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

For the period ended September 30, 2013

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 1-8993

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

94-2708455

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

80 South Main Street,

Hanover, New Hampshire

(Address of principal executive offices)

03755-2053

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (603) 640-2200

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, and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months. Yes  No

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

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company

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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 28, 2013, 6,176,739 common shares with a par value of \$1.00 per share were outstanding (which includes 95,630 restricted common shares that were not vested at such date).

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## Part I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

## Item 1. Financial Statements

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.  
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

| (Millions, except share amounts)  | September 30,<br>2013 | December 31,<br>2012 |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Assets  | Unaudited             |                      |
| Fixed maturity investments, at fair value   | \$ 4,914.0            | \$5,196.2            |
| Short-term investments, at amortized cost (which approximates fair value)                 | 648.0                 | 630.6                |
| Common equity securities, at fair value   | 1,110.7               | 1,029.7              |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments, at fair value                                     | 84.8                  | 127.4                |
| Other long-term investments   | 300.0                 | 294.2                |
| Total investments   | 7,057.5               | 7,278.1              |
| Cash (restricted: \$74.4 and \$249.8)   | 411.0                 | 462.4                |
| Reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses  | 416.0                 | 429.1                |
| Reinsurance recoverable on paid losses  | 18.8                  | 17.9                 |
| Insurance and reinsurance premiums receivable   | 684.9                 | 556.3                |
| Funds held by ceding companies  | 101.1                 | 127.4                |
| Investments in unconsolidated affiliates  | 331.7                 | 387.9                |
| Deferred acquisition costs  | 188.2                 | 195.3                |
| Deferred tax asset  | 555.5                 | 569.6                |
| Ceded unearned insurance and reinsurance premiums   | 116.4                 | 91.8                 |
| Accrued investment income   | 33.7                  | 45.9                 |
| Accounts receivable on unsettled investment sales   | 38.2                  | 3.9                  |
| Other assets  | 397.3                 | 503.0                |
| Assets held for sale  | 1,957.2               | 2,226.8              |
| Total assets  | \$ 12,307.5           | \$ 12,895.4          |
| Liabilities   |                       |                      |
| Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves   | \$ 3,108.1            | \$3,168.9            |
| Unearned insurance and reinsurance premiums   | 1,010.3               | 924.1                |
| Variable annuity benefit guarantee  | 143.7                 | 441.5                |
| Debt  | 676.3                 | 751.2                |
| Deferred tax liability  | 329.6                 | 341.3                |
| Accrued incentive compensation  | 161.6                 | 159.0                |
| Ceded reinsurance payable   | 153.6                 | 116.5                |
| Funds held under reinsurance treaties   | 89.1                  | 43.7                 |
| Accounts payable on unsettled investment purchases  | 28.1                  | 11.4                 |
| Other liabilities   | 362.7                 | 452.8                |
| Liabilities held for sale   | 1,957.2               | 2,226.8              |
| Total liabilities   | 8,020.3               | 8,637.2              |
| Equity  |                       |                      |
| White Mountains' common shareholders' equity  |                       |                      |
| White Mountains' common shares at \$1 par value per share - authorized 50,000,000 shares; |                       |                      |
| issued and outstanding 6,176,739 and 6,290,964 shares                                     | 6.2                   | 6.3                  |
| Paid-in surplus   | 1,040.4               | 1,050.9              |
| Retained earnings   | 2,684.4               | 2,542.7              |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income, after tax:  |                       |                      |
| Equity in net unrealized (losses) gains from investments in unconsolidated affiliates     | (23.5                 | ) 57.7               |
| Net unrealized foreign currency translation gains   | 93.5                  | 85.7                 |

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|  |             |   |             |   |
|--|-------------|---|-------------|---|
| Pension liability and other                        | (11.0       | ) | (11.5       | ) |
| Total White Mountains' common shareholders' equity | 3,790.0     |   | 3,731.8     |   |
| Non-controlling interests                          |             |   |             |   |
| Non-controlling interest - OneBeacon Ltd.          | 263.3       |   | 251.4       |   |
| Non-controlling interest - SIG Preference Shares   | 250.0       |   | 250.0       |   |
| Non-controlling interest - HG Global               | 16.6        |   | 16.6        |   |
| Non-controlling interest - BAM                     | (80.7       | ) | (36.0       | ) |
| Non-controlling interest - other                   | 48.0        |   | 44.4        |   |
| Total non-controlling interests                    | 497.2       |   | 526.4       |   |
| Total equity                                       | 4,287.2     |   | 4,258.2     |   |
| Total liabilities and equity                       | \$ 12,307.5 |   | \$ 12,895.4 |   |
| See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements     |             |   |             |   |

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WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
Unaudited

| (Millions, except per share amounts)  | Three Months Ended |                    | Nine Months Ended  |                    |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|   | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 |
| <b>Revenues:</b>  |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums   | \$500.4            | \$536.8            | \$1,493.3          | \$1,545.3          |
| Net investment income   | 27.3               | 37.6               | 84.5               | 119.8              |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains  | 28.2               | 72.7               | 66.1               | 123.2              |
| Other revenue   | 18.2               | 50.3               | 46.9               | 81.0               |
| Total revenues  | 574.1              | 697.4              | 1,690.8            | 1,869.3            |
| <b>Expenses:</b>  |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Loss and loss adjustment expenses   | 278.3              | 308.1              | 797.2              | 821.7              |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses  | 106.7              | 107.6              | 281.0              | 326.2              |
| Other underwriting expenses   | 80.4               | 76.6               | 244.0              | 228.4              |
| General and administrative expenses   | 41.5               | 58.7               | 125.5              | 146.3              |
| Interest expense on debt  | 11.9               | 11.3               | 32.4               | 33.1               |
| Total expenses  | 518.8              | 562.3              | 1,480.1            | 1,555.7            |
| Pre-tax income from continuing operations   | 55.3               | 135.1              | 210.7              | 313.6              |
| Income tax expense  | (8.2 )             | (47.8 )            | (49.2 )            | (85.3 )            |
| Net income from continuing operations   | 47.1               | 87.3               | 161.5              | 228.3              |
| Loss from sale of discontinued operations, net of tax   | —                  | (91.0 )            | —                  | (91.0 )            |
| Net income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax                                      | .4                 | (15.8 )            | 4.8                | (24.5 )            |
| Income (loss) before equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates                            | 47.5               | (19.5 )            | 166.3              | 112.8              |
| Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax                                     | 8.6                | 7.7                | 24.9               | 24.4               |
| Net income (loss)   | 56.1               | (11.8 )            | 191.2              | 137.2              |
| Net loss attributable to non-controlling interests  | 1.1                | 30.9               | 12.7               | 2.0                |
| Net income attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders                                 | 57.2               | 19.1               | 203.9              | 139.2              |
| <b>Other comprehensive income, net of tax:</b>  |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Change in equity in net unrealized (losses) gains from investments in unconsolidated affiliates | (7.2 )             | 32.3               | (81.2 )            | 59.3               |
| Change in foreign currency translation and other  | 46.6               | 39.6               | 8.4                | 33.3               |
| Comprehensive income  | 96.6               | 91.0               | 131.1              | 231.8              |
| Comprehensive (income) loss attributable to non-controlling interests                           | (.1 )              | .4                 | (.1 )              | .4                 |
| Comprehensive income attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders                       | \$96.5             | \$91.4             | \$131.0            | \$232.2            |

Income (loss) per share attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders

|  |        |          |         |          |
|--|--------|----------|---------|----------|
| Basic income (loss) per share                        |        |          |         |          |
| Continuing operations                                | \$9.20 | \$19.11  | \$32.05 | \$36.96  |
| Discontinued operations                              | .06    | (16.21 ) | .78     | (16.77 ) |
| Total consolidated operations                        | \$9.26 | \$2.90   | \$32.83 | \$20.19  |
| Diluted income (loss) per share                      |        |          |         |          |
| Continuing operations                                | \$9.20 | \$19.11  | \$32.05 | \$36.96  |
| Discontinued operations                              | .06    | (16.21 ) | .78     | (16.77 ) |
| Total consolidated operations                        | \$9.26 | \$2.90   | \$32.83 | \$20.19  |
| Dividends declared per White Mountains' common share | \$—    | \$—      | \$1.00  | \$1.00   |
| See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements       |        |          |         |          |

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Unaudited

| (Millions)  | White Mountains' Common Shareholders' Equity |                   |                 |           |                          |              |
|---|--|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------------|--------------|
|   | Common shares and paid-in surplus            | Retained earnings | AOCI, after tax | Total     | Non-controlling interest | Total Equity |
| Balance at January 1, 2013  | \$1,057.2                                    | \$2,542.7         | \$131.9         | \$3,731.8 | \$ 526.4                 | \$4,258.2    |
| Net income (loss)   | —  | 203.9             | —               | 203.9     | (12.7 )                  | 191.2        |
| Net change in unrealized losses from investments in unconsolidated affiliates | —  | —                 | (81.2 )         | (81.2 )   | —                        | (81.2 )      |
| Net change in foreign currency translation                                    | —  | —                 | 7.8             | 7.8       | —                        | 7.8          |
| Net change in pension liability and other accumulated comprehensive items     | —  | —                 | .5              | .5        | 0.1                      | .6           |
| Total comprehensive income (loss)   | —  | 203.9             | (72.9 )         | 131.0     | (12.6 )                  | 118.4        |
| Dividends declared on common shares   | —  | (6.2 )            | —               | (6.2 )    | —                        | (6.2 )       |
| Dividends to non-controlling interests  | —  | —                 | —               | —         | (25.1 )                  | (25.1 )      |
| Repurchases and retirements of common shares                                  | (23.8 )                                      | (56.0 )           | —               | (79.8 )   | —                        | (79.8 )      |
| Issuances of common shares  | 1.0  | —                 | —               | 1.0       | —                        | 1.0          |
| Net contributions from non-controlling interests                              | —  | —                 | —               | —         | 7.7                      | 7.7          |
| Amortization of restricted share awards                                       | 12.2   | —                 | —               | 12.2      | .8                       | 13.0         |
| Balance at September 30, 2013   | \$1,046.6                                    | \$2,684.4         | \$59.0          | \$3,790.0 | \$ 497.2                 | \$4,287.2    |

| (Millions)   | White Mountains' Common Shareholders' Equity |                   |                 |           |                          |              |
|--|--|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------------|--------------|
|  | Common shares and paid-in surplus            | Retained earnings | AOCI, after tax | Total     | Non-controlling interest | Total Equity |
| Balance at January 1, 2012   | \$1,261.3                                    | \$2,789.7         | \$36.7          | \$4,087.7 | \$ 580.2                 | \$4,667.9    |
| Net income (loss)  | —  | 139.2             | —               | 139.2     | (2.0 )                   | 137.2        |
| Net change in unrealized gains from investments in unconsolidated affiliates | —  | —                 | 59.3            | 59.3      | —                        | 59.3         |
| Net change in foreign currency translation                                   | —  | —                 | 34.7            | 34.7      | —                        | 34.7         |
| Net change in pension liability and other accumulated comprehensive items    | —  | —                 | (1.0 )          | (1.0 )    | (.4 )                    | (1.4 )       |
| Total comprehensive income (loss)  | —  | 139.2             | 93.0            | 232.2     | (2.4 )                   | 229.8        |
|  | —  | (6.6 )            | —               | (6.6 )    | —                        | (6.6 )       |



|   |           |           |         |           |          |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Dividends declared on common shares   |           |           |         |           |          |           |
| Dividends to non-controlling interests                                      | —         | —         | —       | —         | (24.5 )  | (24.5 )   |
| Repurchases and retirements of common shares                                | (172.6 )  | (344.9 )  | —       | (517.5 )  | —        | (517.5 )  |
| Issuances of common shares  | 5.8       | —         | —       | 5.8       | —        | 5.8       |
| Net contributions from non-controlling interests                            | —         | —         | —       | —         | 13.0     | 13.0      |
| Amortization of restricted share awards                                     | 9.9       | —         | —       | 9.9       | .6       | 10.5      |
| Allocation of fair value of net assets acquired to noncontrolling interests | \$(2.2 )  | \$—       | \$—     | \$(2.2 )  | \$ 2.2   | \$—       |
| Balance at September 30, 2012   | \$1,102.2 | \$2,577.4 | \$129.7 | \$3,809.3 | \$ 569.1 | \$4,378.4 |

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Unaudited

| (Millions)  | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, |            |
|---|------------------------------------|------------|
|   | 2013                               | 2012       |
| Cash flows from operations:   |                                    |            |
| Net income  | \$191.2                            | \$137.2    |
| Charges (credits) to reconcile net income to net cash (used for) provided from operations:  |                                    |            |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains  | (66.1                              | ) (123.2   |
| Deferred income tax expense   | 5.4                                | 50.4       |
| Net (income) loss from discontinued operations  | (4.8                               | ) 24.5     |
| Net loss on sale of discontinued operation  | —                                  | 91.0       |
| Gain on sale of subsidiary - Essentia   | (23.0                              | ) —        |
| Excess of fair value of acquired net assets over cost - American Fuji                       | (6.9                               | ) —        |
| Undistributed equity in earnings from unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax                 | (24.9                              | ) (24.4    |
| Other operating items:  |                                    |            |
| Net change in loss and loss adjustment expense reserves                                     | (95.1                              | ) (241.6   |
| Net change in reinsurance recoverable on paid and unpaid losses                             | 15.5                               | 98.1       |
| Net change in unearned insurance and reinsurance premiums                                   | 91.2                               | 206.6      |
| Net change in variable annuity benefit guarantee liabilities                                | (297.8                             | ) (96.1    |
| Net change in variable annuity benefit guarantee derivative instruments                     | 6.8                                | 48.3       |
| Net change in deferred acquisition costs  | 7.6                                | (21.9      |
| Net change in funds held by ceding companies  | 36.0                               | 5.3        |
| Net change in ceded unearned premiums   | (30.6                              | ) (22.1    |
| Net change in funds held under reinsurance treaties   | 44.8                               | 1.9        |
| Net change in insurance and reinsurance premiums receivable                                 | (143.8                             | ) (206.9   |
| Net change in ceded reinsurance payable   | 53.2                               | 31.5       |
| Net change in restricted cash   | 175.4                              | 111.8      |
| Net change in other assets and liabilities, net   | 88.6                               | (43.4      |
| Net cash provided from operations - continuing operations                                   | 22.7                               | 27.0       |
| Net cash used for operations - discontinued operations                                      | (93.5                              | ) (155.6   |
| Net cash used for operations  | (70.8                              | ) (128.6   |
| Cash flows from investing activities:   |                                    |            |
| Net change in short-term investments  | (9.9                               | ) (127.3   |
| Sales of fixed maturity and convertible fixed maturity investments                          | 3,350.9                            | 4,918.8    |
| Maturities, calls and paydowns of fixed maturity and convertible fixed maturity investments | 380.0                              | 408.7      |
| Sales of common equity securities   | 412.5                              | 99.7       |
| Distributions and redemptions of other long-term investments                                | 36.6                               | 20.9       |
| Sales of consolidated and unconsolidated affiliates, net of cash sold                       | 31.3                               | 9.8        |
| Funding of operational cash flows for discontinued operations                               | (93.5                              | ) (155.6   |
| Purchases of other long-term investments  | (31.7                              | ) (28.8    |
| Purchases of common equity securities   | (357.6                             | ) (284.2   |
| Purchases of fixed maturity and convertible fixed maturity investments                      | (3,403.8                           | ) (4,239.0 |
| Purchases of consolidated and unconsolidated affiliates, net of cash acquired               | (9.2                               | ) —        |
| Net change in unsettled investment purchases and sales                                      | (17.8                              | ) (149.5   |
| Net acquisitions of property and equipment  | (10.4                              | ) (1.5     |
| Net cash provided from investing activities - continuing operations                         | 277.4                              | 472.0      |

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| Net cash provided from investing activities - discontinued operations                           | 93.5     | 155.6     |   |
| Net cash provided from investing activities   | 370.9    | 627.6     |   |
| Cash flows from financing activities:   |          |           |   |
| Draw down of revolving line of credit   | 150.0    | —         |   |
| Repayment of revolving line of credit   | (225.0)  | ) —       |   |
| Payments on capital lease obligation  | (4.0)    | ) —       |   |
| Cash dividends paid to the Company's common shareholders  | (6.2)    | ) (6.6    | ) |
| Cash dividends paid to OneBeacon Ltd.'s non-controlling common shareholders                     | (14.9)   | ) (14.9   | ) |
| Cash dividends paid on SIG Preference Shares  | (9.4)    | ) (9.4    | ) |
| Common shares repurchased   | (79.8)   | ) (517.5  | ) |
| Capital contributions from non-controlling interest of consolidated LPs                         | 1.6      | —         |   |
| Redemptions paid to non-controlling interest of consolidated LPs                                | (.7)     | ) —       |   |
| Purchase of interest rate cap   | (9.9)    | ) —       |   |
| Collateral provided by interest rate cap counterparties   | 9.7      | —         |   |
| Capital contributions from BAM members  | 11.5     | —         |   |
| Net cash used for financing activities - continuing operations                                  | (177.1)  | ) (548.4  | ) |
| Net cash (used for) provided from financing activities - discontinued operations                | —        | —         |   |
| Net cash used for financing activities  | (177.1)  | ) (548.4  | ) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash   | 1.0      | 3.0       |   |
| Net change in cash during the period  | 124.0    | (46.4     | ) |
| Cash reclassified from assets held for sale (cash sold of \$0 and \$3.5)                        | —        | 2.0       |   |
| Cash balances at beginning of period (excludes restricted cash balances of \$249.8 and \$453.5) | 212.6    | 251.9     |   |
| Cash balances at end of period (excludes restricted cash balances of \$74.4 and \$341.7)        | \$336.6  | \$207.5   |   |
| Supplemental cash flows information:  |          |           |   |
| Interest paid   | \$(32.0) | ) \$(21.4 | ) |
| Net income tax payments to national governments   | \$(1.5)  | ) \$(6.5  | ) |
| See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements  |          |           |   |

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

## Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## Basis of Presentation

These interim consolidated financial statements include the accounts of White Mountains Insurance Group, Ltd. (the “Company” or the “Registrant”) and its subsidiaries (collectively, with the Company, “White Mountains”) and have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (“GAAP”). The Company is an exempted Bermuda limited liability company whose principal businesses are conducted through its property and casualty insurance and reinsurance subsidiaries and affiliates. The Company’s headquarters is located at 14 Wesley Street, Hamilton, Bermuda HM 11, its principal executive office is located at 80 South Main Street, Hanover, New Hampshire 03755-2053 and its registered office is located at Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton, Bermuda HM 11. White Mountains’ reportable segments are OneBeacon, Sirius Group, HG Global/BAM and Other Operations.

The OneBeacon segment consists of OneBeacon Insurance Group, Ltd. (“OneBeacon Ltd.”), an exempted Bermuda limited liability company that owns a family of property and casualty insurance companies (collectively, “OneBeacon”). OneBeacon is a specialty property and casualty insurance writer that offers a wide range of insurance products in the United States through independent agencies, regional and national brokers, wholesalers and managing general agencies. During the third quarter of 2013, OneBeacon formed Split Rock Insurance, Ltd. (“Split Rock”), a Bermuda-based reinsurance company, to reinsure certain of its risks. As of both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, White Mountains owned 75.2% of OneBeacon Ltd.’s outstanding common shares.

As discussed further in Note 2, OneBeacon entered into a definitive agreement to sell its runoff business in October 2012 (the “Runoff Transaction”) and sold its AutoOne Insurance business (“AutoOne”) in February 2012. Accordingly, the runoff business and AutoOne are presented as discontinued operations. Assets and liabilities associated with the runoff business as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 have been presented as held for sale in the financial statements. Prior year income statement and cash flow amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year’s presentation. (See Note 15 for discontinued operations.)

The Sirius Group segment consists of Sirius International Insurance Group, Ltd., an exempted Bermuda limited liability company, and its subsidiaries (collectively, “Sirius Group”). Sirius Group provides insurance and reinsurance products for property, accident and health, aviation and space, trade credit, marine, agriculture and certain other exposures on a worldwide basis through its primary subsidiaries, Sirius International Insurance Corporation (“Sirius International”), Sirius America Insurance Company (“Sirius America”) and Lloyds Syndicate 1945 (“Syndicate 1945”). Sirius Group also specializes in the acquisition and management of runoff insurance and reinsurance companies both in the United States and internationally through its White Mountains Solutions division (“WM Solutions”).

The HG Global/BAM segment consists of White Mountains’ investment in HG Global Ltd. (“HG Global”) and the consolidated results of Build America Mutual Assurance Company (“BAM”). During the third quarter of 2012, White Mountains capitalized HG Global with approximately \$600 million to fund the start-up of BAM. BAM is a municipal bond insurer domiciled in New York that was established to provide insurance on bonds issued to support essential U.S. public purposes such as schools, utilities, core governmental functions and existing transportation facilities. HG Global, together with its subsidiaries, provided the initial capitalization of BAM through the purchase of \$503 million of surplus notes issued by BAM (the “BAM Surplus Notes”). HG Global, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, HG Re Ltd. (“HG Re”), also provides 15%-of-par, first loss reinsurance protection for policies underwritten by BAM. As of both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, White Mountains owned 97.3% of HG Global’s preferred equity and 88.7% of its common equity. White Mountains does not have an ownership interest in BAM, which is a mutual insurance company owned by its members. However, GAAP requires White Mountains to consolidate BAM’s results in its financial statements. BAM’s results are attributed to non-controlling interests.

White Mountains’ Other Operations segment consists of the Company and its intermediate holding companies, its wholly-owned investment management subsidiary, White Mountains Advisors LLC (“WM Advisors”), White Mountains’ variable annuity reinsurance business, White Mountains Life Reinsurance (Bermuda) Ltd. (“WM Life Re”), which is in runoff, as well as various other entities not included in other segments. Prior to 2012, the Other Operations

segment also included the consolidated results of the Tuckerman Capital, LP fund (“Tuckerman Fund I”). On December 31, 2011, Tuckerman Fund I was dissolved and all of the net assets of the fund were distributed to the owners of the fund, of which White Mountains owned approximately 94%. In conjunction with the dissolution, White Mountains received a portion of the shares of Hamer, LLC (“Hamer”) and Bri-Mar Manufacturing, LLC (“Bri-Mar”), two small manufacturing companies. Prior to the dissolution, Tuckerman Fund I was consolidated within White Mountains’ financial statements. The consolidated results of Hamer and Bri-Mar are included in the Other Operations segment from January 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012, from which point these companies were no longer consolidated by White Mountains.

White Mountains' discontinued operations consist of OneBeacon's runoff business and AutoOne. The OneBeacon runoff business included assets and liabilities that were principally related to non-specialty commercial lines and certain other runoff business that it no longer writes, including nearly all of its asbestos and environmental reserves. AutoOne was formed by OneBeacon in 2001 to provide products and services to automobile assigned risk markets primarily in New York and New Jersey.

All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. These interim financial statements include all adjustments considered necessary by management to fairly present the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of White Mountains. These interim financial statements may not be indicative of financial results for the full year and should be read in conjunction with the Company's 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K. 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 as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Certain amounts in the prior period financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation. Refer to the Company's 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K for a complete discussion regarding White Mountains' significant accounting policies.

#### Non-controlling Interests

Non-controlling interests consist of the ownership interests of non-controlling shareholders in consolidated subsidiaries and are presented separately on the balance sheet.

The percentage of the non-controlling shareholders' ownership interest in OneBeacon Ltd. at both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 was 24.8%.

In July 2012, HG Global was capitalized with \$594.5 million from White Mountains and \$14.5 million from certain management personnel of BAM, the latter of which is included in non-controlling interest. Upon closing, certain BAM management personnel also received additional common and preferred shares of HG Global that resulted in a \$2.2 million allocation of the carrying value of White Mountains' investment in HG Global to the non-controlling interest, which was recorded as an adjustment to paid-in surplus in White Mountains' consolidated statement of changes in equity.

White Mountains is required to consolidate BAM in its GAAP financial statements. However, since BAM is a mutual insurance company that is owned by its members, BAM's results do not affect White Mountains' common shareholders' equity as they are attributable to non-controlling interests. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, BAM reported \$11.4 million and \$52.4 million in after-tax losses that have been allocated to non-controlling interest. In May 2007, Sirius International Group, Ltd. ("SIG"), an intermediate holding company of Sirius Group, issued \$250 million non-cumulative perpetual preference shares, with a \$1,000 per share liquidation preference (the "SIG Preference Shares"), and received \$245.7 million of proceeds, net of \$4.3 million of issuance costs and commissions. SIG Preference Shares and dividends thereon are included in non-controlling interest on the balance sheet and on the statement of income and comprehensive income. The SIG Preference Shares have an initial fixed annual dividend rate of 7.506%. In June 2017, the fixed rate will move to a floating rate equal to the greater of (i) 7.506% and (ii) 3-month LIBOR plus 320 bps. In July 2013, SIG executed a 5-year forward LIBOR cap (the "Interest Rate Cap") for the period from June 2017 to June 2022 to protect against a significant increase in interest rates during that 5-year period. The Interest Rate Cap fixes the annual dividend rate on the SIG Preference Shares from June 2017 to June 2022 at 8.30%. The Interest Rate Cap is recorded in other assets at fair value. Changes in fair value are recorded in other revenue. At September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the non-controlling equity interest in White Mountains' consolidated limited partnerships was \$45.1 million and \$41.5 million. At September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the non-controlling equity interest in A.W.G. Dewar Inc, a subsidiary of OneBeacon, was \$2.9 million and \$2.8 million. On September 30, 2013, Sirius Group purchased the remaining 25.0% ownership in one of its subsidiaries, Passage2Health Limited, and now owns 100.0%. At December 31, 2012, the non-controlling equity interest in Passage2Health Limited was \$0.2 million.



## Recently Adopted Changes in Accounting Principles

### Policy Acquisition Costs

On January 1, 2012, White Mountains adopted ASU 2010-26, Accounting for Costs Associated with Acquiring or Renewing Insurance Contracts (ASC 944). The new standard changes the types of policy acquisition costs that are eligible for deferral. Specifically, the new guidance limits deferrable costs to those that are incremental direct costs of contract acquisition and certain costs related to acquisition activities performed by the insurer, such as underwriting, policy issuance and processing, medical and inspection costs and sales force contract selling. The ASU defines incremental direct costs as those costs that result directly from and were essential to the contract acquisition and would not have been incurred absent the acquisition. Accordingly, under the new guidance, deferrable acquisition costs are limited to costs related to successful contract acquisitions. Acquisition costs that are not eligible for deferral are to be charged to expense in the period incurred.

White Mountains adopted ASU 2010-26 prospectively. Upon adoption, certain acquisition costs, primarily a portion of the profit sharing commissions associated with OneBeacon's collector car and boat business, no longer met the criteria for deferral. During the year ended December 31, 2012, White Mountains recognized \$5.6 million of expense related to such previously deferrable acquisition costs that, if White Mountains had adopted ASU 2010-26 retrospectively, would have been recognized during 2011.

### Fair Value Measurements

On January 1, 2012, White Mountains adopted ASU 2011-04, Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS. The ASU clarifies existing guidance with respect to the concepts of highest and best use and valuation premise and measuring instruments classified within a reporting entity's shareholders' equity. The ASU also clarifies disclosure requirements, requiring disclosure of quantitative information about unobservable inputs used in Level 3 fair value measurements. The ASU also amends existing guidance. In circumstances where a reporting entity manages a portfolio of financial assets and liabilities based on the net market and counterparty credit risk exposures, the ASU permits determination of the fair value of those instruments to be based on the net risk exposure. In addition, the ASU permits the application of premiums or discounts to be applied in a fair value measurement to the extent that market participants would consider them in valuing the financial instruments. The ASU also expands the required disclosures for Level 3 measurements, requiring that reporting entities provide a narrative description of the sensitivity of Level 3 fair value measurements to changes in unobservable inputs and the interrelationships between those inputs, if any. As a result of adopting ASU 2011-04, White Mountains expanded its fair value disclosures. (See Note 5.)

### Offsetting Assets and Liabilities

Effective January 1, 2013, White Mountains adopted ASU 2011-11, Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities (ASC 210) and ASU 2013-01, Clarifying the Scope of Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities. The new guidance expands the required disclosures in circumstances where either balances have been offset or the right of offset exists to make it easier for financial statement users to evaluate the effect or potential effect of netting arrangements on a reporting entity's financial position. White Mountains is party to master netting arrangements in connection with derivative instruments held by WM Life Re and Sirius International. As a result of adoption, White Mountains has expanded its disclosures to present the gross amounts of assets and liabilities subject to master netting arrangements along with any related collateral amounts.

## Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

### Unrecognized Tax Benefits

On July 18, 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-11, Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists (ASC 740). The new ASU requires balance sheet presentation of an unrecognized tax benefit as a reduction of a deferred tax asset for a net operating loss ("NOL") carryforward or tax credit carryforward rather than as a liability. The exception is in



circumstances where a carryforward is not available to settle the additional taxes that might arise upon disallowance of the tax position under the tax law of the applicable jurisdiction. Prior to the issuance of ASU 2013-11, the guidance for unrecognized tax benefits under ASC 740 did not provide explicit guidance on whether an entity should present an unrecognized tax benefit as a liability or as a reduction of NOL carryforwards or other tax credits. In circumstances where an NOL carryforward is not available to offset settlement of any additional taxes arising from a disallowed tax position, the unrecognized tax benefit should be presented as a liability. The new guidance becomes effective for fiscal periods beginning on or after December 15, 2013 and should be applied prospectively to all unrecognized tax benefits that exist at the effective date. Retrospective adoption is allowed. White Mountains does not expect adoption to significantly affect its balance sheet.

## Note 2. Significant Transactions

### Sale of Essentia Insurance Company

Effective January 1, 2013, OneBeacon completed the sale of Essentia Insurance Company (“Essentia”), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary which wrote collector car and boat business, to Markel Corporation. Concurrently therewith, OneBeacon and Hagerty Insurance Agency (“Hagerty”) terminated their underwriting arrangement with respect to the collector car and boat business. OneBeacon recognized a pre-tax gain on sale of \$23.0 million (\$15.0 million after tax) in the first quarter of 2013. The business associated with this agreement generated net written premiums of \$52.5 million and \$145.8 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, or 15.7% of OneBeacon's net written premiums for both periods.

### WM Solutions

In the first quarter of 2013, WM Solutions acquired American Fuji Fire and Marine Insurance Company (“American Fuji”), an American International Group, Inc. (“AIG”) runoff subsidiary. The transaction resulted in a gain of \$6.9 million recorded in other revenue.

### Sale of OneBeacon Runoff Business

On October 17, 2012, one of OneBeacon’s indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries, OneBeacon Insurance Group LLC, entered into a definitive agreement with Trebuchet US Holdings, Inc. (“Trebuchet”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Armour Group Holdings Limited (together with Trebuchet, “Armour”), to sell its runoff business. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, at closing OneBeacon will transfer to Trebuchet all of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of certain legal entities that will contain the assets, liabilities (including gross and ceded loss reserves) and capital supporting the runoff business as well as certain elements of the runoff business infrastructure, including staff and office space. The transaction is subject to regulatory approval and is expected to close in the second quarter of 2014. As a result of the agreement, the OneBeacon runoff business is reported as discontinued operations (see Note 15).

### Sale of AutoOne

On February 22, 2012, OneBeacon completed the sale of AutoOne to Interboro Holdings, Inc. (“Interboro”). OneBeacon formed AutoOne in 2001 to provide products and services to automobile assigned risk markets primarily in New York and New Jersey. OneBeacon transferred to the buyer AutoOne Insurance Company (“AOIC”) and AutoOne Select Insurance Company (“AOSIC”), which contained the assets, liabilities (including loss reserves and unearned premiums), and the capital of the AutoOne business, and transferred substantially all of the AutoOne infrastructure including systems and office space as well as certain staff. As a result of the sale, AutoOne is reported as discontinued operations (see Note 15).

### Common Shares Repurchased and Retired

During the past several years, White Mountains’ board of directors has authorized the Company to repurchase its common shares, from time to time, subject to market conditions. The repurchase authorizations do not have a stated expiration date. As of September 30, 2013, White Mountains may repurchase an additional 545,496 shares under these board authorizations. In addition, from time to time White Mountains has also repurchased its common shares through tender offers that were separately approved by its board of directors.

During the three months ended September 30, 2013, no shares were repurchased. During the nine months ended September 30, 2013, the Company repurchased 141,535 common shares for \$79.8 million at an average share price of \$564, which were comprised of 140,000 common shares repurchased under the board authorization and 1,535 common shares repurchased pursuant to employee benefit plans. Shares repurchased pursuant to employee benefit plans do not fall under the board authorizations referred to above.

During the three months ended September 30, 2012, the Company repurchased 50,000 common shares under the board authorization for \$26.4 million at an average share price of \$528. During the nine months ended September 30, 2012, the Company repurchased 1,037,191 common shares for \$517.4 million at an average share price of \$499,

which were comprised of (1) 217,801 common shares repurchased under the board authorization for \$107.6 million at an average share price of \$494; (2) 816,829 common shares repurchased through a fixed-price tender offer for \$408.6 million at a share price of \$500; and (3) 2,561 common shares repurchased pursuant to employee benefit plans.

## Note 3. Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves

The following table summarizes the loss and loss adjustment expense (“LAE”) reserve activities of White Mountains’ insurance and reinsurance subsidiaries for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

| Millions   | Three Months Ended |            | Nine Months Ended |            |
|--|--------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
|  | September 30,      |            | September 30,     |            |
|  | 2013               | 2012       | 2013              | 2012       |
| Gross beginning balance  | \$3,057.9          | \$5,329.8  | \$3,168.9         | \$5,702.3  |
| Less beginning reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses                                  | (388.6 )           | (2,369.4 ) | (429.1 )          | (2,507.3 ) |
| Net loss and LAE reserves  | 2,669.3            | 2,960.4    | 2,739.8           | 3,195.0    |
| Less: Beginning net loss and LAE reserves for OneBeacon’s runoff business <sup>(1)</sup> | —                  | (296.0 )   | —                 | (384.1 )   |
| Loss and LAE reserves acquired - American Fuji   | —                  | —          | 21.3              | —          |
| Loss and LAE incurred relating to:   |                    |            |                   |            |
| Current year losses  | 289.9              | 318.2      | 822.8             | 842.9      |
| Prior year losses  | (11.6 )            | (10.1 )    | (25.6 )           | (21.2 )    |
| Total incurred losses and LAE  | 278.3              | 308.1      | 797.2             | 821.7      |
| Accretion of fair value adjustment to loss and LAE reserves                              | .2                 | 1.1        | 1.5               | 9.4        |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment to loss and LAE reserves                         | 12.3               | 12.0       | (1.9 )            | 11.7       |
| Loss and LAE paid relating to:   |                    |            |                   |            |
| Current year losses  | (90.0 )            | (101.1 )   | (209.9 )          | (223.9 )   |
| Prior year losses  | (178.0 )           | (181.5 )   | (655.9 )          | (726.8 )   |
| Total loss and LAE payments  | (268.0 )           | (282.6 )   | (865.8 )          | (950.7 )   |
| Net ending balance   | 2,692.1            | 2,703.0    | 2,692.1           | 2,703.0    |
| Plus ending reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses                                     | 416.0              | 356.8      | 416.0             | 356.8      |
| Gross ending balance   | \$3,108.1          | \$3,059.8  | \$3,108.1         | \$3,059.8  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Loss and LAE reserve balances for OneBeacon’s run-off business prior to September 30, 2012 were not classified as held for sale. Adjustment is to present loss and LAE reserve activities from continuing operations.

Loss and LAE incurred relating to prior year losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013  
During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, White Mountains experienced \$11.6 million and \$25.6 million of net favorable loss reserve development.

For the three months ended September 30, 2013, OneBeacon had net unfavorable loss reserve development of \$3.8 million primarily driven by its property and entertainment businesses. For the nine months ended September 30, 2013, OneBeacon had net favorable loss reserve development of \$0.1 million. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, Sirius Group had net favorable loss reserve development of \$15.4 million and \$25.5 million primarily due to decreases in property loss reserves, mostly from recent underwriting years, in addition to reductions in loss reserves for the Japan earthquake.

Loss and LAE incurred relating to prior year losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012  
During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, White Mountains experienced \$10.1 million and \$21.2 million of net favorable loss reserve development.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, OneBeacon had net favorable loss reserve development of \$2.3 million and \$7.6 million primarily related to professional liability lines, multiple peril liability lines and other general liability lines.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, Sirius Group had net favorable loss reserve development of \$7.8 million and \$13.6 million. With the completion of a ground-up asbestos reserve study in the third quarter of 2012, Sirius Group increased asbestos loss reserves by \$33.0 million and \$45.0 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012. These increases were more than offset by reductions in liability and property loss reserves.

#### Fair value adjustment to loss and LAE reserves

In connection with purchase accounting for acquisitions, White Mountains is required to adjust loss and LAE reserves and the related reinsurance recoverables to fair value on their respective acquired balance sheets. The net reduction to loss and LAE reserves is being recognized through an income statement charge ratably with and over the period the claims are settled.

White Mountains recognized \$0.2 million and \$1.5 million of such charges, recorded as loss and LAE for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, and \$1.1 million and \$9.4 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012. Accretion of fair value adjustment to losses and LAE reserves increased by \$5.0 million in the first quarter of 2012 due to the acceleration of the amortization of the purchase accounting established for the acquisition of Scandinavian Reinsurance Company, Ltd. (“Scandinavian Re”). This acceleration was a result of a final settlement and commutation of Scandinavian Re’s multi-year retrocessional Casualty Aggregate Stop Loss Agreement with St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company. As of September 30, 2013, the remaining pre-tax un-accreted adjustment was \$4.2 million.

#### Note 4. Third Party Reinsurance

In the normal course of business, White Mountains’ insurance and reinsurance subsidiaries may seek to limit losses that may arise from catastrophes or other events by reinsuring with third party reinsurers. White Mountains remains liable for risks reinsured in the event that the reinsurer does not honor its obligations under reinsurance contracts.

#### OneBeacon

At September 30, 2013, OneBeacon had \$5.9 million of reinsurance recoverables on paid losses and \$80.2 million of reinsurance recoverables on unpaid losses. Reinsurance contracts do not relieve OneBeacon of its obligation to its policyholders. OneBeacon is selective with its reinsurers, placing reinsurance with only those reinsurers having a strong financial condition. OneBeacon monitors the financial strength of its reinsurers on an ongoing basis.

Uncollectible amounts historically have not been significant. As of September 30, 2013, greater than 90% of reinsurance recoverables on paid and unpaid losses are from reinsurers with an A.M. Best Company (“A.M. Best”) rating of A (Excellent, which is the third highest of 16 financial strength ratings) or better.

The following table provides a listing of OneBeacon’s largest reinsurance recoverable amounts by reinsurer, the percentage of total recoverables and the reinsurers’ A.M. Best Rating. The reinsurance balances associated with the runoff business are included in discontinued operations (see Note 15).

| (Millions)                     | Balance at<br>September 30,<br>2013 | % of Total | A.M. Best<br>Rating <sup>(1)</sup> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|
| Hannover Ruckversich           | \$10.3                              | 12%        | A+                                 |
| Munich Reinsurance America     | 6.6                                 | 8%         | A+                                 |
| Platinum Underwriters          | 5.6                                 | 7%         | A                                  |
| Hartford Steam Boiler          | 4.8                                 | 6%         | A++                                |
| Swiss Reinsurance America Corp | 4.6                                 | 5%         | A+                                 |

<sup>(1)</sup> A.M. Best ratings as detailed above are: “A++” (Superior, which is the highest of sixteen financial strength ratings), “A+” (Superior, which is the second highest of sixteen financial strength ratings) and “A” (Excellent, which is the third highest of sixteen financial strength ratings).

Effective May 1, 2013, OneBeacon renewed its property catastrophe reinsurance program through April 30, 2014. The program provides coverage for OneBeacon’s property business as well as certain acts of terrorism. Under the program, the first \$20.0 million of losses resulting from any single catastrophe are retained and the next \$130.0 million of losses resulting from the catastrophe are reinsured in three layers, although OneBeacon retains a co-participation of 50% of losses from \$20.0 million to \$30.0 million, 10% of losses from \$30.0 million to \$70.0 million, and 5% of losses from \$70.0 million to \$150.0 million. Any loss above \$150.0 million would be retained in full. In the event of a catastrophe, OneBeacon’s property catastrophe reinsurance program is reinstated for the remainder of the original contract term by

paying a reinstatement premium that is based on the percentage of coverage reinstated and the original property catastrophe coverage premium.

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## Sirius Group

At September 30, 2013, Sirius Group had \$12.9 million of reinsurance recoverables on paid losses and \$335.8 million of reinsurance recoverables on unpaid losses that will become recoverable if claims are paid in accordance with current reserve estimates. Because retrocessional reinsurance contracts do not relieve Sirius Group of its obligation to its insureds, the collectability of balances due from Sirius Group's reinsurers is critical to its financial strength. Sirius Group monitors the financial strength and ratings of retrocessionaires on an ongoing basis.

The following table provides a listing of Sirius Group's largest reinsurance recoverable amounts by reinsurer, the percentage of total recoverables and the reinsurers' A.M. Best Rating.

| (Millions)                                 | Balance at<br>September 30,<br>2013 | % of Total | A.M. Best<br>Rating <sup>(1)</sup> | % Collateralized |   |
|--|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------------|---|
| Berkshire Hathaway                         | \$56.0                              | 16%        | A++                                | —                | % |
| Swiss Re Group                             | 31.3                                | 9%         | A+                                 | 1                | % |
| Olympus Reinsurance Company <sup>(2)</sup> | 23.0                                | 7%         | NR-5                               | 100              | % |
| Lloyds of London <sup>(3)</sup>            | 17.5                                | 5%         | A                                  | 10               | % |
| GIC of India                               | 14.7                                | 4%         | A-                                 | 1                | % |

<sup>(1)</sup> A.M. Best ratings as detailed above are: "A++" (Superior, which is the highest of sixteen financial strength ratings), "A+" (Superior, which is the second highest of sixteen financial strength ratings), "A" (Excellent, which is the third highest of sixteen financial strength ratings), "A-" (Excellent, which is the fourth highest of sixteen financial strength ratings) and "NR-5" (Not formally followed).

<sup>(2)</sup> Non-U.S. insurance entity. The balance is fully collateralized through trust agreements or funds held.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents the total of reinsurance recoverables due to Sirius Group from all Lloyds Syndicates.

## Note 5. Investment Securities

White Mountains' invested assets consist of securities and other long-term investments held for general investment purposes. The portfolio of investment securities includes short-term investments, fixed maturity investments, convertible fixed maturity investments and equity securities which are all classified as trading securities. Trading securities are reported at fair value as of the balance sheet date. Realized and unrealized investment gains and losses on trading securities are reported in pre-tax revenues. White Mountains' investments in debt securities, including mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities, are generally valued using industry standard pricing models. Key inputs include benchmark yields, benchmark securities, reported trades, issuer spreads, bids, offers, credit ratings and prepayment speeds. Income on mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities is recognized using an effective yield based on anticipated prepayments and the estimated economic life of the securities. When actual prepayments differ significantly from anticipated prepayments, the estimated economic life is recalculated and the remaining unamortized premium or discount is amortized prospectively over the remaining economic life.

Realized investment gains and losses resulting from sales of investment securities are accounted for using the specific identification method. Premiums and discounts on all fixed maturity investments are amortized or accreted to income over the anticipated life of the investment. Short-term investments consist of money market funds, certificates of deposit and other securities which, at the time of purchase, mature or become available for use within one year.

Short-term investments are carried at amortized or accreted cost, which approximated fair value as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

Other long-term investments primarily comprise White Mountains' investments in hedge funds and private equity funds.



## Net Investment Income

Pre-tax net investment income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 consisted of the following:

| Millions  | Three Months<br>Ended<br>September 30, |         | Nine Months<br>Ended<br>September 30, |          |
|---|--|---------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|   | 2013                                   | 2012    | 2013                                  | 2012     |
| Investment income:                                |  |         |                                       |          |
| Fixed maturity investments                        | \$ 25.1                                | \$ 33.0 | \$ 76.3                               | \$ 105.1 |
| Short-term investments                            | 1.1                                    | .5      | 2.9                                   | 2.3      |
| Common equity securities                          | 4.4                                    | 4.8     | 14.0                                  | 13.8     |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments            | .7                                     | 2.0     | 2.1                                   | 5.9      |
| Other long-term investments                       | 1.2                                    | .7      | 2.7                                   | 2.2      |
| Interest on funds held under reinsurance treaties | —                                      | —       | .2                                    | —        |
| Total investment income                           | 32.5                                   | 41.0    | 98.2                                  | 129.3    |
| Less third-party investment expenses              | (5.2 )                                 | (3.4 )  | (13.7 )                               | (9.5 )   |
| Net investment income, pre-tax                    | \$ 27.3                                | \$ 37.6 | \$ 84.5                               | \$ 119.8 |

## Net Realized and Unrealized Investment Gains and Losses

Net realized and unrealized investment gains and losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 consisted of the following:

| Millions  | Three Months<br>Ended<br>September 30, |         | Nine Months<br>Ended<br>September 30, |         |
|---|--|---------|---------------------------------------|---------|
|   | 2013                                   | 2012    | 2013                                  | 2012    |
| Net realized investment gains, pre-tax  | \$ 11.7                                | \$ 23.7 | \$ 60.2                               | \$ 40.5 |
| Net unrealized investment gains, pre-tax  | 16.5                                   | 49.0    | 5.9                                   | 82.7    |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains, pre-tax                           | 28.2                                   | 72.7    | 66.1                                  | 123.2   |
| Income tax expense attributable to net realized and unrealized investment gains | (1.2 )                                 | (12.3 ) | (2.5 )                                | (28.3 ) |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains, after tax                         | \$ 27.0                                | \$ 60.4 | \$ 63.6                               | \$ 94.9 |

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Net realized investment gains (losses)

Net realized investment gains (losses) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 consisted of the following:

| Millions  | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, 2013 |   |  | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, 2012 |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|
|   | Net<br>realized<br>gains<br>(losses)     | Net<br>foreign<br>exchange<br>gains<br>(losses) | Total net<br>realized<br>gains<br>(losses)<br>reflected in<br>earnings | Net<br>realized<br>gains<br>(losses)     | Net<br>foreign<br>currency<br>gains<br>(losses) | Total net<br>realized<br>gains<br>(losses)<br>reflected in<br>earnings |
| Fixed maturity investments  | \$ (9.1 )                                | \$ (.3 )  | \$ (9.4 )  | \$ 32.2                                  | \$ (3.2 )                                       | \$ 29.0  |
| Short-term investments  | —  | (.6 )   | (.6 )  | —  | (3.4 )  | (3.4 )   |
| Common equity securities  | 23.5                                     | (3.0 )  | 20.5   | 3.9                                      | —   | 3.9  |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments                                    | (.2 )                                    | —   | (.2 )  | 1.1                                      | —   | 1.1  |
| Other long-term investments   | (1.1 )                                   | 3.0   | 1.9  | (6.0 )                                   | (1.2 )  | (7.2 )   |
| Forward contracts   | (.5 )                                    | —   | (.5 )  | .3                                       | —   | .3   |
| Net realized investment gains (losses), pre-tax                           | 12.6                                     | (.9 )   | 11.7   | 31.5                                     | (7.8 )  | 23.7   |
| Income tax expense attributable to net realized investment (losses) gains | (.4 )                                    | .4  | —  | (9.4 )                                   | 2.0   | (7.4 )   |
| Net realized investment gains (losses), after tax                         | \$ 12.2                                  | \$ (.5 )  | \$ 11.7  | \$ 22.1                                  | \$ (5.8 )                                       | \$ 16.3  |
|   |  |   |  |  |   |  |
| Millions  | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, 2013  |   |  | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, 2012  |   |  |
|   | Net<br>realized<br>gains<br>(losses)     | Net<br>foreign<br>exchange<br>gains<br>(losses) | Total net<br>realized<br>gains<br>(losses)<br>reflected in<br>earnings | Net<br>realized<br>gains<br>(losses)     | Net<br>foreign<br>currency<br>gains<br>(losses) | Total net<br>realized<br>gains<br>(losses)<br>reflected in<br>earnings |
| Fixed maturity investments  | \$ 12.9                                  | \$ (14.4 )                                      | \$ (1.5 )  | \$ 73.5                                  | \$ (4.0 )                                       | \$ 69.5  |
| Short-term investments  | .2                                       | —   | .2   | —  | (3.9 )  | (3.9 )   |
| Common equity securities  | 60.7                                     | (3.0 )  | 57.7   | (2.2 )                                   | —   | (2.2 )   |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments                                    | (.7 )                                    | —   | (.7 )  | 3.2                                      | —   | 3.2  |
| Other long-term investments   | 4.8                                      | —   | 4.8  | (24.8 )                                  | (1.6 )  | (26.4 )  |
| Forward contracts   | (.3 )                                    | —   | (.3 )  | .3                                       | —   | .3   |
| Net realized investment gains (losses), pre-tax                           | 77.6                                     | (17.4 )   | 60.2   | 50.0                                     | (9.5 )  | 40.5   |
| Income tax expense attributable to net realized investment (losses) gains | (17.8 )                                  | 5.1   | (12.7 )  | (15.3 )                                  | 2.5   | (12.8 )  |
|   | \$ 59.8                                  | \$ (12.3 )                                      | \$ 47.5  | \$ 34.7                                  | \$ (7.0 )                                       | \$ 27.7  |

Net realized investment gains  
(losses),  
after tax

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## Net unrealized investment gains (losses)

The following table summarizes net unrealized investment gains (losses) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

| Millions  | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, 2013 |   |  | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, 2012 |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|
|   | Net<br>unrealized<br>gains<br>(losses)   | Net<br>foreign<br>exchange<br>gains<br>(losses) | Total net<br>unrealized<br>gains<br>(losses)<br>reflected in<br>earnings | Net<br>unrealized<br>gains<br>(losses)   | Net<br>foreign<br>currency<br>gains<br>(losses) | Total net<br>unrealized<br>gains<br>(losses)<br>reflected in<br>earnings |
| Fixed maturity investments  | \$9.3                                    | \$(30.5)  | \$(21.2)   | \$27.2                                   | \$(40.6)  | \$(13.4)   |
| Short-term investments  | —  | .1  | .1   | —  | .1  | .1   |
| Common equity securities  | 35.6                                     | (2.0)   | 33.6   | 65.1                                     | (.1)  | 65.0   |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments                                      | 2.4                                      | (.1)  | 2.3  | (.6)                                     | —   | (.6)   |
| Other long-term investments   | 3.1                                      | (1.4)   | 1.7  | 1.6                                      | (3.7)   | (2.1)  |
| Forward contracts   | —  | —   | —  | —  | —   | —  |
| Net unrealized investment gains (losses), pre-tax                           | 50.4                                     | (33.9)  | 16.5   | 93.3                                     | (44.3)  | 49.0   |
| Income tax expense attributable to net unrealized investment (losses) gains | (8.6)                                    | 7.4   | (1.2)  | (16.7)                                   | 11.8  | (4.9)  |
| Net unrealized investment gains (losses), after tax                         | \$41.8                                   | \$(26.5)  | \$15.3   | \$76.6                                   | \$(32.5)  | \$44.1   |
| Millions  | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, 2013  |   |  | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, 2012  |   |  |
|   | Net<br>unrealized<br>gains<br>(losses)   | Net<br>foreign<br>exchange<br>gains<br>(losses) | Total net<br>unrealized<br>gains<br>(losses)<br>reflected in<br>earnings | Net<br>unrealized<br>gains<br>(losses)   | Net<br>foreign<br>currency<br>gains<br>(losses) | Total net<br>unrealized<br>gains<br>(losses)<br>reflected in<br>earnings |
| Fixed maturity investments  | \$(94.8)                                 | \$6.2   | \$(88.6)   | \$35.5                                   | \$(36.9)  | \$(1.4)  |
| Short-term investments  | —  | —   | —  | —  | .1  | .1   |
| Common equity securities  | 85.2                                     | (1.0)   | 84.2   | 71.5                                     | (.1)  | 71.4   |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments                                      | (.5)                                     | —   | (.5)   | (2.9)                                    | —   | (2.9)  |
| Other long-term investments   | 7.6                                      | 3.2   | 10.8   | 18.2                                     | (2.7)   | 15.5   |
| Forward contracts   | —  | —   | —  | —  | —   | —  |
| Net unrealized investment gains (losses), pre-tax                           | (2.5)                                    | 8.4   | 5.9  | 122.3                                    | (39.6)  | 82.7   |
| Income tax expense attributable to net unrealized investment (losses) gains | 13.1                                     | (2.9)   | 10.2   | (25.9)                                   | 10.4  | (15.5)   |
| Net unrealized investment gains (losses), after tax                         | \$10.6                                   | \$5.5   | \$16.1   | \$96.4                                   | \$(29.2)  | \$67.2   |

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The following table summarizes the amount of total pre-tax gains included in earnings attributable to unrealized investment gains for Level 3 investments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

| Millions   | Three Months Ended |                    | Nine Months Ended  |                    |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|  | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 |
| Fixed maturity investments                                       | \$(2.2 )           | \$(1.0 )           | \$(2.4 )           | \$7.3              |
| Common equity securities   | (.7 )              | .8                 | —                  | 1.8                |
| Other long-term investments                                      | .9                 | 2.9                | 8.7                | 11.3               |
| Total unrealized investment gains, pre-tax - Level 3 investments | \$(2.0 )           | \$2.7              | \$6.3              | \$20.4             |

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Investment Holdings

The cost or amortized cost, gross unrealized investment gains and losses, net foreign currency gains and losses, and carrying values of White Mountains' fixed maturity investments as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 were as follows:

| Millions  | September 30, 2013     |                        |                         |                                     |                |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
|   | Cost or amortized cost | Gross unrealized gains | Gross unrealized losses | Net foreign currency gains (losses) | Carrying value |
| U.S. Government and agency obligations  | \$ 390.8               | \$ .6                  | \$ (.8 )                | \$ (2.4 )                           | \$ 388.2       |
| Debt securities issued by corporations  | 2,303.1                | 48.5                   | (12.7 )                 | (21.7 )                             | 2,317.2        |
| Municipal obligations   | 5.3                    | .5                     | (.3 )                   | —                                   | 5.5            |
| Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities   | 1,931.2                | 2.8                    | (12.4 )                 | (5.8 )                              | 1,915.8        |
| Foreign government, agency and provincial obligations   | 452.7                  | 4.0                    | (7.6 )                  | (6.3 )                              | 442.8          |
| Preferred stocks  | 79.9                   | 4.5                    | —                       | (.2 )                               | 84.2           |
| Total fixed maturity investments including assets held for sale                                   | \$ 5,163.0             | \$ 60.9                | \$ (33.8 )              | \$ (36.4 )                          | \$ 5,153.7     |
| Fixed maturity investments reclassified to assets held for sale related to the Runoff Transaction |                        |                        |                         |                                     | (239.7 )       |
| Total fixed maturity investments  |                        |                        |                         |                                     | \$ 4,914.0     |

| Millions  | December 31, 2012      |                        |                         |                                     |                |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
|   | Cost or amortized cost | Gross unrealized gains | Gross unrealized losses | Net foreign currency gains (losses) | Carrying value |
| U.S. Government and agency obligations  | \$ 440.4               | \$ 1.0                 | \$ (.1 )                | \$ (1.2 )                           | \$ 440.1       |
| Debt securities issued by corporations  | 2,321.4                | 88.3                   | (1.6 )                  | (23.0 )                             | 2,385.1        |
| Municipal obligations   | 5.3                    | —                      | (.1 )                   | —                                   | 5.2            |
| Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities   | 2,081.0                | 25.1                   | (1.1 )                  | (9.4 )                              | 2,095.6        |
| Foreign government, agency and provincial obligations   | 526.6                  | 6.9                    | (3.0 )                  | (8.6 )                              | 521.9          |
| Preferred stocks  | 79.9                   | 6.7                    | —                       | (.2 )                               | 86.4           |
| Total fixed maturity investments including assets held for sale                                   | \$ 5,454.6             | \$ 128.0               | \$ (5.9 )               | \$ (42.4 )                          | \$ 5,534.3     |
| Fixed maturity investments reclassified to assets held for sale related to the Runoff Transaction |                        |                        |                         |                                     | (338.1 )       |
| Total fixed maturity investments  |                        |                        |                         |                                     | \$ 5,196.2     |

The cost or amortized cost, gross unrealized investment gains and losses, net foreign currency gains and losses, and carrying values of White Mountains' common equity securities, convertible fixed maturities and other long-term investments as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 were as follows:

| Millions                               | September 30, 2013     |                        |                         |                                     |                |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
|  | Cost or amortized cost | Gross unrealized gains | Gross unrealized losses | Net foreign currency gains (losses) | Carrying value |
| Common equity securities               | \$ 881.5               | \$ 233.8               | \$ (3.5 )               | \$ (1.1 )                           | \$ 1,110.7     |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments | \$ 79.7                | \$ 5.8                 | \$ (.6 )                | \$ (.1 )                            | \$ 84.8        |
| Other long-term investments            | \$ 252.6               | \$ 77.8                | \$ (27.4 )              | \$ (3.0 )                           | \$ 300.0       |

December 31, 2012

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| Millions                               | Cost or<br>amortized<br>cost | Gross<br>unrealized<br>gains | Gross<br>unrealized<br>losses | Net foreign<br>currency<br>losses | Carrying<br>value |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Common equity securities               | \$ 895.2                     | \$ 143.4                     | \$(8.8                        | ) \$(.1                           | ) \$ 1,029.7      |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments | \$ 121.7                     | \$ 6.1                       | \$(.4                         | ) \$—                             | \$ 127.4          |
| Other long-term investments            | \$ 257.2                     | \$ 65.9                      | \$(22.8                       | ) \$(6.1                          | ) \$ 294.2        |

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## Hedge Funds and Private Equity Funds

White Mountains holds investments in hedge funds and private equity funds, which are included in other long-term investments. The fair value of these investments has been estimated using the net asset value of the funds. At September 30, 2013, White Mountains held investments in 15 hedge funds and 39 private equity funds. The largest investment in a single fund was \$16.7 million at September 30, 2013. The following table summarizes investments in hedge funds and private equity interests by investment objective and sector at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

| Millions  | September 30, 2013 |                      | December 31, 2012 |                      |
|---|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
|   | Fair Value         | Unfunded Commitments | Fair Value        | Unfunded Commitments |
| <b>Hedge funds</b>  |                    |                      |                   |                      |
| Long/short equity   | \$ 61.4            | \$ —                 | \$ 60.3           | \$ —                 |
| Long/short credit & distressed  | 22.0               | —                    | 22.7              | —                    |
| Long diversified strategies   | 1.6                | —                    | 1.7               | —                    |
| Long/short equity REIT  | 16.7               | —                    | 16.0              | —                    |
| Long/short equity activist  | 15.3               | —                    | 13.6              | —                    |
| Long bank loan  | .2                 | —                    | .3                | —                    |
| Total hedge funds   | 117.2              | —                    | 114.6             | —                    |
| <b>Private equity funds</b>   |                    |                      |                   |                      |
| Multi-sector  | 26.6               | 7.2                  | 23.3              | 5.4                  |
| Energy infrastructure & services  | 45.5               | 13.4                 | 36.3              | 15.6                 |
| Distressed residential real estate  | 9.4                | —                    | 15.8              | —                    |
| Real estate   | 9.4                | 3.3                  | 11.6              | 3.3                  |
| Private equity secondaries  | 9.6                | 3.1                  | 10.5              | 3.1                  |
| International multi-sector, Europe  | 4.3                | 4.9                  | 5.1               | 5.0                  |
| Manufacturing/Industrial  | 12.7               | 15.5                 | 9.9               | 29.1                 |
| Healthcare  | 7.0                | 2.8                  | 4.3               | 5.4                  |
| International multi-sector, Asia  | —                  | 2.7                  | .4                | 2.7                  |
| Insurance   | 2.4                | 41.3                 | 3.0               | 41.3                 |
| Aerospace/Defense/Government  | 4.5                | 20.5                 | 2.8               | 22.2                 |
| Venture capital   | 1.6                | .3                   | 2.2               | .3                   |
| Total private equity funds  | 133.0              | 115.0                | 125.2             | 133.4                |
| Total hedge and private equity funds included in other long-term investments <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 250.2           | \$ 115.0             | \$ 239.8          | \$ 133.4             |

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes carrying value of \$26.9 and \$35.0 at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 associated with hedge funds and private equity funds accounted for using the equity method.

Redemption of investments in certain hedge funds is subject to restrictions including lock-up periods where no redemptions or withdrawals are allowed, restrictions on redemption frequency and advance notice periods for redemptions. Amounts requested for redemptions remain subject to market fluctuations until the redemption effective date, which generally falls at the end of the defined redemption period.



The following summarizes the September 30, 2013 fair value of hedge funds subject to restrictions on redemption frequency and advance notice period requirements for investments in active hedge funds:

| Millions             | Notice Period |            |             |           | Total   |
|----------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|-----------|---------|
|                      | 30-59 days    | 60-89 days | 90-119 days | 120+ days |         |
| Redemption frequency | notice        | notice     | notice      | notice    |         |
| Monthly              | \$—           | \$—        | \$—         | \$5.6     | \$5.6   |
| Quarterly            | 28.5          | 29.2       | 10.8        | 9.4       | 77.9    |
| Semi-annual          | —             | 23.2       | —           | —         | 23.2    |
| Annual               | 1.6           | —          | 8.7         | .2        | 10.5    |
| Total                | \$30.1        | \$52.4     | \$19.5      | \$15.2    | \$117.2 |

Certain of the hedge fund investments in which White Mountains is invested are no longer active and are in the process of disposing of their underlying investments. Distributions from such funds are remitted to investors as the fund's underlying investments are liquidated. At September 30, 2013, distributions of \$2.5 million were outstanding from these investments. The actual amount of the final distribution remittances remain subject to market fluctuations. The date at which such remittances will be received is not determinable at September 30, 2013.

White Mountains has also submitted redemption requests for certain of its investments in active hedge funds. At September 30, 2013, redemptions of \$2.1 million are outstanding and are subject to market fluctuations. The date at which such redemptions will be received is not determinable at September 30, 2013. Redemptions are recorded as receivables when the investment is no longer subject to market fluctuations.

Investments in private equity funds are generally subject to a "lock-up" period during which investors may not request a redemption. Distributions prior to the expected termination date of the fund may be limited to dividends or proceeds arising from the liquidation of the fund's underlying investments. In addition, certain private equity funds provide an option to extend the lock-up period at either the sole discretion of the fund manager or upon agreement between the fund and the investors.

At September 30, 2013, investments in private equity funds were subject to lock-up periods as follows:

| Millions   | 1-3 years | 3 – 5 years | 5 – 10 years | >10 years | Total   |
|--|-----------|-------------|--------------|-----------|---------|
| Private Equity Funds — expected lock-up period remaining | \$16.3    | \$33.3      | \$69.5       | \$13.9    | \$133.0 |

#### Fair value measurements at September 30, 2013

White Mountains' invested assets that are measured at fair value include fixed maturity investments, common and preferred equity securities, convertible fixed maturity securities and other long-term investments, such as interests in hedge funds and private equity funds. Fair value measurements reflect management's best estimate of the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements fall into a hierarchy with three levels based on the nature of the inputs. Fair value measurements based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets are at the top of the hierarchy ("Level 1"), followed by fair value measurements based on observable inputs that do not meet the criteria for Level 1, including quoted prices in inactive markets and quoted prices in active markets for similar, but not identical instruments ("Level 2"). Measurements based on unobservable inputs, including a reporting entity's estimates of the assumptions that market participants would use are at the bottom of the hierarchy ("Level 3").

White Mountains uses quoted market prices or other observable inputs to determine fair value for the vast majority of its investment portfolio. Investments valued using Level 1 inputs include fixed maturity investments, primarily investments in U.S. Treasuries, common equities and short-term investments, which include U.S. Treasury Bills. Investments valued using Level 2 inputs consist of fixed maturity investments including corporate debt, state and other governmental debt, convertible fixed maturity securities and mortgage and asset-backed securities. Fair value estimates for investments that trade infrequently and have few or no observable market prices are classified as Level 3 measurements. Level 3 fair value estimates based upon unobservable inputs include White Mountains' investments in hedge funds and private equity funds, as well as investments in certain debt and equity securities where quoted market prices are unavailable. White Mountains uses brokers and outside pricing services to assist in determining fair values. For investments in active markets, White Mountains uses the quoted market prices provided by outside pricing services to determine fair value. The outside pricing services used by White Mountains have indicated that if no observable inputs are available for a security, they will not provide a price. In those circumstances, White Mountains estimates the fair value using industry standard pricing models and observable inputs such as benchmark interest rates, matrix pricing, market comparables, broker quotes, issuer spreads, bids, offers, credit rating, prepayment speeds and other relevant inputs. White Mountains performs procedures to validate the market prices obtained from the outside pricing sources. Such procedures, which cover substantially all of its fixed maturity investments include, but are not limited to, evaluation of model pricing methodologies and review of the pricing services' quality control processes and procedures on at least an annual basis, comparison of market prices to prices obtained from different independent pricing vendors on at least a semi-annual basis, monthly analytical reviews of certain prices, and review of assumptions utilized by the pricing service for selected measurements on an ad hoc basis throughout the year. White Mountains also performs back-testing of selected sales activity to determine whether there are any significant differences between the market price used to value the security prior to sale and the actual sale price on an ad-hoc basis throughout the year. Prices provided by the pricing services that vary by more than 5% and \$1.0 million from the expected price based on these procedures are considered outliers. In circumstances where the results of White Mountains' review process do not appear to support the market price provided by the pricing services, White Mountains challenges the price. If White Mountains cannot gain satisfactory evidence to support the challenged price, it relies upon its own pricing methodologies to estimate the fair value of the security in question. The fair values of such securities are considered to be Level 3 measurements.

White Mountains' investments in debt securities are generally valued using matrix and other pricing models. Key inputs include benchmark yields, benchmark securities, reported trades, issuer spreads, bids, offers, credit ratings and prepayment speeds. Income on mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities is recognized using an effective yield based on anticipated prepayments and the estimated economic life of the securities. When actual prepayments differ significantly from anticipated prepayments, the estimated economic life is recalculated and the remaining unamortized premium or discount is amortized or accreted prospectively over the remaining economic life.

White Mountains employs a number of procedures to assess the reasonableness of the fair value measurements for its other long-term investments, including obtaining and reviewing the audited annual financial statements of each hedge fund and private equity fund and periodically discussing each fund's pricing with the fund manager. However, since the fund managers do not provide sufficient information to evaluate the pricing inputs and methods for each underlying investment, the inputs are considered to be unobservable. Accordingly, the fair values of White Mountains' investments in hedge funds and private equity funds have been classified as Level 3 measurements. The fair value of White Mountains' investments in hedge funds and private equity funds has been determined using net asset value. In addition to the investments described above, White Mountains has \$81.1 million and \$79.7 million of investment-related liabilities recorded at fair value and included in other liabilities as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. These liabilities relate to securities that have been sold short by limited partnerships in which White Mountains has investments and is required to consolidate under GAAP. All of the liabilities included have a Level 1 designation.

## Fair Value Measurements by Level

The following tables summarize White Mountains' fair value measurements for investments at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, by level:

| Millions  | September 30, 2013 |            |            |          |
|---|--------------------|------------|------------|----------|
|   | Fair value         | Level 1    | Level 2    | Level 3  |
| Fixed maturity investments:                           |                    |            |            |          |
| U.S. Government and agency obligations                | \$ 388.2           | \$ 321.3   | \$ 66.9    | \$—      |
| Debt securities issued by corporations:               |                    |            |            |          |
| Consumer  | 690.2              | —          | 690.2      | —        |
| Financials  | 427.0              | —          | 427.0      | —        |
| Communications  | 273.8              | —          | 273.8      | —        |
| Industrial  | 284.2              | —          | 284.2      | —        |
| Energy  | 162.6              | —          | 162.6      | —        |
| Utilities   | 178.5              | —          | 178.5      | —        |
| Basic Materials                                       | 200.7              | —          | 200.7      | —        |
| Technology  | 94.2               | —          | 94.2       | —        |
| Other   | 6.0                | —          | 6.0        | —        |
| Total debt securities issued by corporations:         | 2,317.2            | —          | 2,317.2    | —        |
| Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities           | 1,915.8            | —          | 1,806.5    | 109.3    |
| Foreign government, agency and provincial obligations | 442.8              | 46.0       | 396.8      | —        |
| Preferred stocks                                      | 84.2               | —          | 13.5       | 70.7     |
| Municipal obligations                                 | 5.5                | —          | 5.5        | —        |
| Total fixed maturity investments <sup>(1)</sup>       | 5,153.7            | 367.3      | 4,606.4    | 180.0    |
| Short-term investments                                | 648.0              | 628.6      | 19.4       | —        |
| Common equity securities:                             |                    |            |            |          |
| Financials  | 326.4              | 289.6      | —          | 36.8     |
| Consumer  | 290.9              | 290.9      | —          | —        |
| Basic materials                                       | 63.7               | 63.7       | —          | —        |
| Energy  | 82.6               | 82.6       | —          | —        |
| Industrial  | 90.5               | 90.5       | —          | —        |
| Technology  | 60.8               | 60.8       | —          | —        |
| Communications  | 63.7               | 63.7       | —          | —        |
| Utilities   | 35.5               | 35.5       | —          | —        |
| Other   | 96.6               | 25.9       | 70.7       | —        |
| Total common equity securities                        | 1,110.7            | 1,003.2    | 70.7       | 36.8     |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments                | 84.8               | —          | 84.8       | —        |
| Other long-term investments <sup>(2)</sup>            | 273.2              | —          | —          | 273.2    |
| Total investments                                     | \$ 7,270.4         | \$ 1,999.1 | \$ 4,781.3 | \$ 490.0 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Carrying value includes \$239.7 that is classified as assets held for sale relating to discontinued operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes carrying value of \$26.9 associated with other long-term investment limited partnerships accounted for using the equity method and \$(0.1) related to forward contracts.



| Millions  | December 31, 2012 |            |            |          |
|---|-------------------|------------|------------|----------|
|   | Fair value        | Level 1    | Level 2    | Level 3  |
| Fixed maturity investments:                           |                   |            |            |          |
| U.S. Government and agency obligations                | \$ 440.1          | \$ 369.1   | \$ 71.0    | \$—      |
| Debt securities issued by corporations:               |                   |            |            |          |
| Consumer  | 727.1             | —          | 727.1      | —        |
| Financials  | 401.4             | 1.0        | 400.4      | —        |
| Industrial  | 330.8             | —          | 330.8      | —        |
| Communications  | 276.1             | —          | 276.1      | —        |
| Utilities   | 204.2             | —          | 204.2      | —        |
| Basic materials                                       | 189.1             | —          | 189.1      | —        |
| Energy  | 181.5             | —          | 181.5      | —        |
| Technology  | 54.0              | —          | 54.0       | —        |
| Other   | 20.9              | —          | 20.9       | —        |
| Total debt securities issued by corporations:         | 2,385.1           | 1.0        | 2,384.1    | —        |
| Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities           | 2,095.6           | —          | 2,073.5    | 22.1     |
| Foreign government, agency and provincial obligations | 521.9             | 52.1       | 469.8      | —        |
| Preferred stocks                                      | 86.4              | —          | 15.6       | 70.8     |
| Municipal obligations                                 | 5.2               | —          | 5.2        | —        |
| Total fixed maturity investments <sup>(1)</sup>       | 5,534.3           | 422.2      | 5,019.2    | 92.9     |
| Short-term investments                                | 630.6             | 630.6      | —          | —        |
| Common equity securities:                             |                   |            |            |          |
| Financials  | 324.5             | 286.3      | .9         | 37.3     |
| Consumer  | 255.6             | 255.6      | —          | —        |
| Basic materials                                       | 103.3             | 103.3      | —          | —        |
| Energy  | 101.0             | 101.0      | —          | —        |
| Industrial  | 41.9              | 41.9       | —          | —        |
| Technology  | 55.0              | 55.0       | —          | —        |
| Utilities   | 43.6              | 43.4       | .2         | —        |
| Communications  | 35.2              | 35.2       | —          | —        |
| Other   | 69.6              | 11.2       | 58.4       | —        |
| Total common equity securities                        | 1,029.7           | 932.9      | 59.5       | 37.3     |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments                | 127.4             | —          | 127.4      | —        |
| Other long-term investments <sup>(2)</sup>            | 259.3             | —          | —          | 259.3    |
| Total investments                                     | \$ 7,581.3        | \$ 1,985.7 | \$ 5,206.1 | \$ 389.5 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Carrying value includes \$338.1 that is classified as assets held for sale relating to discontinued operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes carrying value of \$35.0 associated with other long-term investment limited partnerships accounted for using the equity method and \$(0.1) related to currency forward contracts.

## Debt securities issued by corporations

The following table summarizes the ratings of the corporate debt securities held in White Mountains' investment portfolio as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

| Millions  | Fair Value at      |                   |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|
|   | September 30, 2013 | December 31, 2012 |
| AAA   | \$—                | \$—               |
| AA  | 216.8              | 193.4             |
| A   | 1,074.6            | 1,061.0           |
| BBB   | 1,012.8            | 1,116.9           |
| BB  | 6.9                | 7.0               |
| Other   | 6.1                | 6.8               |
| Debt securities issued by corporations <sup>(1)</sup> | \$2,317.2          | \$2,385.1         |

<sup>(1)</sup> Credit ratings are assigned based on the following hierarchy: 1) Standard and Poor's Financial Services LLC ("Standard & Poor's") and 2) Moody's Investor Service ("Moody's").

## Mortgage-backed, Asset-backed Securities

White Mountains purchases commercial and residential mortgage-backed securities with the goal of maximizing risk adjusted returns in the context of a diversified portfolio. White Mountains' non-agency commercial mortgage-backed portfolio ("CMBS") is generally short-term and structurally senior, with more than 25 points of subordination on average for both fixed rate CMBS and floating rate CMBS as of September 30, 2013. In general, subordination represents the percentage principal loss on the underlying collateral that would be absorbed by other securities lower in the capital structure before the more senior security incurs a loss. White Mountains believes these levels of protection will mitigate the risk of loss tied to the refinancing challenges facing the commercial real estate market. As of September 30, 2013, on average less than 1% of the underlying loans were reported as non-performing for all non-agency CMBS held by White Mountains. White Mountains is not an originator of residential mortgage loans. White Mountains' investments in hedge funds and private equity funds contain negligible amounts of sub-prime mortgage-backed securities at September 30, 2013. White Mountains considers sub-prime mortgage-backed securities as those that have underlying loan pools that exhibit weak credit characteristics, or those that are issued from dedicated sub-prime shelves or dedicated second-lien shelf registrations (i.e., White Mountains considers investments backed primarily by second-liens to be sub-prime risks regardless of credit scores or other metrics).

White Mountains categorizes mortgage-backed securities as "non-prime" (also called "Alt A" or "A-") if they are backed by collateral that has overall credit quality between prime and sub-prime based on White Mountains' review of the characteristics of their underlying mortgage loan pools, such as credit scores and financial ratios. White Mountains' non-agency residential mortgage-backed portfolio is generally moderate-term and structurally senior. White Mountains does not own any collateralized loan obligations.

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The following table summarizes mortgage and asset-backed securities as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

| Millions                                   | September 30, 2013 |            |          | December 31, 2012 |            |         |
|--|--------------------|------------|----------|-------------------|------------|---------|
|  | Fair Value         | Level 2    | Level 3  | Fair Value        | Level 2    | Level 3 |
| Mortgage-backed securities:                |                    |            |          |                   |            |         |
| Agency:                                    |                    |            |          |                   |            |         |
| GNMA                                       | \$ 567.0           | \$ 479.7   | \$ 87.3  | \$ 1,013.4        | \$ 1,013.4 | \$—     |
| FNMA                                       | 59.8               | 59.8       | —        | 74.6              | 74.6       | —       |
| FHLMC                                      | 40.0               | 40.0       | —        | 55.8              | 55.8       | —       |
| Total Agency <sup>(1)</sup>                | 666.8              | 579.5      | 87.3     | 1,143.8           | 1,143.8    | —       |
| Non-agency:                                |                    |            |          |                   |            |         |
| Residential                                | 130.6              | 130.6      | —        | 160.6             | 160.6      | —       |
| Commercial                                 | 296.4              | 296.4      | —        | 334.1             | 334.1      | —       |
| Total Non-agency                           | 427.0              | 427.0      | —        | 494.7             | 494.7      | —       |
| Total mortgage-backed securities           | 1,093.8            | 1,006.5    | 87.3     | 1,638.5           | 1,638.5    | —       |
| Other asset-backed securities:             |                    |            |          |                   |            |         |
| Credit card receivables                    | 299.1              | 299.1      | —        | 173.5             | 151.4      | 22.1    |
| Vehicle receivables                        | 287.5              | 287.5      | —        | 233.2             | 233.2      | —       |
| Other                                      | 235.4              | 213.4      | 22.0     | 50.4              | 50.4       | —       |
| Total other asset-backed securities        | 822.0              | 800.0      | 22.0     | 457.1             | 435.0      | 22.1    |
| Total mortgage and asset-backed securities | \$ 1,915.8         | \$ 1,806.5 | \$ 109.3 | \$ 2,095.6        | \$ 2,073.5 | \$ 22.1 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents publicly traded mortgage-backed securities which carry the full faith and credit guaranty of the U.S. government (i.e., GNMA) or are guaranteed by a government sponsored entity (i.e., FNMA, FHLMC).

#### Non-agency Mortgage-backed Securities

The security issuance years of White Mountains' investments in non-agency RMBS and non-agency CMBS securities as of September 30, 2013 are as follows:

| Millions        | Fair Value | Security Issuance Year |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |
|-----------------|------------|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|
|                 |            | 2004                   | 2005    | 2006    | 2007    | 2008    | 2010    | 2011    | 2012     | 2013     |
| Non-agency RMBS | \$ 130.6   | \$ 12.6                | \$ 29.8 | \$ 10.7 | \$ 3.0  | \$—     | \$ 38.6 | \$—     | \$—      | \$ 35.9  |
| Non-agency CMBS | 296.4      | —                      | —       | 8.7     | 11.5    | 30.8    | 12.1    | 34.6    | 116.3    | 82.4     |
| Total           | \$ 427.0   | \$ 12.6                | \$ 29.8 | \$ 19.4 | \$ 14.5 | \$ 30.8 | \$ 50.7 | \$ 34.6 | \$ 116.3 | \$ 118.3 |

#### Non-agency Residential Mortgage-backed Securities

The classification of the underlying collateral quality and the tranche levels of White Mountains' non-agency RMBS securities are as follows as of September 30, 2013:

| Millions  | Fair Value | Super Senior <sup>(1)</sup> | Senior <sup>(2)</sup> | Subordinate <sup>(3)</sup> |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Prime     | \$ 96.2    | \$ 25.9                     | \$ 70.3               | \$—                        |
| Non-prime | 26.0       | —                           | 26.0                  | —                          |
| Sub-prime | 8.4        | 8.4                         | —                     | —                          |
| Total     | \$ 130.6   | \$ 34.3                     | \$ 96.3               | \$—                        |

<sup>(1)</sup> At issuance, Super Senior, or in the case of resecuritization, the underlying securities, were rated AAA by Standard & Poor's, Aaa by Moody's or AAA by Fitch and were senior to other AAA or Aaa bonds.

<sup>(2)</sup> At issuance, Senior, or in the case of resecuritization, the underlying securities, were rated AAA by Standard & Poor's, Aaa by Moody's or AAA by Fitch and were senior to non-AAA or non-Aaa bonds.

<sup>(3)</sup> At issuance, Subordinate were not rated AAA by Standard & Poor's, Aaa by Moody's or AAA by Fitch and were junior to AAA or Aaa bonds.





## Non-agency Commercial Mortgage-backed Securities

The amount of fixed and floating rate securities and their tranche levels of White Mountains' non-agency CMBS securities are as follows as of September 30, 2013:

| Millions           | Fair Value | Super Senior <sup>(1)</sup> | Senior <sup>(2)</sup> | Subordinate <sup>(3)</sup> |
|--------------------|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Fixed rate CMBS    | \$ 193.5   | \$ 120.5                    | \$ 55.5               | \$ 17.5                    |
| Floating rate CMBS | 102.9      | 11.5                        | 32.2                  | 59.2                       |
| Total              | \$ 296.4   | \$ 132.0                    | \$ 87.7               | \$ 76.7                    |

<sup>(1)</sup> At issuance, Super Senior, or in the case of resecuritization, the underlying securities, were rated AAA by Standard & Poor's, Aaa by Moody's or AAA by Fitch and were senior to other AAA or Aaa bonds.

<sup>(2)</sup> At issuance, Senior, or in the case of resecuritization, the underlying securities, were rated AAA by Standard & Poor's, Aaa by Moody's or AAA by Fitch and were senior to non-AAA or non-Aaa bonds.

<sup>(3)</sup> At issuance, Subordinate were not rated AAA by Standard & Poor's, Aaa by Moody's or AAA by Fitch and were junior to AAA or Aaa bonds.

## Rollforward of Fair Value Measurements by Level

White Mountains uses quoted market prices where available as the inputs to estimate fair value for its investments in active markets. Such measurements are considered to be either Level 1 or Level 2 measurements, depending on whether the quoted market price inputs are for identical securities (Level 1) or similar securities (Level 2). Level 3 measurements for fixed maturity investments, common equity securities, convertible fixed maturity investments and other long-term investments at September 30, 2013 and 2012 consist of securities for which the estimated fair value has not been determined based upon quoted market price inputs for identical or similar securities.

The following tables summarize the changes in White Mountains' fair value measurements by level for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

| Millions  | Level 3 Investments |                     |                  |                          |                              |                             | Total      |           |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|-----------|
|   | Level 1 Investments | Level 2 Investments | Fixed Maturities | Common equity securities | Convertible fixed maturities | Other long-term investments |            |           |
| Balance at January 1, 2013  | \$ 1,355.1          | \$ 5,206.1          | \$ 92.9          | \$ 37.3                  | \$ —                         | \$ 259.3                    | \$ 6,950.7 | (1)(2)(3) |
| Total realized and unrealized gains (losses)  | 140.6               | (70.7)              | )(3.3)           | )—                       | —                            | 14.0                        | 80.6       | (3)(4)    |
| Foreign currency losses through OCI   | 1.4                 | 17.5                | .5               | —                        | —                            | (.8)                        | 18.6       |           |
| Amortization/Accretion  | (.9)                | )(39.7)             | )—               | —                        | —                            | —                           | (40.6)     | )         |
| Purchases   | 735.9               | 3,014.7             | 32.4             | .5                       | —                            | 91.8                        | 3,875.3    |           |
| Sales   | (877.9)             | )(3,309.7)          | )(.7)            | )—                       | —                            | (91.1)                      | (4,279.4)  | )         |
| Net change in investments related to purchases and sales of consolidated affiliates | 14.5                | 2.7                 | —                | —                        | —                            | —                           | 17.2       |           |
| Transfers in  | 1.8                 | 32.1                | 90.3             | —                        | —                            | —                           | 124.2      |           |
| Transfers out   | —                   | (91.1)              | )(32.1)          | )(1.0)                   | )—                           | —                           | (124.2)    | )         |
| Balance at September 30, 2013   | \$ 1,370.5          | \$ 4,761.9          | \$ 180.0         | \$ 36.8                  | \$ —                         | \$ 273.2                    | \$ 6,622.4 | (1)(2)(3) |

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes carrying value of \$35.0 and \$26.9 at January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2013 associated with other long-term investments accounted for using the equity method and \$(0.1) and \$(0.1) at January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2013 related to forward contracts.

<sup>(2)</sup> Carrying value includes \$338.1 and \$239.7 at January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2013 that is classified as assets held for sale relating to discontinued operations.

(3) Excludes carrying value of \$630.6 and \$648.0 at January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2013 and realized and unrealized gains for the periods of \$0.2 associated with short-term investments.

(4) Excludes \$14.1 realized and unrealized losses associated with the Prospector Funds consolidation of investment-related liabilities.

| Millions                            | Level 3 Investments |                     |                  |                          |                              |                             | Total                   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                     | Level 1 Investments | Level 2 Investments | Fixed Maturities | Common equity securities | Convertible fixed maturities | Other long-term investments |                         |
| Balance at January 1, 2012          | \$ 1,033.1          | \$6,088.2           | \$78.9           | \$32.3                   | \$—                          | \$ 268.3                    | (1) \$7,500.8 (1)(2)(3) |
| Total realized and unrealized gains | 61.7                | 58.8                | 8.4              | 11.4                     | —                            | (8.2)                       | 132.1 (3)               |
| Foreign currency gains through OCI  | 4.1                 | 70.5                | .7               | .1                       | —                            | 3.1                         | 78.5                    |
| Amortization/Accretion              | (.6)                | (34.0)              | (.7)             | —                        | —                            | —                           | (35.3)                  |
| Purchases                           | 891.1               | 3,823.7             | 144.3            | 2.5                      | —                            | 40.6                        | 4,902.2                 |
| Sales                               | (680.9)             | (5,048.1)           | (99.2)           | (9.8)                    | —                            | (31.2)                      | (5,869.2)               |
| Transfers in                        | —                   | 56.9                | —                | —                        | —                            | —                           | 56.9                    |
| Transfers out                       | —                   | —                   | (56.3)           | (.6)                     | —                            | —                           | (56.9)                  |
| Balance at September 30, 2012       | \$ 1,308.5          | \$5,016.0           | \$76.1           | \$35.9                   | \$—                          | \$ 272.6                    | (1) \$6,709.1 (1)(2)(3) |

(1) Excludes carrying value of \$33.0 and \$34.0 at January 1, 2012 and September 30, 2012 associated with other long-term investment limited partnerships accounted for using the equity method.

(2) Carrying value includes \$111.8 that is classified as assets held for sale relating to discontinued operations.

(3) Excludes carrying value of \$846.0 and \$917.3 at January 1, 2012 and September 30, 2012 and realized and unrealized loss for the period of \$3.9 associated with short-term investments.

Fair Value Measurements — transfers between levels - Nine-month period ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 During the first nine months of 2013, two fixed income securities classified as Level 3 measurements in the prior period were recategorized as Level 2 measurements because quoted market prices for similar securities that were considered reliable and could be validated against an alternative source were available at September 30, 2013. These measurements comprise “Transfers out” of Level 3 and “Transfers in” to Level 2 of \$32.1 million for the period ended September 30, 2013.

During the first nine months of 2012, one fixed income security classified as a Level 3 measurement in the prior period was recategorized as a Level 2 measurement at September 30, 2012. This comprises “Transfers out” of Level 3 and “Transfers in” to Level 2 of \$56.3 million in fixed maturities for the period ended September 30, 2012.

During the first nine months of 2013, one fixed income security which had been classified as a Level 2 measurement at June 30, 2013 was recategorized as a Level 3 measurement at September 30, 2013. The security was priced with unobservable inputs and represents “Transfers out” of Level 2 and “Transfers in” to Level 3 of \$90.3 million for the period ended September 30, 2013. The fair value of this security was estimated using industry standard pricing methodology, in which management selected inputs using its best judgment. The security is considered to be Level 3 because the measurements are not directly observable. At September 30, 2013, the estimated fair value for this security determined using the industry standard pricing models was \$1.3 million less than the estimated fair value based upon quoted prices provided by a third party pricing vendor.

## Significant Unobservable Inputs

The following summarizes significant unobservable inputs used in estimating the fair value of investment securities classified within Level 3 other than hedge funds and private equity funds at September 30, 2013. The fair value of investments in hedge funds and private equity funds, which are classified within Level 3, are estimated using the net asset value of the funds.

| Description<br>(\$ in Millions)                             | September 30, 2013 |                       | Valuation Technique(s)      | Unobservable Input  |                      |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
|   | Fair Value         | Rating <sup>(2)</sup> |                             |                     |                      |
| Preferred Stock <sup>(1)</sup>                              | \$70.7             | NR                    | Discounted cash flow        | Discount yield      | 7.8 %                |
| Agency commercial mortgage-backed securities <sup>(1)</sup> | \$87.3             | AA+                   | Discounted cash flow        | Prepayment rate     | 5 CPJ <sup>(3)</sup> |
| Asset-backed securities <sup>(1)</sup>                      | \$22.0             | AA+                   | Broker pricing              | Swap spread         | 0.7 %                |
| Private equity security                                     | \$36.8             | NR                    | Multiple of GAAP book value | Broker quote        |                      |
|   |                    |                       |                             | Book value multiple |                      |

<sup>(1)</sup> As of September 30, 2013, asset type consists of one security.

<sup>(2)</sup> Credit ratings are assigned based on the following hierarchy: 1) Standard and Poor's and 2) Moody's

<sup>(3)</sup> CPJ refers to the market convention assumptions for prepayment and default vectors.

The assumed prepayment rate is a significant unobservable input used to estimate the fair value of investments in agency commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS"). Generally for bonds priced at a premium, increases in prepayment speeds will result in a lower fair value.

## Note 6. Debt

White Mountains' debt outstanding as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 consisted of the following:

| Millions                              | September 30,<br>2013 | December 31,<br>2012 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 2012 OBH Senior Notes, at face value  | \$275.0               | \$275.0              |
| Unamortized original issue discount   | (.3                   | ) (.3                |
| 2012 OBH Senior Notes, carrying value | 274.7                 | 274.7                |
| SIG Senior Notes, at face value       | 400.0                 | 400.0                |
| Unamortized original issue discount   | (.5                   | ) (.6                |
| SIG Senior Notes, carrying value      | 399.5                 | 399.4                |
| WTM Bank Facility                     | —                     | —                    |
| Previous WTM Bank Facility            | —                     | 75.0                 |
| Old Lyme Note                         | 2.1                   | 2.1                  |
| Total debt                            | \$676.3               | \$751.2              |

#### WTM Bank Facility

On August 14, 2013, White Mountains entered into a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of lenders administered by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. which has a total commitment of \$425.0 million and has a maturity date of August 14, 2018 (the "WTM Bank Facility"). The WTM Bank Facility replaced White Mountains' previous revolving credit facility administered by Bank of America, N.A. which had a total commitment of \$375.0 million (the "Previous WTM Bank Facility"). As of September 30, 2013, the WTM Bank Facility was undrawn.

In December 2012, White Mountains borrowed \$150.0 million under the Previous WTM Bank Facility. White Mountains repaid \$75.0 million in December 2012 and the remaining balance of \$75.0 million in January 2013. During the nine months ended September 30, 2013, White Mountains also borrowed and repaid a total of \$150.0 million under the Previous WTM Bank Facility at a blended interest rate of 2.83%.

The WTM Bank Facility contains various affirmative, negative and financial covenants which White Mountains considers to be customary for such borrowings, including certain minimum net worth and maximum debt to capitalization standards. Failure to meet one or more of these covenants could result in an event of default, which ultimately could eliminate availability under these facilities and result in acceleration of principal repayment on any amounts outstanding.

#### Debt Covenants

At September 30, 2013, White Mountains was in compliance with all debt covenants.

#### Note 7. Income Taxes

The Company and its Bermuda domiciled subsidiaries are not subject to Bermuda income tax under current Bermuda law. In the event there is a change in the current law such that taxes are imposed, the Company and its Bermuda domiciled subsidiaries would be exempt from such tax until March 31, 2035, pursuant to the Bermuda Exempted Undertakings Tax Protection Act of 1966. The Company has subsidiaries and branches that operate in various other jurisdictions around the world that are subject to tax in the jurisdictions in which they operate. The jurisdictions in which the Company's subsidiaries and branches are subject to tax are Australia, Belgium, Canada, Germany, Gibraltar, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Singapore, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States.

White Mountains' income tax expense related to pre-tax income from continuing operations for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 represented net effective tax rates of 14.8% and 35.4%. The net effective tax rates for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 were 23.4% and 27.2%. The effective rate for the third quarter of 2012 was similar to the U.S. statutory rate of 35% due to tax benefits on losses generated in the United States offsetting the tax expenses on income generated in other jurisdictions. The effective tax rates for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 were lower than the U.S. statutory rate of 35% due to income generated in jurisdictions other than the United States. In addition, the effective rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 reflects the benefit of a \$6.8 million release of a valuation allowance at OneBeacon related to the restructuring of a surplus note issued to a consolidated insurance reciprocal exchange.

In arriving at the effective tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 White Mountains forecasted all income and expense items including the change in unrealized investment gains (losses) and realized investment gains (losses) for the years ending December 31, 2013 and 2012.

White Mountains records a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets if it becomes more likely than not that all or a portion of a deferred tax asset will not be realized. Changes in valuation allowances from period to period are included in income tax expense in the period of change. In determining whether or not a valuation allowance, or change therein, is warranted, White Mountains considers factors such as prior earnings history, expected future earnings, carryback and carryforward periods and strategies that if executed would result in the realization of a deferred tax asset. During the next twelve months, it is possible that certain planning strategies or projected earnings in certain subsidiaries may not be feasible to utilize the entire deferred tax asset, which could result in material changes to White Mountains' deferred tax assets and tax expense.

With few exceptions, White Mountains is no longer subject to U.S. federal, state or non-U.S. income tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2005.

The IRS is conducting an examination of income tax returns for 2005 and 2006 for certain U.S. subsidiaries of OneBeacon. On January 5, 2011, OneBeacon received Form 4549-A (Income Tax Discrepancy Adjustments) from the IRS relating to the examination of tax years 2005 and 2006. The estimated total assessment, including interest and utilization of alternative minimum and foreign tax credit carryovers, is \$18.7 million. White Mountains disagrees with the adjustments proposed by the IRS and is defending its position. Although the timing of the resolution of these issues is uncertain, it is reasonably possible that the resolution could occur within the next twelve months. An estimate of the range of potential outcomes cannot be made at this time. When ultimately settled, White Mountains does not expect the resolution of this examination to result in a material change to its financial position.

On July 28, 2011, the IRS commenced an examination of the income tax returns for 2007, 2008 and 2009 for certain U.S. subsidiaries of OneBeacon. On July 17, 2013, OneBeacon received a revised Form 4549-A (Income Tax Discrepancy Adjustments) from the IRS relating to the examination of tax years 2007, 2008 and 2009. The estimated total assessment, including interest, utilization of alternative minimum and foreign tax credit carryovers and capital loss carrybacks, is \$64.5 million. However, \$60.2 million of the proposed adjustments relate to items for which the expense deduction has been disallowed in a year being examined, but ultimate deductibility is highly certain to occur in a later period. Because of the impact of deferred tax accounting, other than interest and penalties, the disallowance of these deductions in the exam period would not affect the effective tax rate, but would accelerate the payment of cash to the taxing authority. White Mountains disagrees with the adjustments proposed by the IRS and is defending its position. Although the timing of the resolution of these issues is uncertain, it is reasonably possible that the resolution could occur within the next twelve months. An estimate of the range of potential outcomes cannot be made at this time. When ultimately settled, White Mountains does not expect the resolution of this examination to result in a material change to its financial position.

On September 2, 2013, the IRS commenced an examination of the income tax returns for 2010, 2011 and 2012 for certain U.S. subsidiaries of OneBeacon. When ultimately settled, White Mountains does not expect the resolution of this examination to result in a material change to its financial position.

On December 15, 2011, the IRS commenced an examination of the income tax returns for 2010 for certain U.S. subsidiaries of Answer Financial Inc. On June 3, 2013, White Mountains received the closing examination letter from the IRS. The adjustments on examination were not significant.

#### Note 8. Derivatives

##### Variable Annuity Reinsurance

White Mountains has entered into agreements to reinsure death and living benefit guarantees associated with certain variable annuities in Japan. At September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the total guarantee value was approximately ¥217.1 billion (approximately \$2.2 billion at exchange rates on that date) and ¥230.0 billion (approximately \$2.7 billion at exchange rates on that date), respectively. The collective account values of the underlying variable annuities were approximately 98% and 87% of the guarantee value at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

The following table summarizes the pre-tax operating results of WM Life Re for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012.

| Millions  | Three Months Ended |                    | Nine Months Ended  |                    |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|   | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 |
| Fees, included in other revenue   | \$6.2              | \$8.1              | \$19.2             | \$24.1             |
| Change in fair value of variable annuity liability, included in other revenue   | 49.1               | (11.3)             | 289.3              | 89.4               |
| Change in fair value of derivatives, included in other revenue  | (63.1)             | (11.0)             | (308.4)            | (122.0)            |
| Foreign exchange, included in other revenue   | .6                 | 9.0                | (13.9)             | (6.4)              |
| Other investment income and gains (losses)  | .2                 | 3.8                | (5.2)              | 2.9                |
| Total revenue   | (7.0)              | (1.4)              | (19.0)             | (12.0)             |
| Change in fair value of variable annuity death benefit liabilities, included in other general and administrative expenses | 1.3                | .7                 | 8.5                | 6.7                |
| Death benefit claims paid, included in general and administrative expenses  | (.2)               | (1.5)              | (1.6)              | (4.9)              |
| General and administrative expenses   | (1.0)              | (1.1)              | (3.8)              | (3.8)              |
| Pre-tax loss  | \$(6.9)            | \$(3.3)            | \$(15.9)           | \$(14.0)           |

During the first six months of 2013, the ratio of annuitants' aggregate account values to the aggregate guarantee value provided by WM Life Re increased, and as a result, annuitants have been surrendering their policies at higher rates than WM Life Re has observed in the past. In response to this trend, WM Life Re adjusted the projected surrender assumptions used in the valuation of its variable annuity reinsurance liability slightly upward in the second quarter of 2013, which resulted in a gain of \$1.5 million.



The following summarizes realized and unrealized derivative gains (losses) recognized in other revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 and the carrying values, included in other assets, at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 by type of instrument:

| Millions                   | Three Months Ended |                    | Nine Months Ended  |                    | Carrying Value           |                   |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
|                            | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | As of September 30, 2013 | December 31, 2012 |
| Fixed income/interest rate | \$(24.1)           | \$(22.6)           | \$(97.4)           | \$(73.1)           | \$102.4                  | \$27.1            |
| Foreign exchange           | (28.5)             | 6.5                | (144.5)            | (21.0)             | (7.1)                    | 52.8              |
| Equity                     | (10.5)             | 5.1                | (66.5)             | (27.9)             | (3.8)                    | 18.4              |
| Total                      | \$(63.1)           | \$(11.0)           | \$(308.4)          | \$(122.0)          | \$91.5                   | \$98.3            |

The following tables summarize the changes in White Mountains' variable annuity reinsurance liabilities and derivative instruments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

| Millions                               | Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 |                        |                        |                           |                        |       |
|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------|
|  | Variable Annuity (Liabilities)        | Derivative Instruments |                        |                           |                        | Total |
|  |                                       | Level 3                | Level 3 <sup>(1)</sup> | Level 2 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> | Level 1 <sup>(3)</sup> |       |
| Beginning of period                    | \$(194.1)                             | \$126.5                | \$18.2                 | \$(3.4)                   | \$141.3                |       |
| Purchases                              | —                                     | —                      | —                      | —                         | —                      |       |
| Realized and unrealized gains (losses) | 50.4                                  | <sup>(4)</sup> (24.1)  | (28.5)                 | (10.5)                    | (63.1)                 |       |
| Transfers in                           | —                                     | —                      | —                      | —                         | —                      |       |
| Sales/settlements                      | —                                     | —                      | 3.2                    | 10.1                      | 13.3                   |       |
| End of period                          | \$(143.7)                             | \$102.4                | \$(7.1)                | \$(3.8)                   | \$91.5                 |       |
| Millions                               | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013  |                        |                        |                           |                        |       |
|  | Variable Annuity (Liabilities)        | Derivative Instruments |                        |                           |                        | Total |
|  |                                       | Level 3                | Level 3 <sup>(1)</sup> | Level 2 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> | Level 1 <sup>(3)</sup> |       |
| Beginning of period                    | \$(441.5)                             | \$140.5                | \$(20.5)               | \$(21.7)                  | \$98.3                 |       |
| Purchases                              | —                                     | 59.3                   | —                      | —                         | 59.3                   |       |
| Realized and unrealized gains (losses) | 297.8                                 | <sup>(4)</sup> (97.4)  | (144.5)                | (66.5)                    | (308.4)                |       |
| Transfers in                           | —                                     | —                      | —                      | —                         | —                      |       |
| Sales/settlements                      | —                                     | —                      | 157.9                  | 84.4                      | 242.3                  |       |
| End of period                          | \$(143.7)                             | \$102.4                | \$(7.1)                | \$(3.8)                   | \$91.5                 |       |

| Millions                               | Three Months Ended September 30, 2012 |                        |                           |                        |          |
|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|----------|
|  | Variable Annuity<br>(Liabilities)     | Derivative Instruments |                           |                        | Total    |
|  | Level 3                               | Level 3 <sup>(1)</sup> | Level 2 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> | Level 1 <sup>(3)</sup> |          |
| Beginning of period                    | \$ (661.8 )                           | \$ 213.0               | \$ 61.0                   | \$ (23.7 )             | \$ 250.3 |
| Purchases                              | —                                     | —                      | —                         | —                      | —        |
| Realized and unrealized (losses) gains | (10.6 ) <sup>(4)</sup>                | 6.7                    | (15.3 )                   | (2.4 )                 | (11.0 )  |
| Transfers in                           | —                                     | —                      | —                         | —                      | —        |
| Sales/settlements                      | —                                     | (6.7 )                 | (12.5 )                   | 22.0                   | 2.8      |
| End of period                          | \$ (672.4 )                           | \$ 213.0               | \$ 33.2                   | \$ (4.1 )              | \$ 242.1 |
| Millions                               | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012  |                        |                           |                        |          |
|  | Variable Annuity<br>(Liabilities)     | Derivative Instruments |                           |                        | Total    |
|  | Level 3                               | Level 3 <sup>(1)</sup> | Level 2 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> | Level 1 <sup>(3)</sup> |          |
| Beginning of period                    | \$ (768.5 )                           | \$ 247.1               | \$ 39.2                   | \$ 4.1                 | \$ 290.4 |
| Purchases                              | —                                     | 6.1                    | —                         | —                      | 6.1      |
| Realized and unrealized gains (losses) | 96.1                                  | (24.1 ) <sup>(4)</sup> | (71.8 )                   | (26.1 )                | (122.0 ) |
| Transfers in                           | —                                     | —                      | —                         | —                      | —        |
| Sales/settlements                      | —                                     | (16.1 )                | 65.8                      | 17.9                   | 67.6     |
| End of period                          | \$ (672.4 )                           | \$ 213.0               | \$ 33.2                   | \$ (4.1 )              | \$ 242.1 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Consists of over-the-counter instruments.

<sup>(2)</sup> Consists of interest rate swaps, total return swaps, foreign currency forward contracts, and bond forwards. Fair value measurement based upon bid/ask pricing quotes for similar instruments that are actively traded, where available. Swaps for which an active market does not exist have been priced using observable inputs including the swap curve and the underlying bond index.

<sup>(3)</sup> Consists of exchange traded equity index, foreign currency and interest rate futures. Fair value measurements based upon quoted prices for identical instruments that are actively traded.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes \$(1.3) and \$(8.5) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and \$(0.7) and \$(6.7) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 related to the change in the fair value of variable annuity death benefit liabilities, which are included in general and administrative expenses.

In addition to derivative instruments, WM Life Re held cash, short-term and fixed maturity investments posted as collateral to its variable annuity reinsurance counterparties. The total collateral comprises the following:

| Millions                   | September 30, 2013 | December 31, 2012 | September 30, 2012 |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Cash                       | \$74.4             | \$249.8           | \$341.7            |
| Short-term investments     | 15.8               | 5.1               | 14.6               |
| Fixed maturity investments | 24.6               | 138.7             | 121.2              |
| Total                      | \$114.8            | \$393.6           | \$477.5            |

Collateral in the form of fixed maturity securities consists of Government of Japan Bonds, which are recorded at fair value. Collateral in the form of short-term investments consists of money-market instruments, carried at amortized cost, which approximates fair value.

All of White Mountains' variable annuity reinsurance liabilities were classified as Level 3 measurements at September 30, 2013 and 2012. The fair value of White Mountains' variable annuity reinsurance liabilities are estimated using actuarial and capital market assumptions related to the projected discounted cash flows over the term of the reinsurance agreement. Actuarial assumptions regarding future policyholder behavior, including surrender and lapse rates, are generally unobservable inputs and significantly impact the fair value estimates. Market conditions including, but not limited to, changes in interest rates, equity indices, market volatility and foreign currency exchange rates as well as the variations in actuarial assumptions regarding policyholder behavior may result in significant fluctuations in the fair value estimates. Generally, the liabilities associated with these guarantees increase with declines in the equity

markets, interest rates and currencies against the Japanese yen, as well as with increases in market volatilities. White Mountains uses derivative instruments, including put options, interest rate swaps, total return swaps on bond and equity indices and forwards and futures contracts on major equity indices, currency pairs and government bonds, to mitigate the risks associated with changes in the fair value of the reinsured variable annuity guarantees. The types of inputs used to estimate the fair value of these derivative instruments, with the exception of actuarial assumptions regarding policyholder behavior and risk margins, are generally the same as those used to estimate the fair value of variable annuity liabilities.

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The following summarizes quantitative information about significant unobservable inputs associated with the fair value estimates for variable annuity reinsurance liabilities and derivative instruments that have been classified as Level 3 measurements:

| (\$ in Millions)                               |            | September 30, 2013  |                                       |       |           |                  |   |
|--|------------|---|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Description                                    | Fair Value | Valuation Technique(s)                                      | Unobservable Input                    | Range |           | Weighted Average |   |
|  | \$ 143.7   | Discounted cash flows                                       | Surrenders                            |       |           |                  |   |
|  |            |   | 1 year                                | 0.3   | % - 10.8% | 2.4              | % |
| Variable annuity benefit guarantee liabilities |            |   | 2 year                                | 0.2   | % - 8.7%  | 2.6              | % |
|  |            |   | 3 year                                | 0.1   | % - 6.6%  | 1.9              | % |
|  |            |   | Mortality                             | 0.0   | % - 5.3%  | 1.0              | % |
|  |            |   | Foreign exchange volatilities         |       |           |                  |   |
|  |            |   | 1 year                                | 11.2  | % - 13.5% | 12.0             | % |
|  |            |   | 2 year                                | 12.3  | % - 14.5% | 13.2             | % |
|  |            |   | 3 year                                | 13.8  | % - 17.6% | 14.7             | % |
|  |            |   | Index volatilities                    |       |           |                  |   |
|  |            |   | 1 year                                | 15.6  | % - 19.6% | 16.6             | % |
|  |            |   | 2 year                                | 17.6  | % - 21.4% | 19.0             | % |
|  |            |   | 3 year                                | 19.6  | % - 22.4% | 21.3             | % |
| Foreign exchange options                       | \$ 57.8    | Counterparty valuations, adjusted for unwind quote discount | Adjustment to counterparty valuations | 0.1   | % - 3.2%  | 2.1              | % |
| Equity index options                           | \$ 44.6    | Counterparty valuations, adjusted for unwind quote discount | Adjustment to counterparty valuations | 1.7   | % - 3.0%  | 2.6              | % |

WM Life Re enters into both over-the-counter (“OTC”) and exchange traded derivative instruments to economically hedge the liability from the variable annuity benefit guarantee. In the case of OTC derivatives, WM Life Re has exposure to credit risk for amounts that are uncollateralized by counterparties. WM Life Re’s internal risk management guidelines establish net counterparty exposure thresholds that take into account OTC counterparties’ credit ratings. The OTC derivative contracts are subject to restrictions on liquidation of the instruments and distribution of proceeds under collateral agreements.

In the case of exchange traded instruments, WM Life Re has exposure to credit risk for amounts uncollateralized by margin balances. WM Life Re has entered into master netting agreements with certain of its counterparties whereby the collateral provided (held) is calculated on a net basis. The following summarizes amounts offset under master netting agreements:

| Millions                   | September 30, 2013                                |  |  | December 31, 2012                                 |  |  |
|----------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|--|
|                            | Gross asset amounts before offsets <sup>(1)</sup> | Gross liability amounts offset under master netting arrangements | Net amounts recognized in Other Assets | Gross asset amounts before offsets <sup>(1)</sup> | Gross liability amounts offset under master netting arrangements | Net amounts recognized in Other Assets |
| Interest rate contracts    |   |  |  |   |  |  |
| OTC                        | \$ .2   | \$(13.1)   | \$(12.9)                               | \$ 52.6   | \$(26.9)   | \$ 25.7                                |
| Exchange traded            | .7  | (3.2)  | (2.5)                                  | 1.6   | (.2)   | 1.4                                    |
| Foreign exchange contracts |   |  |  |   |  |  |
| OTC                        | 80.7  | (10.1)   | 70.6                                   | 87.8  | (34.4)   | 53.4                                   |
| Exchange traded            | .7  | (.3)   | 0.4                                    | .8  | (1.4)  | (.6)                                   |
| Equity contracts           |   |  |  |   |  |  |

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|                      |          |         |          |          |          |          |
|----------------------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| OTC                  | 44.6     | (6.9    | ) 37.7   | 63.6     | (22.9    | ) 40.7   |
| Exchange traded      | .6       | (2.4    | ) (1.8   | ) .1     | (22.4    | ) (22.3  |
| Total <sup>(2)</sup> | \$ 127.5 | \$(36.0 | ) \$91.5 | \$ 206.5 | \$(108.2 | ) \$98.3 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Amount equal to fair value of instrument as recognized in other assets.

<sup>(2)</sup> All derivative instruments held by WM Life Re are subject to master netting arrangements.

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The following summarizes the value, collateral held or provided by WM Life Re and net exposure to credit losses on OTC and exchange traded derivative instruments by counterparty recorded within other assets:

September 30, 2013

| Millions                    | Net amount of assets reflected in Balance Sheet | Collateral provided to counterparty - Cash | Collateral provided to counterparty - Financial Instruments | Net amount of exposure after effect of collateral provided | Excess collateral provided to counterparty - Cash | Excess collateral provided - Financial Instruments | Counter-party collateral held by WMLife Re - Cash | Net amount of exposure to counter-party | Standard & Poor's Rating <sup>(1)</sup> |
|-----------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|---|---|
| Bank of America             | \$43.1  | \$—  | \$—   | \$43.1   | \$—   | \$—  | \$—   | \$ 43.1                                 | A                                       |
| Barclays                    | 2.6   | —  | —   | 2.6  | —   | —  | —   | 2.6                                     | A                                       |
| JP Morgan                   | 12.5  | —  | —   | 12.5   | 19.4  | —  | —   | 31.9                                    | A +                                     |
| Royal Bank of Scotland      | 18.3  | —  | —   | 18.3   | —   | —  | —   | 18.3                                    | A                                       |
| Nomura                      | (4.3 )  | 3.6  | .7  | —  | —   | 23.8   | —   | 23.8                                    | BBB +                                   |
| Goldman Sachs               | —   | —  | —   | —  | —   | —  | —   | —                                       | A -                                     |
| Citigroup - OTC             | 23.1  | —  | —   | 23.1   | 2.4   | —  | —   | 25.5                                    | A                                       |
| Citigroup - Exchange Traded | (3.8 )  | 3.8  | —   | —  | 19.8  | —  | —   | 19.8                                    | A                                       |
| Total                       | \$91.5  | \$7.4                                      | \$ .7   | \$99.6   | \$ 41.6   | \$23.8   | \$—   | \$ 165.0                                |   |

December 31, 2012

| Millions                    | Net amount of assets reflected in Balance Sheet | Collateral provided to counterparty - Cash | Collateral provided to counterparty - Financial Instruments | Net amount of exposure after effect of collateral provided | Excess collateral provided to counterparty - Cash | Excess collateral provided - Financial Instruments | Counter-party collateral held by WMLife Re - Cash | Net amount of exposure to counter-party | Standard & Poor's Rating <sup>(1)</sup> |
|-----------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|---|---|
| Bank of America             | \$78.5  | \$—  | —   | \$78.5   | \$—   | \$—  | \$ 30.6   | \$ 47.9                                 | A                                       |
| Barclays                    | 11.6  | —  | —   | 11.6   | —   | —  | —   | 11.6                                    | A +                                     |
| JP Morgan                   | (22.8 )   | 22.8                                       | —   | —  | 32.8  | —  | —   | 32.8                                    | A +                                     |
| Royal Bank of Scotland      | 33.6  | —  | —   | 33.6   | —   | —  | —   | 33.6                                    | A                                       |
| Nomura                      | (.9 )   | .9   | —   | —  | .8  | 28.0   | —   | 28.8                                    | BBB +                                   |
| Goldman Sachs               | (.1 )   | .1   | —   | —  | 3.1   | —  | —   | 3.1                                     | A -                                     |
| Citigroup - OTC             | 19.9  | —  | —   | 19.9   | 30.8  | —  | —   | 50.7                                    | A                                       |
| Citigroup - Exchange Traded | (21.5 )   | 21.5                                       | —   | —  | 13.6  | —  | —   | 13.6                                    | A                                       |
| Total                       | \$98.3  | \$ 45.3                                    | \$—   | \$143.6  | \$ 81.1   | \$28.0   | \$ 30.6   | \$ 222.1                                |   |

<sup>(1)</sup> Standard & Poor's ratings as detailed above are: "A+" (Strong, which is the fifth highest of twenty-one creditworthiness ratings), "A" (Strong, which is the sixth highest of twenty-one creditworthiness ratings), "A-" (Strong, which is the seventh highest of twenty-one creditworthiness ratings) and "BBB+" (Adequate, which is the eighth highest of twenty-one creditworthiness ratings).

## Forward Contracts

Beginning in September 2012, White Mountains entered into forward contracts at Sirius Group. White Mountains monitors its exposure to foreign currency and adjusts its forward positions within the risk guidelines and ranges established by senior management for each currency, as necessary. While White Mountains actively manages its forward positions, mismatches between movements in foreign currency rates and its forward contracts may result in currency positions being outside the pre-defined ranges and/or foreign currency losses. At September 30, 2013, White Mountains held approximately \$16.4 million (SEK 105.0 million) total gross notional value of foreign currency forward contracts.

All of White Mountains' forward contracts are traded over-the-counter. The fair value of the contracts has been estimated using OTC quotes for similar instruments and accordingly, the measurements have been classified as Level 2 measurements at September 30, 2013.

The following tables summarize the changes in White Mountains' forward contracts for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013:

| Millions                                      | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, |        | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, |        |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|--------|
|   | 2013                                | 2012   | 2013                               | 2012   |
| Beginning of period                           | \$(.1                               | ) \$—  | \$(.1                              | ) \$—  |
| Purchases                                     | —                                   | —      | —                                  | —      |
| Net realized and unrealized (losses)<br>gains | (.5                                 | ) .3   | (.3                                | ) .3   |
| Sales/settlements                             | .5                                  | —      | .3                                 | —      |
| End of period                                 | \$(.1                               | ) \$.3 | \$(.1                              | ) \$.3 |

The following summarizes realized and unrealized derivative gains (losses) recognized in net realized and unrealized investment gains for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and the carrying values, included in other long-term investments, at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 by type of currency:

| Millions | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, |        | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, |        | Carrying Value<br>As of<br>September 30, December 31, |         |   |
|----------|-------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|--------|---|---------|---|
|          | 2013                                | 2012   | 2013                               | 2012   | 2013  | 2012    |   |
| USD      | \$(.4                               | ) \$.4 | \$(1.0                             | ) \$.4 | \$(.1   | ) \$—   |   |
| SEK      | —                                   | —      | —                                  | —      | —   | —       |   |
| EUR      | (.1                                 | ) (.1  | ) (.1                              | ) (.1  | ) —   | (.1     | ) |
| GBP      | —                                   | —      | .8                                 | —      | —   | —       |   |
| Total    | \$(.5                               | ) \$.3 | \$(.3                              | ) \$.3 | \$(.1   | ) \$(.1 | ) |

All of White Mountains' forward contracts are subject to master netting agreements. The following summarizes amounts offset under master netting agreements:

| Millions | September 30, 2013                                      |  |  | December 31, 2012                                       |  |  |
|----------|---|--|--|---|--|--|
|          | Gross asset<br>amounts before<br>offsets <sup>(1)</sup> | Gross liability<br>amounts offset<br>under master<br>netting<br>arrangements | Net amounts<br>recognized in<br>Other assets | Gross asset<br>amounts before<br>offsets <sup>(1)</sup> | Gross liability<br>amounts offset<br>under master<br>netting<br>arrangements | Net amounts<br>recognized in<br>Other assets |
| USD      | \$(.1   | ) \$—  | \$(.1  | ) \$—   | \$—  | \$—  |
| EUR      | —   | —  | —  | —   | (.1  | ) (.1  |
| GBP      | —   | —  | —  | —   | —  | —  |
| Total    | \$(.1   | ) \$—  | \$(.1  | ) \$—   | \$(.1  | ) \$(.1                                      |

<sup>(1)</sup> Amount equal to fair value of instrument as recognized in other assets.





White Mountains does not hold or provide any collateral for the forward contracts. The following table summarizes the notional amounts and uncollateralized balances associated with forward currency contracts:

| Millions             | September 30, 2013 |                |   | December 31, 2012 |                |
|----------------------|--------------------|----------------|---|-------------------|----------------|
|                      | Notional Amount    | Carrying Value | Standard & Poor's Rating <sup>(1)</sup> | Notional Amount   | Carrying Value |
| Barclays Bank Plc    | \$ 3.1             | \$(.1          | ) A                                     | \$7.7             | \$(.1 )        |
| Deutsche Bank        | 5.4                | —              | A                                       | 11.1              | —              |
| Goldman Sachs        | 2.5                | —              | A-                                      | .4                | —              |
| HSBC                 | 4.3                | —              | AA-                                     | 10.1              | —              |
| JP Morgan            | —                  | —              | A+                                      | 1.9               | —              |
| Royal Bank of Canada | 1.1                | —              | AA-                                     | —                 | —              |
| Total                | \$ 16.4            | \$(.1          | )                                       | \$31.2            | \$(.1 )        |

<sup>(1)</sup> Standard & Poor's ratings as detailed above are: "AA-" (Very Strong, which is the sixth highest of twenty-one creditworthiness ratings), "A+" (Strong, which is the seventh highest of twenty-one creditworthiness ratings) and "A-" (Strong, which is the ninth highest of twenty-one creditworthiness ratings).

### Interest Rate Cap

In May 2007, SIG issued the SIG Preference Shares, with an initial fixed annual dividend rate of 7.506%. In June 2017, the fixed rate will move to a floating rate equal to the greater of (i) 7.506% and (ii) 3-month LIBOR plus 320 bps. In July 2013, SIG executed the Interest Rate Cap for the period from June 2017 to June 2022 to protect against a significant increase in interest rates during that 5-year period. The Interest Rate Cap fixes the annual dividend rate on the SIG Preference Shares from June 2017 to June 2022 at 8.30%. The cost of the Interest Rate Cap was an upfront premium of 395 bps of the \$250.0 million notional value, or approximately \$9.9 million for the full notional amount. The Interest Rate Cap does not qualify for hedge accounting. It is recorded in other assets at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized as unrealized gains or losses and are presented within other revenues. Collateral held is recorded within short-term investments with an equal amount recognized as a liability to return collateral. The fair value of the interest rate cap has been estimated using a single broker quote and accordingly, has been classified as a Level 3 measurements at September 30, 2013.

The following tables summarize the changes in the fair value of the Interest Rate Cap for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013:

| Millions                                   | Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Beginning of period                        | \$—                                   | \$—                                  |
| Purchases                                  | 9.9                                   | 9.9                                  |
| Net realized and unrealized (losses) gains | (.3                                   | ) (.3 )                              |
| Sales/settlements                          | —                                     | —                                    |
| End of period                              | \$9.6                                 | \$9.6                                |

White Mountains does not provide any collateral to the interest rate counterparties. Under the terms of the Interest Rate Cap, White Mountains holds collateral in respect of future amounts due. White Mountains' liability to return that collateral is based on the amounts provided by the counterparty and investment earnings thereon. The following table summarizes the Interest Rate Cap collateral balances held by White Mountains and ratings by counterparty:

| Millions | September 30, 2013       |                   |
|----------|--------------------------|-------------------|
|          | Collateral Balances Held | Standard & Poor's |
|          |                          |                   |

|                         |       | Rating <sup>(1)</sup> |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| Barclays Bank Plc       | \$6.8 | A                     |
| Nordea Bank Finland Plc | 2.9   | AA-                   |
| Total                   | \$9.7 |                       |

<sup>(1)</sup> Standard & Poor's ratings as detailed above are: "A" (Strong, which is the sixth highest of twenty-one creditworthiness ratings) and "AA-" (Very Strong, which is the fourth highest of twenty-one creditworthiness ratings).

## Note 9. Municipal Bond Guarantee Insurance

In 2012, HG Global was capitalized with \$594.5 million from White Mountains and \$14.5 million from non-controlling interests to fund BAM, a newly formed mutual municipal bond insurer. As of September 30, 2013, White Mountains owned 97.3% of HG Global's preferred equity and 88.7% of its common equity. HG Global, together with its subsidiaries, provided the initial capitalization of BAM through the purchase of \$503.0 million of BAM surplus notes. Through HG Re, which had statutory capital of \$428.2 million at September 30, 2013, HG Global provides first loss reinsurance protection for policies underwritten by BAM of up to 15% of par outstanding, on a per policy basis. HG Re's obligations to BAM are collateralized in trusts, and there is an aggregate loss limit that is equal to the total assets in the collateral trusts at any point in time. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, HG Global had pre-tax income of \$10.5 million and \$28.2 million, which included \$10.1 million and \$30.2 million of interest income on the BAM surplus notes. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, BAM had a pre-tax loss of \$15.1 million and \$60.2 million that was recorded in net loss attributable to non-controlling interests, which included \$10.1 million and \$30.2 million of interest expense on the BAM surplus notes. BAM manages its affairs on a statutory accounting basis. BAM's statutory surplus includes surplus notes and is not reduced by accruals of interest expense on the surplus notes. BAM's statutory surplus is reduced only after a payment of principal or interest has been approved by the New York Department of Financial Services.

All of the contracts issued by BAM are accounted for as insurance contracts under ASC 944-605, Financial Guarantee Insurance Contracts. Premiums are received upfront and an unearned premium revenue liability, equal to the amount of the cash received, is established at contract inception. Premium revenues are recognized in revenue over the period of the contracts in proportion to the amount of insurance protection provided using a constant rate. The constant rate is calculated based on the relationship between the par outstanding in a given reporting period compared with the sum of each of the par amounts outstanding for all periods.

The following table provides a schedule of BAM's insured obligations:

|   | September 30, 2013 | December 31, 2012 |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|
| Contracts issued and outstanding                      | 483                | 3                 |
| Remaining weighted average contract period (in years) | 13.7               | 10.4              |
| Contractual debt service outstanding (in millions):   |                    |                   |
| Principal   | \$3,128.3          | \$25.8            |
| Interest  | \$1,824.6          | \$8.9             |
| Gross unearned insurance premiums                     | \$8.1              | \$ .1             |

## Note 10. Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share amounts are based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding including unvested restricted shares that are considered participating securities. Diluted earnings per share amounts are based on the weighted average number of common shares including unvested restricted shares and the net effect of potentially dilutive common shares outstanding. The following table outlines the Company's computation of earnings per share from continuing operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (see Note 15 for earnings per share amounts for discontinued operations):

|  | Three Months<br>Ended<br>September 30,<br>2013 |          | Nine Months<br>Ended<br>September 30,<br>2012 |          |
|--|--|----------|---|----------|
| Basic and diluted earnings per share numerators (in millions):   |  |          |   |          |
| Net income from continuing operations attributable to<br>White Mountains' common shareholders              | \$ 56.8  | \$ 125.9 | \$ 199.1                                      | \$ 254.6 |
| Allocation of income for unvested restricted common shares   | (.9 )  | (1.8 )   | (2.9 )  | (3.3 )   |
| Dividends declared on participating restricted common shares <sup>(1)</sup>                                | —  | —        | (.1 )   | (.1 )    |
| Total allocation to restricted common shares   | (.9 )  | (1.8 )   | (3.0 )  | (3.4 )   |
| Net income attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders,<br>net of restricted common share amounts | \$ 55.9  | \$ 124.1 | \$ 196.1                                      | \$ 251.2 |
| Undistributed net earnings (in millions):  |  |          |   |          |
| Net income attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders,<br>net of restricted common share amounts | \$ 55.9  | \$ 124.1 | \$ 196.1                                      | \$ 251.2 |
| Dividends declared net of restricted common share amounts <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | —  | —        | (6.1 )  | (6.5 )   |
| Total undistributed net earnings, net of restricted common share amounts                                   | \$ 55.9  | \$ 124.1 | \$ 190.0                                      | \$ 244.7 |
| Basic earnings per share denominators (in thousands):  |  |          |   |          |
| Total average common shares outstanding during the period  | 6,176.6  | 6,590.4  | 6,208.4                                       | 6,885.9  |
| Average unvested restricted shares <sup>(2)</sup>  | (95.5 )  | (96.5 )  | (90.0 )                                       | (89.5 )  |
| Basic earnings per share denominator   | 6,081.1  | 6,493.9  | 6,118.4                                       | 6,796.4  |
| Diluted earnings per share denominator (in thousands):   |  |          |   |          |
| Total average common shares outstanding during the period  | 6,176.6  | 6,590.4  | 6,208.4                                       | 6,885.9  |
| Average unvested restricted common shares <sup>(2)</sup>   | (95.5 )  | (96.5 )  | (90.0 )                                       | (89.5 )  |
| Average outstanding dilutive options to acquire common shares <sup>(3)</sup>                               | —  | —        | —   | —        |
| Diluted earnings per share denominator   | 6,081.1  | 6,493.9  | 6,118.4                                       | 6,796.4  |
| Basic earnings per share (in dollars):   |  |          |   |          |
| Net income attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders  | \$ 9.20  | \$ 19.11 | \$ 32.05                                      | \$ 36.96 |
| Dividends declared   | —  | —        | (1.00 )                                       | (1.00 )  |
| Undistributed earnings   | \$ 9.20  | \$ 19.11 | \$ 31.05                                      | \$ 35.96 |
| Diluted earnings per share (in dollars):   |  |          |   |          |
| Net income attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders  | \$ 9.20  | \$ 19.11 | \$ 32.05                                      | \$ 36.96 |
| Dividends declared   | —  | —        | (1.00 )                                       | (1.00 )  |
| Undistributed earnings   | \$ 9.20  | \$ 19.11 | \$ 31.05                                      | \$ 35.96 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Restricted shares issued by White Mountains receive dividends, and therefore, are considered participating securities.

<sup>(2)</sup> Restricted shares outstanding vest either in equal annual installments or upon a stated date (see Note 13).

<sup>(3)</sup> The diluted earnings per share denominator for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 do not include the impact of 125,000 common shares issuable upon exercise of the non-qualified options outstanding as they are anti-dilutive to the calculation.



## Note 11. Segment Information

White Mountains has determined that its reportable segments are OneBeacon, Sirius Group, HG Global/BAM and Other Operations.

White Mountains has made its segment determination based on consideration of the following criteria: (i) the nature of the business activities of each of the Company's subsidiaries and affiliates; (ii) the manner in which the Company's subsidiaries and affiliates are organized; (iii) the existence of primary managers responsible for specific subsidiaries and affiliates; and (iv) the organization of information provided to the chief operating decision makers and the Board of Directors.

Significant intercompany transactions among White Mountains' segments have been eliminated herein. Financial information for White Mountains' segments follows:

| Millions  | OneBeacon | Sirius Group | HG Global/BAM |           | Other Operations | Total      |
|---|-----------|--------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|------------|
|   |           |              | HG            | BAM       |                  |            |
| Three Months Ended September 30, 2013                 |           |              |               |           |                  |            |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums             | \$ 278.9  | \$ 221.4     | \$ .1         | \$ —      | \$ —             | \$ 500.4   |
| Net investment income                                 | 10.1      | 13.5         | .2            | 1.1       | 2.4              | 27.3       |
| Net investment income (loss) - surplus note interest  | —         | —            | 10.1          | (10.1)    | —                | —          |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains (losses) | 17.0      | (24.7)       | .5            | 2.4       | 33.0             | 28.2       |
| Other revenue   | 5.5       | 16.8         | —             | .2        | (4.3)            | 18.2       |
| Total revenues  | 311.5     | 227.0        | 10.9          | (6.4)     | 31.1             | 574.1      |
| Losses and loss adjustment expenses                   | 167.8     | 110.5        | —             | —         | —                | 278.3      |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses        | 53.6      | 52.5         | .1            | .5        | —                | 106.7      |
| Other underwriting expenses                           | 46.8      | 33.5         | —             | .1        | —                | 80.4       |
| General and administrative expenses                   | 4.1       | 7.5          | .3            | 8.1       | 21.5             | 41.5       |
| Interest expense on debt                              | 3.3       | 6.6          | —             | —         | 2.0              | 11.9       |
| Total expenses  | 275.6     | 210.6        | .4            | 8.7       | 23.5             | 518.8      |
| Pre-tax income (loss)                                 | \$ 35.9   | \$ 16.4      | \$ 10.5       | \$ (15.1) | \$ 7.6           | \$ 55.3    |
| Millions  | OneBeacon | Sirius Group | HG Global/BAM |           | Other Operations | Total      |
|   |           |              | HG            | BAM       |                  |            |
| Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013                  |           |              |               |           |                  |            |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums             | \$ 846.2  | \$ 646.9     | \$ .2         | \$ —      | \$ —             | \$ 1,493.3 |
| Net investment income                                 | 30.9      | 38.0         | .7            | 3.3       | 11.6             | 84.5       |
| Net investment income (loss) - surplus note interest  | —         | —            | 30.2          | (30.2)    | —                | —          |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains (losses) | 19.9      | (4.9)        | (1.7)         | (8.1)     | 60.9             | 66.1       |
| Other revenue   | 30.1      | 11.3         | —             | .3        | 5.2              | 46.9       |
| Total revenues  | 927.1     | 691.3        | 29.4          | (34.7)    | 77.7             | 1,690.8    |
| Losses and loss adjustment expenses                   | 473.7     | 323.5        | —             | —         | —                | 797.2      |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses        | 160.9     | 119.0        | .1            | 1.0       | —                | 281.0      |
| Other underwriting expenses                           | 150.7     | 93.0         | —             | .3        | —                | 244.0      |
| General and administrative expenses                   | 11.0      | 23.0         | 1.1           | 24.2      | 66.2             | 125.5      |
| Interest expense on debt                              | 9.8       | 19.7         | —             | —         | 2.9              | 32.4       |
| Total expenses  | 806.1     | 578.2        | 1.2           | 25.5      | 69.1             | 1,480.1    |

|                       |          |          |         |           |        |          |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|---------|-----------|--------|----------|
| Pre-tax income (loss) | \$ 121.0 | \$ 113.1 | \$ 28.2 | \$(60.2 ) | \$ 8.6 | \$ 210.7 |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|---------|-----------|--------|----------|

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| Millions  | HG Global/BAM |              |        |           |                  | Total      |
|---|---------------|--------------|--------|-----------|------------------|------------|
|   | OneBeacon     | Sirius Group | HG     | BAM       | Other Operations |            |
| Three Months Ended September 30, 2012                 |               |              |        |           |                  |            |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums             | \$ 293.9      | \$ 242.9     | \$—    | \$—       | \$—              | \$ 536.8   |
| Net investment income                                 | 12.8          | 16.7         | .1     | .6        | 7.4              | 37.6       |
| Net investment income (loss) - surplus note interest  | —             | —            | 8.3    | (8.3)     | ) —              | —          |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains (losses) | 40.0          | (8.9)        | ) .2   | 1.0       | 40.4             | 72.7       |
| Other revenue   | (.4)          | ) 48.2       | —      | —         | 2.5              | 50.3       |
| Total revenues  | 346.3         | 298.9        | 8.6    | (6.7)     | ) 50.3           | 697.4      |
| Losses and loss adjustment expenses                   | 164.7         | 143.4        | —      | —         | —                | 308.1      |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses        | 66.6          | 41.0         | —      | —         | —                | 107.6      |
| Other underwriting expenses                           | 47.4          | 29.1         | —      | .1        | —                | 76.6       |
| General and administrative expenses                   | 4.4           | 10.2         | 3.8    | 11.2      | 29.1             | 58.7       |
| Interest expense on debt                              | 4.1           | 6.5          | —      | —         | .7               | 11.3       |
| Total expenses  | 287.2         | 230.2        | 3.8    | 11.3      | 29.8             | 562.3      |
| Pre-tax income (loss)                                 | \$ 59.1       | \$ 68.7      | \$ 4.8 | \$ (18.0) | ) \$ 20.5        | \$ 135.1   |
| Millions  | HG Global/BAM |              |        |           |                  | Total      |
|   | OneBeacon     | Sirius Group | HG     | BAM       | Other Operations |            |
| Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012                  |               |              |        |           |                  |            |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums             | \$ 846.0      | \$ 699.3     | \$—    | \$—       | \$—              | \$ 1,545.3 |
| Net investment income                                 | 41.5          | 50.9         | .1     | .6        | 26.7             | 119.8      |
| Net investment income (loss) - surplus note interest  | —             | —            | 8.3    | (8.3)     | ) —              | —          |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains          | 57.9          | 22.9         | .2     | 1.0       | 41.2             | 123.2      |
| Other revenue   | (.1)          | ) 48.9       | —      | —         | 32.2             | 81.0       |
| Total revenues  | 945.3         | 822.0        | 8.6    | (6.7)     | ) 100.1          | 1,869.3    |
| Losses and loss adjustment expenses                   | 452.5         | 369.2        | —      | —         | —                | 821.7      |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses        | 185.6         | 140.6        | —      | —         | —                | 326.2      |
| Other underwriting expenses                           | 146.2         | 82.1         | —      | .1        | —                | 228.4      |
| General and administrative expenses                   | 9.6           | 35.4         | 3.8    | 11.2      | 86.3             | 146.3      |
| Interest expense on debt                              | 12.2          | 19.6         | —      | —         | 1.3              | 33.1       |
| Total expenses  | 806.1         | 646.9        | 3.8    | 11.3      | 87.6             | 1,555.7    |
| Pre-tax income (loss)                                 | \$ 139.2      | \$ 175.1     | \$ 4.8 | \$ (18.0) | ) \$ 12.5        | \$ 313.6   |

## Note 12. Investments in Unconsolidated Affiliates

White Mountains' investments in unconsolidated affiliates represent investments in other companies in which White Mountains has a significant voting and economic interest but does not control the entity.

| Millions  | September 30,<br>2013 | December 31,<br>2012 |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Symetra common shares   | \$350.7               | \$288.4              |
| Unrealized (losses) gains from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio | (25.5                 | ) 62.8               |
| Carrying value of Symetra common shares                           | 325.2                 | 351.2                |
| Symetra warrants  | —                     | 30.3                 |
| Total investment in Symetra                                       | 325.2                 | 381.5                |
| Hamer   | 3.7                   | 4.0                  |
| Bri-Mar   | 2.8                   | 1.9                  |
| Pentelia Capital Management                                       | —                     | .5                   |
| Total investments in unconsolidated affiliates                    | \$331.7               | \$387.9              |

## Symetra

At September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, White Mountains owned 20.05 million and 17.40 million common shares of Symetra Financial Corporation ("Symetra") which represented an approximate 17% and 15% common share ownership. At December 31, 2012, White Mountains also owned warrants to acquire an additional 9.49 million common shares of Symetra. White Mountains accounts for its investment in common shares of Symetra using the equity method. White Mountains accounted for its Symetra warrants as derivatives with changes in fair value recognized through the income statement as a gain or loss recognized through other revenues. White Mountains used a Black Scholes valuation model to determine the fair value of the Symetra warrants.

On June 20, 2013, both White Mountains and Berkshire Hathaway Inc., which each owned warrants to purchase 9.49 million common shares of Symetra, exercised their warrants in a cashless transaction and each received 2.65 million common shares of Symetra in exchange for their warrants. In addition, Symetra repurchased 6.6 million of its common shares at an average price of \$13.44 during the second quarter of 2013. The net effect of Symetra's share repurchases and the warrant exercises resulted in a basis difference between the GAAP carrying value of White Mountains' investment in Symetra common shares and the amount derived by multiplying the percentage of White Mountains common share ownership by Symetra's total GAAP equity. This basis difference totaled \$19.3 million, of which \$0.4 million is attributable to equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates and \$18.9 million is attributable to equity in net unrealized gains of unconsolidated affiliates.

At December 31, 2011, due to the prolonged low interest rate environment in which life insurance companies currently operate, White Mountains concluded that its investment in Symetra common shares was other-than-temporarily impaired and wrote down the GAAP book value of the investment to its estimated fair value of \$261.0 million, or \$15 per share at December 31, 2011. This impairment also resulted in a basis difference between the GAAP carrying value of White Mountains' investment in Symetra common shares and the amount derived by multiplying the percentage of White Mountains common share ownership by Symetra's total GAAP equity. White Mountains recorded \$45.9 million of after-tax equity in losses of unconsolidated affiliates and \$136.6 million of after-tax equity in net unrealized losses of unconsolidated affiliates.

As a result of the various basis adjustments, White Mountains' carrying value of its investment in Symetra differs from the carrying value by applying its ownership share against Symetra's GAAP equity as normally done under the equity method. The pre-tax basis difference is being amortized over a 30-year period pro rata based on estimated future cash flows associated with Symetra's underlying assets and liabilities to which the basis differences have been attributed. White Mountains continues to record its equity in Symetra's earnings and net unrealized gains (losses). In addition, White Mountains recognizes the amortization of the basis difference through equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates and equity in net unrealized gains (losses) from investments in unconsolidated affiliates consistent with the original attribution of the basis differences between equity in earnings and equity in net unrealized gains (losses). For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, White Mountains recognized after-tax amortization of \$0.7

million and \$2.1 million through equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates and \$2.9 million and \$7.9 million through equity in net unrealized gains from investments in unconsolidated affiliates. At September 30, 2013, the pre-tax unamortized basis difference was \$187.6 million, of which \$39.8 million is attributable to equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates and \$147.8 million is attributable to equity in net unrealized gains of unconsolidated affiliates.

Immediately prior to the exercise of the warrants, White Mountains recognized a \$14.5 million increase in the value of the warrants through other revenues based on the final Black Scholes valuation that was agreed upon between Symetra and White Mountains. The major assumptions used in valuing the Symetra warrants at June 20, 2013 were a risk free rate of a 0.34%, volatility of 26.5%, an expected life of 1.11 years, a strike price of \$11.49 per share and a share price of \$15.53 per share. During the six months ended June 30, 2013, White Mountains also received dividends of \$1.5 million from Symetra on its investment in Symetra warrants that was recorded in net investment income.

The following table summarizes amounts recorded by White Mountains relating to its investment in Symetra for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

| Millions   | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, 2013 |          |         | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, 2012 |          |         |
|--|--|----------|---------|--|----------|---------|
|  | Common<br>Shares                         | Warrants | Total   | Common<br>Shares                         | Warrants | Total   |
| Carrying value of investment in Symetra at beginning of period                                 | \$326.0                                  | \$—      | \$326.0 | \$305.9                                  | \$29.8   | \$335.7 |
| Equity in earnings <sup>(1)(2)</sup>   | 8.7                                      | —        | 8.7     | 8.8                                      | —        | 8.8     |
| Equity in net unrealized (losses) gains from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio <sup>(3)</sup> | (7.7 )                                   | —        | (7.7 )  | 35.2                                     | —        | 35.2    |
| Dividends received   | (1.8 )                                   | —        | (1.8 )  | (1.3 )                                   | —        | (1.3 )  |
| Increase in value of warrants  | —  | —        | —       | —  | (3.6 )   | (3.6 )  |
| Exercise of warrants   | —  | —        | —       | —  | —        | —       |
| Carrying value of investment in Symetra at end of period <sup>(4)(5)</sup>                     | \$325.2                                  | \$—      | \$325.2 | \$348.6                                  | \$26.2   | \$374.8 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Equity in earnings excludes tax expense of \$0.6 and \$0.7.

<sup>(2)</sup> Equity in earnings includes \$0.7 and \$0.9 increase relating to the pre-tax amortization of the Symetra common share basis difference.

<sup>(3)</sup> Net unrealized gains includes \$3.1 and \$3.3 increase relating to the pre-tax amortization of the Symetra common share basis difference.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes White Mountains' equity in net unrealized (losses) gains from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio of \$(7.7) and \$35.2 as of September 30, 2013 and 2012, which exclude deferred tax assets (liabilities) of \$0.5 and \$2.8.

<sup>(5)</sup> The aggregate value of White Mountains' investment in common shares of Symetra was \$357.3 based upon the quoted market price of \$17.82 per share at September 30, 2013.

| Millions   | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, 2013 |          |         | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, 2012 |          |         |
|--|---|----------|---------|---|----------|---------|
|  | Common<br>Shares                        | Warrants | Total   | Common<br>Shares                        | Warrants | Total   |
| Carrying value of investment in Symetra at beginning of period                                 | \$351.2                                 | \$30.3   | \$381.5 | \$261.0                                 | \$12.6   | \$273.6 |
| Equity in earnings <sup>(1)(2)</sup>   | 25.7                                    | —        | 25.7    | 26.7                                    | —        | 26.7    |
| Equity in net unrealized (losses) gains from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio <sup>(3)</sup> | (88.2 )                                 | —        | (88.2 ) | 64.6                                    | —        | 64.6    |
| Dividends received   | (4.6 )                                  | —        | (4.6 )  | (3.7 )                                  | —        | (3.7 )  |
| Increase in value of warrants  | —                                       | 10.8     | 10.8    | —                                       | 13.6     | 13.6    |
| Exercise of warrants   | 41.1                                    | (41.1 )  | —       | —                                       | —        | —       |
| Carrying value of investment in Symetra at end of period <sup>(4)(5)</sup>                     | \$325.2                                 | \$—      | \$325.2 | \$348.6                                 | \$26.2   | \$374.8 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Equity in earnings excludes tax expense of \$2.0 and \$2.2.

<sup>(2)</sup> Equity in earnings includes \$2.2 and \$0.9 increase relating to the pre-tax amortization of the Symetra common share basis difference.

- (3) Net unrealized gains includes \$8.6 and \$9.9 increase relating to the pre-tax amortization of the Symetra common share basis difference.
- (4) Includes White Mountains' equity in net unrealized (losses) gains from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio of \$(25.5) and \$64.6 as of September 30, 2013 and 2012, which exclude deferred tax assets (liabilities) of \$2.0 and \$(5.2).
- (5) The aggregate value of White Mountains' investment in common shares of Symetra was \$357.3 based upon the quoted market price of \$17.82 per share at September 30, 2013.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, White Mountains received cash dividends from Symetra of \$1.8 million and \$4.6 million on its common share investment that were recorded as a reduction of White Mountains' investment in Symetra.

## Hamer and Bri-Mar

White Mountains received equity interests in Hamer and Bri-Mar, two small manufacturing companies distributed to White Mountains in connection with the dissolution of the Tuckerman Capital, LP fund. Effective October 1, 2012, these investments are accounted for under the equity method. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, White Mountains recorded equity in earnings of \$0.1 million and \$0.5 million for Hamer. For the nine months ended September 30, 2013, White Mountains also received \$0.8 million of cash dividends from Hamer. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, White Mountains recorded equity in earnings of \$0.4 million and \$0.9 million for Bri-Mar. As of September 30, 2013, White Mountains' investments in Hamer and Bri-Mar were \$3.7 million and \$2.8 million, respectively.

## Note 13. Employee Share-Based Incentive Compensation Plans

White Mountains' Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "WTM Incentive Plan") provides for grants of various types of share-based and non share-based incentive awards to key employees and service providers of the Company and certain of its subsidiaries. White Mountains' share-based compensation incentive awards consist of performance shares, restricted shares and stock options.

## Share-Based Compensation Based on White Mountains Common Shares

## WTM Performance Shares

Performance shares are conditional grants of a specified maximum number of common shares or an equivalent amount of cash. Performance share awards vest, subject to the attainment of performance goals, at the end of a three-year period and are valued based on the market value of common shares at the time awards are paid. The following table summarizes performance share activity for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 for performance shares granted under the WTM Incentive Plan and phantom performance shares granted under the Sirius Group Performance Plan (the "WTM Phantom Share Plan"):

|  | Three Months Ended September 30, |         |             |         | Nine Months Ended September 30, |         |             |         |
|--|----------------------------------|---------|-------------|---------|---------------------------------|---------|-------------|---------|
|  | 2013                             |         | 2012        |         | 2013                            |         | 2012        |         |
|  | Target                           | Accrued | Target      | Accrued | Target                          | Accrued | Target      | Accrued |
| Millions, except share amounts                       | Shares                           | Expense | Shares      | Expense | Shares                          | Expense | Shares      | Expense |
|  | Outstanding                      |         | Outstanding |         | Outstanding                     |         | Outstanding |         |
| Beginning of period                                  | 118,976                          | \$34.9  | 118,450     | \$32.7  | 119,357                         | \$29.4  | 150,064     | \$66.1  |
| Shares paid or expired <sup>(1)</sup>                | —                                | —       | —           | —       | (47,310 )                       | (11.0 ) | (68,357 )   | (48.4 ) |
| New grants   | 250                              | —       | 2,500       | —       | 47,170                          | —       | 38,432      | —       |
| Assumed forfeitures and cancellations <sup>(2)</sup> | (6 )                             | (.2 )   | (1,359 )    | (.4 )   | 3                               | (.2 )   | (548 )      | .4      |
| Expense recognized                                   | —                                | 7.1     | —           | 6.6     | —                               | 23.6    | —           | 20.8    |
| Ending September 30,                                 | 119,220                          | \$41.8  | 119,591     | \$38.9  | 119,220                         | \$41.8  | 119,591     | \$38.9  |

<sup>(1)</sup> WTM performance share payments in 2013 for the 2010-2012 performance cycle ranged from 33% to 98% of target. WTM performance share payments in 2012 for the 2009-2011 performance cycle ranged from 147% to 155% of target.

<sup>(2)</sup> Amounts include changes in assumed forfeitures, as required under GAAP.

For the 2009-2011 performance cycle, the Company issued common shares for 9,577 performance shares earned and all other performance shares earned were settled in cash. For the 2010-2012 performance cycle, the Company settled all performance shares earned in cash.

If the outstanding WTM performance shares had vested on September 30, 2013, the total additional compensation cost to be recognized would have been \$35.5 million, based on accrual factors at September 30, 2013 (common share price and payout assumptions).



## Performance Shares granted under the WTM Incentive Plan

The following table summarizes performance shares outstanding and accrued expense for performance shares awarded under the WTM Incentive Plan at September 30, 2013 for each performance cycle:

| Millions, except share amounts | Target<br>Performance<br>Shares<br>Outstanding | Accrued<br>Expense |
|--------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Performance cycle:             |  |                    |
| 2013 – 2015                    | 47,170   | \$ 8.0             |
| 2012 – 2014                    | 37,977   | 15.8               |
| 2011 – 2013                    | 37,130   | 19.1               |
| Sub-total                      | 122,277  | 42.9               |
| Assumed forfeitures            | (3,057 )                                       | (1.1 )             |
| Total at September 30, 2013    | 119,220  | \$41.8             |

## Restricted Shares

The following outlines the unrecognized compensation cost associated with the outstanding restricted share awards for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

| Millions, except share amounts | Three Months Ended September 30, |                                   |                   |                                   | Nine Months Ended September 30, |                                   |                   |                                   |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                | 2013                             |                                   | 2012              |                                   | 2013                            |                                   | 2012              |                                   |
|                                | Restricted Shares                | Unamortized Issue Date Fair Value | Restricted Shares | Unamortized Issue Date Fair Value | Restricted Shares               | Unamortized Issue Date Fair Value | Restricted Shares | Unamortized Issue Date Fair Value |
| Non-vested,                    |                                  |                                   |                   |                                   |                                 |                                   |                   |                                   |
| Beginning of period            | 95,380                           | \$ 24.5                           | 93,460            | \$ 21.5                           | 69,910                          | \$ 16.8                           | 72,000            | \$ 13.3                           |
| Issued                         | 250                              | .1                                | 3,700             | 2.0                               | 25,720                          | 14.4                              | 32,160            | 15.7                              |
| Vested                         | —                                | —                                 | —                 | —                                 | —                               | —                                 | (7,000 )          | —                                 |
| Forfeited                      | —                                | —                                 | (1,065 )          | (.2 )                             | —                               | —                                 | (1,065 )          | (.2 )                             |
| Expense recognized             | —                                | (3.8 )                            | —                 | (3.2 )                            | —                               | (10.4 )                           | —                 | (8.7 )                            |
| Non-vested at September 30,    | 95,630                           | \$ 20.8                           | 96,095            | \$ 20.1                           | 95,630                          | \$ 20.8                           | 96,095            | \$ 20.1                           |

During the first nine months of 2013, White Mountains issued 25,720 restricted shares that vest on January 1, 2016. During the first nine months of 2012, White Mountains issued 27,960 restricted shares that vest on January 1, 2015, 1,200 restricted shares that vest on July 16, 2015 and 3,000 restricted shares that vest in two equal annual installments beginning in February 2014. The unrecognized compensation cost at September 30, 2013 is expected to be recognized ratably over the remaining vesting periods.

## Share-Based Compensation Based on OneBeacon Ltd. Common Shares

The OneBeacon Long-Term Incentive Plan (the “OneBeacon Incentive Plan”) provides for grants of various types of share-based and non share-based incentive awards to key employees of OneBeacon Ltd. and certain of its subsidiaries. OneBeacon’s share-based incentive awards include OneBeacon performance shares and restricted shares.



**OneBeacon Performance Shares**

OneBeacon performance shares are conditional grants of a specified maximum number of common shares or an equivalent amount of cash. OneBeacon performance share awards vest, subject to the attainment of performance goals, at the end of a three-year period and are valued based on the market value of OneBeacon Ltd. common shares at the time awards are paid.

The following table summarizes performance share activity for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 for OneBeacon performance shares granted under the OneBeacon Incentive Plan:

| Millions, except share amounts                       | Three Months Ended September 30, |                 |                           |                 | Nine Months Ended September 30, |                 |                           |                 |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
|  | 2013                             |                 | 2012                      |                 | 2013                            |                 | 2012                      |                 |
|  | Target Performance Shares        | Accrued Expense | Target Performance Shares | Accrued Expense | Target Performance Shares       | Accrued Expense | Target Performance Shares | Accrued Expense |
| Beginning of period                                  | 489,867                          | \$2.4           | 560,577                   | \$3.1           | 563,190                         | \$1.2           | 642,667                   | \$9.7           |
| Shares paid or expired <sup>(1)</sup>                | —                                | —               | —                         | —               | (238,658)                       | —               | (258,901)                 | (7.8)           |
| New awards   | —                                | —               | —                         | —               | 179,000                         | —               | 181,290                   | —               |
| Assumed forfeitures and cancellations <sup>(2)</sup> | —                                | —               | (3,354)                   | —               | (13,665)                        | (.1)            | (7,833)                   | —               |
| Expense recognized                                   | —                                | .1              | —                         | (2.2)           | —                               | 1.4             | —                         | (1.0)           |
| Ending September 30,                                 | 489,867                          | \$2.5           | 557,223                   | \$ .9           | 489,867                         | \$2.5           | 557,223                   | \$ .9           |

<sup>(1)</sup> There were no payments made in 2013 for the 2010-2012 performance cycle; those performance shares did not meet the threshold performance goals and expired. OneBeacon performance share payments in 2012 for the 2009-2011 performance cycle were at 138.6% of target. Amounts include deposits into OneBeacon's deferred compensation plan.

<sup>(2)</sup> Amounts include changes in assumed forfeitures, as required under GAAP.

If the outstanding OneBeacon performance shares had been vested on September 30, 2013, the total additional compensation cost to be recognized would have been \$3.1 million, based on accrual factors at September 30, 2013 (common share price and payout assumptions).

The following table summarizes OneBeacon performance shares outstanding awarded under the OneBeacon Incentive Plan at September 30, 2013 for each performance cycle:

| Millions, except share amounts | Target OneBeacon Performance Shares Outstanding | Accrued Expense |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Performance cycle:             |   |                 |
| 2013 – 2015                    | 179,000   | \$ .7           |
| 2012 – 2014                    | 181,290   | 1.4             |
| 2011 – 2013                    | 142,138   | .5              |
| Sub-total                      | 502,428   | 2.6             |
| Assumed forfeitures            | (12,561)  | (.1)            |
| Total at September 30, 2013    | 489,867   | \$2.5           |

**OneBeacon Restricted Shares**

The following summarizes the unrecognized compensation cost associated with the outstanding OneBeacon restricted share awards for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

| Millions, except share amounts | Three Months Ended September 30, |                   | Nine Months Ended September 30, |                   |                        |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
|                                | 2013                             | 2012              | 2013                            | 2012              |                        |
| Restricted Shares              | Unamortized Issue Date           | Restricted Shares | Unamortized Issue Date          | Restricted Shares | Unamortized Issue Date |
|                                |                                  |                   |                                 |                   |                        |

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|                                    | Fair Value |        | Fair Value |         | Fair Value |        | Fair Value |         |
|------------------------------------|------------|--------|------------|---------|------------|--------|------------|---------|
| Non-vested,<br>Beginning of period | 918,000    | \$ 8.0 | 930,000    | \$ 11.2 | 927,000    | \$ 9.6 | 630,000    | \$ 7.7  |
| Issued                             | —          | —      | —          | —       | —          | —      | 300,000    | 4.6     |
| Vested                             | —          | —      | —          | —       | (9,000 )   | —      | —          | —       |
| Forfeited                          | (3,000 )   | —      | —          | —       | (3,000 )   | —      | —          | —       |
| Expense recognized                 | —          | (.7 )  | —          | (.8 )   | —          | (2.3 ) | —          | (1.9 )  |
| Non-vested at<br>September 30,     | 915,000    | \$ 7.3 | 930,000    | \$ 10.4 | 915,000    | \$ 7.3 | 930,000    | \$ 10.4 |

On March 1, 2012, OneBeacon issued 300,000 restricted shares that vest in two equal annual installments beginning on February 28, 2014.

On May 25, 2011, OneBeacon issued 630,000 restricted shares to its CEO that vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2014. Concurrently with the grant of the restricted shares, 35,000 OneBeacon performance shares issued to OneBeacon's CEO for the 2011-2013 performance share cycle were forfeited and performance share awards to OneBeacon's CEO for the subsequent five years have been or will also be reduced by 35,000 shares. The unrecognized compensation cost at September 30, 2013 is expected to be recognized ratably over the remaining vesting periods.

#### Note 14. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

White Mountains accounts for its financial instruments at fair value with the exception of 1) the OBH Senior Notes and the SIG Senior Notes, which are recorded as debt liabilities at face value less unamortized original issue discount, and 2) the SIG Preference Shares, which are recorded as non-controlling interest at face value.

The following table summarizes the fair value and book value of financial instruments as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

| Millions              | September 30, 2013 |            | December 31, 2012 |            |
|-----------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
|                       | Fair Value         | Book Value | Fair Value        | Book Value |
| 2012 OBH Senior Notes | \$272.2            | \$274.7    | \$282.4           | \$274.7    |
| SIG Senior Notes      | 437.0              | 399.5      | 441.9             | 399.4      |
| SIG Preference Shares | 255.0              | 250.0      | 257.5             | 250.0      |

The fair value estimate for the 2012 OBH Senior Notes has been determined using quoted market prices. The 2012 OBH Senior Notes are considered a Level 2 measurement based upon the volume and frequency of observable transactions. The fair value estimates for the SIG Senior Notes and the SIG Preference Shares have been determined based on indicative broker quotes and are considered to be Level 3 measurements.

#### Note 15. Discontinued Operations

##### AutoOne

On February 22, 2012, OneBeacon completed the sale of the AutoOne business to Interboro. AutoOne operated as a division within OneBeacon that offered products and services to automobile assigned risk markets. The transaction included the sale of two insurance entities, AOIC and AOSIC, through which substantially all of the AutoOne business was written on a direct basis. The results of operations for the AutoOne business have been classified as discontinued operations and are presented, net of related income taxes, in the statement of comprehensive income.

##### Runoff Transaction

On October 17, 2012, one of OneBeacon's indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries, OneBeacon Insurance Group LLC, entered into a definitive agreement with Armour, to sell its runoff business (the "Runoff Business"). During three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, the results of operations for the Runoff Business have been classified as discontinued operations and are presented, net of related income taxes, in the statement of comprehensive income. Prior year results of operations have been reclassified to conform to the current period's presentation. The assets and liabilities associated with the Runoff Business as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 have been presented in the balance sheet as held for sale. The amounts classified as discontinued operations in the statements of operations and cash flows exclude investing and financing activities that are conducted on an overall consolidated level and, accordingly, there were no separately identifiable investments associated with the Runoff Business.

The Pennsylvania Insurance Department ("PID") is required to conduct an examination of the Runoff Business as part of its regulatory review of the Runoff Transaction. Pursuant to this examination, the PID required a third party actuarial review to provide an independent actuarial assessment of the loss reserves associated with the Runoff Business, which

is a normal requirement associated with such examinations. The independent actuarial review was completed on September 9, 2013; the summary report was filed with the PID on September 17, 2013; and the PID posted the summary report to its public web site on September 19, 2013, which OneBeacon referenced in a Form 8-K filed on the same date. The independent actuarial review produced a range of total statutory net loss and LAE reserves of \$215 million to \$668 million as of March 31, 2013. This compares to the OneBeacon's recorded statutory net loss and LAE reserves of \$166 million as of March 31, 2013.

Two items cause the majority of the difference between OneBeacon's recorded net loss and LAE reserves and the low end of the range of estimates produced by the independent actuarial review. First, the independent actuaries did not assume that historically favorable loss experience would repeat in the future, causing the low end estimate to be approximately \$46 million higher. Second, the provision for estimated costs to administer the runoff claims, as developed by the independent actuarial review, focused mainly on Armour's estimated cost structure versus OneBeacon's cost structure, which would have generated a \$17 million lower cost estimate.

The high end of the range produced by the independent actuarial review results from the accumulation of conservative selections in many other key assumptions, such as medical inflation costs, mortality experience, lump sum settlement rates, tail factors, and other judgmental items, which are more fully described in Critical Accounting Estimates on pages 74-85 of White Mountains' 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

As of September 30, 2013, the net loss and LAE reserves associated with the Runoff Business totaled \$131 million, a reduction due to normal claim runoff. Management believes that the recorded net loss and LAE reserves continue to reflect a reasonable provision for expected future loss and LAE payments and represent management's best estimate within a range of reasonable estimates.

During the fourth quarter of 2013, OneBeacon's actuaries will complete additional analyses of the loss and LAE reserves associated with the Runoff Business. In addition to the internal actuaries taking into account the differing assumptions, methods, and analyses produced by the independent actuarial review and other factors, management will consider other sources of information, including runoff claims staffing models and related costs as well as perspectives provided by the PID during the ongoing regulatory approval process. Management will also consider that, for the two most recent quarters since the date of the independent actuarial review, actual loss emergence on the runoff reserves has continued to be consistent with or lower than the expected losses used to estimate its recorded net loss and LAE reserves. This recent claims experience was not considered in the results of the independent actuarial review described above.

While management believes that the recorded loss and LAE reserves make a reasonable provision for future loss and LAE payments related to the Runoff Business, once all factors are considered, including the information contained in the independent actuarial review and recent claims experience, it is possible that the fourth quarter or subsequent internal actuarial analyses may cause the actuarial indications to increase, which could result in an increase in management's best estimate of loss and LAE reserves associated with the Runoff Business. In the event that OneBeacon records an increase in the loss and LAE reserves associated with the Runoff Business in the fourth quarter or at any time prior to the closing of the Runoff Transaction, the estimated loss on sale from the Runoff Transaction would be reduced by an equal and offsetting amount in the same period. The offset to the estimated loss on sale would reflect the terms of the stock purchase agreement ("SPA") with Armour, under which Armour has assumed the risk that loss and LAE reserves develop unfavorably from September 30, 2012 onward.

Though the SPA stipulates the amount of reserves and surplus to be transferred to Armour at closing, the PID may require additional reserves and/or surplus as a closing condition. In that event, and to respond to such a closing condition, the SPA provides that OneBeacon would invest in surplus notes issued by the transferring companies, subject to certain limits on the amount of surplus notes issued. OneBeacon believes that the transferred reserves and surplus plus the funding requirements/limitations agreed to in the SPA cover the full range of claim projections produced in the independent actuarial review. The Runoff Transaction is expected to close in the second quarter of 2014. Accordingly, OneBeacon and Armour have amended the SPA to extend the date on which the SPA may be terminated by the parties to July 31, 2014.

#### Results of Discontinued Operations

For the nine months ended September 30, 2013, the results of discontinued operations included other revenue that was primarily associated with a settlement award in the Safeco Insurance Company of America v. AIG class action related to AIG's alleged underreporting of workers' compensation premiums to the National Workers' Compensation Reinsurance Pool. In light of the ongoing regulatory review of the Runoff Transaction, which includes a third party actuarial review, OneBeacon increased loss reserves by approximately the same amount of the benefit resulting from the class action settlement award.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, OneBeacon recorded \$100.5 million in after-tax losses related to the Runoff Transaction. These losses are composed of a \$91.5 million after-tax loss on sale and a \$9.0 million after-tax loss related to a reduction in the workers compensation loss reserve discount rate on reserves being transferred as part of the sale. OneBeacon also recognized \$6.5 million of after-tax underwriting losses primarily related to unfavorable loss reserve development. The unfavorable development in 2012 was primarily driven by case incurred development on a small number of claims related to multiple peril liability lines and general liability lines and also the impact of an adverse court ruling in Mississippi regarding a disputed assessment from an involuntary pool for hurricane Katrina claims.

### Reinsurance

Included in the assets held for sale are reinsurance recoverables from two reinsurance contracts with subsidiaries of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. that OneBeacon was required to purchase in connection with White Mountains' acquisition of OneBeacon in 2001 (the "OneBeacon Acquisition"): a reinsurance contract with National Indemnity Company ("NICO") for up to \$2.5 billion in old asbestos and environmental ("A&E") claims and certain other exposures (the "NICO Cover") and an adverse loss reserve development cover from General Reinsurance Corporation ("GRC") for up to \$570.0 million, comprised of \$400.0 million of adverse loss reserve development occurring in years 2000 and prior (the "GRC Cover") in addition to \$170.0 million of reserves ceded as of the date of the OneBeacon Acquisition. The NICO Cover and GRC Cover, which were contingent on and occurred contemporaneously with the OneBeacon Acquisition, were put in place in lieu of a seller guarantee of loss and LAE reserves and are therefore accounted for under GAAP as a seller guarantee. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the total reinsurance recoverables on paid and unpaid losses of \$1,292.2 million and \$1,401.9 million related to both the NICO cover and the GRC cover have been included in assets held for sale. Both NICO and GRC have an A.M Best rating of A++, Superior, which is the highest of sixteen ratings.

The total reinsurance recoverables on paid and unpaid losses in assets held for sale were \$21.8 million and \$1,806.7 million as of September 30, 2013. The reinsurance recoverable on unpaid amount is gross of \$140.2 million in purchase accounting adjustments that will become recoverable if claims are paid in accordance with current reserve estimates.

### Net Assets Held for Sale

The following summarizes the assets and liabilities associated with the businesses classified as held for sale:

| Millions                                  | September 30,<br>2013 | December 31,<br>2012 |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Assets held for sale                      |                       |                      |
| Fixed maturity investments, at fair value | \$ 239.7              | \$ 338.1             |
| Reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses  | 1,666.5               | 1,840.8              |
| Reinsurance recoverable on paid losses    | 21.8                  | 15.6                 |
| Insurance premiums receivable             | 9.8                   | 11.0                 |
| Deferred tax asset                        | 3.2                   | 5.1                  |
| Other assets                              | 16.2                  | 16.2                 |
| Total assets held for sale                | \$ 1,957.2            | \$ 2,226.8           |
| Liabilities held for sale                 |                       |                      |
| Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves | \$ 1,797.1            | \$ 2,052.6           |
| Unearned insurance premiums               | .2                    | .5                   |
| Ceded reinsurance payable                 | 12.8                  | 21.9                 |
| Other liabilities                         | 147.1                 | 151.8                |
| Total liabilities held for sale           | 1,957.2               | 2,226.8              |
| Net assets held for sale                  | \$ —                  | \$ —                 |

## Net Income (Loss) from Discontinued Operations

The following summarizes the results of operations, including related income taxes associated with the businesses classified as discontinued operations:

| Millions                                       | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, |          | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, |          |
|--|-------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|----------|
|  | 2013                                | 2012     | 2013                               | 2012     |
| <b>Revenues</b>                                |                                     |          |                                    |          |
| Earned insurance premiums                      | \$ 1.1                              | \$(.4    | ) \$ .7                            | \$ 10.0  |
| Other revenue                                  | .1                                  | —        | 12.3                               | —        |
| Total revenues                                 | 1.2                                 | (.4      | ) 13.0                             | 10.0     |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                |                                     |          |                                    |          |
| Loss and loss adjustment expenses              | .1                                  | 27.7     | 7.6                                | 48.4     |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses | .1                                  | (.8      | ) .1                               | (1.3     |
| Other underwriting expenses                    | .4                                  | (1.1     | ) .3                               | 1.1      |
| Total expenses                                 | .6                                  | 25.8     | 8.0                                | 48.2     |
| Pre-tax income (loss)                          | .6                                  | (26.2    | ) 5.0                              | (38.2    |
| Income tax (expense) benefit                   | (.2                                 | ) 10.4   | (.2                                | ) 13.7   |
| Income (loss) from discontinued operations     | .4                                  | (15.8    | ) 4.8                              | (24.5    |
| Loss from sale of discontinued operations      | —                                   | (91.0    | ) —                                | (91.0    |
| Net income (loss) from discontinued operations | \$.4                                | \$(106.8 | ) \$4.8                            | \$(115.5 |



## Earnings (Loss) Per Share

Basic earnings (loss) per share amounts are based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding including unvested restricted shares that are considered participating securities. Diluted earnings (loss) per share amounts are based on the weighted average number of common shares including unvested restricted shares and the net effect of potentially dilutive common shares outstanding.

The following table outlines the computation of earnings (loss) per share for discontinued operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

|   | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, |           | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, |           |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|-----------|
|   | 2013                                | 2012      | 2013                               | 2012      |
| Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share numerators (in millions):   |                                     |           |                                    |           |
| Net income (loss) attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders  | \$ .4                               | \$(106.8) | \$4.8                              | \$(115.5) |
| Allocation of income for participating unvested restricted common shares <sup>(1)</sup>                                       | —                                   | 1.5       | —                                  | 1.5       |
| Net income (loss) attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders, net of restricted common share amounts <sup>(2)</sup> | \$ .4                               | \$(105.3) | \$4.8                              | \$(114.0) |
| Basic earnings (loss) per share denominators (in thousands):  |                                     |           |                                    |           |
| Total average common shares outstanding during the period   | 6,176.6                             | 6,590.4   | 6,208.4                            | 6,885.9   |
| Average unvested restricted common shares <sup>(3)</sup>  | (95.5)                              | (96.5)    | (90.0)                             | (89.5)    |
| Basic earnings (loss) per share denominator   | 6,081.1                             | 6,493.9   | 6,118.4                            | 6,796.4   |
| Diluted earnings (loss) per share denominator (in thousands):   |                                     |           |                                    |           |
| Total average common shares outstanding during the period   | 6,176.6                             | 6,590.4   | 6,208.4                            | 6,885.9   |
| Average unvested restricted common shares <sup>(3)</sup>  | (95.5)                              | (96.5)    | (90.0)                             | (89.5)    |
| Average outstanding dilutive options to acquire common shares <sup>(4)</sup>  | —                                   | —         | —                                  | —         |
| Diluted earnings (loss) per share denominator   | 6,081.1                             | 6,493.9   | 6,118.4                            | 6,796.4   |
| Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share (in dollars):   | \$ .06                              | \$(16.21) | \$ .78                             | \$(16.77) |

<sup>(1)</sup> Restricted shares issued by White Mountains contain dividend participation features, and therefore, are considered participating securities.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net earnings (loss) attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders, net of restricted share amounts, is equal to undistributed earnings (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012.

<sup>(3)</sup> Restricted common shares outstanding vest either in equal annual installments or upon a stated date (see Note 13).

<sup>(4)</sup> The diluted earnings (loss) per share denominator for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 do not include the impact of 125,000 common shares issuable upon exercise of the non-qualified options outstanding as they are anti-dilutive to the calculation.

## Note 16. Contingencies

## Esurance

On October 7, 2011, the Company completed the sale of its Esurance and Answer Financial subsidiaries (the "Transferred Subsidiaries") to The Allstate Corporation ("Allstate") pursuant a Stock Purchase Agreement dated as of May 17, 2011 (filed as an exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K on May 18, 2011, the "Agreement"). The Company has certain contingencies under the Agreement as follows: (i) subject to specified thresholds and limits, the Company generally indemnifies Allstate for breaches of its representations and warranties in the Agreement for a period of eighteen months (although longer for specified representations and warranties) from the closing, (ii) the Company indemnifies Allstate for breaches of certain covenants in the Agreement, including certain agreements by the Company not to solicit certain employees of the Transferred Subsidiaries for three years after the closing, and

(iii) subject to specified thresholds and limits, the Company indemnifies Allstate for specified matters related to the pre-closing period, including (a) specified litigation matters, (b) losses of the Transferred Subsidiaries arising from extra-contractual claims and claims in excess of policy limits (“ECO/EPL losses”), (c) certain corporate reorganizations effected to remove entities from the Transferred Subsidiaries that were not being sold in the transaction, and (d) certain tax matters, including certain net operating losses being less than stated levels. In addition, the Company retains 90% of positive or negative development in the loss reserves of the Transferred Subsidiaries as of the closing date (net of ECO/EPL losses).

### Legal Contingencies

White Mountains, and the insurance and reinsurance industry in general, are routinely subject to claims related litigation and arbitration in the normal course of business, as well as litigation and arbitration that do not arise from, or are directly related to, claims activity. White Mountains' estimates of the costs of settling matters routinely encountered in claims activity are reflected in the reserves for unpaid loss and LAE. See Note 3.

White Mountains considers the requirements of ASC 450 when evaluating its exposure to non-claims related litigation and arbitration. ASC 450 requires that accruals be established for litigation and arbitration if it is probable that a loss has been incurred and it can be reasonably estimated. ASC 450 also requires that litigation and arbitration be disclosed if it is probable that a loss has been incurred or if there is a reasonable possibility that a loss may have been incurred. Although the ultimate outcome of claims and non-claims related litigation and arbitration, and the amount or range of potential loss at any particular time, is often inherently uncertain, management does not believe that the ultimate outcome of such claims and non-claims related litigation and arbitration will have a material adverse effect on White Mountains' financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The following summarizes significant ongoing non-claims related litigation or arbitration as of September 30, 2013:

### Esurance Sale

In 2011, the Company sold its Esurance and Answer Financial businesses (the "Transferred Companies") to Allstate for a purchase price of approximately \$1.01 billion. The purchase price consisted of \$700 million plus the tangible book value of the Transferred Companies at the closing, which was estimated to be \$308 million. Following closing, Allstate was required to prepare a final closing statement, including an audited balance sheet for the Transferred Companies as of the closing date. The Company disputed Allstate's calculation of tangible book value in the closing statement. The amount in dispute was approximately \$20 million.

On August 27, 2013, White Mountains and Allstate reached an agreement settling all disputes relating to the final calculation of tangible book value in the closing statement, as well as the post-closing reserve adjustment for the first interim settlement date. The settlement of the disputed closing statement amounts and the first interim reserve adjustment did not have a material effect on White Mountains' financial position or results of operations.

### Tribune Company

In June 2011, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, Law Debenture Company of New York and Wilmington Trust Company (collectively referred to as "Plaintiffs"), in their capacity as trustees for certain senior notes issued by the Tribune Company ("Tribune"), filed lawsuits in various jurisdictions (the "Noteholder Actions") against numerous defendants including OneBeacon, OBIC-sponsored benefit plans and other affiliates of White Mountains in their capacity as former shareholders of Tribune seeking recovery of the proceeds from the sale of common stock of Tribune in connection with Tribune's leveraged buyout in 2007 (the "LBO"). Tribune filed for bankruptcy in 2008 in the Delaware bankruptcy court (the "Bankruptcy Court"). The Bankruptcy Court granted Plaintiffs permission to commence these LBO-related actions. Plaintiffs seek recovery of the proceeds received by the former Tribune shareholders on a theory of constructive fraudulent transfer asserting that Tribune purchased or repurchased its common shares without receiving fair consideration at a time when it was, or as a result of the purchases of shares, was rendered, insolvent. OneBeacon has entered into a joint defense agreement with other affiliates of White Mountains that are defendants in the action. Certain subsidiaries of White Mountains received approximately \$39 million for Tribune common stock tendered in connection with the LBO.

The Court granted an omnibus motion to dismiss the Noteholder Actions in September 2013 and Plaintiffs have filed a notice of appeal.

In addition, OneBeacon, OBIC-sponsored benefit plans and other affiliates of White Mountains in their capacity as former shareholders of Tribune, along with thousands of former Tribune shareholders, have been named as defendants in an adversary proceeding brought by the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of the Tribune Company (the "Committee"), on behalf of the Tribune Company, which seeks to avoid the repurchase of shares by Tribune in the LBO on a theory of intentional fraudulent transfer (the "Committee Action"). Tribune emerged from bankruptcy in 2012, and a litigation trustee replaced the Committee as plaintiff in the Committee Action. The Committee Action is proceeding, pending lifting of the stay and entry of a further scheduling order.



Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion contains "forward-looking statements". White Mountains intends statements that are not historical in nature, which are hereby identified as forward-looking statements, to be covered by the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. White Mountains cannot promise that its expectations in such forward-looking statements will turn out to be correct. White Mountains' actual results could be materially different from and worse than its expectations. See "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS" for specific important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements.

The following discussion also includes three non-GAAP financial measures - adjusted comprehensive income (loss), adjusted book value per share and total adjusted capital - that have been reconciled to their most comparable GAAP financial measures (see page 77). White Mountains believes these measures to be more relevant than comparable GAAP measures in evaluating White Mountains' financial performance and condition.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 AND 2012

Overview

White Mountains ended the third quarter of 2013 with an adjusted book value per share of \$622, an increase of 2.8% for the quarter and an increase of 5.9% for the first nine months of 2013, including dividends. White Mountains reported adjusted comprehensive income of \$104 million and \$212 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013 compared to adjusted comprehensive income of \$59 million and \$173 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2012. Good investment results due to a rising stock market, solid underwriting performance at both OneBeacon and Sirius Group, and foreign currency gains resulting from a weakening U.S. dollar all contributed to growth in adjusted book value per share for the third quarter of 2013.

OneBeacon's book value per share increased 3.8% for the third quarter and 10.8% for the first nine months of 2013, including dividends. OneBeacon's GAAP combined ratio was 96% for the third quarter of 2013 compared to 95% for the third quarter of 2012, while the GAAP combined ratio was 93% for the first nine months of both 2013 and 2012. The combined ratios for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013 reflect higher loss ratios, offset by lower expense ratios. The third quarter of 2013 included 1 point of unfavorable loss reserve development compared to 1 point of favorable loss reserve development in the third quarter of 2012, while the first nine months of 2013 included no loss reserve development compared to 1 point of favorable loss reserve development in the first nine months of 2012.

Sirius Group's GAAP combined ratio was 89% for the third quarter of 2013 compared to 88% for the third quarter of 2012, while the GAAP combined ratio for the first nine months of 2013 was 83% compared to 85% for the first nine months of 2012. The increase in the third quarter of 2013 was primarily due to higher catastrophe losses, mostly offset by higher favorable loss reserve development and lower agricultural losses. The improvement in the combined ratio for the first nine months was driven by lower agricultural losses and higher favorable loss reserve development, mostly offset by higher catastrophe losses. The third quarter and first nine months of 2012 included \$45 million of agriculture losses, primarily as a result of the drought in the Midwestern United States.

White Mountains' total net written premiums decreased 8% and 9% to \$513 million and \$1,570 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, primarily related to the OneBeacon's exit from the collector car and boat and energy businesses and lower accident and health premiums at Sirius Group. OneBeacon's net written premiums decreased 6% and 11% to \$314 million and \$826 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013. Excluding the \$60 million and \$167 million of net premiums written in the third quarter and first nine months of 2012 from the exited businesses, White Mountains' net written premiums increased 3% and remained flat for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013 and OneBeacon's net written premiums increased 14% and 8% for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013. Sirius Group's net written premiums decreased 12% and 8% to \$196 million and \$736 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, mainly due to a decrease in the accident and health line, partially offset by an increase in property lines.



White Mountains' GAAP total return on invested assets was 1.9% and 2.5% for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, which included 0.6% and 0.0% of currency gains, compared to 2.7% and 4.3% for the third quarter and first nine months of 2012, which included 0.6% and 0.4% of currency gains. In local currencies, White Mountains' fixed income portfolio was up 0.4% in the third quarter of 2013, lagging the longer duration Barclay's Intermediate Aggregate Bond Index of 0.8% as rates fell in the quarter. For the first nine months of 2013, White Mountains' fixed income portfolio return was 0.0% in local currencies, outperforming the Barclays U.S. Intermediate Aggregate return of (0.9)%. White Mountains' fixed income portfolio returned 2.2% in U.S. dollars (1.5% in local currencies) and 3.9% in U.S. dollars (3.3% in local currencies) for the third quarter and first nine months of 2012, compared to the Barclays U.S. Intermediate Aggregate returns of 1.4% and 3.4%.

White Mountains' value-oriented equity portfolio returned 4.8% and 12.5% for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, compared to the S&P 500 Index returns of 5.2% and 19.8% for the same periods. In the third quarter of 2013, the two largest separately managed equity accounts, Prospector and Lateef, both outperformed the S&P 500 Index. For the first nine months of 2013, White Mountain's equity return underperformed the S&P index due to an overweight position in gold mining, an underweight position in the consumer discretionary and industrial sectors and the impact of convertible fixed maturity positions (as opposed to common equity securities), which tend to lag the index in strong up markets.

White Mountains' long-term investments returned 1.1% for the third quarter and 5.0% for the first nine months of 2013, which were in line with the HFRX Equal Weighted Strategies Index which returned 1.0% for the third quarter and 4.4% for the first nine months of 2013.

White Mountains' equity portfolio returned 5.1% and 6.3% for the third quarter and first nine months of 2012 compared to the S&P 500 Index returns of 6.3% and 16.4% for the comparable periods.

#### Adjusted Book Value Per Share

The following table presents White Mountains' adjusted book value per share and reconciles this non-GAAP measure to the most comparable GAAP measure. (See NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES on page 77).

|   | September 30,<br>2013 | June 30,<br>2013 | December 31,<br>2012 | September 30,<br>2012 |
|---|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Book value per share numerators (in millions):                                  |                       |                  |                      |                       |
| White Mountains' common shareholders' equity                                    | \$3,790.0             | \$3,689.2        | \$3,731.8            | \$3,809.3             |
| Equity in net unrealized (gains) losses from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio | 23.5                  | 16.3             | (57.7)               | (59.3)                |
| Adjusted book value per share numerator <sup>(1)</sup>                          | \$3,813.5             | \$3,705.5        | \$3,674.1            | \$3,750.0             |
| Book value per share denominators<br>(in thousands of shares):                  |                       |                  |                      |                       |
| Common shares outstanding   | 6,176.7               | 6,176.5          | 6,291.0              | 6,583.7               |
| Unearned restricted shares  | (41.2)                | (49.2)           | (38.7)               | (46.8)                |
| Adjusted book value per share denominator <sup>(1)</sup>                        | 6,135.5               | 6,127.3          | 6,252.3              | 6,536.9               |
| Book value per share <sup>(2)</sup>   | \$613.60              | \$597.29         | \$593.20             | \$578.60              |
| Adjusted book value per share <sup>(2)</sup>                                    | \$621.56              | \$604.75         | \$587.63             | \$573.66              |

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes out-of-the-money stock options.

<sup>(2)</sup> During the first nine months of both 2013 and 2012, White Mountains declared and paid a dividend of \$1.00 per common share

## Review of Consolidated Results

White Mountains' consolidated financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 follow:

| Millions  | Three Months Ended    |         | Nine Months Ended     |           |
|---|-----------------------|---------|-----------------------|-----------|
|   | September 30,<br>2013 | 2012    | September 30,<br>2013 | 2012      |
| Gross written premiums  | \$573.0               | \$608.0 | \$1,838.1             | \$1,977.4 |
| Net written premiums  | \$513.3               | \$559.1 | \$1,569.9             | \$1,729.9 |
| Revenues  |                       |         |                       |           |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums   | \$500.4               | \$536.8 | \$1,493.3             | \$1,545.3 |
| Net investment income   | 27.3                  | 37.6    | 84.5                  | 119.8     |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains  | 28.2                  | 72.7    | 66.1                  | 123.2     |
| Other revenue — foreign currency translation gains  | 16.8                  | 33.1    | 3.4                   | 33.1      |
| Other revenue — Hamer and Bri-Mar   | —                     | 8.6     | —                     | 24.1      |
| Other revenue — Symetra warrants  | —                     | (3.6)   | 10.8                  | 13.6      |
| Other revenue — other   | 1.4                   | 12.2    | 32.7                  | 10.2      |
| Total revenues  | 574.1                 | 697.4   | 1,690.8               | 1,869.3   |
| Expenses  |                       |         |                       |           |
| Losses and LAE  | 278.3                 | 308.1   | 797.2                 | 821.7     |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses  | 106.7                 | 107.6   | 281.0                 | 326.2     |
| Other underwriting expenses   | 80.4                  | 76.6    | 244.0                 | 228.4     |
| General and administrative expenses   | 41.3                  | 50.2    | 124.0                 | 115.9     |
| General and administrative expenses — Hamer and Bri-Mar                                   | —                     | 7.4     | —                     | 21.0      |
| Accretion of fair value adjustment to loss and LAE reserves                               | .2                    | 1.1     | 1.5                   | 9.4       |
| Interest expense on debt  | 11.9                  | 11.3    | 32.4                  | 33.1      |
| Total expenses  | 518.8                 | 562.3   | 1,480.1               | 1,555.7   |
| Pre-tax income from continuing operations   | 55.3                  | 135.1   | 210.7                 | 313.6     |
| Income tax expense  | (8.2)                 | (47.8)  | (49.2)                | (85.3)    |
| Net income from continuing operations   | 47.1                  | 87.3    | 161.5                 | 228.3     |
| Loss from sale of discontinued operations, net of tax                                     | —                     | (91.0)  | —                     | (91.0)    |
| Net income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax                                | .4                    | (15.8)  | 4.8                   | (24.5)    |
| Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax                               | 8.6                   | 7.7     | 24.9                  | 24.4      |
| Net income (loss)   | 56.1                  | (11.8)  | 191.2                 | 137.2     |
| Net loss attributable to non-controlling interests  | 1.1                   | 30.9    | 12.7                  | 2.0       |
| Net income attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders                           | 57.2                  | 19.1    | 203.9                 | 139.2     |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax   | 39.4                  | 71.9    | (72.8)                | 92.6      |
| Comprehensive income  | 96.6                  | 91.0    | 131.1                 | 231.8     |
| Comprehensive (income) loss attributable to non-controlling interests                     | (.1)                  | .4      | (.1)                  | .4        |
| Comprehensive income attributable to White Mountains' common shareholders                 | 96.5                  | 91.4    | 131.0                 | 232.2     |
| Change in equity in net unrealized losses (gains) from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio | 7.2                   | (32.3)  | 81.2                  | (59.3)    |
| Adjusted comprehensive income   | \$103.7               | \$59.1  | \$212.2               | \$172.9   |



## Consolidated Results - Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 versus Three Months Ended September 30, 2012

White Mountains' total revenues decreased 18% to \$574 million in the third quarter of 2013. Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums decreased 7% to \$500 million in the third quarter of 2013. Net investment income was down 27% to \$27 million in the third quarter of 2013, primarily from a lower invested asset base, resulting from \$232 million of share repurchases over the previous twelve months, and lower investment yields. White Mountains reported net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$28 million in the third quarter of 2013, which included \$35 million of net realized and unrealized foreign currency losses on investments, compared to \$73 million of gains in the third quarter of 2012, which included \$52 million of net realized and unrealized foreign currency losses. Most of the net realized and unrealized foreign currency losses on investments are related to GAAP foreign currency translation and are more than offset by gains recognized in other comprehensive income (see "Foreign Currency Translation" on page 64). Other revenues decreased to \$18 million in the third quarter of 2013 from \$50 million in the third quarter of 2012. Other revenues in the third quarter of 2013 included \$4 million from the extension of the transition service agreement for services provided by OneBeacon on business sold to the Tower Group, Inc. ("Tower") in the personal lines transaction in 2010, while the third quarter of 2012 included a \$15 million gain from Sirius Group's sale of its interest in an equity affiliate investment, International Medical Group ("IMG"), a managing general underwriting in the medical and travel business. The third quarter of 2013 also included \$17 million in foreign currency translation gains compared to \$33 million of foreign currency gains in the third quarter of 2012. The third quarter of 2012 also included \$9 million of other revenue related to the consolidation of Hamer and Bri-Mar. Effective October 1, 2012, the results of Hamer and Bri-Mar are no longer consolidated in White Mountains' financial statements.

White Mountains' total expenses decreased 8% to \$519 million in the third quarter of 2013. Losses and LAE decreased 10% in the third quarter of 2013, primarily from lower agricultural losses and higher favorable reserve development at Sirius Group, partially offset by higher catastrophe losses. Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses decreased 1%. Other underwriting expenses increased 4%, primarily due to higher incentive compensation expenses and professional fees at Sirius Group.

White Mountains' income tax expense for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012 represented effective tax rates of 14.8% and 35.4%. The effective tax rate for the third quarter of 2013 was lower than the U.S. statutory rate of 35% due to income generated in jurisdictions other than the United States. In addition, the effective rate for the third quarter of 2013 reflects the \$7 million release of a valuation allowance at OneBeacon related to the restructuring of a surplus note issued to a consolidated insurance reciprocal exchange. The effective tax rate for the third quarter of 2012 was similar to the U.S. statutory rate of 35% due to tax benefits on losses generated in the United States offsetting the tax expenses on income generated in other jurisdictions.

## Consolidated Results - Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 versus Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012

White Mountains' total revenues decreased 10% to \$1,691 million in the first nine months of 2013. Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums decreased 3% to \$1,493 million in the first nine months of 2013. Net investment income was down 29% to \$85 million in the first nine months of 2013, primarily from a lower invested asset base, resulting from \$749 million of share repurchases since January 2012, and lower investment yields. White Mountains reported net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$66 million in the first nine months of 2013, which included \$9 million of net realized and unrealized foreign currency losses, compared to \$123 million of gains in the first nine months of 2012, which included \$49 million of net realized and unrealized foreign currency losses. Most of the net realized and unrealized foreign currency losses on investments are related to GAAP foreign currency translation and are more than offset by gains recognized in other comprehensive income (see "Foreign Currency Translation" on page 64). Other revenues decreased to \$47 million in the first nine months of 2013 from \$81 million in the first nine months of 2012. Other revenues in the first nine months of 2013 included \$4 million from the extension of the transition service agreement for services provided by OneBeacon on business sold to Tower in the personal lines transaction in 2010, a \$23 million gain on OneBeacon's sale of Essentia and a \$7 million gain on Sirius' acquisition of American Fuji, while the first nine months of 2012 included a \$15 million gain reported by the Sirius Group related to the sale of its interest in IMG. The first nine months of 2013 also included \$3 million in foreign currency translation

gains, compared to \$33 million in foreign currency translation gains in the first nine months of 2012. In addition, the first nine months of 2012 included \$11 million of mark-to-market gains on the Symetra warrants compared to \$14 million of gains in the first nine months of 2012. In the first nine months of 2012, White Mountains reported other revenues of \$24 million related to the consolidation of Hamer and Bri-Mar. Effective October 1, 2012, the results of Hamer and Bri-Mar are no longer consolidated in White Mountains' financial statements.

White Mountains' total expenses decreased 5% to \$1,480 million in the first nine months of 2013. Losses and LAE decreased 3% in the first nine months of 2013, primarily driven by lower business volume and lower losses and LAE at Sirius Group, where lower agricultural losses and higher favorable loss reserve development were mostly offset by higher catastrophe losses. The decrease at Sirius Group was offset somewhat by higher losses and LAE at OneBeacon, driven by lower favorable loss reserve development and a few large losses in OneBeacon's Specialty Property and Entertainment businesses. Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses decreased 14% in the first nine months of 2013, primarily due to higher profit commissions accrued at the Sirius Group on ceded European property business and changes in business mix driven by the termination of the underwriting arrangement with Hagerty Insurance Agency, while other underwriting expenses increased 7%, primarily due to higher incentive compensation expenses and professional fees at Sirius Group.

White Mountains' income tax expense for the first nine months of 2013 and 2012 represented effective tax rates of 23.4% and 27.2%. The net effective rates for the first nine months of 2013 and 2012 were lower than the U.S. statutory rate of 35% due to income generated in jurisdictions other than the United States. In addition, the effective rate for the first nine months of 2013 reflects the \$7 million release of a valuation allowance at OneBeacon related to the restructuring of a surplus note issued to a consolidated insurance reciprocal exchange.

### I. Summary of Operations By Segment

White Mountains conducts its operations through four segments: (1) OneBeacon, (2) Sirius Group, (3) HG Global/BAM and (4) Other Operations. While investment results are included in these segments, because White Mountains manages the majority of its investments through its wholly-owned subsidiary, WM Advisors, a discussion of White Mountains' consolidated investment operations is included after the discussion of operations by segment. White Mountains' segment information is presented in Note 11 —“Segment Information” to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### OneBeacon

Financial results and GAAP combined ratios for OneBeacon for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 follow:

| Millions                                       | Three Months Ended |                    | Nine Months Ended  |                    |   |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
|  | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 |   |
| Gross written premiums                         | \$331.4            | \$353.4            | \$876.5            | \$983.8            |   |
| Net written premiums                           | \$314.1            | \$335.2            | \$826.1            | \$930.4            |   |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums      | \$278.9            | \$293.9            | \$846.2            | \$846.0            |   |
| Net investment income                          | 10.1               | 12.8               | 30.9               | 41.5               |   |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains   | 17.0               | 40.0               | 19.9               | 57.9               |   |
| Other revenue                                  | 5.5                | (.4 )              | 30.1               | (.1 )              |   |
| Total revenues                                 | 311.5              | 346.3              | 927.1              | 945.3              |   |
| Losses and LAE                                 | 167.8              | 164.7              | 473.7              | 452.5              |   |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses | 53.6               | 66.6               | 160.9              | 185.6              |   |
| Other underwriting expenses                    | 46.8               | 47.4               | 150.7              | 146.2              |   |
| General and administrative expenses            | 4.1                | 4.4                | 11.0               | 9.6                |   |
| Interest expense on debt                       | 3.3                | 4.1                | 9.8                | 12.2               |   |
| Total expenses                                 | 275.6              | 287.2              | 806.1              | 806.1              |   |
| Pre-tax income                                 | \$35.9             | \$59.1             | \$121.0            | \$139.2            |   |
| GAAP ratios:                                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |   |
| Losses and LAE                                 | 60                 | % 56               | % 56               | % 54               | % |

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|          |    |      |      |      |   |
|----------|----|------|------|------|---|
| Expense  | 36 | % 39 | % 37 | % 39 | % |
| Combined | 96 | % 95 | % 93 | % 93 | % |

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The following table presents OneBeacon's book value per share:

| (Millions, except per share amounts)                 | September 30,<br>2013 | June 30,<br>2013 | December 31,<br>2012 | September 30,<br>2012 |
|--|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| OneBeacon book value per share:                      |                       |                  |                      |                       |
| OneBeacon's common shareholders' equity              | \$ 1,062.1            | \$ 1,042.1       | \$ 1,014.5           | \$ 1,048.4            |
| OneBeacon common shares outstanding                  | 95.4                  | 95.4             | 95.4                 | 95.4                  |
| OneBeacon book value per common share <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 11.13              | \$ 10.92         | \$ 10.63             | \$ 10.99              |

<sup>(1)</sup> OneBeacon declared and paid a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.21 per common share in each of the first three quarters of 2013 and the last quarter of 2012.

OneBeacon ended the third quarter of 2013 with a book value per share of \$11.13, an increase of 3.8% for the quarter and 10.8% for the first nine months of 2013, including dividends. Investment and underwriting results both contributed to the increase in OneBeacon's book value per share for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013. The third quarter of 2013 also includes a \$7 million tax benefit related to the release of a valuation allowance at OneBeacon related to the restructuring of a surplus note issued to a consolidated insurance reciprocal exchange and a \$4 million pre-tax (\$3 million after-tax) benefit from the extension of the transition service agreement for services provided by OneBeacon on business sold to Tower in the personal lines transaction in 2010, while the first nine months of 2013 includes a \$23 million pre-tax (\$15 million after-tax) gain from the sale of Essentia Insurance Company ("Essentia") in the first quarter of 2013.

OneBeacon Results - Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 versus Three Months Ended September 30, 2012  
OneBeacon's GAAP combined ratio was 96% for the third quarter of 2013 compared to 95% for the third quarter of 2012, as a 4 point increase in the loss and LAE ratio was mostly offset by a 3 point decrease in the expense ratio. The increase in the loss and LAE ratio was driven by losses related to the exited Collector Cars and Boats business and a 2 point unfavorable change in loss reserve development, primarily within the Specialty Property and Entertainment businesses. The third quarter of 2013 included 1 point of unfavorable loss reserve development compared to 1 point of favorable loss reserve development in the third quarter of 2012. Catastrophe losses impacted OneBeacon's GAAP combined ratios by 1 point (\$4 million) in the third quarter of 2013 and 2 points (\$5 million) in the third quarter of 2012. The decrease in the expense ratio was primarily from lower insurance acquisition expenses due to changes in business mix driven by the termination of the underwriting arrangement with Hagerty Insurance Agency. OneBeacon's net written premiums decreased 6% in the third quarter of 2013 to \$314 million due to the exit from the collector car and boat and energy businesses. Excluding the \$60 million of net written premiums from the exited businesses in the third quarter of 2012, net written premiums increased 14%, as all business units contributed to the growth.

Reinsurance protection. OneBeacon purchases reinsurance in order to minimize loss from large risks or catastrophic events. OneBeacon also purchases individual property reinsurance coverage for certain risks to reduce large loss volatility through property-per-risk excess of loss reinsurance programs and individual risk facultative reinsurance. OneBeacon also maintains excess of loss casualty reinsurance programs that provide protection for individual risk or catastrophe losses involving workers compensation, general liability, automobile liability, professional liability or umbrella liability. The availability and cost of reinsurance protection is subject to market conditions, which are outside of management's control. Limiting risk of loss through reinsurance arrangements serves to mitigate the impact of large losses; however, the cost of this protection in an individual period may exceed the benefit.

OneBeacon's net combined ratio was higher than the gross combined ratio by 3 points for the third quarter of 2013 and 5 points for the third quarter of 2012. In both periods the net combined ratio was higher than the gross combined ratio as a result of the cost of the reinsurance programs more than offsetting the benefits from ceded losses. The gross combined ratio for the third quarter of 2012 was also favorably impacted by the resolution of a significant ocean marine loss that did not impact the net combined ratio as it was ceded under OneBeacon's IMU reinsurance treaty.

OneBeacon Results - Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 versus Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012

OneBeacon's GAAP combined ratio was 93% for the first nine months of both 2013 and 2012, as a 2 point increase in the loss and LAE ratio was offset by a 2 point decrease in the expense ratio. The increase in the loss LAE ratio was driven by a few large losses in OneBeacon's Specialty Property and Entertainment businesses, as well as several large non-catastrophe losses related to property and inland marine business within IMU and a few large claims in Government Risks. The first nine months of 2013 included 1 point (\$10 million) of catastrophe losses compared to 2 points (\$13 million) in the first nine months of 2012. The first nine months of 2013 included no loss reserve development compared to 1 point (\$8 million) of favorable loss reserve development in the first nine months of 2012. The decrease in the expense ratio for the first nine months of 2013 was primarily from lower insurance acquisition expenses due to changes in business mix driven by the termination of the underwriting arrangement with Hagerty Insurance Agency, partially offset by higher non-claims litigation expenses.

OneBeacon's net written premiums decreased 11% for the first nine months of 2013 to \$826 million due to the exit from the collector car and boat and energy businesses. Excluding the \$167 million of net written premiums from the exited businesses in the first nine months of 2012, net written premiums increased 8%, as all business units contributed to the growth.

Reinsurance protection. OneBeacon's net combined ratio was higher than the gross combined ratio by 3 points for the first nine months of 2013 and 6 points for the first nine months of 2012. In both periods the net combined ratio was higher than the gross combined ratio as a result of the cost of the reinsurance programs more than off-setting the benefits from ceded losses. The gross combined ratio for first nine months of 2012 was also favorably impacted by the resolution of a significant ocean marine loss that did not impact the net combined ratio as it was ceded under OneBeacon's IMU reinsurance treaty.

#### Runoff Transaction

On October 17, 2012, one of OneBeacon's indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries, OneBeacon Insurance Group LLC, entered into a definitive agreement (the "Runoff Transaction") with Trebuchet US Holdings, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Armour Group Holdings Limited (together with Trebuchet, "Armour"), to sell its runoff business (the "Runoff Business"). The Pennsylvania Insurance Department ("PID") is required to conduct an examination of the Runoff Business as part of its regulatory review of the Runoff Transaction. Pursuant to this examination, the PID required a third party actuarial review to provide an independent actuarial assessment of the loss reserves associated with the Runoff Business, which is a normal requirement associated with such examinations. The independent actuarial review was completed on September 9, 2013; the summary report was filed with the PID on September 17, 2013; and the PID posted the summary report to its public web site on September 19, 2013, which OneBeacon referenced in a Form 8-K filed on the same date. The independent actuarial review produced a range of total statutory net loss and LAE reserves of \$215 million to \$668 million as of March 31, 2013. This compares to the OneBeacon's recorded statutory net loss and LAE reserves of \$166 million as of March 31, 2013.

Two items cause the majority of the difference between OneBeacon's recorded net loss and LAE reserves and the low end of the range of estimates produced by the independent actuarial review. First, the independent actuaries did not assume that historically favorable loss experience would repeat in the future, causing the low end estimate to be approximately \$46 million higher. Second, the provision for estimated costs to administer the runoff claims, as developed by the independent actuarial review, focused mainly on Armour's estimated cost structure versus OneBeacon's cost structure, which would have generated a \$17 million lower cost estimate.

The high end of the range produced by the independent actuarial review results from the accumulation of conservative selections in many other key assumptions, such as medical inflation costs, mortality experience, lump sum settlement rates, tail factors, and other judgmental items, which are more fully described in Critical Accounting Estimates on pages 74-85 of White Mountains' 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

As of September 30, 2013, the net loss and LAE reserves associated with the Runoff Business totaled \$131 million, a reduction due to normal claim runoff. Management believes that the recorded net loss and LAE reserves continue to reflect a reasonable provision for expected future loss and LAE payments and represent management's best estimate within a range of reasonable estimates.

During the fourth quarter of 2013, OneBeacon's actuaries will complete additional analyses of the loss and LAE reserves associated with the Runoff Business. In addition to the internal actuaries taking into account the differing assumptions, methods, and analyses produced by the independent actuarial review and other factors, management will consider other sources of information, including runoff claims staffing models and related costs as well as perspectives provided by the PID during the ongoing regulatory approval process. Management will also consider that, for the two most recent quarters since the date of the independent actuarial review, actual loss emergence on the runoff reserves has continued to be consistent with or lower than the expected losses used to estimate its recorded net loss and LAE reserves. This recent claims experience was not considered in the results of the independent actuarial review described above.

While management believes that the recorded loss and LAE reserves make a reasonable provision for future loss and LAE payments related to the Runoff Business, once all factors are considered, including the information contained in the independent actuarial review and recent claims experience, it is possible that the fourth quarter or subsequent

internal actuarial analyses may cause the actuarial indications to increase, which could result in an increase in management's best estimate of loss and LAE reserves associated with the Runoff Business. In the event that OneBeacon records an increase in the loss and LAE reserves associated with the Runoff Business in the fourth quarter or at any time prior to the closing of the Runoff Transaction, the estimated loss on sale from the Runoff Transaction would be reduced by an equal and offsetting amount in the same period. The offset to the estimated loss on sale would reflect the terms of the stock purchase agreement ("SPA") with Armour, under which Armour has assumed the risk that loss and LAE reserves develop unfavorably from September 30, 2012 onward.



Though the SPA stipulates the amount of reserves and surplus to be transferred to Armour at closing, the PID may require additional reserves and/or surplus as a closing condition. In that event, and to respond to such a closing condition, the SPA provides that OneBeacon would invest in surplus notes issued by the transferring companies, subject to certain limits on the amount of surplus notes issued. OneBeacon believes that the transferred reserves and surplus plus the funding requirements/limitations agreed to in the SPA cover the full range of claim projections produced in the independent actuarial review. OneBeacon now expects the closing date of the Runoff Transaction to occur in the second quarter of 2014. Accordingly, OneBeacon and Armour have amended the SPA to extend the date on which the SPA may be terminated by the parties to July 31, 2014.

### Sirius Group

Financial results and GAAP combined ratios for Sirius Group for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 follow:

| (\$ in millions)  | Three Months Ended<br>September 30, |         | Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, |         |   |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|---|
|   | 2013                                | 2012    | 2013                               | 2012    |   |
| Gross written premiums                                      | \$236.4                             | \$254.6 | \$947.0                            | \$993.6 |   |
| Net written premiums  | \$196.3                             | \$223.9 | \$735.6                            | \$799.5 |   |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums                   | \$221.4                             | \$242.9 | \$646.9                            | \$699.3 |   |
| Net investment income                                       | 13.5                                | 16.7    | 38.0                               | 50.9    |   |
| Net realized and unrealized investment (losses) gains       | (24.7 )                             | (8.9 )  | (4.9 )                             | 22.9    |   |
| Other revenue - foreign currency translation losses         | 16.8                                | 33.1    | 3.4                                | 33.1    |   |
| Other revenue   | —                                   | 15.1    | 7.9                                | 15.8    |   |
| Total revenues  | 227.0                               | 298.9   | 691.3                              | 822.0   |   |
| Losses and LAE  | 110.5                               | 143.4   | 323.5                              | 369.2   |   |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses              | 52.5                                | 41.0    | 119.0                              | 140.6   |   |
| Other underwriting expenses                                 | 33.5                                | 29.1    | 93.0                               | 82.1    |   |
| General and administrative expenses                         | 7.3                                 | 9.1     | 21.5                               | 26.0    |   |
| Accretion of fair value adjustment to loss and LAE reserves | .2                                  | 1.1     | 1.5                                | 9.4     |   |
| Interest expense on debt                                    | 6.6                                 | 6.5     | 19.7                               | 19.6    |   |
| Total expenses  | 210.6                               | 230.2   | 578.2                              | 646.9   |   |
| Pre-tax income  | \$16.4                              | \$68.7  | \$113.1                            | \$175.1 |   |
| GAAP ratios:  |                                     |         |                                    |         |   |
| Losses and LAE  | 50                                  | % 59    | % 50                               | % 53    | % |
| Expense   | 39                                  | % 29    | % 33                               | % 32    | % |
| Combined  | 89                                  | % 88    | % 83                               | % 85    | % |

Sirius Group Results - Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 versus Three Months Ended September 30, 2012  
 Sirius Group's GAAP combined ratio was 89% for the third quarter of 2013 compared to 88% for the third quarter of 2012. The increase in the third quarter of 2013 was primarily due to higher catastrophe losses, mostly offset by higher favorable loss reserve development and lower agricultural losses. The combined ratio for the third quarter of 2013 included 14 points (\$31 million) of catastrophe losses, primarily due to \$18 million of hail storm losses in Germany and \$6 million of flood losses in India, compared to 3 points (\$6 million) in the third quarter of last year, mainly due to storm losses in the United States. The combined ratio for the third quarter of 2012 also included 19 points (\$45 million) of losses from Sirius Group's agricultural line of business, primarily as a result of the drought in the Midwestern United States. The combined ratio for the third quarter of 2013 included favorable loss reserve development of 7 points (\$15 million), primarily due to reductions in property loss reserves from recent underwriting

years, compared to favorable loss reserve development of 3 points (\$8 million) in the third quarter of 2012, primarily due to reductions in liability and property loss reserves partially offset by increases in asbestos loss reserves.

Sirius Group's gross written premiums decreased 7% for the third quarter of 2013 to \$236 million, while net written premiums decreased 12% for the third quarter of 2013 to \$196 million. These decreases were primarily from the accident and health line of business, partially offset by increased property business. Net earned premiums decreased 9% for the third quarter of 2013 to \$221 million primarily due to decreases in the accident and health and aviation lines of business.

Sirius Group's other revenues in the third quarter of 2013 primarily consisted of \$17 million of foreign currency translation gains compared to \$33 million of foreign currency translation gains in the third quarter of 2012. (See "Foreign Currency Translation" on page 64) In addition, in the third quarter of 2012, Sirius Group sold its interest in IMG for a gain of \$15 million.

Sirius Group's insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses increased \$11 million in the third quarter of 2013, primarily due to an \$8 million reduction of commission expense that was recorded in the third quarter of 2012 for profit commissions on ceded European property treaties. Sirius Group's other underwriting expenses increased \$5 million to \$34 million in the third quarter of 2013 compared to \$29 million in the third quarter of 2012, primarily due to increased incentive compensation expenses and higher professional fees, primarily related to Lloyd's Syndicate 1945.

Reinsurance protection. Sirius Group's reinsurance protection primarily consists of pro-rata and excess of loss protections to cover aviation, trade credit, and certain property exposures. Sirius Group's proportional reinsurance programs provide protection for part of the non-proportional treaty accounts written in Europe, the Americas, Asia, the Middle East, and Australia. This reinsurance is designed to increase underwriting capacity where appropriate, and to reduce exposure both to large catastrophe losses and to a frequency of smaller loss events. Attachment points and coverage limits vary by region around the world.

Sirius Group's net combined ratio was lower than the gross combined ratio by 4 points for the third quarter of 2013 and higher than the gross combined ratio by 5 points for the third quarter of 2012. For the third quarter of 2013, the lower net combined ratio for the third quarter of 2013 was primarily due to the ceded loss recoveries on hail storm losses in Germany. For the third quarter of 2012, the higher net combined ratio was primarily due to the cost of property retrocessions with limited ceded property loss recoveries, primarily due to the low level of catastrophe losses.

#### Sirius Group Results - Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 versus Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012

Sirius Group's GAAP combined ratio was 83% for the first nine months of 2013 compared to 85% for the first nine months of 2012. The improvement was principally due to higher profit commissions earned on ceded property treaties covering European catastrophe excess exposures, higher favorable loss reserve development and lower agricultural losses, mostly offset by higher catastrophe losses. The combined ratio for the first nine months of 2013 included 11 points (\$68 million) of catastrophe losses, mainly due to \$31 million of flood losses in Central Europe, \$18 million of hail storm losses in Germany, \$6 million of flood losses in India and \$5 million of tornado losses in the Midwestern United States, compared to 2 points (\$14 million) of catastrophe losses in the first nine months of 2012, primarily from \$7 million of losses from earthquakes in Italy and \$3 million of storm losses in the United States. The combined ratio for the first nine months of 2012 also included 7 points of agricultural losses, primarily as a result of a drought in the Midwestern United States. The first nine months of 2013 included 4 points (\$26 million) of favorable loss reserve development compared to 2 points for the first nine months of 2012. Favorable loss development for the first nine months of 2013 was primarily due to decreases in property loss reserves, mostly from recent underwriting years, in addition to reductions in loss reserves for the Japan earthquake. For the first nine months of 2012, decreases in prior year property loss reserves were mostly offset by increases to prior year accident and health and asbestos loss reserves.

Sirius Group's gross written premiums decreased 5% for the first nine months of 2013 to \$947 million, while net written premiums decreased 8% for the first nine months of 2013 to \$736 million. These decreases were primarily from the accident and health and trade credit lines of business, partially offset by increases in the property lines. Net written premiums in the first nine months of 2013 also reflect increased retrocessions on the property lines of business compared to the first nine months of 2012. Net earned premiums decreased 8% for the first nine months of 2013 to \$647 million due to lower accident and health and trade credit business.

Sirius Group's other revenues in the first nine months of 2013 primarily consisted of pre-tax transaction gains of \$7 million from White Mountains Solutions' acquisition of American Fuji and \$3 million of foreign currency translation gains compared to \$33 million of foreign currency translation gains in the first nine months of 2012. (See "Foreign Currency Translation" on page 64.) In addition, in the third quarter of 2012, Sirius Group sold its interest in IMG for a gain of \$15 million.

Sirius Group's insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses decreased \$22 million in the first nine months of 2013, primarily due to lower business volume and higher profit commissions earned on ceded European property treaties. Sirius Group's other underwriting expenses increased \$11 million for the first nine months of 2013, primarily due to increased incentive compensation expenses and higher professional fees, primarily related to Lloyd's Syndicate 1945. General and administrative expense decreased by \$5 million, primarily due to severance and separation costs reported in the first quarter of 2012. Accretion of fair value adjustment to losses and LAE reserves decreased by \$8 million due to the acceleration of the amortization of the purchase accounting established for the acquisition of Scandinavian Reinsurance Company Ltd. ("Scandinavian Re") due to a treaty commutation in the first quarter of 2012.

Reinsurance protection. Sirius Group's net combined ratio equaled the gross combined ratio for the first nine months of 2013 and was 5 points than the gross combined ratio for the first nine months of 2012. The net and gross combined ratios were the same for the first nine months of 2013 as the cost of property retrocessions was offset by loss recoveries on hail storms in Germany and profit commissions on ceded business. The higher net combined ratio for the first nine months of 2012 was primarily due to the cost of property retrocessions with limited ceded property loss recoveries, primarily due to the low level of catastrophe losses.

#### HG Global/BAM

The following table presents the components of pre-tax income included in White Mountains' HG Global/BAM segment related to the consolidation of HG Global, which includes HG Re and its other wholly-owned subsidiaries, and BAM for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012:

| Millions                                       | Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 |           |              |           |
|--|---------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
|  | HG Global                             | BAM       | Eliminations | Total     |
| Gross written premiums                         | \$—                                   | \$2.9     | \$—          | \$2.9     |
| Assumed (ceded) written premiums               | 2.3                                   | (2.3)     | ) —          | —         |
| Net written premiums                           | \$2.3                                 | \$ .6     | \$—          | \$2.9     |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums      | \$.1                                  | \$—       | \$—          | \$.1      |
| Net investment income                          | .2                                    | 1.1       | —            | 1.3       |
| Net investment income - BAM Surplus Notes      | 10.1                                  | —         | (10.1)       | ) —       |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains   | .5                                    | 2.4       | —            | 2.9       |
| Other revenue                                  | —                                     | .2        | —            | .2        |
| Total revenues                                 | 10.9                                  | 3.7       | (10.1)       | ) 4.5     |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses | .1                                    | .5        | —            | .6        |
| Other underwriting expenses                    | —                                     | .1        | —            | .1        |
| General and administrative expenses            | .3                                    | 8.1       | —            | 8.4       |
| Interest expense - BAM surplus notes           | —                                     | 10.1      | (10.1)       | ) —       |
| Total expenses                                 | .4                                    | 18.8      | (10.1)       | ) 9.1     |
| Pre-tax income (loss)                          | \$ 10.5                               | \$ (15.1) | ) \$—        | \$ (4.6)  |
|  |                                       |           |              |           |
| Millions                                       | Three Months Ended September 30, 2012 |           |              |           |
|  | HG Global                             | BAM       | Eliminations | Total     |
| Gross written premiums                         | \$—                                   | \$—       | \$—          | \$—       |
| Assumed (ceded) written premiums               | —                                     | —         | —            | —         |
| Net written premiums                           | \$—                                   | \$—       | \$—          | \$—       |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums      | \$—                                   | \$—       | \$—          | \$—       |
| Net investment income                          | .1                                    | .6        | —            | .7        |
| Net investment income - BAM Surplus Notes      | 8.3                                   | —         | (8.3)        | ) —       |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains   | .2                                    | 1.0       | —            | 1.2       |
| Other revenue                                  | —                                     | —         | —            | —         |
| Total revenues                                 | 8.6                                   | 1.6       | (8.3)        | ) 1.9     |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses | —                                     | —         | —            | —         |
| Other underwriting expenses                    | —                                     | .1        | —            | .1        |
| General and administrative expenses            | 3.8                                   | 11.2      | —            | 15.0      |
| Interest expense - BAM surplus notes           | —                                     | 8.3       | (8.3)        | ) —       |
| Total expenses                                 | 3.8                                   | 19.6      | (8.3)        | ) 15.1    |
| Pre-tax income (loss)                          | \$4.8                                 | \$ (18.0) | ) \$—        | \$ (13.2) |



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| Millions                                       | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 |           |              |           |
|--|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
|  | HG Global                            | BAM       | Eliminations | Total     |
| Gross written premiums                         | \$—                                  | \$ 8.2    | \$—          | \$ 8.2    |
| Assumed (ceded) written premiums               | 6.4                                  | (6.4 )    | —            | —         |
| Net written premiums                           | \$ 6.4                               | \$ 1.8    | \$—          | \$ 8.2    |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums      | \$.2                                 | \$—       | \$—          | \$.2      |
| Net investment income                          | .7                                   | 3.3       | —            | 4.0       |
| Net investment income - BAM Surplus Notes      | 30.2                                 | —         | (30.2 )      | —         |
| Net realized and unrealized investment losses  | (1.7 )                               | (8.1 )    | —            | (9.8 )    |
| Other revenue                                  | —                                    | .3        | —            | .3        |
| Total revenues                                 | 29.4                                 | (4.5 )    | (30.2 )      | (5.3 )    |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses | .1                                   | 1.0       | —            | 1.1       |
| Other underwriting expenses                    | —                                    | .3        | —            | .3        |
| General and administrative expenses            | 1.1                                  | 24.2      | —            | 25.3      |
| Interest expense - BAM surplus notes           | —                                    | 30.2      | (30.2 )      | —         |
| Total expenses                                 | 1.2                                  | 55.7      | (30.2 )      | 26.7      |
| Pre-tax income (loss)                          | \$ 28.2                              | \$(60.2 ) | \$—          | \$(32.0 ) |

  

| Millions                                       | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012 |           |              |           |
|--|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
|  | HG Global                            | BAM       | Eliminations | Total     |
| Gross written premiums                         | \$—                                  | \$—       | \$—          | \$—       |
| Assumed (ceded) written premiums               | —                                    | —         | —            | —         |
| Net written premiums                           | \$—                                  | \$—       | \$—          | \$—       |
| Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums      | \$—                                  | \$—       | \$—          | \$—       |
| Net investment income                          | .1                                   | .6        | —            | .7        |
| Net investment income - BAM Surplus Notes      | 8.3                                  | —         | (8.3 )       | —         |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains   | .2                                   | 1.0       | —            | 1.2       |
| Other revenue                                  | —                                    | —         | —            | —         |
| Total revenues                                 | 8.6                                  | 1.6       | (8.3 )       | 1.9       |
| Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses | —                                    | —         | —            | —         |
| Other underwriting expenses                    | —                                    | .1        | —            | .1        |
| General and administrative expenses            | 3.8                                  | 11.2      | —            | 15.0      |
| Interest expense - BAM surplus notes           | —                                    | 8.3       | (8.3 )       | —         |
| Total expenses                                 | 3.8                                  | 19.6      | (8.3 )       | 15.1      |
| Pre-tax income (loss)                          | \$ 4.8                               | \$(18.0 ) | \$—          | \$(13.2 ) |

HG Global/BAM Results - Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 versus Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012

HG Global reported pre-tax income of \$11 million and \$28 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, which was driven by \$10 million and \$30 million of interest income on the BAM Surplus Notes. HG Global reported pre-tax income of \$5 million in both the third quarter and first nine months of 2012, which was driven by \$8 million of interest income on the BAM Surplus Notes, partially offset by startup and operational costs.

BAM reported pre-tax losses of \$15 million and \$60 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, driven by \$10 million and \$30 million of interest expense on the BAM Surplus Notes and \$8 million and \$24 million of operating expenses. BAM's results for the first nine months of 2013 were also impacted by \$8 million of unrealized investment losses, most of which were reported in the second quarter due to an increase in interest rates. BAM reported \$18 million in pre-tax losses in both the third quarter and first nine months of 2012 that were driven by startup and operational costs and interest expense on the BAM Surplus Notes. (See LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL

RESOURCES, HG Global/BAM, on page 70).



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The following table presents amounts from HG Global, which includes HG Re and its other wholly-owned subsidiaries, and BAM that are contained within White Mountains' consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2013:

| Millions  | As of September 30, 2013 |         |              | Total     |
|---|--------------------------|---------|--------------|-----------|
|   | HG Global                | BAM     | Eliminations |           |
| <b>Assets</b>   |                          |         |              |           |
| Fixed maturity investments  | \$97.8                   | \$460.7 | \$—          | \$558.5   |
| Short-term investments  | 6.1                      | 8.2     | —            | 14.3      |
| Total investments   | 103.9                    | 468.9   | —            | 572.8     |
| Cash  | .2                       | 4.4     | —            | 4.6       |
| BAM Surplus Notes   | 503.0                    | —       | (503.0)      | ) —       |
| Accrued interest receivable on BAM Surplus Notes                            | 48.6                     | —       | (48.6)       | ) —       |
| Other assets  | 2.4                      | 12.9    | (.7)         | ) 14.6    |
| Total assets  | \$658.1                  | \$486.2 | \$(552.3)    | ) \$592.0 |
| <b>Liabilities</b>  |                          |         |              |           |
| BAM Surplus Notes <sup>(1)</sup>  | \$—                      | \$503.0 | \$(503.0)    | ) \$—     |
| Accrued interest payable on BAM Surplus Notes <sup>(2)</sup>                | —                        | 48.6    | (48.6)       | ) —       |
| Preferred dividends payable to White Mountains' subsidiaries <sup>(3)</sup> | 44.1                     | —       | —            | 44.1      |
| Preferred dividends payable to non-controlling interests                    | 1.2                      | —       | —            | 1.2       |
| Other liabilities   | 6.7                      | 15.3    | (.7)         | ) 21.3    |
| Total liabilities   | 52.0                     | 566.9   | (552.3)      | ) 66.6    |
| <b>Equity</b>   |                          |         |              |           |
| White Mountains' common shareholders' equity                                | 589.5                    | —       | —            | 589.5     |
| Non-controlling interests   | 16.6                     | (80.7)  | ) —          | (64.1)    |
| Total equity  | 606.1                    | (80.7)  | ) —          | 525.4     |
| Total liabilities and equity  | \$658.1                  | \$486.2 | \$(552.3)    | ) \$592.0 |

(1) Under GAAP, the BAM Surplus Notes are classified as debt by the issuer. Under Statutory accounting, they are classified as Surplus.

(2) Under GAAP, interest accrues daily on the BAM Surplus Notes. Under Statutory accounting, interest is not accrued on the BAM Surplus Notes until it has been approved for payment by insurance regulators.

(3) Dividends on HG Global preferred shares payable to White Mountains' subsidiaries are eliminated in White Mountains' consolidated financial statements.

The following table presents the gross par value of policies priced and closed by BAM for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013:

|  | Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Gross par value of primary market policies priced              | \$1,086.2                             | \$3,215.1                            |
| Gross par value of secondary market policies priced            | 80.9                                  | 174.0                                |
| Total gross par value of market policies priced                | 1,167.1                               | 3,389.1                              |
| Less: Gross par value of policies priced yet to close          | (276.3)                               | ) (276.3)                            |
| Gross par value of policies closed that were previously priced | 124.8                                 | 3.3                                  |

|   |            |           |
|---|------------|-----------|
| Total gross par value of market policies closed | \$ 1,015.6 | \$3,116.1 |
|---|------------|-----------|

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## Other Operations

A summary of White Mountains' financial results from its Other Operations segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 follows:

| Millions   | Three Months Ended |        | Nine Months Ended |        |
|--|--------------------|--------|-------------------|--------|
|  | September 30,      |        | September 30,     |        |
|  | 2013               | 2012   | 2013              | 2012   |
| Net investment income  | \$2.4              | \$7.4  | \$11.6            | \$26.7 |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains                           | 33.0               | 40.4   | 60.9              | 41.2   |
| Other revenue — Hamer and Bri-Mar <sup>(1)</sup>                       | —                  | 8.6    | —                 | 24.1   |
| Other revenue — Symetra warrants                                       | —                  | (3.6 ) | 10.8              | 13.6   |
| Other revenue  | (4.3 )             | (2.5 ) | (5.6 )            | (5.5 ) |
| Total revenues   | 31.1               | 50.3   | 77.7              | 100.1  |
| General and administrative expenses — Hamer and Bri-Mar <sup>(1)</sup> | —                  | 7.4    | —                 | 21.0   |
| General and administrative expenses                                    | 21.5               | 21.7   | 66.2              | 65.3   |
| Interest expense — debt  | 2.0                | .7     | 2.9               | 1.3    |
| Total expenses   | 23.5               | 29.8   | 69.1              | 87.6   |
| Pre-tax income   | \$7.6              | \$20.5 | \$8.6             | \$12.5 |

<sup>(1)</sup> As of October 1, 2012, Hamer and Bri-Mar are no longer consolidated and are accounted for as investments in unconsolidated affiliates.

#### Other Operations Results - Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 versus Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012

White Mountains' Other Operations segment reported pre-tax income of \$8 million and \$9 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, compared to pre-tax income of \$21 million and \$13 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2012. White Mountains' Other Operations segment reported net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$33 million and \$61 million in third quarter and first nine months of 2013 compared to net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$40 million and \$41 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2012 (see Investment Returns on page 62). The Other Operations segment reported net investment income of \$2 million and \$12 million in third quarter and first nine months of 2013 compared to \$7 million and \$27 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2012, primarily due to a lower invested asset base resulting from share repurchases, and lower investment yields. The value of White Mountains' investment in Symetra warrants prior to their exercise during the second quarter of 2013 (see Investment in Symetra Common Shares on page 64) increased \$11 million in the first nine months of 2013 compared to a decrease of \$4 million and an increase of \$14 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2012. WM Life Re reported losses of \$7 million and \$16 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013 compared to \$3 million and \$14 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2012.

On October 17, 2013, White Mountains and Tokio Marine completed a novation whereby Sirius International's obligations on its reinsurance contract covering guaranteed living and death benefits of Japanese variable annuity contracts were transferred to WM Life Re. As a result, Sirius International no longer has any obligation or liability relating to these agreements. White Mountains has made a maximum capital commitment of \$202 million to WM Life Re, which includes up to \$127 million in the form of a keep-well agreement.

## II. Summary of Investment Results

## Investment Returns

For purposes of discussing rates of return, all percentages are presented gross of management fees and trading expenses in order to produce a better comparison to benchmark returns, while all dollar amounts are presented net of any management fees and trading expenses. A summary of White Mountains' consolidated pre-tax investment results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 follows:

|  | Three Months Ended |         | Nine Months Ended |         |
|--|--------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
|  | September 30,      |         | September 30,     |         |
| Millions   | 2013               | 2012    | 2013              | 2012    |
| Pre-tax investment results   |                    |         |                   |         |
| Net investment income  | \$27.3             | \$37.6  | \$84.5            | \$119.8 |
| Net realized and unrealized investment gains <sup>(1)</sup>  | 28.2               | 72.7    | 66.1              | 123.2   |
| Change in foreign currency translation on investments recognized through other comprehensive income <sup>(2)</sup> | 75.6               | 92.5    | 19.0              | 80.6    |
| Total GAAP pre-tax investment gains  | \$131.1            | \$202.8 | \$169.6           | \$323.6 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes foreign currency losses of \$34.8, \$52.1, \$9.0, and \$49.1.

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes non-investment related foreign currency losses of \$29.3, \$48.3, \$11.1 and \$43.5.

## Gross investment returns and benchmark returns

|  | Three Months Ended |         | Nine Months Ended |         |    |
|--|--------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|----|
|  | September 30,      |         | September 30,     |         |    |
|  | 2013               | 2012    | 2013              | 2012    |    |
| Fixed maturity investments                                   | 1.2                | % 2.4   | % 0.0             | % 4.3   | %  |
| Short-term investments                                       | 1.1                | % 0.6   | % 0.1             | % 0.7   | %  |
| Total fixed income   | 1.1                | % 2.2   | % 0.0             | % 3.9   | %  |
| Barclay's U.S. Intermediate Aggregate Index                  | 0.8                | % 1.4   | % (0.9)           | % 3.4   | %  |
| Common equity securities                                     | 6.0                | % 7.7   | % 15.6            | % 9.3   | %  |
| Convertible fixed maturity investments                       | 3.9                | % 1.7   | % 1.2             | % 4.3   | %  |
| Other long-term investments                                  | 1.1                | % (1.4) | )% 5.0            | % (1.7) | )% |
| Total equities, convertibles and other long-term investments | 4.8                | % 5.1   | % 12.5            | % 6.3   | %  |
| S&P 500 Index (total return)                                 | 5.2                | % 6.3   | % 19.8            | % 16.4  | %  |
| Total consolidated portfolio                                 | 1.9                | % 2.7   | % 2.5             | % 4.3   | %  |

White Mountains' GAAP pre-tax total return on invested assets was 1.9% and 2.5% for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, which included 0.6% and 0.0% of foreign currency gains, compared to 2.7% and 4.3% for the third quarter and first nine months of 2012, which included 0.6% and 0.4% of foreign currency gains.

## Fixed income results

White Mountains maintains a high-quality, short-duration fixed income portfolio. At September 30, 2013, the fixed income portfolio duration was approximately 2.2 years, including short term investments, compared to 2.4 years at September 30, 2012. In U.S. dollars, White Mountains fixed income portfolio returned 1.1% in the third quarter of 2013. In local currencies, White Mountains' fixed income portfolio returned 0.4% in the third quarter of 2013, lagging the longer duration Barclay's Intermediate Aggregate Bond Index by 0.4% as rates fell. White Mountains' fixed income portfolio returned 0.0% in U.S. dollars (0.0% in local currencies) for the first nine months of 2013, outperforming the Barclay's Intermediate Aggregate return of (0.9)%.

White Mountains' fixed income portfolio returned 2.2% in U.S. dollars (1.5% in local currencies) and 3.9% in U.S. dollars (3.3% in local currencies) for the third quarter and first nine months of 2012, compared to the Barclays U.S. Intermediate Aggregate returns of 1.4% and 3.4%.

Equities, convertibles and other long-term investments results

White Mountains maintains a value-oriented common equity portfolio, approximately 16% of GAAP invested assets at September 30, 2013. White Mountains' common equity portfolio returned 6.0% for the third quarter and 15.6% for first nine months of 2013, outperforming the S&P 500 Index return of 5.2% for the quarter and lagging the S&P 500 Index return of 19.8% for the first nine months of 2013.

WM Advisors has a sub-advisory agreement with Prospector Partners LLC (“Prospector”), a registered investment adviser, under which Prospector manages most of White Mountains’ publicly-traded common equity securities and convertible fixed maturity securities. White Mountains also has separate equity portfolios managed by Lateef Investment Management (“Lateef”) and Silchester International Investors (“Silchester”). The following table summarizes the performance in local currencies of each of White Mountains’ separately managed equity portfolios for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013:

|                                   | Three Months<br>Ended<br>September 30,<br>2013 | Nine Months<br>Ended<br>September 30,<br>2013 |  |   |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| Separate Accounts <sup>(1)</sup>  |  |   |  |   |
| Prospector Capital Appreciation   | 5.9  | % 12.5  |  | % |
| Prospector All Cap Value          | 4.5  | % 19.1  |  | % |
| Lateef Multi-Cap Growth Equity    | 10.3   | % 19.3  |  | % |
| Silchester International Equities | 7.7  | % 25.4  |  | % |
| S&P 500 Index                     | 5.2  | % 19.8  |  | % |

(1) Separate account portfolios include common equities, convertible fixed maturities and cash available for reinvestment.

Prospector’s performance in the third quarter of 2013 reflects overweight positions in the materials and financials sectors and underweight positions in the consumer discretionary, industrials and technology sectors, relative to the S&P 500 Index. Prospector’s performance for the first nine months of 2013 reflects an overweight position in gold mining, an underweight position in the consumer discretionary and industrial sectors and the impact of convertible fixed maturity positions (as opposed to common equity securities), which tend to lag the index in strong up markets. Total annualized returns for White Mountains’ separate accounts managed by Prospector compared to the annualized total returns of the S&P 500 Index are as follows:

| Annualized returns           | Periods ending September 30, 2013 |         |         |       | Since Inception <sup>(1)</sup> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|-------|--------------------------------|
|                              | 1-year                            | 3-years | 5-years |       |                                |
| Prospector separate accounts | 14.1                              | % 9.7   | % 5.6   | % 7.4 | %                              |
| S&P 500 Index                | 19.3                              | % 16.2  | % 10.0  | % 6.0 | %                              |

(1) Annualized total returns since the inception of the Prospector separate account in the beginning of 2005, which was established in connection with an investment management agreement between Prospector and White Mountains whereby Prospector serves as a discretionary adviser with respect to specified assets, primarily equity securities.

The Lateef separate account is a highly concentrated portfolio, and relative performance is often influenced positively or negatively by one or two positions. Lateef’s performance in the third quarter of 2013 reflects specific positions in the industrial and consumer discretionary sectors.

White Mountains maintains a portfolio of other long-term investments, mainly investments in hedge funds (primarily equity long/short) and private equity funds. The portfolio is positioned to underperform in up markets and outperform in down markets. White Mountains’ long-term investments returned 1.1% for the third quarter and 5.0% for the first nine months of 2013. These returns lagged the S&P 500 Index return during both periods and were in line with the HFRX Equal Weighted Strategies Index which returned 1.0% for the quarter and 4.4% for the first nine months of 2013.

White Mountains’ common equity portfolio represented approximately 14% of GAAP invested assets at September 30, 2012. The common equity portfolio returned 7.7% and 9.3% for the third quarter and first nine months of 2012 compared to the S&P 500 Index returns of 6.3% and 16.4% for the comparable periods.



### Investment in Symetra Common Shares

During the second quarter of 2013, White Mountains executed a cashless exercise of its Symetra warrants. The warrants were marked up to their fair value of \$41 million at the date of exercise, June 20, 2013, resulting in a \$15 million realized gain reported in the second quarter of 2013. The cashless exercise resulted in the net issuance of 2,648,879 additional common shares of Symetra in exchange for the warrants to purchase 9,487,872 Symetra common shares.

At December 31, 2012, the carrying value of White Mountains' investment in Symetra common shares used in the calculation of adjusted book value per share was \$16.58 per Symetra common share. During the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, White Mountains recorded \$8 million and \$24 million in equity in earnings from its investment in Symetra's common shares, which increased the value of the investment in Symetra's common shares used in the calculation of White Mountains' adjusted book value per share to \$17.49 per Symetra common share at September 30, 2013. This compares to Symetra's quoted stock price of \$17.82 and Symetra's book value per common share excluding unrealized gains and losses from its fixed maturity investment portfolio of \$19.47. See Note 12 - Investment in Unconsolidated Subsidiaries.

### Foreign Currency Translation

A summary of the impact of foreign currency translation on White Mountains' consolidated financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 follows:

| Millions   | Three Months<br>Ended<br>September 30, |           | Nine Months<br>Ended<br>September 30, |           |
|--|--|-----------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
|  | 2013                                   | 2012      | 2013                                  | 2012      |
| Net realized and unrealized investment losses — foreign currency                       | \$(34.8 )                              | \$(52.1 ) | \$(9.0 )                              | \$(49.1 ) |
| Other revenue — foreign currency translation gains                                     | 16.8                                   | 33.1      | 3.4                                   | 33.1      |
| Total foreign currency translation losses recognized through net income, pre-tax       | (18.0 )                                | (19.0 )   | (5.6 )                                | (16.0 )   |
| Income tax expense   | (1.6 )                                 | (.7 )     | (.9 )                                 | (2.0 )    |
| Total foreign currency translation losses recognized through net income, after tax     | (19.6 )                                | (19.7 )   | (6.5 )                                | (18.0 )   |
| Change in foreign currency translation on investments                                  | 75.6                                   | 92.5      | 19.0                                  | 80.6      |
| Change in foreign currency translation on non-investment net liabilities               | (29.3 )                                | (51.1 )   | (11.1 )                               | (45.9 )   |
| Total foreign currency translation gains recognized through other comprehensive income | 46.3                                   | 41.4      | 7.9                                   | 34.7      |
| Total foreign currency gains recognized through comprehensive income                   | \$26.7                                 | \$21.7    | \$1.4                                 | \$16.7    |



At September 30, 2013, White Mountains' investment portfolio included \$1.1 billion in non-U.S. dollar-denominated investments, most of which are held at Sirius International Insurance Corporation ("Sirius International") and are denominated in Swedish kronor or euros. The value of the investments in this portfolio is impacted by changes in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the kronor and between the U.S. dollar and the euro. During the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, the U.S. dollar weakened 5% and 1% against the kronor. During the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, the U.S. dollar weakened 3% and 2% against the euro. These currency movements resulted in approximately \$41 million and \$10 million of pre-tax foreign currency investment gains in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, which are recorded as components of net realized and unrealized investment gains and change in foreign currency translation on investments (recognized through other comprehensive income). During the third quarter and first nine months of 2012, the U.S. dollar weakened 5% against the kronor and weakened 2% and strengthened 1% against the euro. These currency movements resulted in approximately \$40 million and \$32 million of pre-tax foreign currency investment gains for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Sirius International holds a large portfolio of investments that are denominated in U.S. dollars, but its functional currency is the Swedish kronor. When Sirius International prepares its stand-alone GAAP financial statements, it translates its U.S. dollar-denominated investments to Swedish kronor and recognizes the related foreign currency translation gains or losses through income. When White Mountains consolidates Sirius International, it translates Sirius International's stand-alone GAAP financial statements to U.S. dollars and recognizes the foreign currency gains or losses arising from this translation, including those associated with Sirius International's U.S. dollar-denominated investments, through other comprehensive income. Since White Mountains reports its financial statements in U.S. dollars, there is no net effect to adjusted book value per share or to investment returns from foreign currency translation on its U.S. dollar-denominated investments at Sirius International. However, net realized and unrealized investment gains, other revenues and other comprehensive income can be significantly affected during periods of high volatility in the foreign exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the Swedish kronor.

The amount of foreign currency translation on Sirius International's U.S. dollar-denominated investments recognized as an increase of other comprehensive income and a decrease of net income was \$34 million and \$11 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013. The amount of foreign currency translation on Sirius International's U.S. dollar-denominated investments recognized as an increase of other comprehensive income and a decrease of net income was \$39 million and \$35 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2012.

#### Investments by Country of Issue

White Mountains' investment portfolio consists of debt and equity securities issued in over 30 countries worldwide. The United States represents the country of issue for 79% of White Mountains' fixed maturity, common equity and convertible fixed maturity investment portfolio. White Mountains has no direct sovereign risk exposure to European peripheral countries Ireland, Greece, Portugal, Spain and Italy ("peripheral countries"). White Mountains' portfolio includes 0.4% of total fixed maturity, convertible fixed maturity and common equity investments issued from peripheral countries at September 30, 2013. However, White Mountains has indirect exposure to peripheral countries through securities issued from non-peripheral countries as the issuers of the securities could have exposure to peripheral countries.

The following tables list White Mountains' investments in fixed maturities, common equities and convertible fixed maturities at September 30, 2013 categorized as financial or non-financial investments and by country of issue:

| Millions   | September 30,<br>2013<br>Fair value |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Debt securities issued by corporations:                |                                     |
| Non-financial  |                                     |
| Australia  | \$42.5                              |
| Bermuda  | 21.9                                |
| Canada   | 158.9                               |
| France   | 37.0                                |
| Greece   | —                                   |
| Ireland  | 1.6                                 |
| Italy  | 10.9                                |
| Netherlands  | 121.1                               |
| Portugal   | —                                   |
| Spain  | 7.4                                 |
| Sweden   | 26.6                                |
| United Kingdom   | 95.2                                |
| United States  | 1,343.1                             |
| Other  | 24.0                                |
| Total non-financial debt                               | 1,890.2                             |
| Financial  |                                     |
| Australia  | 15.8                                |
| Greece   | —                                   |
| Ireland  | —                                   |
| Italy  | —                                   |
| Netherlands  | 10.2                                |
| Portugal   | —                                   |
| Spain  | —                                   |
| United Kingdom   | 20.2                                |
| United States  | 357.0                               |
| Other  | 23.8                                |
| Total financial debt                                   | 427.0                               |
| Total debt securities issued by corporations           | 2,317.2                             |
| Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities:           |                                     |
| Sweden   | 66.0                                |
| United Kingdom   | 4.2                                 |
| United States  | 1,845.6                             |
| Total mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities      | 1,915.8                             |
| Foreign government, agency and provincial obligations: |                                     |
| Canada   | 46.0                                |
| France   | 50.7                                |
| Germany  | 25.8                                |
| Greece   | —                                   |
| Ireland  | —                                   |
| Italy  | —                                   |
| Japan  | 24.6                                |
| Portugal   | —                                   |
| Spain  | —                                   |

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Sweden  | 285.7     |
| Other   | 10.0      |
| Total foreign government, agency and provincial obligations | 442.8     |
| US Government and agency obligations <sup>(1)</sup>         | 388.2     |
| Municipal obligations <sup>(1)</sup>                        | 5.5       |
| Preferred stocks <sup>(1)</sup>                             | 84.2      |
| Total fixed maturity investments <sup>(2)</sup>             | \$5,153.7 |

<sup>(1)</sup> All securities were issued in the United States.

<sup>(2)</sup> Carrying value includes \$239.7 that is classified as assets held for sale relating to discontinued operations.

| Millions                                     | September 30,<br>2013<br>Fair value |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Common equity securities:                    |                                     |
| Non-financial                                |                                     |
| Canada                                       | \$ 18.1                             |
| Greece                                       | 1.2                                 |
| Ireland                                      | —                                   |
| Italy  | —                                   |
| Japan  | 18.3                                |
| Portugal                                     | .4                                  |
| South Africa                                 | 8.5                                 |
| Spain  | 1.8                                 |
| Switzerland                                  | 7.5                                 |
| United Kingdom                               | 11.9                                |
| United States                                | 662.4                               |
| Other  | 54.2                                |
| Total non-financial common equity securities | 784.3                               |
| Financial                                    |                                     |
| Bermuda                                      | 56.8                                |
| Cayman Islands                               | 4.4                                 |
| Ireland                                      | 3.0                                 |
| United States                                | 260.9                               |
| Other  | 1.3                                 |
| Total financial common equity securities     | 326.4                               |
| Total common equity securities               | \$ 1,110.7                          |
| Convertible fixed maturities:                |                                     |
| Canada                                       | \$ 2.1                              |
| United States                                | 76.6                                |
| Other  | 6.1                                 |
| Total convertible fixed maturity investments | \$ 84.8                             |

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

### Operating Cash and Short-term Investments

Holding company level. The primary sources of cash for the Company and certain of its intermediate holding companies are expected to be distributions and tax sharing payments received from its insurance and reinsurance operating subsidiaries, capital raising activities, net investment income and proceeds from sales and maturities of investments. The primary uses of cash are expected to be repurchases of the Company's common shares, payments on and repurchases/retirements of its debt obligations, dividend payments to holders of the Company's common shares, to non-controlling interest holders of OneBeacon Ltd.'s common shares and to holders of the SIG Preference Shares, purchases of investments, payments to tax authorities, contributions to operating subsidiaries and operating expenses.

Operating subsidiary level. The primary sources of cash for White Mountains' insurance and reinsurance operating subsidiaries are expected to be premium collections, net investment income, proceeds from sales and maturities of investments, contributions from holding companies and capital raising activities. The primary uses of cash are expected to be claim payments, policy acquisition costs, purchases of investments, payments on and repurchases/retirements of its debt obligations, distributions and tax sharing payments made to holding companies and operating expenses.

Both internal and external forces influence White Mountains' financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. Claim settlements, premium levels and investment returns may be impacted by changing rates of inflation and other economic conditions. In many cases, significant periods of time, sometimes several years or more, may lapse between the occurrence of an insured loss, the reporting of the loss to White Mountains and the settlement of the liability for that loss. The exact timing of the payment of claims and benefits cannot be predicted with certainty. White Mountains' insurance and reinsurance operating subsidiaries maintain portfolios of invested assets with varying maturities and a substantial amount of cash and short-term investments to provide adequate liquidity for the payment of claims. Management believes that White Mountains' cash balances, cash flows from operations, routine sales and maturities of investments and the liquidity provided by the WTM Bank Facility are adequate to meet expected cash requirements for the foreseeable future on both a holding company and insurance and reinsurance operating subsidiary level.

### Dividend Capacity

Under the insurance laws of the states and jurisdictions that White Mountains' insurance and reinsurance operating subsidiaries are domiciled, an insurer is restricted with respect to the timing and the amount of dividends it may pay without prior approval by regulatory authorities. Accordingly, there can be no assurance regarding the amount of such dividends that may be paid by such subsidiaries in the future. Following is a description of the dividend capacity of White Mountains' insurance and reinsurance operating subsidiaries:

#### OneBeacon:

OneBeacon Insurance Company ("OBIC"), OneBeacon's primary top tier regulated insurance operating subsidiary, has the ability to pay dividends during any 12-month period without the prior approval of regulatory authorities in an amount set by formula based on the greater of prior year statutory net income or 10% of prior year end statutory surplus, subject to the availability of unassigned funds. Based upon 2012 statutory net income, OBIC has the ability to pay \$330 million of dividends during 2013 without prior approval of regulatory authorities, subject to the availability of unassigned funds. The amount of dividends available to be paid by OBIC in any given year is also subject to cash flow and earnings generated by OBIC's business, which now just comprises the runoff business, as well as to dividends received from its subsidiaries, including Atlantic Specialty Insurance Company ("ASIC"). At December 31, 2012, OBIC had \$0.7 billion of unassigned funds and \$0.9 billion of statutory surplus.

During the fourth quarter of 2012, OneBeacon executed various intercompany reinsurance agreements which, along with other internal capital transactions among its regulated insurance operating subsidiaries, resulted in ASIC becoming the lead insurance company for the ongoing specialty business and OBIC becoming the lead insurance company for the runoff business. Notwithstanding these restructuring transactions, OneBeacon continues to manage

its statutory capital on a combined basis. Although OBIC remains the primary top tier regulated insurance operating subsidiary and maintains sufficient statutory capital to support the runoff business, the majority of the group's statutory capital is now included in ASIC, which is currently a subsidiary of OBIC, to support the ongoing specialty business.

ASIC has the ability to pay dividends during any 12-month period without the prior approval of regulatory authorities in an amount set by formula based on the lesser of net investment income, as defined by statute, or 10% of statutory surplus, in both cases as most recently reported to regulatory authorities, subject to the availability of earned surplus. Given the changes in structure noted above, ASIC will likely require prior approval by regulatory authorities in order to pay dividends until it builds up a historical net investment income stream and earned surplus balance under its new structure. At December 31, 2012, ASIC had negative earned surplus and \$0.7 billion of statutory surplus.

During the first nine months of 2013, ASIC paid a \$190 million extraordinary return of capital to OBIC. During the first nine months of 2013, OBIC paid \$190 million of dividends to its immediate parent.

During the first nine months of 2013, OneBeacon's unregulated insurance operating subsidiaries paid \$17 million of dividends to their immediate parent. At September 30, 2013, OneBeacon's unregulated insurance operating subsidiaries had \$67 million of net unrestricted cash, short-term investments and fixed maturity investments. During the third quarter of 2013, OneBeacon contributed \$55 million to Split Rock.

During the first nine months of 2013, OneBeacon Ltd. paid \$60 million of regular quarterly dividends to its common shareholders. White Mountains received \$45 million of these dividends.

At September 30, 2013, OneBeacon Ltd. and its intermediate holding companies had \$392 million of net unrestricted cash, short-term investments and fixed maturity investments and \$37 million of common equity securities and convertible fixed maturity investments outside of its regulated and unregulated insurance operating subsidiaries.

#### Sirius Group:

Subject to certain limitations under Swedish law, Sirius International is permitted to transfer a portion of its pre-tax income to its Swedish parent companies to minimize taxes (referred to as a group contribution). In 2013, Sirius International currently intends to transfer approximately \$103 million (based on the September 30, 2013 SEK to USD exchange rate) of its 2012 pre-tax income to its Swedish parent companies as a group contribution, \$72 million of which was transferred during the first nine months of 2013.

Sirius International has the ability to pay dividends subject to the availability of unrestricted statutory surplus. Historically, Sirius International has allocated the majority of its pre-tax income, after group contributions to its Swedish parent companies, to the Safety Reserve (see "Safety Reserve" on page 70). At December 31, 2012, Sirius International had \$852 million (based on the December 31, 2012 SEK to USD exchange rate) of unrestricted statutory surplus, which is available for distribution in 2013. The amount of dividends available to be paid by Sirius International in any given year is also subject to cash flow and earnings generated by Sirius International's business, as well as to dividends received from its subsidiaries, including Sirius America Insurance Company ("Sirius America"). During the first nine months of 2013, Sirius International distributed \$79 million of dividends to its immediate parent, \$75 million of which had been declared and accrued in December 2012.

Sirius America has the ability to pay dividends during any twelve-month period without the prior approval of regulatory authorities in an amount set by formula based on the lesser of net investment income, as defined by statute, or 10% of statutory surplus, in both cases as most recently reported to regulatory authorities, subject to the availability of earned surplus. Based upon 2012 statutory net investment income, Sirius America has the ability to pay \$15 million of dividends during 2013 without prior approval of regulatory authorities, subject to the availability of earned surplus. At December 31, 2012, Sirius America had \$56 million of earned surplus and \$528 million of statutory surplus. Sirius America did not pay any dividends to its immediate parent during the first nine months of 2013.

During the first nine months of 2013, Sirius Group distributed \$150 million of dividends to its immediate parent, \$75 million of which had been declared and accrued in December 2012.

At September 30, 2013, Sirius Group and its intermediate holding companies had \$22 million of net unrestricted cash, short-term investments and fixed maturity investments and \$20 million of other long-term investments outside of its regulated and unregulated insurance and reinsurance operating subsidiaries.

#### Capital Maintenance

In connection with Sirius Group's reorganization in October 2011, Sirius International and Sirius America entered into a capital maintenance agreement, which obligates Sirius International to make contributions to Sirius America's surplus in order for Sirius America to maintain surplus equal to at least 125% of the company action level risk based capital as defined in the NAIC Property/Casualty Risk-Based Capital Report. The agreement provides for a maximum contribution to Sirius America of \$200 million. Sirius International also provides Sirius America with accident year stop loss reinsurance, which protects Sirius America's accident year loss and allocated loss adjustment expense ratio in excess of 70%, with a limit of \$110 million.





#### Safety Reserve

Subject to certain limitations under Swedish law, Sirius International is permitted to transfer pre-tax income amounts into an untaxed reserve referred to as a safety reserve. At September 30, 2013, Sirius International's safety reserve amounted to SEK 9.7 billion, or \$1.5 billion (based on the September 30, 2013 SEK to USD exchange rate). Under GAAP, an amount equal to the safety reserve, net of a related deferred tax liability established at the Swedish tax rate of 22.0%, is classified as shareholder's equity. Generally, this deferred tax liability is only required to be paid by Sirius International if it fails to maintain prescribed levels of premium writings and loss reserves in future years. As a result of the indefinite deferral of these taxes, Swedish regulatory authorities apply no taxes to the safety reserve when calculating solvency capital under Swedish insurance regulations. Accordingly, under local statutory requirements, an amount equal to the deferred tax liability on Sirius International's safety reserve (\$331 million at September 30, 2013) is included in solvency capital. Access to the safety reserve is restricted to coverage of insurance and reinsurance losses. Access for any other purpose requires the approval of Swedish regulatory authorities. Similar to the approach taken by Swedish regulatory authorities, most major rating agencies generally include the \$1.5 billion balance of the safety reserve, without any provision for deferred taxes, in Sirius International's capital when assessing Sirius International's financial strength.

#### HG Global/BAM:

HG Global has \$613 million face value of preferred shares outstanding, of which White Mountains owns 97.3%. Holders of the HG Global preferred shares receive cumulative dividends at a fixed annual rate of 6.0% on a quarterly basis, when and if declared by HG Global. HG Global did not declare or pay any preferred dividends in 2012 or the first nine months of 2013. As of September 30, 2013, HG Global has accrued \$45 million of dividends payable to holders of its preferred shares, \$44 million of which is payable to White Mountains and eliminated in consolidation. HG Re is a Special Purpose Insurer subject to regulation and supervision by the BMA, but does not require regulatory approval to pay dividends. However, HG Re's dividend capacity is limited by amounts held in the collateral trusts pursuant to the first loss reinsurance treaty ("FLRT") with BAM. As of December 31, 2012, HG Re had statutory capital of \$412 million, of which \$12 million (which partially relates to accrued interest on the BAM Surplus Notes held by HG Re) was available for dividends to HG Global and \$400 million was held as collateral in the Supplemental Trust pursuant to the FLRT with BAM.

Interest on the BAM Surplus Notes is payable quarterly at a fixed annual rate of 8.0%. BAM manages its affairs on a statutory accounting basis. BAM's statutory surplus includes surplus notes and is not reduced by accruals of interest expense on the surplus notes. Interest and principal payments are subject to approval of the New York Department of Financial Services ("NYDFS"). Interest expense on the BAM Surplus Notes does not reduce BAM's statutory surplus until the payment of the interest is approved by the NYDFS. BAM did not pay any interest on the BAM Surplus Notes in 2012 or the first nine months of 2013. As of September 30, 2013, BAM has accrued \$49 million of interest payable to HG Global on the BAM Surplus Notes. BAM's members' surplus, as reported to regulatory authorities as of December 31, 2012 was \$484 million.

#### Other Operations:

During the first nine months of 2013, WM Advisors did not pay any dividends to its immediate parent. At September 30, 2013, WM Advisors had approximately \$15 million of net unrestricted cash, short-term investments and fixed maturity investments.

At September 30, 2013, the Company and its intermediate holding companies had \$173 million of net unrestricted cash, short-term investments and fixed maturity investments, \$453 million of common equity securities and \$141 million of other long-term investments included in its Other Operations segment. During the first nine months of 2013, White Mountains paid a \$6 million common share dividend.

#### Insurance Float

Insurance float is an important aspect of White Mountains' insurance operations. Insurance float represents funds that an insurance or reinsurance company holds for a limited time. In an insurance or reinsurance operation, float arises

because premiums are collected before losses are paid. This interval can extend over many years. During that time, the insurer or reinsurer invests the funds. When the premiums that an insurer or reinsurer collects do not cover the losses and expenses it eventually must pay, the result is an underwriting loss, which is considered to be the cost of insurance float. One manner in which White Mountains calculates its insurance float is by taking its net investment assets and subtracting its total adjusted capital. Although insurance float can be calculated using numbers determined under GAAP, insurance float is not a GAAP concept and, therefore, there is no comparable GAAP measure.

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Insurance float can increase in a number of ways, including through acquisitions of insurance and reinsurance operations, organic growth in existing insurance and reinsurance operations and recognition of losses that do not cause a corresponding reduction in investment assets. Conversely, insurance float can decrease in a number of other ways, including sales of insurance and reinsurance operations, shrinking or runoff of existing insurance and reinsurance operations, the acquisition of operations that do not have substantial investment assets (e.g., an agency) and the recognition of gains that do not cause a corresponding increase in investment assets. White Mountains has historically obtained its insurance float primarily through acquisitions, as opposed to organic growth. It is White Mountains' intention to generate low-cost float over time through a combination of acquisitions and organic growth in its existing insurance and reinsurance operations. However, White Mountains will seek to increase its insurance float organically only when market conditions allow for an expectation of generating underwriting profits.

Certain operational leverage metrics can be measured with ratios that are calculated using insurance float. There are many activities that do not change the amount of insurance float at an insurance company but can have a significant impact on the company's operational leverage metrics. For example, investment gains and losses, foreign currency gains and losses, debt issuances and repurchases/repayments, common and preferred share issuances and repurchases and dividends paid to shareholders are all activities that do not change insurance float but that can meaningfully impact operational leverage metrics.

The following table illustrates White Mountains' consolidated insurance float position as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

| (\$ in millions)   | September 30,<br>2013 | December 31,<br>2012 |   |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Total investments  | \$7,057.5             | \$7,278.1            |   |
| BAM total cash and investments   | (473.3                | ) (488.4             | ) |
| BAM Surplus Notes held by HG Global  | 503.0                 | 503.0                |   |
| Consolidated limited partnership investments <sup>(1)</sup>  | (47.0                 | ) (91.2              | ) |
| Cash   | 411.0                 | 462.4                |   |
| Investments in unconsolidated affiliates   | 331.7                 | 387.9                |   |
| Equity in net unrealized losses (gains) from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio                          | 25.5                  | (62.8                | ) |
| Cash and investments posted as collateral by WM Life Re <sup>(2)</sup>                                   | (114.8                | ) (393.6             | ) |
| Net investment assets classified within assets held for sale   | 239.7                 | 338.1                |   |
| Accounts receivable on unsettled investment sales  | 38.2                  | 3.9                  |   |
| Accounts payable on unsettled investment purchases   | (28.1                 | ) (11.4              | ) |
| Interest-bearing funds held by ceding companies <sup>(3)</sup>   | 78.9                  | 85.1                 |   |
| Interest-bearing funds held under reinsurance treaties <sup>(4)</sup>                                    | (21.0                 | ) (17.7              | ) |
| Net investment assets  | \$8,001.3             | \$7,993.4            |   |
| Total White Mountains' common shareholders' equity   | \$3,790.0             | \$3,731.8            |   |
| Non-controlling interest—OneBeacon Ltd.  | 263.3                 | 251.4                |   |
| Non-controlling interest—SIG Preference Shares   | 250.0                 | 250.0                |   |
| Debt   | 676.3                 | 751.2                |   |
| Total capital <sup>(1)</sup>   | 4,979.6               | 4,984.4              |   |
| Equity in net unrealized losses (gains) from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio, net of applicable taxes | 23.5                  | (57.7                | ) |
| Total adjusted capital   | \$5,003.1             | \$4,926.7            |   |
| Insurance float  | \$2,998.2             | \$3,066.7            |   |
| Insurance float as a multiple of total adjusted capital  | 0.6x                  | 0.6x                 |   |
| Net investment assets as a multiple of total adjusted capital  | 1.6x                  | 1.6x                 |   |
| Insurance float as a multiple of White Mountains' common shareholders' equity                            | 0.8x                  | 0.8x                 |   |
| Net investment assets as a multiple of White Mountains' common shareholders' equity                      | 2.1x                  | 2.1x                 |   |

(1) Total capital only includes non-controlling interests that White Mountains benefits from the return on or has the ability to utilize the net assets supporting this non-controlling interest.

- (2) Consists of cash, fixed maturity and short-term investments held by WM Life Re and posted as collateral to its variable annuity reinsurance counterparties.
- (3) Excludes funds held by ceding companies from which White Mountains does not receive interest credits.
- (4) Excludes funds held by White Mountains under reinsurance treaties for which White Mountains does not provide interest credits.

During the first nine months of 2013, insurance float decreased by \$69 million, primarily due to the continued runoff of reserves at OneBeacon and runoff of Sirius Group's casualty business and payments of losses incurred in 2010 and 2011 related to major catastrophes, primarily from hurricane Sandy and earthquakes in Chile, Japan and New Zealand. These catastrophe losses increased White Mountains' insurance float when they were first recorded, which is now reversing and decreasing insurance float as the catastrophe losses are paid. Based on September 30, 2013 balances, the closing of the Runoff Transaction is expected to decrease insurance float by approximately \$240 million.

## Financing

The following table summarizes White Mountains' capital structure as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

| (\$ in millions)   | September 30,<br>2013 | December 31,<br>2012 |    |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|----|
| 2012 OBH Senior Notes, carrying value                                  | \$ 274.7              | \$ 274.7             |    |
| SIG Senior Notes, carrying value                                       | 399.5                 | 399.4                |    |
| WTM Bank Facility  | —                     | —                    |    |
| Previous WTM Bank Facility   | —                     | 75.0                 |    |
| Old Lyme Note  | 2.1                   | 2.1                  |    |
| Total debt   | 676.3                 | 751.2                |    |
| Non-controlling interest—OneBeacon Ltd.                                | 263.3                 | 251.4                |    |
| Non-controlling interest—SIG Preference Shares                         | 250.0                 | 250.0                |    |
| Total White Mountains' common shareholders' equity                     | 3,790.0               | 3,731.8              |    |
| Total capital <sup>(1)</sup>   | 4,979.6               | 4,984.4              |    |
| Equity in net unrealized gains from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio | 23.5                  | (57.7)               | )  |
| Total adjusted capital   | \$ 5,003.1            | \$ 4,926.7           |    |
| Total debt to total adjusted capital                                   | 14                    | %                    | 15 |
| Total debt and preference shares to total adjusted capital             | 19                    | %                    | 20 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Total capital only includes non-controlling interests that White Mountains benefits from the return on or has the ability to utilize the net assets supporting this non-controlling interest.

Management believes that White Mountains has the flexibility and capacity to obtain funds externally as needed through debt or equity financing on both a short-term and long-term basis. However, White Mountains can provide no assurance that, if needed, it would be able to obtain additional debt or equity financing on satisfactory terms, if at all. On August 14, 2013, White Mountains entered into a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of lenders administered by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. which has a total commitment of \$425 million and a maturity date of August 14, 2018 (the "WTM Bank Facility"). The WTM Bank Facility replaced White Mountains' previous revolving credit facility administered by Bank of America, N.A., which had a total commitment of \$375 million (the "Previous WTM Bank Facility"). As of December 31, 2012, White Mountains had \$75 million outstanding under the Previous WTM Bank Facility, which the Company repaid in January 2013. As of September 30, 2013, the WTM Bank Facility was undrawn.

The WTM Bank Facility contains various affirmative, negative and financial covenants that White Mountains considers to be customary for such borrowings, including certain minimum net worth and maximum debt to capitalization standards. Failure to meet one or more of these covenants could result in an event of default, which ultimately could eliminate availability under this facility and result in acceleration of principal repayment on any amounts outstanding. At September 30, 2013, White Mountains was in compliance with all of the covenants under the WTM Bank Facility and anticipates it will continue to remain in compliance with these covenants for the foreseeable future.

It is possible that, in the future, one or more of the rating agencies may lower White Mountains' existing ratings. If one or more of its ratings were lowered, White Mountains could incur higher borrowing costs on future borrowings and its ability to access the capital markets could be impacted. In addition, White Mountains' insurance and reinsurance

operating subsidiaries could be adversely impacted by a lowering of their financial strength ratings, including a possible reduction in demand for their products in certain markets.

In November 2012, OneBeacon U.S. Holdings, Inc. ("OBH") issued \$275 million face value of senior unsecured debt (the "2012 OBH Senior Notes") through a public offering, at an issue price of 99.9%. The net proceeds from the issuance of the 2012 OBH Senior Notes were used to repurchase OBH's previously issued Senior Notes. The 2012 OBH Senior Notes, which are fully and unconditionally guaranteed as to the payment of principal and interest by OneBeacon Ltd., bear an annual interest rate of 4.60%, payable semi-annually in arrears on May 9 and November 9, until maturity on November 9, 2022.

The 2012 OBH Senior Notes and the SIG Senior Notes were issued under indentures that contain restrictive covenants which, among other things, limit the ability of OneBeacon, Ltd., OBH, SIG and their respective subsidiaries to create liens and enter into sale and leaseback transactions and limits the ability of OneBeacon, Ltd., OBH, SIG and their respective subsidiaries to consolidate, merge or transfer their properties and assets. The indentures do not contain any financial ratios or specified levels of net worth or liquidity to which OneBeacon, Ltd., OBH or SIG must adhere. At September 30, 2013, OneBeacon, Ltd., OBH and SIG were in compliance with all of the covenants under the 2012 OBH Senior Notes and the SIG Senior Notes, and anticipate they will continue to remain in compliance with these covenants for the foreseeable future.

#### Interest Rate Cap

In May 2007, SIG issued \$250 million non-cumulative perpetual preference shares (the "SIG Preference Shares"), with an initial fixed annual dividend rate of 7.506%. In June 2017, the fixed rate will move to a floating rate equal to the greater of (i) 7.506% and (ii) 3-month LIBOR plus 320 bps. In July 2013, SIG executed a 5-year forward LIBOR cap (the "Interest Rate Cap") for the period from June 2017 to June 2022 to protect against a significant increase in interest rates during that 5-year period. The Interest Rate Cap fixes the annual dividend rate on the SIG Preference Shares from June 2017 to June 2022 at 8.30%. The cost of the Interest Rate Cap was an upfront premium of 395 bps of the \$250 million notional value, or \$10 million for the full notional amount.

#### Share Repurchases

During the past several years, White Mountains' board of directors has authorized the Company to repurchase its common shares, from time to time, subject to market conditions. The repurchase authorizations do not have a stated expiration date. At September 30, 2013, White Mountains may repurchase an additional 545,496 shares under these board authorizations. In addition, from time to time White Mountains has also repurchased its common shares through tender offers that were separately approved by its board of directors.

White Mountains did not repurchase any of its common shares during the third quarter of 2013. During the first nine months of 2013, White Mountains repurchased a total of 141,535 of its common shares for \$80 million at an average share price of \$564, which was 91% of White Mountains' adjusted book value per share of \$622 at September 30, 2013. These repurchases were comprised of (1) 140,000 common shares repurchased in a private transaction under the board authorization for \$79 million at an average share price of \$564; and (2) 1,535 common shares repurchased pursuant to employee benefit plans. Shares repurchased pursuant to employee benefit plans do not fall under the board authorization referred to above.

#### Cash Flows

Detailed information concerning White Mountains' cash flows during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 follows:

Cash flows from operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012

Net cash flows from continuing operations was a source of \$23 million and \$27 million in the first nine months of 2013 and 2012, respectively. A decrease in cash flows from continuing operations in the first nine months of 2013 from the settlements and purchases of derivative instruments at WM Life Re and payments made on losses related to hurricane Sandy was mostly offset by an increase in cash provided by continuing operations at OneBeacon, primarily due to an increase in unrestricted cash collateral held in respect of its surety business. Net cash flows used for discontinued operations was \$94 million and \$156 million in the first nine months of 2013 and 2012, respectively. The cash outflows from discontinued operations in the first nine months of 2013 and 2012 were primarily due to the runoff of reserves related to businesses that OneBeacon has agreed to sell to Armour.

White Mountains does not believe that these trends will have a meaningful impact on its future liquidity or its ability to meet its future cash requirements.





Cash flows from investing and financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2013

Financing and Other Capital Activities

During the first quarter of 2013, the Company declared and paid a \$6 million cash dividend to its common shareholders.

During the first nine months of 2013, the Company repurchased and retired 141,535 of its common shares for \$80 million, which included 1,535 common shares repurchased under employee benefit plans for \$1 million.

During the first quarter of 2013, White Mountains repaid \$75 million that was outstanding under the Previous WTM Credit Facility at December 31, 2012. White Mountains borrowed and repaid a total of \$150 million under the Previous WTM Credit Facility during the first nine months of 2013.

During the first nine months of 2013, OneBeacon Ltd. declared and paid \$60 million of cash dividends to its common shareholders. White Mountains received a total of \$45 million of these dividends.

During the first nine months of 2013, OneBeacon paid a total of \$6 million of interest on the 2012 OBH Senior Notes.

During the third quarter of 2013, OneBeacon contributed \$55 million to Split Rock Insurance, Ltd.

During the first nine months of 2013, Sirius Group paid \$150 million of dividends to its immediate parent, \$75 million of which had been declared and accrued in December 2012.

During the first nine months of 2013, Sirius Group paid \$26 million of interest on the SIG Senior Notes and \$9 million of dividends on the SIG Preference Shares.

During the third quarter of 2013, SIG executed the Interest Rate Cap for \$10 million.

During the first nine months of 2013, White Mountains contributed \$20 million to WM Life Re.

Acquisitions and Dispositions

During the first quarter of 2013, White Mountains Solutions closed on the acquisition of American Fuji Fire and Marine Insurance Company, a small runoff subsidiary of American International Group, for a purchase price of \$10 million.

During the first quarter of 2013, OneBeacon completed the sale of Essentia and received \$31 million as consideration.

Cash flows from investing and financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2012

Financing and Other Capital Activities

During the first quarter of 2012, the Company declared and paid a \$7 million cash dividend to its common shareholders.

During the first nine months of 2012, the Company repurchased and retired 1,037,191 of its common shares for \$518 million, which included 2,561 common shares repurchased under employee benefit plans for \$1 million.

During the first nine months of 2012, OneBeacon Ltd. declared and paid \$60 million of cash dividends to its common shareholders. White Mountains received a total of \$45 million of these dividends.

During the first nine months of 2012, OneBeacon paid a total of \$8 million of interest on the OBH Senior Notes.

During the first nine months of 2012, Sirius Group paid \$25 million of dividends to its immediate parent.

During the first nine months of 2012, Sirius Group paid \$26 million of interest on the SIG Senior Notes and \$9 million of dividends on the SIG Preference Shares.

During the first nine months of 2012, White Mountains contributed \$20 million to WM Life Re.

Acquisitions and Dispositions

In July 2012, HG Global was capitalized with \$609 million of cash, \$595 million of which was contributed by subsidiaries of White Mountains. Subsequently in July 2012, HG Global purchased \$503 million of surplus notes from BAM for cash and contributed \$100 million in cash to HG Re Ltd.

FAIR VALUE CONSIDERATIONS

White Mountains records certain assets and liabilities at fair value in its consolidated financial statements, with changes therein recognized in earnings. In addition, White Mountains records certain liabilities at historical or amortized cost and discloses the estimated fair value of these liabilities in the notes to the consolidated financial

statements. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants (an exit price) at a particular measurement date. Fair value measurements are categorized into a hierarchy that distinguishes between inputs based on market data from independent sources (“observable inputs”) and a reporting entity’s internal assumptions based upon the best information available when external market data is limited or unavailable (“unobservable inputs”). Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets have the highest priority (“Level 1”), followed by observable inputs other than quoted prices including prices for similar but not identical assets or liabilities (“Level 2”), and unobservable inputs, including the reporting entity’s estimates of the assumptions that market participants would use, having the lowest priority (“Level 3”).

Assets and liabilities carried at fair value include substantially all of the investment portfolio; derivative instruments, both exchange traded and over the counter instruments; and reinsurance assumed liabilities associated with variable annuity benefit guarantees. Valuation of assets and liabilities measured at fair value require management to make estimates and apply judgment to matters that may carry a significant degree of uncertainty. In determining its estimates of fair value, White Mountains uses a variety of valuation approaches and inputs. Whenever possible, White Mountains estimates fair value using valuation methods that maximize the use of quoted prices and other observable inputs. Where appropriate, assets and liabilities measured at fair value have been adjusted for the effect of counterparty credit risk.

White Mountains' invested assets that are measured at fair value include fixed maturity investments, common and preferred equity securities, convertible fixed maturity securities and interests in hedge funds and private equity funds. Where available, the estimated fair value of investments is based upon quoted prices in active markets. In circumstances where quoted prices are unavailable, White Mountains uses fair value estimates based upon other observable inputs including matrix pricing, benchmark interest rates, market comparables, and other relevant inputs. Where observable inputs are not available, the estimated fair value is based upon internal pricing models using assumptions that include inputs that may not be observable in the marketplace but which reflect management's best judgment given the circumstances and consistent with what other market participants would use when pricing such instruments.

As of September 30, 2013, approximately 93% of the investment portfolio recorded at fair value was priced based upon quoted market prices or other observable inputs. Investments valued using Level 1 inputs include fixed maturity investments, primarily investments in U.S. Treasuries, common equities and short-term investments, which include U.S. Treasury Bills. Investments valued using Level 2 inputs comprise fixed maturities including corporate debt, state and other governmental debt, convertible fixed maturity securities and mortgage and asset-backed securities. Fair value estimates for investments that trade infrequently and have few or no observable market prices are classified as Level 3 measurements. Level 3 fair value estimates based upon unobservable inputs include White Mountains' investments in hedge funds and private equity funds, as well as investments in certain debt securities, including asset-backed securities, where quoted market prices are unavailable. White Mountains uses brokers and outside pricing services to assist in determining fair values. For investments in active markets, White Mountains uses the quoted market prices provided by outside pricing services to determine fair value. The outside pricing services used by White Mountains have indicated that if no observable inputs are available for a security, they will not provide a price.

In those circumstances, White Mountains estimates the fair value using industry standard pricing models and observable inputs such as benchmark interest rates, matrix pricing, market comparables, broker quotes, issuer spreads, bids, offers, credit rating prepayment speeds and other relevant inputs. White Mountains performs procedures to validate the market prices obtained from the outside pricing sources. Such procedures, which cover substantially all of its fixed maturity investments include, but are not limited to, evaluation of model pricing methodologies and review of the pricing services' quality control processes and procedures on at least an annual basis, comparison of market prices to prices obtained from a different independent pricing vendors on at least a semi-annual basis, monthly analytical reviews of certain prices, and review of assumptions utilized by the pricing service for selected measurements on an ad hoc basis throughout the year. White Mountains also performs back-testing of selected sales activity to determine whether there are any significant differences between the market price used to value the security prior to sale and the actual sale price on an ad-hoc basis throughout the year. Prices provided by the pricing services that vary by more than 5% and \$1.0 million from the expected price based on these procedures are considered outliers. In circumstances where the results of White Mountains' review process do not appear to support the market price provided by the pricing services, White Mountains challenges the price. The fair values of such securities are considered to be Level 3 measurements.

### Variable Annuity Reinsurance Liabilities

White Mountains has entered into agreements to reinsure death and living benefit guarantees associated with certain variable annuities in Japan. White Mountains carries the benefit guarantees at fair value. The fair value of the guarantees is estimated using actuarial and capital market assumptions related to the projected discounted cash flows over the term of the reinsurance agreement. The valuation uses assumptions about surrenders rates, market volatilities and other factors, and includes a risk margin which represents the additional compensation a market participant would require to assume the risks related to the business. The selection of surrender rates, market volatility assumptions, risk margins and other factors require the use of significant management judgment. Assumptions regarding future policyholder behavior, including surrender and lapse rates, are generally unobservable inputs and significantly impact the fair value estimate. Market conditions including, but not limited to, changes in interest rates, equity indices, market volatility and foreign currency exchange rates as well as variations in actuarial assumptions regarding policyholder behavior may result in significant fluctuations in the fair value of the liabilities associated with these guarantees that could materially affect results of operations. All of White Mountains' variable annuity reinsurance liabilities (\$144 million) were classified as Level 3 measurements at September 30, 2013.

WM Life Re projects future surrender rates by year for policies based on a combination of actual experience and expected policyholder behavior. Actual policyholder behavior, either individually or collectively, may differ from projected behavior as a result of a number of factors such as the level of the account value versus guarantee value and applicable surrender charge, views of the primary insurance company's financial strength and ability to pay the guarantee at maturity, annuitants' need for money in a prolonged recession and time remaining to receive the guarantee at maturity. Policyholder behavior is especially difficult to predict given that the types of contracts reinsured by WM Life Re are relatively new to the Japanese market and the recent financial turmoil is unprecedented for this type of product in the Japanese market. Actual policyholder behavior may differ materially from WM Life Re's projections. As of September 30, 2013, WM Life Re's annual surrender assumptions vary from 0.1% currently to 10.8% depending on the level of account value versus guarantee value; at the current levels of account value, the weighted average is approximately 2.4% per annum. The potential increase in the fair value of the liability due to a change in current surrender assumptions is as follows:

| Millions                           | Increase in fair value of liability |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
|                                    | September 30, 2013                  | December 31, 2012 |
| Decrease 50%                       | \$3                                 | \$3               |
| Decrease 100% (to zero surrenders) | \$6                                 | \$5               |

The amounts in the table above could increase in the future if the fair value of the variable annuity guarantee liability changes due to factors other than the surrender assumptions (e.g., a decline in the ratio of the annuitants' aggregate account values to their aggregate guarantee values).

## NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

This report includes three non-GAAP financial measures that have been reconciled to their most comparable GAAP financial measures. White Mountains believes these measures to be more relevant than comparable GAAP measures in evaluating White Mountains' results of operations and financial condition.

Adjusted comprehensive income is a non-GAAP financial measure that excludes the change in equity in net unrealized gains and losses from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio, net of applicable taxes, from comprehensive income. In the calculation of comprehensive income under GAAP, fixed maturity investments are marked-to-market while the liabilities to which those assets are matched are not. Symetra attempts to earn a "spread" between what it earns on its investments and what it pays out on its products. In order to try to fix this spread, Symetra invests in a manner that tries to match the duration and cash flows of its investments with the required cash outflows associated with its life insurance and structured settlements products. As a result, Symetra typically earns the same spread on in-force business whether interest rates fall or rise. Further, at any given time, some of Symetra's structured settlement obligations may extend 40 or 50 years into the future, which is further out than the longest maturing fixed maturity investments regularly available for purchase in the market (typically 30 years). For these long-dated products, Symetra is unable to fully match the obligation with assets until the remaining expected payout schedule comes within the duration of securities available in the market. If at that time, these fixed maturity investments have yields that are lower than the yields expected when the structured settlement product was originally priced, the spread for the product will shrink and Symetra will ultimately harvest lower returns for its shareholders. GAAP comprehensive income increases when rates decline, which would suggest an increase in the value of Symetra - the opposite of what is happening to the intrinsic value of the business. Therefore, White Mountains' management and Board of Directors use adjusted comprehensive income when assessing Symetra's quarterly financial performance. In addition, this measure is typically the predominant component of change in adjusted book value per share, which is used in calculation of White Mountains' performance for both short-term (annual bonus) and long-term incentive plans. The reconciliation of adjusted comprehensive income to comprehensive income is included on page 51.

Adjusted book value per share is a non-GAAP measure which is derived by expanding the GAAP calculation of book value per White Mountains common share to exclude equity in net unrealized gains and losses from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio, net of applicable taxes. In addition, the number of common shares outstanding used in the calculation of adjusted book value per share are adjusted to exclude unearned restricted common shares, the compensation cost of which, at the date of calculation, has yet to be amortized. The reconciliation of adjusted book value per share to GAAP book value per share is included on page 50.

Total capital at White Mountains is comprised of White Mountains' common shareholders' equity, debt and non-controlling interest in OneBeacon Ltd and the SIG Preference Shares. Total adjusted capital excludes the equity in net unrealized gains and losses from Symetra's fixed maturity portfolio, net of applicable taxes from total capital. The reconciliation of total capital to total adjusted capital is included on page 71.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

Refer to the Company's 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K for a complete discussion regarding White Mountains' critical accounting estimates.

## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The information contained in this report may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included or referenced in this report which address activities, events or developments which White Mountains expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. The words "will", "believe," "intend," "expect," "anticipate," "project," "estimate," "predict" and similar expressions are also intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include, among others, statements with respect to White Mountains:

• changes in adjusted book value per share or return on equity;  
• business strategy;  
• financial and operating targets or plans;  
• incurred losses and the adequacy of its loss and LAE reserves and related reinsurance;  
• projections of revenues, income (or loss), earnings (or loss) per share, dividends, market share or other financial forecasts;  
• expansion and growth of its business and operations; and  
• future capital expenditures.

These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by White Mountains in light of its experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors believed to be appropriate in the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will conform with its expectations and predictions is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations, including:

- the risks associated with Item 1A of White Mountains' 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K;
- claims arising from catastrophic events, such as hurricanes, earthquakes, floods or terrorist attacks;
- the continued availability of capital and financing;
- general economic, market or business conditions;
- business opportunities (or lack thereof) that may be presented to it and pursued;
  - competitive forces, including the conduct of other property and casualty insurers and reinsurers;
- changes in domestic or foreign laws or regulations, or their interpretation, applicable to White Mountains, its competitors or its clients;
- an economic downturn or other economic conditions adversely affecting its financial position;
- recorded loss reserves subsequently proving to have been inadequate;
- actions taken by ratings agencies from time to time, such as financial strength or credit ratings downgrades or placing ratings on negative watch; and
- other factors, most of which are beyond White Mountains' control.

Consequently, all of the forward-looking statements made in this report are qualified by these cautionary statements, and there can be no assurance that the actual results or developments anticipated by White Mountains will be realized or, even if substantially realized, that they will have the expected consequences to, or effects on, White Mountains or its business or operations. White Mountains assumes no obligation to update publicly any such forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Refer to White Mountains' 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K and in particular Item 7A. - "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk". As of September 30, 2013, there were no material changes in the market risks as described in White Mountains' most recent Annual Report.

### Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

The Principal Executive Officer ("PEO") and the Principal Financial Officer ("PFO") of White Mountains have evaluated the effectiveness of its disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, the PEO and PFO have concluded that White Mountains' disclosure controls and procedures are adequate and effective.

There were no significant changes with respect to the Company's internal control over financial reporting or in other factors that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended September 30, 2013.

## Part II. OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

Refer to White Mountains' 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K and in particular Item 3. - "Legal Proceedings". As of September 30, 2013, other than what is described below, there were no material changes in the legal proceedings as described in White Mountains' most recent Annual Report.





### Esurance Sale

In 2011, the Company sold its Esurance and Answer Financial businesses (the “Transferred Companies”) to The Allstate Corporation (“Allstate”) for a purchase price of approximately \$1.01 billion. The purchase price consisted of \$700 million plus the tangible book value of the Transferred Companies at the closing, which was estimated to be \$308 million. Following closing, Allstate was required to prepare a final closing statement, including an audited balance sheet for the Transferred Companies as of the closing date. The Company disputed Allstate’s calculation of tangible book value in the closing statement. The amount in dispute was approximately \$20 million.

On August 27, 2013, White Mountains and Allstate reached an agreement settling all disputes relating to the final calculation of tangible book value in the closing statement, as well as the post-closing reserve adjustment for the first interim settlement date. The settlement of the disputed closing statement amounts and the first interim reserve adjustment did not have a material effect on White Mountains’ financial position or results of operations.

### Tribune Company

In June 2011, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, Law Debenture Company of New York and Wilmington Trust Company (collectively referred to as “Plaintiffs”), in their capacity as trustees for certain senior notes issued by the Tribune Company (“Tribune”), filed lawsuits in various jurisdictions (the “Noteholder Actions”) against numerous defendants including OneBeacon, OBIC-sponsored benefit plans and other affiliates of White Mountains in their capacity as former shareholders of Tribune seeking recovery of the proceeds from the sale of common stock of Tribune in connection with Tribune's leveraged buyout in 2007 (the “LBO”). Tribune filed for bankruptcy in 2008 in the Delaware bankruptcy court (the “Bankruptcy Court”). The Bankruptcy Court granted Plaintiffs permission to commence these LBO-related actions. Plaintiffs seek recovery of the proceeds received by the former Tribune shareholders on a theory of constructive fraudulent transfer asserting that Tribune purchased or repurchased its common shares without receiving fair consideration at a time when it was, or as a result of the purchases of shares, was rendered, insolvent. OneBeacon has entered into a joint defense agreement with other affiliates of White Mountains that are defendants in the action. Certain subsidiaries of White Mountains received approximately \$39 million for Tribune common stock tendered in connection with the LBO.

The Court granted an omnibus motion to dismiss the Noteholder Actions in September 2013 and Plaintiffs have filed a notice of appeal.

In addition, OneBeacon, OBIC-sponsored benefit plans and other affiliates of White Mountains in their capacity as former shareholders of Tribune, along with thousands of former Tribune shareholders, have been named as defendants in an adversary proceeding brought by the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of the Tribune Company (the “Committee”), on behalf of the Tribune Company, which seeks to avoid the repurchase of shares by Tribune in the LBO on a theory of intentional fraudulent transfer (the “Committee Action”). Tribune emerged from bankruptcy in 2012, and a litigation trustee replaced the Committee as plaintiff in the Committee Action. The Committee Action is proceeding, pending lifting of the stay and entry of a further scheduling order.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

There have been no material changes to any of the risk factors previously disclosed the Registrant’s 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### Item 2. Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

| Months                      | Total Number of Shares Purchased | Average Price Paid per Share | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plan <sup>(1)</sup> | Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plan <sup>(1)</sup> |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| July 1 - September 30, 2013 | —                                | \$—                          | —  | —  |

|       |   |     |   |         |
|-------|---|-----|---|---------|
| Total | — | \$— | — | 545,496 |
|-------|---|-----|---|---------|

<sup>(1)</sup> On November 17, 2006, White Mountains' board of directors authorized the Company to repurchase up to 1 million of its common shares, from time to time, subject to market conditions. On August 26, 2010 and May 25, 2012, White Mountains' board of directors authorized the Company to repurchase up to an additional 600,000 and 1,000,000, respectively, common shares, for a total authorization of 2.6 million shares. Shares may be repurchased on the open market or through privately negotiated transactions. The repurchase authorization does not have a stated expiration.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

None.

Item 5. Other Information.

On October 25, 2013, OneBeacon Insurance Group, Ltd. and one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, OneBeacon Insurance Group LLC, entered into an amendment to the Stock Purchase Agreement dated as of October 17, 2012 with Trebuchet US Holdings, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Armour Group Holdings Limited (the “Stock Purchase Agreement”), which extended the date on which the parties may terminate the Stock Purchase Agreement from December 31, 2013 to July 31, 2014.

Item 6. Exhibits.

| (a)   | Exhibits |  |
|-------|----------|--|
| 10.1  | —        | \$425,000,000 Credit Agreement, dated August 14, 2013 among the Company, as the Borrower, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and an Issuing Lender, and the other lenders party hereto.*   |
| 11    | —        | Statement Re Computation of Per Share Earnings. **   |
| 31.1  | —        | Principal Executive Officer Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 (a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Amended. *  |
| 31.2  | —        | Principal Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 (a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Amended. *  |
| 32.1  | —        | Principal Executive Officer Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. *  |
| 32.2  | —        | Principal Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. *  |
| 101.1 | —        | The following financial information from White Mountains’ Quarterly Report on Form 10Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2013 formatted in XBRL:<br>(i) Consolidated Balance Sheets, September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012;<br>(ii) Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income, Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012; (iii) Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity, Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012; (iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012; and<br>(v) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. * |

\* Included herein

\*\* Not included as an exhibit as the information is contained elsewhere within this report. See Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

SIGNATURES

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

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.  
(Registrant)

Date: October 28, 2013

By: /s/ J. Brian Palmer  
J. Brian Palmer  
Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer