009 Penn-America quota share reinsurance treaty.

The ratio of net premiums written to gross premiums written was 80.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 81.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a decline of 1.2 points, which was primarily due to changes in our mix of business and in our reinsurance structure and costs.

Net premiums earned were \$146.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$194.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$47.7 million or 24.6%. The decrease was primarily due to the reduction of gross premiums written noted above. Property net premiums earned for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$56.5 million and \$79.8 million, respectively. Casualty net premiums earned for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$89.9 million and \$114.3 million, respectively.

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#### Other Income

Other income was \$0.5 million and \$0.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Other income is comprised of commission and fee income.

## Net Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses

The loss ratio for our Insurance Operations was 40.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 compared with 59.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The loss ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure that is generally viewed in the insurance industry as an indicator of underwriting profitability and is calculated by dividing net losses and loss adjustment expenses by net premiums earned.

The current accident year loss ratio for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 increased 2.5 points from the nine months ended September 30, 2009:

The current accident year property loss ratio increased 6.1 points from 54.8% in the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to 60.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010, which consists of a 5.1 point increase in the non-catastrophe loss ratio from 50.0% in the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to 55.1% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and a 1.0 point increase in the catastrophe loss ratio from 4.8% in the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to 5.8% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The increase in the non-catastrophe loss ratio is primarily due to higher reinsurance costs.

Non-catastrophe losses were \$31.1 million and \$39.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Catastrophe losses were \$3.3 million and \$3.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Property net premiums earned for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$56.5 million and \$79.8 million, respectively.

The current accident year casualty loss ratio decreased 0.2 points from 66.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to 66.7% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 primarily due to changes in our mix of business. Casualty net premiums earned for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$89.9 million and \$114.3 million, respectively.

The impact of changes to prior accident years is 21.3 points resulting from a reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years of \$34.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 compared to a reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years of \$4.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2009. When analyzing loss reserves and prior year development, we consider many factors, including the frequency and severity of claims, loss trends, case reserve settlements that may have resulted in significant development, and any other additional or pertinent factors that may impact reserve estimates.

In 2010, we reduced our prior accident year loss reserves by \$34.8 million, which reduced our loss ratio by 23.7 points. The reduction of our prior accident year loss reserves primarily consisted of a \$1.2 million reduction in our property lines, a \$26.8 million reduction in our general liability lines, a \$3.0 million reduction in our professional liability lines, a \$3.7 million reduction in our umbrella lines, and a \$0.3 million reduction in our commercial auto lines:

- 1. **Property:** The \$1.2 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$2.6 million related to accident years 2008 and prior primarily due to incurred loss emergence during the period that was lower than our historical averages. This reduction was offset by an increase of \$1.4 million to accident year 2009 due to higher than expected claim frequency and severity.
- 2. **General liability:** The \$26.8 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$30.1 million related to accident years 2002 through 2009 where incurred losses have developed at a rate lower than our historical averages. This reduction was partially offset by a net increase of \$3.3 million related to accident yeas 2001 and prior where we experienced higher than expected claim frequency and severity.

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- 3. **Professional liability:** The \$3.0 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$6.5 million related to accident years 2008 and prior due to severity that was lower than originally anticipated, partially offset by an increase of \$3.5 million related to accident year 2009 where we experienced higher than expected claim frequency and severity.
- 4. **Umbrella:** The \$3.7 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions related to accident years 2009 and prior primarily due to lower than anticipated severity. As these accident years have matured, more weight has been given to experience based methods which continue to develop favorably compared to our initial indications.
- 5. **Commercial auto:** The \$0.3 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$0.6 million related to accident years 2008 and prior. Programs related to these accident years are in run-off, and loss severity has been lower than our prior projections. This reduction was offset by an increase of \$0.3 million to accident year 2009 where losses were higher than anticipated.

**In 2009, we reduced** our prior accident year loss reserves by \$4.2 million and reduced our allowance for uncollectible reinsurance by \$0.4 million, which reduced our loss ratio by 2.4 points. The reduction of our prior accident year loss reserves primarily consisted of a \$2.4 million reduction in our property lines, a \$5.2 million reduction in our general liability lines, and a \$0.4 million reduction in our umbrella lines, offset by a \$3.8 million increase in our professional liability lines:

- 1. **Property:** The \$2.4 million reduction primarily consisted of reductions related to accident year 2007 and 2008.
- 2. **General liability:** The \$5.2 million reduction primarily consisted of net reductions of \$9.7 million related to accident years 2006 and prior, offset by increase of \$4.5 million to accident years 2007 and 2008.
- 3. **Umbrella:** The \$0.4 million reduction primarily related to accident years 2003 and 2001.
- 4. **Professional liability:** The \$3.8 million increase primarily related to increases of \$6.1 million related to accident years 2007 and 2008, offset by net reductions of \$2.3 million primarily to accident years 2005 and prior.

Net losses and loss adjustment expenses were \$59.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$115.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$56.0 million or 48.5%. Excluding the \$34.8 million reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and the \$4.6 million reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the current accident year net losses and loss adjustment expenses were \$94.3 million and \$120.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. This decrease is primarily attributable to a decrease in net premiums earned, and the factors described above.

## Acquisition Costs and Other Underwriting Expenses

Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses were \$67.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$80.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$12.7 million or 15.8%. The decrease is comprised of a \$10.6 million decrease in acquisition costs and a \$2.1 million decrease in other underwriting expenses:

The \$10.6 million decrease in acquisition costs is primarily due to a decrease in commissions resulting from a decrease in net premiums earned offset by an increase in contingent commissions due to improved prior year results.

The \$2.1 million decrease in other underwriting expenses is primarily due to a decrease in total compensation expenses and professional services expenses, offset by an increase in infrastructure costs related to new product development, information technology upgrades, and additional office locations.

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## **Expense and Combined Ratios**

The expense ratio for our Insurance Operations was 46.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with 41.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The expense ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure that is calculated by dividing the sum of acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses by net premiums earned. The increase in the expense ratio is primarily due to the decrease in net premiums earned noted above and the incurrence of infrastructure costs related to new product development and information technology upgrades.

The combined ratio for our Insurance Operations was 86.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with 100.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The combined ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure and is the sum of our loss and expense ratios. Excluding the \$34.8 million reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and the \$4.6 million reduction of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the combined ratio increased from 103.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to 110.6% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. See discussion of loss ratio included in Net Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses above and discussion of expense ratio in preceding paragraph above for an explanation of this increase.

## Income (loss) from segment

The factors described above resulted in income from our Insurance Operations of \$19.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 compared to a loss of \$1.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009.

## **International Reinsurance Operations**

The components of income from our Reinsurance Operations segment and corresponding underwriting ratios are as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 2009			Increase / (Decrease) \$ %			
Gross premiums written	\$ 89,323	\$	58,799	\$	30,524	51.9%	
Net premiums written	\$ 88,536	\$	58,253	\$	30,283	52.0%	
Net premiums earned	\$ 69,167	\$	32,028	\$	37,139	116.0%	
Losses and expenses: Net losses and loss adjustment expenses Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses Income from segment	\$ 44,671 20,031 4,465	\$	15,091 7,942 8,995	\$	29,580 12,089 (4,530)	196.0% 152.2% -50.4%	
Underwriting Ratios: Loss ratio: Current accident year Prior accident year	63.1 1.5		47.0 0.1		16.1 1.4		
Calendar year loss ratio Expense ratio	64.6 29.0		47.1 24.8		17.5 4.2		

Combined ratio 93.6 71.9 21.7

### **Premiums**

Gross premiums written, which represent the amount received or to be received for reinsurance agreements written without reduction for reinsurance costs or other deductions, were \$89.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$58.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$30.5 million or 51.9%. The increase was primarily due to several new reinsurance treaties that commenced during 2009 and 2010.

Net premiums written, which equal gross premiums written less ceded premiums written, were \$88.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$58.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$30.2 million or 52.0%. The increase was primarily due to the increase of gross premiums written noted above.

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The ratio of net premiums written to gross premiums written was 99.1% for each of the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009.

Net premiums earned were \$69.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$32.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$37.2 million or 116.0%. The increase was primarily due to the increase of gross premiums written noted above in addition to increased writings from 2008 and 2009. Property net premiums earned for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$39.2 million and \$16.7 million, respectively. Casualty net premiums earned for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$30.0 million and \$15.3 million, respectively.

## Net Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses

The loss ratio for our Reinsurance Operations was 64.6% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 compared with 47.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The loss ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure that is generally viewed in the insurance industry as an indicator of underwriting profitability and is calculated by dividing net losses and loss adjustment expenses by net premiums earned.

The current accident year loss ratio for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 increased 16.1 points from the nine months ended September 30, 2009:

The current accident year property loss ratio increased 37.2 points from 15.1% in the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to 52.3% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010. This increase was primarily due to an increase in severity and favorable catastrophe results in 2009. Current accident year property losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$20.5 million and \$2.5 million, respectively. The current accident year casualty loss ratio decreased 4.7 points from 81.8% in the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to 77.1% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010. This decrease was primarily due to a decrease in our professional liability lines where losses were lower than anticipated.

The impact of changes to prior accident years is an increase of 1.4 points resulting from a increase of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years of \$1.0 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and an increase of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years of \$0.03 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2009. When analyzing loss reserves and prior year development, we consider many factors, including the frequency and severity of claims, loss trends, case reserve settlements that may have resulted in significant development, and any other additional or pertinent factors that may impact reserve estimates.

In 2010, we increased our prior accident year loss reserves by \$1.0 million, which increased our loss ratio by 1.5 points. This increase is primarily due to a \$1.8 million increase in our commercial auto lines related to accident years 2008 and 2009 due to increased frequency on two non-standard auto treaties. This increase was partially offset by a net \$0.7 million reduction in our property lines that was driven by lower than expected loss severity on a 2009 treaty partially offset by adverse loss development on a 2008 treaty.

In 2009, we increased our prior accident year loss reserves by \$0.03 million, which primarily consisted of increases in our general liability lines. The increase to the general liability lines were related to accident years 2007 and 2008.

Net losses and loss adjustment expenses were \$44.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$15.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$29.6 million or 196.0%. Excluding the \$1.0 million increase of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and the \$0.03 million increase of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the current accident year net losses and loss adjustment expenses increased from \$15.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to \$43.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. This increase is primarily attributable to an increase in net premiums earned, which increased from \$32.0 million in 2009 to \$69.2 million in 2010, and includes an increase in property losses, which increased from \$2.5 million in 2009 to \$20.5 million in 2010 due to an increase in frequency and severity of catastrophe events. Wind River Reinsurance participates as a retrocessionaire on a worldwide catastrophe treaty.

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## Acquisition Costs and Other Underwriting Expenses

Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses were \$20.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$7.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$12.1 million or 152.2%. The increase is due to a \$12.0 million increase in acquisition costs and a \$0.1 million increase in other underwriting expenses:

The \$12.0 million increase in acquisition costs is primarily due to an increase in commissions resulting from an increase in net premiums earned.

The \$0.1 million increase in other underwriting expenses is primarily due to an increase in professional services expenses, partially offset by a decrease in total compensation expenses.

## **Expense and Combined Ratios**

The expense ratio for our Reinsurance Operations was 29.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with 24.8% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The expense ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure that is calculated by dividing the sum of acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses by net premiums earned. The increase in the expense ratio is primarily due to the increase in commissions.

The combined ratio for our Reinsurance Operations was 93.6% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with 71.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The combined ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure and is the sum of our loss and expense ratios. Excluding the impact of a \$1.0 million increase of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and a \$0.03 million increase of net losses and loss adjustment expenses for prior accident years in the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the combined ratio increased from 71.8% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to 92.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. See discussion of loss ratio included in Net Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses above and discussion of expense ratio in the preceding paragraph above for an explanation of this increase.

## Income from segment

The factors described above resulted in income from our Reinsurance Operations of \$4.5 million and \$9.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

## **Unallocated Corporate Items**

The following items are not allocated to our Insurance Operations or Reinsurance Operations segments:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,				Increase / (Decrease)			
(Dollars in thousands)		2010		2009		\$	%	
Net investment income	\$	42,609	\$	54,049	\$	(11,440)	-21.2%	
Net realized investment gains		21,619		3,415		18,204	533.1%	
Corporate and other operating expenses		(15,065)		(12,314)		(2,751)	22.3%	
Interest expense		(5,397)		(5,462)		65	-1.2%	
Income tax expense		(4,706)		(808)		(3,898)	482.4%	
Equity in net income (loss) of partnership, net of								
tax		(29)		4,742		(4,771)	NM	

NM Not meaningful.

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#### Net Investment Income

Net investment income, which is gross investment income less investment expenses, was \$42.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$54.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$11.4 million or 21.2%.

Gross investment income, excluding realized gains and losses, was \$47.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$57.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$10.3 million or 18.0%. The decrease was primarily due to less income from our limited partnership investments which had generated gross investment income of \$8.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 due to liquidations of some of those investments. Excluding limited partnership distributions, gross investment income for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 decreased 3.5% compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2009 primarily due to lower yields on fixed maturities when compared to the corresponding period in 2009. In addition, there was negative net operating cash flow during the twelve month period ending September 30, 2010.

Investment expenses were \$4.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$3.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$1.2 million or 32.3%. The increase was primarily due to additional fees related to our investment in corporate loans.

Please see the discussion of Net Investment Income in the quarter to quarter comparison above for a discussion of our average duration and embedded book yield.

## Net Realized Investment Gains

Net realized investment gains were \$21.6 million and \$3.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, an increase of \$18.2 million or 533.1%. The net realized investment gains for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 consist primarily of net gains of \$22.0 million relative to our fixed maturities and equity portfolios offset by other-than-temporary impairments of \$0.4 million relative to our fixed maturities and equity portfolios. The net realized investment gains for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 consist primarily of net gains of \$7.1 million relative to market value changes in our convertible portfolio and net gains of \$1.9 million relative to our bond and equity portfolio, offset by other than temporary impairment losses of \$5.6 million. See Note 3 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for an analysis of total investment return on an after-tax basis for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009.

## Corporate and Other Operating Expenses

Corporate and other operating expenses consist of outside legal fees, other professional fees, directors fees, management fees, salaries and benefits for holding company personnel, new development costs, and taxes incurred which are not directly related to operations. Corporate and other operating expenses were \$15.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$12.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$2.8 million or 22.3%. The increase was primarily due to costs associated with our redomestication, an increase in compensation and related benefits costs, and the incurrence of infrastructure costs related to information technology upgrades and additional office locations.

## Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$5.4 million and \$5.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, a decrease of \$0.1 million or 1.2%. The reduction is primarily due to a decrease in the 3 month LIBOR rate. The 3 month LIBOR rate was 0.30% and 0.35% at September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Interest on our Trust Preferred Securities and floating rate common securities is based on the 3 month LIBOR rate. See Note 9 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 8 of Part II of our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K for details on our debt.

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## Income Tax Expense

Income tax expense was \$4.7 million and \$0.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, an increase of \$3.9 million or 482.4%. See Note 7 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for a comparison of income tax expense between periods.

Please see the discussion of Income Tax Benefit in the quarter to quarter comparison above for a discussion of our alternative minimum tax.

## Equity in Net Income (Loss) of Partnerships

Equity in net loss of partnerships, net of tax was \$0.03 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with equity in net income of partnerships, net of tax of \$4.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The change from income in 2009 to a loss in 2010 was due to the liquidation of the majority of our partnership interest as of December 31, 2009.

### Net Income

The factors described above resulted in net income of \$63.2 million and \$50.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, an increase of \$12.4 million or 24.5%.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

## Sources and Uses of Funds

Global Indemnity is a holding company. Its principal asset is its ownership of the shares of its direct and indirect subsidiaries, including United National Insurance Company, Diamond State Insurance Company, United National Specialty Insurance Company, United National Casualty Insurance Company, Wind River Reinsurance, Penn-America Insurance Company, Penn-Star Insurance Company, and Penn-Patriot Insurance Company. Global Indemnity s principal source of cash to meet short-term and long-term liquidity needs, including the payment of corporate expenses, includes dividends and other permitted disbursements from United America Indemnity, Ltd., Wind River Reinsurance, the Luxembourg Companies, and the U.S. Insurance Companies. The principal sources of funds at these direct and indirect subsidiaries include underwriting operations, investment income, and proceeds from sales and redemptions of investments. Funds are used principally by these operating subsidiaries to pay claims and operating expenses, to make debt payments, to purchase investments and to make dividend payments. Global Indemnity s future liquidity is dependent on the ability of its subsidiaries to pay dividends. Global Indemnity has no planned capital expenditures that could have a material impact on its long-term liquidity needs. In May 2009, United America Indemnity, Ltd. received gross proceeds of \$100.1 million from the issuance of 8.6 million and 5.7 million of its Class A and Class B ordinary shares, respectively, in conjunction with the Rights Offering that was announced on March 4, 2009. The net proceeds of \$91.8 million were used to support strategic initiatives, enhance liquidity and financial flexibility, and for other general corporate purposes. See Note 10 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements in Item 8 of Part II of our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K for details concerning the Rights Offering.

At September 30, 2010, United America Indemnity, Ltd. owed \$53.0 million in principal and related interest to Wind River Reinsurance and \$6.0 million in principal to U.A.I. (Luxembourg) Investment S.à r.l.

The U.S. Insurance Companies are restricted by statute as to the amount of dividends that they may pay without the prior approval of regulatory authorities. The U.S. Insurance Companies may pay dividends without advance regulatory approval only out of unassigned surplus. For 2010, the maximum amount of distributions that could be paid by the U.S. Insurance Companies as dividends under applicable laws and regulations without regulatory approval is approximately \$50.3 million. The limitation includes \$6.3 million that would be distributed by Penn-America Insurance Company to United National Insurance Company or its subsidiary Penn Independent Corporation based on the December 31, 2009 ownership percentages. The U.S. Insurance Companies did not declare or pay any dividends during the nine months ended September 30, 2010. We anticipate that the U.S. Insurance Companies will pay dividends during the fourth quarter of 2010.

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For 2010, we believe that Wind River Reinsurance and its subsidiaries should have sufficient liquidity and solvency to pay dividends. Wind River Reinsurance is prohibited, without the approval of the Bermuda Monetary Authority (BMA), from reducing by 15% or more its total statutory capital as set out in its previous year s financial statements, and any application for such approval must include such information as the BMA may require. Based upon the total statutory capital plus the statutory surplus as set out in its 2009 statutory financial statements that was filed with the BMA in 2010, Wind River Reinsurance could pay a dividend in 2010 of up to \$175.8 million without requesting BMA approval.

## Cash Flows

Sources of funds consist primarily of net premiums written, investment income, and maturing investments. Funds are used primarily to pay claims and operating expenses and to purchase investments.

Our reconciliation of net income to cash provided from operations is generally influenced by the following:

the fact that we collect premiums in advance of losses paid;

the timing of our settlements with our reinsurers; and

the timing of our loss payments.

Net cash used for operating activities was \$15.9 million and \$19.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The increase in operating cash flows of approximately \$3.6 million from the prior year was primarily a net result of the following items:

(Dollars in thousands)	Ni					
		2010	2009			Change
Net premiums collected	\$	223,012	\$	203,767	\$	19,245
Net losses paid (1)		(161,291)		(195,055)( <b>2</b> )		33,764
Acquisition costs and other underwriting expenses		(112,304)		(98,904)		(13,400)
Net investment income		46,746		59,337		(12,591)
Net federal income taxes recovered (paid)		(5,410)		18,188		(23,598)
Interest paid		(6,625)		(6,828)		203
Other		(20)		(36)		16
Net cash used for operating activities	\$	(15,892)	\$	(19,531)	\$	3,639

(1) Includes change in reinsurance receivable on paid losses of \$12,583 and \$7,249 for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

(2) Includes losses resulting from

Hurricane Ike, which made landfall in August 2008.

See the consolidated statement of cash flows in the consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report for details concerning our investing and financing activities.

## Liquidity

There have been no significant changes to our liquidity during the quarter or nine months ended September 30, 2010. Please see Item 7 of Part II in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K for information regarding our liquidity.

## Capital Resources

There have been no significant changes to our capital resources during the quarter or nine months ended September 30, 2010. Please see Item 7 of Part II in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K for information regarding our capital resources.

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# GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC Off Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have no off balance sheet arrangements other than the Trust Preferred Securities and floating rate common securities discussed in the Liquidity and Capital Resources sections in Item 7 of Part II of our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

Some of the statements under Business, Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and elsewhere in this report may include forward-looking statements that reflect our current views with respect to future events and financial performance that are intended to be covered by the safe harbor for forward-looking statements provided by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts. These statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as believe, expect, may, will, should, project, plan, seek, or comparable terminology, and include discussions of strategy, financial projections and estimates and their underlying assumptions, statements regarding plans, objectives, expectations or consequences of identified transactions, and statements about the future performance, operations, products and services of the companies, including statements regarding projected annual savings and costs resulting from the restructuring plan.

Our business and operations are and will be subject to a variety of risks, uncertainties and other factors. Consequently, actual results and experience may materially differ from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Such risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results and experience to differ from those projected include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) the ineffectiveness of our business strategy due to changes in current or future market conditions; (2) the effects of competitors pricing policies, and of changes in laws and regulations on competition, including industry consolidation and development of competing financial products; (3) greater frequency or severity of claims and loss activity than our underwriting, reserving or investment practices have anticipated; (4) decreased level of demand for our insurance products or increased competition due to an increase in capacity of property and casualty insurers; (5) risks inherent in establishing loss and loss adjustment expense reserves; (6) uncertainties relating to the financial ratings of our insurance subsidiaries; (7) uncertainties arising from the cyclical nature of our business; (8) changes in our relationships with, and the capacity of, our general agents; (9) the risk that our reinsurers may not be able to fulfill obligations; (10) investment performance and credit risk; (11) risks associated with our completed redomestication to Ireland, which may include encountering difficulties moving jurisdictions and opening new offices and functions, tax and financial expectations and advantages not materializing or changing, our stock price could decline, and Irish corporate governance and regulatory schemes could prove different or more challenging than currently expected; (12) new tax legislation or interpretations that could lead to an increase in our tax burden; (13) uncertainties relating to governmental and regulatory policies; (14) foreign currency fluctuations; (15) impact of catastrophic events; and (16) estimates of the projected annual savings and costs for the restructuring plan, which were made based on information available at the time the charges were recorded.

The foregoing review of important factors should not be construed as exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with the other cautionary statements that are set forth in Risk Factors in Item 1A and elsewhere in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Our forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report or as of the date they were made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or review any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

### Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

During the third quarter of 2010, portfolio strategy turned to focusing on investing in higher yielding spread sectors and equities while maintaining a defensive interest rate posture. Global yields dropped to historic lows during the period as sovereign risk concerns flared up, fear of a double-dip recession increased, and economic data turned weaker. Fixed income returns were positive for the quarter as investors reached for yield, specifically in the sectors with the widest spreads including high yield and commercial mortgage-backed securities (CMBS).

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The investment grade fixed income portfolio continues to maintain high quality with a AA average rating, and a low duration of 2.5 years. Portfolio purchases were focused on high quality CMBS, asset-backed securities, and higher yielding tax-exempt Municipals. Fixed income portfolio sales consisted primarily of U.S. Treasuries, Agencies, and Agency MBS.

During the quarter, the portfolio allocation to corporate loans was increased. Corporate loans are primarily below investment grade, senior, floating rate corporate obligations. This asset class is expected to continue to perform well as the economy slowly recovers and remains in demand by investors. The equity allocation was also increased during the quarter and remains invested in a U.S. large cap, value oriented style with an emphasis on dividends.

There have been no other significant changes to our market risk since December 31, 2009. Please see Item 7A of Part II in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K for information regarding our market risk.

### **Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

## **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Based on their evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act )), our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that as of September 30, 2010, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective in that they are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms and information that we are required to disclose in our Exchange Act reports is accumulated and communicated to management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

## **Changes in Internal Controls**

During the quarter ended September 30, 2010 there have been no changes in our internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

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# GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC PART II-OTHER INFORMATION

## **Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

We are, from time to time, involved in various legal proceedings in the ordinary course of business, including litigation regarding claims. There is a greater potential for disputes with reinsurers who are in a runoff of their reinsurance operations. Some of our reinsurers are in a runoff of their reinsurance operations, and therefore, we closely monitor those relationships. We do not believe that the resolution of any currently pending legal proceedings, either individually or taken as a whole, will have a material adverse effect on our business, consolidated financial position or results of operations. We anticipate that, similar to the rest of the insurance and reinsurance industry, we will continue to be subject to litigation and arbitration proceedings in the ordinary course of business.

## Item 1A. Risk Factors

Our results of operations and financial condition are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties described in Item 1A of Part I in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on March 16, 2010. The risk factors identified therein have not materially changed, except for the following:

Our Operating Results and Shareholders Equity May Be Adversely Affected by Currency Fluctuations.

Our functional currency is the U.S. Dollar. Our Reinsurance Operations conduct business with some customers in foreign currencies, and some of our Non-U.S. Subsidiaries have foreign currency denominated cash accounts. Therefore, foreign exchange risk is generally limited to net assets denominated in foreign currencies. Monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are revalued at the current exchange rates each period end with the resulting gains or losses reflected in net income. Foreign exchange risk is reviewed as part of our risk management process. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are revalued at the current exchange rates each period end with the resulting gains or losses reflected in other comprehensive income. We may experience losses resulting from fluctuations in the values of non-U.S. currencies, which could adversely impact our results of operations and financial condition.

## Catastrophic Events Can Have a Significant Impact on Our Financial and Operational Condition.

Results of operations of property and casualty insurers are subject to man-made and natural catastrophes. While there were no individual catastrophic events that generated significant losses for us in 2010, we have experienced, and expect to experience in the future, catastrophe losses. It is possible that a catastrophic event or a series of multiple catastrophic events could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition. Our operating results could be negatively impacted if we experience losses from catastrophes that are in excess of the catastrophe reinsurance coverage of our Insurance Operations. Our Reinsurance Operations also have exposure to losses from catastrophes as a result of the reinsurance treaties that it writes. Our operating results could be negatively impacted if losses and expenses related to the property catastrophe events exceed premiums assumed. Catastrophes include windstorms, hurricanes, earthquakes, tornadoes, hail, severe winter weather, fires and may include terrorist events such as the attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon on September 11, 2001. We cannot predict how severe a particular catastrophe may be until after it occurs. The extent of losses from catastrophes is a function of the total amount and type of losses incurred, the number of insureds affected, the frequency of the events and the severity of the particular catastrophe. Most catastrophes occur in small geographic areas. However, some catastrophes may produce significant damage in large, heavily populated areas.

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

We allow employees to surrender our Class A ordinary shares as payment for the tax liability incurred upon the vesting of restricted stock that was issued under our Share Incentive Plan. There were no shares purchased from our employees during the quarter ended September 30, 2010. All Class A ordinary shares purchased from employees by us are held as treasury stock and recorded at cost.

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The following table provides information with respect to the Class A ordinary shares that were surrendered or repurchased during the quarter ended September 30, 2010:

				Approximate
			Total Number of	Dollar Value
	Total		Shares Purchased as Part of	of Shares That
	Number	Average Price	Publicly Announced	May Yet Be Purchased Under
	of Shares	Paid Per	Plan	the Plan or Program
Period (1)	Purchased	Share	or Program	(2)
July 1-31, 2010	3( <b>3</b> )	\$		\$
August 1-31, 2010		\$		\$
September 1-30, 2010		\$		\$
Total	3	\$		N/A

- (1) Based on settlement date.
- (2) Approximate dollar value of shares is as of the last date of the applicable month.
- (3) This amount represents an adjustment of fractional shares that resulted from the one-for-two stock exchange of Global Indemnity plc shares for United America Indemnity, Ltd. shares as part of the redomestication to Ireland. (See Note 2 of the notes to the

consolidated financial statements in Item 1 of Part II of this report for more information regarding the redomestication.)

### **Item 5. Other Information**

On November 2, 2010, we committed to a restructuring plan with respect to our U.S. insurance operations. The plan was initiated on November 4, 2010, and is part of our efforts to streamline our operations in response to the continuing impact of the domestic recession as well as the competitive landscape within the excess and surplus lines market. As part of this restructuring plan, the company intends to enhance profitability and earnings through reducing its U.S. based census by approximately 25%, closing underperforming U.S. facilities, and supplementing staffing in Bermuda and in Ireland. We expect that all action items relating to this plan will be implemented by the end of 2010. We project that this restructuring plan will result in annual savings beginning in 2011 of approximately \$9 million to \$11 million on a pre-tax basis, although there can be no assurance that all of these savings will be realized. The total estimated cost of implementing the plan is expected to be in the range of approximately \$5.4 million to \$8.6 million on a pre-tax basis (\$4.3 million to \$6.5 million on an after-tax basis) and will be reported in our consolidated statements of operations for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2010. The total estimated pre-tax cost includes: (1) employee termination and severance costs of up to \$2.1 million; (2) expenses relating to the continuing costs of several operating leases related to excess office space of up to \$1.8 million, net of estimated sublease income; (3) restructuring expenses for related asset and leasehold improvement impairments of up to \$1.5 million; and (4) expenses relating to the curtailment of our workers compensation product initiative of up to \$3.2 million. We expect that up to \$7.1 million of the charges described above, relating to all of the items except for the impairments of assets and leasehold improvements, will result in future cash outlays.

## Item 6. Exhibits

- 3.1 Memorandum and Articles of Association of Global Indemnity plc (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))
- 10.1 Global Indemnity plc Share Incentive Plan, amended and restated effective July 2, 2010 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))
- Amendment to Global Indemnity plc Share Incentive Plan dated July 2, 2010 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))
- 10.3 Deed Poll of Assumption for United America Indemnity, Ltd. Share Incentive Plan by Global Indemnity plc, dated July 2, 2010 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))
- Global Indemnity plc Annual Incentive Award Program, amended and restated effective July 2, 2010 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))
- Deed Poll of Assumption for United America Indemnity, Ltd. Annual Incentive Award Program by Global Indemnity plc, dated July 2, 2010 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))

10.6	Amended and Restated Shareholders Agreement, dated July 2, 2010, by and among Global Indemnity plc (as successor to United America Indemnity, Ltd.) and the signatories thereto (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.6 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))
10.7	Assignment and Assumption Agreement relating to the Amended and Restated Shareholders Agreement, dated July 2, 2010 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.7 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))
10.8	Indemnification Agreement between United America Indemnity Ltd. and Fox Paine Capital Fund II International L.P., dated July 2, 2010 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.8 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))
10.9	Form of Indemnification Agreement between United America Indemnity Ltd. and certain directors and officers of Global Indemnity plc, dated July 2, 2010( incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.9 of our Current Report on Form 8-K12B dated July 2, 2010 (File No. 001-34809))
31.1+	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14 (a) / 15d-14 (a) of the Securities Exchange of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2+	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14 (a) / 15d-14 (a) of the Securities Exchange of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1+	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2+	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

+ Filed herewith.

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Date: November 9, 2010

# GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC SIGNATURE

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

GLOBAL INDEMNITY PLC Registrant

November 9, 2010 By: /s/ Thomas M. McGeehan

Thomas M. McGeehan
Chief Financial Officer
(Authorized Signatory and Principal
Financial and Accounting Officer)

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