

Loews Corporation Reports Net Income for the Third Quarter of 2005

October 27, 2005



NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 27, 2005--Loews Corporation (NYSE:LTR;CG) today reported consolidated net income (including both the Loews Group and Carolina Group) for the 2005 third quarter of \$300.0 million, compared to \$278.5 million in the 2004 third quarter. Net income attributable to Loews common stock includes net investment gains of \$34.0 million (after tax and minority interest) compared to net investment losses of \$30.2 million (after tax and minority interest) in the comparable period of the prior year.

Net income and earnings per share information attributable to Loews common stock and Carolina Group stock is summarized in the table below:

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_	September 30,			
		lonths		nths
(In millions, except per share data)		2004		2004
	(Restated)	(F	Restated)
Net income attributable to Loews common stock: Income before net investment				
gains (losses) Net investment gains	\$198.5	\$255.3	\$865.1	\$836.0
(losses) (a)	34.0	(30.2)	38.7	(230.5)
Net income attributable to Loews common stock Net income attributable to	232.5	225.1	903.8	605.5
Carolina Group stock	67.5	53.4	169.7	128.4
Consolidated net income		\$278.5	, ,	
Net income per share:				
Loews common stock		\$1.21		
Carolina Group stock	•	•	•	•
Book value per share of Loews common stock at:				
September 30, 2005	\$69.68			
December 31, 2004	\$66.56			
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⁽a) Includes a loss of \$352.9 (after tax and minority interest) for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 related to CNA's sale of its individual life insurance business.

Impact of Hurricanes on Third Quarter Results

Net income for the three months ended September 30, 2005 includes a loss of \$263.3 million as a result of Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Dennis and Ophelia which impacted the third quarter of 2005 results of Loews's CNA, Diamond Offshore and Boardwalk Pipelines subsidiaries. CNA incurred catastrophe losses of \$268.3 million (after tax and minority interest) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 primarily as a result of the third quarter hurricanes, as compared with losses from hurricanes of \$158.8 million (after tax and minority interest) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004. Diamond Offshore recorded a gain of \$8.9 million (after tax and minority interest) for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as a result of an insurance settlement for a rig destroyed by Hurricane Katrina offset by losses incurred for damage caused to other rigs located in the Gulf of Mexico during the third quarter hurricanes. Boardwalk Pipelines incurred losses of \$3.9 million (after taxes) as a result of various damage and disruption, primarily to its Gulf South pipeline, as a result of the hurricanes.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared With 2004

Net income attributable to Loews common stock for the third quarter of 2005 amounted to \$232.5 million or \$1.25 per share, compared to \$225.1 million or \$1.21 per share in the comparable period of the prior year.

Net income attributable to Carolina Group stock for the third quarter of 2005 was \$67.5 million or \$0.99 per Carolina Group share, compared to \$53.4 million or \$0.92 per Carolina Group share in the third quarter of 2004. The Company is issuing a separate press release reporting the results of the Carolina Group for the third quarter of 2005.

Consolidated revenues in the third quarter of 2005 amounted to \$4.1 billion compared to \$3.8 billion in the comparable 2004 quarter.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared With 2004

Loews consolidated net income (including both the Loews Group and Carolina Group) for the first nine months of 2005 was \$1,073.5 million, compared to \$733.9 million in the comparable period of the prior year.

Net income attributable to Loews common stock for the first nine months of 2005 amounted to \$903.8 million or \$4.86 per share, compared to \$605.5 million or \$3.26 per share in the comparable period of the prior year. Net income attributable to Loews common stock includes net investment gains of \$38.7 million (after tax and minority interest) compared to net investment losses of \$230.5 million (after tax and minority interest) in the comparable period of the prior year due primarily to a 2004 loss of \$352.9 million (after tax and minority interest) for CNA's sale of its individual life insurance business. The results for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 include a benefit of \$109.2 million related to a federal income tax settlement due primarily to net refund interest and the release of federal income tax reserves at CNA.

Net income attributable to Carolina Group stock for the first nine months of 2005 was \$169.7 million or \$2.49 per Carolina Group share, compared to \$128.4 million or \$2.21 per Carolina Group share in the comparable period of the prior year.

Consolidated revenues in the first nine months of 2005 amounted to \$11.9 billion compared to \$11.2 billion in the comparable period of the prior year. The increase in revenues is primarily due to the acquisition of Gulf South during December 2004, improved results at Diamond Offshore and the absence of a loss recorded in 2004 related to CNA's sale of its individual life business.

At September 30, 2005, there were 185,746,595 shares of Loews common stock outstanding and 68,180,678 shares of Carolina Group stock outstanding. Depending on market conditions, the Company from time to time purchases shares of its, and its subsidiaries', outstanding common stock in the open market or otherwise.

The Company has two classes of common stock, Carolina Group stock, a tracking stock intended to reflect the economic performance of a group of the Company's assets and liabilities, called the Carolina Group, principally consisting of the Company's subsidiary Lorillard, Inc. and Loews common stock, representing the economic performance of the Company's remaining assets, including the interest in the Carolina Group not represented by Carolina Group Stock. At September 30, 2005, the outstanding Carolina Group stock represents a 39.27% economic interest in the economic performance of the Carolina Group.

A conference call to discuss the third quarter results of Loews Corporation has been scheduled for 11:00 a.m. EDT, Thursday, October 27, 2005. A live broadcast of the call will be available online at the Loews Corporation website (www.loews.com). Please go to the website at least ten minutes before the event begins to register and to download and install any necessary audio software. Those interested in participating in the question and answer session of the conference call should dial (877) 692-2592. An online replay will be available at the Company's website following the call.

A conference call to discuss the third quarter results of CNA has been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. EDT, Thursday, October 27, 2005. A live broadcast of the call will be available online at the CNA website (http://investor.cna.com). Please go to the website at least ten minutes before the event begins to register and to download and install any necessary audio software. Those interested in participating in the question and answer session of the conference call should dial (800) 811-0677. An online replay will be available at CNA's website following the call.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements contained in this press release which are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements are inherently uncertain and subject to a variety of risks that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expected by management. A discussion of the important risk factors and other considerations that could materially impact these matters as well as the Company's overall business and financial performance can be found in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and readers of this release are urged to review those reports carefully when considering these forward-looking statements. Copies of these reports are available through the Company's website (www.loews.com). Given these risk factors, investors and analysts should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Any such forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this press release. The Company expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement to reflect any change in the Company's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any forward-looking statement is based.

Loews Corporation and Subsidiaries Financial Review

September 30,				
Three Months Nine Months				
2005	2004 (f)	2005	2004 (f)	
	(Restated)		(Restated)	
(Amounts	in millions,	except pe	r share data)	

Revenues: Insurance premiums and net investment income				
(a) Manufactured products	\$2,541.5	\$2,291.8	\$7,222.5	\$7,146.5
(b) Other (c) (d)			2,771.2 1,916.1	
Total -	4,137.9	3,786.7	11,909.8	11,195.7
Expenses: Insurance claims & policyholders' benefits	1,871.4	1,596.1	4,886.4	4,854.8
Cost of manufactured products sold (b) Other			1,662.4 3,719.2	
- Total	3,686.7	3,382.7	10,268.0	10,150.0
-	451.2	404.0	1,641.8	1,045.7
Income tax expense Minority interest			446.6 121.7	
Total -	151.2	125.5	568.3	311.8
Net income =	\$300.0 ======	•	\$1,073.5	•
Net income attributable				
to: Loews common stock Carolina Group stock (e)	\$232.5 67.5	\$225.1 53.4	\$903.8 169.7	\$605.5 128.4
_	\$300.0	\$278.5	\$1,073.5	\$733.9
Diluted net income per share of Loews common				
stock =	\$1.25 =======	\$1.21 =======		\$3.26 =======
Diluted net income per share of Carolina Group stock	\$0.99 =======	•		\$2.21
Weighted diluted number of		=		=
shares: Loews common stock Carolina Group stock	186.03 68.23	185.62 57.98		185.62 57.99

- (a) Includes investment gains (losses) of \$60.0, \$(49.6), \$69.7 and \$(409.4) for the respective periods. The nine months ended September 30, 2004 includes a loss of \$618.6 related to CNA's sale of its individual life business.
- (b) Includes excise taxes of \$176.2, \$167.9, \$511.4 and \$493.6 paid on sales of manufactured products for the respective periods.
- (c) Includes net refund interest of \$129.7 from a federal income tax settlement in the second quarter of 2005.
- (d) Includes income of \$179.3 (\$116.5 after taxes) in the three and

- nine months ended September 30, 2004 from an affiliate's sale of four ultra-large crude oil tankers.
- (e) Represents 39.26%, 33.43%, 39.23% and 33.43% of the economic interest in the Carolina Group for the respective periods.
- (f) Restated to correct CNA's accounting for several reinsurance contracts, primarily with a former affiliate, and CNA's equity accounting for that affiliate.

Loews Corporation and Subsidiaries Additional Financial Information

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	September 30,			
	Three Months Nine Mont			nths
	2005	2004 (i)	2005	
		(Restated)		
		(In mill	ions)	
Revenues: CNA Financial	ĊO 4EO 0	40 200 <i>6</i>	č7 200 2	ċ7 664 4
Lorillard (a)		\$2,380.6 886.7		
Boardwalk Pipelines		47.2		
Diamond Offshore		209.7		
Loews Hotels		66.9		
<pre>Investment income-net and other (b) Income from trading</pre>				
portfolio	62.5	11.5	9.7	64.6
Other (c)	59.3	233.7	173.5	337.4
	4,077.9	3,836.3	11,840.1	11,605.1
Investment (losses) gains:				
CNA Financial (d)				(411.4)
Corporate and other		12.6		
		(49.6)		
Total		\$3,786.7 ======		\$11,195.7
Income Before Taxes:				
CNA Financial	\$(101.0)	\$(7.0)	\$474.2	\$513.1
Lorillard (e)	200.0	210.8	535.2	
Boardwalk Pipelines	7.6	1.8	93.2	53.3
Diamond Offshore		1.4		
Loews Hotels Investment income-net and other (b)	5.5	(1.2)	45.1	23.1
Income from trading		.		.
portfolio Other (c) (f)	62.5 (9.4)	11.5 150.2	9.7 (79.1)	64.6 86.0
		367.5		
Investment (losses) gains:				
CNA Financial (d)	67.1	(62.2)	76.3	(411.4)
Corporate and other	(7.0)	12.4	(5.8)	1.8
		(49.8)		
Loews common stock	343.3	317.7	1,363.9	836.4

Carolina Group stock (g)	107.9	86.3	277.9	209.3
Total	\$451.2	•	\$1,641.8	
Net Income:	=======			
CNA Financial (h)	¢(31-2)	¢17 7	\$400.1	¢375 6
Lorillard (e)			326.9	
Boardwalk Pipelines			56.1	
Diamond Offshore			74.7	
Loews Hotels			32.7	
Investment income-net and	3.7	(0.0)	32.7	11.0
other (b)				
Income from trading				
portfolio	40.6	7.5	6.3	42.0
Other (c) (f)	15.0			
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	198.5	255.3	865.1	836.0
Investment (losses) gains:				
CNA Financial (d)	38.6	(38.2)	42.1	(231.6)
Corporate and other			(3.4)	
	34.0	(30.2)	38.7	(230.5)
Loews common stock	232.5	225.1	903.8	605.5
Carolina Group stock (q)			169.7	
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Total	\$300.0 ======	•	\$1,073.5	•
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- (a) Includes excise taxes of \$176.2, \$167.9, \$511.4 and \$493.6 paid on sales of manufactured products for the respective periods.
- (b) Consists primarily of corporate investment income, interest expenses, the operations of Bulova Corporation, equity earnings of Majestic Shipping Corporation and other unallocated expenses.
- (c) Includes income of \$179.3 (\$116.5 after taxes) in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 from an affiliate's sale of four ultra-large crude oil tankers.
- (d) Includes an impairment loss of \$618.6 (\$352.9 after tax and minority interest) related to CNA's sale of its individual life insurance business for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.
- (e) The Loews Group's intergroup interest in the earnings of the Carolina Group declined from 66.57% in 2004 to 60.73% in 2005 due primarily to the sale of Carolina Group stock by Loews in December of 2004.
- (f) Includes additional interest expense of \$35.5 and \$17.0 (\$23.1 and \$11.1 after taxes) related to charges from the early redemption of the Company's long-term debt for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively.
- (g) Represents 39.26%, 33.43%, 39.23% and 33.43% of the economic interest in the Carolina Group for the respective periods.
- (h) Includes a benefit of \$104.4, for the nine months ended September 30, 2005, relating primarily to net refund interest and the release of federal income tax reserves.
- (i) Restated to correct CNA's accounting for several reinsurance contracts, primarily with a former affiliate, and CNA's equity accounting for that affiliate.

Carolina Group Reports Net Income for the Third Quarter Of 2005

Loews Corporation (NYSE:LTR) today reported Carolina Group net income for the 2005 third quarter of \$172.0 million, compared to \$159.9 million in the 2004 third quarter. Net income attributable to Carolina Group stock (NYSE:CG) for the third quarter of 2005 was \$67.5 million, or \$0.99 per share of Carolina Group stock, compared to \$53.4 million, or \$0.92 per share in the comparable period of the prior year.

The increase in net income attributable to Carolina Group stock for the third quarter of 2005, as compared to the corresponding period of the prior year, reflects the sale by Loews Corporation of 10,000,000 shares of Carolina Group stock in December of 2004. Net income per share of Carolina Group stock was not impacted by the sale of Carolina Group stock in December of 2004. Carolina Group stock represents a 39.26% and 33.43% economic interest in the Carolina Group for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively. Net income also increased due to \$3.3 million (\$2.1 million after taxes) of improved performance of limited partnership investments.

Net sales for the Carolina Group were \$928.4 million in the third quarter of 2005, compared to \$879.3 million in the 2004 third quarter, reflecting an increase in unit sales volume of 3.3%.

Carolina Group net income for the first nine months of 2005 was \$432.6 million, compared to \$384.3 million in the comparable period of the prior year. Net income attributable to Carolina Group stock for the first nine months of 2005 was \$169.7 million, or \$2.49 per share of Carolina Group stock, compared to \$128.4 million, or \$2.21 per share in the comparable period of the prior year. The increase in net income attributable to Carolina Group stock reflects the December of 2004 sale by Loews Corporation of Carolina Group stock discussed above. Net income also increased due to \$2.9 million (\$1.7 million after taxes) of improved performance of limited partnership investments.

Net sales for the Carolina Group were \$2.652 billion in the first nine months of 2005, compared to \$2.515 billion in the comparable period of the prior year. The increase in net sales reflects an increase in unit sales volume of 3.1% and reduced sales promotion expenses (accounted for as a reduction in net sales).

Results of operations of the Carolina Group include interest expense of \$22.0, \$24.4, \$65.4 and \$73.3 million, net of taxes, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively, on notional intergroup debt. At September 30, 2005, \$1.71 billion principal amount of notional intergroup debt was outstanding.

The Carolina Group stock, commonly called a tracking stock, is intended to reflect the economic performance of a defined group of the Company's assets and liabilities, referred to as the Carolina Group, principally consisting of the Company's subsidiary Lorillard, Inc. The Carolina Group, a notional group, is not a separate legal entity. The purpose of this financial information is to provide investors with additional information to use in analyzing the results of operations and financial condition of the Carolina Group, and this financial information should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial information of Loews Corporation.

As of September 30, 2005, there were 68,180,678 shares of Carolina Group stock outstanding representing a 39.27% economic interest. Depending on market conditions, the Company, for the account of the Carolina Group, from time to time may purchase shares of Carolina Group stock in the open market or otherwise.

A separate press release reporting Loews Corporation's consolidated results for the third quarter of 2005 is being issued contemporaneously with this report.

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Carolina Group Financial Review

September 3	2 ()

	Three Months			
	2005	2004	2005	2004
				share data)
Net sales (a)	\$928.4	\$879.3	\$2,651.8	\$2,515.3
Cost of sales (a) (b) Selling, advertising and administrative	543.9	504.8	1,605.0	1,504.4
			282.5	
Total operating costs and expenses	639.2	589.9	1,887.5	1,792.8
Operating income Investment income and	289.2	289.4	764.3	722.5
other (c) (d)			51.0 (107.0	23.1 (119.4)
Income before income taxes	s 274.9	258.2	708.3	626.2

Income taxes	102.9	98.3	275.7	241.9
Net income Earnings attributable to	172.0	159.9	432.6	384.3
the Loews Group intergroup interest (e)	104.5	106.5	262.9	255.9
Income attributable to Carolina Group shareholders (f)	\$67.5 =======	\$53.4 =======	\$169.7 =======	\$128.4 =======
Per share of Carolina Group stock	\$0.99 =======	\$0.92	\$2.49 =======	\$2.21 =======
Weighted diluted shares (g)	68.23 ======	57.97	68.14 =======	57.97 ======

Notional intergroup debt owed by the Carolina Group to the Loews Group September 30. 2005

September 30, 2005 \$1,709.8 December 31, 2004 1,871.2

- (a) Includes excise taxes of \$176.2, \$167.9, \$511.4 and \$493.6 for the respective periods.
- (b) Includes charges of \$223.9, \$213.6, \$658.2 and \$649.0 (\$140.8, \$132.8, \$402.0 and \$398.3 after taxes) to accrue obligations under the State Settlement Agreements for the respective periods.
- (c) Includes \$6.1 of interest income, for the nine months ended September 30, 2005, relating to a federal income tax settlement.
- (d) Includes income from limited partnership investments of \$6.4, \$3.1, \$12.8 and \$9.9 (\$4.0, \$1.9, \$7.8 and \$6.1 after taxes) for the respective periods.
- (e) The Loews Group's intergroup interest in the earnings of the Carolina Group reflected share equivalents amounting to 105,445,000 shares of 173,625,678 share and share equivalents outstanding in 2005 and share equivalents amounting to 115,445,000 shares of 173,411,750 share and share equivalents outstanding in 2004. As of September 30, 2005, there were 68,180,678 shares of Carolina Group stock outstanding.
- (f) Represents 39.26%, 33.43%, 39.23% and 33.43% of the economic interest in the Carolina Group for the respective periods presented.
- (g) Earnings per share-assuming dilution and earnings per share-basic are the same for all periods presented because securities that could potentially dilute earnings per share in the future are insignificant or antidilutive.

Carolina Group Supplemental Information

The following information regarding unit volume shipped by Lorillard Tobacco Company to its direct buying customers by brand follows (all units in thousands):

September 30,

Three	Months	Nine	Months
2005	2004	2005	2004

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Full Price Brands				
Total Kent Family Total True	180,261 148,488 9,798	215,505 167,970 11,364	24,429,603 543,561 436,980 29,737 4,755	651,127 502,193 34,677
Total Full Price Brands			25,444,636	
Price/Value Brands				
Total Old Gold Total Maverick			633,519 631,534	
Total Price/Value Brands	· ·	•	1,265,053	
Total Domestic Cigarettes	9,100,523	8,849,456	26,709,689	25,920,881
Total Puerto Rico and U.S. Possessions	233,970	•	621,354	,

Notes:

Grand Total

- 1. This information is unaudited and is not adjusted for returns.
- 2. Domestic unit volume includes units sold as well as promotional units, and excludes volumes for Puerto Rico and U.S. Possessions.

9,334,493 9,036,975 27,331,043 26,519,740 ______

- 3. Unit volume for a quarter is not necessarily indicative of unit volume for any subsequent period.
- 4. Unit volume is not necessarily indicative of the level of revenues for any period.

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