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Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2006

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number 1-10804

XL CAPITAL LTD

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

CAYMAN ISLANDS
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

98-0191089
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**XL House, One Bermudiana Road, Hamilton, Bermuda HM 11
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)**

(441) 292-8515

(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 No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one): Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer

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

As of October 30, 2006, there were 180,573,133 outstanding Class A Ordinary Shares, \$0.01 par value per share, of the registrant.

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PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

XL CAPITAL LTD
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(U.S. dollars in thousands, except share amounts)

| | (Unaudited) September 30, 2006 | December 31, 2005 |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Investments: | | |
| Fixed maturities at fair value (amortized cost: 2006, \$34,564,249; 2005, \$31,984,076) | \$ 34,765,259 | \$ 32,309,565 |
| Equity securities, at fair value (cost: 2006, \$694,175; 2005, \$696,858) | 847,308 | 868,801 |
| Short-term investments, at fair value (amortized cost: 2006, \$3,105,784; 2005, \$2,552,589) | 3,099,684 | 2,546,073 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total investments available for sale | 38,712,251 | 35,724,439 |
| Investments in affiliates | 2,112,353 | 2,046,721 |
| Other investments | 500,155 | 399,417 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total investments | 41,324,759 | 38,170,577 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 2,128,221 | 3,693,475 |
| Accrued investment income | 432,176 | 391,660 |
| Deferred acquisition costs | 940,881 | 866,200 |
| Prepaid reinsurance premiums | 1,357,649 | 1,067,556 |
| Premiums receivable | 4,082,824 | 3,799,041 |
| Reinsurance balances receivable | 1,237,011 | 1,043,013 |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable | 5,532,054 | 6,441,522 |
| Goodwill and other intangible assets | 1,817,229 | 1,814,544 |
| Deferred tax asset, net | 296,985 | 318,399 |
| Other assets | 630,210 | 848,914 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total assets | \$ 59,779,999 | \$ 58,454,901 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY | | |
| Liabilities: | | |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses | \$ 23,292,278 | \$ 23,767,672 |
| Deposit liabilities | 8,103,553 | 8,240,987 |
| Future policy benefit reserves | 6,075,259 | 5,606,461 |
| Unearned premiums | 6,088,306 | 5,388,996 |
| Notes payable and debt | 3,368,132 | 3,412,698 |
| Reinsurance balances payable | 1,272,934 | 1,414,752 |
| Net payable for investments purchased | 246,593 | 639,034 |
| Other liabilities | 1,259,642 | 1,414,496 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total liabilities | \$ 49,706,697 | \$ 49,885,096 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

XL CAPITAL LTD
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(U.S. dollars in thousands, except share amounts)

| | <u>(Unaudited)</u> <u>September 30,</u> <u>2006</u> | <u>December 31,</u> <u>2005</u> |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| Commitments and Contingencies | | |
| Minority interest in equity of consolidated subsidiaries | \$ 549,327 | \$ 50,518 |
| Shareholders' Equity: | | |
| Series A preference ordinary shares, 9,200,000 authorized, par value \$0.01 Issued and outstanding: 2006 and 2005, 9,200,000 | \$ 92 | \$ 92 |
| Series B preference ordinary shares, 11,500,000 authorized, par value \$0.01 Issued and outstanding: 2006 and 2005, 11,500,000 | 115 | 115 |
| Series C preference ordinary shares, 20,000,000 authorized, par value \$0.01 Issued and outstanding 2006 and 2005, nil | | |
| Class A ordinary shares, 999,990,000 authorized, par value \$0.01 Issued and outstanding: 2006, 180,508,133; 2005, 179,528,593 | 1,805 | 1,795 |
| Additional paid in capital | 6,411,090 | 6,377,375 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income | 240,556 | 268,243 |
| Retained earnings | 2,870,317 | 1,824,191 |
| Total shareholders' equity | \$ 9,523,975 | \$ 8,471,811 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | \$ 59,779,999 | \$ 58,454,901 |

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

XL CAPITAL LTD
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(U.S. dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|--|-----------------------|---|---------------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Revenues: | | | | |
| Net premiums earned | \$ 1,855,064 | \$ 1,800,054 | \$ 5,658,203 | \$ 7,412,257 |
| Net investment income | 518,281 | 366,692 | 1,455,645 | 1,042,298 |
| Net realized (losses) gains on investments | (52,656) | 53,223 | (53,495) | 203,949 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on derivative instruments | 611 | 17,982 | 78,700 | 15,219 |
| Net income from investment affiliates | 39,370 | 56,735 | 174,612 | 116,473 |
| Fee income and other | 3,494 | 1,621 | 23,086 | 15,733 |
| Total revenues | \$ 2,364,164 | \$ 2,296,307 | \$ 7,336,751 | \$ 8,805,929 |
| Expenses: | | | | |
| Net losses and loss expenses incurred | \$ 1,040,167 | \$ 2,590,969 | \$ 3,256,852 | \$ 4,995,737 |
| Claims and policy benefits | 156,028 | 142,957 | 531,361 | 2,289,248 |
| Acquisition costs | 260,877 | 296,018 | 823,476 | 901,400 |
| Operating expenses | 276,425 | 262,315 | 817,450 | 758,421 |
| Exchange losses | 21,943 | 5,159 | 75,385 | 5,388 |
| Interest expense | 150,388 | 89,748 | 412,889 | 275,800 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 420 | 2,668 | 1,935 | 8,504 |
| Total expenses | \$ 1,906,248 | \$ 3,389,834 | \$ 5,919,348 | \$ 9,234,498 |
| Income (loss) before minority interest, income tax charge (benefit) and equity in net (income) of insurance and financial affiliates | \$ 457,916 | \$ (1,093,527) | \$ 1,417,403 | \$ (428,569) |
| Minority interest in net income of subsidiary | 8,355 | 2,411 | 10,613 | 6,765 |
| Income tax charge (benefit) | 43,655 | (47,338) | 176,728 | 47,312 |
| Net (income) from operating affiliates | (19,964) | (9,479) | (51,560) | (42,525) |
| Net income (loss) | 425,870 | (1,039,121) | 1,281,622 | (440,121) |
| Preference share dividends | 10,081 | 10,080 | 30,241 | 30,240 |
| Net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders | \$ 415,789 | \$ (1,049,201) | \$ 1,251,381 | \$ (470,361) |
| Weighted average ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents outstanding basic | 178,818 | 139,266 | 178,662 | 138,823 |
| Weighted average ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents outstanding diluted | 179,439 | 139,266 | 179,298 | 138,823 |
| Earnings (loss) per ordinary share and ordinary share equivalent basic | \$ 2.33 | \$ (7.53) | \$ 7.00 | \$ (3.39) |
| Earnings (loss) per ordinary share and ordinary share equivalent diluted | \$ 2.32 | \$ (7.53) | \$ 6.98 | \$ (3.39) |

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

XL CAPITAL LTD
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(U.S. dollars in thousands)

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|--|-----------------------|---|---------------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 425,870 | \$ (1,039,121) | \$ 1,281,622 | \$ (440,121) |
| Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments, net of tax | 641,548 | (271,073) | (114,937) | (226,970) |
| Amortization of derivative loss on cash flow hedge | 159 | 159 | 471 | 471 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments, net | (2,172) | 36,528 | 94,826 | 115,850 |
| Net unrealized (loss) gain on future policy benefit reserves | (1,685) | 3,458 | (14,595) | 9,049 |
| Minority interest share in change in accumulated other comprehensive loss in SCA | (7,676) | | (7,676) | |
| Realization of loss on sale of SCA | 14,224 | | 14,224 | |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | <u>\$ 1,070,268</u> | <u>\$ (1,270,049)</u> | <u>\$ 1,253,935</u> | <u>\$ (541,721)</u> |

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

XL CAPITAL LTD
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY
(U.S. dollars in thousands)

| | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|---|--------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| Series A and B Preference Ordinary Shares: | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 207 | \$ 207 |
| Issue of shares | | |
| Balance end of period | \$ 207 | \$ 207 |
| Class A Ordinary Shares: | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 1,795 | \$ 1,389 |
| Issue of shares | 8 | 9 |
| Exercise of stock options | 3 | 8 |
| Repurchase of shares | (1) | (1) |
| Balance end of period | \$ 1,805 | \$ 1,405 |
| Additional Paid in Capital: | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 6,377,375 | \$ 3,880,187 |
| Issue of shares | 53,011 | 69,871 |
| Repurchase of ordinary shares | (2,830) | (1,776) |
| Stock option expense | 17,354 | 15,345 |
| Exercise of stock options | 13,772 | 33,864 |
| Net change in deferred compensation | (6,492) | (34,397) |
| Net loss on sale of SCA | (30,100) | |
| Realization of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss on sale of SCA | (11,000) | |
| Balance end of period | \$ 6,411,090 | \$ 3,963,094 |
| Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income: | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 268,243 | \$ 460,273 |
| Net change in unrealized gains (losses) on investment portfolio, net of tax | (134,263) | (232,086) |
| Net change in unrealized gains (losses) on investment portfolio of affiliates | 19,326 | 5,116 |
| Amortization of derivative loss on cash flow hedge | 471 | 471 |
| Impact of net unrealized gain (losses) on future policy benefit reserves | (14,595) | 9,049 |
| Currency translation adjustments | 94,826 | 115,850 |
| Realization of loss on sale of SCA | 14,224 | |
| Minority interest share in charge in accumulated other comprehensive loss in SCA | (7,676) | |
| Balance end of period | \$ 240,556 | \$ 358,673 |
| Retained Earnings: | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 1,824,191 | \$ 3,396,639 |
| Net income (loss) | 1,281,622 | (440,121) |
| Dividends on Series A and B preference ordinary shares | (30,241) | (30,240) |
| Dividends on Class A ordinary shares | (202,471) | (207,344) |
| Repurchase of ordinary shares | (2,784) | (3,013) |
| Balance end of period | \$ 2,870,317 | \$ 2,715,921 |

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Total Shareholders Equity

\$ 9,523,975

\$ 7,039,300

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XL CAPITAL LTD
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(U.S. dollars in thousands)

| | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|---|---------------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 (restated)* |
| Cash flows provided by operating activities: | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 1,281,622 | \$ (440,121) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities: | | |
| Net realized losses (gains) on investments | 53,495 | (203,949) |
| Net realized and unrealized (gains) losses on derivative instruments | (78,700) | (15,219) |
| Amortization of (discounts) premiums on fixed maturities | (18,359) | 38,914 |
| Equity in net income from investment, insurance and financial affiliates | (226,172) | (158,998) |
| Amortization of deferred compensation | 45,923 | 27,993 |
| Accretion of convertible debt | 725 | 731 |
| Accretion of deposit liabilities | 261,494 | 151,953 |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses | (851,837) | 3,456,112 |
| Future policy benefit reserves | 22,666 | 1,776,599 |
| Unearned premiums | 608,718 | 794,826 |
| Premiums receivable | (194,175) | (340,953) |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable | 1,015,037 | (846,198) |
| Prepaid reinsurance premiums | (278,054) | (147,951) |
| Reinsurance balances receivable | (179,951) | (14,139) |
| Deferred acquisition costs | (57,465) | (98,978) |
| Reinsurance balances payable | (142,448) | (16,960) |
| Deferred tax asset | 34,191 | 15,795 |
| Other assets | 303,907 | (76,069) |
| Other | (88,482) | 48,676 |
| | \$ 230,513 | \$ 4,392,185 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 1,512,135 | \$ 3,952,064 |
| Cash flows used in investing activities: | | |
| Proceeds from sale of fixed maturities and short-term investments | \$ 16,618,562 | \$ 16,455,068 |
| Proceeds from redemption of fixed maturities and short-term investments | 897,854 | 812,582 |
| Proceeds from sale of equity securities | 1,048,623 | 950,790 |
| Purchases of fixed maturities and short-term investments | (20,207,649) | (22,853,444) |
| Purchases of equity securities | (971,591) | (777,904) |
| Net acquisitions less dispositions of affiliates | 177,695 | 13,954 |
| Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired | (12,600) | |
| Net proceeds on sale of shares of SCA | 104,650 | |
| Other investments | (96,396) | 44,880 |
| Other assets | 4,087 | |
| | \$ (2,436,765) | \$ (5,354,074) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | \$ (2,436,765) | \$ (5,354,074) |
| Cash flows provided by financing activities: | | |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options and issuance of common shares | 13,293 | 40,297 |
| Repurchase of shares | (5,616) | (4,790) |
| Dividends paid | (232,711) | (237,584) |
| Proceeds from notes payable and issuance of equity units | | |
| Repayment of loans | (45,291) | |
| Deposit liabilities | (398,553) | 1,563,157 |

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| | | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net cash flow on securities lending | (335,661) | (70,773) |
| Proceeds from issuance of shares of SCA | 342,227 | |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities | \$ (662,312) | \$ 1,290,307 |
| Effects of exchange rate changes on foreign currency cash | 21,688 | (35,434) |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| (Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents | (1,565,254) | (147,137) |
| Cash and cash equivalents beginning of period | 3,693,475 | 2,203,726 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents end of period | \$ 2,128,221 | \$ 2,056,589 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

* See Note 1

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

XL CAPITAL LTD
NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Basis of Preparation and Consolidation

These unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and all of its subsidiaries and have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. (GAAP) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, these unaudited financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation of financial position and results of operations as at the end of and for the periods presented. The results of operations for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results for a full year. All significant inter-company accounts and transactions have been eliminated. 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 materially from these estimates.

To facilitate period-to-period comparisons, certain reclassifications have been made to prior period consolidated financial statement amounts to conform to current period presentation. There was no effect on net income from this change in presentation.

Unless the context otherwise indicates, references herein to the Company include XL Capital Ltd and its consolidated subsidiaries.

Statement of Cash Flows

The Statement of Consolidated Cash Flows for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2005 has been restated. On November 5, 2006, management of the Company determined that the Company had incorrectly included the impact of foreign exchange rate changes on Cash flows provided by operating activities, Cash flows used in investing activities, Cash flows provided by financing activities, and Effects of exchange rate changes on foreign currency cash in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and, therefore, a restatement would be required to eliminate the impact of those rate changes on balances held in certain foreign currency denominated subsidiaries.

The following Condensed Statement of Consolidated Cash Flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 sets forth the effects of this restatement:

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 | | |
|---|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| | As Previously Reported | Adjustments | As Restated |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 3,182,762 | \$ 769,302 | \$ 3,952,064 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (4,601,015) | (753,059) | (5,354,074) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 1,273,146 | 17,161 | 1,290,307 |
| Effects of exchange rate changes on foreign currency cash | (2,030) | (33,404) | (35,434) |
| | | | |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents | \$ (147,137) | \$ | \$ (147,137) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of year | 2,203,726 | | 2,203,726 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year | \$ 2,056,589 | \$ | \$ 2,056,589 |

XL CAPITAL LTD
NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

2. Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Stock-Based compensation

Effective January 1, 2003, the Company adopted the fair value recognition provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (FAS) No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation* (FAS 123), as amended by FAS No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure* (FAS 148), under the prospective method for options granted subsequent to January 1, 2003. Prior to 2003, the Company accounted for options under the disclosure-only provisions of FAS 123 and no stock-based employee compensation cost was included in net income as all options granted had an exercise price equal to the market value of the Company's ordinary shares on the date of the grant. At September 30, 2006, the Company had several stock based Performance Incentive Programs, which are described more fully in Note 19 to the consolidated financial statements filed on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005. Stock-based compensation issued under these plans generally have a life of not longer than ten years and vest as set forth at the time of grant. Options currently vest annually over three or four years from the date of grant. The Company recognizes compensation costs for stock options and restricted stock on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for each award.

In 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No.123 (revised 2004) (FAS 123(r)), *Share-Based Payment*, which is a revision of SFAS 123. SFAS 123(r) superseded FAS 123 and APB 25, and amended SFAS 95, *Statement of Cash Flows*. Generally, the approach to accounting for share-based payments in FAS 123(r) is similar to the approach described in FAS 123, which the Company adopted on a prospective basis in 2003. However, FAS 123(r) requires all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options (for all grant years), to be recognized in the financial statements over the vesting period based on their grant date fair values.

The Company adopted FAS 123(r) effective January 1, 2006 using the modified-prospective method to account for share-based payments made to employees. The modified-prospective method is similar to the modified-prospective method described in SFAS 148. Under this method, compensation cost is recognized beginning with the effective date (a) based on the requirements of FAS 123(r) for all share-based payments granted after the effective date and (b) based on the requirements of FAS 123(r) for all awards granted to employees prior to the effective date of FAS 123(r) that remain unvested on the effective date.

Effective August 4, 2006, the Board of Directors of Security Capital Assurance Ltd (SCA) a consolidated subsidiary of the Company as discussed in Note 4, adopted the 2006 Long-Term Incentive and Share Award Plan, which is referred to as the SCA Plan . The SCA Plan provides for the grant to eligible employees, consultants and directors of stock options, share appreciation rights (SARs), restricted shares, restricted share units, performance shares, performance units, dividend equivalents, and other share-based awards (Awards). An aggregate of 3,848,182 common shares has been reserved for issuance under the SCA Plan, subject to anti-dilution adjustments in the event of certain changes in our capital structure. Shares issued pursuant to the SCA Plan will be either authorized but unissued shares or treasury shares.

The SCA Plan will be administered by SCA's Compensation Committee or such other Board committee (or the entire Board) as may be designated by SCA's Board, which is referred to as the Committee. The Committee will determine which eligible employees, consultants and directors receive Awards, the types of Awards to be received and the terms and conditions thereof. However, the exercise price of options and SARs will not be less than the fair market value of the shares on the date of grant, and the term will not be longer than ten years from the date of grant. In the event of a change in control (as defined in the SCA Plan), all awards granted under the SCA Plan then outstanding but not then exercisable (or subject to restrictions) shall become immediately exercisable, all restrictions shall lapse, and any performance criteria shall be deemed satisfied, unless otherwise provided in the applicable Award agreement.

The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions:

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

| | XL Capital Ltd (Unaudited) | | SCA (Unaudited) |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|
| | Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006 | Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 | Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006 |
| Dividend yield | 2.1% | 2.6% | 0.0% |
| Risk free interest rate | 4.7% | 4.0% | 5.0% |
| Expected volatility | 25.0% | 25.0% | 25.0% |
| Expected lives | 5.5 years | 5.5 years | 4.4 years |

The risk free interest rate is based on U.S. Treasury rates. The expected lives are estimated using the historical exercise behavior of grant recipients. The expected volatility is determined based upon a combination of the historical volatility of the Company's stock and the implied volatility derived from publicly traded options.

In the first nine months of 2006 and 2005, the Company granted 187,800 and 1,877,500 options, respectively, to purchase its ordinary shares to directors and employees related to incentive compensation plans, with a weighted average grant-date fair value of \$17.34 and \$17.04, respectively. During the three-month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005, the Company recognized \$4.8 million and \$4.9 million, respectively, of compensation expense, net of tax, related to its stock option plans. During the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005, the Company recognized \$15.0 million and \$13.3 million, respectively, of compensation expense, net of tax, related to its stock option plan. Total intrinsic value of stock options exercised during the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 was \$4.1 million and \$16.2 million, respectively.

The following is a summary of stock options as of September 30, 2006, and related activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 for the Company:

| | Number of Shares | Weighted Average Exercise Price | Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term | Aggregate Intrinsic Value (000s) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|---|
| Outstanding beginning of period | 12,745,290 | \$ 75.35 | 6.0 years | |
| Granted | 187,800 | 67.18 | | |
| Exercised | (266,789) | 50.68 | | |
| Cancelled | (641,420) | 79.36 | | |
| Outstanding end of period | 12,024,881 | \$ 75.56 | 5.2 years | \$ 32,437 |
| Options exercisable | 9,569,846 | \$ 75.60 | 4.5 years | \$ 32,298 |
| Options available for grant* | 13,058,111 | | | |

* Available for grant includes shares that may be granted as either stock options or restricted stock.

The aggregate intrinsic value in the table above represents the total pre-tax intrinsic value (the difference between the Company's closing stock price on the last trading day of the third quarter of fiscal 2006 and the exercise price, multiplied by the number of in-the-money-options) that would have been received by the option holders had all option holders exercised their options on September 30, 2006. Total unrecognized stock based compensation expense related to non-vested stock options was approximately \$33.3 million as of September 30, 2006, related to

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approximately 12.0 million options, that is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.5 years.

In the first nine months of 2006, the Company incurred no additional stock based compensation due to the adoption of FAS 123(r) related to the vesting in 2006 of options granted prior to January 1, 2003, as all options granted prior to that date had been fully vested by September 30, 2006.

At the effective date of the initial public offering (IPO) of SCA, SCA awarded 647,963 stock options (the IPO Awards) to directors and employees at an exercise price of \$20.50. Of the total stock options awarded, 200,000 were granted to directors, of which 50,000 relate to directors, who as officers of the Company, pledged such options to the Company. There were no other stock option awards made through September 30, 2006. The Awards vest as set forth in the applicable Award agreements and the requisite service period is equivalent to the vesting period. The IPO Awards contain certain restrictions, prior to vesting, relating to, among other things, forfeiture in the event of termination of employment and transferability. The IPO Awards awarded had a weighted average grant-date fair value of \$6.06, a weighted average remaining contractual term of 7.65 years, and an aggregate intrinsic value of \$2.2 million. None of these options were exercisable at September 30, 2006. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006, SCA recognized approximately \$0.2 million of compensation expense, net of tax, related to its stock option awards. There were no stock options exercised or cancelled dur-

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2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

ing the nine months ended September 30, 2006. Total unrecognized stock based compensation expense related to non-vested stock options was approximately \$3.6 million as of the end of September 30, 2006, related to 647,963 options, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.4 years.

For all periods presented prior to 2006, and for all options granted prior to January 1, 2003, the Company accounted for stock option grants under the recognition and measurement principles of APB 25 and related interpretations and accordingly, recognized no compensation expense for these stock options granted to employees. The following table illustrates the effect on earnings per share for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2005, if the Company had applied the fair value recognition to all of its stock-based employee compensation:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands, except per share amounts) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, 2005 | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 |
|---|---|--|
| Net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders as reported | \$ (1,049,201) | \$ (470,361) |
| Add: Stock based employee compensation expense included in reported net income, net of related tax | 5,659 | 15,390 |
| Deduct: Total stock based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards, net of related tax effects | (5,689) | (20,007) |
| Pro forma net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders | <u>\$ (1,049,231)</u> | <u>\$ (474,978)</u> |
| Earnings (loss) per ordinary share: | | |
| Basic as reported | \$ (7.53) | \$ (3.39) |
| Basic pro forma | \$ (7.53) | \$ (3.39) |
| Diluted as reported | \$ (7.53) | \$ (3.39) |
| Diluted pro forma | \$ (7.53) | \$ (3.39) |

Restricted stock awards issued under the 1991 Performance Incentive Program and under the SCA Plan vest as set forth in the applicable award agreements. These shares contained certain restrictions prior to vesting, relating to, among other things, forfeiture in the event of termination of employment and transferability.

In first nine months of 2006 and 2005, the Company granted 786,862 and 901,050 shares, respectively, of its restricted common shares to its directors and employees related to incentive compensation plans, with a weighted average grant date fair value per share of \$66.48 and \$75.38, respectively. During the three-month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005, \$15.4 million and \$7.5 million, respectively, was charged to compensation expense related to restricted stock awards. During the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005, \$45.9 million and \$28.0 million, respectively, was charged to compensation expense related to restricted stock awards. Total unrecognized stock based compensation expense related to non-vested restricted stock awards was approximately \$102.9 million as of the end of September 30, 2006, related to approximately 1.9 million restricted stock awards, which is expected to be recognized over 2.6 years. Non-vested restricted stock awards as of September 30, 2006 and for the nine months then ended for the Company were as follows:

| | Number of shares (thousands) | Weighted- Average Grant Date Fair Value |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Unvested at December 31, 2005 | 1,529 | \$ 62.43 |
| Granted | 787 | \$ 66.48 |
| Vested | (405) | \$ 74.97 |
| Forfeited | (11) | \$ 72.49 |
| Unvested at September 30, 2006 | <u>1,900</u> | <u>\$ 71.89</u> |

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At the effective date of the SCA IPO, SCA awarded 500,428 shares of restricted stock with a weighted average grant date fair value of \$20.50. All awards were made to directors and employees. There were no other restricted stock awards made through September 30, 2006. The awards vest as set forth in the applicable award agreements. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006, SCA recognized approximately \$0.5 million of compensation expense related to its restricted stock awards. There were no restricted stock vested or forfeited during the nine months ended September 30, 2006. Total unrecognized stock based compensation expense related to non-vested restricted stock was approximately \$9.8 million as of September 30, 2006, related to 500,428 options, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 4.3 years.

FAS 123(r) requires that compensation costs be recognized for unvested stock-based compensation awards over the period through the date that the employee is no longer required to provide future services to earn the award, rather than over the explicit service period. Accordingly, the Company has adopted this policy of recognizing compensation cost to coincide with the date that the employee is eligible to retire, rather than the actual retirement date, for all options granted. In the first nine months of 2006, the Company incurred \$8.2 million of additional stock based compensation expense due to the adoption of FAS 123(r) related to this treatment of retirement eligible employees as compared to the previous attribution methodology.

3. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In February 2006, the FASB issued FAS 155, *Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments – an amendment of FASB Statements No. 133 and 140*. This standard permits fair value re-measurement of an entire hybrid financial instrument that contains an embedded derivative that otherwise would require bifurcation; narrows the scope exemption applicable to interest-only strips and principal-only strips from FAS 133, clarifies that only the simplest separations of interest payments and principal payments qualify as not being subject to the requirements of FAS 133; establishes a requirement to evaluate interests in securitized financial assets to identify interests that are freestanding derivatives or that are hybrid financial instruments that contain an embedded derivative requiring bifurcation; clarifies that concentrations of credit risk in the form of subordination are not embedded derivatives; and amends FAS 140 to eliminate the prohibition on a qualifying special-purpose entity from holding a derivative financial instrument that pertains to a beneficial interest other than another derivative financial instrument. This statement is intended to require more consistent accounting that eliminates exemptions and provides a means to simplify the accounting for hybrid financial instruments. This statement is effective for all financial instruments acquired or issued after January 1, 2007 and is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations. As at September 30, 2006 the Company has not elected to apply the fair value option for any hybrid financial instruments.

In April 2006, the FASB issued FSP FIN 46(R)-6, *Determining the Variability to be Considered in Applying FIN 46(R)*, which states that the variability to be considered when applying FIN 46(R) should be based on an analysis of the design of an entity, which entails analyzing the nature of the risks in the entity, determining the purpose for which the entity was created and determining the variability the entity is designed to create and pass along to its interest holders. Typically, assets and operations of the entity create the variability (and thus are not variable interests), while liabilities and equity interests absorb that variability (and thus, are variable interests). The role of a contract or arrangement in the design of the entity, regardless of its legal form or accounting classification, shall dictate whether that interest should be treated as creating or absorbing variability for the entity. The guidance in this FSP must be applied as of July 1, 2006, and is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations but will form an important part of the Company's evaluation of any relevant structures going forward.

In June 2006, the FASB ratified a consensus on the EITF Issue No. 06-03 (EITF 06-03) related to the classification of certain sales, value added and excise taxes within the income statement. This EITF would become effective for the Company in the first quarter of our fiscal year 2007. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact of this EITF on disclosures relating to presentation of such taxes on the statement of operations.

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3. Recent Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

In July 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* (FIN 48), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements in accordance with FASB Statement No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. The provisions of FIN 48 must be applied beginning January 1, 2007. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this guidance on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

In September 2006, the FASB issued proposed FSP FAS 123(R)-e, *Amendment of FASB Staff Position FAS 123(R)-1*, which addresses whether the modification of an instrument in connection with an equity restructuring or a business combination should be considered a modification for purposes of applying FSP FAS 123(R)-1, *Classification and Measurement of Freestanding Financial Instruments Originally Issued in Exchange for Employee Services under FASB Statement No. 123(R)*. The FASB staff has taken the position that for instruments that were originally issued as employee compensation and then exchanged or changed, where the only change is a change to the terms of an award to reflect an equity restructuring or a business combination that occurs when the holders are no longer employees, then no change in the recognition and measurement (due to a change in classification) of these instruments will result if, there is (i) no increase in value to the holders of the instrument or (ii) the exchange or change in the terms of the award is not made in contemplation of an equity restructuring or a business combination and (iii) all holders of the same class of equity instruments (for example, stock options) are treated in a similar manner. These provisions must be applied in the first reporting period beginning after the date the final FSP is posted to the FASB's website. This guidance is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

In September 2006, the FASB issued FAS No. 158, *Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans, an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106, and 132(R)* (SFAS 158). Under the new standard, companies must recognize a net liability or asset to report the funded status of their defined benefit pension and other postretirement benefit plans on their balance sheets and to recognize changes in that funded status in the year in which the changes occur through comprehensive income. The recognition and disclosure provisions of SFAS 158 will be required to be adopted as of December 31, 2006. This guidance it is not expected to have a material impact on on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

In September 2006, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 108 (SAB 108), *Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements when Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statements*, which provides interpretive guidance on the consideration of the effects of prior year misstatements in quantifying current year misstatements for the purpose of a materiality assessment. SAB 108 is effective for companies with fiscal years ending after November 15, 2006 and is required to be adopted by the Company in its fiscal year ending December 31, 2006. However, early application is encouraged in any report for an interim period filed after the publication of this guidance. The Company is currently assessing the impact of the adoption of SAB 108.

In September 2006, the FASB issued FAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (FAS 157) which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. FAS 157 is applicable in conjunction with other accounting pronouncements that require or permit fair value measurements, where the FASB previously concluded in those accounting pronouncements that fair value is the relevant measurement attribute. Accordingly, FAS 157 does not require any new fair value measurements. FAS No. 157 will be effective for interim and annual financial statements issued after January 1, 2008. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of FAS 157; however, it is not expected to have a material impact on on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

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4. Sale of Financial Guaranty Business

On August 7, 2006, the Company completed the sale of approximately 37% of its financial guaranty reinsurance and insurance businesses (the Transferred Business) through an initial public offering (IPO) of 23.4 million common shares of SCA at \$20.50 per share. SCA was incorporated in Bermuda in March 2006 for the sole purpose of becoming the parent company for the Transferred Business.

As part of the overall structuring of the IPO, certain formation transactions occurred in order to move all units included in the IPO under SCA. Also in connection with the IPO, the Company has entered into reinsurance agreements with SCA to retain certain insurance risks along with the related liabilities. At their inception, these contracts had no effect on the Company's income. In addition, the Company has entered into arrangements to provide adverse development protection to SCA related to certain limited risks where the Company would pay up to the limits of the underlying coverages. The Company has also entered into a number of agreements with SCA that govern certain aspects of the relationship, including service agreements under which the Company will provide certain services to SCA for a limited period of time. For further details on related party transactions with SCA, see SCA's reports filed with the SEC.

In addition, the Company has committed to provide a capital contribution to SCA currently estimated to be between \$8.0 million and \$12.0 million relating to certain unvested long-term compensation previously awarded by the Company to newly transferred SCA employees under its long-term compensation plans. The ultimate amount and timing of such contribution is expected to be finalized by the managements and boards of directors of SCA and the Company by the end of the current fiscal year.

Subsequent to the completion of the IPO, the Company owns 63% of the outstanding common shares of SCA, although there are certain limitations on the Company's voting rights. These limitations were put into place in response to increased rating agency desire for greater independence of XL Capital Assurance Inc. (XLCA) and XL Financial Assurance Ltd. (XLFA), in order to address the differential between the triple-A ratings of these two companies and the remaining affiliated companies within the XL Capital Ltd group. The principal two limitations are as follows:

- i. Pursuant to SCA's bye-laws, the votes conferred by the common shares owned by the Company may not exceed, with respect to any matter presented to SCA's shareholders for their action or consideration, 47.5% of the aggregate voting power of all common shares entitled to vote on such matters, except with respect to elections of all directors (including independent directors) where the votes conferred by the common shares owned by the Company may not exceed 50.1% of the aggregate voting power of all common shares entitled to vote. In this respect, it is relevant that for all matters, the aggregate voting power of any other individual shareholder is limited to a maximum of 9.5% of the aggregate voting power of all common shares entitled to vote. It is further relevant that none of these voting restrictions shall apply to up to three non-affiliated transferees of shares from the Company.
- ii. The Company has the right to appoint 4 out of the 9 directors of SCA, and pursuant to formation agreements is required to maintain a majority of directors on the board of SCA who are independent under applicable New York Stock Exchange Rules, and are neither a director nor an officer of any member of the XL Capital Ltd group.

From an accounting perspective, these limitations did not result in a loss of control and as such, the Company continues to consolidate SCA based upon the aggregate impact of its retained controlling interest established through the Company's economic interests and voting rights as well as through its level of participation in certain committees of the SCA board of directors, including its majority representation on SCA's Finance and Risk Oversight Committee. The voting limitations noted above can be reduced or eliminated upon receipt by SCA of written confirmation from each nationally recognized rating agency, then providing a financial strength rating for SCA, that such financial strength rating is or will be determined without reference to the ratings of any member of the XL Capital Ltd group or

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4. Sale of Financial Guaranty Business (continued)

that the then financial strength rating issued by it will not at the time of such confirmation be adversely affected by the elimination or adjustment of such limitations. The 37% ownership interest in SCA held by the public and SCA management is recorded as a minority interest in the Company's financial statements.

Upon completion of the IPO, the Company received proceeds, net of offering costs, of approximately \$104.7 million. The transaction resulted in a pre-tax reduction of shareholders' equity of \$33.7 million, representing the difference between the carrying value of 100% of SCA immediately prior to the IPO and the sum of the proceeds and the remaining carrying value of the Company's ownership interest in SCA subsequent to the IPO; as well as, other costs and taxes incurred on the transaction. The portion of the reduction related to the primary offering of shares by SCA of \$30.1 million was recorded as a direct reduction to shareholders' equity, while the portion of the reduction related to the shares sold in the secondary offering of \$3.6 million was included in realized gains (losses) in the accompanying statement of operations. In addition, the Company incurred income tax expenses of \$6.0 million principally related to the transfer of XLCA to XL Insurance (Bermuda) Ltd, prior to the contribution of XLCA to SCA.

The Company has also realized portions of SCA's accumulated other comprehensive loss as a result of the primary and secondary offerings of \$11.0 million and \$3.2 million, respectively. These amounts have no impact on total net shareholders equity and have been recorded in a manner consistent with the losses above.

The combined impact of the sale on net income was a pre and post-tax loss of \$6.8 million and \$12.8 million, respectively.

5. Segment Information

Following the IPO of SCA and changes in certain executive management responsibilities in 2006, the Company changed the reporting segments under which certain business units are reported in order to reflect these changes. All periods presented reflect these changes. The Company is now organized into five operating segments: Insurance, Reinsurance, Life Operations, SCA, and Financial Lines in addition to a corporate segment that includes the general investment and financing operations of the Company.

The Financial Lines segment was formed following the IPO of SCA. Following the IPO, the Financial Products and Services segment has been divided into Financial Lines and SCA. The Financial Lines segment includes (i) structured indemnity and structured credit products managed through the Company's financial solutions operations (XLFS), as well as, (ii) guaranteed investment contracts and funding agreements, (iii) political risk insurance, (iv) weather and energy management products, (v) the earnings on the Company's investment in Primus Guaranty Ltd. (Primus) and (vi) legacy financial guaranty business and other transactions not transferred to SCA. The SCA segment includes the triple-A rated financial guaranty insurance and reinsurance business.

The Company evaluates the performance of each segment based on underwriting results for general operations, and contribution from both life and financial operations. Other items of revenue and expenditure of the Company are not evaluated at the segment level for reporting purposes. In addition, the Company does not allocate assets by segment for its general operations. Investment assets related to the Company's life and financial operations are held in separately identified portfolios. Net investment income from these assets is included in net income from life operations and contribution from financial operations, respectively.

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5. Segment Information (continued)**Three months ended September 30, 2006:**

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Financial Lines</u> | <u>SCA</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| General Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | \$ 1,290,796 | \$ 758,060 | | | | \$ 2,048,856 |
| Net premium written | 787,921 | 492,689 | | | | 1,280,610 |
| Net premium earned | 1,015,048 | 684,149 | | | | 1,699,197 |
| Fee income and other | 2,799 | (199) | | | | 2,600 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 639,160 | 387,885 | | | | 1,027,045 |
| Acquisition costs | 116,152 | 130,428 | | | | 246,580 |
| Operating expenses (1) | 153,282 | 48,380 | | | | 201,662 |
| Exchange losses (gains) | 23,666 | (2,382) | | | | 21,284 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | | | <u> </u> |
| Underwriting profit | \$ 85,587 | \$ 119,639 | | | | \$ 205,226 |
| Life Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | | | \$ 107,413 | | | \$ 107,413 |
| Net premium written | | | 97,604 | | | 97,604 |
| Net premium earned | | | 97,818 | | | 97,818 |
| Fee income and other | | | 66 | | | 66 |
| Claims and policy benefits | | | 156,028 | | | 156,028 |
| Acquisition costs | | | 6,066 | | | 6,066 |
| Operating expenses (1) | | | 7,945 | | | 7,945 |
| Exchange losses | | | 595 | | | 595 |
| Net investment income | | | 87,993 | | | 87,993 |
| | | | <u> </u> | | | <u> </u> |
| Contribution from life operations | | | \$ 15,243 | | | \$ 15,243 |
| Financial Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | | | | \$ 5,944 | \$ 85,570 | \$ 91,514 |
| Net premium written | | | | (3,176) | 100,478 | 97,302 |
| Net premium earned | | | | 12,594 | 45,455 | 58,049 |
| Fee income and other | | | | 769 | 59 | 828 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | | | | 8,128 | 4,994 | 13,122 |
| Acquisition costs | | | | 2,407 | 5,824 | 8,231 |
| Operating expenses (1) | | | | 1,101 | 20,780 | 21,881 |
| Exchange (gains) losses | | | | (17) | 81 | 64 |
| | | | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Underwriting profit | | | | \$ 1,744 | \$ 13,835 | \$ 15,579 |
| Net investment income financial guaranty | | | | 2,264 | 21,835 | 24,099 |
| Net investment income structured products | | | | 123,332 | | 123,332 |
| Interest expense structured products | | | | 99,934 | | 99,934 |
| Operating expenses structured products (1) | | | | 9,734 | | 9,734 |
| Net income from financial and investment affiliates | | | | 3,900 | | 3,900 |
| Minority interest | | | | | 1,139 | 1,139 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) from derivatives | | | | 6,215 | (3,216) | 2,999 |
| | | | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Contribution from financial operations | | | | \$ 27,787 | \$ 31,315 | \$ 59,102 |

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5. Segment Information (continued)**Three months ended September 30, 2006:**

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Financial Lines</u> | <u>SCA</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Corporate and other: | | | | | | |
| Net investment income - general operations | | | | | | \$ 282,857 |
| Net realized and unrealized (losses) on investments and derivative instruments (2) | | | | | \$ (156) | (55,044) |
| Net income from investment and other operating affiliates | | | | | | 55,434 |
| Amortization of intangible benefits | | | | | | 420 |
| Corporate operating expenses | | | | | | 35,203 |
| Interest expense (3) | | | | | | 50,454 |
| Minority interest | | | | | 7,830 | 7,216 |
| Income tax charge | | | | | 2,747 | 43,655 |
| Net income | | | | | <u>\$ 20,582</u> | <u>\$ 425,870</u> |
| General Operations: | | | | | | |
| Loss and Loss expense Ratio (4) | 63.0% | 56.7% | | | | 60.4% |
| Underwriting Expense Ratio (4) | 26.5% | 26.2% | | | | 26.4% |
| Combined Ratio ⁽⁴⁾ | <u>89.5%</u> | <u>82.9%</u> | | | | <u>86.8%</u> |

(1) Operating expenses exclude corporate operating expenses, shown separately;

(2) This includes net realized losses on investments of \$52.7 million, net realized and unrealized losses on investment derivatives of \$2.4 million, but does not include unrealized appreciation or depreciation on investments, which are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss);

(3) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to life operations, shown separately;

(4) Ratios are based on net premiums earned from general operations. The underwriting expense ratio excludes exchange gains and losses.

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5. Segment Information (continued)**Three months ended September 30, 2005:**

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Financial Lines</u> | <u>SCA</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| General Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | \$ 1,329,271 | \$ 855,300 | | | | \$ 2,184,571 |
| Net premium written | 834,650 | 576,832 | | | | 1,411,482 |
| Net premium earned | 933,026 | 722,303 | | | | 1,655,329 |
| Fee income and other | 310 | 140 | | | | 450 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 1,314,386 | 1,245,282 | | | | 2,559,668 |
| Acquisition costs | 119,133 | 161,399 | | | | 280,532 |
| Operating expenses (1) | 133,598 | 41,564 | | | | 175,162 |
| Exchange (gains) losses | (8,130) | 12,437 | | | | 4,307 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | | | <u> </u> |
| Underwriting (loss) | \$ (625,651) | \$ (738,239) | | | | \$ (1,363,890) |
| Life Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | | | \$ 96,870 | | | \$ 96,870 |
| Net premium written | | | 87,762 | | | 87,762 |
| Net premium earned | | | 87,964 | | | 87,964 |
| Fee income and other | | | 74 | | | 74 |
| Claims and policy benefits | | | 142,957 | | | 142,957 |
| Acquisition costs | | | 9,063 | | | 9,063 |
| Operating expenses (1) | | | 4,079 | | | 4,079 |
| Exchange losses | | | 252 | | | 252 |
| Net investment income | | | 79,481 | | | 79,481 |
| | | | <u> </u> | | | <u> </u> |
| Contribution from life operations | | | \$ 11,168 | | | \$ 11,168 |
| Financial Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | | | | \$ 23,328 | \$ 76,109 | \$ 99,437 |
| Net premium written | | | | 23,471 | 72,086 | 95,557 |
| Net premium earned | | | | 16,759 | 40,002 | 56,761 |
| Fee income and other | | | | 1,097 | | 1,097 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | | | | 31,445 | (144) | 31,301 |
| Acquisition costs | | | | 2,324 | 4,099 | 6,423 |
| Operating expenses (1) | | | | 217 | 17,662 | 17,879 |
| Exchange losses | | | | 221 | 379 | 600 |
| | | | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Underwriting (loss) profit | | | | \$ (16,351) | \$ 18,006 | \$ 1,655 |
| Net investment income financial guaranty | | | | 2,868 | 13,508 | 16,376 |
| Net investment income structured products | | | | 86,780 | | 86,780 |
| Interest expense structured products | | | | 45,799 | | 45,799 |
| Operating expenses structured products (1) | | | | 8,780 | | 8,780 |
| Net income from financial and investment affiliates | | | | 1,027 | | 1,027 |
| Minority interest | | | | | 2,411 | 2,411 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) from derivatives | | | | 4,290 | (1,831) | 2,459 |
| | | | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Contribution from financial operations | | | | \$ 24,035 | \$ 27,272 | \$ 51,307 |

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5. Segment Information (continued)**Three months ended September 30, 2005:****(U.S. dollars in thousands)****(Unaudited)**

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Financial Lines</u> | <u>SCA</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Corporate and other: | | | | | | |
| Net investment income - general operations | | | | | | \$ 184,055 |
| Net realized and unrealized (losses) gains on investments and derivative instruments (2) | | | | | \$ (769) | 68,746 |
| Net income from investment and other operating affiliates | | | | | | 65,187 |
| Amortization of intangible benefits | | | | | | 2,668 |
| Corporate operating expenses | | | | | | 56,415 |
| Interest expense (3) | | | | | | 43,949 |
| Income tax (benefit) | | | | | (194) | (47,338) |
| Net income (loss) | | | | | <u>\$ 26,697</u> | <u>\$ (1,039,121)</u> |
| General Operations | | | | | | |
| Loss and Loss expense Ratio (4) | 140.9% | 172.4% | | | | 154.6% |
| Underwriting Expense Ratio (4) | 27.1% | 28.1% | | | | 27.6% |
| Combined Ratio (4) | <u>168.0%</u> | <u>200.5%</u> | | | | <u>182.2%</u> |

(1) Operating expenses exclude corporate operating expenses, shown separately;

(2) This includes net realized gains on investments of \$53.2 million, and net realized and unrealized gains on investment derivatives of \$15.5 million, but does not include unrealized appreciation or depreciation on investments, which are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss);

(3) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to life operations, shown separately;

(4) Ratios are based on net premiums earned from general operations. The underwriting expense ratio excludes exchange gains and losses.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Segment Information (continued)**Nine months ended September 30, 2006:****(U.S. dollars in thousands)****(Unaudited)**

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Financial Lines</u> | <u>SCA</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| General Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | \$ 4,221,703 | \$ 2,822,968 | | | | \$ 7,044,671 |
| Net premium written | 3,048,351 | 2,221,352 | | | | 5,269,703 |
| Net premium earned | 3,075,480 | 1,991,147 | | | | 5,066,627 |
| Fee income and other | 17,293 | 618 | | | | 17,911 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 1,998,395 | 1,147,586 | | | | 3,145,981 |
| Acquisition costs | 357,401 | 412,952 | | | | 770,353 |
| Operating expenses (1) | 448,964 | 133,033 | | | | 581,997 |
| Exchange losses (gains) | 100,701 | (20,051) | | | | 80,650 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | | | <u> </u> |
| Underwriting profit | \$ 187,312 | \$ 318,245 | | | | \$ 505,557 |
| Life Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | | | \$ 396,229 | | | \$ 396,229 |
| Net premium written | | | 367,750 | | | 367,750 |
| Net premium earned | | | 368,377 | | | 368,377 |
| Fee income and other | | | 260 | | | 260 |
| Claims and policy benefits | | | 531,361 | | | 531,361 |
| Acquisition costs | | | 27,620 | | | 27,620 |
| Operating expenses (1) | | | 19,869 | | | 19,869 |
| Exchange losses (gains) | | | (5,643) | | | (5,643) |
| Net investment income | | | 251,987 | | | 251,987 |
| | | | <u> </u> | | | <u> </u> |
| Contribution from life operations | | | \$ 47,417 | | | \$ 47,417 |
| Financial Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | | | | \$ 73,270 | \$ 272,307 | \$ 345,577 |
| Net premium written | | | | 60,081 | 281,747 | 341,828 |
| Net premium earned | | | | 74,719 | 148,480 | 223,199 |
| Fee income and other | | | | 2,607 | 2,308 | 4,915 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | | | | 99,469 | 11,402 | 110,871 |
| Acquisition costs | | | | 9,824 | 15,679 | 25,503 |
| Operating expenses (1) | | | | 1,725 | 58,838 | 60,563 |
| Exchange (gains) losses | | | | 201 | 177 | 378 |
| | | | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Underwriting (loss) profit | | | | \$ (33,893) | \$ 64,692 | \$ 30,799 |
| Net investment income financial guaranty | | | | 5,849 | 53,650 | 59,499 |
| Net investment income structured products | | | | 337,494 | | 337,494 |
| Interest expense structured products | | | | 257,974 | | 257,974 |
| Operating expenses structured products (1) | | | | 31,363 | | 31,363 |
| Net income from financial and investment affiliates | | | | 22,604 | | 22,604 |
| Minority interest | | | | | 3,397 | 3,397 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) from derivatives | | | | 32,216 | (6,402) | 25,814 |
| | | | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Contribution from financial operations | | | | \$ 74,933 | \$ 108,543 | \$ 183,476 |

See footnotes on following page.

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5. Segment Information (continued)**Nine months ended September 30, 2006:****(U.S. dollars in thousands)****(Unaudited)**

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Financial Lines</u> | <u>SCA</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Corporate and other: | | | | | | |
| Net investment income – general operations | | | | | | \$ 806,665 |
| Net realized and unrealized (losses) gains on investments and derivative instruments (2) | | | | | \$ (16,556) | (609) |
| Net income from investment and other operating affiliates | | | | | | 203,568 |
| Amortization of intangible benefits | | | | | | 1,935 |
| Corporate operating expenses | | | | | | 123,658 |
| Interest expense (3) | | | | | | 154,915 |
| Minority interest | | | | | 7,830 | 7,216 |
| Income tax charge | | | | | 2,559 | 176,728 |
| Net income | | | | | <u>\$ 81,598</u> | <u>\$ 1,281,622</u> |
| General Operations: | | | | | | |
| Loss and Loss expense Ratio (4) | 65.0% | 57.6% | | | | 62.1% |
| Underwriting Expense Ratio (4) | 26.2% | 27.5% | | | | 26.7% |
| Combined Ratio | <u>91.2%</u> | <u>85.1%</u> | | | | <u>88.8%</u> |

(1) Operating expenses exclude corporate operating expenses, shown separately;

(2) This includes net realized losses on investments of \$53.5 million, and net realized and unrealized gains on investment derivatives of \$52.9 million, but does not include unrealized appreciation or depreciation on investments, which are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss);

(3) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to life operations, shown separately;

(4) Ratios are based on net premiums earned from general operations. The underwriting expense ratio excludes exchange gains and losses.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Segment Information (continued)

Nine months ended September 30, 2005:
(U.S. dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Financial Lines</u> | <u>SCA</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| General Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | \$ 4,421,435 | \$ 3,055,752 | | | | \$ 7,477,187 |
| Net premium written | 3,227,012 | 2,492,194 | | | | 5,719,206 |
| Net premium earned | 3,069,904 | 2,079,255 | | | | 5,149,159 |
| Fee income and other | 1,321 | (306) | | | | 1,015 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 2,716,275 | 2,223,786 | | | | 4,940,061 |
| Acquisition costs | 376,908 | 452,638 | | | | 829,546 |
| Operating expenses (1) | 399,727 | 121,123 | | | | 520,850 |
| Exchange (gains) losses | (27,919) | 30,718 | | | | 2,799 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | | | <u> </u> |
| Underwriting (loss) | \$ (393,766) | \$ (749,316) | | | | \$ (1,143,082) |
| Life Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | | | \$ 2,130,627 | | | \$ 2,130,627 |
| Net premium written | | | 2,102,026 | | | 2,102,026 |
| Net premium earned | | | 2,102,650 | | | 2,102,650 |
| Fee income and other | | | 253 | | | 253 |
| Claims and policy benefits | | | 2,289,248 | | | 2,289,248 |
| Acquisition costs | | | 50,472 | | | 50,472 |
| Operating expenses (1) | | | 13,330 | | | 13,330 |
| Exchange losses | | | 925 | | | 925 |
| Net investment income | | | 211,347 | | | 211,347 |
| | | | <u> </u> | | | <u> </u> |
| Contribution from life operations | | | \$ (39,725) | | | \$ (39,725) |
| Financial Operations: | | | | | | |
| Gross premium written | | | | \$ 55,634 | \$ 207,200 | \$ 262,834 |
| Net premium written | | | | 55,375 | 193,197 | 248,572 |
| Net premium earned | | | | 49,863 | 110,585 | 160,448 |
| Fee income and other | | | | 13,692 | 773 | 14,465 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | | | | 30,358 | 25,318 | 55,676 |
| Acquisition costs | | | | 9,103 | 12,279 | 21,382 |
| Operating expenses (1) | | | | 2,065 | 50,708 | 52,773 |
| Exchange losses | | | | 42 | 1,622 | 1,664 |
| | | | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Underwriting profit | | | | \$ 21,987 | \$ 21,431 | \$ 43,418 |
| Net investment income financial guaranty | | | | 8,336 | 37,544 | 45,880 |
| Net investment income structured products | | | | 219,359 | | 219,359 |
| Interest expense structured products | | | | 142,343 | | 142,343 |
| Operating expenses structured products (1) | | | | 31,977 | | 31,977 |
| Net income from financial and investment affiliates | | | | 218 | | 218 |
| Minority interest | | | | | 6,986 | 6,986 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) from derivatives | | | | 39,822 | (3,798) | 36,024 |
| | | | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Contribution from financial operations | | | | \$ 115,402 | \$ 48,191 | \$ 163,593 |

See footnotes on following page.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Segment Information (continued)**Nine months ended September 30, 2005:****(U.S. dollars in thousands)****(Unaudited)**

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Financial Lines</u> | <u>SCA</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Corporate and other: | | | | | | |
| Net investment income - general operations | | | | | | \$ 565,712 |
| Net realized and unrealized (losses) gains on investments and derivative instruments (2) | | | | | \$ (2,140) | 183,144 |
| Net income from investment and other operating affiliates | | | | | | 158,780 |
| Amortization of intangible benefits | | | | | | 8,504 |
| Corporate operating expenses | | | | | | 139,491 |
| Interest expense (3) | | | | | | 133,457 |
| Minority interest | | | | | | (221) |
| Income tax charge | | | | | 1,062 | 47,312 |
| Net income (loss) | | | | | <u>\$ 47,113</u> | <u>\$ (440,121)</u> |
| General Operations: | | | | | | |
| Loss and Loss expense Ratio (4) | 88.5% | 107.0% | | | | 95.9% |
| Underwriting Expense Ratio (4) | 25.3% | 27.6% | | | | 26.3% |
| Combined Ratio (4) | <u>113.8%</u> | <u>134.6%</u> | | | | <u>122.2%</u> |

(1) Operating expenses exclude corporate operating expenses, shown separately;

(2) This includes net realized gains on investments of \$203.9 million, and net realized and unrealized losses on investment derivatives of \$20.8 million, but does not include unrealized appreciation or depreciation on investments, which are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss);

(3) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to life operations, shown separately;

(4) Ratios are based on net premiums earned from general operations. The underwriting expense ratio excludes exchange gains and losses.

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5. Segment Information (continued)

The following tables summarize the Company's net premiums earned by line of business:

Three months ended September 30, 2006:

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| General Operations: | | | |
| Professional liability | \$ 364,035 | \$ 87,213 | \$ 451,248 |
| Casualty | 256,254 | 183,901 | 440,155 |
| Property catastrophe | 18,483 | 63,736 | 82,219 |
| Other property | 170,195 | 213,863 | 384,058 |
| Marine, energy, aviation and satellite | 153,101 | 40,407 | 193,508 |
| Other (1) | 52,980 | 95,029 | 148,009 |
| Total general operations | \$ 1,015,048 | \$ 684,149 | \$ 1,699,197 |
| Life operations | | 97,818 | 97,818 |
| Financial lines | | | 12,594 |
| SCA | | | 45,455 |
| Total | \$ 1,015,048 | \$ 781,967 | \$ 1,855,064 |

(1) Other, includes bonding, warranty, accident and health and other lines of business.

Three months ended September 30, 2005:

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| General Operations: | | | |
| Professional liability | \$ 365,866 | \$ 95,277 | \$ 461,143 |
| Casualty | 265,282 | 208,319 | 473,601 |
| Property catastrophe | 3,297 | 89,056 | 92,353 |
| Other property | 103,973 | 186,661 | 290,634 |
| Marine, energy, aviation and satellite | 153,951 | 58,644 | 212,595 |
| Other (1) | 40,657 | 84,346 | 125,003 |
| Total general operations | \$ 933,026 | \$ 722,303 | \$ 1,655,329 |
| Life operations | | 87,964 | 87,964 |
| Financial lines | | | 16,759 |
| SCA | | | 40,002 |
| Total | \$ 933,026 | \$ 810,267 | \$ 1,800,054 |

(1) Other, includes bonding, warranty, accident and health and other lines of business.

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5. Segment Information (continued)**Nine months ended September 30, 2006:**

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| General Operations: | | | |
| Professional liability | \$ 1,166,613 | \$ 265,669 | \$ 1,432,282 |
| Casualty | 740,256 | 561,447 | 1,301,703 |
| Property catastrophe | 66,694 | 186,538 | 253,232 |
| Other property | 506,250 | 566,018 | 1,072,268 |
| Marine, energy, aviation and satellite | 456,138 | 114,438 | 570,576 |
| Other (1) | 139,529 | 297,037 | 436,566 |
| Total general operations | \$ 3,075,480 | \$ 1,991,147 | \$ 5,066,627 |
| Life operations | | 368,377 | 368,377 |
| Financial lines | | | 74,719 |
| SCA | | | 148,480 |
| Total | \$ 3,075,480 | \$ 2,359,524 | \$ 5,658,203 |

(1) Other, includes bonding, warranty, accident and health and other lines of business.

Nine months ended September 30, 2005:

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| General Operations: | | | |
| Professional liability | \$ 1,079,877 | \$ 276,625 | \$ 1,356,502 |
| Casualty | 826,748 | 660,707 | 1,487,455 |
| Property catastrophe | 46,477 | 225,292 | 271,769 |
| Other property | 414,889 | 519,359 | 934,248 |
| Marine, energy, aviation and satellite | 545,563 | 143,916 | 689,479 |
| Other (1) | 156,350 | 253,356 | 409,706 |
| Total general operations | \$ 3,069,904 | \$ 2,079,255 | \$ 5,149,159 |
| Life operations | | 2,102,650 | 2,102,650 |
| Financial lines | | | 49,863 |
| SCA | | | 110,585 |
| Total | \$ 3,069,904 | \$ 4,181,905 | \$ 7,412,257 |

(1) Other, includes bonding, warranty, accident and health and other lines of business.

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6. Derivative Instruments

The Company enters into investment, structured financial and weather and energy derivative instruments for both risk management and trading purposes. The Company also enters into credit derivatives in connection with its operations within the Financial Lines and SCA segments. The Company is exposed to potential loss from various market risks and manages its market risks based on guidelines established by senior management. All these derivative instruments are carried at fair value.

The following table summarizes the net realized and unrealized gains on derivative instruments included in net income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|--|------------|---|-----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Credit derivatives | \$ 1,832 | \$ (2,223) | \$ 3,214 | \$ 4,015 |
| Weather and energy risk management derivatives | 2,394 | 4,931 | 25,320 | 15,097 |
| Other non-investment derivatives | (1,227) | (249) | (2,720) | 16,912 |
| Net results from derivatives financial operations | \$ 2,999 | \$ 2,459 | \$ 25,814 | \$ 36,024 |
| Investment derivatives | (2,388) | 15,523 | 52,886 | (20,805) |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on derivative instruments | \$ 611 | \$ 17,982 | \$ 78,700 | \$ 15,219 |

The Company records premiums received from sales of investment grade credit derivatives in gross premiums written and establishes loss reserves for this derivative business. These loss reserves represent the Company's best estimate of the probable losses expected under these contracts. Net realized and unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments are computed as the difference between fair value and the net of unpaid losses and loss expenses and unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable. Changes in unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments are reflected in the consolidated statements of income. Cumulative unrealized gains and losses are reflected as assets and liabilities, respectively, in the Company's consolidated balance sheet. Net realized and unrealized gains and losses resulting from changes in the fair value of derivatives occur because of changes in interest rates, credit spreads, recovery rates, the credit ratings of the referenced entities and other market factors.

The following table summarizes insurance activities related to credit default swap derivative instruments excluding gains and losses on credit default swaps within the investment portfolio.

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|--|------------|---|------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| <i>Statement of Income:</i> | | | | |
| Net earned premiums | \$ 6,106 | \$ 6,708 | \$ 17,855 | \$ 21,154 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | \$ 7,598 | \$ (507) | \$ 8,213 | \$ (8,536) |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on credit derivatives | \$ 1,832 | \$ (2,223) | \$ 3,214 | \$ 4,015 |

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) As at September 30, 2006 | (Unaudited) As at December 31, 2005 |
|-----------------------------|--|---|
| | | _____ |

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Balance Sheet:

| | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable | \$ 1,007 | \$ 471 |
| Other assets | \$ 12,501 | \$ 15,768 |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses | \$ 23,492 | \$ 27,562 |
| Other liabilities | \$ 15,073 | \$ 20,142 |

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7. Notes Payable and Debt and Financing Arrangements

SCA closed a new \$500 million syndicated credit facility on August 1, 2006. The new facility has a tenor of 5-years and is only available for Security Capital Assurance Ltd and its subsidiaries. \$250 million is available in the form of revolving credit and the remaining \$250 million is available for letters of credit. At September 30, 2006, the revolving credit portion of the facility was undrawn while letters of credit amounting to \$133 million were in issue.

The Company closed a new \$500 million syndicated credit facility on May 9, 2006, which has a tenor of 364-days and is available for letters of credit only.

The Company replaced its letter of credit facility utilized to support the capital requirements of its syndicates at Lloyd's of London (Lloyd's), with a new £500 million credit facility that closed on March 14, 2006. Commitments from the participating banks expire on November 30, 2007, which will enable the Company to use this facility to meet its letter of credit needs for the 2008 year of account at Lloyd's.

8. Exposures under Guaranties

The Company provides financial guaranty insurance and reinsurance to support public and private borrowing arrangements. Financial guaranty insurance guarantees the timely payment of principal and interest on insured obligations to third party holders of such obligations in the event of default by an issuer. The Company's potential liability in the event of non-payment by the issuer of an insured or reinsured obligation represents the aggregate outstanding principal insured or reinsured under its policies and contracts and related interest payable at the date of default. In addition, the Company provides credit protection on specific referenced credits or on pools of specific referenced credits through the issuance of credit default swaps. Under the terms of credit default swaps, the seller of credit protection makes a specified payment to the buyer of credit protection upon the occurrence of one or more specified credit events with respect to a reference obligation or entity. The Company's potential liability under credit default swaps represents the notional amount of such swaps.

At September 30, 2006, the Company's net outstanding par exposure under its in-force financial guaranty insurance and reinsurance policies and contracts aggregated to \$92.2 billion and net reserves for losses and loss adjustment expenses relating to such exposures was \$167.2 million at such date. In addition, at September 30, 2006, the Company's notional exposure under credit default swaps aggregated to \$21.1 billion and the net liability for these credit default swaps reflected in the Company's balance sheet at September 30, 2006 was \$25.2 million.

9. XL Capital Finance (Europe) plc

XL Capital Finance (Europe) plc (XLFE) is a wholly owned finance subsidiary of the Company. In January 2002, XLFE issued \$600.0 million par value 6.5% Guaranteed Senior Notes due January 2012. These Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Company. XL Capital Ltd's ability to obtain funds from its subsidiaries is subject to certain contractual restrictions, applicable laws and statutory requirements of the various countries in which the Company operates including Bermuda, the U.S. and the U.K., among others. Required statutory capital and surplus for the principal operating subsidiaries of the Company was \$4.1 billion as of December 31, 2005.

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10. Computation of Earnings Per Ordinary Share and Ordinary Share Equivalent

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|--|----------------|---|----------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Basic earnings per ordinary share: | | | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 425,870 | \$ (1,039,121) | \$ 1,281,622 | \$ (440,121) |
| Less: preference share dividends | (10,081) | (10,080) | (30,241) | (30,240) |
| Net income available to ordinary shareholders | \$ 415,789 | \$ (1,049,201) | \$ 1,251,381 | \$ (470,361) |
| Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding | 178,818 | 139,266 | 178,662 | 138,823 |
| Basic earnings (loss) per ordinary share | \$ 2.33 | \$ (7.53) | \$ 7.00 | \$ (3.39) |
| Diluted earnings per ordinary share: | | | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 425,870 | \$ (1,039,121) | \$ 1,281,622 | \$ (440,121) |
| Less: preference share dividends | (10,081) | (10,080) | (30,241) | (30,240) |
| Net income available to ordinary shareholders | \$ 415,789 | \$ (1,049,201) | \$ 1,251,381 | \$ (470,361) |
| Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding basic | 178,818 | 139,266 | 178,662 | 138,823 |
| Average stock options outstanding (1) | 621 | | 636 | |
| Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding diluted | 179,439 | 139,266 | 179,298 | 138,823 |
| Diluted earnings (loss) per ordinary share | \$ 2.32 | \$ (7.53) | \$ 6.98 | \$ (3.39) |
| Dividends per ordinary share | \$ 0.38 | \$ 0.50 | \$ 1.14 | \$ 1.50 |

(1) Net of shares repurchased under the treasury stock method.

11. Minority interest in equity of consolidated subsidiaries

Minority interest in equity of consolidated subsidiaries includes common shares in SCA and preferred stock issued by XLFA. The balance is summarized as follows:

| | September 30, 2006 | December 31, 2005 |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Minority interest in common shares of SCA | \$ 495,311 | \$ |
| Minority interest in preferred shares of XLFA (1) | 54,016 | 50,518 |
| Total | \$ 549,327 | \$ 50,518 |

(1) In April 2006, the Company completed a restructuring of the terms of the redeemable preferred shares as defined in its Bye-laws. The restructuring effectively eliminated the participating dividend, which was based on a financial guaranty industry average dividend rate,

and increased the fixed dividend rate from 5% to 8.25%.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**General**

The following is a discussion of the Company's financial condition and liquidity and results of operations. Certain aspects of the Company's business have loss experience characterized as low frequency and high severity. This may result in volatility in both the Company's and an individual segment's results of operations and financial condition.

This Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contains forward-looking statements that involve inherent risks and uncertainties. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about the Company's beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements. These statements are based upon current plans, estimates and projections. Actual results may differ materially from those included in such forward-looking statements, and therefore undue reliance should not be placed on them. See

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements below for a list of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement.

During the third quarter of 2006, the Company's internal controls identified several immaterial items relating to prior periods which have been adjusted in the current quarter. Further discussion is provided in the relevant sections of the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations below.

This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and the audited Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto, presented under Item 7 and Item 8, respectively, of the Company's Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005.

Executive Overview

See Executive Overview in Item 7 of the Company's Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005.

Results of Operations

The following table presents an analysis of the Company's net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders and other financial measures (described below) for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|---|----------------|
| (U.S. dollars and shares in thousands, except per share amounts) | 2006 | 2005 |
| Net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders | \$ 415,789 | \$ (1,049,201) |
| Earnings (loss) per ordinary share - basic | \$ 2.33 | \$ (7.53) |
| Earnings (loss) per ordinary share - diluted | \$ 2.32 | \$ (7.53) |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents - basic | 178,818 | 139,266 |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents - diluted | 179,439 | 139,266 |

The following table presents an analysis of the Company's net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders and other financial measures (described below) for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005.

| | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|--|--------------|
| (U.S. dollars and shares in thousands, except per share amounts) | 2006 | 2005 |
| Net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders | \$ 1,251,381 | \$ (470,361) |

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|---|---------|----|---------|----|---------|
| Earnings (loss) per ordinary share | basic | \$ | 7.00 | \$ | (3.39) |
| Earnings (loss) per ordinary share | diluted | \$ | 6.98 | \$ | (3.39) |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents | basic | | 178,662 | | 138,823 |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents | diluted | | 179,298 | | 138,823 |

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The Company's net income and other financial measures as shown below for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 have been affected, among other things, by the following significant items:

1) Limited catastrophic event activity during the first nine months of 2006 as compared to 2005

The Atlantic hurricane season of June through November has traditionally represented the most significant catastrophe exposure period for the Company. While catastrophe exposure exists throughout the year, the absence of significant catastrophic activity in 2006 through the date of this report has been a significant driver of profitability for the first nine months of 2006 in comparison to the same period in 2005.

During the third quarter 2005, there was an unprecedented quantum of natural catastrophes. Collectively, Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and certain other third quarter 2005 natural catastrophes had a substantial impact on the Company's results of operations and financial condition. This impact should be considered when reviewing comparative results.

The following is an analysis of the financial impact on the Company's results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, from natural catastrophes:

| (U.S. dollars in millions, except ratios) | (Unaudited) Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 | | | |
|---|--|-------------|-----------------|------------|
| | Insurance | Reinsurance | Financial Lines | Total |
| Operating Data: | | | | |
| Net reinstatement premiums earned | | | | |
| Hurricane Katrina | \$ (70.3) | \$ 11.5 | \$ | \$ (58.8) |
| Hurricane Rita | (11.1) | 3.9 | | (7.2) |
| Other Third Quarter 2005 Natural Catastrophes * | | 3.4 | | 3.4 |
| Total net premiums earned | \$ (81.4) | \$ 18.8 | \$ | \$ (62.6) |
| Gross losses and loss expenses: | | | | |
| Hurricane Katrina | \$ 1,096.0 | \$ 1,080.0 | \$ 21.4 | \$ 2,197.4 |
| Hurricane Rita | 285.1 | 198.5 | | 483.6 |
| Other Third Quarter 2005 Natural Catastrophes * | 40.2 | 51.2 | | 91.4 |
| Total gross losses and loss expenses | \$ 1,421.3 | \$ 1,329.7 | \$ 21.4 | \$ 2,772.4 |
| Losses and loss expenses recoverable: | | | | |
| Hurricane Katrina | \$ 598.9 | \$ 439.7 | \$ | \$ 1,038.6 |
| Hurricane Rita | 151.1 | 68.9 | | 220.0 |
| Other Third Quarter 2005 Natural Catastrophes * | 1.7 | | | 1.7 |
| Total losses and loss expenses recoverable | \$ 751.7 | \$ 508.6 | \$ | \$ 1,260.3 |
| Underwriting loss | \$ 751.0 | \$ 802.3 | \$ 21.4 | \$ 1,574.7 |
| Income tax benefit | | | | \$ 100.3 |
| Net loss | | | | \$ 1,474.4 |
| | | | | |
| Loss ratio impact for the three months ended September 30, 2005 | | | | 92.4% |
| Combined ratio impact for the three months ended September 30, 2005 | | | | 93.5% |
| Loss ratio impact for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 | | | | 29.7% |

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Combined ratio impact for the nine months ended September 30,
2005

30.0%

* Other Third Quarter 2005 Natural Catastrophes includes European and Mumbai floods, Hurricanes Dennis, Emily and Ophelia and Typhoon Mawar.

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2) *Continuing competitive underwriting environment*

Insurance

In our global risk business, property premiums written for the quarter reflect the impact of increasing U.S. pricing since Europe is dominated by January 1 renewals. The shortage of U.S. catastrophe capacity and resultant price movement has allowed growth in premiums in the quarter while aggressively reducing catastrophe exposures. The Company's property catastrophe treaties renewed on July 1, with a material increase in reinsurance costs, driven not only by rate movements but an increase in limits purchased, although management expects less limits will be needed next year as certain U.S. catastrophe programs run off. Property results for the quarter and year to date have also reflected exceptionally low recent loss activity. In casualty lines, the Company is continuing to see pricing pressures, particularly in Europe and U.S. primary business. Management continues to monitor these lines closely for price and term movements.

In insurance other lines, the Company has seen pricing in U.S. professional lines remain adequate across Directors and Officers (D&O), Design Professional and Select Professional lines of business. The Company's recent entry into the private D&O market has shown significant growth. The Company views this market as an important future growth opportunity. While D&O pricing has been more aggressive in Europe, there have been reducing claim trends. In the environmental line, underwriting actions implemented in recent years are generating growth in new business production, while in marine and offshore energy lines of business, despite risk management initiatives which have reduced our catastrophe exposures significantly, we have benefited from overall market price increases.

Reinsurance

In the Reinsurance operations, there are pricing trends similar to those noted in Insurance above. In the property catastrophe business, management sees no reason that pricing will weaken following a benign catastrophe season and would expect to see a continuation of last July's momentum right through the January 2007 U.S. renewals and, at the same time, see incremental price improvement in Continental Europe. In casualty reinsurance lines, pricing pressure has been noted similar to those described in Insurance above.

3) *Growing asset base and positive contribution from investment affiliates*

Net investment income was \$1,455.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to \$1,042.3 million for the same period in 2005. This increase resulted from a larger investment base combined with higher investment yields primarily due to increases in U.S. interest rates. The increase in the size of the investment portfolio resulted from the Company's issuance of ordinary shares and equity units raised in the fourth quarter of 2005, growth in structured and spread balances and positive cash flows from operations.

Net income from investment affiliates was \$174.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, compared to \$116.5 million for the same period in 2005. These results reflect strong returns from the Company's alternative fund investments during the first nine months of 2006, as well as strong results from certain private equity fund investments.

Financial Measures

The following are some of the financial measures management considers important in evaluating the Company's operating performance:

| (U.S. dollars and shares in thousands, except ratios and per share amounts) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|--|----------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| Underwriting profit (loss) - general operations | \$ 205,226 | \$ (1,363,890) |
| Combined ratio - general operations | 86.8% | 182.2% |
| Investment income - general operations | \$ 282,857 | \$ 184,055 |

| | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|---|----------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| Underwriting profit (loss) - general operations | \$ 505,557 | \$ (1,143,082) |
| Combined ratio - general operations | 88.8% | 122.2% |
| Investment income - general operations | \$ 806,665 | \$ 565,712 |
| Annualized return on average ordinary shareholders' equity | 19.5% | NM |

| | (Unaudited) September 30, 2006 | December 31, 2005 |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Book value per ordinary share | \$ 49.90 | \$ 44.31 |
| <i>Underwriting profit - general operations</i> | | |

One way the Company evaluates the performance of its property and casualty insurance and reinsurance general operations is the underwriting profit or loss. The Company does not measure performance based on the amount of gross premiums written. Underwriting profit or loss is calculated from premiums earned and fee income, less net losses incurred and expenses related to the underwriting activities. Underwriting profits in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 are primarily reflective of the combined ratio discussed below.

Combined ratio - general operations

The combined ratio for general operations is used by the Company, and many other property and casualty insurance and reinsurance companies, as another measure of underwriting profitability. The combined ratio is calculated from the net losses incurred and underwriting expenses as a ratio of the net premiums earned for the Company's general insurance and reinsurance operations. A combined ratio of less than 100% indicates an underwriting profit and greater than 100% reflects an underwriting loss. Decreases in the Company's combined ratio for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006, compared to the same periods in the previous year, were primarily a result of a lower loss and loss expense ratio partially offset by an increasing underwriting expense ratio. The decrease in the loss and loss expense ratio was primarily due to the absence of significant natural catastrophic activity during the third quarter of 2006 compared to the same period in 2005, combined with the absence of the U.S. casualty reinsurance charge which took place in the second quarter of 2005, partially offset by continued pricing pressures across longer-tail lines of business. The increased underwriting expense ratio has been driven largely by increased compensation costs and continued pricing pressures that have resulted in less premium writings, and partially offset by decreased net acquisition costs due in part to ceding commissions earned on catastrophic retrocessions.

Net investment income - general operations

Net investment income from the Company's general operations is an important measure that affects the Company's overall profitability. The largest liability of the Company relates to its unpaid loss reserves, and the Company's investment portfolio provides liquidity for claims

settlements of these reserves as they become due and

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thus a significant part of the portfolio is in fixed income securities. Net investment income is affected by the size of the portfolio and also overall market interest rates. The average size of the investment portfolio outstanding during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 increased as compared to the same periods in 2005 due to the Company's issuance of ordinary shares and equity units in the fourth quarter of 2005 and its positive operating cash flow. Total investments as at September 30, 2006 were \$41.3 billion as compared to \$34.9 billion as at September 30, 2005. Interest rates in the U.S., U.K., and the Euro Zone have risen since the third quarter of 2005, which also contributed to the increase in investment income.

Book value per ordinary share

Management also views the Company's book value per ordinary share as an additional measure of the Company's performance. Book value per ordinary share is calculated by dividing ordinary shareholders' equity by the number of outstanding ordinary shares at any period end. Book value per ordinary share is affected primarily by the Company's net income (loss) and also by any changes in the net unrealized gains and losses on its investment portfolio. Book value per ordinary share has increased by \$5.59 in the first nine months of 2006 as compared to a decrease of \$5.57 in the first nine months of 2005. The factors noted above have created \$1.2 billion in net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, which increased book value. However, the net unrealized gains associated with the Company's investment portfolio have decreased by \$114.9 million net of tax for the first nine months of 2006. This represents decreases of \$756.5 million, net of tax in the first six months of 2006, partially offset by an increase of \$641.6 million, net of tax in the third quarter of 2006. These movements were primarily driven by movements in interest rates in the U.S., U.K., and the Euro zone. Book value per share as at September 30, 2006, compared with that as at September 30, 2005, was due to the above factors and offset partially by the increased average number of shares outstanding following the Company's issuance of common shares in the fourth quarter of 2005.

Other Key Focuses of Management

See the discussion of the Other Key Focuses of Management in Item 7 of the Company's Form 10 K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005. That discussion is updated with the disclosures set forth below.

Initial Public Offering of Financial Guaranty Business

On August 7, 2006, the Company completed the sale of 37% of its financial guaranty reinsurance and insurance businesses (the Transferred Business) through the IPO of 23.4 million common shares of SCA at \$20.50 per share. SCA was formed in Bermuda during March 2006 for the sole purpose of being the holding company for the Transferred Business.

As part of the overall structuring of the IPO, certain formation transactions occurred in order to move all units included in the IPO under SCA. In addition, in connection with the IPO, the Company has entered into reinsurance agreements with SCA to retain certain insurance risks along with the related liabilities. At their inception, these contracts had no effect on the Company's income. In addition, the Company has entered into arrangements to provide adverse development protection to SCA related to certain limited risks where the Company would pay up to the limits of the underlying coverages. The Company has also entered into a number of agreements with SCA that govern certain aspects of the relationship after the IPO, including service agreements under which the Company will provide certain services to SCA for a limited period of time.

Ratings and Capital Management

The Company's ability to underwrite business is dependent upon the quality of its claims paying and financial strength ratings as evaluated by independent rating agencies. As a result, in the event that the Company's financial strength rating was downgraded, its ability to write business may be adversely affected.

In the normal course of business, the Company evaluates its capital needs to support the volume of business written in order to maintain its claims paying and financial strength ratings. The Company is actively working to address these needs with several key business initiatives.

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To address these needs, management entered into certain catastrophe risk reduction measures and strategic initiatives intended to reduce volatility while, at the same time, improving the quality of the Company's risk adjusted returns. These measures include the Company's cessions to Cyrus Reinsurance Limited (Cyrus Re) and reducing the Company's catastrophe exposures in the Company's Global Risk Property Insurance book, the International Catastrophe Insurance Managers, LLC portfolio, the Reinsurance Property Risk book and the Company's Offshore Marine & Energy books in both the Insurance and Reinsurance segments.

Management Changes

During the first nine months of 2006, there have been a number of changes in segment and management structure.

A new Office of the Chief Executive Officer (OCEO) has been formed effective July 1, 2006. It is comprised of five senior executive functions including the Company's Chief Financial Officer, Chief Investment Officer, Chief Executive - Global Business Services and two newly-created roles, Chief Operating Officer and Chief of Staff. This new structure is designed to provide a focused, enterprise-wide framework to allow the Company's business leaders to leverage strategic opportunities and execute on business priorities.

Henry C.V. Keeling, formerly Global Head of Business Services and Chief Executive of Reinsurance Life Operations, has been appointed Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Keeling assumes broad strategic responsibility for the Company's underwriting risk assumption businesses, including insurance, general reinsurance, life reinsurance and financial products. Clive Tobin, Chief Executive Officer Insurance, and Jamie Veghte, Chief Executive Officer Reinsurance Operations, continue in those roles, as members of the Company's Executive Management Board and as the key leaders of the Company's property and casualty segments, reporting to Mr. Keeling.

Fiona E. Luck, formerly Global Head of Corporate Services, has been appointed Chief of Staff. In her new position, Ms. Luck is responsible for management of the Company's Legal and Corporate Actuarial functions in addition to her existing role managing a wide range of other holding company functions including Corporate Strategy, Human Resources, Corporate Communications, Marketing and Corporate Social Responsibility.

Michael C. Lobdell, a former Managing Director of New York-based JPMorganChase, joined the Company in September to serve as Chief Executive - Global Business Services. Mr. Lobdell is responsible for overall execution and service delivery across the entire Company and will oversee infrastructure and project management, including IT systems and technology, procurement, real estate, facilities, outsourcing and offshoring.

Additionally, during 2006 the Company announced the promotions of Sarah E. Street to the position of Chief Investment Officer, Kirstin Romann Gould to the newly-formed position of General Counsel of Corporate Affairs and Celia R. Brown to the position of Head of Global Human Resources.

At the segment executive management level, the Company also announced the appointment of Jamie Veghte to the position of Chief Executive of Reinsurance Operations, Robert Douglas to the position of Chief Executive of Life Operations and Daniel Sussman, to the position of Chief Executive of Financial Lines Operations. Messrs. Douglas, Veghte and Sussman report to the Company's Chief Operating Officer, Henry C.V. Keeling.

Following the SCA IPO and the changes in executive management responsibilities noted above, the Company is now organized into 5 operating segments: Insurance, Reinsurance, Life Operations, SCA, and Financial Lines in addition to a corporate segment that includes the general investment and financing operations of the Company.

Winterthur International

Under the terms of the Sale and Purchase Agreement (the SPA), as amended, between XL Insurance (Bermuda) Ltd (XLI) and Winterthur Swiss Insurance Company (WSIC), WSIC provided the Company with post-closing protection determined as of September 30, 2004 with respect to, among other things, adverse development of reserves and premium on certain Winterthur International Insurance business. This protection was based upon net loss experience and development over a three-year, post-closing seasoning period based on actual loss development experi-

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ence, collectible reinsurance and certain other factors set forth in the SPA. The SPA included a process for determining the amount due from WSIC by an independent actuarial process whereby the Independent Actuary developed a value of the seasoned net reserves. The actual final seasoned net reserves amount was the submission that was closest to the number developed by the Independent Actuary.

As the Company and WSIC were unable to come to an agreement, the Company submitted to WSIC notice to trigger the independent actuarial process as contemplated by the SPA. On February 3, 2005, both the Company and WSIC made submissions for the independent actuarial process. There were two separate numbers submitted - that for the Seasoned Net Reserves Amount (SNRA) and that for the Net Premium Receivable Amount (NPRA). Subsequent to this date neither party had the opportunity to submit revised figures to the Independent Actuary.

On November 23, 2005 the Company received the draft report from the Independent Actuary in connection with the Company's post-closing protection. The final report was received on December 6, 2005. The Independent Actuary's report concluded that WSIC submitted SNRA and NPRA were closest to the Independent Actuary's determinations of SNRA and NPRA. These determinations resulted in the Company receiving a net lump sum payment in the amount of approximately \$575.0 million (including interest receivable) from WSIC. As the Company had recorded \$1.4 billion in unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable related to this protection, a loss of approximately \$834.2 million was recorded in the fourth quarter of 2005.

Under the terms of the SPA, WSIC provided the Company with protection with respect to third party reinsurance receivables and recoverables related to the acquisition of certain Winterthur International insurance operations (the Winterthur Business), which were approximately \$1.6 billion, in the aggregate, as of September 30, 2006. Such protections were in the form of Sellers Retrocession Agreements and a Liquidity Facility.

On June 7, 2006, subsidiaries of the Company, entered into an agreement (the Agreement) with WSIC. The purpose of this Agreement is to release all actual or potential disputes, claims or issues arising out of or related in any way to: (i) the Liquidity Facility and the Sellers Retrocession Agreements, as well as (ii) subject to certain exceptions, the SPA.

The Agreement further provides for a four-year term, collateralized escrow arrangement (the Fund) of up to \$185 million (plus interest) to protect subsidiaries of the Company from future nonperforming third party reinsurance related to the Winterthur Business. The Fund has been structured to align the parties' interests by providing for any sums remaining in the Fund at the end of its term to be shared in agreed percentages.

The Agreement replaces the protections provided to the Company from WSIC for reinsurance receivables and recoverables under the Liquidity Facility and Sellers Retrocession Agreements noted above, and described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005 and the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A for the quarter ended March 31, 2006.

Foreign Exchange Exposure

In the normal course of business, the Company is exposed to foreign exchange fluctuations on various items on its financial statements, in particular investments and unpaid losses and loss expenses. This exposure also exists on certain inter-company balances, which are eliminated for consolidation purposes. The Company attempts to manage this economic exposure through matching foreign currency denominated liabilities with foreign currency denominated assets. While unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses on underwriting balances are reported in earnings, the offsetting unrealized gains and losses on invested assets are recorded as a separate component of shareholders' equity. This results in an accounting mismatch, that will result in foreign exchange gains or loss depending on the movement in certain currencies. In order to improve administrative efficiencies as well as to address this accounting imbalance, the Company formed several branches with Euro and U.K. Sterling functional currencies during the second quarter of 2006. Management will continue to focus on attempting to limit this type of exposure in the future.

Integrated European Reinsurance Platform

On October 18, 2006, the Company received approval for a new fully licensed European reinsurance company, XL Re Europe Ltd, based in Dublin, Ireland. XL Re Europe Ltd will be the headquarters of the Company's European reinsurance platform with branch offices in France, U.K., Spain, and Germany. Accordingly, XL Re Europe Ltd has formed two new branches in the U.K. and France to facilitate the assumption of business previously underwritten by the U.K. branch of XL Re Ltd and XL Re Europe S.A. The non-life business of the U.K. branch of XL Re Ltd will be transferred into XL Re Europe Ltd on January 1, 2007 under Part VII of the Financial Services & Markets Act 2000. The business of XL Re Europe S.A. has been transferred to XL Re Europe Ltd under the Transmission Universelle Du Patrimoine (TUP) process.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

See the discussion of the Company's Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates in Item 7 of the Company's Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005. That discussion is updated for disclosures set forth below.

Unpaid Losses and Loss Expenses and Unpaid Loss and Loss Expenses Recoverable

As the Company earns premiums for the underwriting risks it assumes, it also establishes an estimate of the expected ultimate losses related to the premium. Loss reserves or unpaid losses and loss expenses are established due to the significant periods of time that may lapse between the occurrence, reporting and settlement of a loss. The process of establishing reserves for unpaid property and casualty claims can be complex and is subject to considerable variability, as it requires the use of informed estimates and judgments. These estimates and judgments are based on numerous factors, and may be revised as additional experience and other data become available and are reviewed, as new or improved methodologies are developed or as current laws change. Loss reserves include:

- a) Case reserves – reserves for reported losses and loss expenses that have not yet been settled; and
- b) Losses incurred but not reported (IBNR).

Case reserves for the Company's general operations are established by management based on amounts reported from insureds or ceding companies and consultation with legal counsel, and represent the estimated ultimate cost of events or conditions that have been reported to or specifically identified by the Company. The method of establishing case reserves for reported claims differs among the Company's operations.

With respect to the Company's insurance operations, the Company is notified of insured losses and records a case reserve for the estimated amount of the settlement, if any. The estimate reflects the judgment of claims personnel based on general reserving practices, the experience and knowledge of such personnel regarding the nature of the specific claim and, where appropriate, advice of legal counsel. Reserves are also established to provide for the estimated expense of settling claims, including legal and other fees and the general expenses of administering the claims adjustment process. With respect to the Company's reinsurance operations, case reserves for reported claims are generally established based on reports received from ceding companies. Additional case reserves may be established by the Company to reflect the estimated ultimate cost of a loss. The uncertainty in the reserving process for reinsurers is due, in part, to the time lags inherent in reporting from the original claimant to the primary insurer to the reinsurer. As a predominantly broker market reinsurer for both excess-of-loss and proportional contracts, the Company is subject to a potential additional time lag in the receipt of information as the primary insurer reports to the broker who in turn reports to the Company. As of December 31, 2005, the Company did not have any significant back-log related to our processing of assumed reinsurance information.

Since the Company relies on information regarding paid losses, case reserves and IBNR provided by ceding companies in order to assist it in estimating its liability for unpaid losses and LAE, the Company maintains certain procedures in order to help determine the completeness and accuracy of such information. Periodically, management assesses the reporting activities of these companies on the basis of qualitative and quantitative criteria. In addition to conferring with ceding companies or brokers on claims matters, the Company's claims personnel conduct periodic

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audits of specific claims and the overall claims procedures of our ceding companies at their offices. The Company relies on its ability to effectively monitor the claims handling and claims reserving practices of ceding companies in order to help establish the proper reinsurance premium for reinsurance agreements and to establish proper loss reserves. Disputes with ceding companies have been rare and generally have been resolved through negotiation.

With respect to the Company's financial lines operations, financial guaranty claims incurred on policies written on an insurance basis are established consistent with the Company's insurance operations and financial guaranty claims incurred on policies written on a reinsurance basis are established consistent with the Company's reinsurance operations.

IBNR reserves represent management's best estimate, at a given point in time, of the amount in excess of case reserves that is needed for the future settlement and loss adjustment costs associated with claims incurred. It is possible that the ultimate liability may differ materially from these estimates. Because the ultimate amount of unpaid losses and LAE is uncertain, the Company believes that quantitative techniques to estimate these amounts are enhanced by professional and managerial judgment. Management reviews the IBNR estimates produced by the Company's actuaries and determines its best estimate of the liabilities to record in the Company's financial statements. The Company considers this single point estimate to be one that has an equal likelihood of developing a redundancy or deficiency as the loss experience matures.

IBNR reserves are estimated by the Company's actuaries using several standard actuarial methodologies including the loss ratio method, the loss development method, the Bornhuetter-Ferguson (BF) method and frequency and severity approaches. IBNR related to a specific event may be based on the Company's estimated exposure to an industry loss and may include the use of catastrophe modeling software. On a quarterly basis, IBNR reserves are reviewed by the Company's actuaries, and are adjusted as new information becomes available. Any such adjustments are accounted for as changes in estimates and are reflected in the results of operations in the period in which they are made.

The Company's actuaries utilize one set of assumptions in determining its single point estimate, which includes actual loss data, loss development factors, loss ratios, reported claim frequency and severity. The actuarial reviews and documentation are completed in accordance with professional actuarial standards appropriate to the jurisdictions where the business is written. The selected assumptions reflect the actuary's judgment based on historical data and experience combined with information concerning current underwriting, economic, judicial, regulatory and other influences on ultimate claim settlements.

When estimating IBNR reserves, each of the Company's insurance and reinsurance business units segregate business into exposure classes (over 200 classes are reviewed in total). Within each class, the business is further segregated by either the year in which the contract inception (underwriting year), the year in which the claim occurred (accident year), or the year in which the claim is reported (report year). The majority of the Insurance segment is reviewed on an accident year basis. The majority of the Reinsurance segment is reviewed on an underwriting year basis.

Generally, initial actuarial estimates of IBNR reserves not related to a specific event are based on the loss ratio method applied to each class of business. Actual paid losses and case reserves (reported losses) are subtracted from expected ultimate losses to determine IBNR reserves. The initial expected ultimate losses involve management judgment and are based on historical information for that class of business; which includes loss ratios, market conditions, underwriting changes, changes in claims emergence, and other factors that may influence expected ultimate losses.

Over time, as a greater number of claims are reported, actuarial estimates of IBNR are based on the BF and loss development techniques. The BF method utilizes actual loss data and the expected patterns of loss emergence, combined with an initial expectation of ultimate losses to determine an estimate of ultimate losses. This method may be appropriate when there is limited actual loss data and a relatively less stable pattern of loss emergence. The chain ladder method utilizes actual loss and expected patterns of loss emergence to determine an estimate of ultimate losses that is independent of the initial expectation of ultimate losses. This method may be appropriate when there is a relatively stable pattern of loss emergence and a relatively larger number of reported claims. Multiple estimates of ultimate losses using a variety of actuarial methods are calculated for many, but not all, of the Company's (200+) classes of business for each year of loss experience. The Company's actuaries look at each class and determine the most appropriate point estimate based on the characteristics of the particular class and other relevant factors, such as historical

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ultimate loss ratios, the presence of individual large losses, and known occurrences that have not yet resulted in reported losses. Once the Company's actuaries make their determination of the most appropriate point estimate for each class, this information is aggregated and presented to management for review and approval.

The pattern of loss emergence is determined using actuarial analysis, including judgment, and is based on the historical patterns of the recording of paid and reported losses by the Company, as well as industry information. Information that may cause historical patterns to differ from future patterns is considered and reflected in expected patterns as appropriate. For Property, Marine and Aviation insurance, losses are general reported within 2 to 3 years from the beginning of the accident year. For Casualty insurance, loss emergence patterns can vary from 3 years to over 20 years depending on the type of business. For Other insurance, loss emergence patterns fall between the Property and Casualty insurance. For reinsurance business, loss reporting lags the corresponding insurance classes by at least one quarter due to the need for loss information to flow from the ceding companies to the Company generally via reinsurance intermediaries. Such lags in loss reporting are reflected in the actuary's selections of loss reporting patterns used in establishing the Company's reserves.

Such estimates are not precise because, among other things, they are based on predictions of future developments and estimates of future trends in claim severity, claim frequency, and other issues. In the process of estimating IBNR reserves, provisions for economic inflation and changes in the social and legal environment are considered, but involve considerable judgment.

Due to the low frequency and high severity nature of some of the business underwritten by the Company, the Company's reserve estimates are highly dependent on actuarial and management judgment and are therefore uncertain. In property classes, there can be additional uncertainty in loss estimation related to large catastrophe events. With wind events, such as hurricanes, the damage assessment process may take more than a year. The cost of claims is subject to volatility due to supply shortages for construction materials and labor. In the case of earthquakes, the damage assessment process may take several years as buildings are discovered to have structural weaknesses not initially detected. The uncertainty inherent in IBNR reserve estimates is particularly pronounced for casualty coverages, such as excess liability, professional liability coverages, and workers compensation, where information emerges relatively slowly over time.

Loss and loss expenses are charged to income as they are incurred. These charges include loss and loss expense payments and any changes in case and IBNR reserves. During the loss settlement period, additional facts regarding claims are reported. As these additional facts are reported, it may be necessary to increase or decrease the unpaid losses and loss expense reserves. The actual final liability may be significantly different than prior estimates.

As noted above, management reviews the IBNR estimates produced by the Company's actuaries and determines its best estimate of the liabilities to record in the Company's financial statements. The Company considers this single point estimate to be one that has an equal likelihood of developing a redundancy or deficiency as the loss experience matures. Management believes that the actuarial methods utilized adequately provide for loss development. Management does not build in a provision for uncertainty outside of the estimates prepared by the Company's actuaries.

The Company's net unpaid loss and loss expense general and financial reserves broken down by operating segment and line of business at December 31, 2005 were as follows:

| (U.S. dollars in millions) | <u>December 31, 2005</u> |
|--|--------------------------|
| Insurance | \$ 9,860 |
| Reinsurance | 7,212 |
| Financial lines and SCA | 283 |
| Net unpaid loss and loss expense reserves | \$ 17,355 |

**Net Unpaid Losses and Loss Expenses as at December 31,
2005**

| (U.S. dollars in millions) | Case Reserves | IBNR Reserves | Total Reserves |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Insurance | | | |
| Casualty | \$ 3,629 | \$ 4,022 | \$ 7,651 |
| Property Catastrophe | 427 | 631 | 1,058 |
| Other Property | 563 | 287 | 850 |
| Marine & Aviation | 167 | 134 | 301 |
| Total | \$ 4,786 | \$ 5,074 | \$ 9,860 |
| Reinsurance | | | |
| Casualty | \$ 1,780 | \$ 2,452 | \$ 4,232 |
| Property Catastrophe | 577 | 120 | 697 |
| Other Property | 313 | 510 | 823 |
| Marine & Aviation | 558 | 109 | 667 |
| Other | 317 | 476 | 793 |
| Total | \$ 3,545 | \$ 3,667 | \$ 7,212 |
| Financial Lines and SCA | \$ 83 | \$ 200 | \$ 283 |
| Total | \$ 8,414 | \$ 8,941 | \$ 17,355 |

While the proportion of unpaid loss and loss expenses represented by IBNR is sensitive to a number of factors, the most significant ones have historically been accelerating business growth and changes in business mix. Other factors that have affected the ratio in the past include additions to prior period reserves, catastrophic occurrences, settlement of large claims and changes in claims settlement patterns.

The ratio of IBNR to total reserves has increased in recent years due to the growth of casualty business written over that period. The ratio of IBNR to total reserves is higher for more recent years' business because these immature years have relatively fewer claims reported and, as a result, a higher proportion of claims reserves are based on experience in respect of incurred but not reported losses. As each prior year of business matures and claims become known, the ratio of IBNR to total reserves will typically decline, all other factors remaining constant. Since the Company has experienced rapid premium volume growth in recent years, the ratio of IBNR to total reserves has increased because the Company's aggregate exposure has become relatively less mature. Conversely, in a situation of declining premium volume, this ratio will typically decline, all other factors remaining constant. The Company writes insurance and reinsurance business in many different lines. Typically, the ratio of IBNR to total reserves is greater for casualty lines (which are longer-tail in nature) than for property lines due to the policy forms utilized and timing of loss reporting. In recent years, casualty lines have increased as a proportion of the Company's business when compared to property lines (which are shorter-tail in nature).

IBNR reserves are calculated by the Company's actuaries using standard actuarial methodologies as discussed above. Prior to the year ended December 31, 2003, the outcomes of the Company's actuarial reviews, consistent with historical practice, provided either (i) a single point reserve estimate or (ii) a range of reserve estimates from which the Company selected a best estimate. Since the year ended December 31, 2003, the Company adopted a methodology that provided a single point reserve estimate separately for each line of business and also a range of possible outcomes across each single point reserve estimate. This is discussed further below. As a result, reserve ranges disclosed previously are not comparable to the reserve ranges disclosed herein.

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The following table shows the recorded estimate and the high and low ends of the range of reserves for each of the lines of business noted above at December 31, 2005:

| (U.S. dollars in millions) | Recorded | High | Low |
|---|------------------|----------|----------|
| Casualty Insurance | \$ 7,388 | \$ 8,059 | \$ 6,739 |
| Casualty Reinsurance | 4,141 | 4,705 | 3,606 |
| Property Catastrophe | 914 | 1,080 | 758 |
| Other Property | 1,724 | 1,947 | 1,513 |
| Marine and Aviation Reinsurance and Insurance | 1,628 | 1,852 | 1,416 |
| Other (1) | 1,043 | 1,141 | 950 |
| Total | \$ 16,838 | | |
| Financial Lines and SCA | 283 | | |
| Provision for potential non recoveries | 234 | | |
| Total | \$ 17,355 | | |

(1) Other consists of several products, including accident and health, political risk, surety and bonding.

With the exception of the adverse development associated with the unfavorable conclusion of the independent actuarial process, actual development of recorded reserves as of December 31, 2004 during 2005 was within the estimated reserve range.

There are factors that would cause reserves to increase or decrease within the context of the range provided. The magnitude of any change in ultimate losses would be determined by the magnitude of any changes to our assumptions or combined impact of changes in assumptions. Factors that would increase reserves include, but are not limited to, increases in claim severity, increases in expected level of reported claims, changes to the regulatory environment which expand the exposure insured by the Company, changes in the litigation environment that increase claim awards, filings or verdicts, unexpected increases in loss inflation, and/or new types of claims being pursued against the Company. Factors that would decrease reserves include, but are not limited to, decreases in claim severity, reductions in the expected level of reported claims, changes to the regulatory environment which contract the exposure insured by the Company, changes in the litigation environment that decrease claim awards, filings or verdicts, and/or unexpected decreases in loss inflation.

As shown in the table above and as previously noted, the Company developed a methodology for calculating reserve ranges around its single point reserve estimates for all its lines of business. Similar to Value At Risk (VAR) models commonly used to evaluate risk, the Company modeled a statistical distribution of potential reserve outcomes over a one year run-off period. The Company used the modeled statistical distribution to calculate an 80% confidence interval for the potential reserve outcomes over this one year run-off period. The high and low end points of the ranges set forth in the above table are such that there is a 10% modeled probability that the reserve will develop higher than the high point and a 10% modeled probability that the reserve will develop lower than the low point.

The development of a reserve range models the uncertainty of the claim environment as well as the limited predictive power of past loss data. These uncertainties and limitations are not specific to the Company. The ranges represent an estimate of the range of possible outcomes over a one year development period. A range of possible outcomes should not be confused with a range of best estimates. The range of best estimates will generally be much narrower than the range of possible outcomes as it will reflect reasonable actuarial and management best estimates of the expected reserve.

Reserve volatility was analyzed for each line of business within each of the Reinsurance and Insurance segments general operations using the Company's historical data supplemented by industry data. These ranges were then aggregated to the lines of business shown above taking into account correlation between lines of business based on a study of the Company's historical data supplemented by industry data. The practical result of the correlation approach to aggregation is that the ranges by line of business disclosed above, are narrower than the sum of the ranges of the

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individual lines of business. Similarly, the range for the Company's total reserves in the aggregate, is narrower than the sum of the ranges for the lines of business disclosed above.

The Company is not aware of any generally accepted model to perform the reserve range analysis described above, however, and other models may be employed to develop these ranges.

The Company does not calculate a range for its total net unpaid loss and loss expense reserves as it would not be appropriate to add the ranges for each line of business to obtain a range around the Company's total reserves, because this would not reflect the diversification effects across the Company's various lines of business. The diversification effects result from the fact that losses across the Company's different lines of business are not completely correlated.

The Company writes both short-tail and long-tail lines of business. Short-tail and long-tail describe the time between the receipt of the premium from a policy and the final settlement of any loss incurred under such policy. Short-tail lines include property catastrophe, other property and certain marine and aviation lines where, on average, the settlement period may be up to 24 months. Long-tail lines, on the other hand, include the Company's casualty business in which claims may take up to 30 years to be reported and settled. The increase in the time associated with ultimate settlement of a claim is directly related to an increase in the amount of judgment required to establish loss reserves, especially IBNR reserves.

See further discussion under "Segments" below for prior year development of loss reserves.

The Company's three types of reserve exposure with the longest tails are:

- (1) high layer excess casualty insurance;
- (2) casualty reinsurance; and
- (3) discontinued asbestos and long-tail environmental business.

Certain aspects of the Company's casualty operations complicate the actuarial process for establishing reserves. Certain casualty business written by the Company's insurance operations is high layer excess casualty business, meaning that the Company's liability attaches after large deductibles including self insurance or insurance from sources other than the Company. The Company commenced writing this type of business in 1986 and issued policies in forms that were different from traditional policies used by the industry at that time. Initially, there was a lack of industry data available for this type of business. Consequently, the basis for establishing loss reserves by the Company for this type of business was largely judgmental and based upon the Company's own reported loss experience which was used as basis for determining ultimate losses, and therefore IBNR reserves. Over time, the amount of available historical loss experience data has increased. As a result, the Company has obtained a larger statistical base to assist in establishing reserves for these excess casualty insurance claims.

High layer excess casualty insurance claims typically involve claims relating to (i) a shock loss such as an explosion or transportation accident causing severe damage to persons and/or property over a short period of time, (ii) a non-shock loss where a large number of claimants are exposed to injurious conditions over a longer period of time, such as exposure to chemicals or pharmaceuticals or (iii) a professional liability loss such as a medical malpractice claim. In each case, these claims are ultimately settled following extensive negotiations and legal proceedings. This process can typically take 5 to 15 years following the date of loss.

Reinsurance operations by their nature add further complications to the reserving process, particularly for casualty business written, in that there is an inherent lag in the timing and reporting of a loss event from an insured or ceding company to the reinsurer. This reporting lag creates an even longer period of time between the policy inception and when a claim is finally settled. As a result, more judgment is required to establish reserves for ultimate claims in the Company's reinsurance operations.

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In the Company's reinsurance general operations, case reserves for reported claims are generally established based on reports received from ceding companies. Additional case reserves may be established by the Company to reflect the Company's estimated ultimate cost of a loss.

Casualty reinsurance business involves reserving methods that generally include historical aggregated claim information as reported by ceding companies, combined with the results of claims and underwriting reviews of a sample of the ceding company's claims and underwriting files. Therefore, the Company does not always receive detailed claim information for this line of business.

Discontinued asbestos and long-tail environment business had been previously written by NAC Re Corp. (now known as XL Reinsurance America Inc.), prior to its acquisition by the Company. As at December 31, 2005, total gross unpaid losses and loss expenses in respect of this business represented less than 1% of unpaid losses and loss expenses.

Except for certain workers' compensation and long-term disability liabilities, the Company does not discount its unpaid losses and loss expenses. The Company utilizes tabular reserving for workers' compensation and long-term disability unpaid losses that are considered fixed and determinable. For further discussion see the Consolidated Financial Statements. As noted above, case reserves for the Company's reinsurance general operations are generally established based on reports received from ceding companies. Additional case reserves may be established by the Company to reflect the Company's estimated ultimate cost of a loss. In addition to information received from ceding companies on reported claims, the Company also utilizes information on the pattern of ceding company loss reporting and loss settlements from previous catastrophic events in order to estimate the Company's ultimate liability related to these hurricane loss events. Commercial catastrophe model analyses and zonal aggregate exposures are utilized to assess potential client loss before and after an event. Initial cedant loss reports are generally obtained shortly after a catastrophic event, with subsequent updates received as new information becomes available. The Company actively requests loss updates from cedants periodically for the first year following an event. The Company's claim settlement processes also incorporate an update to the total loss reserve at the time a claim payment is made to a ceding company.

While the reliance on loss reports from ceding companies may increase the level of uncertainty associated with the estimation of total loss reserves for property reinsurance relative to direct property insurance, there are several factors which serve to reduce the uncertainty in loss reserve estimates for property reinsurance. First, for large natural catastrophe events such as Hurricane Katrina, aggregate limits in property catastrophe reinsurance contracts are generally fully exhausted by the loss reserve estimates. Second, as a reinsurer, the Company has access to information from a broad cross section of the insurance industry. The Company utilizes such information in order to perform consistency checks on the data provided by ceding companies and is able to identify trends in loss reporting and settlement activity and incorporate such information in its estimate of IBNR reserves. Finally, the Company also supplements the loss information received from cedants with loss estimates developed by market share techniques and/or from third party catastrophe models applied to exposure data supplied by cedants.

Reinsurance Premium Estimates

The Company writes business on both an excess of loss and proportional basis. In the case of excess of loss contracts, the subject written premium is generally outlined within the treaty and the Company receives a minimum and/or deposit premium on a quarterly basis which is normally followed by an adjustment premium based on the ultimate subject premium for the contract. The Company estimates the premium written on the basis of the expected subject premium and regularly reviews this against actual quarterly statements to revise the estimate based on the information provided by the cedent.

On proportional contracts, written premiums are estimated to expected ultimate premiums based on information provided by the ceding companies. An estimate of premium is recorded at the inception of the contract. The ceding company's premium estimate may be adjusted based on their history of providing accurate premium estimates. When the actual premium is reported by the ceding company, normally on a quarterly basis, it may be materially higher or lower than the estimate. Adjustments arising from the reporting of actual premium by the ceding companies are recorded in the period in which they are determined.

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Written premiums on excess of loss contracts are earned in accordance with the loss occurring period defined within the treaty, normally 12 months following inception of the contract. Written premiums on proportional contracts are earned over the risk periods of the underlying policies issued and renewed, normally 24 months. For both excess of loss and proportional contracts, the earned premium is recognized ratably over the earning period, namely 12 - 24 months. The portion of the premium related to the unexpired portion of the policy at the end of any reporting period is reflected in unearned premiums.

Reinstatement premiums are recognized at the time a loss event occurs where coverage limits for the remaining life of the contract are reinstated under pre-defined contract terms and are fully earned when recognized. Accrual of reinstatement premiums is based on the Company's estimate of loss and loss adjustment expense reserves, which involves management judgment as described below.

Reinsurance operations by their nature add further complications in that generally the ultimate premium due under a specific contract will not be known at the time the contract is entered into. As a result, more judgment and ongoing monitoring is required to establish premiums written and earned in the Company's reinsurance operations.

The amount of premiums receivable related to reinsurance operation amounted to \$1.8 billion as at December 31, 2005.

A significant portion of amounts included as premiums receivable, which represent estimated premiums written, net of commissions, are not currently due based on the terms of the underlying contracts. Management reviews the premiums receivable balance at least quarterly and provides a provision for amounts deemed to be uncollectible. The Company recorded a provision for uncollectible premiums receivable at December 31, 2005 of \$11.0 million.

Variable Interest Entities and Other Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

See the discussion of the Company's variable interest entities and other off-balance sheet arrangements in Item 7 of the Company's Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005.

Segment Results for the three months ended September 30, 2006 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005

Following the IPO of SCA and changes in certain executive management responsibilities in 2006, the Company changed the reporting segments under which certain business units are reported in order to reflect these changes. All periods presented reflect these changes. The Company is now organized into five operating segments: Insurance, Reinsurance, Life Operations, SCA, and Financial Lines in addition to a corporate segment that includes the general investment and financing operations of the Company.

The Company evaluates the performance of each segment based on underwriting results for general operations, net income from life operations and contribution from financial operations. Other items of revenue and expenditure of the Company are not evaluated at the segment level. In addition, the Company does not allocate assets by segment for its general operations. Investment assets related to the Company's life and financial operations are held in separately identified portfolios. Net investment income from these assets is included in net income from life operations and contribution from financial operations, respectively.

Insurance

General insurance business written includes risk management and specialty lines. Risk management products are comprised of global property and casualty insurance programs for large multinational companies, including umbrella liability, integrated risk and primary master property and liability coverages. Specialty lines products include directors' and officers' liability, environmental liability, professional liability, aviation and satellite, employment practices liability, marine, equine and certain other insurance coverages including program business. The Company discontinued writing surety business in 2005.

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A large part of the Company's casualty insurance business written has loss experience that is low frequency and high severity. As a result, large losses, though infrequent, can have a significant impact on the Company's results of operations, financial condition and liquidity. The Company attempts to mitigate this risk by using strict underwriting guidelines and various reinsurance arrangements.

The following table summarizes the underwriting results for this segment:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | |
|------------------------------|--|--------------|----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 1,290,796 | \$ 1,329,271 | (2.9)% |
| Net premiums written | 787,921 | 834,650 | (5.6)% |
| Net premiums earned | 1,015,048 | 933,026 | 8.8% |
| Fee income and other | 2,799 | 310 | NM |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 639,160 | 1,314,386 | (51.4)% |
| Acquisition costs | 116,152 | 119,133 | (2.5)% |
| Operating expenses | 153,282 | 133,598 | 14.7% |
| Exchange losses (gains) | 23,666 | (8,130) | NM |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ 85,587 | \$ (625,651) | NM |

* NM Not Meaningful

Gross and net premiums written decreased by 2.9% and 5.6%, respectively, in the three months ended September 30, 2006 compared with the three months ended September 30, 2005. The decrease in gross premium written was primarily due to continued competitive pressures leading to price decreases across most non-catastrophe exposed lines, reduced exposures in property and marine and offshore energy business, and the discontinuation of the segment's surety business. In particular, in casualty and excess professional lines of business, maintaining underwriting discipline has led to cancellations and non-renewals. The decrease in net premiums written compared to the same period in 2005 was greater than that of gross premiums written due to higher reinsurance costs combined with lower net retentions in certain lines of business.

Net premiums earned increased by 8.8% in the three months ended September 30, 2006 compared with the three months ended September 30, 2005. The increase was primarily attributable to hurricane related ceded reinstatement premiums recognized and earned in the third quarter of 2005. Excluding such reinstatement premiums net premiums earned were essentially flat.

Exchange losses in the three months ended September 30, 2006 were primarily due to the impact of the strengthening of the U.K. Sterling against the U.S. dollar during the third quarter 2006 on U.K. Sterling loss reserves in units with U.S. dollar functional currencies, and also included \$7.5 million in additional foreign exchange losses related to intercompany transactions in prior quarters.

The following table presents the ratios for this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | |
|-----------------------------|--|--------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 63.0% | 140.9% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 26.5% | 27.1% |
| Combined ratio | 89.5% | 168.0% |

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The loss and loss expense ratio includes net losses incurred for both the current year and any adverse or favorable prior year development of loss and loss expense reserves held at the beginning of the year. The loss ratio for the three months ended September 30, 2006 decreased compared with the three months ended September 30, 2005, primarily due to the absence of large natural catastrophe events such as hurricanes Katrina and Rita that occurred during the third quarter of 2005. The three months ended September 30, 2006 included approximately \$9.5 million in net prior period reserve releases made up of positive development on Property and Casualty lines of business, offset by prior period reserve strengthening within the Professional and Specialty lines of business, and certain European accident and health programs, as well as \$26.0 million in respect of an unrecoverable balance from a reinsurer.

The decrease in the underwriting expense ratio in the three months ended September 30, 2006 compared to the same period in 2005 was due to a decrease in the acquisition expense ratio of 1.4 points (11.4% as compared to 12.8%), partially offset by an increase in the operating expense ratio of 0.7 points (15.1% as compared to 14.4%). The decrease in the acquisition expense ratio was largely a result of the adverse impact of reinstatement premiums on net earned premiums in 2005, combined with certain brokerage benefits recorded in the third quarter of 2006. The increase in the operating expense ratio was due primarily to increased compensation and legal costs compared to the same quarter in the prior year.

Reinsurance

Reinsurance business written includes casualty, property, marine, aviation and other specialty reinsurance on a global basis. The Company's reinsurance property business generally has loss experience characterized as low frequency and high severity, which can have a negative impact on the Company's results of operations, financial condition and liquidity. The Company endeavors to manage its exposures to catastrophic events by limiting the amount of its exposure in each geographic zone worldwide and requiring that its property catastrophe contracts provide for aggregate limits and varying attachment points.

The following table summarizes the underwriting results for the general operations of this segment:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------|-----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 758,060 | \$ 855,300 | (11.4)% |
| Net premiums written | 492,689 | 576,832 | (14.6)% |
| Net premiums earned | 684,149 | 722,303 | (5.3)% |
| Fee income and other | (199) | 140 | NM |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 387,885 | 1,245,282 | (68.9)% |
| Acquisition costs | 130,428 | 161,399 | (19.2)% |
| Operating expenses | 48,380 | 41,564 | 16.4% |
| Exchange (gains) losses | (2,382) | 12,437 | NM |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ 119,639 | \$ (738,239) | NM |

* NM Not Meaningful

Gross and net premiums written decreased by 11.4% and 14.6%, respectively, in the third quarter of 2006 as compared to the third quarter in 2005. Absent hurricane related reinstatement premiums in the third quarter of 2005 and a change in accrual methodology for certain U.S. property programs in the third quarter of 2006, gross written premium decreased in the three months ended September 30, 2006, primarily due to a customer merger and reduced pricing in casualty lines of business, resulting in selective non-renewals and reduced shares. This is combined with reduced business written in catastrophe exposed geographies and is partially offset by pricing increases in property and property catastrophe lines of business. Net premiums written reflect the above changes in gross premiums written, combined with the catastrophe quota share reinsurance treaty with Cyrus Re and timing changes on certain segment reinsurance programs.

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Net premiums earned in the third quarter of 2006 decreased 5.3% as compared to the third quarter of 2005. This decrease was a reflection of the overall reduction of net premiums written over the last 24 months.

The following table presents the ratios for this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 56.7% | 172.4% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 26.2% | 28.1% |
| Combined ratio | 82.9% | 200.5% |

The loss and loss expense ratio includes net losses incurred for both the current year and any adverse or favorable prior year development of loss reserves held at the beginning of the year. The decrease in the loss and loss expense ratio in the three months ended September 30, 2006, compared to the same three months ended in 2005, primarily reflects the lack of large natural catastrophe events such as hurricanes Katrina and Rita that occurred during the third quarter of 2005. Excluding the impact of the 2005 hurricanes, the loss and loss expense ratio is slightly lower in 2006 due to favorable pricing terms on catastrophic exposed business. Net positive prior year loss development represented a release of \$24.3 million during the quarter ended September 30, 2006 spread across all lines of business, partially offset by a correction in the current quarter of \$18.8 million to prior period reserves in certain Lloyds whole account business.

The decrease in the underwriting expense ratio in the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared with the three months ended September 30, 2005, was due to a decrease in the acquisition expense ratio to 19.1%, as compared to 22.3% in the third quarter of 2005. The decrease in acquisition expenses was partially offset by an increase in the operating expense ratio from 5.8% at September 30, 2005 to 7.1% at September 30, 2006. The decrease in the acquisition expense ratio was due to inward ceding commission received from Cyrus Re in 2006. The operating expense ratio increase was primarily due to compensation expenses and various strategic initiatives within the Segment, including the establishment of an integrated reinsurance platform in Europe.

Exchange gains in the three months ended September 30, 2006 were mainly attributable to an overall weakening, during the quarter, in the value of the U.S. dollar against U.K. Sterling in those operations with U.S. dollar as their functional currency and net U.K. Sterling assets. These gains were partially offset by a loss of \$7.0 million for the true-up of foreign exchange losses recorded in the second quarter of 2006.

Life Operations

Business written by the life operations segment is primarily European life reinsurance. This includes term assurances, group life, critical illness cover, immediate annuities and disability income business. Due to the nature of these contracts, premium volume may vary significantly from period to period. In addition, certain closed block U.S. life and annuity reinsurance contracts previously included in the Financial Lines (previously Financial Products and Services) segment are now included in the Life Operations segment as management of these contracts was transferred to the traditional life reinsurance business units in 2005 in order to centralize management of mortality-based life and annuity reinsurance business.

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The following summarizes net income from life operations:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------------|-----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 107,413 | \$ 96,870 | 10.9% |
| Net premiums written | 97,604 | 87,762 | 11.2% |
| Net premiums earned | 97,818 | 87,964 | 11.2% |
| Fee income and other | 66 | 74 | (10.8)% |
| Claims and policy benefits | 156,028 | 142,957 | 9.1% |
| Acquisition costs | 6,066 | 9,063 | (33.1)% |
| Operating expenses | 7,945 | 4,079 | 94.8% |
| Exchange (gains) losses | 595 | 252 | 136.1% |
| Net investment income | 87,993 | 79,481 | 10.7% |
| Net income from life operations | \$ 15,243 | \$ 11,168 | 36.5% |

Gross and net premiums written as well as net premiums earned and claims and policy benefits increased in the third quarter of 2006 as compared to the third quarter of 2005. These increases were primarily as a result of the growing portfolio of regular installment premium term assurance business predominantly in the U.K. and Europe. Ceded premiums remained consistent with the prior year.

Net premiums earned in the third quarter of 2006 increased 11.2% as compared to the third quarter of 2005. This increase was consistent with the increase in gross and net premiums written as described above.

Increases in claims and policy benefits are consistent with the increase in gross and net premiums written. Changes in claims and policy benefits also include the movement in policy benefit reserves related to other contracts where investment assets were acquired with the assumption of the policy benefit reserves at the inception of the contract.

Acquisition costs decreased in the third quarter of 2006, as compared to the third quarter of 2005, due primarily to certain adjustments made to a life reinsurance treaty based on information received during the quarter. Operating expenses increased in the third quarter of 2006 compared to the same period in 2005, due to the build out of existing operations and start-up costs of new life operations such as the U.S. life reinsurance platform and the U.K. life fund integration team, partially offset by reduced professional fees.

Net investment income is included in the calculation of net income from life operations, as it relates to income earned on portfolios of separately identified and managed life investment assets and other allocated assets. Net investment income increased by 10.7% in the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005 due primarily to higher average invested assets of \$6.3 billion to \$6.7 billion for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2006, and improved yields on the asset annuity portfolios.

Financial Lines

Financial Lines products include (i) a wide range of structured indemnity and structured credit products, (ii) municipal investment and funding agreements, (iii) political risk insurance, (iv) weather and energy risk management products, (v) the earnings on the Company's investment in Primus and (vi) legacy financial guaranty business and other transactions not transferred to SCA. Many of the products offered by Financial Lines are unique and tailored to the specific needs of the insured or user.

Structured indemnity and structured credit products cover complex financial risks, including property and casualty insurance and reinsurance, business enterprise risk management products and structured transactions covering credit and other financial risks.

Municipal investment contracts and funding agreements provide users guaranteed rates of interest on amounts deposited with the Company. The Company has investment risk related to its ability to generate sufficient investment income to enable the total invested assets to cover the payment of its estimated ultimate liability on such agreements.

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Political risk insurance generally covers risks arising from expropriation, currency inconvertibility, contract frustration, non-payment and war on land or political violence (including terrorism) in developing regions of the world. Political risk insurance is typically provided to financial institutions, equity investors, exporters, importers, export credit agencies and multilateral agencies in connection with investments and contracts in emerging market countries.

The Company's weather and energy risk management products are customized solutions designed to assist corporate customers, primarily energy companies and utilities, to manage their financial exposure to variations in underlying weather conditions and related energy markets.

In addition, as part of the sale of the Transferred Business to SCA, the Company retained certain legacy financial guaranty business and other transactions written prior to the sale.

The following table summarizes the contribution for this newly defined segment for the third quarter of 2006 along with comparative results for the same operations for the third quarter of 2005:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | |
|---|--|--------------------|--------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 5,944 | \$ 23,328 | (74.5)% |
| Net premiums written | (3,176) | 23,471 | NM |
| Net premiums earned | 12,594 | 16,759 | (24.9)% |
| Fee income and other | 769 | 1,097 | (29.9)% |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 8,128 | 31,445 | (74.2)% |
| Acquisition costs | 2,407 | 2,324 | 3.6% |
| Operating expenses | 1,101 | 217 | NM |
| Exchange (gains) losses | (17) | 221 | NM |
| Underwriting loss | \$ 1,744 | \$ (16,351) | NM |
| Net investment income financial lines | \$ 125,596 | \$ 89,648 | 40.1% |
| Interest expense financial lines | 99,934 | 45,799 | 118.2% |
| Operating expenses structured products | 9,734 | 8,780 | 10.9% |
| Net income from financial and investment affiliates | 3,900 | 1,027 | NM |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on derivative instruments | 6,215 | 4,290 | 44.9% |
| Net contribution from financial operations | \$ 27,787 | \$ 24,035 | 15.6% |

* NM Not Meaningful

Decreases in gross and net premiums written of 74.5% in the third quarter of 2006, as compared to the comparable period in 2005 were primarily due to an inter-segment portfolio transfer of in-force financial guaranty contracts with the SCA segment, partially offset by growth in certain weather and energy books of business including power outage products.

Net premiums earned decreased in the third quarter of 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005. The decrease was primarily due to the impact of the inter-segment portfolio transfer combined with a portion of the political risk book entering into run-off in the first quarter of 2006 following the sale of the Company's investment in Sovereign Risk Insurance Ltd. The decrease was partially offset by the earnings on the premium growth noted above.

Net losses and loss expenses include current year net losses incurred and adverse or favorable development of prior year net loss and loss expense reserves. Net losses and loss expenses for the third quarter of 2006 decreased by 74.2% primarily due to catastrophe losses in 2005 associated with a structured property and casualty policy, which was partially offset by a \$6.8 million current year loss on certain legacy credit exposures.

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For the three months ended September 30, 2006, acquisition costs were consistent with the prior year.

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Operating expenses increased in the third quarter of 2006, as compared to the third quarter of 2005, due to reallocations of certain costs resulting from the restructuring of the Company's segments.

Net investment income related to financial lines increased by 40.1% in the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005, primarily as a result of significant increases in the combined average funding agreement and guaranteed investment contract balances from \$4.7 billion to \$5.9 billion for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2006, respectively, together with increased yields.

Interest expense for financial lines operations arise from the accretion charges on deposit liabilities related to funding agreements, guaranteed investment contracts and certain structured insurance and reinsurance contracts. The increase in interest expense during the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005, related primarily to the increase in the combined average funding agreement and guaranteed investment contracts noted above, combined with favourable effective yield adjustments recorded in the prior year on certain structured property and casualty contract deposit liabilities.

Net realized and unrealized gains on derivative instruments represent changes in the market value of the Company's insured credit derivative portfolio, weather and energy derivative instruments and certain structured derivatives. The net results from derivatives for the three months ended September 30, 2006 primarily related to positive mark to market adjustments on certain legacy credit default swap risks.

Net income from financial and investment affiliates include earnings on the Company's investment in Primus and certain of the Company's investment affiliates. The increase in the third quarter of 2006, as compared to the third quarter of 2005, was due primarily to increased earnings from Primus. Primus specializes in providing credit risk protection through credit derivatives.

SCA

SCA provides financial guaranty insurance and reinsurance products that generally guarantee payments of interest and principal on an issuer's obligations when due. Obligations guaranteed or enhanced by the Company range in duration and premiums are received either on an instalment basis or upfront. Guaranties written in credit default swap form provide coverage for losses upon the occurrence of specified credit events set forth in the swap documentation.

The following table summarizes the contribution from SCA for the third quarter of 2006 along with comparative results for the same operations for the third quarter of 2005:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | |
|--|--|------------------|----------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 85,570 | \$ 76,109 | 12.4% |
| Net premiums written | 100,478 | 72,086 | 39.4% |
| Net premiums earned | 45,455 | 40,002 | 13.6% |
| Fee income and other | 59 | | NM |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 4,994 | (144) | NM |
| Acquisition costs | 5,824 | 4,099 | 42.1% |
| Operating expenses | 20,780 | 17,662 | 17.7% |
| Exchange losses | 81 | 379 | (78.6)% |
| Underwriting profit | \$ 13,835 | \$ 18,006 | (23.2)% |
| Net investment income - SCA | \$ 21,835 | \$ 13,508 | 61.6% |
| Minority interest | 1,139 | 2,411 | (52.8)% |
| Net realized and unrealized losses on derivative instruments | (3,216) | (1,831) | (75.6)% |
| Net contribution from SCA | \$ 31,315 | \$ 27,272 | 14.8% |

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Gross and net premiums written relating to the financial guaranty line of business reflect premiums received and accrued for in the periods presented and do not include the present value of future cash receipts expected from financial guaranty installment premium policies and contracts written in the period. Gross and net premiums written increased in the third quarter of 2006 as compared to the third quarter of 2005. These increases were primarily as a result of an increase in the volume and mix of financial guaranty installment contracts written throughout the quarter, offset by a decrease in the volume of public finance financial guaranty contracts written throughout the quarter. In addition, net premiums written increased as a result of the inter-segment portfolio transfer.

Net premiums earned increased by 13.6% in the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005, primarily as a result of earnings associated with the inter-segment portfolio transfer combined with an increase in installment premiums earned from new business in structured single risk products.

Consistent with the third quarter of 2005, net losses and loss expenses for the third quarter of 2006 were limited to normal movements in the unallocated reserve with no case reserve movement.

Acquisition costs increased by 42.1% in the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005. This increase was primarily due to a change in the mix of business written in the quarter.

Operating expenses increased by 17.7% in the third quarter of 2006, as compared to the third quarter of 2005, due to various expenses related to the SCA IPO in August 2006.

Net investment income related to the financial guaranty business increased by 61.6% in the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005, primarily as a result of increases in the average investment asset balances from \$1.3 billion to \$1.8 billion for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2006, respectively, combined with increased yields. The source of these additional assets included operating cash flows and the issuance of \$341.5 million of third party share capital.

Net realized and unrealized losses on derivative instruments represent changes in the market value of the Company's insured credit derivative portfolio. The net losses from derivatives for the three months ended September 30, 2006 primarily relate to an increase in the volume of insured interest rate swaps combined with a decrease in long-term interest rates declined during this period.

Minority interest expense represents the minority preferred share interest in the income of SCA's financial guaranty reinsurance subsidiary.

Investment Activities

The following table illustrates the change in net investment income from general operations, net income from investment affiliates from general operations, net realized gains (losses) on investments and net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investment derivative instruments from general operations for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005.

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | |
|--|--|------------|----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Net investment income - general operations | \$ 282,857 | \$ 184,055 | 53.7% |
| Net income from investment affiliates - general operations | 39,737 | 52,772 | (24.7)% |
| Net realized (losses) gains on investments | (52,656) | 53,223 | NM |
| Net realized and unrealized (losses) gains on investment derivative instruments - general operations | (2,388) | 15,523 | NM |

* NM Not Meaningful

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Net investment income related to general operations increased in the third quarter of 2006 as compared to the third quarter of 2005 due primarily to increases in the yield of the portfolio and a higher investment base. The growth in the investment base reflected the Company's issuance of ordinary shares and equity units in the fourth quarter of 2005 and the Company's cash flow from operations. The market yield to maturity on the fixed income portfolio was 5.2% at September 30, 2006, as compared to 4.5% at September 30, 2005 due primarily to higher interest rates in the U.S.

Net income from investment affiliates decreased in the third quarter of 2006 compared to the third quarter of 2005 due primarily to weaker performance in alternative fund affiliates, which was partially offset by stronger performance in the private equity affiliates.

The Company manages its investment grade fixed income securities using an asset/liability management framework. Due to the unique nature of the underlying liabilities, customized benchmarks are used to measure investment performance and comparison to standard market indices is not meaningful. Investment performance is not monitored for certain assets primarily consisting of operating cash and special regulatory deposits. The following is a summary of the investment portfolio returns for the asset/liability portfolios and risk asset portfolios:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| | 2006 (1) | 2005 (1) |
| Asset/Liability portfolios | | |
| USD fixed income portfolio | 2.7% | (0.2)% |
| Non USD fixed income portfolio | 3.2% | 0.8% |
| Risk Asset portfolios | | |
| Alternative portfolio (2) | 0.7% | 0.2% |
| Equity portfolio | 4.4% | (0.5)% |
| High-Yield fixed income portfolio | 2.6% | 2.5% |

(1) Portfolio returns are calculated by dividing the sum of net investment income or net income from investment affiliates, realized gains (losses) and unrealized gains (losses) by the average market value of each portfolio. Non U.S. dollar fixed income performance is measured in either the underlying currency or in U.S. dollars.

(2) Performance on the alternative portfolio reflects the three months ended August 31, 2006 and August 31, 2005, respectively.

Net Realized Gains and Losses and Other than Temporary Declines in the Value of Investments

Net realized losses on investments in the third quarter of 2006 included net realized losses of \$7.2 million from sales of investments, net realized losses of \$6.8 million related to the SCA IPO, and net realized losses of approximately \$38.7 million related to the write-down of certain of the Company's fixed income, equity and other investments where the Company determined that there was an other than temporary decline in the value of these investments.

Net realized gains on investments in the third quarter of 2005 included net realized gains of \$59.1 million from sales of investments and net realized losses of approximately \$5.9 million related to the write-down of certain of the Company's fixed income, equity and other investments where the Company determined that there was an other than temporary decline in the value of those investments.

The Company's process for identifying declines in the fair value of investments that are other than temporary involves consideration of several factors. These factors include: (i) the time period during which there has been a significant decline in value; (ii) an analysis of the liquidity, business prospects and overall financial condition of the issuer; (iii) the significance of the decline; (iv) an analysis of the collateral structure and other credit support, as applicable, of the securities in question; and (v) the Company's intent and ability to hold the investment for a sufficient period of time for the value to recover. Where the Company's analysis of the above factors results in the Company's conclusion that declines in fair values are other than temporary, the cost of the security is written down to fair value and the previously unrealized loss is therefore realized in the period such determination is made.

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Net realized and unrealized losses on investment derivatives for the three months ended September 30, 2006, as well as the gains for the corresponding period in 2005, resulted from the Company's investment strategy to hedge certain interest, credit and foreign exchange risks within the investment portfolio.

Net Unrealized Gains and Losses on Investments

At September 30, 2006, the Company had net unrealized gains on fixed income and short term securities of \$194.9 million and net unrealized gains on equities of \$153.1 million. Of these amounts, gross unrealized losses on fixed income and short term securities and equities were \$245.3 million and \$6.7 million, respectively. The information presented below for the gross unrealized losses on the Company's investments at September 30, 2006, shows the potential effect upon future earnings and financial position should management later conclude that some of the current declines in the fair value of these investments are other than temporary. U.S., U.K. and the Euro zone interest rates decreased during the three months ended September 30, 2006, which was the primary reason for the improvement in the net unrealized position on fixed income securities.

At September 30, 2006, approximately 8,800 fixed income securities out of a total of approximately 17,300 securities were in an unrealized loss position. The largest single unrealized loss in the fixed income portfolio was \$1.6 million. Approximately 300 equity securities out of a total of approximately 1,300 securities were in an unrealized loss position at September 30, 2006, with the largest individual loss being \$0.4 million.

The following is an analysis of how long each of those securities with an unrealized loss at September 30, 2006 had been in a continual unrealized loss position:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) Type of Securities | Length of time in a continual unrealized loss position | (Unaudited) Amount of unrealized loss at September 30, 2006 | (Unaudited) Fair Value of Securities in an unrealized loss position at September 30, 2006 |
|---|---|---|--|
| Fixed Income and Short-Term | Less than six months | \$ 22,074 | \$ 3,560,573 |
| | At least 6 months but less than 12 months | 63,763 | 5,656,731 |
| | At least 12 months but less than 2 years | 136,025 | 7,002,314 |
| | 2 years and over | 23,456 | 660,245 |
| | Total | \$ 245,318 | \$ 16,879,863 |
| Equities | Less than six months | \$ 4,612 | \$ 62,212 |
| | At least 6 months but less than 12 months | 2,101 | 32,889 |
| | Total | \$ 6,713 | \$ 95,101 |

The following is the maturity profile of the fixed income securities that were in a gross unrealized loss position at September 30, 2006:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) Maturity profile in years of fixed income securities in a continual unrealized loss position | (Unaudited) Amount of unrealized loss at September 30, 2006 | (Unaudited) Fair value of securities in an unrealized loss position at September 30, 2006 |
|---|--|---|
| Less than 1 year remaining | \$ 9,496 | \$ 1,641,717 |
| At least 1 year but less than 5 years remaining | 44,979 | 3,903,201 |
| At least 5 years but less than 10 years remaining | 59,000 | 2,768,307 |
| At least 10 years but less than 20 years remaining | 10,226 | 462,448 |
| At least 20 years or more remaining | 29,333 | 998,675 |
| Mortgage and asset backed securities | 92,284 | 7,105,515 |

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|-------|----|---------|----|------------|
| Total | \$ | 245,318 | \$ | 16,879,863 |
|-------|----|---------|----|------------|

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The Company operates a risk asset portfolio that includes high yield (below investment grade) fixed income securities. These represented approximately 2.2% of the total fixed income portfolio market value at September 30, 2006. Fair values of these securities have a higher volatility than investment grade securities. Of the total gross unrealized losses in the Company's fixed income portfolio as at September 30, 2006, \$8.3 million related to securities that were below investment grade or not rated. The following is an analysis of how long each of these below investment grade and unrated securities had been in a continual unrealized loss position at the date indicated:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) Length of time in a continual unrealized loss position | (Unaudited) Amount of unrealized loss at September 30, 2006 | (Unaudited) Fair value of securities in an unrealized loss position at September 30, 2006 |
|--|--|--|
| Less than six months | \$ 4,115 | \$ 400,295 |
| At least 6 months but less than 12 months | 2,227 | 81,749 |
| At least 12 months but less than 2 years | 1,612 | 63,860 |
| 2 years and over | 367 | 2,687 |
| Total | \$ 8,321 | \$ 548,591 |

Other Revenues and Expenses

The following table sets forth other revenues and expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, | | |
|---|--|-----------|----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Net income from operating affiliates - general operations | \$ 15,697 | \$ 12,415 | 26.4% |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 420 | 2,668 | (84.3)% |
| Corporate operating expenses | 35,203 | 56,415 | (37.6)% |
| Interest expense | 50,454 | 43,949 | 14.8% |
| Income tax expense (benefit) | 43,655 | (47,338) | NM |
| Minority interest | 7,216 | | NM |

Net income from operating affiliates was higher for the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005, due to higher income from the Company's operating affiliate in the Florida homeowners insurance market.

Corporate operating expenses in the three months ended September 30, 2006 decreased compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005 primarily reflecting lower consulting and legal fees at the corporate level. Furthermore, allocations to operating segments are generally higher in 2006.

The increase in interest expense primarily reflected the increase in outstanding debt since September 30, 2005. For more information on the Company's financial structure, see [Liquidity and Capital Resources](#).

The increase in the Company's income taxes arose principally from the increase in the profitability of the Company's U.S. and European operations. The Company's effective tax rate for the third quarter of 2006 decreased slightly from that in recent quarters due to \$30.0 million of tax benefits associated with a correction in the current quarter to reserves ceded to its Bermuda reinsurance entities. In addition, the Company recorded a tax charge in the current quarter of \$6.0 million in connection with the IPO of SCA.

Minority interest expense has increased following the initial public offering of SCA IPO and primarily represents the 37% ownership interest in SCA common shares held by the public.

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Segment Results for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2005

Insurance

The following table summarizes the underwriting results for this segment:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | | |
|------------------------------|---|--------------|----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 4,221,703 | \$ 4,421,435 | (4.5)% |
| Net premiums written | 3,048,351 | 3,227,012 | (5.5)% |
| Net premiums earned | 3,075,480 | 3,069,904 | 0.2% |
| Fee income and other | 17,293 | 1,321 | NM |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 1,998,395 | 2,716,275 | (26.4)% |
| Acquisition costs | 357,401 | 376,908 | (5.2)% |
| Operating expenses | 448,964 | 399,727 | 12.3% |
| Exchange losses (gains) | 100,701 | (27,919) | NM |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ 187,312 | \$ (393,766) | NM |

* NM Not Meaningful

Gross and net premiums written decreased by 4.5% and 5.5%, respectively, in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared with the nine months ended September 30, 2005. The decrease in gross premiums written was primarily due to continued competitive pressures across most non-catastrophe exposed lines, corporate risk management initiatives, fewer multi-year contracts, and foreign exchange movements. Decreases in casualty premiums and the discontinuation of the segment's surety business were partially offset by volume increases in certain professional, environmental and aerospace lines of business. The decrease in net premiums written as a percentage of gross premiums written was primarily a result of higher reinsurance costs and decreasing net retentions in certain lines partially offset by the return premium in the second quarter associated with the commutation of a ceded reinsurance policy in professional lines of business.

Net premiums earned increased marginally by 0.2% in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared with the nine months ended September 30, 2005. The increase over the prior year was primarily attributable to 2005 hurricane ceded reinstatement premiums recognized and earned in the first nine months of 2005. Excluding such reinstatement premiums, net premiums earned decreased over prior year, following the decreases in net premiums written.

Exchange losses in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 were primarily due to the impact of the strengthening of U.K. Sterling against the U.S. dollar during this period on U.K. Sterling loss reserves in units with U.S. dollar functional currencies.

The following table presents the ratios for this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|-----------------------------|---|--------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 65.0% | 88.5% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 26.2% | 25.3% |
| Combined ratio | 91.2% | 113.8% |

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The loss and loss expense ratio includes net losses incurred for both the current year and any adverse or favorable prior year development of loss and loss expense reserves held at the beginning of the year. The loss and loss

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expense ratio for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 decreased compared with the nine months ended September 30, 2005, primarily as a result of the lack of large natural catastrophe events such as hurricanes Katrina and Rita that occurred during the third quarter of 2005. Net prior year reserve development for the first nine months of 2006, is relatively modest with only \$6.9 million in adverse movement. Adverse professional lines development as well as \$26.0 million in respect of an unrecoverable balance from a reinsurer was partially offset by loss reserve releases within property lines of business. The corresponding net reserve development was \$48.1 million for the first nine months of 2005.

The underwriting expense ratio in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 increased compared to the same period in 2005, as a result of an increase in the operating expense ratio of 1.6 points (14.6% as compared to 13.0%) partially offset by a lower acquisition expense ratio. The increase in the operating expense ratio was due primarily to increased compensation costs. The lower acquisition expense ratio related primarily to net savings in certain brokerage costs in 2006 combined with the adverse impact of reinstatement premiums earned on expense ratios in 2005.

Reinsurance

The following table summarizes the underwriting results for the reinsurance operations:

| ((U.S. dollars in thousands)) | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | | |
|-------------------------------|---|--------------|----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 2,822,968 | \$ 3,055,752 | (7.6)% |
| Net premiums written | 2,221,352 | 2,492,194 | (10.9)% |
| Net premiums earned | 1,991,147 | 2,079,255 | (4.2)% |
| Fee income and other | 618 | (306) | NM |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 1,147,586 | 2,223,786 | (48.4)% |
| Acquisition costs | 412,952 | 452,638 | (8.8)% |
| Operating expenses | 133,033 | 121,123 | 9.8% |
| Exchange (gains) losses | (20,051) | 30,718 | NM |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ 318,245 | \$ (749,316) | NM |

* NM Not Meaningful

Gross and net premiums written decreased 7.6% and 10.9%, respectively, in the first nine months of 2006 as compared to the first nine months of 2005. The decrease in gross and net premiums written is primarily attributable to rate and volume reductions within the casualty line of business, and hurricane gross and net reinstatement premiums of \$115.8 million and \$19.4 million, respectively, recorded in third quarter of 2005. These decreases were partially offset by a change in accrual methodology and both written and ceded premiums adjustments for certain U.S. property programs in the third quarter of 2006. On a net premiums written basis, the decrease is also attributable to the significant catastrophe quota share reinsurance treaty with Cyrus Re. In addition, as part of the Company's aggregate risk reduction initiatives, there has been a net reduction in catastrophe exposure and a restructuring of the Company's marine and energy exposures.

Net premiums earned in the first nine months of 2006 decreased 4.2% as compared to the first nine months of 2005, due primarily to the earn out of the impact of rate pressures seen in gross premiums written over the last 24 months.

The following table presents the ratios for this segment:

| (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|------|
| 2006 | 2005 |

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| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|--------|
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 57.6% | 107.0% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 27.5% | 27.6% |
| Combined ratio | 85.1% | 134.6% |

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The loss and loss expense ratio includes net losses incurred for both the current year and any adverse or favorable prior year development of loss reserves held at the beginning of the year. The decrease in the loss and loss expense ratio in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to the same period in 2005, primarily reflected the lack of large natural catastrophe events such as hurricanes Katrina and Rita that occurred during the third quarter of 2005. In addition, during the nine months ended September 30, 2006, net prior year reserve releases totaled \$38.5 million largely in property and professional lines of business, and was partially offset by a correction in the current period of \$18.8 million to prior period reserves in certain Lloyds whole account business. This compared to net reserve strengthening of \$114.9 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2005.

The decrease in the underwriting expense ratio in the nine months of 2006, as compared with the first nine months of 2005, was due to a decrease in the acquisition expense ratio to 20.7%, as compared to 21.8% in the first nine months of 2005. The decrease in acquisition expenses was offset by an increase in the operating expense ratio from 5.8% during the first nine months of 2005 to 6.7% in the first nine months of 2006. The decrease in the acquisition expense ratio was due to commissions received from Cyrus Re related to the Property Catastrophe retrocession. The operating expense ratio increase was primarily due to compensation expenses and costs related to various strategic initiatives within the Reinsurance segment including the establishment of an integrated reinsurance platform in Europe.

Exchange gains in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 were mainly attributable to an overall weakening in the value of the U.S. dollar against the U.K. Sterling in those operations with U.S. dollars as their functional currency and net U.K. Sterling assets.

Life Operations

The following summarizes net income from life operations:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | | |
|--|---|--------------|----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 396,229 | \$ 2,130,627 | (81.4)% |
| Net premiums written | 367,750 | 2,102,026 | (82.5)% |
| Net premiums earned | 368,377 | 2,102,650 | (82.5)% |
| Fee income and other | 260 | 253 | 2.8% |
| Claims and policy benefits | 531,361 | 2,289,248 | (76.8)% |
| Acquisition costs | 27,620 | 50,472 | (45.3)% |
| Operating expenses | 19,869 | 13,330 | 49.1% |
| Exchange (gains) losses | (5,643) | 925 | NM |
| Net investment income | 251,987 | 211,347 | 19.2% |
| Net profit (loss) from life operations | \$ 47,417 | \$ (39,725) | NM |

* NM Not Meaningful

Gross and net premiums written as well as net premiums earned and claims and policy benefits decreased significantly in the first nine months of 2006 as compared to the first nine months of 2005 primarily as a result of a large immediate annuity portfolio contract bound in the second quarter of 2005. Offsetting this effect, the underlying portfolio of installment premium term assurance business continues to grow.

Claims and policy benefits also decreased significantly as a result of the annuity payout liabilities accepted under the contracts noted above. Changes in claims and policy benefits also included the movement in policy benefit reserves related to other contracts where investment assets were acquired with the assumption of the policy benefit reserves at the inception of the contract. Offsetting this effect, incurred losses from the growing installment premium term assurance portfolio increased by roughly \$35.0 million compared to 2005. Furthermore, during the first nine months of 2005, \$37.4 million in losses were recorded related to certain novated blocks of U.S.-based term life mortality reinsurance business as a result of the actuarially modeled impact of actual paid losses being greater than expected.

Acquisition costs decreased in the first nine months of 2006 as compared to the first nine months of 2005. This decrease was due to the write-off of certain deferred costs related to the U.S. mortality business during the prior year

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noted above, and partially offset by increased acquisition expenses on higher volume of intallment premium term assurance business. Operating expenses increased in the first nine months of 2006 compared to the same period in 2005 due to build out of existing operations and start-up costs of new life operations such as the U.S. life reinsurance platform and the U.K. life fund integration team, partially offset by reduced professional fees.

Net investment income increased in the first nine months of 2006 compared to the first nine months of 2005 reflecting the increase in life business invested assets primarily arising from new large annuity contracts written during 2005.

Financial Lines

The following table summarizes the contribution for this segment:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | | |
|---|---|-------------------|----------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 73,270 | \$ 55,634 | 31.7% |
| Net premiums written | 60,081 | 55,375 | 8.5% |
| Net premiums earned | 74,719 | 49,863 | 49.8% |
| Fee income and other | 2,607 | 13,692 | NM |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 99,469 | 30,358 | 227.7% |
| Acquisition costs | 9,824 | 9,103 | 7.9% |
| Operating expenses | 1,725 | 2,065 | (16.5)% |
| Exchange (gains) losses | 201 | 42 | NM |
| Underwriting (loss) | \$ (33,893) | \$ 21,987 | NM |
| Net investment income financial lines | \$ 343,343 | \$ 227,695 | 50.8% |
| Interest expense financial lines | 257,974 | 142,343 | 81.2% |
| Operating expenses structured products | 31,363 | 31,977 | (1.9)% |
| Net income from financial and investment affiliates | 22,604 | 218 | NM |
| Net realized and unrealized gains on derivative instruments | 32,216 | 39,822 | (19.1)% |
| Net contribution from financial operations | \$ 74,933 | \$ 115,402 | (35.1)% |

* NM Not Meaningful

Gross and net premiums written relating to the financial lines include premiums from structured financial and alternative risk transfer products, political risk insurance products, weather and energy risk management products, and legacy financial guaranty business. Gross premiums written increased by 31.7% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the comparable period in 2005. This increase was primarily due to additional premiums associated with a structured property and casualty reinsurance contract and growth in certain weather and energy books of business including power outage products. Increases in net premiums written of 8.5% for the first nine months of 2006, as compared to the same period of 2005, were primarily due the factors affecting gross premiums written noted above, partially offset by the inter-segment portfolio transfer of in-force financial guaranty contracts in connection with the SCA initial public offering.

Net premiums earned increased during the nine months end September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005. The increase primarily resulted from the factors affecting gross premiums written noted above, and offset by the impact of the inter-segment portfolio transfer.

Net losses and loss expenses include current year net losses incurred and adverse or favorable development of prior year net loss and loss expense reserves. Net losses and loss expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 increased by 227.7%, as compared to the comparable period in 2005. This increase was primarily a result of case reserve provisions relating to a structured finance transaction which guaranteed a certain amount of revenue from a pool of equipment leases of \$51.1 million combined with adverse Hurricane Rita development on

a structured property and casualty contract.

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For the nine months ended September 30, 2006, acquisition costs increased by 7.9% as a result of new business written as described above.

Operating expenses decreased in the third quarter of 2006, as compared to the third quarter of 2005, due to reallocations of certain costs resulting from the restructuring of the Company's segments.

Net investment income related to financial lines increased by 50.8% in the nine months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005, primarily as a result of significant increases in the combined average funding agreement and guaranteed investment contract balances for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2006, respectively, together with increased yields.

Interest expenses related to financial lines are comprised of the accretion charges on deposit liabilities related to funding agreements, guaranteed investment contracts and certain structured insurance and reinsurance contracts. The increase in interest expenses in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to the same period in 2005 related primarily to the increase in the combined average funding agreement and guaranteed investment contract balances noted above, partially offset by favourable effective yield adjustments on certain structured property and casualty contract deposit liabilities.

Net realized and unrealized gains on derivative instruments represent changes in the market value of the Company's insured credit derivative portfolio, weather and energy derivative instruments and certain structured derivatives. The net gains from derivatives for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 included realized gains from certain weather derivative contracts for the 2005/2006 winter, positive mark to market adjustments on certain credit default swap risks, and partially offset by negative movements in certain investment grade credit derivative exposures and the amortization of prior mark-to-market gains.

Net income from financial and investment affiliates includes, earnings on the Company's investment in Primus and certain of the Company's investment affiliates. The increase in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to the same period in 2005 was due primarily to a large positive mark-to-market during the nine months of 2006 for Primus combined with continued strong performance of certain investment affiliates.

SCA

The following table summarizes the contribution for this segment:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | | |
|--|---|------------------|---------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 272,307 | \$ 207,200 | 31.4% |
| Net premiums written | 281,747 | 193,197 | 45.8% |
| Net premiums earned | 148,480 | 110,585 | 34.3% |
| Fee income and other | 2,308 | 773 | NM |
| Net losses and loss expenses | 11,402 | 25,318 | (55.0)% |
| Acquisition costs | 15,679 | 12,279 | 27.7% |
| Operating expenses | 58,838 | 50,708 | 16.0% |
| Exchange losses | 177 | 1,622 | NM |
| Underwriting profit | \$ 64,692 | \$ 21,431 | 201.9% |
| Net investment income - SCA | \$ 53,650 | \$ 37,544 | 42.9% |
| Minority interest | 3,397 | 6,986 | (51.4)% |
| Net realized and unrealized losses on derivative instruments | (6,402) | (3,798) | (68.6)% |
| Net contribution from SCA | \$ 108,543 | \$ 48,191 | 125.2% |

* NM Not Meaningful

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Gross and net premiums written relating to the financial guaranty line of business reflect premiums received and accrued for in the periods presented and do not include the present value of future cash receipts expected from financial guaranty installment premium policies and contracts written in the period. Gross and net premiums written increased by 31.4% and 45.8%, respectively, in the first nine months of 2006 as compared to the same period in 2005. These increases were primarily as a result of an increase in the volume and mix of financial guaranty installment contracts written throughout this time period, as the book of par amounts guaranteed grows. Net premiums written also increased as a result of the inter-segment portfolio transfer of in-force financial guaranty contracts with the financial lines segment.

The increase in net premiums earned is primarily due to an inter-segment portfolio transfer of in-force financial guaranty contracts with the financial lines segment, combined with increased upfront premiums earned from new Public Finance business. The increase was partially offset by fewer refundings compared to the same period in 2005.

Net losses and loss expenses for the first nine months of 2006 decreased by 55.0% compared to the same period in 2005. The decrease was a result of adverse development on certain project finance risks in 2005 not repeated in 2006.

Acquisition costs increased by 27.7% in the nine months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005. This increase was primarily due to a change in the mix of business written during the period.

Operating expenses increased by 16.0% in the first nine months of 2006, as compared to the first nine months of 2005, due to compensation expenses related to the transfer of additional employees and other costs associated with the SCA IPO.

Net investment income related to the financial guaranty business increased by 42.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005, primarily as a result of increases in the investment asset balances for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, together with increased yields.

Net realized and unrealized losses on derivative instruments represent changes in the market value of the Company's insured credit derivative portfolio. The net losses from derivatives for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 primarily relate to an increase in the volume of insured interest rate swaps combined with a decrease in long-term interest rates declined during this period.

Minority interest expense represents the minority preferred share interest in the income of SCA's financial guaranty reinsurance subsidiary.

Investment Activities

The following table illustrates the change in net investment income from general operations, net income from investment affiliates from general operations, net realized (losses) gains on investments and net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investment derivative instruments from general operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005.

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | | |
|--|---|------------|----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Net investment income - general operations | \$ 806,665 | \$ 565,712 | 42.6% |
| Net income from investment affiliates - general operations | 167,511 | 112,750 | 48.6% |
| Net realized (losses) gains on investments | (53,495) | 203,949 | NM |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investment derivative instruments - general operations | 52,886 | (20,805) | NM |

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Net investment income related to general operations increased in the first nine months of 2006 as compared to the first nine months of 2005, due primarily to a higher investment base as well as increases in the yield of the portfolio. The growth in the investment base reflected the Company's issuance of ordinary shares and equity units in the fourth quarter at 2005 and the Company's cash flow from operations. The market yield to maturity on the fixed income portfolio was 5.2% at September 30, 2006 as compared to 4.5% at September 30, 2005, due primarily to higher interest rates in the U.S.

Net income from investment affiliates increased in the first nine months of 2006 compared to the first nine months of 2005 due primarily to stronger performance in private equity fund affiliates.

The Company manages its investment grade fixed income securities using an asset/liability management framework. Due to the unique nature of the underlying liabilities, customized benchmarks are used to measure investment performance and comparison to standard market indices is not meaningful. Investment performance is not monitored for certain assets primarily consisting of operating cash and special regulatory deposits. The following is a summary of the investment portfolio returns for the asset/liability portfolios and risk asset portfolios:

| | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|-----------------------------------|---|----------|
| | 2006 (1) | 2005 (1) |
| Asset/Liability portfolios | | |
| USD fixed income portfolio | 3.4% | 2.0% |
| Non USD fixed income portfolio | 2.3% | 4.1% |
| Risk Asset portfolios | | |
| Alternative portfolio (2) | 6.7% | 5.7% |
| Equity portfolio | 9.8% | 8.9% |
| High-Yield fixed income portfolio | 5.0% | 2.5% |

(1) Portfolio returns are calculated by dividing the sum of net investment income or net income from investment affiliates, realized gains (losses) and unrealized gains (losses) by the average market value of each portfolio. Non U.S. dollar fixed income performance is measured in either the underlying currency or in U.S. dollars.

(2) Performance on the alternative portfolio reflects the nine months ended August 31, 2006 and August 31, 2005, respectively.

Net Realized Gains and Losses and Other Than Temporary Declines in the Value of Investments

Net realized losses on investments in the first nine months of 2006 included net realized gains of \$15.0 million from sales of investments, net realized losses of \$6.8 million related to the SCA IPO, and net realized losses of approximately \$61.7 million related to the write-down of certain of the Company's fixed income, equity and other investments where the Company determined that there was an other than temporary decline in the value of these investments.

Net realized gains on investments in the first nine months of 2005 included net realized gains of \$243.7 million from sales of investments and net realized losses of approximately \$39.7 million related to the write-down of certain of the Company's fixed income, equity and other investments where the Company determined that there was an other than temporary decline in the value of those investments.

Other Revenues and Expenses

The following table sets forth other revenues and expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005:

| ((U.S. dollars in thousands)) | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, | | |
|---|---|-----------|----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | % Change |
| Net income from operating affiliates - general operations | \$ 36,057 | \$ 46,030 | (21.7)% |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 1,935 | 8,504 | (77.2)% |
| Corporate operating expenses | 123,658 | 139,491 | (11.4)% |
| Interest expense | 154,915 | 133,457 | 16.1% |
| Income tax expense | 176,728 | 47,312 | NM |
| Minority interest | 7,216 | (221) | NM |

Net income from operating affiliates for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 decreased by 21.7% compared to the same period in 2005. This decrease related primarily to the impairment in value of certain investment management affiliates during the first nine months of 2006, partially offset by increased earnings for certain insurance affiliates.

Corporate operating expenses in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 decreased compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2005 primarily reflecting lower consulting and legal fees at the corporate level. Furthermore, allocations to operating segments are generally higher in 2006.

The increase in interest expense primarily reflected the increase in outstanding debt since September 30, 2005. For more information on the Company's financial structure, see *Liquidity and Capital Resources*.

The increase in the Company's income taxes arose principally from an improvement in the profitability of the Company's U.S. and European operations.

Minority interest expense has increased following the SCA IPO and primarily represents the 37% ownership interest in SCA common shares held by the public.

Investments

The primary objectives of the investment strategy are to support the liabilities arising from the operations of the Company, generate stable investment income and build book value for the Company over the longer term. The strategy strives to maximize investment returns while taking into account market and credit risk. The Company's overall investment portfolio is structured to take into account a number of variables including local regulatory requirements, business needs, collateral management and risk tolerance.

At September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, total investments, cash and cash equivalents and net payable for investments purchased were \$43.2 billion and \$41.2 billion, respectively. The following table summarizes the composition of the Company's total investments and cash and cash equivalents:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Fair Value at September 30, 2006 | Fair Value at Percent of Total | December 31, 2005 | Percent of Total |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 2,128,221 | 4.9% | \$ 3,693,475 | 9.0% |
| Net payable for investments purchased | (246,593) | (0.6)% | (639,034) | (1.6)% |
| Short-term investments | 3,099,684 | 7.2% | 2,546,073 | 6.2% |
| Fixed maturities | 34,765,259 | 80.5% | 32,309,565 | 78.4% |
| Equity securities | 847,308 | 1.9% | 868,801 | 2.1% |
| Investments in affiliates | 2,112,353 | 4.9% | 2,046,721 | 5.0% |
| Other investments | 500,155 | 1.2% | 399,417 | 0.9% |
| Total investments and cash and cash equivalents | \$ 43,206,387 | 100% | \$ 41,225,018 | 100.0% |

The Company reviews, on a regular basis, its corporate debt concentration, credit quality and compliance with established guidelines. At September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, the average credit quality of the Company's total fixed income portfolio was AA-. As at September 30, 2006, approximately 54.7% of the fixed income portfolio was rated AAA by one or more of the principal ratings agencies. Approximately 2.2% was below investment grade or not rated.

Unpaid Losses and Loss Expenses

The Company establishes reserves to provide for estimated claims, the general expenses of administering the claims adjustment process and for losses incurred but not reported. These reserves are calculated using actuarial and other reserving techniques to project the estimated ultimate net liability for losses and loss expenses. The Company's reserving practices and the establishment of any particular reserve reflects management's judgment concerning sound financial practice and do not represent any admission of liability with respect to any claims made against the Company.

Unpaid losses and loss expenses relates primarily to the casualty insurance and reinsurance business written by the Company. The balance was \$17.8 billion at September 30, 2006, and \$17.4 billion at December 31, 2005.

The table below represents a reconciliation of the Company's unpaid losses and loss expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2006:

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Gross unpaid losses and loss expenses | (Unaudited) Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable | (Unaudited) Net unpaid losses and loss expenses |
|--|--|---|---|
| Balance as at December 31, 2005 | \$ 23,767,672 | \$ (6,412,648) | \$ 17,355,024 |
| Losses and loss expenses incurred | 3,854,781 | (597,928) | 3,256,853 |
| Losses and loss expenses paid /recovered | 4,537,289 | (1,492,705) | 3,044,583 |
| Foreign exchange and other | 207,114 | 1,487 | 208,601 |
| Balance as at September 30, 2006 | \$ 23,292,278 | \$ (5,516,383) | \$ 17,775,894 |

While the Company reviews the adequacy of established reserves for unpaid losses and loss expenses regularly, no assurance can be given that actual claims made and payments related thereto will not be in excess of the amounts reserved. In the future, if such reserves develop adversely, such deficiency would have a negative impact on future results of operations. See "Unpaid Losses and Loss Expenses" in Item 1,

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates" in Item 7 and Item 8, Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, each in the Company's Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005, for further discussion.

Unpaid Losses and Loss Expenses Recoverable and Reinsurance Balances Receivable

As a significant portion of the Company's net premiums written incept in the first nine months of the year, certain assets and liabilities have increased at September 30, 2006 compared to December 31, 2005. This includes deferred acquisition costs, unearned premiums, premiums receivable and prepaid reinsurance premiums.

In the normal course of business, the Company seeks to reduce the potential amount of loss arising from claims events by reinsuring certain levels of risk assumed in various areas of exposure with other insurers or reinsurers. While reinsurance agreements are designed to limit the Company's losses from large exposures and permit recovery of a portion of direct unpaid losses, reinsurance does not relieve the Company of its ultimate liability to its insureds. Accordingly, the loss and loss expense reserves on the balance sheet represent the Company's total unpaid gross losses. Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable relates to estimated reinsurance recoveries on the unpaid loss and loss expense reserves.

Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverables were \$5.7 billion at September 30, 2006 and \$6.6 billion at December 31, 2005.

The table below presents the Company's net paid and unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable and reinsurance balances receivable at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005.

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) September 30, 2006 | December 31, 2005 |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Reinsurance balances receivable | \$ 1,258,798 | \$ 1,069,402 |
| Reinsurance recoverable on future policy benefits | 15,670 | 28,874 |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable | 5,723,979 | 6,646,972 |
| Bad debt reserve on unpaid losses and loss expenses and reinsurance balances recoverable | (229,382) | (260,713) |
| Net paid and unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable and reinsurance balances receivable | \$ 6,769,065 | \$ 7,484,535 |

Under the terms of the Sale and Purchase Agreement (the "SPA"), as amended, between XL Insurance (Bermuda) Ltd ("XLI") and Winterthur Swiss Insurance Company ("WSIC"), WSIC provided the Company with post-closing protection determined as of September 30, 2004 with respect to, among other things, adverse development of reserves and premium on certain Winterthur International Insurance business. This protection was based upon net loss experience and development over a three-year, post-closing seasoning period based on actual loss development experience, collectible reinsurance and certain other factors set forth in the SPA. The SPA included a process for determining the amount due from WSIC by an independent actuarial process whereby the Independent Actuary developed a value of the seasoned net reserves. The actual final seasoned net reserves amount was the submission that was closest to the number developed by the Independent Actuary.

As the Company and WSIC were unable to come to an agreement, the Company submitted to WSIC notice to trigger the independent actuarial process as contemplated by the SPA. On February 3, 2005, both the Company and WSIC made submissions for the independent actuarial process. There were two separate numbers submitted - that for the Seasoned Net Reserves Amount ("SNRA") and that for the Net Premium Receivable Amount ("NPR"). Subsequent to this date neither party had the opportunity to submit revised figures to the Independent Actuary.

On November 23, 2005 the Company received the draft report from the Independent Actuary in connection with the Company's post-closing protection. The final report was received on December 6, 2005. The Independent Actuary's report concluded that WSIC submitted SNRA and NPR were closest to the Independent Actuary's determinations of SNRA and NPR. These determinations resulted in the Company receiving a net lump sum payment in the amount of approximately \$575.0 million (including interest receivable) from WSIC. As the Company had recorded \$1.4 billion in unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable related to this protection, a loss of approximately \$834.2 million was recorded in the fourth quarter of 2005.

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As noted above the independent actuarial process followed a baseball-type arbitration whereby there were only two possible outcomes, not a range of outcomes. The nature of the process was that the final SNRA was either the SNRA submitted by the Company or the SNRA submitted by WSIC. Accordingly, until the receipt of the Independent Actuary's report in the fourth quarter of 2005, the Company's best estimate was the SNRA it had submitted, as it could only ever have been either that number or the number that WSIC submitted.

For financial statement purposes, at each reporting period end subsequent to the SNRA and NPRA submissions being made in February of 2005, the Company assessed the two possible outcomes regarding the SNRA and after considering any new or changed information arising from the process, determined whether it continued to be probable that the Company's SNRA would become the final SNRA as a result of the Independent Actuarial process. If at any time during the process management had concluded, based on the then current information, that the Independent Actuary would calculate an SNRA closer to WSIC's SNRA submission, then a loss amounting to the entire difference between the two values would have been recorded. Management did not conclude that this was appropriate at any time prior to the receipt of the Independent Actuary's draft report on November 23, 2005. Specifically, during the third quarter of 2005, further detailed internal analysis was conducted by management to re-evaluate the probability that the Company would be successful in the Independent Actuarial process. All areas where there was a potential that WSIC's SNRA submission may have been accepted over the Company's were examined, effectively estimating a reasonable worst-case scenario outcome from the Company's point of view. This was compared to the midpoint of the difference between the two submissions. Management continued to believe the Company would be successful in the process.

There were many individual differences between the Independent Actuary's calculation of the SNRA and that of the Company attributable to different judgment calls, different actuarial methodologies and sources of data. These related primarily to the following five areas:

- (i) The Independent Actuary made downwards and upwards adjustments to the Company's established case reserves and then used the revised reserves as source data for his actuarial analysis and the related calculation of the resultant IBNR. The Company's established case reserves previously had been reviewed both internally and by independent claims analysts (which were outside legal counsel in most instances).
- (ii) The Independent Actuary selected projection methodologies different than the Company's. Most significantly the Independent Actuary's weighting of paid loss projection versus incurred loss projection was different from the Company's which gave rise to differing conclusions regarding future loss development. The Company continues to believe that its methodology, which was adopted by in-house actuaries and reviewed by both outside actuaries and included in the financial statements audited by the Company's outside auditors, is appropriate and has not changed its loss projections based on the Independent Actuary's report. The methodology used by the Company's actuaries for these reserves is consistent with that used by the Company's actuaries for similar risks written in other business units of the Company.
- (iii) The Independent Actuary adopted a methodology different from that of the Company to estimate the application of reinsurance treaties against loss reserves across underwriting years and types of business.
- (iv) The conversion into U.S. dollars of the underlying reserve development in local currency between July 2001 and September 2004 also generated a difference. The impact of the decrease in the value of the U.S. dollar on the Independent Actuary's lower levels of local currency adverse development was to increase the difference between XL and the Independent Actuary in U.S. dollars. This was an issue peculiar to the interpretation of the SPA and does not affect the conversions of the loss reserves under U.S. GAAP.
- (v) The Independent Actuary made different assumptions than the Company regarding the classification of data used in the actuarial analysis. For example, the Independent Actuary characterized losses as large losses for purposes of separate treatment in his actuarial analysis at a level that was different from the Company. The Company's loss reserves and actuarial methodologies were reviewed both internally and externally by outside actuaries and included in the financial statements audited by the Company's outside auditors.

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The differences between the Independent Actuary's and the Company's evaluations of the factors described above were the result of the application of judgments in, the application of actuarial methodology, assessment of loss on individual claims events and/or interpretation of the provisions of the SPA. Because these factors are interdependent, quantification of a single factor's individual contribution to the overall difference is not always possible. The quantification of certain reasonably discrete items has been given below. The Company's loss reserves and actuarial methodologies were reviewed both internally and externally by outside actuaries and claims analysts throughout the seasoning period up to the date of our submission to the Independent Actuary and thereafter. Any adjustments to the underlying carried reserves (both upward and downward) since that date have been the result of new information and have been recorded in the period during which the information became available. In particular during our ongoing assessments of unpaid losses in 2005 it was noted that in certain instances reported experience indicated that the distribution of gross losses to existing reinsurance treaties had developed such that net losses were reduced by approximately \$90 million. In addition certain claim settlements and new claim emergence resulted in positive development of approximately \$110 million as required by the application of actuarial methodologies on a basis consistent with historical practices. As a result, changes in estimates were recorded as the new information and other developments became available contributing to the net positive development for global risk lines of business during 2005 noted in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. These developments did not change the Company's assessment of the outcome of the Independent Actuarial process.

The difference between the independent actuary's conclusion on the Net Premium Receivable Amount (NPRA) and that of the Company related almost exclusively to an interpretation of the SPA with respect to the application of certain accruals for premiums payable at the closing of the purchase in 2001. The Company accordingly has not made any adjustment to its current premiums receivable balances.

The losses resulting from the determinations of the Independent Actuary were recorded in the fourth quarter of 2005 as it was at this time that the draft and final reports of the Independent Actuary were released and sufficient new information was available to support recording a loss for uncollectible reinsurance based on the baseball-type arbitration which allowed for only one of two outcomes. At no time before the release of that report did the Company believe that recognition of a loss under FAS 5 was appropriate.

Under FAS 5, paragraph 8, a loss contingency shall be accrued to income if information available prior to issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that an asset had been impaired or a liability had been incurred at the date of the financial statements. It is implicit in this condition that it must be probable that one or more future events will occur confirming the fact that of the loss. At no time prior to the Company's receipt of the draft actuarial report did this condition exist.

Under the terms of the SPA, WSIC also provided the Company with protection with respect to third party reinsurance receivables and recoverables related to the acquisition of certain Winterthur International insurance operations (the Winterthur Business).

On June 7, 2006, subsidiaries of the Company, entered into an agreement (the Agreement) with WSIC. The purpose of this Agreement is to release all actual or potential disputes, claims or issues arising out of or related in any way to: (i) the Liquidity Facility and the Sellers Retrocession Agreements, as well as (ii) subject to certain exceptions, the SPA.

The Agreement further provides for a four-year term, collateralized escrow arrangement (the Fund) of up to \$185 million (plus interest) to protect certain subsidiaries from future nonperforming third party reinsurance related to the Winterthur Business. The Fund has been structured to align the parties' interests by providing for any sums remaining in the Fund at the end of its term to be shared in agreed percentages.

The Agreement replaces the protections provided to the Company from WSIC for reinsurance receivables and recoverables under the Liquidity Facility and Sellers Retrocession Agreements noted above and described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005 and the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A for the quarter ended March 31, 2006.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

As a holding company, the Company's assets consist primarily of its investments in subsidiaries, and the Company's future cash flows depend on the availability of dividends or other statutorily permissible payments from its subsidiaries. The ability to pay such dividends is limited by the applicable laws and regulations of the various countries the Company operates in including, among others, Bermuda, the United States, Ireland, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, and those of the Society of Lloyd's and certain contractual provisions. No assurance can be given that the Company or its subsidiaries will be permitted to pay dividends in the future.

The Company and its subsidiaries provide no guarantees or other commitments (express or implied) of financial support to the Company's subsidiaries or affiliates, except for express written financial support provided by XL Insurance (Bermuda) Ltd in connection with the Company's financial guaranty subsidiaries and where other express written guaranty or other financial support arrangements are in place.

Liquidity

Liquidity is a measure of the Company's ability to generate sufficient cash flows to meet the short and long term cash requirements of the Company's business operations.

The Company's operating subsidiaries provide liquidity in that premiums are generally received months or even years before losses are paid under the policies related to such premiums. Historically, cash receipts from operations, consisting of insurance premiums and investment income, have provided more than sufficient funds to pay losses, operating expenses and dividends to the Company.

New cash from operations was approximately \$1.5 billion in the first nine months of 2006 compared with \$3.9 billion in the same period in 2005. New cash in the first nine months of 2005 included a large immediate annuity portfolio of \$1.8 billion. The decrease in net operating cash flow in 2006 was due to the absence of large annuity portfolio receipts, combined with and partially offset by higher investment income in the period. In addition, net cash flow from structured and spread transactions was negative, and positive financing cash flows were received as a result of the SCA IPO.

Capital Resources

At September 30, 2006, the Company had total shareholders' equity of \$9.5 billion. In addition to ordinary and preferred share capital, the Company depends on external sources of financing such as debt, credit facilities and contingent capital to support its underwriting activities.

The Company does not intend, subject to the terms and conditions of the Series A or Series B preference ordinary shares as set forth in the relevant prospectus supplements, to redeem either the Series A or Series B preference ordinary shares unless replaced with capital having at least the equivalent credit.

As at September 30, 2006, the Company had revolving loan facilities from a variety of sources, including commercial banks, totaling \$4.8 billion of which \$3.4 billion in debt was outstanding. In addition, the Company had letter of credit facilities amounting to \$6.4 billion of which \$3.9 billion was utilized to provide letters of credit in issue at September 30, 2006, 5.0% of which were collateralized by the Company's investment portfolio. Such letters of credit principally support the Company's U.S. non-admitted business and the Company's capital requirements at Lloyd's.

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Debt

The following table presents the Company's indebtedness under outstanding debt securities and lenders' commitments as at September 30, 2006:

| Notes Payable and Debt (U.S. dollars in thousands) | Commitment | In Use | Year of Expiry | Payments Due by Period | | | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| | | | | Less than 1 Year | 1 to 3 Years | 3 to 5 Years | After 5 Years |
| 364-day revolver | \$ 100,000 | \$ | 2006 | \$ | \$ | \$ | |
| 5 and 3-year revolvers | 1,000,000 | | 2007/2010 | | | | \$ |
| 5-year revolver | 100,000 | | 2010 | | | | |
| 5-year revolver - SCA | 250,000 | | 2011 | | | | |
| 2.53% Senior Notes | 825,000 | 825,000 | 2009 | | 825,000 | | |
| 5.25% Senior Notes | 745,000 | 745,000 | 2011 | | 745,000 | | |
| 6.58% Guaranteed Senior Notes | 255,000 | 255,000 | 2011 | | | 255,000 | |
| 6.50% Guaranteed Senior Notes | 598,315 | 598,315 | 2012 | | | | 600,000 |
| 5.25% Senior Notes | 594,817 | 594,817 | 2014 | | | | 600,000 |
| 6.375% Senior Notes | 350,000 | 350,000 | 2024 | | | | 350,000 |
| Total | \$ 4,818,132 | \$ 3,368,132 | | \$ | \$ 1,570,000 | \$ 255,000 | \$ 1,550,000 |

Commitment and In Use data represent September 30, 2006 accreted values. Payments Due by Period data represent ultimate redemption values.

Credit facilities, contingent capital and other sources of collateral

SCA closed a new \$500 million syndicated credit facility on August 1, 2006. The new facility has a tenor of 5-years and is only available for Security Capital Assurance Ltd and its subsidiaries. \$250 million is available in the form of revolving credit and the remaining \$250 million is available for letters of credit. At September 30, 2006, the revolving credit portion of the facility was undrawn while letters of credit amounting to \$133 million were in issue.

At September 30, 2006, the Company had ten letter of credit facilities in place with total availability of \$6.4 billion, of which \$3.9 billion was utilized.

| Other Commercial Commitments (U.S. dollars in thousands) | Commitment | In Use | Year of Expiry | Amount of Commitment Expiration Per Period | | | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| | | | | Less than 1 Year | 1 to 3 Years | 3 to 5 Years | After 5 Years |
| Letter of credit facility | \$ 200,000 | \$ 189,501 | Continuous | \$ 200,000 | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 2 Letter of credit facilities | 5,880 | 5,880 | 2006 | 5,880 | | | |
| Letter of credit facility (1) | 100,000 | | 2006 | 100,000 | | | |
| Letter of credit facility | 150,000 | 150,000 | 2006 | 150,000 | | | |
| Letter of credit facility | 500,000 | 467,488 | 2007 | 500,000 | | | |
| Letter of credit facility | 947,400 | 770,039 | 2008 | | 947,500 | | |
| Letter of credit facility (1) | 2,000,000 | 425,821 | 2007 | 2,000,000 | | | |
| Letter of credit facility (1) | 2,250,000 | 1,751,382 | 2010 | | 2,250,000 | | |
| Letter of credit facility-SCA | 250,000 | 133,061 | 2011 | | | 250,000 | |
| 10 Letter of credit facilities | \$ 6,403,280 | \$ 3,893,172 | | \$ 2,955,880 | \$ 3,197,500 | \$ 250,000 | \$ |

(1) Of the total letter of credit facilities above, \$1,000 million is also included in the revolvers under notes payable and debt.

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The Company has several letter of credit facilities provided on a syndicated and bilateral basis from commercial banks. These facilities are principally utilized to support non-admitted insurance and reinsurance operations in the United States and capital requirements at Lloyd's. In addition to letters of credit, the Company has established insurance trusts in the U.S. that provide cedants with statutory relief under state insurance regulations in the U.S. It is anticipated that the commercial facilities will be renewed on expiry but such renewals are subject to the availability of credit from banks utilized by the Company. In the event that such credit support is insufficient, the Company could be required to provide alternative security to cedants. This could take the form of additional insurance trusts supported by the Company's investment portfolio or funds withheld using the Company's cash resources. The value of letters of credit required is driven by, among other things, loss development of existing reserves, the payment pattern of such reserves, the expansion of business written by the Company and loss experience of such business.

In addition to funded debt transactions, the Company and an indirect majority-owned subsidiary XLFA have entered into contingent capital transactions. No up-front proceeds were received by the Company or XLFA under these transactions, however, in the event that the associated irrevocable put option agreements are exercised, proceeds previously raised from investors from the issuance of pass-through trust securities would be received in return for the issuance of preferred shares by the Company or XLFA, as applicable.

Ratings

The Company's ability to underwrite business is dependent upon the quality of its claims paying and financial strength ratings as evaluated by independent rating agencies. As a result, in the event that the Company is downgraded, its ability to write business may be adversely affected. In the normal course of business, the Company evaluates its capital needs to support the volume of business written in order to maintain its claims paying and financial strength ratings. The Company regularly provides financial information to rating agencies to both maintain and enhance existing ratings.

The following are the current financial strength and claims paying ratings from internationally recognized rating agencies in relation to the Company's principal insurance and reinsurance subsidiaries and pools:

| <u>Rating agency</u> | <u>Rating</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Standard & Poor's | A+ (Stable) |
| Fitch | AA- (Stable) |
| A.M. Best | A+ (Stable) |
| Moody's Investor Services | Aa3 (Stable) |

The following are the current financial strength ratings from internationally recognized rating agencies in relation to the Company's principal financial guaranty insurance and reinsurance subsidiaries:

| <u>Rating agency</u> | <u>Rating</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Standard & Poor's | AAA |
| Fitch | AAA |
| Moody's Investor Services | Aaa |

In addition, XL Capital Ltd had the following long term debt ratings as at September 30, 2006: a- (Stable) from A.M. Best, A- (Stable) from Standard and Poor's, A3 (Stable) from Moody's and A (Stable) from Fitch.

Other

For information regarding cross-default and certain other provisions in the Company's debt and convertible securities documents, see Item 7 of the Company's Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005.

The Company has had several share repurchase programs in the past as part of its capital management strategy. On January 9, 2000, the Board of Directors authorized a program for the repurchase of shares up to \$500.0 million. Under this plan, the Company has purchased 6.6 million shares at an aggregate cost of \$364.6 million or an average

cost of \$55.24 per share. The Company has \$135.4 million remaining in its share repurchase authorization. During the nine months ended September 30, 2006, no shares were repurchased in the open market. The Company has repurchased shares from employees and directors in relation to withholding tax on restricted stock. See Part II, Item 2 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds , below.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (PSLRA) provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements. Any prospectus, prospectus supplement, the Company's Annual Report to ordinary shareholders, any proxy statement, any other Form 10-K, Form 10-Q or Form 8-K of the Company or any other written or oral statements made by or on behalf of the Company may include forward-looking statements that reflect the Company's current views with respect to future events and financial performance. Such statements include forward-looking statements both with respect to the Company in general, and to the insurance, reinsurance and financial products and services sectors in particular (both as to underwriting and investment matters). Statements that include the words expect , intend , plan , believe , project , anticipate , will , may , or similar statements of a future or forward-looking nature identify forward-looking statements for purposes of the PSLRA or otherwise. All forward-looking statements address matters that involve risks and uncertainties. Accordingly, there are or will be important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in such statements. The Company believes that these factors include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) the adequacy of rates and terms and conditions may not be as sustainable as the Company is currently projecting; (ii) changes to the size of the Company's claims relating to Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma and other natural catastrophes; (iii) the Company's ability to realize the expected benefits of the collateralized quota share reinsurance treaty that it entered into in the fourth quarter of 2005 with respect to specified portions of its property catastrophe and retrocessional lines of business; (iv) the timely and full recoverability of reinsurance placed by the Company with third parties, or other amounts due to the Company; (v) the projected amount of ceded reinsurance recoverables and the ratings and creditworthiness of reinsurers may change; (vi) the size of the Company's claims relating to the hurricane and tsunami losses described herein may change; (vii) the timing of claims payments being faster or the receipt of reinsurance recoverables being slower than anticipated by the Company; (viii) ineffectiveness or obsolescence of the Company's business strategy due to changes in current or future market conditions; (ix) increased competition on the basis of pricing, capacity, coverage terms or other factors; (x) greater frequency or severity of claims and loss activity, including as a result of natural or man-made catastrophic events, than the Company's underwriting, reserving or investment practices anticipate based on historical experience or industry data; (viii) developments in the world's financial and capital markets that adversely affect the performance of the Company's investments and the Company's access to such markets; (ix) the potential impact on the Company from government-mandated insurance coverage for acts of terrorism; (x) the potential impact of variable interest entities or other off-balance sheet arrangements on the Company; (xi) developments in bankruptcy proceedings or other developments related to bankruptcies of companies insofar as they affect property and casualty insurance and reinsurance coverages or claims that the Company may have as a counterparty; (xii) availability of borrowings and letters of credit under the Company's credit facilities; (xiii) changes in regulation or tax laws applicable to the Company or its subsidiaries, brokers or customers; (xiv) acceptance of the Company's products and services, including new products and services; (xv) changes in the availability, cost or quality of reinsurance; (xvi) changes in the distribution or placement of risks due to increased consolidation of insurance and reinsurance brokers; (xvii) loss of key personnel; (xviii) the effects of mergers, acquisitions and divestitures; (xix) changes in ratings, rating agency policies or practices; (xx) changes in accounting policies or practices or the application thereof; (xxi) legislative or regulatory developments; (xxii) changes in general economic conditions, including inflation, foreign currency exchange rates and other factors; (xxiii) the effects of business disruption or economic contraction due to war, terrorism or other hostilities; and (xxiv) the other factors set forth in the Company's other documents on file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). 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 included herein or elsewhere. The Company undertakes no obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Except as described below, there have been no material changes in the Company's market risk exposures, or how those exposures are managed, since December 31, 2005. The following discussion should be read in conjunction with "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk" presented under Item 7A of the Company's Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2005.

The Company enters into derivatives and other financial instruments primarily for risk management purposes. The Company's derivative transactions can expose the Company to credit default swap risk, weather and energy risk, investment market risk and foreign currency exchange rate risk. The Company attempts to manage these risks based on guidelines established by senior management. Derivative instruments are carried at fair value with resulting changes in fair value recognized in income in the period in which they occur.

Value-at-risk (VaR) is one of the tools used by management to estimate potential losses in fair values using historical rates, market movements and credit spreads to estimate the volatility and correlation of these factors to calculate the potential loss that could occur over a defined period of time given a certain probability.

This risk management discussion and the estimated amounts generated from the sensitivity and VaR analyses presented in this document are forward-looking statements of market risk assuming certain adverse market conditions occur. Actual results in the future may differ materially from these estimated results due to, among other things, actual developments in the global financial markets. The results of analysis used by the Company to assess and mitigate risk should not be considered projections of future events or losses. See generally "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" in Item 2.

Credit Default Swaps

The Company has written certain financial guaranty transactions in derivative or swap form. The Company does not actively trade these transactions and generally issues and holds these contracts to maturity. Changes in fair value can result from changes in market credit spreads, supply and demand for similar type instruments, changes in future loss and/or recovery estimates, interest rates and credit rating upgrades or downgrades. The Company therefore is at risk for changes in fair value due to changes in any of the above factors. In addition, the Company enters into credit default swap transactions as part of its overall investment strategy.

Weather and Energy Market Risk

The Company offers weather and energy risk management products in insurance or derivative form to end-users, while managing the risks in the over-the-counter and exchange traded derivatives markets in a weather and energy derivatives trading portfolio.

The fair value of weather and energy derivatives is determined through the use of quoted market prices where available. Where quoted market prices are unavailable, the fair value is estimated using available market data and internal pricing models using consistent statistical methodologies. Estimating fair value of instruments that do not have quoted market prices requires management judgment in determining amounts that could reasonably be expected to be received from, or paid to, a third party in settlement of the contracts. The amounts could be materially different from the amounts that might be realized in an actual sale transaction. Fair values are subject to change in the near-term and reflect management's best estimate based on various factors including, but not limited to, realized and forecasted weather conditions, changes in commodity prices, changes in interest rates and other market factors.

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The following table summarizes the movement in the fair value of weather and energy derivative contracts outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2006.

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) | (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006 |
|--|---|
| Fair value of contracts outstanding, beginning of the period | \$ (4,345) |
| Net option premiums realized (1) | (4,400) |
| Reclassification of settled contracts to realized (2) | (11,734) |
| Other changes in fair value (3) | 18,366 |
| Fair value of contracts outstanding, end of period | \$ (2,133) |

- (1) For the period ended September 30, 2006, the Company collected \$11.3 million of paid premiums and realized \$6.9 million of premiums on expired transactions for a net increase in the balance sheet derivative liability of \$4.4 million.
- (2) The Company received \$11.7 million to settle derivative positions during the period ended September 30, 2006, resulting in a reclassification of this amount from unrealized to realized and a decrease in the balance sheet derivative liability.
- (3) This represents the effects of changes in commodity prices, the time value of options, and other valuation adjustments of \$18.4 million on the Company's derivative positions.

The change in fair value of contracts outstanding at September 30, 2006, as compared to the beginning of the period is primarily due to the settlement of positive fair value positions during the first half of the year.

The following table summarizes the maturity of contracts outstanding at September 30, 2006:

| Source of Fair Value (U.S. dollars in thousands) | Less than 1 Year | 1-3 Years | 4-5 Years | More than 5 Years | Total Fair Value |
|---|---------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Prices actively quoted | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Prices based on models and other valuation methods | 2,656 | (4,605) | (164) | | (2,113) |
| Total fair value of contracts outstanding | \$ 2,656 | \$ (4,605) | \$ (164) | \$ | \$ (2,113) |

The Company manages its weather and energy portfolio through the employment of a variety of strategies. These include geographical and directional diversification of risk exposures and direct hedging within the capital and reinsurance markets. Risk management is undertaken on a product portfolio-wide basis, to maintain a portfolio that the Company believes is well diversified and which remains within the aggregate risk tolerance established by the Company's senior management.

The Company's aggregate average, low and high seasonal VaR amounts for its weather risk management portfolio, calculated at a 99% confidence level, during the period ended September 30, 2006 were \$36.2 million, \$27.7 million and \$51.8 million, respectively. The corresponding levels for the weather risk management portfolio during the period ended September 30, 2005 were \$91.7 million, \$65.3 million and \$115.1 million, respectively. The Company calculates its aggregate VaR by summing the VaR amounts for each of its seasonal portfolios. The Company's aggregation methodology yields a conservative aggregate portfolio VaR, given that current weather events and patterns have an immaterial effect on expectations for future seasons and the Company could therefore greatly reduce or eliminate its VaR on future seasons by selling its positions prior to the beginning of a season. At present, the Company's VaR calculation does not exceed \$15.0 million in any one season.

Investment Market Risk

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The Company's investment portfolio consists of exposures to fixed income securities, equities, alternative investments, derivatives, business and other investments and cash. These securities and investments are denominated in both U.S. dollars and foreign currencies.

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Through the structure of the Company's investment portfolio, the Company's earnings and book value are directly affected by changes in the valuations of the securities and investments held in the investment portfolio. These valuation changes reflect changes in interest rates (e.g. changes in the level, slope and curvature of the yield curves, volatility of interest rates, mortgage prepayment speeds and credit spreads), credit quality, equity prices (e.g. changes in prices and volatilities of individual securities, equity baskets and equity indices) and foreign currency exchange rates (e.g. changes in spot prices, forward prices and volatilities of currency rates). Market risk therefore arises due to the uncertainty surrounding the future valuations of these different assets, the factors that impact their values and the impact that this could have on the Company's earnings and book value.

The Company seeks to manage the risks of the investment portfolio through a combination of asset class, country, industry and security level diversification and investment manager allocations. These allocation decisions are made relative to the liability profile of the Company and the Company's surplus. Further, individual security and issuer exposures are generally controlled and monitored at the investment portfolio level, via specific investment constraints outlined in investment guidelines and agreed with the Company's external investment professionals. Additional constraints are generally agreed with the external investment professionals which may address exposures to eligible securities, prohibited investments/transactions, credit quality and general concentration limits.

The Company's direct use of investment derivatives includes futures, forwards, swaps and option contracts that derive their value from underlying assets, indices, reference rates or a combination of these factors. When investment guidelines allow for the use of derivatives, these can generally only be used for the purposes of managing interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk, credit risk and replicating permitted investments, provided the use of such instruments is incorporated in the overall portfolio duration, spread, convexity and other relevant portfolio metrics. The direct use of derivatives is generally not permitted to economically leverage the portfolio outside of the stated guidelines. Derivatives may also be used to add value to the investment portfolio where market inefficiencies are perceived to exist, to utilize cash holdings to purchase equity indexed derivatives and to adjust the duration of a portfolio of fixed income securities to match the duration of related deposit liabilities.

Investment Value-At-Risk

The VaR of the Company's total investment portfolio at September 30, 2006, based on a 95% confidence level with a one month holding period, was approximately \$571.1 million as compared to \$489.0 million as at December 31, 2005. The VaR of all investment related derivatives as at September 30, 2006 was approximately \$14.6 million as compared to \$26.3 million as at December 31, 2005. The Company's investment portfolio VaR as at September 30, 2006 is not necessarily indicative of future VaR levels.

To complement the VaR analysis based on normal market environments, the Company considers the impact on the investment portfolio of several different historical stress periods to analyze the effect of unusual market conditions. The Company establishes certain historical stress test scenarios which are applied to the actual investment portfolio. As these stress tests and estimated gains and losses are based on historical events, they will not necessarily reflect future stress events or gains and losses from such events. The results of the stress test scenarios are reviewed on a regular basis to ensure they are appropriate, based on current shareholders' equity, market conditions and the Company's total risk tolerance. Given the investment portfolio allocations as at September 30, 2006, the Company would expect to lose approximately 5.1% of the portfolio if the most damaging event stress tested was repeated, all other things held equal, as compared to 5.2% at December 31, 2005. Given the investment portfolio allocations as at September 30, 2006, the Company would expect to gain approximately 16.2% on the portfolio if the most favorable event stress tested was repeated, all other things held equal, as compared to 17.3% at December 31, 2005. The Company assumes that no action is taken during the stress period to either liquidate or rebalance the portfolio. The Company believes that this fairly reflects the potential decreased liquidity that is often associated with stressed market environments.

Fixed Income Portfolio

The Company's fixed income portfolio is exposed to credit and interest rate risk. The fixed income portfolio includes fixed maturities, short-term investments, cash and cash equivalents and net payable for investments purchased.

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As at September 30, 2006, the value of the Company's fixed income portfolio, including cash and cash equivalents and net payable for investments purchased, was approximately \$39.7 billion as compared to approximately \$37.9 billion as at December 31, 2005. As at September 30, 2006, the fixed income portfolio consisted of approximately 91.1% of the total investment portfolio (including cash and cash equivalents, accrued investment income and net payable for investments purchased) as compared to approximately 91.1% as at December 31, 2005.

The table below shows the Company's fixed income portfolio by credit rating in percentage terms of the Company's total fixed income exposure (including fixed maturities, short-term investments, cash and cash equivalents and net payable for investments purchased) as at September 30, 2006.

| | Total |
|------------|--------------|
| AAA | 54.7% |
| AA | 14.7% |
| A | 17.2% |
| BBB | 11.2% |
| BB & BELOW | 2.0% |
| NR | 0.2% |
| | 100.0% |

At September 30, 2006, the average credit quality of the Company's total fixed income portfolio was AA.

As at September 30, 2006, the top 10 corporate holdings, which exclude government guaranteed and government sponsored enterprises, represented approximately 4.2% of the Company's total fixed income portfolio and approximately 12.0% of all corporate holdings. The top 10 corporate holdings listed below represent the direct exposure to the corporations listed below, including their subsidiaries, and excludes any securitized, credit enhanced and collateralized asset or mortgage backed securities, cash and cash equivalents and excludes any reduction to this exposure through credit default swaps, if applicable.

| Top 10 Corporate Holdings | Percentage of Total Fixed Income Portfolio (1) |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Morgan Stanley | 0.6% |
| General Electric Company | 0.6% |
| Citigroup Inc | 0.5% |
| Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc | 0.4% |
| HSBC Holdings plc | 0.4% |
| Lloyds TSB Group plc | 0.4% |
| Wells Fargo & Company | 0.4% |
| Bank of America Corporation | 0.3% |
| Barclays plc | 0.3% |
| The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc | 0.3% |

(1) Including fixed maturities, short-term investments, cash and cash equivalents and net payable for investments purchased.

The Company's fixed income portfolio is exposed to interest rate risk. Interest rate risk is the price sensitivity of a fixed income security to changes in interest rates. The hypothetical case of an immediate 100 basis point adverse parallel shift in global bond yield curves as at September 30, 2006 would decrease the fair value of the Company's fixed income portfolio by approximately 3.8% or \$1.5 billion. Based on historical observations, it is unlikely that all global yield curves would shift uniformly in the same direction and at the same time.

Equity Portfolio

As at September 30, 2006, the Company's equity portfolio, which for financial reporting purposes includes certain fixed income mutual fund investments that do not have the risk characteristics of equity investments, was \$847.3

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million as compared to \$868.8 million as at December 31, 2005. As at September 30, 2006, the Company's allocation to equity securities was approximately 1.9% of the total investment portfolio (including cash and cash equivalents, accrued investment income and net payable for investments purchased) as compared to approximately 2.1% as at December 31, 2005.

As at September 30, 2006, approximately 42% of the equity holdings was invested in U.S. companies as compared to approximately 53% as at December 31, 2005. As at September 30, 2006, the top ten equity holdings represented approximately 5.7% of the Company's total equity portfolio as compared to approximately 5.8% as at December 31, 2005.

The Company's equity portfolio is exposed to price risk. Equity price risk is the potential loss arising from decreases in the market value of equities. An immediate hypothetical 10% change in the value of each equity position would affect the fair value of the portfolio by approximately \$84.7 million as at September 30, 2006 as compared to \$86.9 million as at December 31, 2005.

Alternative Investment Portfolio

The Company's alternative investment portfolio had approximately 60 separate fund investments at September 30, 2006 with a total exposure of \$1.8 billion representing approximately 4.0% of the total investment portfolio as compared to December 31, 2005 where the Company had approximately 80 separate fund investments with a total exposure of \$1.7 billion representing approximately 4.1% of the total investment portfolio.

As at September 30, 2006, the alternative investment style allocation was 39% in Directional/tactical strategies, 27% in Event-driven strategies, 26% in Arbitrage strategies, and 8% in Multi-strategy strategies. As at December 31, 2005, the alternative investment style allocation was 43% in Directional/tactical strategies, 31% in Event-driven strategies, 18% in Arbitrage strategies, and 8% in Multi-strategy strategies.

Private Investment Portfolio

As at September 30, 2006, the Company's exposure to private investments was approximately \$296.2 million compared to \$252.2 million as at December 31, 2005. As at September 30, 2006, the Company's exposure to private investments comprised approximately 0.7% of the total investment portfolio (including cash and cash equivalents, accrued investment income and net payable for investments purchased), as compared to 0.6% as at December 31, 2005.

Bond and Stock Index Futures Exposure

As at September 30, 2006, bond and stock index futures outstanding had a net short position of \$846.6 million as compared to a net long position of \$46.4 million as at December 31, 2005. A 10% appreciation or depreciation of the underlying exposure to these derivative instruments would have resulted in realized gains or realized losses of \$84.7 million as at September 30, 2006 and \$4.6 million as at December 31, 2005, respectively. The Company may reduce its exposure to these futures through offsetting transactions, including options and forwards.

Foreign Currency Exchange Risk

The Company has exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations through its operations, unpaid losses and loss expenses and in its investment portfolio. The Company's net foreign currency denominated receivable on foreign exchange contracts as at September 30, 2006 was \$191.8 million as compared to a payable of \$603.0 million as at December 31, 2005, with a net unrealized loss of \$2.8 million as compared to a net unrealized gain of \$15.9 million as at December 31, 2005.

Foreign exchange contracts within the investment portfolio are utilized to manage individual portfolio foreign exchange exposures, subject to investment manager guidelines established by management. These contracts are not designated as specific hedges for financial reporting purposes and, therefore, realized and unrealized gains and losses

on these contracts are recorded in income in the period in which they occur. These contracts generally have maturities of three months or less.

The Company also attempts to manage the foreign exchange volatility arising on certain transactions denominated in foreign currencies. These include, but are not limited to, premium receivable, reinsurance contracts, claims payable and investments in subsidiaries.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Conclusion Regarding the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures are effective to provide reasonable assurance that all material information relating to the Company required to be filed in this report has been made known to them in a timely fashion.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the Company's evaluation required pursuant to Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that occurred during the most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

In November 2006, the Company discovered certain errors in its Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. These errors resulted from a misapplication of the accounting standards relating to Statements of Cash Flows. The Company brought the errors to the attention of its independent auditor and determined that it would restate its Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the periods ending March 31, 2006, June 30, 2006 and the years ended December 31, 2003, 2004, and 2005, respectively. See Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Management and the Company's independent auditors have concluded that the control deficiency that resulted in the restatement of the prior period financial statements was not in itself a material weakness. In addition, the control deficiency that resulted in the restatement when aggregated with other deficiencies did not constitute a material weakness. The Company has taken steps to remediate the significant deficiency in the processes surrounding the preparation of the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

On June 21, 2004, a consolidated and amended class action complaint (the Amended Complaint) was served on the Company and certain of its present and former directors and officers as defendants in a putative class action (Malin et al. v. XL Capital Ltd et al.) filed in United States District Court, District of Connecticut (the Malin Action). The Malin Action purports to be on behalf of purchasers of the Company's common stock between November 1, 2001 and October 16, 2003, and alleges claims under Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder (the Securities Laws). The Amended Complaint alleged that the defendants violated the Securities Laws by, among other things, failing to disclose in various public and shareholder and investor reports and other communications the alleged inadequacy of the Company's loss reserves for its NAC Re subsidiary (now known as XL Reinsurance America, Inc.) and that, as a consequence, the Company's earnings and assets were materially overstated. On August 26, 2005, the Court dismissed the Amended Complaint owing to its failure adequately to allege loss causation, but provided leave for the plaintiffs to file a further amended complaint. The plaintiffs thereafter filed a second amended complaint (the Second Amended Complaint), which is similar to the Amended Complaint in its substantive allegations. On December 31, 2005, the defendants filed a motion to dismiss the Second Amended Complaint. The plaintiffs have opposed the motion. The Company and the defendant present and former officers and directors intend to vigorously defend the claims asserted against them.

On June 17, 2004, William Kronenberg, III, Frank A. Piliero and David M. Rosenberg (together, the Claimants) commenced an arbitration against the Company before the American Arbitration Association (AAA) in New York, New York. The Claimants and the Company were parties to a stock purchase agreement dated June 1, 1999, pursuant to which the Company acquired the outstanding capital stock of ECS, Inc. (the Stock Purchase Agreement). In their AAA arbitration demand, the Claimants asserted claims of fraud and deceitful conduct, negligent misrepresentation, and breach of contract and a covenant of good faith and fair dealing, all relating to the allegation that the Company failed to make certain contingent payments allegedly due to the Claimants under the Stock Purchase Agreement. Claimants sought \$85 million (the maximum amount payable under the contingent payment provision at issue), plus punitive damages, interest, costs and attorneys' fees. On February 21, 2006, the AAA panel issued a final award in favor of the Company with respect to the major disputes at issue. On June 21, 2006 the parties reached a settlement in principle of all remaining issues in dispute and the settlement was finalized in a settlement agreement, which became effective on September 26, 2006.

The Company is also subject to litigation and arbitration in the normal course of its business. These lawsuits and arbitrations principally involve claims on policies of insurance and contracts of reinsurance and are typical for the Company and for the property and casualty insurance and reinsurance industry in general. Such legal proceedings are considered in connection with the Company's loss and loss expense reserves. Reserves in varying amounts may or may not be established in respect of particular claims proceedings based on many factors, including the legal merits thereof. In addition to claims litigation, the Company and its subsidiaries are subject to lawsuits in the normal course of business that do not arise from or directly relate to claims on policies of insurance or contracts of reinsurance.

As previously disclosed, in May and June of 2005, the Company received a subpoena from the SEC and a grand jury subpoena from the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, respectively, in each case for documents and information relating to certain finite-risk and loss mitigation insurance products. The Company is fully cooperating and responding to these requests.

From time to time, the Company has also received and responded to additional requests from Attorneys General and state insurance regulators for information relating to the Company's contingent commission arrangements with brokers and agents and the Company's insurance and reinsurance practices in connection with certain finite-risk and loss mitigation products. Similarly, the Company's affiliates outside the United States have, from time to time, received and responded to requests from regulators relating to the Company's insurance and reinsurance practices regarding contingent commissions or finite-risk and loss mitigation products. The Company is fully cooperating with these regulators in these matters.

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In August 2005, plaintiffs in a proposed class action multi-district lawsuit, captioned *In re Insurance Brokerage Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 1663, Civil Action No. 04-5184 (FSH) (the MDL), filed a consolidated amended complaint (the Amended Complaint), which named as new defendants, in the pending action approximately 30 entities, including Greenwich Insurance Company, Indian Harbor Insurance Company and XL Capital Ltd. In the MDL, named plaintiffs have asserted various claims purportedly on behalf of a class of commercial insureds against approximately 113 insurance companies and insurance brokers through which the named plaintiffs allegedly purchased insurance. The Amended Complaint alleges that the defendant insurance companies and insurance brokers conspired to manipulate bidding practices for insurance policies in certain insurance lines and failed to disclose certain commission arrangements. The named plaintiffs have asserted statutory claims under the Sherman Act, various state antitrust laws and the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, as well as common law claims alleging breach of fiduciary duty, aiding and abetting a breach of fiduciary duty and unjust enrichment. Discovery in the MDL continues. Defendants filed motions to dismiss the Amended Complaint in late November 2005. On February 1, 2006, plaintiffs filed a motion seeking leave to further amend their Amended Complaint to, among other things, add additional defendants, including X.L. America, Inc. and XL Insurance America, Inc. That motion was denied without prejudice. By Opinion and Order dated October 3, 2006, the Court ruled on defendants motions to dismiss the Amended Complaint, holding that plaintiffs RICO and antitrust claims were deficient as pled and directing plaintiffs to file a supplemental RICO case statement and a supplemental statement of particularity as to their Sherman Act claims. Plaintiffs filed their supplemental pleadings on October 25, 2006. In accordance with the Court s October 3, 2006 Order, defendants anticipate filing responses to plaintiffs supplemental pleadings. On or about February 13, 2006, plaintiffs filed a motion seeking class certification. Defendants filed an opposition to the class certification motion, as well as a separate motion seeking to exclude the testimony of the expert witness upon whom plaintiffs have relied in seeking class certification. It is anticipated that oral argument in connection with plaintiffs class certification motion will not be held before sometime in 2007. Discovery has been underway since the fall of 2005.

On April 4, 2006, a complaint was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia on behalf of New Cingular Wireless Headquarters LLC and several other corporations against approximately 100 defendants, including Greenwich Insurance Company, XL Specialty Insurance Company, XL Insurance America, Inc., XL Insurance Company Limited, Lloyd s syndicates 861, 588 and 1209 and XL Capital Ltd. (the New Cingular Lawsuit). The New Cingular Complaint, which makes the same basic allegations as those alleged in the MDL Amended Complaint, asserts statutory claims under the Sherman Act, the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, as well as common law claims alleging breach of fiduciary duty, inducement to breach fiduciary duty, unjust enrichment and fraud. The Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation (the JPML) issued a Conditional Transfer Order directing that the New Cingular Lawsuit be transferred to the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey so that it can be coordinated and/or consolidated with the MDL. Certain parties in the New Cingular Lawsuit filed motions seeking to vacate the JPML s Conditional Transfer Order. By Order entered on October 16, 2006, the JPML denied those motions and directed that the New Cingular Lawsuit be coordinated or consolidated with the MDL for pretrial purposes.

See also discussion of the Sale and Purchase Agreement, as amended, between XL Insurance (Bermuda) Ltd and Winterthur Swiss Insurance Company, in Unpaid Losses and Loss Expenses Recoverable and Reinsurance Balances Receivable in Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in Item 2 above.

The Company believes that the ultimate outcome of all outstanding litigation and arbitration will not have a material adverse effect on its consolidated financial condition, future operating results and/or liquidity, although an adverse resolution of a number of these items could have a material adverse effect on the Company s results of operations in a particular fiscal quarter or year.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS**(c) Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliate Purchasers**

The following table provides information about purchases by the Company during the three months ended September 30, 2006 of equity securities that are registered by the Company pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act:

| Period | Total Number of Shares Purchased (1) | Average Price Paid per Share (2) | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs | Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (3) |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|
| July 1-31, 2006 | 12,539 | 61.48 | | \$ 135.4 million |
| August 1-31, 2006 | 6,358 | 62.10 | | \$ 135.4 million |
| September 1-30, 2006 | | | | \$ 135.4 million |
| Total | 18,897 | 61.69 | | \$ 135.4 million |

- (1) All of the shares included in each period were purchased in connection with the vesting of restricted shares granted under the Company's restricted stock plan. All of these purchases were made in connection with satisfying tax withholding obligations of those employees. These shares were not purchased as part of the Company's publicly announced share repurchase program.
- (2) The price paid per share is the closing price of the shares on the vesting date.
- (3) On January 9, 2000, the Board of Directors previously authorized a \$500.0 million share repurchase program. The Company did not repurchase any equity securities under the share repurchase program during the three or nine months ended September 30, 2006. As of September 30, 2006, the Company could repurchase up to approximately \$135.4 million of its equity securities under the share repurchase program.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

- 10.1 Employment Agreement, dated as of September 29, 2006, between XL Capital Ltd and Sarah E. Street.
- 10.2 Employment Agreement, dated as of September 29, 2006, between XL Capital Ltd and James H. Veghte.
- 10.3 Consulting Agreement, dated as of September 15, 2006, between XL Capital Ltd and Christopher V. Greetham.
- 10.4 Employment Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2006, between XL Capital Ltd and Michael C. Lobdell.
- 31 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications.
- 32 Section 1350 Certification.

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SIGNATURES

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

XL CAPITAL LTD
(Registrant)

Date: November 8, 2006

/s/ BRIAN M. O HARA

Brian M. O Hara
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 8, 2006

/s/ JERRY DE ST. PAER

Jerry de St. Paer
*Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer*