

## RenaissanceRe Reports Net Income of \$258.6 Million for the Third Quarter of 2009 or \$4.12 Per Diluted Common Share

# Operating Income of \$242.2 Million for the Third Quarter of 2009 or \$3.85 Per Diluted Common Share

**Pembroke, Bermuda, October 27, 2009** -- RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (NYSE: RNR) today reported operating income available to common shareholders of \$242.2 million for the third quarter of 2009, compared to an operating loss attributable to common shareholders of \$143.4 million in the third quarter of 2008. Operating income (loss) excludes net realized gains on investments and net other-than-temporary impairments of \$16.8 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, in the third quarter of 2009, compared to an operating loss per diluted common share was \$3.85 in the third quarter of 2009, compared to an operating loss per diluted common share of \$2.35 in the third quarter of 2008. Net income available to common shareholders was \$258.6 million or \$4.12 per diluted common share in the third quarter of 2009, compared to a net loss attributable to common shareholders of \$231.0 million or \$3.79 per diluted common share for the third quarter of 2008.

The Company reported an annualized return on average common equity of 35.5% and an annualized operating return on average common equity of 33.3% in the third quarter of 2009, compared to negative 36.1% and negative 22.4%, respectively, in the third quarter of 2008. Book value per common share was \$49.21 at September 30, 2009, an increase of \$5.04, or 11.4%, in the third quarter of 2009, compared to a 10.1% decrease in the third quarter of 2008. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company's book value per common share has increased \$10.47, or 27.0%.

Neill A. Currie, CEO, commented: "I am pleased to report another strong quarter with an annualized operating ROE of 33% and over 11% growth in book value per share in the quarter. We generated solid underwriting profits and strong investment returns in the quarter, reflecting the quality of the portfolio of risks we have underwritten, a lack of insured catastrophes and improved investment markets."

Mr. Currie added: "Year-to-date, our book value per share has increased 27% and we have generated an annualized operating return on equity in excess of 29%."

Mr. Currie concluded: "I'm very pleased with the quality of the portfolio of risks our team has constructed, which reflects our strong underwriting discipline. We look forward to continuing to serve our clients, brokers and joint venture partners during the upcoming renewal season."

## THIRD QUARTER 2009 RESULTS

## **Underwriting Results**

Gross premiums written for the third quarter of 2009 decreased \$37.4 million to \$202.4 million, compared to \$239.8 million in the third quarter of 2008, principally due to \$49.0 million in reinstatement premiums written in the Company's Reinsurance segment in the third quarter of 2008, as a result of hurricanes Gustav and Ike, that did not recur in the third quarter of 2009. The Company generated \$167.7 million of underwriting income and a combined ratio of 43.3% in the third quarter of 2009, compared to an underwriting loss of \$240.5 million and a combined ratio of 163.4% in the third quarter of 2008. The \$408.3 million increase in underwriting income and 120.1 percentage point decrease in the combined ratio was driven by the comparably low level of insured catastrophes during the third quarter of 2009, compared to the third quarter of 2008, specifically the comparative impact of hurricanes Gustav and Ike which resulted in an underwriting loss of \$419.6 million and increased the Company's combined ratio by 116.8 percentage points during the third quarter of 2009, compared to \$36.0 million of favorable development in the third quarter of 2008. As discussed in more detail below, the favorable development during the third quarter of 2009 is primarily a result of reductions in estimated ultimate losses on certain specific events within the catastrophe unit, and lower than expected claims emergence within the Company's specialty unit.

# **Reinsurance Segment**

Gross premiums written for the Company's Reinsurance segment decreased \$37.0 million, or 21.8%, to \$132.5 million in the third quarter of 2009, compared to \$169.5 million in the third quarter of 2008. The decrease in the Company's Reinsurance segment gross premiums written is primarily due to the absence of \$49.0 million of reinstatement premiums written and earned in the third quarter of 2008 as a result of hurricanes Gustav and Ike and partially offset by the inception of a new program in the catastrophe unit for the third quarter of 2009. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company's managed catastrophe gross premiums written increased \$194.4 million, or 20%, compared to the comparative period in 2008, excluding the impact of \$49.0 million of reinstatement premiums written in 2008 as a result of hurricanes Gustav and Ike, due to improved market conditions which has resulted in higher premium rates on business written during 2009. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company's specialty gross premiums written have decreased \$37.6 million, or 28.7%, compared to the comparative period in 2008, principally due to the non-renewal and portfolio transfer out of a catastrophe exposed homeowners personal lines property quota share contract.

The Reinsurance segment generated \$167.0 million of underwriting income and a combined ratio of 17.4% in the third quarter of 2009, compared to an underwriting loss of \$227.6 million and a combined ratio of 190.6% in the third quarter of 2008. The \$394.6 million increase in underwriting income and 173.2 percentage point decrease in the combined ratio in the third quarter of 2009 compared to the third quarter of 2008 was principally driven by the impact of hurricanes Gustav and Ike during the third quarter of 2008. Hurricanes Gustav and Ike resulted in an underwriting loss of \$379.9 million and added 166.0 percentage points to the Reinsurance segment's combined ratio in the third quarter of 2008. The Reinsurance segment experienced \$62.7 million of favorable development on prior years reserves in the third quarter of 2009, compared to \$30.6 million in the third quarter of 2008. The favorable development during the third quarter of 2009 was primarily due to reductions in the Company's ultimate loss estimates on specific events in its catastrophe unit, including European windstorm Kyrill (2007), a California wildfire (2007), hurricane Dean (2007) and hurricane Emily (2005) combined with lower than expected claims emergence in the Company's specialty reinsurance unit.

# Individual Risk Segment

Gross premiums written for the Company's Individual Risk segment were relatively flat at \$83.3 million in the third quarter of 2009, compared to \$83.7 million in the third quarter of 2008. The Company's multi-peril crop insurance gross premiums written increased \$9.4 million during the third quarter of 2009, to \$21.3 million from \$11.9 million in the third quarter of 2008, primarily due to additional insured acres which more than offset a decline in commodity prices used in determining the policy premium. Offsetting the increase in multi-peril crop insurance gross premiums written during the third quarter of 2009, was the Company's commercial property gross premiums written, which decreased \$9.3 million, to \$15.5 million from \$24.9 million in the third quarter of 2008, primarily due to the Company's decision in late 2008 to terminate a commercial property quota share reinsurance contract. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company's Individual Risk gross premiums written decreased \$32.1 million, or 6.7%, compared to the comparative period in 2008. Gross premiums written in the Company's Individual Risk segment can fluctuate, perhaps significantly, between quarters and between years based on several factors, including, without limitation, the timing of the inception or cessation of new program managers and quota share reinsurance contracts. In addition, the Company's gross premiums written in respect of its multi-peril crop insurance line of business are subject to fluctuations from a number of factors including the impact of relevant commodity prices.

The Individual Risk segment generated \$0.7 million of underwriting income and a combined ratio of 99.3% in the third quarter of 2009, compared to an underwriting loss of \$13.0 million and a combined ratio of 110.1% in the third quarter of 2008. The \$13.6 million increase in underwriting income and 10.8 percentage point decrease in the combined ratio in the third quarter of 2009 compared to the third quarter of 2008 was principally driven by the absence of catastrophe events such as hurricanes Gustav and Ike which occurred in the third quarter of 2008. Hurricanes Gustav and Ike resulted in \$39.7 million in underwriting losses and added 30.2 percentage points to the Individual Risk segment's combined ratio in the third quarter of 2008. Partially offsetting the lack of hurricane-related losses in the third quarter of 2009 was the impact of significantly higher crop hail losses within the Individual Risk segment's multi-peril crop insurance line of business in the third quarter of 2009. Multiple hail storms in highly insured areas during the third quarter of 2009 resulted in \$16.6 million of underwriting losses in crop hail, a specific product line within the overall multi-peril crop insurance line of business, compared to \$3.0 million of underwriting profits for this product line in the third quarter of 2008. The Individual Risk segment experienced \$7.8 million of favorable development on prior years reserves in the third quarter of 2009.

2009 compared to \$5.4 million of favorable development in the third quarter of 2008, primarily as a result of lower than expected reported claims on prior year reserves.

Underwriting expenses in the third quarter of 2009 were \$38.6 million and the underwriting expense ratio was 41.2%, compared to \$29.5 million and 23.0%, respectively, in the third quarter of 2008. The 18.2 percentage point increase in the Company's underwriting expense ratio was driven by increased acquisition expenses, primarily due to profit sharing commissions, increased operating expenses, as discussed below, and decreased net premiums earned, primarily due to the portion of the estimated underwriting income generated by the multi-peril crop insurance business that is remitted to the U.S. government in the form of ceded premiums earned. Operational expenses increased \$1.8 million, adding 2.0 percentage points to the underwriting expense ratio, principally as a result of the Company's investment in personnel and related infrastructure in association with its ongoing business development initiatives.

## Investments

Returns on the Company's investment portfolio were significantly higher in the third quarter of 2009 compared to the third quarter of 2008, primarily due to higher total returns on the Company's non-investment grade allocations which the Company includes in other investments including its senior secured bank loan funds and non-U.S. fixed income funds as discussed in more detail below. The Company's total investment result, which includes the sum of net investment income, net realized gains on investments, net other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity investments available for sale and the net change in unrealized holding gains on fixed maturity investments available for sale, was \$198.0 million in the third quarter of 2009, compared to negative \$93.3 million in the third quarter of 2008, an increase of \$291.3 million. The Company's total investment result for the third quarter of 2009 benefitted from the significant tightening of credit spreads, which resulted in increases in the fair value of many of the Company's investments. The Company does not anticipate a repeat of this quarter's investment performance in future periods.

Net investment income was \$106.8 million in the third quarter of 2009, compared to net investment income of \$15.8 million in the third quarter of 2008. The \$91.0 million increase in net investment income was principally driven by a \$30.6 million increase from the Company's hedge fund and private equity investments and a \$78.1 million increase in net investment income from its other investments, principally senior secured bank loan funds and non-U.S. fixed income funds, and partially offset by an \$8.0 million and \$7.7 million decrease in net investment income from the Company's fixed maturity investments available for sale and short term investments, respectively, principally due to lower yields on these investments. The Company's hedge fund, private equity and other investments are accounted for at fair value with the change in fair value recorded in net investment income, which included net unrealized gains of \$19.2 million in the third quarter of 2009, compared to net unrealized losses of \$54.3 million in the third quarter of 2008.

Net realized gains on investments were \$16.8 million in the third quarter of 2009, compared to \$11.2 million in the third quarter of 2008, an increase of \$5.6 million. Net other-than-temporary impairments recognized in earnings were \$0.3 million in the third quarter of 2009, compared to \$98.8 million for the third quarter of 2008. The significant decrease in net other-than-temporary impairments is due to the combination of improved economic conditions in the third quarter of 2009, compared to the third quarter of 2008, and the adoption of new authoritative accounting guidance related to the recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairments during the second quarter of 2009.

# **Other Items**

- Corporate expenses decreased \$7.4 million to negative \$4.3 million in the third quarter of 2009, compared to \$3.1 million in the third quarter of 2008, primarily due to the recognition of a corporate insurance recovery.
- Net (income) loss attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interest DaVinciRe increased to \$(37.7) million for the third quarter of 2009, compared to \$92.0 million in the third quarter of 2008, principally due to DaVinciRe generating net income in the third quarter of 2009, compared to a net loss in the third quarter of 2008. The significant change was driven by DaVinciRe generating strong underwriting profits and investment income in the third quarter of 2009, compared to an underwriting loss and lower investment income in the third quarter of 2008.

- Other income increased by \$11.2 million to \$13.4 million in the third quarter of 2009 compared to \$2.3 million in the third quarter of 2008, principally due to a \$14.3 million increase in income from the Company's weather and energy risk operations and a \$7.3 million increase in the mark-to-market on the Company's investment in the Platinum Underwriters Holdings Ltd. warrant and partially offset by an \$11.3 million increase in losses on assumed and ceded reinsurance contracts accounted for at fair value or as deposits.
- The Company expects to exercise its option to purchase all of the outstanding shares of Spectrum Partners Ltd., the parent company of Spectrum Syndicate Management Ltd., the managing agency for the Company's Lloyd's syndicate, RenaissanceRe Syndicate 1458. Subject to specified closing conditions, the Company expects to complete the transaction in the fourth quarter of 2009.

This press release includes certain non-GAAP financial measures including "operating income (loss)", "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share – diluted", "operating return on average common equity – annualized" and "managed catastrophe premium". A reconciliation of such measures to the most comparable GAAP figures in accordance with Regulation G is presented in the attached supplemental financial data.

Please refer to the "Investor Information – Financial Reports – Financial Supplements" section of the Company's website at <u>www.renre.com</u> for a copy of the Financial Supplement which includes additional information on the Company's financial performance.

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. will host a conference call on Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. (ET) to discuss this release. Live broadcast of the conference call will be available through the "Investor Information – Company Webcasts" section of RenaissanceRe's website at <u>www.renre.com</u>.

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. is a global provider of reinsurance and insurance. The Company's business consists of two segments: (1) Reinsurance, which includes catastrophe reinsurance, specialty reinsurance and certain joint ventures and other investments managed by the Company's subsidiary RenaissanceRe Ventures Ltd., and (2) Individual Risk, which includes primary insurance and quota share reinsurance.

Cautionary Statement under "Safe Harbor" Provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: Statements made in this news release contain information about the Company's future business prospects. These statements may be considered "forward-looking". These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in or implied by such forward-looking statements. For further information regarding cautionary statements and factors affecting future results, please refer to RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd.'s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 and its quarterly reports on Form 10-Q.

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## RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries Summary Consolidated Statements of Operations

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

(Unaudited)

		Three mo	nths en	ded		Nine m	onths e	nded
	Sept	tember 30, 2009		tember 30, 2008	Sep	otember 30, 2009		tember 30, 2008
Revenues								
Gross premiums written	\$	202,413	\$	239,806	\$	1,655,886	\$	1,574,419
Net premiums written	\$	75,098	\$	194,408	\$	1,153,304	\$	1,211,546
Decrease (increase) in unearned premiums		220,915		184,934		(175,726)		(146,717)
Net premiums earned		296,013		379,342		977,578		1,064,829
Net investment income		106,815		15,767		263,234		106,955
Net foreign exchange gains (losses)		1,556		3,448		(12,761)		8,153
Equity in earnings of other ventures		4,331		2,333		11,499		13,455
Other income (loss)		13,424		2,258		(5,027)		10,246
Net realized gains on investments		16,794		11,198		57,809		28,322
Total other-than-temporary impairments		(1,408)		(98,808)		(25,719)		(150,763)
Portion recognized in other comprehensive income, before taxes		1,062		-		4,518		-
Net other-than-temporary impairments		(346)		(98,808)		(21,201)		(150,763)
Total revenues		438,587						
1 otat revenues		438,387		315,538		1,271,131		1,081,197
Expenses								
Net claims and claim expenses incurred		38,567		535,347		191,587		731,720
Acquisition expenses		44,203		54,231		141,302		154,272
Operational expenses		45,498		30,296		132,120		93,903
Corporate expenses		(4,319)		3,116		8,608		18,930
Interest expense		3,748		5,379		12,084		18,120
Total expenses		127,697		628,369		485,701		1,016,945
Income (loss) before taxes		310,890		(312,831)		785,430		64,252
Income tax (expense) benefit		(3,993)		455		(3,793)		(936)
Net income (loss)		306,897		(312,376)		781,637		63,316
Net (income) loss attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interest -								
DaVinciRe		(37,694)		91,977		(122,821)		10,321
Net income (loss) attributable to RenaissanceRe		269,203		(220,399)		658,816		73,637
Dividends on preference shares		(10,575)		(10,575)		(31,725)		(31,725)
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe								
common shareholders	\$	258,628	\$	(230,974)	\$	627,091	\$	41,912
Operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe								
common shareholders per common share - diluted (1)	\$	3.85	\$	(2.35)	\$	9.43	\$	2.56
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common								
shareholders per common share - basic	\$	4.15	\$	(3.79)	\$	10.09	\$	0.66
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common	Ψ		Ψ	(3.17)	Ψ	10.09	Ψ	0.00
shareholders per common share - diluted (2)	\$	4.12	\$	(3.79)	\$	10.03	\$	0.65
Average shares outstanding - basic		60,898		60,943		60,832		63,131
Average shares outstanding - diluted (2)		61,367		61,694		61,226		64,125
Net claims and claim expense ratio		13.0% 30.3%		141.1%		19.6% 28.0%		68.7% 23.3%
Underwriting expense ratio		30.3%		22.3%		28.0%		23.3%
Combined ratio		43.3%		163.4%		47.6%		92.0%
Operating return on average common equity - annualized (1)		33.3%		(22.4%)		29.5%		8.2%

 $(1) \ See \ Comments \ on \ Regulation \ G for a \ reconciliation \ of \ non-GAAP \ financial \ measures.$ 

(2) Earnings per share calculations use average common shares outstanding - basic, when in a net loss position, as required by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic *Earnings Per Share*.

## Summary Consolidated Balance Sheets

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

		A	At	
	Sep	otember 30, 2009	De	cember 31, 2008
	(U	Inaudited)	(	Audited)
Assets				
Fixed maturity investments available for sale, at fair value	\$	4,505,446	\$	2,996,885
Short term investments, at fair value		880,406		2,172,343
Other investments, at fair value		812,056		773,475
Investments in other ventures, under equity method		94,859		99,879
Total investments		6,292,767		6,042,582
Cash and cash equivalents		347,993		274,692
Premiums receivable		826,562		565,630
Ceded reinsurance balances		207,257		88,019
Losses recoverable		253,312		299,534
Accrued investment income		34,076		26,614
Deferred acquisition costs		95,614		81,904
Receivable for investments sold		188,497		236,485
Other secured assets		27,464		76,424
Other assets		201,982		217,986
Goodwill and other intangibles		69,175		74,181
Total assets	\$	8,544,699	\$	7,984,051
Liabilities, Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest and Shareholders' Equity Liabilities				
Reserve for claims and claim expenses	\$	1,837,879	\$	2,160,612
Reserve for unearned premiums		805,199		510,235
Debt		450,000		450,000
Reinsurance balances payable		457,947		315,401
Payable for investments purchased		247,502		378,111
Other secured liabilities		27,500		77,420
Other liabilities		251,504		290,998
Total liabilities		4,077,531		4,182,777
Redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe		746,698		768,531
Shareholders' Equity				
Preference shares		650,000		650,000
Common shares		62,390		61,503
Additional paid-in capital		25,494		-
Accumulated other comprehensive income		78,338		75,387
Retained earnings		2,904,248		2,245,853
Total shareholders' equity		3,720,470		3,032,743
Total liabilities, redeemable noncontrolling interest and shareholders' equity	\$	8,544,699	\$	7,984,051
Book value per common share	\$	49.21	\$	38.74
Common shares outstanding		62,390		61,503

Supplemental Financial Data - Segment Information

(in thousands of United States Dollars)

(Unaudited)

				Three mon	ths end	led Septembe	r 30,	2009	
	Rei	nsurance	Indiv	idual Risk	Elimi	nations (1)		Other	 Total
Gross premiums written	\$	132,487	\$	83,349	\$	(13,423)	\$	-	\$ 202,413
Net premiums written	\$	43,202	\$	31,896				-	\$ 75,098
Net premiums earned	\$	202,260	\$	93,753				-	\$ 296,013
Net claims and claim expenses incurred		(15,914)		54,481				-	38,567
Acquisition expenses		17,164		27,039				-	44,203
Operational expenses		33,961		11,537				-	 45,498
Underwriting income	\$	167,049	\$	696				-	167,745
Net investment income								106,815	106,815
Equity in earnings of other ventures								4,331	4,331
Other income								13,424	13,424
Interest and preference share dividends								(14,323)	(14,323)
Redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe								(37,694)	(37,694)
Other items, net								1,882	1,882
Net realized gains on investments								16,794	16,794
Net other-than-temporary impairments								(346)	 (346)
Net income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders							\$	90,883	\$ 258,628
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - current accident year	\$	46,755	\$	62,256					\$ 109,011
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - prior accident years		(62,669)		(7,775)					 (70,444)
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - total	\$	(15,914)	\$	54,481					\$ 38,567
Net claims and claim expense ratio - current accident year		23.1%		66.4%					36.8%
Net claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident years		(31.0%)		(8.3%)					 (23.8%)
Net claims and claim expense ratio - calendar year		(7.9%)		58.1%					13.0%
Underwriting expense ratio		25.3%		41.2%					 30.3%
Combined ratio		17.4%		99.3%					 43.3%
(1) Represents gross premiums ceded from the Individual Risk se	gment to	the Reinsura	ance se	gment.					

				Three mon	ths en	ded Septembe	r 30,	2008	
	Re	insurance	Indiv	idual Risk	Elim	inations (1)	Other		 Total
Gross premiums written	\$	169,463	\$	83,685	\$	(13,342)	\$	-	\$ 239,806
Net premiums written	\$	129,229	\$	65,179				-	\$ 194,408
Net premiums earned	\$	251,058	\$	128,284				-	\$ 379,342
Net claims and claim expenses incurred		423,568		111,779				-	535,347
Acquisition expenses		34,469		19,762				-	54,231
Operational expenses		20,602		9,694				-	 30,296
Underwriting loss	\$	(227,581)	\$	(12,951)				-	(240,532)
Net investment income								15,767	15,767
Equity in earnings of other ventures								2,333	2,333
Other income								2,258	2,258
Interest and preference share dividends								(15,954)	(15,954
Redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe								91,977	91,977
Other items, net								787	787
Net realized gains on investments								11,198	11,198
Net other-than-temporary impairments								(98,808)	 (98,808
Net loss attributable to RenaissanceRe common shareholders							\$	9,558	\$ (230,974
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - current accident year	\$	454,187	\$	117,157					\$ 571,344
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - prior accident years		(30,619)		(5,378)					(35,997
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - total	\$	423,568	\$	111,779					\$ 535,347
Net claims and claim expense ratio - current accident year		180.9%		91.3%					150.6%
Net claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident years		(12.2%)		(4.2%)					 (9.5%
Net claims and claim expense ratio - calendar year		168.7%		87.1%					141.1%
Underwriting expense ratio		21.9%		23.0%					 22.3%
Combined ratio		190.6%		110.1%					163.49

 $(1) \ Represents \ gross \ premiums \ ceded \ from the \ Individual \ Risk \ segment \ to \ the \ Reinsurance \ segment.$ 

Supplemental Financial Data - Segment Information (cont'd.)

(in thousands of United States Dollars)

(Unaudited)

				Nine mont	ths end	ed September	r 30,	2009	
	Re	insurance	Indiv	idual Risk	Elimi	nations (1)		Other	 Total
Gross premiums written	\$	1,221,035	\$	447,229	\$	(12,378)	\$	-	\$ 1,655,886
Net premiums written	\$	852,970	\$	300,334				-	\$ 1,153,304
Net premiums earned	\$	656,143	\$	321,435				-	\$ 977,578
Net claims and claim expenses incurred		(40,132)		231,719				-	191,587
Acquisition expenses		57,321		83,981				-	141,302
Operational expenses		98,265		33,855				-	 132,120
Underwriting income (loss)	\$	540,689	\$	(28,120)				-	512,569
Net investment income								263,234	263,234
Equity in earnings of other ventures								11,499	11,499
Other loss								(5,027)	(5,027)
Interest and preference share dividends								(43,809)	(43,809)
Redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe								(122,821)	(122,821)
Other items, net								(25,162)	(25,162)
Net realized gains on investments								57,809	57,809
Net other-than-temporary impairments								(21,201)	 (21,201)
Net income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders							\$	114,522	\$ 627,091
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - current accident year	\$	143,636	\$	217,350					\$ 360,986
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - prior accident years		(183,768)		14,369					 (169,399)
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - total	\$	(40,132)	\$	231,719					\$ 191,587
Net claims and claim expense ratio - current accident year		21.9%		67.6%					36.9%
Net claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident years		(28.0%)		4.5%					 (17.3%)
Net claims and claim expense ratio - calendar year		(6.1%)		72.1%					19.6%
Underwriting expense ratio		23.7%		36.6%					 28.0%
		17.6%		108.7%					47.6%

				Nine mon	ths ende	ed Septembe	r 30,	2008	
	Re	insurance	Indiv	idual Risk	Elimi	nations (1)		Other	 Total
Gross premiums written	\$	1,100,984	\$	479,351	\$	(5,916)	\$	-	\$ 1,574,41
Net premiums written	\$	825,336	\$	386,210				-	\$ 1,211,54
Net premiums earned	\$	709,571	\$	355,258				-	\$ 1,064,82
Net claims and claim expenses incurred		490,757		240,963				-	731,72
Acquisition expenses		78,495		75,777				-	154,27
Operational expenses		64,497		29,406				-	 93,90
Underwriting income	\$	75,822	\$	9,112				-	84,93
Net investment income								106,955	106,95
Equity in earnings of other ventures								13,455	13,45
Other income								10,246	10,24
nterest and preference share dividends								(49,845)	(49,84
Redeemable noncontrolling interest - DaVinciRe								10,321	10,32
Other items, net								(11,713)	(11,71
Net realized gains on investments								28,322	28,32
Net other-than-temporary impairments								(150,763)	 (150,76
Net income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders							\$	(43,022)	\$ 41,91
et claims and claim expenses incurred - current accident year	\$	582,624	\$	279,748					\$ 862,37
et claims and claim expenses incurred - prior accident years		(91,867)		(38,785)					 (130,65
et claims and claim expenses incurred - total	\$	490,757	\$	240,963					\$ 731,72
et claims and claim expense ratio - current accident year		82.1%		78.7%					81.0
et claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident years		(12.9%)		(10.9%)					 (12.39
et claims and claim expense ratio - calendar year		69.2%		67.8%					68.7
Inderwriting expense ratio		20.1%		29.6%					 23.3
Combined ratio		89.3%		97.4%					92.0

 $(1) \ Represents \ gross \ premiums \ ceded \ from the \ Individual \ Risk \ segment \ to \ the \ Reinsurance \ segment.$ 

Supplemental Financial Data - Gross Premiums Written Analysis

(in thousands of United States Dollars)

(Unaudited)

		Three mon	ths end	ded		Nine mon	ths en	ded
Reinsurance Segment	Sep	tember 30, 2009	Sep	tember 30, 2008	Sep	otember 30, 2009	Sep	otember 30, 2008
Renaissance catastrophe premiums	\$	78,232	\$	97,839	\$	724,131	\$	614,124
Renaissance specialty premiums		25,249		28,408		90,852		126,826
Total Renaissance premiums		103,481		126,247		814,983		740,950
DaVinci catastrophe premiums DaVinci specialty premiums		29,076 (70)		43,413 (197)		403,595 2,457		355,940 4,094
Total DaVinci premiums		29,006		43,216		406,052		360,034
Total Reinsurance premiums	\$	132,487	\$	169,463	\$	1,221,035	\$	1,100,984
Total specialty premiums	\$	25,179	\$	28,211	\$	93,309	\$	130,920
Total catastrophe premiums	\$	107,308	\$	141,252	\$	1,127,726	\$	970,064
Catastrophe premiums written on behalf of our joint venture, Top Layer Re (1) Catastrophe premiums assumed from the Individual Risk segment		(434) (13,423)		(293) (13,342)		49,542 (12,378)		55,370 (5,916)
Total managed catastrophe premiums (2)	\$	93,451	\$	127,617	\$	1,164,890	\$	1,019,518
(1) Top Layer Re is accounted for under the equity method of accounting.								

(2) See Comments on Regulation G for a reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures.

Individual Risk Segment		Three mor	nths end	ed	Nine months ended				
	-	ember 30, 2009	September 30, 2008		-	tember 30, 2009	September 30 2008		
Multi-peril crop	\$	21,296	\$	11,881	\$	264,442	\$	220,330	
Commercial multi-line		31,066		29,773		81,155		92,856	
Commercial property		15,514		24,863		64,001		116,546	
Personal lines property		15,473		17,168		37,631		49,619	
Total Individual Risk premiums	\$	83,349	\$	83,685	\$	447,229	\$	479,351	

Supplemental Financial Data - Total Investment Result

(in thousands of United States Dollars)

(Unaudited)

		Three mo	nths end	ded		Nine mon	ths end	led
	Sept	ember 30,	Sept	ember 30,	Sep	tember 30,	Sep	tember 30,
		2009		2008		2009		2008
Fixed maturity investments available for sale	\$	44,127	\$	52,087	\$	123,261	\$	147,930
Short term investments		2,285		9,990		8,097		41,124
Other investments								
Hedge funds and private equity investments		15,510		(15,080)		8,096		(46,415)
Other		47,748		(30,306)		131,309		(32,884)
Cash and cash equivalents		102		1,956		632		5,900
		109,772		18,647		271,395		115,655
Investment expenses		(2,957)		(2,880)		(8,161)		(8,700)
Net investment income		106,815		15,767		263,234		106,955
Gross realized gains		26,734		20,007		91,370		58,885
Gross realized losses		(9,940)		(8,809)		(33,561)		(30,563)
Net realized gains on investments		16,794		11,198		57,809		28,322
Total other-than-temporary impairments		(1,408)		(98,808)		(25,719)		(150,763)
Portion recognized in other comprehensive income, before taxes		1,062		-		4,518		-
Net other-than-temporary impairments		(346)		(98,808)		(21,201)		(150,763)
Net unrealized gains (losses) on fixed maturity investments available for sale		74,697		(21,411)		12,124		(32,930)
FAS 115-2 cumulative effect adjustment (1)		-		-		76,615		-
Net change in unrealized holding gains on								
fixed maturity investments available for sale		74,697		(21,411)		88,739		(32,930)
Total investment result	\$	197,960	\$	(93,254)	\$	388,581	\$	(48,416)

(1) Cumulative effect adjustment to opening retained earnings as of April 1, 2009, related to the recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairments, as required by FASB ASC Topic Investments - Debt and Equity Securities.

## **Comments on Regulation G**

In addition to the GAAP financial measures set forth in this Press Release, the Company has included certain non-GAAP financial measures in this Press Release within the meaning of Regulation G. The Company has provided these financial measurements in previous investor communications and the Company's management believes that these measurements are important to investors and other interested persons, and that investors and such other persons benefit from having a consistent basis for comparison between quarters and for the comparison with other companies within the industry. These measures may not, however, be comparable to similarly titled measures used by companies outside of the insurance industry. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these non-GAAP measures in assessing the Company's overall financial performance.

The Company uses "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders" as a measure to evaluate the underlying fundamentals of its operations and believes it to be a useful measure of its corporate performance. "Operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders" as used herein differs from "net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders," which the Company believes is the most directly comparable GAAP measure, by the exclusion of net realized gains and losses on investments and net other-thantemporary impairments on fixed maturity investments available for sale. The Company's management believes that "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders" is useful to investors because it more accurately measures and predicts the Company's results of operations by removing the variability arising from fluctuations in the Company's investment portfolio, which is not considered by management to be a relevant indicator of its business operations. The Company also uses "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders" to calculate "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share – diluted" and "operating return on average common equity – annualized". The following is a reconciliation of: 1) net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders to operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders; 2) net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share diluted to operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share – diluted; and 3) return on average common equity – annualized to operating return on average common equity – annualized:

		Three more	nths er	ded	Nine months ended				
(in thousands of United States Dollars, except for per share amounts)	Sep	tember 30, 2009	Sep	tember 30, 2008	September 30, 2009		Sep	tember 30, 2008	
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders	\$	258,628	\$	(230,974)	\$	627,091	\$	41,912	
Adjustment for net realized gains on investments Adjustment for net other-then-temporary impairments		(16,794) 346		(11,198) 98,808		(57,809) 21,201		(28,322 150,763	
Operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders	\$	242,180	\$	(143,364)	\$	590,483	\$	164,353	
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders									
per common share - diluted (1)	\$	4.12	\$	(3.79)	\$	10.03	\$	0.65	
Adjustment for net realized gains on investments		(0.27)		(0.18)		(0.94)		(0.44	
Adjustment for net other-then-temporary impairments		-		1.62		0.34		2.35	
Operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders									
per common share - diluted (1)	\$	3.85	\$	(2.35)	\$	9.43	\$	2.56	
Return on average common equity - annualized		35.5%		(36.1%)		31.3%		2.19	
Adjustment for net realized gains on investments		(2.2%)		(1.8%)		(2.8%)		(1.4%	
Adjustment for net other-then-temporary impairments		-		15.5%		1.0%		7.5%	
Operating return on average common equity - annualized		33.3%		(22.4%)		29.5%		8.29	

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

The Company has also included in this Press Release "managed catastrophe premiums." "Managed catastrophe premiums" is defined as gross catastrophe premiums written by Renaissance Reinsurance and its related joint ventures, excluding catastrophe premiums assumed from the Company's Individual Risk segment. "Managed catastrophe premiums" differ from total catastrophe premiums, which the Company believes is the most directly comparable GAAP measure, due to the inclusion of catastrophe premiums written on behalf of the Company's joint venture Top Layer Re, which is accounted for under the equity method of accounting, and the exclusion of catastrophe premiums" is useful to investors and other interested parties because it provides a measure of total catastrophe reinsurance premiums assumed by the Company through its consolidated subsidiaries and related joint ventures.