

RenaissanceRe Reports Operating Income of \$167.8 Million for the Third Quarter of 2007 or \$2.33 Per Common Share

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Net Income of \$133.4 Million for the Third Quarter of 2007 or \$1.85 Per Common Share

PEMBROKE, Bermuda, Oct 30, 2007 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (NYSE: RNR) today reported \$167.8 million in third quarter operating income available to common shareholders compared to \$247.0 million in the third quarter of 2006. Operating income excludes net realized investment gains of \$1.6 million and \$4.2 million in the third quarters of 2007 and 2006, respectively, and net unrealized losses on credit derivatives issued by entities included in investments in other ventures, under equity method of \$36.0 million in the third quarter of 2007. Operating income per diluted common share was \$2.33 in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$3.42 in the third quarter of 2006. Net income available to common shareholders was \$133.4 million or \$1.85 per diluted common share in the quarter, compared to \$251.1 million or \$3.48 per diluted common share for the same quarter of 2006.

The Company's results for the third quarter of 2007 were impacted by a \$36.0 million charge to reflect an anticipated third quarter loss at ChannelRe Holdings Ltd. ("ChannelRe"), an equity method investment, driven by unrealized mark-to-market losses in ChannelRe's portfolio of financial guaranty contracts accounted for as derivatives under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP")

Neill A. Currie, CEO, commented: "We generated solid underwriting profits and strong investment returns during the third quarter. Financial results were positively affected by the lack of hurricanes making landfall in the U.S., and were negatively impacted by unrealized mark-to-market losses in ChannelRe, flood losses in the U.K., and claims reported in various lines of our specialty reinsurance book."

Mr. Currie added: "Our focus is on growing book value per share over the long term. So far this year, book value per share has increased by 18% and we have generated an annualized operating return on equity in excess of 27%."

Mr. Currie concluded: "I'm very pleased with the quality of the portfolio of insurance and reinsurance business 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 2007 RESULTS

Underwriting Results

The Company's gross premiums written decreased \$48.9 million to \$208.8 million in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$257.8 million in the third quarter of 2006. As described in more detail below, the decrease in gross premiums written was driven by a \$64.7 million decrease in gross premiums written in the Company's Individual Risk segment, partially offset by an \$18.2 million increase in gross premiums written in the Company's Reinsurance segment. The Company generated \$144.5 million of underwriting income and had a combined ratio of 60.6% in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$233.3 million of underwriting income and a combined ratio of 36.5% in the third quarter of 2006. The Company's underwriting results for the third quarter of 2007, as compared to the third quarter of 2006, were driven by a \$103.9 million decrease in underwriting income in the Company's Reinsurance segment and a \$15.2 million increase in underwriting income in the Company's Individual Risk segment. Net paid losses for the quarter were \$114.3 million compared to \$164.5 million in the third quarter of 2006.

Reinsurance Segment

Gross premiums written for the Company's Reinsurance segment increased \$18.2 million to \$141.5 million in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$123.3 million in the third quarter of 2006. The comparative change in gross premiums written in the quarter relative to the third quarter of 2006 was impacted by the commutation in 2006 of several large reinsurance contracts which resulted in the return of \$28.3 million of premium in the third quarter of 2006. Net premiums earned increased \$6.2 million to \$242.5 million in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$236.3 million in the third quarter of 2006.

The Reinsurance segment generated \$126.8 million of underwriting income in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$230.7 million of underwriting income in the third quarter of 2006. The decrease in underwriting income is in part driven by the impact of the 2006 commutations described above which increased underwriting income by \$34.2 million in the third quarter of 2006 and resulted in a \$31.4 million net positive impact to the Company after considering minority interest. The Reinsurance segment experienced \$83.1 million of current accident year net claims and claim expenses in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$17.1 million in the third quarter of 2006, an increase of \$66.0 million. The Reinsurance segment's third quarter 2007 current accident year losses include \$36.1 million of losses from the Company's catastrophe unit, principally driven by flood losses in the United Kingdom in July and hurricane Dean which made landfall in August, combined with \$47.0 million of losses in the Company's specialty unit, principally driven by three relatively large reported losses in the quarter. In addition, the Reinsurance segment experienced \$15.8 million of favorable loss reserve development in the third quarter of 2007, a \$42.1 million decrease compared to the third quarter of 2006. Included in the favorable development in the third quarter of 2006 is a \$44.4 million decrease in prior year reserves as a result of the commutations noted above. Overall, the Reinsurance segment generated a net claims and claim expense ratio of 27.8%, an underwriting expense ratio of 20.0% and a combined ratio of 47.8% in the third quarter of 2007, compared to a net claims and claim expense ratio, underwriting expense ratio and combined ratio of (17.2%), 19.6% and 2.4%, respectively, in the third quarter of 2006.

Individual Risk Segment

Gross premiums written for the Company's Individual Risk segment decreased \$64.7 million to \$101.5 million in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$166.2 million in the third quarter of 2006. The Individual Risk segment's commercial multi-line, commercial property and personal lines property lines of business all experienced a decrease in gross premiums written compared to the same period in 2006. The decrease in commercial multi-line gross premiums written was principally driven by the termination of one large program in 2006 and consequently the premium was not written in the third quarter of 2007. The decrease in the commercial property gross premiums written was due to the Company terminating one large commercial property quota share contract in the second quarter of 2007 combined with softening rates in the California earthquake commercial property market resulting in a decrease in business that met the Company's return hurdles. In addition, the decrease in personal lines property gross premiums written was principally due to the Company's decision last year to reduce its exposure to this market and redeploy its capacity within the property catastrophe excess of loss reinsurance market within the Company's Reinsurance segment where the Company found pricing and terms more attractive. Net premiums earned decreased \$6.2 million to \$124.5 million in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$130.8 million in the third quarter of 2006.

The Individual Risk segment generated \$17.8 million of underwriting income in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$2.6 million of underwriting income in the third guarter of 2006. The increase in underwriting income in the third guarter of 2007 compared to the third guarter of 2006 was primarily due to a decrease in net claims and claim expenses incurred. The Individual Risk segment experienced \$68.8 million of current accident year net claims and claim expenses in the third quarter of 2007, compared to \$78.7 million in the third quarter of 2006, a decrease of \$10.0 million. In addition, the Individual Risk segment experienced \$4.4 million of favorable development in the third quarter of 2007 compared to \$4.5 million of adverse development in the third quarter of 2006. Overall, the Individual Risk segment generated a net claims and claim expense ratio of 51.7%, an underwriting expense ratio of 34.1% and a combined ratio of 85.8% in the third guarter of 2007, compared to a net claims and claim expense ratio, underwriting expense ratio and combined ratio of 63.6%, 34.4% and 98.0%, respectively, in the third quarter of 2006.

Other Items

- -- The Company's results for the third quarter of 2007 were impacted by a \$36.0 million charge to reflect an anticipated third quarter loss at ChannelRe, driven by unrealized mark-to-market losses in ChannelRe's portfolio of financial guaranty contracts accounted for as derivatives under GAAP. The unrealized mark-to-market losses were principally driven by the widening of credit spreads in the third quarter of 2007.
- -- Net investment income for the third quarter of 2007 was \$95.6 million, compared to \$80.4 million for the same quarter in 2006, principally reflecting higher average invested assets in the Company's portfolio of fixed maturity investments available for sale and short term investments and strong returns from the Company's hedge fund and private equity investments. Other investments, which include the Company's hedge fund and private equity investments, generated \$19.8 million of net investment income in the third quarter of 2007 compared with \$12.8 million in the third quarter of 2006.
- -- During the third guarter of 2007, the Company repurchased 1.4 million shares at an aggregate cost of \$77.1 million. At September 30, 2007, \$489.2 million remained available under the Company's share repurchase program.
- -- The Company's cash flows from operations were \$284.9 million for the third guarter of 2007, compared to \$176.9 million for the third guarter of 2006.

This press release includes certain non-GAAP financial measures including "operating income", "operating income 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 section of the Company's website at www.renre.com 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 31, 2007 at 8:30 a.m. (EST) to discuss this release. Live broadcast of the conference call will be available through the Investor Section of RenaissanceRe's website at www.renre.com.

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, 2006 and its quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ending March 31, 2007 and June 30, 2007.

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries Summary Consolidated Statements of Operations For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 (in thousands of U.S. dollars, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

> Three months ended Nine months ended -----

September September September 30, 2007 30, 2006 30, 2007 30, 2006

Revenues

Gross premiums written \$ 208,821 \$ 257,752 \$1,687,410 \$1,748,695

Net premiums written \$ 149,163 \$ 162,695 \$1,330,032 \$1,372,774

Decrease (increase) in

unearned premiums 217,894 204,381 (241,903) (223,085)

Net premiums earned 367,057 367,076 1,088,129 1,149,689 Net investment income 95,594 80,427 321,749 234,873

Net foreign exchange losses (5,424) (2,160) (630) (1,578)

Equity in (losses) earnings

of other ventures (23,986) 10,131 (3,610) 25,904 Other (loss) income (10,008) 2,006 (17,709)

Net realized gains (losses)

1,592 4,151 (5,889) (36,953) on investments

Total revenues 424,825 461,631 1,382,040 1,372,178

Expenses

Net claims and claim

expenses incurred 131,700 42,436 416,546 348,950 Acquisition expenses
Operational expenses
Corporate expenses
Interest expense

131,/UU 42,436 416,546 348,950
43,719 63,998 186,957 207,409
27,126 27,364 82,177 77,351
7,158 5,121 19,089 16,431
7,226 9,492 26,400 29,163

236,929 148,411 731,169 679,304 Total expenses

Income before minority

interest and taxes 187,896 313,220 650,871 692,874

Minority interest -

DaVinciRe (43,820) (52,830) (110,326) (105,494)

Income before taxes 144,076 260,390 540,545 587,380 Income tax expense (101) (616) (888) (893)

Net income 143,975 259,774 539,657 586,487

Dividends on preference

(10,575) (8,662) (32,286) (25,987) shares

Net income available to

common shareholders \$ 133,400 \$ 251,112 \$ 507,371 \$ 560,500

Operating income available

to common shareholders per

Common Share - diluted (1) \$ 2.33 \$ 3.42 \$ 7.60 \$ 8.30

Net income available to

common shareholders per

Common Share - basic \$ 1.89 \$ 3.53 \$ 7.14 \$ 7.89

Net income available to

common shareholders per

Common Share - diluted \$ 1.85 \$ 3.48 \$ 7.02 \$ 7.79

Average shares outstanding -

basic 70,575 71,093 71,038 71,026

Average shares outstanding -

diluted 71,945 72,115 72,296 71,942 Net claims and claim expense

35.9% 11.6% 38.3% 30.4% ratio

Underwriting expense ratio 24.7% 24.9% 24.7% 24.8%

Combined ratio 60.6% 36.5% 63.0% 55.2%

Operating return on average common equity - annualized

23.6% 45.6% 27.1% 39.8% (1)

(1) Excludes net realized gains and losses on investments and, commencing in the third quarter of 2007, net unrealized gains and losses on credit derivatives issued by entities included in investments in other ventures, under equity method (see- "Comments on Regulation G").

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries Summary Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands of U.S. dollars, except per share amounts)

Αt

September December 30, 2007 31, 2006

(Unaudited) (Audited)

Assets

Fixed maturity investments available for sale,

at fair value \$3,475,449 \$3,111,930

Short term investments, at cost 2,418,958 2,410,971 Other investments, at fair value 716,686 592,829

Investments in other ventures, under equity

176,256 227,075 method

Total investments 6,787,349 6,342,805 317,295 214,399 Cash and cash equivalents Premiums receivable 714,495 419,150 Ceded reinsurance balances
Losses recoverable
Accrued investment income
Deferred acquisition costs

194,357 133
220,037 301,854
41,483 41,2
142,171 106,91 194,357 133,971 41,483 41,234 Receivable for investments sold

Other assets 197,110 61,061

Other assets 147,041 147,634

Total assets \$8,761,338 \$7,769,026

Liabilities, Minority Interest and

Shareholders' Equity

Liabilities

Reserve for claims and claim expenses \$2,128,644 \$2,098,155 Reserve for unearned premiums 880,714 578,424

450,540 450,000

Subordinated obligation to capital trust - 103,093 Reinsurance balances payable 358,333 395,083 Payable for investments purchased 511,153 88,089 Reinsurance balances payable

Other liabilities 148,388 125,401

Total liabilities 4,477,772 3,838,245
Minority interest - DaVinciRe 761,815 650,284
Shareholders' Equity Preference shares 650,000 800,000 Common shares 70,852 72,140 Additional paid-in capital 212,297 284,123 Accumulated other comprehensive income 29,649 25,217 Retained earnings 2,558,953 2,099,017
Total shareholders' equity 3,521,751 3,280,497
Total liabilities, minority interest and shareholders' equity \$8,761,338 \$7,769,026
Book value per common share \$ 40.53 \$ 34.38
Common shares outstanding 70,852 72,140
RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries Unaudited Supplemental Financial Data - Segment Information (in thousands of U.S. dollars, except ratios) Three months ended September 30, 2007
Reinsurance Individual Elimi Other Total Risk -nations(1)
Gross premiums written \$ 141,545 \$101,534 \$(34,258) \$ - \$ 208,821
Net premiums written \$ 91,112 \$ 58,051 - \$ 149,163 ====================================
Net premiums earned \$ 242,520 \$124,537 - \$ 367,057 Net claims and claim
expenses incurred 67,335 64,365 - 131,700
Acquisition expenses 32,122 31,597 - 63,719
Operational expenses 16,301 10,825 - 27,126
Underwriting income \$ 126,762 \$ 17,750 - 144,512
Net investment income 95,594 95,594 Equity in losses of

other (23,986) (23,986) ventures Other loss (10,008) (10,008) Interest and preference share dividends (17,801) (17,801) Minority interest -DaVinciRe (43,820) (43,820) Other items, (12,683) (12,683) net Net realized gains on investments 1,592 1,592 -----Net income available to common shareholders \$(11,112) \$ 133,400 Net claims and claim expenses incurred current accident year \$ 83,104 \$ 68,755 \$ 151,859 Net claims and claim expenses incurred prior accident years (15,769) (4,390) (20,159)Net claims and claim expenses incurred -\$ 131,700 total \$ 67,335 \$ 64,365 ======= Net claims and claim expense ratio current accident year 34.3% 55.2% 41.4% Net claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident (6.5%) (3.5%) (5.5%)years Net claims and claim expense ratio -27.8% calendar year 51.7% 35.9% Underwriting expense ratio 34.1% 24.7% 20.0%

======= (1) Represents gross premiums ceded from the Individual Risk segment to the Reinsurance segment. _____ Three months ended September 30, 2006 _____ Reinsurance Individual Elimi Other Total Risk -nations(1) ------Gross premiums written \$ 123,345 \$166,238 \$(31,831) \$ - \$ 257,752 _____ ======= Net premiums \$ 77,062 \$ 85,633 - \$ 162,695 written ======= Net premiums earned \$ 236,310 \$130,766 - \$ 367,076 Net claims and claim expenses incurred (40,756) 83,192 - 42,436 Acquisition expenses 27,890 36,108 - 63,998 Operational expenses 18,495 8,869 - 27,364 Underwriting income \$ 230,681 \$ 2,597 - 233,278 Net investment income 80,427 80,427 Equity in earnings of other 10,131 10,131 ventures Other income 2,006 2,006 Interest and preference share dividends (18,154) (18,154) Minority interest -DaVinciRe (52,830) (52,830) Other items, (7,897) (7,897)net Net realized gains on investments 4,151 4,151 Net income available to common shareholders \$ 17,834 \$ 251,112 ================

Combined ratio 47.8% 85.8%

60.6%

Net claims and

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expenses
incurred -
current
accident year $ 17,131 $ 78,736 $ 95,867
Net claims and
claim
expenses
incurred -
prior
accident
     (57,887) 4,456 (53,431)
years
Net claims and
claim
expenses
incurred -
      $(40,756) $83,192 $ 42,436
total
     =======
Net claims and
claim expense
ratio -
current
accident year 7.2% 60.2%
                                 26.1%
Net claims and
claim expense
ratio - prior
accident
       (24.4%) 3.4% (14.5%)
years
Net claims and
claim expense
ratio -
calendar year (17.2%) 63.6%
                                  11.6%
Underwriting
expense ratio 19.6% 34.4%
                                  24.9%
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Combined ratio 2.4% 98.0%
                                  36.5%
     =======
(1) Represents gross premiums ceded from the Individual Risk segment to
the Reinsurance segment.
     RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries
Unaudited Supplemental Financial Data - Segment Information (cont'd.)
   (in thousands of United States Dollars, except ratios)
         Nine months ended September 30, 2007
     _____
      Re Individual Elimi Other Total
     -insurance Risk -nations(1)
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Gross
premiums
written $1,263,727 $ 463,241 $ (39,558) $ - $1,687,410
     Net premiums
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written \$ 995,686 \$ 334,346 - \$1,330,032

claim

Net premiums earned \$ 723,286 \$: Net claims and claim	364,843 - \$1,088,129
expenses incurred 221,990 19	94,556 - 416,546
Acquisition expenses 86,411 1 Operational	00,546 - 186,957
expenses 50,943 3	31,234 - 82,177
Underwriting income \$ 363,942 \$	
Net investment income Equity in losses of	321,749 321,749
other ventures Other loss Interest and preference	(3,610) (3,610) (17,709) (17,709)
share dividends Minority interest -	(58,686) (58,686)
DaVinciRe Other items,	(110,326) (110,326)
net Net realized	(20,607) (20,607)
losses on investments	(5,889) (5,889)
Net income available to common shareholders	\$ 104,922 \$ 507,371 =============
Net claims and claim expenses incurred - current accident	
year \$ 317,718 \$ 22 Net claims and claim expenses incurred - prior	25,207 \$ 542,925
accident years (95,728) (30,	651) (126,379)
Net claims and claim	

net claims and claim expenses incurred -

total \$ 2		\$ 194,556 =========	\$ 416,546 = ========
Net claims and claim expense ratio - current accident			
year Net claims and claim expense ratio - prior accident	43.9%	61.7%	49.9%
years	(13.2%)		(11.6%)
Net claims and claim expense ratio - calendar year Underwritin	30.7%		38.3%
expense ratio	19.0%	36.1%	24.7%
Combined ratio		89.4%	63.0%
the Reinsur	Nine m	gment. onths ended S ridual Elimi	eptember 30, 2006 Other Total
-Insi		Risk -nations	S(I)
			S (68,540) \$ - \$1,748,695 = ==========
	987,077	'\$ 385,697 :=======	
Net premiur earned S Net claims and claim expenses		4 \$ 421,945	- \$1,149,689
		255,081	- 348,950
	87,48	7 119,922	- 207,409
	50,80		- 77,351

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Underwriting
income $ 495,586 $ 20,393
                                     - 515,979
      Net
investment
income
                           234,873 234,873
Equity in
earnings of
other
                           25,904 25,904
ventures
Other income
                               243
                                     243
Interest and
preference
share
                           (55,150) (55,150)
dividends
Minority
interest -
                            (105,494) (105,494)
DaVinciRe
Other items,
net
                        (18,902) (18,902)
Net realized
losses on
investments
                            (36,953) (36,953)
Net income
available to
common
shareholders
                            $ 44,521 $ 560,500
                      Net claims
and claim
expenses
incurred -
current
accident
        $ 193,620 $ 261,995
                                     $ 455,615
year
Net claims
and claim
expenses
incurred -
prior
accident
         (99,751) (6,914)
                                    (106,665)
years
Net claims
and claim
expenses
incurred -
       $ 93,869 $ 255,081
                                    $ 348,950
total
      -----
                                         =======
Net claims
and claim
expense
ratio -
current
accident
year
          26.6%
                   62.1%
                                     39.6%
Net claims
and claim
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expense

ratio - prior accident years (13.7%) (1.6%) (9.2%)
Net claims and claim expense ratio - calendar
year 12.9% 60.5% 30.4% Underwriting
expense ratio 19.0% 34.7% 24.8%
Combined ratio 31.9% 95.2% 55.2% ====================================
(1)Represents gross premiums ceded from the Individual Risk segment to the Reinsurance segment.
RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. and Subsidiaries Unaudited Supplemental Financial Data (in thousands of U.S. dollars)
Three months ended Nine months ended
Reinsurance Segment September Septem
Renaissance catastrophe premiums \$84,271 \$92,150 \$665,211 \$753,009 Renaissance specialty premiums 39,536 20,367 240,384 169,947
Total Renaissance premiums 123,807 112,517 905,595 922,956
DaVinci catastrophe premiums 17,856 10,578 348,708 322,922 DaVinci specialty premiums (118) 250 9,424 23,566
Total DaVinci premiums 17,738 10,828 358,132 346,488
Total Reinsurance premiums \$141,545 \$123,345 \$1,263,727 \$1,269,44
Total specialty premiums \$ 39,418 \$ 20,617 \$ 249,808 \$ 193,513
Total catastrophe premiums \$102,127 \$102,728 \$1,013,919 \$1,075,931
Catastrophe premiums written on behalf of our joint venture, Top Layer Re (1) - 1,189 63,725 51,244

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Catastrophe premiums
   assumed from the
   Individual Risk
                     (34,258) (31,109) (39,558) (66,205)
   segment
                -----
  Total managed
   catastrophe premiums
   (2)
                  67,869 72,808 1,038,086 1,060,970
  Managed premiums
   assumed for fully-
   collateralized joint
   ventures
                      (938) (3,046) (60,301) (114,299)
  Total managed
   catastrophe premiums,
   net of fully-
   collateralized joint
   ventures (2)
                     $ 66,931 $ 69,762 $ 977,785 $ 946,671
                ______
(1) Top Layer Re is accounted for under the equity method of
accounting.
(2)See Comments on Regulation G.
_____
               Three months ended  Nine months ended
Individual Risk Segment September September September September
                30, 2007 30, 2006 30, 2007 30, 2006
.....

      Commercial multi-line
      $ 60,428
      $ 92,056
      $ 280,694
      $ 296,045

      Commercial property
      26,361
      46,597
      143,879
      179,006

      Personal lines property
      14,745
      27,585
      38,668
      72,740

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  Total Individual Risk
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\$101,534 \$166,238 \$ 463,241 \$ 547,791

Comments on Regulation G

premiums

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" 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" as used herein differs from "net income available to common shareholders," which the Company believes is the most directly comparable GAAP measure, by the exclusion of net realized gains and losses on the Company's investments and, commencing in the third quarter of 2007, net unrealized gains and losses on credit derivatives issued by entities included in investments in other ventures, under equity method. Prior to the third quarter of 2007, the Company had no net unrealized gains and losses on credit derivatives issued by entities included in investments in other ventures, under equity method. In the presentation below, the only adjustments in respect of unrealized gains and losses for the current period reflect unrealized mark-to-market losses on credit derivatives and other credit-related products issued by ChannelRe, a financial guarantee reinsurer whose investment is accounted for by the Company under the equity method. The Company believes that the prevailing convention among financial guarantee insurers, reinsurers and other market participants, such as ChannelRe, is to exclude from operating income such unrealized gains and losses attributable to credit derivatives and other credit-related products. The Company's management believes that "operating income" 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 and credit derivatives issued by entities included in investments in other ventures, under equity method, which are not considered by management to be relevant indicators of business operations. The Company also uses "operating income" to calculate "operating income per common share - diluted" and "operating income available to common shareholders; 2) net income

available to common shareholders per common share - diluted to operating income available to common shareholders per common share - diluted; and 3) return on average common equity - annualized to operating return on average common equity - annualized:

Three months ended Nine months ended

(In thousands of U.S. dollars, September September September September except for per share amounts) 30, 2007 30, 2006 30, 2007 30, 2006

Net income available to common

shareholders \$133,400 \$251,112 \$507,371 \$560,500

Adjustment for net realized

(gains) losses on

investments (1,592) (4,151) 5,889 36,953

Adjustment for net unrealized losses on credit derivatives issued by entities included in investments in other ventures, under equity

method 35,970 - 35,970

Operating income available to

common shareholders \$167,778 \$246,961 \$549,230 \$597,453

Net income available to common

shareholders per common share

- diluted \$ 1.85 \$ 3.48 \$ 7.02 \$ 7.79

Adjustment for net realized

(gains) losses on

investments (0.02) (0.06) 0.08 0.51

Adjustment for net unrealized losses on credit derivatives issued by entities included in investments in other ventures, under equity

method 0.50 - 0.50 -

Operating income available to common shareholders per

common share - diluted \$ 2.33 \$ 3.42 \$ 7.60 \$ 8.30

Return on average common

equity - annualized 18.8% 46.3% 25.0% 37.3%

Adjustment for net realized

(gains) losses on

investments (0.2%) (0.7%) 0.3% 2.5%

Adjustment for net unrealized losses on credit derivatives issued by entities included in investments in other ventures, under equity

method 5.0% 0.0% 1.8% 0.0%

Operating return on average

common equity - annualized 23.6% 45.6% 27.1% 39.8%

The Company has also included in this Press Release "managed catastrophe premiums" and "managed catastrophe premiums, net of fully-collateralized joint ventures". "Managed catastrophe premiums" is defined as gross catastrophe premiums written by Renaissance Reinsurance and its related joint ventures. "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. "Managed catastrophe premiums, net of fully-collateralized joint ventures" differ from total catastrophe premiums, which the Company believes is the most directly comparable GAAP measure, due to: 1) 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 2) the deduction of catastrophe premiums that are written by the Company and ceded directly to the Company's fully-collateralized joint ventures which include Starbound Reinsurance Ltd., Starbound Reinsurance II Ltd. and Timicuan Reinsurance Ltd. The Company's management believes "managed catastrophe premiums" is useful to investors and other interested parties because it provides a measure of total catastrophe reinsurance premiums, net of fully-collateralized joint ventures" is also a useful measure to investors and other interested parties because it provides a measure of total catastrophe reinsurance premiums written directly on behalf of the Company's fully-collateralized joint ventures, net of catastrophe premiums written directly on behalf of the Company's fully-collateralized joint ventures.

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