

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2005

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 1-6541

**LOEWS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

13-2646102  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

667 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10021-8087  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(212) 521-2000  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**NOT APPLICABLE**  
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes ☐ No ☒

Class	Outstanding at October 21, 2005
Common stock, \$1.00 par value	185,746,595 shares
Carolina Group stock, \$0.01 par value	68,182,178 shares

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# PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Financial Statements.

### Loews Corporation and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(In millions)</b>		
<b>Assets:</b>		
Investments:		
Fixed maturities, amortized cost of \$32,903.5 and \$32,435.1	\$ 33,554.9	\$ 33,502.1
Equity securities, cost of \$815.4 and \$501.5	963.2	664.1
Limited partnership investments	1,898.3	1,783.4
Other investments	31.3	42.1
Short-term investments	10,062.1	8,306.8
Total investments	46,509.8	44,298.5
Cash	203.0	219.9
Receivables	17,538.0	18,696.2
Property, plant and equipment	4,883.8	4,840.7
Deferred income taxes	719.9	640.9
Goodwill and other intangible assets	296.5	294.1
Other assets	2,697.2	2,808.7
Deferred acquisition costs of insurance subsidiaries	1,234.1	1,268.1
Separate account business	553.7	567.8
Total assets	\$ 74,636.0	\$ 73,634.9
<b>Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:</b>		
Insurance reserves:		
Claim and claim adjustment expense	\$ 31,435.3	\$ 31,523.0
Future policy benefits	6,181.0	5,882.5
Unearned premiums	4,343.0	4,522.1
Policyholders' funds	1,587.6	1,724.6
Total insurance reserves	43,546.9	43,652.2
Payable for securities purchased	1,919.3	595.5
Collateral on loaned securities and derivatives	2,006.2	918.0
Short-term debt	69.3	1,010.1
Long-term debt	5,167.1	5,980.2
Reinsurance balances payable	2,648.6	2,980.8
Other liabilities	4,133.6	4,094.5
Separate account business	553.7	567.8
Total liabilities	60,044.7	59,799.1
Minority interest	1,768.3	1,679.8
Shareholders' equity	12,823.0	12,156.0
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 74,636.0	\$ 73,634.9

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements.

**Loews Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME**

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
(In millions, except per share data)		(Restated - See Note 17)		(Restated - See Note 17)
Revenues:				
Insurance premiums	\$ 1,873.5	\$ 1,946.0	\$ 5,684.3	\$ 6,218.3
Net investment income	608.0	395.4	1,468.5	1,337.6
Investment gains (losses)	60.0	(49.6)	69.7	(409.4)
Manufactured products (including excise taxes of \$176.2, \$167.9, \$511.4 and \$493.6)	968.3	918.0	2,771.2	2,625.5
Other	628.1	576.9	1,916.1	1,423.7
Total	4,137.9	3,786.7	11,909.8	11,195.7
Expenses:				
Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits	1,871.4	1,596.1	4,886.4	4,854.8
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs	415.5	373.8	1,167.6	1,114.1
Cost of manufactured products sold	562.6	523.7	1,662.4	1,558.6
Other operating expenses	763.3	815.8	2,262.1	2,376.6
Interest	73.9	73.3	289.5	245.9
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	104.6	121.4	446.6	292.6
Minority interest	46.6	4.1	121.7	19.2
Total	151.2	125.5	568.3	311.8
Net income	\$ 300.0	\$ 278.5	\$ 1,073.5	\$ 733.9
Net income attributable to:				
Loews common stock	\$ 232.5	\$ 225.1	\$ 903.8	\$ 605.5
Carolina Group stock	67.5	53.4	169.7	128.4
Total	\$ 300.0	\$ 278.5	\$ 1,073.5	\$ 733.9
Basic net income per share:				
Loews common share	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.21	\$ 4.87	\$ 3.26
Carolina Group share	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.92	\$ 2.49	\$ 2.21
Diluted net income per share:				
Loews common share	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.21	\$ 4.86	\$ 3.26
Carolina Group share	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.92	\$ 2.49	\$ 2.21
Basic weighted average number of shares outstanding:				
Loews common stock	185.72	185.49	185.66	185.48
Carolina Group stock	68.13	57.97	68.06	57.97
Diluted weighted average number of shares outstanding				
Loews common stock	186.03	185.62	185.93	185.62
Carolina Group stock	68.23	57.98	68.14	57.99

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements.

**Loews Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

Nine Months Ended September 30		2005		2004	
(In millions)				(Restated - See Note 17)	
Operating Activities:					
Net income		\$	1,073.5	\$	733.9
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities - net			125.9		636.5
Changes in operating assets and liabilities-net:					
Reinsurance receivables			1,238.4		(891.7)
Other receivables			36.6		356.9
Federal income tax			(93.7)		620.2
Prepaid reinsurance premiums			214.0		439.5
Deferred acquisition costs			34.0		149.5
Insurance reserves and claims			(106.3)		488.3
Reinsurance balances payable			(331.2)		(256.5)
Other liabilities			37.5		(179.8)
Trading securities			(273.5)		97.4
Other-net			(157.3)		148.8
			1,797.9		2,343.0
Investing Activities:					
Purchases of fixed maturities			(60,542.6)		(57,359.8)
Proceeds from sales of fixed maturities			52,321.8		44,529.6
Proceeds from maturities of fixed maturities			8,850.5		7,552.7
Purchases of equity securities			(359.6)		(401.3)
Proceeds from sales of equity securities			291.4		548.3
Purchases of property, plant and equipment			(317.1)		(195.7)
Proceeds from sales of property and equipment			15.3		30.0
Change in collateral on loaned securities and derivatives			1,088.2		(326.0)
Sales of businesses					647.1
Proceeds from casualty loss of Ocean Warwick			44.1		
Change in short-term investments			(1,434.7)		2,799.0
Change in other investments			186.8		(21.1)
			144.1		(2,197.2)
Financing Activities:					
Dividends paid			(176.5)		(162.6)
Dividends paid to minority interests			(14.6)		(11.1)
Purchases of treasury shares by subsidiary					(18.1)
Issuance of common stock			12.7		1.7
Principal payments on debt			(3,203.0)		(557.0)
Issuance of debt			1,418.0		546.9
Returns and deposits of policyholder account balances on investment contracts					10.3
Other			4.5		2.4
			(1,958.9)		(187.5)
Net change in cash			(16.9)		(41.7)
Cash, beginning of period			219.9		180.8
Cash, end of period		\$	203.0	\$	139.1

*See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements.*

**Loews Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**1. Basis of Presentation**

Loews Corporation is a holding company. Its subsidiaries are engaged in the following lines of business: commercial property and casualty insurance (CNA Financial Corporation (“CNA”), a 91% owned subsidiary); the production and sale of cigarettes (Lorillard, Inc. (“Lorillard”), a wholly owned subsidiary); the operation of interstate natural gas transmission pipeline systems (Boardwalk Pipelines, LLC (“Boardwalk Pipelines”), a wholly owned subsidiary); the operation of offshore oil and gas drilling rigs (Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. (“Diamond Offshore”), a 55% owned subsidiary); the operation of hotels (Loews Hotels Holding Corporation (“Loews Hotels”), a wholly owned subsidiary) and the distribution and sale of watches and clocks (Bulova Corporation (“Bulova”), a wholly owned subsidiary). Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms “Company,” “Loews” and “Registrant” as used herein mean Loews Corporation excluding its subsidiaries.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements reflect all adjustments (consisting of only normal recurring accruals) necessary to present fairly the financial position as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 and the results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 and changes in cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

Net income for the third quarter and the first nine months of each of the years is not necessarily indicative of net income for that entire year.

Reference is made to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the 2004 Annual Report on Form 10-K/A which should be read in conjunction with these Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements.

The Company’s indirect wholly owned subsidiary, Boardwalk Pipeline Partners, LP, has filed a Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a proposed initial public offering of its common units. Prior to completing its initial public offering, Boardwalk Pipeline Partners, LP would become the holder of all of the outstanding equity of Boardwalk Pipelines, the parent company of Texas Gas and Gulf South.

In the fourth quarter of 2004, investment gains (losses) related to the Corporate trading portfolio were reclassified to net investment income on the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income. Prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no impact on net income (loss) in any period.

Accounting changes - In December of 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued a complete replacement of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (“SFAS”) No. 123, “Share-Based Payment” (“SFAS No. 123R”), which covers a wide range of share-based compensation arrangements, including share options, restricted share plans, performance-based awards, share appreciation rights, and employee share purchase plans. SFAS No. 123R requires companies to use the fair value method in accounting for employee stock options which results in compensation expense recorded in the income statement. Compensation expense is measured at the grant date using an option-pricing model and is recognized over the service period, which is usually the vesting period. In March of 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) issued Staff Accounting Bulletin (“SAB”) No. 107, “Share-Based Payment.” This bulletin summarizes the SEC staff’s views regarding the valuation of share-based payment arrangements for public companies and the interaction between SFAS No. 123R and certain SEC rules and regulations. In April of 2005, the SEC issued an amendment to Rule 4-01(a) of Regulation S-X regarding the compliance date for SFAS No. 123R. SFAS No. 123R is effective for the first interim or annual reporting period of the first fiscal year beginning on or after June 15, 2005. The adoption of SFAS No. 123R and SAB No. 107 are not expected to have a significant impact on the Company’s results of operations or equity.

In March of 2005, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 47, “Accounting for Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations,” which clarifies when an entity is required to recognize a liability for the fair value of a conditional asset retirement obligation and will be effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2005, with earlier adoption encouraged. The Company is currently evaluating the impact this interpretation may have on its results of operations or equity.

On June 29, 2005, the Emerging Issues Task Force (“EITF”) reached a consensus on EITF Issue No. 04-5, “Determining Whether a General Partner, or the General Partners as a Group, Controls a Limited Partnership or Similar Entity When the Limited Partners Have Certain Rights.” EITF No. 04-5 is effective no later than the

beginning of the first reporting period in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. EITF No. 04-5 is not expected to have a significant impact on the results of operations or equity of the Company.

Stock option plans - The Company has elected to follow APB No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees" and related interpretations in accounting for its employee stock options and awards. Under APB No. 25, no compensation expense is recognized when the exercise prices of options equal the fair value (market price) of the underlying stock on the date of grant.

SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," requires the Company to disclose pro forma information regarding option grants made to its employees. SFAS No. 123 specifies certain valuation techniques that produce estimated compensation charges for purposes of valuing stock option grants. These amounts have not been included in the Company's Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income, in accordance with APB No. 25. Several of the Company's subsidiaries also maintain their own stock option plans. The pro forma effect of applying SFAS No. 123 includes the Company's share of expense related to its subsidiaries' plans as well. The Company's pro forma net income and the related basic and diluted net income per Loews common and Carolina Group shares would have been as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions, except per share data)</b>				
<b>Net income:</b>				
Loews common stock:				
Net income as reported	\$ 232.5	\$ 225.1	\$ 903.8	\$ 605.5
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under the fair value based method, net	(1.3)	(1.2)	(3.9)	(3.7)
Pro forma net income	\$ 231.2	\$ 223.9	\$ 899.9	\$ 601.8
Carolina Group stock:				
Net income as reported	\$ 67.5	\$ 53.4	\$ 169.7	\$ 128.4
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under the fair value based method, net			(0.1)	(0.1)
Pro forma net income	\$ 67.5	\$ 53.4	\$ 169.6	\$ 128.3
<b>Basic net income per share:</b>				
Loews common stock:				
As reported	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.21	\$ 4.87	\$ 3.26
Pro forma	1.24	1.21	4.85	3.24
Carolina Group stock:				
As reported	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.92	\$ 2.49	\$ 2.21
Pro forma	0.99	0.92	2.49	2.21
<b>Diluted net income per share:</b>				
Loews common stock:				
As reported	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.21	\$ 4.86	\$ 3.26
Pro forma	1.24	1.21	4.84	3.24
Carolina Group Stock:				
As reported	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.92	\$ 2.49	\$ 2.21
Pro forma	0.99	0.92	2.49	2.21

Comprehensive income (loss) - Comprehensive income (loss) includes all changes to shareholders' equity, except those resulting from investments by shareholders and distributions to shareholders. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, comprehensive income (loss) totaled \$(27.9) million, \$825.2 million, \$828.4 million and \$564.0 million, respectively. Comprehensive income (loss) includes net income, unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments and foreign currency translation gains or losses.

## 2. Investments

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
<b>Net investment income consisted of:</b>				
Fixed maturity securities	\$ 397.0	\$ 399.8	\$ 1,194.4	\$ 1,204.0
Short-term investments	53.8	17.8	129.7	48.4
Limited partnerships	78.7	28.0	202.1	140.5
Equity securities	7.8	5.1	21.4	14.4
Income (loss) from trading portfolio	103.8	(9.0)	34.8	77.7
Interest expense on funds withheld and other deposits	(49.2)	(54.1)	(138.6)	(156.8)
Other	8.6	14.4	63.6	43.3
Total investment income	600.5	402.0	1,507.4	1,371.5
Investment expenses	7.5	(6.6)	(38.9)	(33.9)
Net investment income	\$ 608.0	\$ 395.4	\$ 1,468.5	\$ 1,337.6

### Investment gains (losses) are as follows:

Derivative instruments	\$ 53.1	\$ (105.8)	\$ 34.4	\$ (88.4)
Fixed maturities	14.3	39.2	14.4	90.3
Equity securities, including short positions	7.8	10.0	48.0	187.2
Short-term investments	1.1		(2.0)	1.0
Other, including guaranteed separate account business (a)	(16.3)	7.0	(25.1)	(599.5)
Investment gains (losses)	60.0	(49.6)	69.7	(409.4)
Income tax (expense) benefit	(22.4)	16.1	(28.0)	156.8
Minority interest	(3.6)	3.6	(3.5)	22.3
Investment gains (losses) - net	\$ 34.0	\$ (29.9)	\$ 38.2	\$ (230.3)

(a) Includes a pretax 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.

Pretax investment gains were \$60.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to investment losses of \$49.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004. The increase was primarily driven by favorable results in derivative securities and improved results in corporate and other taxable bonds, partially offset by less favorable results from tax-exempt bonds. Impairment losses of \$17.0 million and \$19.0 million were recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

Pretax investment gains were \$69.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to investment losses of \$409.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The improvement in the realized investment results was due primarily to a \$618.6 million pretax loss on the sale of the individual life insurance business in 2004. This improvement was partially offset by reduced gains for equities securities, which was largely attributable to the 2004 gain of \$162.0 million pretax on the disposition of Canary Wharf. Impairment losses of \$84.4 million were recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 across various sectors, including an impairment loss of \$47.0 million related to loans made under a credit facility to a national contractor. See Note 15 for further details. Impairment losses were \$19.0 million for other-than-temporary declines in fair value for fixed maturity and equity securities for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

The amortized cost and market values of securities are as follows:

September 30, 2005 (In millions)	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses		Net	Fair Value
			Less Than 12 Months	Greater Than 12 Months	Unrealized Gain (Loss)	
Fixed Maturity securities:						
U.S. government and obligations of government agencies	\$ 4,182.3	\$ 124.9	\$ 18.4	\$ 0.5	\$ 105.9	\$ 4,288.3
Asset-backed securities	10,615.9	41.5	102.4	13.6	(74.5)	10,541.4
States, municipalities and political subdivisions- tax exempt	8,944.6	181.0	43.5	6.7	130.8	9,075.4
Corporate	5,722.3	325.5	69.5	14.7	241.3	5,963.6
Other debt	2,697.1	255.3	14.1	2.7	238.5	2,935.6
Redeemable preferred stocks	212.5	4.0	2.1		1.9	214.4
Options embedded in convertible debt securities	1.0					1.0
Fixed maturities available- for-sale	32,375.7	932.2	250.0	38.2	643.9	33,019.7
Fixed maturity trading securities	527.8	10.5	1.6	1.5	7.4	535.2
Total fixed maturities	32,903.5	942.7	251.6	39.7	651.3	33,554.9
Equity Securities:						
Equity securities available- for-sale	381.2	128.4	2.3	0.3	125.8	507.0
Equity securities, trading portfolio	434.2	45.7	17.1	6.6	22.0	456.2
Total equity securities	815.4	174.1	19.4	6.9	147.8	963.2
Short-term investments						
available-for-sale	10,062.1					10,062.1
	\$ 43,781.0	\$ 1,116.8	\$ 271.0	\$ 46.6	\$ 799.1	\$ 44,580.2

December 31, 2004 (In millions)	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses		Net Unrealized Gain	Fair Value
			Less than 12 Months	Greater than 12 Months		
Fixed maturity securities:						
U.S. government and obligations of government agencies	\$ 6,307.4	\$ 128.8	\$ 13.1	\$ 2.1	\$ 113.6	\$ 6,421.0
Asset-backed securities	7,706.0	104.6	19.1	3.3	82.2	7,788.2
States, municipalities and political subdivisions-tax exempt	8,698.5	189.2	27.7	3.4	158.1	8,856.6
Corporate	6,092.7	476.9	51.8	4.7	420.4	6,513.1
Other debt	2,769.1	294.6	11.0	0.1	283.5	3,052.6
Redeemable preferred stocks	141.6	5.8	0.2	1.7	3.9	145.5
Options embedded in convertible debt securities	234.3					234.3
Fixed maturities available-for-sale						
	31,949.6	1,199.9	122.9	15.3	1,061.7	33,011.3
Fixed maturity trading securities	485.5	7.6	1.5	0.8	5.3	490.8
Total fixed maturities	32,435.1	1,207.5	124.4	16.1	1,067.0	33,502.1
Equity Securities:						
Equity securities available-for-sale	274.4	136.3	0.4	0.2	135.7	410.1
Equity securities, trading portfolio	227.1	38.4	5.4	6.1	26.9	254.0
Total equity securities	501.5	174.7	5.8	6.3	162.6	664.1
Short-term investments						
available-for-sale	8,306.0	0.8			0.8	8,306.8
Total	\$ 41,242.6	\$ 1,383.0	\$ 130.2	\$ 22.4	\$ 1,230.4	\$ 42,473.0

### 3. Earnings Per Share

Companies with complex capital structures are required to present basic and diluted earnings per share. Basic earnings per share excludes dilution and is computed by dividing net income attributable to each class of common stock by the weighted average number of common shares of each class of common stock outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock.

Certain options were not included in the diluted weighted shares amount due to the exercise price being greater than the average stock price for the respective periods. The number of shares not included in the diluted computations is as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
Loews Stock	851	451,147	26,952	370,696
Carolina Group Stock	563	327,250	190	254,631

The attribution of income to each class of common stock for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, was as follows:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions, except %)</b>				
Loews common stock:				
Consolidated net income	\$ 300.0	\$ 278.5	\$ 1,073.5	\$ 733.9
Less income attributable to Carolina Group stock	67.5	53.4	169.7	128.4
Income attributable to Loews common stock	\$ 232.5	\$ 225.1	\$ 903.8	\$ 605.5
Carolina Group stock:				
Income available to Carolina Group stock	\$ 172.0	\$ 159.9	\$ 432.6	\$ 384.3
Weighted average economic interest of the Carolina Group	39.26%	33.43%	39.23%	33.43%
Income attributable to Carolina Group stock	\$ 67.5	\$ 53.4	\$ 169.7	\$ 128.4

The following is a reconciliation of basic weighted shares outstanding to diluted weighted shares attributable to Loews common stock for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Weighted average shares outstanding-basic	185.72	185.49	185.66	185.48
Stock options	0.31	0.13	0.27	0.14
Weighted average shares outstanding-diluted	186.03	185.62	185.93	185.62

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, net income per common share attributable to Carolina Group stock assuming dilution is the same as basic net income per share because the impact of securities that could potentially dilute basic net income per common share was insignificant or antidilutive for the periods presented.

#### 4. Loews and Carolina Group Consolidating Condensed Financial Information

The issuance of Carolina Group stock has resulted in a two class common stock structure for the Company. Carolina Group stock, commonly called a tracking stock, is intended to reflect the economic performance of a defined group of assets and liabilities of the Company referred to as the Carolina Group. The principal assets and liabilities attributed to the Carolina Group are the Company's 100% stock ownership interest in Lorillard, Inc.; notional, intergroup debt owed by the Carolina Group to the Loews Group (\$1.7 billion outstanding at September 30, 2005), bearing interest at the annual rate of 8.0% and, subject to optional prepayment, due December 31, 2021; and any and all liabilities, costs and expenses of the Company and Lorillard arising out of or related to tobacco or tobacco-related businesses.

As of September 30, 2005, the outstanding Carolina Group stock represents a 39.27% economic interest in the economic performance of the Carolina Group. The Loews Group consists of all of the Company's assets and liabilities other than the 39.27% economic interest represented by the outstanding Carolina Group stock, and includes as an asset the notional, intergroup debt of the Carolina Group. Holders of the Company's common stock and of Carolina Group stock are shareholders of Loews Corporation and are subject to the risks related to an equity investment in Loews Corporation. Each outstanding share of Carolina Group stock has 1/10 of a vote per share.

Carolina Group stock represents a 39.26%, 33.43%, 39.23% and 33.43% weighted average economic interest in the Carolina Group for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

The Company has separated, for financial reporting purposes, the Carolina Group and Loews Group. The following schedules present the consolidating condensed financial information for these individual groups. Neither

group is a separate company or legal entity. Rather, each group is intended to reflect a defined set of assets and liabilities.

Loews and Carolina Group  
Consolidating Condensed Balance Sheet Information

	Carolina Group			Loews	Adjustments and	
September 30, 2005	Lorillard	Other	Consolidated	Group	Eliminations	Total
(In millions)						
Assets:						
Investments	\$ 1,727.5	\$ 101.0	\$ 1,828.5	\$ 44,681.3		\$ 46,509.8
Cash	52.1		52.1	150.9		203.0
Receivables	27.1	0.4	27.5	17,533.5	\$ (23.0) (a)	17,538.0
Property, plant and equipment	223.5		223.5	4,660.3		4,883.8
Deferred income taxes	412.9		412.9	307.0		719.9
Goodwill and other intangible assets				296.5		296.5
Other assets	363.5		363.5	2,333.7		2,697.2
Investment in combined attributed net assets of the Carolina Group				1,523.9	(1,709.8) (a)	
					185.9 (b)	
Deferred acquisition costs of insurance subsidiaries				1,234.1		1,234.1
Separate account business				553.7		553.7
Total assets	\$ 2,806.6	\$ 101.4	\$ 2,908.0	\$ 73,274.9	\$ (1,546.9)	\$ 74,636.0
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:						
Insurance reserves				\$ 43,546.9		\$ 43,546.9
Payable for securities purchased				1,919.3		1,919.3
Collateral on loaned securities and derivatives				2,006.2		2,006.2
Short-term debt				69.3		69.3
Long-term debt	\$ 1,709.8	\$ 1,709.8		5,167.1	\$ (1,709.8) (a)	5,167.1
Reinsurance balances payable				2,648.6		2,648.6
Other liabilities	\$ 1,488.5	15.8	1,504.3	2,652.3	(23.0) (a)	4,133.6
Separate account business				553.7		553.7
Total liabilities	1,488.5	1,725.6	3,214.1	58,563.4	(1,732.8)	60,044.7
Minority interest				1,768.3		1,768.3
Shareholders' equity	1,318.1	(1,624.2)	(306.1)	12,943.2	185.9 (b)	12,823.0
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 2,806.6	\$ 101.4	\$ 2,908.0	\$ 73,274.9	\$ (1,546.9)	\$ 74,636.0

(a) To eliminate the intergroup notional debt and interest payable/receivable.

(b) To eliminate the Loews Group's 60.73% equity interest in the combined attributed net assets of the Carolina Group.

Loews and Carolina Group  
Consolidating Condensed Balance Sheet Information

December 31, 2004 (In millions)	Carolina Group			Loews Group	Adjustments and Eliminations	Total
	Lorillard	Other	Consolidated			
Assets:						
Investments	\$ 1,545.6	\$ 100.0	\$ 1,645.6	\$ 42,652.9		\$ 44,298.5
Cash	35.5	0.5	36.0	183.9		219.9
Receivables	32.1		32.1	18,689.3	\$ (25.2) (a)	18,696.2
Property, plant and equipment	231.5		231.5	4,609.2		4,840.7
Deferred income taxes	436.5		436.5	204.4		640.9
Goodwill and other intangible assets				294.1		294.1
Other assets	396.5		396.5	2,412.2		2,808.7
Investment in combined attributed net assets of the Carolina Group				1,566.0	(1,871.2) (a)	
					305.2 (b)	
Deferred acquisition costs of insurance subsidiaries				1,268.1		1,268.1
Separate account business				567.8		567.8
Total assets	\$ 2,677.7	\$ 100.5	\$ 2,778.2	\$ 72,447.9	\$ (1,591.2)	\$ 73,634.9
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:						
Insurance reserves				\$ 43,652.2		\$ 43,652.2
Payable for securities purchased				595.5		595.5
Collateral on loaned securities and derivatives				918.0		918.0
Short-term debt				1,010.1		1,010.1
Long-term debt		\$ 1,871.2	\$ 1,871.2	5,980.2	\$ (1,871.2) (a)	5,980.2
Reinsurance balances payable				2,980.8		2,980.8
Other liabilities	\$ 1,392.6	16.4	1,409.0	2,710.7	(25.2) (a)	4,094.5
Separate account business				567.8		567.8
Total liabilities	1,392.6	1,887.6	3,280.2	58,415.3	(1,896.4)	59,799.1
Minority interest				1,679.8		1,679.8
Shareholders' equity	1,285.1	(1,787.1)	(502.0)	12,352.8	305.2 (b)	12,156.0
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 2,677.7	\$ 100.5	\$ 2,778.2	\$ 72,447.9	\$ (1,591.2)	\$ 73,634.9

(a) To eliminate the intergroup notional debt and interest payable/receivable.

(b) To eliminate the Loews Group's 60.81% equity interest in the combined attributed net assets of the Carolina Group.

Loews and Carolina Group  
Consolidating Condensed Statement of Income Information

Three Months Ended	Carolina Group			Loews	Adjustments and	
September 30, 2005	Lorillard	Other	Consolidated	Group	Eliminations	Total
(In millions)						
Revenues:						
Insurance premiums				\$ 1,873.5		\$ 1,873.5
Net investment income	\$ 18.9	\$ 1.6	\$ 20.5	622.3	\$ (34.8) (a)	608.0
Investment gains				60.0		60.0
Manufactured products	928.4		928.4	39.9		968.3
Other				628.1		628.1
Total	947.3	1.6	948.9	3,223.8	(34.8)	4,137.9
Expenses:						
Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits				1,871.4		1,871.4
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs				415.5		415.5
Cost of manufactured products sold	543.9		543.9	18.7		562.6
Other operating expenses	95.3		95.3	668.0		763.3
Interest		34.8	34.8	73.9	(34.8) (a)	73.9
Total	639.2	34.8	674.0	3,047.5	(34.8)	3,686.7
	308.1	(33.2)	274.9	176.3		451.2
Income tax expense (benefit)	115.2	(12.3)	102.9	1.7		104.6
Minority interest				46.6		46.6
Total	115.2	(12.3)	102.9	48.3		151.2
Income (loss) from operations	192.9	(20.9)	172.0	128.0		300.0
Equity in earnings of the Carolina Group				104.5	(104.5) (b)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 192.9	\$ (20.9)	\$ 172.0	\$ 232.5	\$ (104.5)	\$ 300.0

(a) To eliminate interest on the intergroup notional debt.

(b) To eliminate the Loews Group's intergroup interest in the earnings of the Carolina Group.

Loews and Carolina Group  
Consolidating Condensed Statement of Income Information

Three Months Ended	Carolina Group			Loews	Adjustments	
September 30, 2004	Lorillard	Other	Consolidated	Group	and Eliminations	Total
(In millions)						
Revenues:						
Insurance premiums				\$ 1,946.0		\$ 1,946.0
Net investment income	\$ 7.5	\$ 0.6	\$ 8.1	426.6	\$ (39.3) (a)	395.4
Investment losses				(49.6)		(49.6)
Manufactured products	879.3		879.3	38.7		918.0
Other				576.9		576.9
Total	886.8	0.6	887.4	2,938.6	(39.3)	3,786.7
Expenses:						
Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits				1,596.1		1,596.1
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs				373.8		373.8
Cost of manufactured products sold	504.8		504.8	18.9		523.7
Other operating expenses	85.0	0.1	85.1	730.7		815.8
Interest		39.3	39.3	73.3	(39.3) (a)	73.3
Total	589.8	39.4	629.2	2,792.8	(39.3)	3,382.7
	297.0	(38.8)	258.2	145.8		404.0
Income tax expense (benefit)	113.0	(14.7)	98.3	23.1		121.4
Minority interest				4.1		4.1
Total	113.0	(14.7)	98.3	27.2		125.5
Income (loss) from operations	184.0	(24.1)	159.9	118.6		278.5
Equity in earnings of the Carolina Group				106.5	(106.5) (b)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 184.0	\$ (24.1)	\$ 159.9	\$ 225.1	\$ (106.5)	\$ 278.5

(a) To eliminate interest on the intergroup notional debt.

(b) To eliminate the Loews Group's intergroup interest in the earnings of the Carolina Group.

Loews and Carolina Group  
Consolidating Condensed Statement of Income Information

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 (In millions)	Carolina Group			Loews Group	Adjustments and	Total
	Lorillard	Other	Consolidated		Eliminations	
Revenues:						
Insurance premiums				\$ 5,684.3		\$ 5,684.3
Net investment income	\$ 43.4	\$ 3.5	\$ 46.9	1,528.6	\$ (107.0) (a)	1,468.5
Investment gains (losses)	(2.0)		(2.0)	71.7		69.7
Manufactured products	2,651.8		2,651.8	119.4		2,771.2
Other	6.1		6.1	1,910.0		1,916.1
Total	2,699.3	3.5	2,702.8	9,314.0	(107.0)	11,909.8
Expenses:						
Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits				4,886.4		4,886.4
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs				1,167.6		1,167.6
Cost of manufactured products sold	1,605.0		1,605.0	57.4		1,662.4
Other operating expenses	282.3	0.2	282.5	1,979.6		2,262.1
Interest		107.0	107.0	289.5	(107.0) (a)	289.5
Total	1,887.3	107.2	1,994.5	8,380.5	(107.0)	10,268.0
	812.0	(103.7)	708.3	933.5		1,641.8
Income tax expense (benefit)	316.1	(40.4)	275.7	170.9		446.6
Minority interest				121.7		121.7
Total	316.1	(40.4)	275.7	292.6		568.3
Income (loss) from operations	495.9	(63.3)	432.6	640.9		1,073.5
Equity in earnings of the Carolina Group				262.9	(262.9) (b)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 495.9	\$ (63.3)	\$ 432.6	\$ 903.8	\$ (262.9)	\$ 1,073.5

(a) To eliminate interest on the intergroup notional debt.

(b) To eliminate the Loews Group's intergroup interest in the earnings of the Carolina Group.

Loews and Carolina Group  
Consolidating Condensed Statement of Income Information

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 (In millions)	Carolina Group			Loews Group	Adjustments and Eliminations	Total
	Lorillard	Other	Consolidated			
Revenues:						
Insurance premiums				\$ 6,218.3		\$ 6,218.3
Net investment income	\$ 21.2	\$ 1.3	\$ 22.5	1,434.5	\$ (119.4) (a)	1,337.6
Investment gains (losses)	0.6		0.6	(410.0)		(409.4)
Manufactured products	2,515.3		2,515.3	110.2		2,625.5
Other				1,423.7		1,423.7
Total	2,537.1	1.3	2,538.4	8,776.7	(119.4)	11,195.7
Expenses:						
Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits				4,854.8		4,854.8
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs				1,114.1		1,114.1
Cost of manufactured products sold	1,504.4		1,504.4	54.2		1,558.6
Other operating expenses	288.0	0.4	288.4	2,088.2		2,376.6
Interest		119.4	119.4	245.9	(119.4) (a)	245.9
Total	1,792.4	119.8	1,912.2	8,357.2	(119.4)	10,150.0
	744.7	(118.5)	626.2	419.5		1,045.7
Income tax expense (benefit)	287.7	(45.8)	241.9	50.7		292.6
Minority interest				19.2		19.2
Total	287.7	(45.8)	241.9	69.9		311.8
Income (loss) from operations	457.0	(72.7)	384.3	349.6		733.9
Equity in earnings of the Carolina Group				255.9	(255.9) (b)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 457.0	\$ (72.7)	\$ 384.3	\$ 605.5	\$ (255.9)	\$ 733.9

(a) To eliminate interest on the intergroup notional debt.

(b) To eliminate the Loews Group's intergroup interest in the earnings of the Carolina Group.

Loews and Carolina Group  
Consolidating Condensed Statement of Cash Flows Information

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 (In millions)	Carolina Group			Loews Group	Adjustments and	Total
	Lorillard	Other	Consolidated		Eliminations	
Net cash (used) provided by operating activities						
	\$ 670.8	\$ (64.2)	\$ 606.6	\$ 1,335.3	\$ (144.0)	\$ 1,797.9
Investing activities:						
Purchases of property and equipment						
	(28.6)		(28.6)	(288.5)		(317.1)
Change in short-term investments						
	(162.6)	(1.0)	(163.6)	(1,271.1)		(1,434.7)
Other investing activities						
	(191.2)	(1.0)	(192.2)	2,057.3	(161.4)	1,895.9
				497.7	(161.4)	144.1
Financing activities:						
Dividends paid to shareholders						
	(463.0)	226.1	(236.9)	(83.6)	144.0	(176.5)
Reduction of intergroup notional debt						
		(161.4)	(161.4)		161.4	
Other financing activities						
	(463.0)	64.7	(398.3)	(1,782.4)		(1,782.4)
				(1,866.0)	305.4	(1,958.9)
Net change in cash						
	16.6	(0.5)	16.1	(33.0)		(16.9)
Cash, beginning of period						
	35.5	0.5	36.0	183.9		219.9
Cash, end of period						
	\$ 52.1	\$	52.1	\$ 150.9	\$	203.0

Nine Months Ended  
September 30, 2004

<b>Net cash (used) provided by operating activities</b>						
	\$ 544.7	\$ (73.5)	\$ 471.2	\$ 2,029.4	\$ (157.6)	\$ 2,343.0
<b>Investing activities:</b>						
<b>Purchases of property and equipment</b>						
	(40.0)		(40.0)	(155.7)		(195.7)
<b>Change in short-term investments</b>						
	(104.3)		(104.3)	2,903.3		2,799.0
<b>Other investing activities</b>						
	0.4		0.4	(4,710.1)	(90.8)	(4,800.5)
	(143.9)		(143.9)	(1,962.5)	(90.8)	(2,197.2)
<b>Financing activities:</b>						
<b>Dividends paid to shareholders</b>						
	(401.0)	164.3	(236.7)	(83.5)	157.6	(162.6)
<b>Reduction of intergroup notional debt</b>						
		(90.8)	(90.8)		90.8	
<b>Other financing activities</b>						
				(24.9)		(24.9)
	(401.0)	73.5	(327.5)	(108.4)	248.4	(187.5)
<b>Net change in cash</b>						
	(0.2)		(0.2)	(41.5)		(41.7)
<b>Cash, beginning of period</b>						
	1.5	0.4	1.9	178.9		180.8
<b>Cash, end of period</b>						
	\$ 1.3	\$ 0.4	\$ 1.7	\$ 137.4	\$	139.1

## 5. Reinsurance

CNA assumes and cedes reinsurance with other insurers, reinsurers and members of various reinsurance pools and associations. CNA utilizes reinsurance arrangements to limit its maximum loss, provide greater diversification of risk, minimize exposures on larger risks and to exit certain lines of business. The ceding of insurance does not discharge the primary liability of CNA. Therefore, an exposure exists with respect to property and casualty and life reinsurance ceded to the extent that any reinsurer is unable to meet its obligations or disputes the liabilities assumed under reinsurance agreements.

Property and casualty reinsurance coverages are tailored to the specific risk characteristics of each product line and CNA's retained amount varies by type of coverage. Treaty reinsurance is purchased to protect specific lines of business such as property, workers compensation and professional liability. Corporate catastrophe reinsurance is also purchased for property and workers compensation exposure. Most treaty reinsurance is purchased on an excess of loss basis. CNA also utilizes facultative reinsurance in certain lines.

The following table summarizes the amounts receivable from reinsurers at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(In millions)</b>		
Reinsurance receivables related to insurance reserves:		
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense	\$ 12,842.0	\$ 13,878.4
Ceded future policy benefits	1,212.9	1,259.6
Ceded policyholders' funds	59.0	64.8
Billed reinsurance receivables	535.7	685.2
Reinsurance receivables	14,649.6	15,888.0
Less allowance for uncollectible reinsurance	552.1	546.3
Reinsurance receivables-net	\$ 14,097.5	\$ 15,341.7

The expenses incurred related to uncollectible reinsurance receivables are presented as a component of "Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits" in the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income.

CNA attempts to mitigate its credit risk related to reinsurance by entering into reinsurance arrangements only with reinsurers that have credit ratings above certain levels and by obtaining substantial amounts of collateral. The primary methods of obtaining collateral are through reinsurance trusts, letters of credit and funds withheld balances.

The effects of reinsurance on earned premiums are shown in the following table:

	Direct	Assumed	Ceded	Net
<b>(In millions)</b>				
<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2005</b>				
<b>Property and casualty</b>	\$ 2,548.0	\$ 13.0	\$ 856.0	\$ 1,705.0
<b>Accident and health</b>	246.0	18.0	96.0	168.0
<b>Life</b>	27.0		26.0	1.0
<b>Total</b>	\$ 2,821.0	\$ 31.0	\$ 978.0	\$ 1,874.0
<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2004</b>				
Property and casualty	\$ 2,666.0	\$ 36.0	\$ 905.0	\$ 1,797.0
Accident and health	259.0	19.0	130.0	148.0
Life	46.0		45.0	1.0
<b>Total</b>	\$ 2,971.0	\$ 55.0	\$ 1,080.0	\$ 1,946.0
<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005</b>				
<b>Property and casualty</b>	\$ 7,600.0	\$ 72.0	\$ 2,526.0	\$ 5,146.0
<b>Accident and health</b>	805.0	42.0	311.0	536.0
<b>Life</b>	109.0		107.0	2.0
<b>Total</b>	\$ 8,514.0	\$ 114.0	\$ 2,944.0	\$ 5,684.0
<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004</b>				
Property and casualty	\$ 8,059.0	\$ 163.0	\$ 2,663.0	\$ 5,559.0
Accident and health	916.0	45.0	421.0	540.0
Life	369.0		250.0	119.0
<b>Total</b>	\$ 9,344.0	\$ 208.0	\$ 3,334.0	\$ 6,218.0

Life premiums are primarily from long duration contracts; property and casualty premiums and accident and health premiums are primarily from short duration contracts.

Reinsurance accounting allows for contractual cash flows to be reflected as premiums and losses, as compared to deposit accounting, which requires cash flows to be reflected as assets and liabilities. To qualify for reinsurance accounting, reinsurance agreements must include risk transfer. To meet risk transfer requirements, a reinsurance contract must include both insurance risk, consisting of underwriting and timing risk, and a reasonable possibility of a significant loss for the assuming entity. Reinsurance contracts that include both significant risk sharing provisions, such as adjustments to premiums or loss coverage based on loss experience, and relatively low policy limits as evidenced by a high proportion of maximum premium assessments to loss limits, may require considerable judgment to determine whether or not risk transfer requirements are met. For such contracts, often referred to as finite products, CNA assesses risk transfer for each contract generally by developing quantitative analyses at contract inception which measure the present value of reinsurer losses as compared to the present value of the related premium.

Reinsurance contracts that do not effectively transfer the underlying economic risk of loss on policies written by CNA are recorded using the deposit method of accounting, which requires that premium paid or received by the ceding company or assuming company be accounted for as a deposit asset or liability. CNA primarily records these deposits as either reinsurance receivables or other assets for ceded recoverables and reinsurance balances payable or other liabilities for assumed liabilities.

### Catastrophe Reinsurance

The anticipated reinsurance recoveries related to Hurricane Katrina assume significant utilization of CNA's Corporate Property Catastrophe, Corporate Property Per Risk and Marine reinsurance treaties. The Corporate

Property Catastrophe treaty provides 90.0% coverage for the accumulation of losses between \$200.0 million and \$500.0 million arising out of a single catastrophe occurrence. Coverage under this treaty was fully utilized for Hurricane Katrina. After payment of a reinstatement premium, CNA has coverage for one additional occurrence under this treaty. The Corporate Property Per Risk treaty limits CNA's loss on an individual insured property to \$10.0 million, subject to certain limitations and aggregate limits contained in the treaty. CNA's Marine treaty provides \$75.0 million of protection above a \$10.0 million retention on the accumulation of losses arising out of a single catastrophe occurrence. After payment of reinstatement premiums, CNA has almost full ongoing coverage under these treaties.

In addition to these reinsurance treaties, CNA's exposure to Hurricane Rita is further mitigated by an Aggregate Property Catastrophe treaty. This treaty was purchased to obtain reinsurance protection against the aggregation of losses from multiple catastrophic events. The Aggregate Property Catastrophe treaty covers 95.0% of \$150.0 million of losses above a retention of \$100.0 million from named earthquake or wind storm catastrophes which exceed \$25.0 million in 2005. For any single event, the maximum that can be applied to CNA's retention or recovered under the treaty is \$80.0 million. CNA has approximately \$45.0 million of available recoveries from this treaty in the event its estimate of gross losses from Hurricane Rita increases in the future.

#### **Funds Withheld Reinsurance Arrangements**

CNA's overall reinsurance program includes certain finite property and casualty contracts, such as the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties discussed in more detail below, that are entered into and accounted for on a "funds withheld" basis. Under the funds withheld basis, CNA records the cash remitted to the reinsurer for the reinsurer's margin, or cost of the reinsurance contract, as ceded premiums. The remainder of the premiums ceded under the reinsurance contract not remitted in cash are recorded as funds withheld liabilities. CNA is required to increase the funds withheld balance at stated interest crediting rates applied to the funds withheld balance or as otherwise specified under the terms of the contract. The funds withheld liability is reduced by any cumulative claim payments made by CNA in excess of CNA's retention under the reinsurance contract. If the funds withheld liability is exhausted, interest crediting will cease and additional claim payments are recoverable from the reinsurer. The funds withheld liability is recorded in Reinsurance Balances Payable in the Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets.

The following table summarizes the pretax impact of these contracts, including the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties discussed in further detail below. In 2003, CNA discontinued purchases of such contracts.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2005	Aggregate Cover	CCC Cover	All Other	Total
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Ceded earned premium	\$ 1.0		\$ (9.0)	\$ (8.0)
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense			15.0	15.0
Ceding commissions			3.0	3.0
Interest charges	(15.0)	\$ (17.0)	(16.0)	(48.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (14.0)	\$ (17.0)	\$ (7.0)	\$ (38.0)

#### Three Months Ended September 30, 2004

Ceded earned premium	\$ 3.0		\$ (21.0)	\$ (18.0)
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense			29.0	29.0
Ceding commissions			(2.0)	(2.0)
Interest charges	(19.0)	\$ (12.0)	(22.0)	(53.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (16.0)	\$ (12.0)	\$ (16.0)	\$ (44.0)

#### Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005

Ceded earned premium	\$ (17.0)		\$ 56.0	\$ 39.0
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense			(52.0)	(52.0)
Ceding commissions			(27.0)	(27.0)
Interest charges	(57.0)	\$ (49.0)	(26.0)	(132.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (74.0)	\$ (49.0)	\$ (49.0)	\$ (172.0)

#### Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004

Ceded earned premium			\$ (13.0)	\$ (13.0)
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense			12.0	12.0
Ceding commissions			1.0	1.0
Interest charges	\$ (61.0)	\$ (34.0)	(55.0)	(150.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (61.0)	\$ (34.0)	\$ (55.0)	\$ (150.0)

Included in “All Other” above for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 is approximately \$24.0 million of pretax expense related to Standard Lines which resulted from an unfavorable arbitration ruling on two reinsurance treaties impacting ceded earned premiums, ceded claim and claim adjustment expenses, ceding commissions and interest charges. This unfavorable outcome was partially offset by a release of previously established reinsurance bad debt reserves resulting in a net impact from the arbitration ruling of \$10.0 million pretax expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2005.

The pretax impact by operating segment of CNA’s funds withheld reinsurance arrangements, including the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties, was as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Standard Lines	\$ (24.0)	\$ (38.0)	\$ (120.0)	\$ (118.0)
Specialty Lines	(3.0)	4.0	(10.0)	
Other Insurance	(11.0)	(10.0)	(42.0)	(32.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (38.0)	\$ (44.0)	\$ (172.0)	\$ (150.0)

Interest cost on reinsurance contracts accounted for on a funds withheld basis is incurred during all periods in which a funds withheld liability exists, and is included in net investment income. The amount subject to interest

crediting rates on such contracts was \$2,225.0 million and \$2,564.0 million at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004. Certain funds withheld reinsurance contracts, including the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties, require interest on additional premiums arising from ceded losses as if those premiums were payable at the inception of the contract.

The amount subject to interest crediting on these funds withheld contracts will vary over time based on a number of factors, including the timing of loss payments and ultimate gross losses incurred. CNA expects that it will continue to incur significant interest costs on these contracts for several years.

### **Corporate Aggregate Reinsurance Treaties**

CNA has an aggregate reinsurance treaty related to the 1999 through 2001 accident years that covers substantially all of CNA's property and casualty lines of business (the "Aggregate Cover"). The Aggregate Cover provides for two sections of coverage. These coverages attach at defined loss ratios for each accident year. Coverage under the first section of the Aggregate Cover, which is available for all accident years covered by the treaty, has a \$500.0 million limit per accident year of ceded losses and an aggregate limit of \$1.0 billion of ceded losses for the three accident years. The ceded premiums associated with the first section are a percentage of ceded losses and for each \$500.0 million of limit the ceded premium is \$230.0 million. The second section of the Aggregate Cover, which only relates to accident year 2001, provides additional coverage of up to \$510.0 million of ceded losses for a maximum ceded premium of \$310.0 million. Under the Aggregate Cover, interest charges on the funds withheld liability accrue at 8.0% per annum. The aggregate loss ratio for the three-year period has exceeded certain thresholds which required additional premiums to be paid and an increase in the rate at which interest charges are accrued. This rate will increase to 8.25% per annum commencing in 2006. Also, if an additional aggregate loss ratio threshold is exceeded, additional premiums of 10.0% of amounts in excess of the aggregate loss ratio threshold are to be paid retroactively with interest. The aggregate limits under both sections of the Aggregate Cover have been fully utilized.

In 2001, CNA entered into a one-year aggregate reinsurance treaty related to the 2001 accident year covering substantially all property and casualty lines of business in the Continental Casualty Company pool (the "CCC Cover"). The loss protection provided by the CCC Cover has an aggregate limit of approximately \$761.0 million of ceded losses. The ceded premiums are a percentage of ceded losses. The ceded premium related to full utilization of the \$761.0 million of limit is \$456.0 million. The CCC Cover provides continuous coverage in excess of the second section of the Aggregate Cover discussed above. Under the CCC Cover, interest charges on the funds withheld are accrued at 8.0% per annum. The interest rate increases to 10.0% per annum if the aggregate loss ratio exceeds certain thresholds. The aggregate loss ratio exceeded that threshold in the fourth quarter of 2004 which required retroactive interest charges on funds withheld. The CCC Cover was fully utilized in 2003.

At CNA's discretion, the contract can be commuted annually on the anniversary date of the contract. The CCC Cover requires mandatory commutation on December 31, 2010, if the agreement has not been commuted on or before such date. Upon mandatory commutation of the CCC Cover, the reinsurer is required to release to CNA the existing balance of the funds withheld account if the unpaid ultimate ceded losses at the time of commutation are less than or equal to the funds withheld account balance. If the unpaid ultimate ceded losses at the time of commutation are greater than the funds withheld account balance, the reinsurer will release the existing balance of the funds withheld account and pay CNA the present value of the projected amount the reinsurer would have had to pay from its own funds absent a commutation. The present value is calculated using 1-year LIBOR as of the date of the commutation.

On July 12, 2005, CNA received arbitration notices from several insurance affiliates of Hannover Reinsurance Group ("Hannover") related to the Aggregate Cover and two additional finite reinsurance treaties written by Hannover. Among the contract interpretation issues in dispute are the allocation of losses to accident year under the first section of the Aggregate Cover, the timing of deductions from the funds withheld account for all of the treaties, the timing of deductions from a reserve account for one of the treaties, and coverage for certain self-insured obligations under one of the treaties. CNA intends to vigorously defend its interpretation of the contracts. If Hannover's position on all issues were to be sustained, CNA estimates that it would incur additional ceded premium and interest charges of \$46.0 million to \$64.0 million after-tax and minority interest.

## 6. Receivables

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(In millions)</b>		
Reinsurance	\$ 14,649.6	\$ 15,888.0
Other insurance	2,350.0	2,567.2
Security sales	678.4	540.3
Accrued investment income	325.2	304.9
Other	569.6	453.0
Total	18,572.8	19,753.4
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts on reinsurance receivables	552.1	546.3
allowance for other doubtful accounts and cash discounts	482.7	510.9
Receivables	\$ 17,538.0	\$ 18,696.2

## 7. Claim and Claim Adjustment Expense Reserves

CNA's property and casualty insurance claim and claim adjustment expense reserves represent the estimated amounts necessary to settle all outstanding claims, including claims that are incurred but not reported ("IBNR") as of the reporting date. CNA's reserve projections are based primarily on detailed analysis of the facts in each case, CNA's experience with similar cases and various historical development patterns. Consideration is given to such historical patterns as field reserving trends and claims settlement practices, loss payments, pending levels of unpaid claims and product mix, as well as court decisions, economic conditions and public attitudes. All of these factors can affect the estimation of claim and claim adjustment expense reserves.

Establishing claim and claim adjustment expense reserves, including claim and claim adjustment expense reserves for catastrophic events that have occurred, is an estimation process. Many factors can ultimately affect the final settlement of a claim and, therefore, the necessary reserve. Changes in the law, results of litigation, medical costs, the cost of repair materials and labor rates can all affect ultimate claim costs. In addition, time can be a critical part of reserving determinations since the longer the span between the incidence of a loss and the payment or settlement of the claim, the more variable the ultimate settlement amount can be. Accordingly, short-tail claims, such as property damage claims, tend to be more reasonably estimable than long-tail claims, such as general liability and professional liability claims. Adjustments to prior year reserve estimates, if necessary, are reflected in the results of operations in the period that the need for such adjustments is determined.

Catastrophes are an inherent risk of the property and casualty insurance business and have contributed to material period-to-period fluctuations in the Company's results of operations and/or equity. The level of catastrophe losses experienced in any period cannot be predicted and can be material to the results of operations and/or equity of the Company. Catastrophe losses, net of reinsurance, were \$437.0 million and \$258.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 and \$443.0 million and \$271.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. The catastrophe losses in 2005 related primarily to Hurricanes Katrina, Dennis, Ophelia and Rita. The 2005 loss estimate was developed after consideration of reported claims, the insured values of properties in the affected areas, modeled losses, industry loss estimates and CNA's reinsurance coverage. Because of the nature of the four hurricanes, the estimate involves significant judgment due in part to the limited ability to access portions of the affected area, legal and regulatory uncertainties, the complexity of factors contributing to the losses and the preliminary nature of the information available. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that CNA's ultimate cost for these catastrophes will not exceed this estimate. The catastrophe losses in 2004 related primarily to Hurricanes Charley, Frances, Ivan and Jeanne.

Commercial catastrophe losses, gross of reinsurance, were \$797.0 million and \$280.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 and \$803.0 million and \$293.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. See Note 5 for further discussion of CNA's catastrophe reinsurance program.

Claim and claim adjustment expense reserves are presented net of amounts due from insureds related to losses under high deductible policies. CNA has an allowance for uncollectible deductible amounts, which is presented as a component of the allowance for doubtful accounts for insurance receivables.

The following tables summarize the gross and net carried reserves as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

		Standard Lines	Specialty Lines	Life and Group Non-Core	Other Insurance	Total
<b>September 30, 2005</b>						
<b>(In millions)</b>						
Gross Case Reserves	\$	6,764.0	\$ 1,820.0	\$ 2,714.0	\$ 3,477.0	\$ 14,775.0
Gross IBNR Reserves		8,023.0	3,287.0	782.0	4,568.0	16,660.0
<b>Total Gross Carried Claim and Claim</b>						
Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$	14,787.0	\$ 5,107.0	\$ 3,496.0	\$ 8,045.0	\$ 31,435.0
Net Case Reserves	\$	4,289.0	\$ 1,214.0	\$ 1,442.0	\$ 1,483.0	\$ 8,428.0
Net IBNR Reserves		5,756.0	2,339.0	386.0	1,684.0	10,165.0
<b>Total Net Carried Claim and Claim</b>						
Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$	10,045.0	\$ 3,553.0	\$ 1,828.0	\$ 3,167.0	\$ 18,593.0
<b>December 31, 2004</b>						
Gross Case Reserves	\$	6,904.0	\$ 1,659.0	\$ 2,800.0	\$ 3,806.0	\$ 15,169.0
Gross IBNR Reserves		7,398.0	3,201.0	880.0	4,875.0	16,354.0
<b>Total Gross Carried Claim and Claim</b>						
Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$	14,302.0	\$ 4,860.0	\$ 3,680.0	\$ 8,681.0	\$ 31,523.0
Net Case Reserves	\$	4,761.0	\$ 1,191.0	\$ 1,394.0	\$ 1,588.0	\$ 8,934.0
Net IBNR Reserves		4,547.0	2,042.0	430.0	1,691.0	8,710.0
<b>Total Net Carried Claim and Claim</b>						
Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$	9,308.0	\$ 3,233.0	\$ 1,824.0	\$ 3,279.0	\$ 17,644.0

The following provides discussion of CNA's Asbestos, Environmental Pollution and Mass Tort ("APMT") and core reserves.

#### APMT Reserves

CNA's property and casualty insurance subsidiaries have actual and potential exposures related to APMT claims.

Establishing reserves for APMT claim and claim adjustment expenses is subject to uncertainties that are greater than those presented by other claims. Traditional actuarial methods and techniques employed to estimate the ultimate cost of claims for more traditional property and casualty exposures are less precise in estimating claim and claim adjustment expense reserves for APMT, particularly in an environment of emerging or potential claims and coverage issues that arise from industry practices and legal, judicial, and social conditions. Therefore, these traditional actuarial methods and techniques are necessarily supplemented with additional estimating techniques and methodologies, many of which involve significant judgments that are required of management. Accordingly, a high degree of uncertainty remains for CNA's ultimate liability for APMT claim and claim adjustment expenses.

In addition to the difficulties described above, estimating the ultimate cost of both reported and unreported APMT claims is subject to a higher degree of variability due to a number of additional factors, including among others: the number and outcome of direct actions against CNA; coverage issues, including whether certain costs are covered under the policies and whether policy limits apply; allocation of liability among numerous parties, some of whom may be in bankruptcy proceedings, and in particular the application of "joint and several" liability to specific insurers on a risk; inconsistent court decisions and developing legal theories; increasingly aggressive tactics of plaintiffs' lawyers; the risks and lack of predictability inherent in major litigation; increased filings of claims in certain states; enactment of national federal legislation to address asbestos claims; a further increase in asbestos and environmental pollution claims which cannot now be anticipated; increase in number of mass tort claims relating to silica and silica-containing products, and the outcome of ongoing disputes as to coverage in relation to these claims; a further increase of claims and claims payment that may exhaust underlying umbrella and excess coverage at accelerated rates; and future developments pertaining to CNA's ability to recover reinsurance for asbestos, pollution and mass tort claims.

CNA has regularly performed ground up reviews of all open APMT claims to evaluate the adequacy of CNA's APMT reserves. In performing its comprehensive ground up analysis, CNA considers input from its professionals with direct responsibility for the claims, inside and outside counsel with responsibility for representation of CNA, and its actuarial staff. These professionals review, among many factors, the policyholder's present and predicted future exposures, including such factors as claims volume, trial conditions, prior settlement history, settlement demands and defense costs; the impact of asbestos defendant bankruptcies on the policyholder; the policies issued by CNA, including such factors as aggregate or per occurrence limits, whether the policy is primary, umbrella or excess, and the existence of policyholder retentions and/or deductibles; the existence of other insurance; and reinsurance arrangements.

With respect to other court cases and how they might affect CNA's reserves and reasonably possible losses, the following should be noted: State and federal courts issue numerous decisions each year, which potentially impact losses and reserves in both a favorable and unfavorable manner. Examples of favorable developments include decisions to allocate defense and indemnity payments in a manner so as to limit carriers' obligations to damages taking place during the effective dates of their policies; decisions holding that injuries occurring after asbestos operations are completed are subject to the completed operations aggregate limits of the policies; and decisions ruling that carriers' loss control inspections of their insured's premises do not give rise to a duty to warn third parties to the dangers of asbestos.

Examples of unfavorable developments include decisions limiting the application of the "absolute pollution" exclusion; and decisions holding carriers liable for defense and indemnity of asbestos, pollution and mass tort claims on a joint and several basis.

CNA's ultimate liability for its environmental pollution and mass tort claims is impacted by several factors including ongoing disputes with policyholders over scope and meaning of coverage terms and, in the area of environmental pollution, court decisions that continue to restrict the scope and applicability of the absolute pollution exclusion contained in policies issued by CNA. Due to the inherent uncertainties described above, including the inconsistency of court decisions, the number of waste sites subject to cleanup, and in the area of environmental pollution, the standards for cleanup and liability, the ultimate liability of CNA for environmental pollution and mass tort claims may vary substantially from the amount currently recorded.

Due to the inherent uncertainties in estimating claim and claim adjustment expense reserves for APMT and due to the significant uncertainties previously described related to APMT claims, the ultimate liability for these cases, both individually and in aggregate, may exceed the recorded reserves. Any such potential additional liability, or any range of potential additional amounts, cannot be reasonably estimated currently, but could be material to CNA's business, insurer financial strength, debt ratings and the Company's results of operations and equity. Due to, among other things, the factors described above, it may be necessary for CNA to record material changes in its APMT claim and claim adjustment expense reserves in the future, should new information become available or other developments emerge.

The following table provides data related to CNA's APMT claim and claim adjustment expense reserves.

	September 30, 2005		December 31, 2004	
	Asbestos	Environmental Pollution and Mass Tort	Asbestos	Environmental Pollution and Mass Tort
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Gross reserves	\$ 3,072.0	\$ 634.0	\$ 3,218.0	\$ 755.0
Ceded reserves	(1,493.0)	(232.0)	(1,532.0)	(258.0)
Net reserves	\$ 1,579.0	\$ 402.0	\$ 1,686.0	\$ 497.0

#### Asbestos

CNA's property and casualty insurance subsidiaries have exposure to asbestos-related claims. Estimation of asbestos-related claim and claim adjustment expense reserves involves limitations such as inconsistency of court decisions, specific policy provisions, allocation of liability among insurers and insureds and additional factors such as missing policies and proof of coverage. Furthermore, estimation of asbestos-related claims is difficult due to, among other reasons, the proliferation of bankruptcy proceedings and attendant uncertainties, the targeting of a

broader range of businesses and entities as defendants, the uncertainty as to which other insureds may be targeted in the future and the uncertainties inherent in predicting the number of future claims.

As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, CNA carried approximately \$1,579.0 million and \$1,686.0 million of claim and claim adjustment expense reserves, net of reinsurance recoverables, for reported and unreported asbestos-related claims. CNA recorded \$8.0 million and \$44.0 million of unfavorable asbestos-related net claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. The unfavorable net prior year development for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 was primarily related to a commutation. CNA paid asbestos-related claims, net of reinsurance recoveries, of \$115.0 million and \$104.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

Some asbestos-related defendants have asserted that their insurance policies are not subject to aggregate limits on coverage. CNA has such claims from a number of insureds. Some of these claims involve insureds facing exhaustion of products liability aggregate limits in their policies, who have asserted that their asbestos-related claims fall within so-called “non-products” liability coverage contained within their policies rather than products liability coverage, and that the claimed “non-products” coverage is not subject to any aggregate limit. It is difficult to predict the ultimate size of any of the claims for coverage purportedly not subject to aggregate limits or predict to what extent, if any, the attempts to assert “non-products” claims outside the products liability aggregate will succeed. CNA’s policies also contain other limits applicable to these claims, and CNA has additional coverage defenses to certain claims. CNA has attempted to manage its asbestos exposure by aggressively seeking to settle claims on acceptable terms. There can be no assurance that any of these settlement efforts will be successful, or that any such claims can be settled on terms acceptable to CNA. Where CNA cannot settle a claim on acceptable terms, CNA aggressively litigates the claim. A recent court ruling by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit has supported certain of CNA’s positions with respect to coverage for “non-products” claims. However, adverse developments with respect to such matters could have a material adverse effect on the Company’s results of operations and/or equity.

Certain asbestos litigation in which CNA is currently engaged is described below:

The ultimate cost of reported claims, and in particular APMT claims, is subject to a great many uncertainties, including future developments of various kinds that CNA does not control and that are difficult or impossible to foresee accurately. With respect to the litigation identified below in particular, numerous factual and legal issues remain unresolved. Rulings on those issues by the courts are critical to the evaluation of the ultimate cost to CNA. The outcome of the litigation cannot be predicted with any reliability. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

On February 13, 2003, CNA announced it had resolved asbestos related coverage litigation and claims involving A.P. Green Industries, A.P. Green Services and Bigelow - Liptak Corporation. Under the agreement, CNA is required to pay \$74.0 million, net of reinsurance recoveries, over a ten year period commencing after the final approval of a bankruptcy plan of reorganization. The settlement resolves CNA’s liabilities for all pending and future asbestos claims involving A.P. Green Industries, Bigelow - Liptak Corporation and related subsidiaries, including alleged “non-products” exposures. The settlement received initial bankruptcy court approval on August 18, 2003 and CNA expects to procure confirmation of a bankruptcy plan containing an injunction to protect CNA from any future claims.

CNA is engaged in insurance coverage litigation in New York State Court, filed in 2003, with a defendant class of underlying plaintiffs who have asbestos bodily injury claims against the former Robert A. Keasbey Company (“Keasbey”) (*Continental Casualty Co. v. Employers Ins. of Wausau et al.*, No. 601037/03 (N.Y. County)). Keasbey, a currently dissolved corporation, was a seller and installer of asbestos-containing insulation products in New York and New Jersey. Thousands of plaintiffs have filed bodily injury claims against Keasbey; however, Keasbey’s involvement at a number of work sites is a highly contested issue. Therefore, the defense disputes the percentage of valid claims against Keasbey. CNA issued Keasbey primary policies for 1970-1987 and excess policies for 1972-1978. CNA has paid an amount substantially equal to the policies’ aggregate limits for products and completed operations claims in the confirmed CNA policies. Claimants against Keasbey allege, among other things, that CNA owes coverage under sections of the policies not subject to the aggregate limits, an allegation CNA vigorously contests in the lawsuit. In the litigation, CNA and the claimants seek declaratory relief as to the interpretation of various policy provisions. The court dismissed a claim alleging bad faith and seeking unspecified damages on March 21, 2004; that ruling was affirmed on March 31, 2005 by Appellate Division, First Department. The trial in the *Keasbey* coverage action continues. It is unclear when CNA will have a decision from the trial court. With respect to this litigation in particular, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include, among others: (a) whether

CNA has any further responsibility to compensate claimants against Keasbey under its policies and, if so, under which policies; (b) whether CNA's responsibilities extend to a particular claimant's entire claim or only to a limited percentage of the claim; (c) whether CNA's responsibilities under its policies are limited by the occurrence limits or other provisions of the policies; (d) whether certain exclusions in some of the policies apply to exclude certain claims; (e) the extent to which claimants can establish exposures to asbestos materials as to which Keasbey has any responsibility; (f) the legal theories which must be pursued by such claimants to establish the liability of Keasbey and whether such theories can, in fact, be established; (g) the diseases and damages alleged by such claimants; and (h) the extent that such liability would be shared with other responsible parties. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

CNA has insurance coverage disputes related to asbestos bodily injury claims against Burns & Roe Enterprises, Inc. ("Burns & Roe"). Originally raised in litigation, now stayed, these disputes are currently part of *In re: Burns & Roe Enterprises, Inc.*, pending in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey, No. 00-41610. Burns & Roe provided engineering and related services in connection with construction projects. At the time of its bankruptcy filing, on December 4, 2000, Burns & Roe faced approximately 11,000 claims alleging bodily injury resulting from exposure to asbestos as a result of construction projects in which Burns & Roe was involved. CNA allegedly provided primary liability coverage to Burns & Roe from 1956-1969 and 1971-1974, along with certain project-specific policies from 1964-1970. The parties in the litigation are seeking a declaration of the scope and extent of coverage, if any, afforded to Burns & Roe for its asbestos liabilities. The litigation has been stayed since May 14, 2003 pending resolution of the bankruptcy proceedings. A confirmation hearing in the bankruptcy proceeding has been scheduled for April 2006. With respect to the Burns & Roe litigation and the pending bankruptcy proceeding, numerous unresolved factual and legal issues will impact the ultimate exposure to CNA. With respect to this litigation, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include, among others: (a) whether CNA has any further responsibility to compensate claimants against Burns & Roe under its policies and, if so, under which; (b) whether CNA's responsibilities under its policies extend to a particular claimants' entire claim or only to a limited percentage of the claim; (c) whether CNA's responsibilities under its policies are limited by the occurrence limits or other provisions of the policies; (d) whether certain exclusions, including professional liability exclusions, in some of CNA's policies apply to exclude certain claims; (e) the extent to which claimants can establish exposures to asbestos materials as to which Burns & Roe has any responsibility; (f) the legal theories which must be pursued by such claimants to establish the liability of Burns & Roe and whether such theories can, in fact, be established; (g) the diseases and damages alleged by such claimants; (h) the extent that any liability of Burns & Roe would be shared with other potentially responsible parties; and (i) the impact of bankruptcy proceedings on claims and coverage issue resolution. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

CIC issued certain primary and excess policies to Bendix Corporation ("Bendix"), now part of Honeywell International, Inc. ("Honeywell"). Honeywell faces approximately 77,708 pending asbestos bodily injury claims resulting from alleged exposure to Bendix friction products. CIC's primary policies allegedly covered the period from at least 1939 (when Bendix began to use asbestos in its friction products) to 1983, although the parties disagree about whether CIC's policies provided product liability coverage before 1940 and from 1945 to 1956. CIC asserts that it owes no further material obligations to Bendix under any primary policy. Honeywell alleges that two primary policies issued by CIC covering 1969-1975 contain occurrence limits but not product liability aggregate limits for asbestos bodily injury claims. CIC has asserted, among other things, even if Honeywell's allegation is correct, which CNA denies, its liability is limited to a single occurrence limit per policy or per year, and in the alternative, a proper allocation of losses would substantially limit its exposure under the 1969-1975 policies to asbestos claims. These and other issues are being litigated in *Continental Insurance Co., et al. v. Honeywell International Inc.*, No. MRS-L-1523-00 (Morris County, New Jersey) which was filed on May 15, 2000. In the litigation, the parties are seeking declaratory relief of the scope and extent of coverage, if any, afforded to Bendix under the policies issued by CNA. With respect to this litigation, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include, among others: (a) whether certain of the primary policies issued by CNA contain aggregate limits of liability; (b) whether CNA's responsibilities under its policies extend to a particular claimants' entire claim or only to a limited percentage of the claim; (c) whether CNA's responsibilities under its policies are limited by the occurrence limits or other provisions of the policies; (d) whether some of the claims against Bendix arise out of events which took place after expiration of CNA's policies; (e) the extent to which claimants can establish exposures to asbestos materials as to which Bendix has any responsibility; (f) the legal theories which must be pursued by such claimants to establish the liability of Bendix and whether such theories can, in fact, be established; (g) the diseases and damages claimed by such claimants; (h) the extent that any liability of Bendix would be shared with other responsible parties; and (i) whether Bendix is responsible for reimbursement of funds advanced by CNA for defense and indemnity in the past. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

Suits have also been initiated directly against two CNA companies and other insurers in four jurisdictions: Ohio, Texas, West Virginia and Montana. In the approximately 75 Ohio actions, plaintiffs allege the defendants negligently performed duties undertaken to protect workers and the public from the effects of asbestos, spoliated evidence and conspired and acted in concert to harm the plaintiffs. (E.g. *Varner v. Ford Motor Co.*, (Ohio Ct. Common Pl., filed June 12, 2003); *Peplowski v. ACE American Ins. Co.*, (N.D. Ohio, filed April 1, 2004)) and *Cross v. Garlock, Inc.* (Ohio Ct. Common Pl., filed September 1, 2004)). The Cuyahoga County court granted insurers, including CNA, dismissals against an initial group of plaintiffs, ruling that insurers had no duty to warn plaintiffs about the dangers of asbestos and that there was no basis for spoliation, conspiracy and concert of action claims. That ruling was recently affirmed on appeal. *Budd v. Am. Std., Inc., No. 84829* (Ohio Ct. App. May 26, 2005). The Cuyahoga County court has continued to dismiss substantially similar types of complaints and plaintiffs have either failed to appeal the dismissals or have voluntarily dismissed their appeals. Nonetheless, plaintiffs continue to file additional similar suits. With respect to this litigation in particular, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include: (a) the speculative nature and unclear scope of any alleged duties owed to individuals exposed to asbestos and the resulting uncertainty as to the potential pool of potential claimants; (b) the fact that imposing such duties on all insurer and non-insurer corporate defendants would be unprecedented and, therefore, the legal boundaries of recovery are difficult to estimate; (c) the fact that many of the claims brought to date may be barred by various Statutes of Limitation and it is unclear whether future claims would also be barred; (d) the unclear nature of the required nexus between the acts of the defendants and the right of any particular claimant to recovery; and (e) the existence of hundreds of co-defendants in some of the suits and the applicability of the legal theories pled by the claimants to thousands of potential defendants. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

Similar lawsuits were filed in Texas beginning in 2002, against two CNA companies and numerous other insurers and non-insurer corporate defendants asserting liability for failing to warn of the dangers of asbestos (E.g. *Boson v. Union Carbide Corp.* (Nueces County, Texas)). During 2003, many of the Texas suits were dismissed as time-barred by the applicable Statute of Limitations. In other suits, the carriers argued that they did not owe any duty to the plaintiffs or the general public to advise the world generally or the plaintiffs particularly of the effects of asbestos and that Texas statutes precluded liability for such claims, and the Texas courts dismissed these suits. Certain of the Texas courts' rulings were appealed, but plaintiffs later dismissed their appeals. Recently, a different Texas court denied similar motions seeking dismissal at the pleading stage, allowing limited discovery to proceed. With respect to this litigation in particular, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include: (a) the speculative nature and unclear scope of any alleged duties owed to individuals exposed to asbestos and the resulting uncertainty as to the potential pool of potential claimants; (b) the fact that imposing such duties on all insurer and non-insurer corporate defendants would be unprecedented and, therefore, the legal boundaries of recovery are difficult to estimate; (c) the fact that many of the claims brought to date are barred by various Statutes of Limitation and it is unclear whether future claims would also be barred; (d) the unclear nature of the required nexus between the acts of the defendants and the right of any particular claimant to recovery; and (e) the existence of hundreds of co-defendants in some of the suits and the applicability of the legal theories pled by the claimants to thousands of potential defendants. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

CCC was named in *Adams v. Aetna, Inc., et al.* (Circuit Court of Kanawha County, West Virginia, filed June 28, 2002), a purported class action against CCC and other insurers, alleging that the defendants violated West Virginia's Unfair Trade Practices Act ("UTPA") in handling and resolving asbestos claims against five specifically named asbestos defendants. The *Adams* litigation had been stayed pending a planned motion by plaintiffs to file an amended complaint that reflected two June 2004 decisions of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. In June 2005, the court presiding over *Adams* and three similar putative class actions against other insurers, on its own motion, directed plaintiffs to file any amended complaints by June 13, 2005 and directed the parties to agree upon a case management order that would result in trial being commenced by July 2006. Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint greatly expands the scope of the action against the insurers, including CCC. Under the Amended Complaint, the defendant insurers, including CCC have now been sued for alleged violations of the UTPA in connection with handling and resolving asbestos personal injury and wrongful death claims in West Virginia courts against all their insureds if those claims were resolved before June 30, 2001. CCC, along with other insurer defendants removed the *Adams* case to Federal court, *Adams v. Ins. Co. of North America ("INA") et al.* (S.D. W. Va. No. 2:05-CV-0527). A motion by plaintiffs to remand the case to state courts is pending. Numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result in *Adams*, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These issues include: (a) the legal sufficiency of the novel statutory claims pled by the claimants; (b) the applicability of claimants' legal theories to insurers who issued excess policies and/or neither defended nor

controlled the defense of certain policyholders; (c) the possibility that certain of the claims are barred by various Statutes of Limitation; (d) the fact that the imposition of duties would interfere with the attorney-client privilege and the contractual rights and responsibilities of the parties to CNA's insurance policies; (e) whether plaintiffs' claims are barred in whole or in part by injunctions that have been issued by bankruptcy courts that are overseeing, or that have overseen, the bankruptcies of various insureds; (f) whether some or all of the named plaintiffs or members of the plaintiff class have released CCC from the claims alleged in the Amended Complaint when they resolved their underlying asbestos claims; (g) the appropriateness of the case for class action treatment; and (h) the potential and relative magnitude of liabilities of co-defendants. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

On March 22, 2002, a direct action was filed in Montana (*Pennock, et al. v. Maryland Casualty, et al.* First Judicial District Court of Lewis & Clark County, Montana) by eight individual plaintiffs (all employees of W.R. Grace & Co. ("W.R. Grace")) and their spouses against CNA, Maryland Casualty and the State of Montana. This action alleges that the carriers failed to warn of or otherwise protect W.R. Grace employees from the dangers of asbestos at a W.R. Grace vermiculite mining facility in Libby, Montana. The Montana direct action is currently stayed because of W.R. Grace's pending bankruptcy. With respect to such claims, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include: (a) the unclear nature and scope of any alleged duties owed to people exposed to asbestos and the resulting uncertainty as to the potential pool of potential claimants; (b) the potential application of Statutes of Limitation to many of the claims which may be made depending on the nature and scope of the alleged duties; (c) the unclear nature of the required nexus between the acts of the defendants and the right of any particular claimant to recovery; (d) the diseases and damages claimed by such claimants; (e) and the extent that such liability would be shared with other potentially responsible parties; and (f) the impact of bankruptcy proceedings on claims resolution. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

CNA is vigorously defending these and other cases and believes that it has meritorious defenses to the claims asserted. However, there are numerous factual and legal issues to be resolved in connection with these claims, and it is extremely difficult to predict the outcome or ultimate financial exposure represented by these matters. Adverse developments with respect to any of these matters could have a material adverse effect on CNA's business, insurer financial strength and debt ratings and the Company's results of operations and/or equity.

As a result of the uncertainties and complexities involved, reserves for asbestos claims cannot be estimated with traditional actuarial techniques that rely on historical accident year loss development factors. In establishing asbestos reserves, CNA evaluates the exposure presented by each insured. As part of this evaluation, CNA considers the available insurance coverage; limits and deductibles; the potential role of other insurance, particularly underlying coverage below any CNA excess liability policies; and applicable coverage defenses, including asbestos exclusions. Estimation of asbestos-related claim and claim adjustment expense reserves involves a high degree of judgment on the part of management and consideration of many complex factors, including: inconsistency of court decisions, jury attitudes and future court decisions; specific policy provisions; allocation of liability among insurers and insureds; missing policies and proof of coverage; the proliferation of bankruptcy proceedings and attendant uncertainties; novel theories asserted by policyholders and their counsel; the targeting of a broader range of businesses and entities as defendants; the uncertainty as to which other insureds may be targeted in the future and the uncertainties inherent in predicting the number of future claims; volatility in claim numbers and settlement demands; increases in the number of non-impaired claimants and the extent to which they can be precluded from making claims; the efforts by insureds to obtain coverage not subject to aggregate limits; long latency period between asbestos exposure and disease manifestation and the resulting potential for involvement of multiple policy periods for individual claims; medical inflation trends; the mix of asbestos-related diseases presented and the ability to recover reinsurance.

CNA is also monitoring possible legislative reforms on the state and national level, including possible federal legislation to create a national privately financed trust financed by contributions from insurers such as CNA, industrial companies and others, which if established, could replace litigation of asbestos claims with payments to claimants from the trust. It is uncertain at the present time whether such legislation will be enacted or, if it is, its impact on CNA.

## **Environmental Pollution and Mass Tort**

Environmental pollution cleanup is the subject of both federal and state regulation. By some estimates, there are thousands of potential waste sites subject to cleanup. The insurance industry is involved in extensive litigation regarding coverage issues. Judicial interpretations in many cases have expanded the scope of coverage and liability beyond the original intent of the policies. The Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability

Act of 1980 (“Superfund”) and comparable state statutes (“mini-Superfunds”) govern the cleanup and restoration of toxic waste sites and formalize the concept of legal liability for cleanup and restoration by “Potentially Responsible Parties” (“PRPs”). Superfund and the mini-Superfunds establish mechanisms to pay for cleanup of waste sites if PRPs fail to do so and assign liability to PRPs. The extent of liability to be allocated to a PRP is dependent upon a variety of factors. Further, the number of waste sites subject to cleanup is unknown. To date, approximately 1,500 cleanup sites have been identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) and included on its National Priorities List (“NPL”). State authorities have designated many cleanup sites as well.

Many policyholders have made claims against various CNA insurance subsidiaries for defense costs and indemnification in connection with environmental pollution matters. The vast majority of these claims relate to accident years 1989 and prior, which coincides with CNA’s adoption of the Simplified Commercial General Liability coverage form, which includes what is referred to in the industry as absolute pollution exclusion. CNA and the insurance industry are disputing coverage for many such claims. Key coverage issues include whether cleanup costs are considered damages under the policies, trigger of coverage, allocation of liability among triggered policies, applicability of pollution exclusions and owned property exclusions, the potential for joint and several liability and the definition of an occurrence. To date, courts have been inconsistent in their rulings on these issues.

As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, CNA carried approximately \$402.0 million and \$497.0 million of claim and claim adjustment expense reserves, net of reinsurance recoverables, for reported and unreported environmental pollution and mass tort claims. There was \$3.0 million of unfavorable environmental pollution and mass tort net claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. No development was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. CNA recorded \$15.0 million and \$10.0 million of current accident year losses related to mass tort for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. CNA paid environmental pollution-related claims and mass tort-related claims, net of reinsurance recoveries, of \$113.0 million and \$79.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

CNA has made resolution of large environmental pollution exposures a management priority. CNA has resolved a number of its large environmental accounts by negotiating settlement agreements. In its settlements, CNA sought to resolve those exposures and obtain the broadest release language to avoid future claims from the same policyholders seeking coverage for sites or claims that had not emerged at the time CNA settled with its policyholder. While the terms of each settlement agreement vary, CNA sought to obtain broad environmental releases that include known and unknown sites, claims and policies. The broad scope of the release provisions contained in those settlement agreements should, in many cases, prevent future exposure from settled policyholders. It remains uncertain, however, whether a court interpreting the language of the settlement agreements will adhere to the intent of the parties and uphold the broad scope of language of the agreements.

In 2003, CNA observed a marked increase in silica claims frequency in Mississippi, where plaintiff attorneys appear to have filed claims to avoid the effect of tort reform. In 2004, silica claims frequency in Mississippi has moderated notably due to implementation of tort reform measures and favorable court decisions. To date, the most significant silica exposures identified included a relatively small number of accounts with significant numbers of new claims reported in 2003 and that continued at a far lesser rate in 2004 and 2005. Establishing claim and claim adjustment expense reserves for silica claims is subject to uncertainties because of disputes concerning medical causation with respect to certain diseases, including lung cancer, geographical concentration of the lawsuits asserting the claims, and the large rise in the total number of claims without underlying epidemiological developments suggesting an increase in disease rates or plaintiffs. Moreover, judicial interpretations regarding application of various tort defenses, including application of various theories of joint and several liabilities, impede CNA’s ability to estimate its ultimate liability for such claims.

### **Net Prior Year Development**

Unfavorable net prior year development of \$216.0 million was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. This amount consisted of \$344.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$128.0 million of favorable premium development. Unfavorable net prior year development of \$111.0 million was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. This amount consisted of \$222.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$111.0 million of favorable premium development.

CNA records favorable or unfavorable premium and claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties as movements in the claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserves for the accident years covered by the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties indicate such

development is required. While the available limit of these treaties has been fully utilized, the ceded premiums and losses for an individual segment may change because of the re-estimation of the subject losses. See Note 5 for further discussion of the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, CNA recorded unfavorable net prior year development of \$17.0 million related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties, consisting of \$13.0 million of unfavorable development in Standard Lines, \$6.0 million of favorable development in Specialty Lines and \$10.0 million of unfavorable development in Other Insurance. There was no significant development related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

The following includes the net prior year development recorded for the Standard Lines, Specialty Lines and Other Insurance segments. Favorable net prior year development in the Life and Group Non-Core segment for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 was \$11.0 million and \$12.0 million.

<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005</b> <b>(In millions)</b>	<b>Standard Lines</b>	<b>Specialty Lines</b>	<b>Other Insurance</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Pretax unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development excluding the impact of corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties:</b>				
Core (Non-APMT)	\$ 183.0	\$ 56.0	\$ 57.0	\$ 296.0
APMT			11.0	11.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>183.0</b>	<b>56.0</b>	<b>68.0</b>	<b>307.0</b>
<b>Ceded losses related to corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>(25.0)</b>	<b>6.0</b>	
<b>Pretax unfavorable net prior year development before impact of premium development</b>	<b>202.0</b>	<b>31.0</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>307.0</b>
<b>Unfavorable (favorable) premium development, excluding impact of corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties</b>	<b>(99.0)</b>	<b>(9.0)</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>(97.0)</b>
<b>Ceded premiums related to corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties</b>	<b>(6.0)</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>17.0</b>
<b>Total premium development</b>	<b>(105.0)</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>(80.0)</b>
<b>Total unfavorable net prior year development (pretax)</b>	<b>\$ 97.0</b>	<b>\$ 41.0</b>	<b>\$ 89.0</b>	<b>\$ 227.0</b>

#### **Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004**

<b>Pretax unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development excluding the impact of corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties:</b>				
Core (Non-APMT)	\$ 107.0	\$ 74.0	\$ 9.0	\$ 190.0
APMT			44.0	44.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>107.0</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>53.0</b>	<b>234.0</b>
<b>Ceded losses related to corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>(9.0)</b>	<b>5.0</b>	
<b>Pretax unfavorable net prior year development before impact of premium development</b>	<b>111.0</b>	<b>65.0</b>	<b>58.0</b>	<b>234.0</b>
<b>Unfavorable (favorable) premium development, excluding impact of corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties</b>	<b>(97.0)</b>	<b>(29.0)</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>(111.0)</b>
<b>Ceded premiums related to corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties</b>	<b>(1.0)</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>(2.0)</b>	
<b>Total premium development</b>	<b>(98.0)</b>	<b>(26.0)</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>(111.0)</b>
<b>Total unfavorable net prior year development (pretax)</b>	<b>\$ 13.0</b>	<b>\$ 39.0</b>	<b>\$ 71.0</b>	<b>\$ 123.0</b>

## **Standard Lines**

Unfavorable net prior year development of \$97.0 million was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. This amount consisted of \$202.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$105.0 million of favorable premium development. Unfavorable net prior year development of \$13.0 million was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. This amount consisted of \$111.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$98.0 million of favorable premium development.

### ***2005 Net Prior Year Development***

Approximately \$141.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development resulted from increased severity trends for workers compensation, primarily in accident years 2002 and prior.

Approximately \$135.0 million of favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded due to improvement in the severity and number of claims for property coverages and marine business, primarily in accident year 2004.

Approximately \$90.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$83.0 million of favorable net prior year premium development resulted from an unfavorable arbitration ruling on two reinsurance treaties.

Approximately \$76.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was attributed to increased severity in liability coverages for large account policies.

Approximately \$51.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was related to reviews of liquor liability, trucking and habitation business that indicated that the number of large claims was higher than previously expected in recent accident years. The remainder of the favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was primarily a result of improved experience on several coverages on middle market business mainly in accident year 2004.

Favorable net prior year premium development was recorded primarily as a result of additional premium resulting from audits and endorsements on recent policies, primarily workers compensation.

Additionally, there was \$19.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$6.0 million of favorable premium development related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties.

### ***2004 Net Prior Year Development***

In the second quarter of 2004, CNA finalized commutation agreements with several members of the Trenwick Group. These commutations resulted in unfavorable claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development which was more than offset by a release of a previously established allowance for uncollectible reinsurance.

In addition approximately \$75.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development recorded in the second quarter of 2004 resulted from increased severity trends for workers compensation on large account policies primarily in accident years 2002 and prior. Favorable premium development on retrospectively rated large account policies of \$25.0 million was recorded in relation to this unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development. Also, favorable net prior year premium development of approximately \$60.0 million resulted primarily from higher audit and endorsement premiums on workers compensation and general liability policies. Approximately \$30.0 million of the unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development was recorded related to the higher audit and endorsement premium.

In the third quarter of 2004, approximately \$15.0 million of unfavorable net prior claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded in relation to CNA's share of the National Workers Compensation Reinsurance Pool ("NWCRP"). During the third quarter of 2004, the NWCRP reached an agreement with a former pool member to settle their pool liabilities at an amount less than their established share. The result of this settlement was a higher allocation to the remaining pool members, including CNA.

## **Specialty Lines**

Unfavorable net prior year development of \$41.0 million was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. This amount consisted of \$31.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$10.0 million of unfavorable premium development. Unfavorable net prior year development of \$39.0 million was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. This amount consisted of \$65.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$26.0 million of favorable premium development.

### ***2005 Net Prior Year Development***

Approximately \$60.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded due to increased claim adjustment expenses and increased severities in the architects and engineers book of business, in accident years 2000 through 2003. Favorable net prior year premium development of approximately \$10.0 million was recorded in relation to this unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development.

Approximately \$27.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was related to large directors and officers (“D&O”) claims assumed from a London syndicate, primarily in accident years 2001 and prior. Approximately \$40.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded due to large claims resulting from excess coverages provided to health care facilities.

Approximately \$17.0 million of favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded due to lower severity in the dental program.

Approximately \$24.0 million of favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded as a result of improvements in the claim severity and claim frequency, mainly in recent accident years, from nursing home businesses. The remainder of the favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was primarily attributed to favorable experience in the warranty line of business, partially offset by unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development attributed to other large D&O claims.

Additionally, there was approximately \$25.0 million of favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$19.0 million of unfavorable premium development related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties in the first nine months of 2005.

### ***2004 Net Prior Year Development***

CNA finalized commutation agreements with several members of the Trenwick Group in the second quarter of 2004. These commutations resulted in unfavorable claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development which was more than offset by a release of a previously established allowance for uncollectible reinsurance. Additionally, unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development resulted from the increased emergence of several large D&O claims, primarily in recent accident years.

## **Other Insurance**

Unfavorable net prior year development of \$89.0 million was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. This amount consisted of \$74.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$15.0 million of unfavorable premium development. Unfavorable net prior year development of \$71.0 million was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. This amount consisted of \$58.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$13.0 million of unfavorable premium development.

### ***2005 Net Prior Year Development***

Approximately \$56.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was a result of a commutation recorded in the second quarter of 2005. Approximately \$6.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties. The unfavorable premium development was primarily driven by \$10.0 million of additional ceded reinsurance premium

on agreements where the ceded premium depends on the ceded loss and \$4.0 million of additional premium ceded to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties.

### 2004 Net Prior Year Development

The net prior year development recorded for 2004 related to commutation agreements with several members of the Trenwick Group. These commutations resulted in unfavorable net prior year development partially offset by a release of a previously established allowance for uncollectible reinsurance.

## 8. Shareholders' Equity

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(In millions of dollars, except per share data)</b>		
Preferred stock, \$0.10 par value, Authorized - 100,000,000 shares		
Common stock:		
Loews common stock, \$1.00 par value:		
Authorized - 600,000,000 shares		
Issued and outstanding -185,746,595 and 185,584,575 shares	\$ 185.7	\$ 185.6
Carolina Group stock, \$0.01 par value:		
Authorized - 600,000,000 shares		
Issued - 68,180,678 and 68,307,250 shares	0.7	0.7
Additional paid-in capital	1,816.2	1,801.2
Earnings retained in the business	10,486.3	9,589.3
Accumulated other comprehensive income	341.8	586.9
	12,830.7	12,163.7
Less treasury stock, at cost (340,000 shares of Carolina Group stock)	7.7	7.7
Total shareholders' equity	\$ 12,823.0	\$ 12,156.0

## 9. Debt

September 30, 2005	Principal	Unamortized Discount	Net	Short-Term Debt	Long-Term Debt
<b>(In millions)</b>					
Loews Corporation	\$ 1,175.0	\$ 10.4	\$ 1,164.6		\$ 1,164.6
CNA Financial	1,760.5	9.4	1,751.1	\$ 52.5	1,698.6
Diamond Offshore	991.3	12.6	978.7	12.8	965.9
Boardwalk Pipelines	1,110.0	8.9	1,101.1		1,101.1
Loews Hotels	240.9		240.9	4.0	236.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,277.7</b>	<b>\$ 41.3</b>	<b>\$ 5,236.4</b>	<b>\$ 69.3</b>	<b>\$ 5,167.1</b>

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(In millions)</b>		
<b>Loews Corporation (Parent Company):</b>		
Senior:		
6.8% notes due 2006 (effective interest rate of 6.8%) (authorized, \$300)	\$ 300.0	\$ 300.0
8.9% debentures due 2011 (effective interest rate of 9.0%) (authorized, \$175)	175.0	175.0
5.3% notes due 2016 (effective interest rate of 5.4%) (authorized, \$400 and \$300) (a)	400.0	300.0
7.0% notes due 2023 (effective interest rate of 7.2%) (authorized, \$400)		400.0
6.0% notes due 2035 (effective interest rate of 6.2%) (authorized, \$300) (a)	300.0	
Subordinated:		
3.1% exchangeable subordinated notes due 2007 (effective interest rate of 3.4%) (authorized, \$1,150)		1,150.0
<b>CNA Financial:</b>		
Senior:		
6.5% notes due 2005 (effective interest rate of 6.6%) (authorized, \$500)		492.8
6.8% notes due 2006 (effective interest rate of 6.8%) (authorized, \$250)	250.0	250.0
6.5% notes due 2008 (effective interest rate of 6.6%) (authorized, \$150)	150.0	150.0
6.6% notes due 2008 (effective interest rate of 6.7%) (authorized, \$200)	200.0	200.0
8.4% notes due 2012 (effective interest rate of 8.6%) (authorized, \$100)	69.6	69.6
5.9% notes due 2014 (effective interest rate of 6.0%) (authorized, \$549)	549.0	549.0
7.0% notes due 2018 (effective interest rate of 7.1%) (authorized, \$150)	150.0	150.0
7.3% debentures due 2023 (effective interest rate of 7.3%) (authorized, \$250)	243.0	243.0
5.1% debentures due 2034 (effective interest rate of 4.3%) (authorized, \$31)	30.9	30.9
Revolving credit facility due 2008 (effective interest rate of 5.0%)	30.0	
Term loan due 2005 (effective interest rate of (2.8%))		10.0
Revolving credit facility due 2005 (effective interest rate of 3.5%)		25.0
2.5% Corporate note due 2006 (effective interest rate of 2.5%)	50.0	50.0
Other senior debt (effective interest rates approximate 5.8% and 7.5%)	38.0	47.5
<b>Diamond Offshore:</b>		
Senior:		
5.2% notes, due 2014 (effective interest rate of 5.2%) (authorized, \$250) (a)	250.0	250.0
4.9% notes, due 2015 (effective interest rate of 5.0%) (authorized, \$250) (a)	250.0	
Zero coupon convertible debentures due 2020, net of discount of \$12.5 and \$333.8 (effective interest rate of 3.6%) (b)	18.5	471.2
1.5% convertible senior debentures due 2031 (effective interest rate of 1.6%) (authorized, \$460) (c)	460.0	460.0
Subordinated debt due 2005 (effective interest rate of 7.1%)	12.8	12.8
<b>Boardwalk Pipelines:</b>		
Senior:		
Term loan due 2005 (effective interest rate of 3.3%)		575.0
5.5% notes due 2017 (effective interest rate of 5.6%) (authorized, \$300) (a)	300.0	
5.2% notes due 2018 (effective interest rate of 5.4%) (authorized, \$185) (a)	185.0	185.0
<b>Texas Gas:</b>		
Senior:		
4.6% notes due 2015 (effective interest rate of 5.1%) (authorized, \$250) (a)	250.0	250.0
7.3% debentures due 2027 (effective interest rate of 8.1%) (authorized, \$100)	100.0	100.0
<b>Gulf South:</b>		
Senior:		
5.1% notes due 2015 (effective interest rate of 5.2%) (authorized, \$275) (a)	275.0	
<b>Loews Hotels:</b>		
Senior debt, principally mortgages (effective interest rates approximate 4.7% and 4.1%)	240.9	144.4
	5,277.7	7,041.2
Less unamortized discount	41.3	50.9
Debt	\$ 5,236.4	\$ 6,990.3

- (a) Redeemable in whole or in part at the greater of the principal amount or the net present value of scheduled payments discounted at the specified treasury rate plus a margin.
- (b) The debentures are convertible into Diamond Offshore's common stock at the rate of 8.6075 shares per one thousand dollars principal amount, subject to adjustment. Each debenture will be purchased by Diamond Offshore at the option of the holder on the tenth and fifteenth anniversaries of issuance at the accreted value through the date of repurchase. The debentures were issued on June 6, 2000. Diamond Offshore, at its option, may elect to pay the purchase price in cash or shares of common stock, or in certain combinations thereof. The debentures are redeemable at the option of Diamond Offshore at any time at prices which reflect a yield of 3.5% to the holder.
- (c) The debentures are convertible into Diamond Offshore's common stock at an initial conversion rate of 20.3978 shares per one thousand dollars principal amount, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. Upon conversion, Diamond Offshore has the right to deliver cash in lieu of shares of its common stock. Diamond Offshore may redeem all or a portion of the debentures at any time on or after April 15, 2008 at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount. Holders may require Diamond Offshore to purchase all or a portion of the debentures on April 15, 2008, at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount. Diamond Offshore, at its option, may elect to pay the purchase price in cash or shares of common stock, or in certain combinations thereof.

On January 18, 2005, Boardwalk Pipelines issued \$300.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.5% notes due 2017 and Gulf South issued \$275.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.1% notes due 2015. The proceeds from these notes were used to repay the \$575.0 interim loan.

On January 27, 2005, the Company completed the sale of \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.3% senior notes due 2016 and \$300.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.0% notes due 2035. The net proceeds from the sale were used to redeem the \$400.0 million aggregate principal amount of 7.0% senior notes due 2023 in February of 2005.

In the first quarter of 2005, Loews Hotels refinanced \$107.8 million of mortgages with new loans of \$206.3 million.

On April 15, 2005, CNA retired its \$493.0 million 6.5% senior notes due 2005.

On April 21, 2005, the Company redeemed all of its outstanding \$1,150.0 million principal amount of 3.1% exchangeable subordinated notes due 2007 at a redemption price of 100.9375% of the principal amount, plus accrued interest.

On June 14, 2005, Diamond Offshore issued \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.9% Senior Notes due 2015, at an offering price of 99.8% of the principal amount and resulted in net proceeds of \$247.7 million.

On June 7, 2005, Diamond Offshore repurchased \$460.0 million, or \$774.1 million in aggregate principal amount at maturity, of its Zero Coupon Debentures at a purchase price of \$594.25 per \$1,000 principal amount at maturity, which represents 96.2% of its then outstanding Zero Coupon Debentures. The holders of the remaining outstanding debentures have the right to require Diamond Offshore to repurchase the debentures on June 6, 2010 and June 6, 2015 at their accreted value through the date of purchase. As of September 30, 2005, the aggregate accreted value of its Zero Coupon Debentures of \$18.5 million is classified as long-term debt in the Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheet.

## **10. Significant Transactions**

### **Acquisition of Gulf South Pipeline, LP**

As previously discussed in the Company's 2004 Annual Report on Form 10-K/A, the Company, through a wholly owned subsidiary, Boardwalk Pipelines, acquired Gulf South Pipeline, LP ("Gulf South") from Entergy-Koch, LP, a venture between Entergy Corporation and Koch Energy, Inc., a subsidiary of privately-owned Koch Industries, Inc., in December of 2004.

The following unaudited pro forma financial information assumes that Gulf South had been acquired as of January 1, 2004. The pro forma amounts include an adjustment to depreciation expense based on the preliminary allocation of purchase price to property, plant and equipment; adjustment of interest expense to reflect the issuance of debt for the acquisition and the related tax effect of these items.

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2004	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004
(In millions, except per share data)		
Total revenues	\$ 3,837.9	\$ 11,364.0
Net income attributable to Loews common stock	226.6	610.8
Basic net income per share of Loews common stock	\$ 1.22	\$ 3.29
Diluted net income per share of Loews common stock	\$ 1.22	\$ 3.29

The pro forma information does not necessarily reflect the actual results that would have occurred had the companies been combined during the periods presented, nor is it necessarily indicative of future results of operations.

### Managed Care Holdings Corporation

On March 31, 2005, CNA completed the sale of Managed Care Holdings Corporation, and its subsidiary, Caronia Corporation, to Octagon Risk Services, Incorporated, for approximately \$16.0 million. As a result of the sale, the Company recorded a realized gain of approximately \$2.6 million after-tax and minority interest. For the three months ended September 30, 2004, the revenue of the business sold was \$4.0 million. The revenues of the business sold were \$4.0 million and \$12.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. For the three months ended September 30, 2004, net income was \$0.9 million. Net income was \$0.2 million and \$2.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

### Specialty Medical Business

On January 6, 2005, CNA completed the sale of its specialty medical business to Aetna Inc. The revenues of the business sold were \$3.0 million and \$43.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 and \$14.0 million and \$120.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. Net income related to this business was \$1.8 million and \$2.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 and \$7.3 million and \$10.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

### Individual Life Sale

On April 30, 2004, CNA completed the sale of its individual life insurance business to Swiss Re. The business sold included term, universal and permanent life insurance policies and individual annuity products. CNA's individual long term care and structured settlement businesses were excluded from the sale. Swiss Re acquired VFL, a wholly owned subsidiary of CAC, and CNA's Nashville, Tennessee insurance servicing and administration building as part of the sale. In connection with the sale, CNA entered into a reinsurance agreement in which CAC ceded its individual life insurance business to Swiss Re on a 100% indemnity reinsurance basis. As a result of this reinsurance agreement, approximately \$1.0 billion of future policy benefit reserves were ceded to Swiss Re. CNA received consideration of approximately \$700.0 million and recorded a realized investment loss of \$618.6 million pretax (\$352.9 million after-tax and minority interest) during the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

Swiss Re assumed assets and liabilities of \$6.6 billion and \$5.2 billion at April 30, 2004. The revenues of the individual life business through the sale date were \$151.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The net results of this business through the sale date were a net loss of \$5.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

## 11. Statutory Accounting Practices

CNA's domestic and foreign insurance subsidiaries maintain their accounts in conformity with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by insurance regulatory authorities, which vary in certain respects from GAAP. In converting from statutory to GAAP, typical adjustments include deferral of policy acquisition costs and the inclusion of net realized holding gains or losses in shareholders' equity relating to fixed maturity securities. The

National Association of Insurance Commissioners (“NAIC”) developed a codified version of statutory accounting principles, designed to foster more consistency among the states for accounting guidelines and reporting.

CNA’s insurance subsidiaries are domiciled in various jurisdictions. These subsidiaries prepare statutory financial statements in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the respective jurisdictions’ insurance regulators. Prescribed statutory accounting practices are set forth in a variety of publications of the NAIC as well as state laws, regulations and general administrative rules.

CCC follows a permitted practice related to the statutory provision for reinsurance, or the uncollectible reinsurance reserve. This permitted practice allows CCC to record an additional uncollectible reinsurance reserve amount through a different financial statement line item than the prescribed statutory convention. This permitted practice was requested and has been granted for the reporting periods December 31, 2004 through September 30, 2005. This permitted practice had no effect on CCC’s statutory surplus as of September 30, 2005 or December 31, 2004.

During 2004 and through March 31, 2005, CIC followed a permitted practice related to its statutory accounting for reinsurance recoverables from voluntary pools. Under the prescribed statutory accounting practice, CIC would be required to record a reduction to its statutory surplus related to amounts due from reinsurers, including voluntary pools, that are not authorized in its state of domicile, South Carolina. The permitted practice allowed CIC to continue to report voluntary pools that were classified as authorized in CIC’s previous state of domicile, New Hampshire, as authorized in South Carolina. This permitted practice was intended to be transitional as a result of CIC’s redomestication from New Hampshire to South Carolina effective January 1, 2004. In the second quarter of 2005, it was determined by CIC’s domiciliary state insurance department that credit for reinsurance ceded to voluntary pools shall be allowed as an asset. Therefore, a permitted practice is no longer necessary.

CNA’s ability to pay dividends and other credit obligations is significantly dependent on receipt of dividends from its subsidiaries. The payment of dividends to CNA by its insurance subsidiaries without prior approval of the insurance department of each subsidiary’s domiciliary jurisdiction is limited by formula. Dividends in excess of these amounts are subject to prior approval by the respective state insurance departments.

Dividends from CCC are subject to the insurance holding company laws of the State of Illinois, the domiciliary state of CCC. Under these laws, ordinary dividends, or dividends that do not require prior approval of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation - Division of Insurance (the “Department”), may be paid only from earned surplus, which is calculated by removing unrealized gains from unassigned surplus. As of September 30, 2005, CCC is in a positive earned surplus position, thereby enabling CCC to pay approximately \$330.0 million in dividends for the remainder of 2005 that would not be subject to the Department’s prior approval. The actual level of dividends paid in any year is determined after an assessment of available dividend capacity, holding company liquidity and cash needs as well as the impact the dividends will have on the statutory surplus of the applicable insurance company.

CCC’s earned surplus was negative at December 31, 2004. As a result, CCC obtained approval from the Department in December of 2004, for extraordinary dividends in the amount of approximately \$125.0 million to be used to fund CNA’s 2005 debt service requirements. CCC’s earned surplus was restored to a positive position, in part, as a result of a \$500.0 million dividend received from its subsidiary, CAC, during the first quarter of 2005. By agreement with the New Hampshire Insurance Department, the CIC Group may not pay dividends to CCC until after January 1, 2006.

Combined statutory capital and surplus and net income (loss), determined in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by insurance regulatory authorities, for the property and casualty and the life and group insurance subsidiaries, were as follows:

	<b>Statutory Capital and Surplus</b>	
	<b>September 30, 2005</b>	<b>December 31, 2004</b>
<b>(In millions)</b>		
Property and casualty companies	<b>\$ 7,332.0</b>	<b>\$ 6,998.0</b>
Life and group insurance companies (a)	<b>722.0</b>	<b>1,177.0</b>

	Statutory Net Income (Loss)			
	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Property and casualty companies	\$ (19.0)	\$ (123.0)	\$ 849.0	\$ 280.0
Life and group insurance companies (a)	(4.0)	20.0	49.0	414.0

(a) Statutory capital and surplus for the property and casualty insurance companies includes the property and casualty companies' equity ownership of the life and group companies' capital and surplus. The Statutory Net Income (Loss) for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 includes the individual life insurance business which was sold on April 30, 2004.

## 12. Benefit Plans

**Pension Plans** - The Company has several non-contributory defined benefit plans for eligible employees. The benefits for certain plans which cover salaried employees and certain union employees are based on formulas which include, among others, years of service and average pay. The benefits for one plan which covers union workers under various union contracts and certain salaried employees are based on years of service multiplied by a stated amount. Benefits for another plan are determined annually based on a specified percentage of annual earnings (based on the participant's age) and a specified interest rate (which is established annually for all participants) applied to accrued balances.

The Company's funding policy is to make contributions in accordance with applicable governmental regulatory requirements. The assets of the plans are invested primarily in U.S. government and mortgage-backed securities with the balance in short-term investments, equity securities and limited partnerships.

**Other Postretirement Benefit Plans** - The Company has several postretirement benefit plans covering eligible employees and retirees. Participants generally become eligible after reaching age 55 with required years of service. Actual requirements for coverage vary by plan. Benefits for retirees who were covered by bargaining units vary by each unit and contract. Benefits for certain retirees are in the form of a Company health care account.

Benefits for retirees reaching age 65 are generally integrated with Medicare. Other retirees, based on plan provisions, must use Medicare as their primary coverage, with the Company reimbursing a portion of the unpaid amount; or are reimbursed for the Medicare Part B premium or have no Company coverage. The benefits provided by the Company are basically health and, for certain retirees, life insurance type benefits.

The Company funds certain of these benefit plans and accrues postretirement benefits during the active service of those employees who would become eligible for such benefits when they retire.

Net periodic benefit cost components:

	Pension Benefits			
	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Service cost	\$ 12.6	\$ 12.8	\$ 40.7	\$ 50.2
Interest cost	50.4	47.1	155.8	201.2
Expected return on plan assets	(57.1)	(49.3)	(174.5)	(216.0)
Amortization of unrecognized net loss	1.2	0.7	4.0	2.1
Amortization of unrecognized prior service cost	2.0	2.0	5.7	6.5
Actuarial loss	4.9	3.6	15.5	14.1
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 14.0	\$ 16.9	\$ 47.2	\$ 58.1

	Other Postretirement Benefits			
	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Service cost	\$ 2.7	\$ 2.4	\$ 8.0	\$ 10.2
Interest cost	7.7	8.4	23.1	36.6
Expected return on plan assets	(1.2)	(1.3)	(3.5)	(3.9)
Amortization of unrecognized net loss (gain)	0.2	(0.2)	0.6	(0.6)
Amortization of unrecognized prior service benefit	(7.4)	(3.5)	(22.4)	(21.6)
Actuarial loss	1.1	0.8	3.2	3.7
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 3.1	\$ 6.6	\$ 9.0	\$ 24.4

For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, \$60.4 million of contributions have been made to pension plans and \$24.4 million to postretirement healthcare and life insurance benefit plans. The Company plans additional contributions of approximately \$1.0 million to pension plans and \$9.0 million to postretirement healthcare and life insurance benefit plans during the remainder of 2005.

### 13. Business Segments

The Company's reportable segments are primarily based on its individual operating subsidiaries. Each of the principal operating subsidiaries are headed by a chief executive officer who is responsible for the operation of its business and has the duties and authority commensurate with that position. Investment gains (losses) and the related income taxes, excluding those of CNA Financial, are included in the Corporate and other segment.

CNA manages its property and casualty operations in two operating segments, which represent CNA's core operations: Standard Lines and Specialty Lines. The non-core operations are managed in the Life and Group Non-Core segment and Other Insurance segment. Standard Lines includes standard property and casualty coverages sold to small and middle market commercial businesses primarily through an independent agency distribution system, and excess and surplus lines, as well as insurance and risk management products sold to large corporations in the U.S. and globally. Specialty Lines provides professional, financial and specialty property and casualty products and services. Life and Group Non-Core primarily includes the results of the life and group lines of business sold or placed in run-off. Other Insurance primarily includes the results of certain property and casualty lines of business placed in run-off, including CNA Re. This segment also includes the results related to the centralized adjusting and settlement of APMT claims as well as the results of CNA's participation in voluntary insurance pools, which are primarily in run-off and various other non-insurance operations.

Lorillard is engaged in the production and sale of cigarettes with its principal products marketed under the brand names Newport, Kent, True, Maverick and Old Gold, with substantially all of its sales in the United States.

Boardwalk Pipelines is engaged, through its Texas Gas and Gulf South subsidiaries, in the operation of interstate natural gas pipeline systems. Texas Gas owns and operates a 5,900-mile natural gas pipeline system that transports natural gas originating in the Louisiana Gulf Coast and East Texas and running north and east through Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana and into Ohio, with smaller diameter lines extending into Illinois. Texas Gas has a delivery capacity of 2.8 billion cubic feet ("Bcf") per day and a working storage capacity of 55 Bcf. Gulf South owns and operates a 7,570-mile interstate natural gas pipeline, gathering and storage system located in the states of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and northern Florida. The Gulf South pipeline system is comprised of approximately 6,700 miles of interstate transmission pipeline, 870 miles of gathering pipeline and 80.0 Bcf of working gas storage capacity.

Diamond Offshore's business primarily consists of operating 44 offshore drilling rigs that are chartered on a contract basis for fixed terms by companies engaged in exploration and production of hydrocarbons. Offshore rigs are mobile units that can be relocated based on market demand. As of September 30, 2005, 23 of these rigs were located in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico, 4 were located in Brazil, 4 were located in Mexico and the remaining 13 were located in other foreign markets.

Loews Hotels owns and/or operates 18 hotels, 16 of which are in the United States and two are in Canada.

The Corporate and other segment consists primarily of corporate investment income, including investment gains (losses) from non-insurance subsidiaries, the operations of Bulova Corporation which distributes and sells watches and clocks, equity earnings from shipping operations, as well as corporate interest expenses and other corporate administrative costs.

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies. In addition, CNA does not maintain a distinct investment portfolio for each of its insurance segments, and accordingly, allocation of assets to each segment is not performed. Therefore, net investment income and investment gains (losses) are allocated based on each segment's carried insurance reserves, as adjusted.

The following tables set forth the Company's consolidated revenues and income (loss) by business segment:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
<b>Revenues (a):</b>				
CNA Financial:				
Standard Lines	\$ 1,342.6	\$ 1,306.0	\$ 4,017.7	\$ 4,341.0
Specialty Lines	752.3	659.8	2,147.3	1,983.2
Life and Group Non-Core	365.7	305.2	1,040.1	626.9
Other Insurance	59.3	47.4	251.3	301.9
Total CNA Financial	2,519.9	2,318.4	7,456.4	7,253.0
Lorillard	947.3	886.7	2,701.3	2,536.2
Boardwalk Pipelines	122.3	47.2	393.0	185.3
Diamond Offshore	352.1	209.7	915.0	583.3
Loews Hotels	81.5	66.9	267.4	233.9
Corporate and other	114.8	257.8	176.7	404.0
Total	\$ 4,137.9	\$ 3,786.7	\$ 11,909.8	\$ 11,195.7
<b>Pretax income (loss) (a):</b>				
CNA Financial:				
Standard Lines	\$ (189.3)	\$ (163.4)	\$ 95.0	\$ 246.6
Specialty Lines	184.4	109.8	422.4	392.2
Life and Group Non-Core	(63.1)	(24.2)	(74.3)	(659.1)
Other Insurance	34.1	8.6	107.4	122.0
Total CNA Financial	(33.9)	(69.2)	550.5	101.7
Lorillard	308.1	297.0	814.0	744.1
Boardwalk Pipelines	7.6	1.8	93.2	53.3
Diamond Offshore	117.9	1.4	215.1	(29.1)
Loews Hotels	5.5	(1.2)	45.1	23.1
Corporate and other	46.0	174.2	(76.1)	152.6
Total	\$ 451.2	\$ 404.0	\$ 1,641.8	\$ 1,045.7

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
<b>Net income (loss) (a):</b>				
CNA Financial:				
Standard Lines	\$ (100.8)	\$ (87.8)	\$ 90.5	\$ 185.8
Specialty Lines	108.5	66.0	262.1	236.6
Life and Group Non-Core	(33.0)	(10.4)	(31.2)	(367.8)
Other Insurance	32.7	11.8	120.8	89.4
Total CNA Financial	7.4	(20.4)	442.2	144.0
Lorillard	192.9	184.0	497.2	456.6
Boardwalk Pipelines	4.5	1.0	56.1	32.0
Diamond Offshore	40.6	0.1	74.7	(13.5)
Loews Hotels	3.7	(0.8)	32.7	14.0
Corporate and other	50.9	114.6	(29.4)	100.8
Total	\$ 300.0	\$ 278.5	\$ 1,073.5	\$ 733.9

(a) Investment gains (losses) included in Revenues, Pretax income (loss) and Net income (loss) are as follows:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>Revenues and pretax income (loss):</b>				
CNA Financial:				
Standard Lines	\$ 50.8	\$ (33.4)	\$ 71.1	\$ 101.0
Specialty Lines	16.2	(12.9)	25.2	36.7
Life and Group Non-Core	(2.6)	2.5	(8.3)	(612.2)
Other Insurance	2.7	(18.4)	(11.7)	63.1
Total CNA Financial	67.1	(62.2)	76.3	(411.4)
Corporate and other	(7.1)	12.6	(6.6)	2.0
Total	\$ 60.0	\$ (49.6)	\$ 69.7	\$ (409.4)

#### Net income (loss):

CNA Financial:				
Standard Lines	\$ 30.7	\$ (20.5)	\$ 38.5	\$ 59.6
Specialty Lines	9.6	(7.7)	17.5	21.0
Life and Group Non-Core	(1.5)	1.0	(4.9)	(349.6)
Other Insurance	(0.2)	(11.0)	(9.0)	37.4
Total CNA Financial	38.6	(38.2)	42.1	(231.6)
Corporate and other	(4.6)	8.3	(3.9)	1.3
Total	\$ 34.0	\$ (29.9)	\$ 38.2	\$ (230.3)

## 14. Legal Proceedings

### INSURANCE RELATED

#### Insurance Brokerage Antitrust Litigation

On August 1, 2005, CNA and several of its insurance subsidiaries were joined as defendants, along with other insurers and brokers, in multidistrict litigation pending in the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, *In re Insurance Brokerage Antitrust Litigation*, Civil No. 04-5184 (FSH). The plaintiffs in this litigation allege improprieties in the payment of contingent commissions to brokers and bid rigging in connection with the sale

of various lines of insurance. The plaintiffs further allege the existence of a conspiracy and assert claims for federal and state antitrust law violations, for violations of the federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act and for recovery under various state common law theories. This litigation is in its early stages. CNA intends to vigorously contest and defend against plaintiffs' claims.

### **Global Crossing Limited Litigation**

CCC has been named as a defendant in an action brought by the bankruptcy estate of Global Crossing Limited ("Global Crossing") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. In the Complaint, served on CCC on May 24, 2005, plaintiff seeks unspecified monetary damages from CCC and the other defendants for alleged fraudulent transfers and alleged breaches of fiduciary duties arising from actions taken by Global Crossing while CCC was a shareholder of Global Crossing. CCC believes it has meritorious defenses to this action and intends to defend the case vigorously.

Numerous unresolved factual and legal issues remain that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time. However, based on facts and circumstances presently known in the opinion of management an unfavorable outcome will not materially affect the equity of the Company, although results of operations may be adversely affected.

### **IGI Contingency**

In 1997, CNA Reinsurance Company Limited ("CNA Re Ltd.") entered into an arrangement with IOA Global, Ltd. ("IOA"), an independent managing general agent based in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to develop and manage a book of accident and health coverages. Pursuant to this arrangement, IGI Underwriting Agencies, Ltd. ("IGI"), a personal accident reinsurance managing general underwriter, was appointed to underwrite and market the book under the supervision of IOA. Between April 1, 1997 and December 1, 1999, IGI underwrote a number of reinsurance arrangements with respect to personal accident insurance worldwide (the "IGI Program"). Under various arrangements, CNA Re Ltd. both assumed risks as a reinsurer and also ceded a substantial portion of those risks to other companies, including other CNA insurance subsidiaries and ultimately to a group of reinsurers participating in a reinsurance pool known as the Associated Accident and Health Reinsurance Underwriters ("AAHRU") Facility. CNA's group operations business unit participated as a pool member in the AAHRU Facility in varying percentages between 1997 and 1999.

A portion of the premiums assumed under the IGI Program related to United States workers compensation "carve-out" business. Some of these premiums were received from John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company ("John Hancock") under four excess of loss reinsurance treaties (the "Treaties") issued by CNA Re Ltd. While John Hancock has indicated that it is not able to accurately quantify its potential exposure to its cedents on business which is retroceded to CNA, John Hancock has reported \$199.0 million of paid and unpaid losses, under these Treaties. John Hancock is disputing portions of its assumed obligations resulting in these reported losses, and has advised CNA that it is, or has been, involved in multiple arbitrations with its own cedents, in which proceedings John Hancock is seeking to avoid and/or reduce risks that would otherwise arguably be ceded to CNA through the Treaties. John Hancock has further informed CNA that it has settled several of these disputes, but has not provided CNA with details of the settlements. To the extent that John Hancock is successful in reducing its liabilities in these disputes, that development may have an impact on the recoveries it is seeking under the Treaties from CNA.

As indicated, CNA arranged substantial reinsurance protection to manage its exposures under the IGI Program, including the United States workers compensation carve-out business ceded from John Hancock and other reinsurers. While certain reinsurers of CNA, including participants in the AAHRU Facility, disputed their liabilities under the reinsurance contracts with respect to the IGI Program, those disputes have been resolved and substantial reinsurance coverage exists for those exposures.

In addition, CNA has instituted arbitration proceedings against John Hancock in which CNA is seeking rescission of the Treaties as well as access to and the right to inspect the books and records relating to the Treaties. Based on information known at this time, CNA believes it has strong grounds to successfully challenge its alleged exposure derived from John Hancock through the ongoing arbitration proceedings. CNA has also undertaken legal action seeking to avoid portions of the remaining exposure arising out of the IGI Program.

CNA has established reserves for its estimated exposure under the IGI Program, other than that derived from John Hancock, and an estimate for recoverables from retrocessionaires. CNA has not established any reserve for any exposure derived from John Hancock because, as indicated, CNA believes the contract will be rescinded. Although

the results of CNA's various loss mitigation strategies with respect to the entire IGI Program to date support the recorded reserves, the estimate of ultimate losses is subject to considerable uncertainty due to the complexities described above. As a result of these uncertainties, the results of operations in future periods may be adversely affected by potentially significant reserve additions. However, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time. Management does not believe that any such reserve additions would be material to the equity of the Company, although results of operations may be adversely affected. CNA's position in relation to the IGI Program was unaffected by the sale of CNA Re Ltd. in 2002.

### **California Wage and Hour Litigation**

*Ernestine Samora, et al. v. CCC*, Case No. BC 242487, Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, California and *Brian Wenzel v. Galway Insurance Company*, Superior Court of California, County of Orange No. BC01CC08868 are purported class actions on behalf of present and former CNA employees asserting they worked hours for which they should have been compensated at a rate of one and one-half times their base hourly wage over a four-year period. Plaintiffs seek "overtime compensation," "penalty wages," and "other statutory penalties" without specifying any particular amounts. CNA has denied the material allegations of the amended complaint and intends to vigorously contest the claims.

Numerous unresolved factual and legal issues remain that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time. However, based on facts and circumstances presently known in the opinion of management, an unfavorable outcome would not materially adversely affect the equity of the Company, although results of operations may be adversely affected.

### **Voluntary Market Premium Litigation**

CNA, along with dozens of other insurance companies, is currently a defendant in nine cases, including eight purported class actions, brought by large policyholders. The complaints differ in some respects, but generally allege that the defendants, as part of an industry-wide conspiracy, included improper charges in their retrospectively rated and other loss-sensitive insurance programs. Among the claims asserted are violations of state antitrust laws, breach of contract, fraud and unjust enrichment. In one federal court case, *Sandwich Chef of Texas, Inc. v. Reliance National Indemnity Insurance Co.*, 202 F.R.D. 480 (S.D. Tex. 2001), *rev'd*, 319 F.3d 205 (5th Cir. 2003), *cert. denied*, 72 USLW 3235 (U.S. Oct 6, 2003), the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit reversed a decision by the District Court for the Southern District of Texas certifying a multi-state class. CNA intends to vigorously contest these claims.

Numerous unresolved factual and legal issues remain that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time. However, based on facts and circumstances presently known in the opinion of management an unfavorable outcome will not materially affect the equity of the Company, although results of operations may be adversely affected.

### **AMPT Reserves**

CNA is also a party to litigation and claims related to APMT cases arising in the ordinary course of business. See Note 7 for further discussion.

## **TOBACCO RELATED**

### **Tobacco Related Product Liability Litigation**

Approximately 4,050 product liability cases are pending against cigarette manufacturers in the United States. Lorillard is a defendant in approximately 3,750 of these cases.

The pending product liability cases are composed of the following types of cases:

"Conventional product liability cases" are brought by individuals who allege cancer or other health effects caused by smoking cigarettes, by using smokeless tobacco products, by addiction to tobacco, or by exposure to environmental tobacco smoke. Approximately 1,350 cases are pending, including approximately 1,075 cases against Lorillard. The 1,350 cases include approximately 1,010 cases pending in a single West Virginia court that have been

consolidated for trial. Lorillard is a defendant in approximately 925 of the approximately 1,010 consolidated West Virginia cases.

“Flight Attendant cases” are brought by non-smoking flight attendants alleging injury from exposure to environmental smoke in the cabins of aircraft. Plaintiffs in these cases may not seek punitive damages for injuries that arose prior to January 15, 1997. Lorillard is a defendant in each of the approximately 2,650 pending Flight Attendant cases.

“Class action cases” are purported to be brought on behalf of large numbers of individuals for damages allegedly caused by smoking. Eleven of these cases are pending against Lorillard. One of these cases, *Schwab v. Philip Morris USA, Inc., et al.*, is on behalf of a purported nationwide class composed of purchasers of “light” cigarettes. Lorillard is not a defendant in approximately 35 additional “lights” class actions that are pending against other cigarette manufacturers.

“Reimbursement cases” are brought by or on behalf of entities who seek reimbursement of expenses incurred in providing health care to individuals who allegedly were injured by smoking. Plaintiffs in these cases have included the U.S. federal government, U.S. state and local governments, foreign governmental entities, hospitals or hospital districts, American Indian tribes, labor unions, private companies and private citizens. Lorillard is a defendant in six of the nine Reimbursement cases pending against cigarette manufacturers in the United States. The Company is a defendant in two of the cases. Lorillard and the Company also are named as defendants in an additional case pending in Israel.

Included in this category is the suit filed by the federal government, *United States of America v. Philip Morris USA, Inc., et al.*, that sought disgorgement and injunctive relief. Trial of this matter began during September of 2004. The parties have presented their closing arguments and the parties are expected to complete their post-trial submissions during November of 2005. During 2005, an appellate court ruled that the government may not seek disgorgement of profits. The U.S. Supreme Court denied the government’s application seeking review of this decision during October of 2005, although plaintiff could again seek review of this issue following a verdict. See Reimbursement Cases below.

“Contribution cases” are brought by private companies, such as asbestos manufacturers or their insurers, who are seeking contribution or indemnity for court claims they incurred on behalf of individuals injured by their products but who also allegedly were injured by smoking cigarettes. One such case is pending against Lorillard and other cigarette manufacturers.

Excluding the flight attendant and the consolidated West Virginia suits, approximately 385 product liability cases are pending against cigarette manufacturers in U.S. courts. Lorillard is a defendant in approximately 165 of the 385 cases. The Company, which is not a defendant in any of the flight attendant or the consolidated West Virginia matters, is a defendant in six of the actions.

In addition to the above, “Filter cases” are brought by smokers as well as former employees of Lorillard who seek damages resulting from alleged exposure to asbestos fibers that were incorporated into filter material used in one brand of cigarettes manufactured by Lorillard for a limited period of time, ending almost 50 years ago. Lorillard is a defendant in approximately 30 such cases.

Plaintiffs assert a broad range of legal theories in these cases, including, among others, theories of negligence, fraud, misrepresentation, strict liability, breach of warranty, enterprise liability (including claims asserted under the federal Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (“RICO”)), civil conspiracy, intentional infliction of harm, violation of consumer protection statutes, violation of antitrust statutes, injunctive relief, indemnity, restitution, unjust enrichment, public nuisance, claims based on antitrust laws and state consumer protection acts, and claims based on failure to warn of the harmful or addictive nature of tobacco products.

Plaintiffs in most of the cases seek unspecified amounts of compensatory damages and punitive damages, although some seek damages ranging into the billions of dollars. Plaintiffs in some of the cases seek treble damages, statutory damages, disgorgement of profits, equitable and injunctive relief, and medical monitoring, among other damages.

CONVENTIONAL PRODUCT LIABILITY CASES - Approximately 1,350 cases are pending against cigarette manufacturers in the United States. Lorillard is a defendant in approximately 1,075 of these cases. The Company is a defendant in two of the pending cases.

Approximately 1,010 of the 1,350 cases are pending in a single West Virginia court in a consolidated proceeding. These cases were to be considered in a consolidated trial, but the court vacated its case management order and the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia is considering the manner in which these cases will be tried. Lorillard is a defendant in approximately 925 of the 1,010 consolidated West Virginia cases. The Company is not a defendant in any of the consolidated West Virginia cases.

One of the states in which cases are pending against Lorillard is Mississippi. During 2003, the Mississippi Supreme Court ruled that the Mississippi Product Liability Act “precludes all tobacco cases that are based on products liability.” In a 2005 decision, the Supreme Court ruled that certain claims against cigarette manufacturers may remain available to plaintiffs.

Since January 1, 2003, verdicts have been returned in 23 cases. Lorillard was not a defendant in any of these cases. Defense verdicts were returned in 15 of the cases.

Listed below are those cases in which verdicts were returned in favor of the plaintiffs since January 1, 2003, as well as those cases in which appeals are pending from plaintiffs’ verdicts returned prior to 2003. In four of the cases listed below, defendants have exhausted their appeals and have paid damages to the plaintiffs. These cases, and the verdict amounts, are as follows:

*Rose v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, et al.* (Supreme Court, New York County, New York). During March of 2005, the jury returned two separate verdicts that awarded damages to the plaintiff. In the first verdict, which was returned against Brown & Williamson and Philip Morris, the jury awarded \$3.0 million to a smoker in actual damages and \$420,000 to the smoker’s husband for loss of consortium. In the second verdict, which was returned against only a single defendant, Philip Morris, the jury awarded plaintiffs \$17.1 million in punitive damages. Brown & Williamson and Philip Morris are both seeking relief from the judgment by the trial court and they have appealed.

*Smith v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation* (Circuit Court, Jackson County, Missouri). During February of 2005, the jury returned two separate verdicts in favor of the plaintiff. In its first verdict, the jury awarded plaintiff \$2.0 million in actual damages but determined that the defendant was only 25% responsible for the decedent’s injuries, which reduced the jury’s award of actual damages to \$500,000. In its second verdict, plaintiff was awarded \$20.0 million in punitive damages. Brown & Williamson has appealed.

*Arnitz v. Philip Morris USA* (Circuit Court, Hillsborough County, Florida). During October of 2004, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff and awarded him \$600,000 in actual damages. The jury also determined that plaintiff was 60% responsible for his injuries. The court did not permit plaintiff to seek punitive damages. The court’s final judgment reflected the jury’s findings and awarded plaintiff \$240,000 in damages. Philip Morris has appealed.

*Davis v. Liggett Group, Inc.* (Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida). During May of 2004, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff and awarded her a total of \$550,000 in actual damages. The jury did not award punitive damages. Liggett Group has appealed.

*Frankson v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, et al.* (Supreme Court, New York County, New York). During December of 2003, plaintiff was awarded \$350,000 in actual damages. The jury also determined that the decedent was 50% contributorily negligent. During January of 2004, plaintiff was awarded \$20.0 million in punitive damages. During June of 2004, the court granted in part the plaintiff’s motion for a larger actual damages award and increased the award to \$500,000. The court also granted in part defendants’ motion to reduce the amount of punitive damages awarded by the jury and reduced the award to \$5.0 million. Defendants have appealed.

*Thompson v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, et al.* (Circuit Court, Jackson County, Missouri). During November of 2003, the jury awarded actual damages and damages for loss of consortium to the plaintiffs and did not award punitive damages. The final judgment entered by the court reflects the jury’s findings that the smoker was 50% contributorily negligent and, as a result, awarded the plaintiffs \$1.1 million in damages. Defendants have appealed.

*Boerner v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation* (U.S. District Court, Eastern District, Arkansas). During May of 2003, plaintiffs were awarded \$4.0 million in actual damages and \$15.0 million in punitive damages. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit reduced the punitive damages award to \$5.0 million but otherwise affirmed the judgment in a ruling issued during January of 2005. Brown & Williamson did not seek further appellate review of this matter.

*Eastman v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, et al.* (Circuit Court, Pinellas County, Florida). During April of 2003, plaintiff was awarded \$6.5 million in actual damages. The jury also determined that plaintiff was 50% responsible for his injuries, which reduced his award to approximately \$655,000 from Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation and \$2.6 million from Philip Morris USA. During May of 2004, the Florida Court of Appeal affirmed the judgment. The court denied defendants' petition for rehearing during October of 2004. Defendants did not seek further appellate review of this matter.

*Bullock v. Philip Morris USA* (Superior Court, Los Angeles County, California). During September and October of 2002, plaintiff was awarded \$5.5 million in actual damages and \$28.0 billion in punitive damages. The court reduced the punitive damages award to \$28.0 million. Philip Morris and plaintiff have appealed.

*Schwarz v. Philip Morris Incorporated* (Circuit Court, Multnomah County, Oregon). During March of 2002, plaintiff was awarded approximately \$120,000 in economic damages, \$50,000 in noneconomic damages and \$150.0 million in punitive damages, although the court subsequently reduced the punitive damages award to \$100.0 million. Philip Morris has appealed.

*Burton v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.* (U.S. District Court, Kansas). During February of 2002, plaintiff was awarded approximately \$200,000 in actual damages and the jury determined that plaintiff was entitled to punitive damages. During June of 2002, the court awarded plaintiff \$15.0 million in punitive damages from R.J. Reynolds. During February of 2005, a federal court of appeals affirmed the jury's award of actual damages, but it reversed the punitive damages verdict and instructed the trial court to find in favor of R.J. Reynolds on that portion of plaintiff's claims. The Tenth Circuit denied R.J. Reynolds' conditional motion for rehearing, and neither party sought further appellate review of this matter.

*Boeken v. Philip Morris Incorporated* (Superior Court, Los Angeles County, California). During June of 2001, plaintiff was awarded \$5.5 million in actual damages and \$3.0 billion in punitive damages. The court reduced the punitive damages award to \$100.0 million. During April of 2005, the California Court of Appeal further reduced the punitive damages award to \$50.0 million but otherwise affirmed the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff. The California Supreme Court denied plaintiff's and Philip Morris' separate petitions for review during August of 2005. Philip Morris has advised the court that it will seek review of the case by the U.S. Supreme Court. Any such petition to the U.S. Supreme Court must be filed by December of 2005.

*Jones v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.* (Circuit Court, Hillsborough County, Florida). During October of 2000, plaintiff was awarded \$200,000 in actual damages. Following trial, the Circuit Court granted the defendant's motion for new trial, and the Florida Court of Appeal affirmed this ruling during August of 2002. During 2005, the Florida Supreme Court rejected plaintiff's two separate attempts for review of this matter. As a result, the case has been returned to the trial court and it is possible that a second trial will be scheduled.

*Williams v. Philip Morris USA Inc.* (Circuit Court, Multnomah County, Oregon). During March of 1999, plaintiff was awarded \$21,000 in economic damages, \$800,000 in actual damages and \$79.5 million in punitive damages. Although the circuit court reduced the punitive damages award to \$32.0 million following trial, the Oregon Court of Appeals reinstated the full amount of the punitive damages verdict in its 2002 order that otherwise affirmed the judgment in its entirety. During October of 2003, the U.S. Supreme Court vacated the judgment and remanded the case to the Oregon Court of Appeals for further consideration. During June of 2004, the Oregon Court of Appeals reaffirmed its 2002 ruling and reinstated the full amount of the jury's punitive damages award. The Oregon Supreme Court is reviewing the case.

*Henley v. Philip Morris Incorporated* (Superior Court, San Francisco County, California). During February of 1999, plaintiff was awarded \$1.5 million in actual damages and \$50.0 million in punitive damages, although the court reduced the latter award to \$25.0 million. During September of 2003, the California Court of Appeals reduced the punitive damages award to \$9.0 million. During September of 2004, the California Supreme Court dismissed the appeal filed by Philip Morris. The U.S. Supreme Court declined to grant review of Philip Morris' petition for writ of certiorari, and neither party sought further appellate review of this matter.

Defense verdicts have been returned in 15 trials since January 1, 2003. Neither Lorillard nor the Company are defendants in any of these cases. An appeal is pending in one of the 15 cases.

*Eiser v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, et al.* (Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania). During August of 2003, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendants. Plaintiff has appealed.

In 14 trials in which defendants prevailed after January 1, 2003, plaintiffs either chose not to appeal or have withdrawn their appeals and the cases are concluded. These 14 matters and the dates of the verdicts are *Rosen v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation* (Supreme Court, Nassau County, New York, June of 2005); *Beckum v. Philip Morris USA* (Circuit Court, Hillsborough County, Florida, April of 2005); *Coolidge v. Philip Morris USA, Inc.* (Superior Court, Riverside County, California, April of 2005); *Reller v. Philip Morris USA* (second trial) (Superior Court, Los Angeles County, California, March of 2005); *Martinez v. Liggett Group, Inc.* (Circuit Court, Miami-Dade County, Florida, February of 2005); *Mash v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation* (U.S. District Court, Eastern District, Missouri, September of 2004); *Hall v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.* (Circuit Court, Hillsborough County, Florida, December of 2003); *Longden v. Philip Morris USA, Inc.* (Hillsborough Superior Court, Northern District, New Hampshire, November of 2003); *Reller v. Philip Morris USA* (first trial) (Superior Court, Los Angeles County, California, July of 2003); *Welch v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, et al.* (Circuit Court, Jackson County, Missouri, June of 2003); *Allen v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.* (U.S. District Court, Southern District, Florida, February of 2003); *Inzerilla v. The American Tobacco Company, et al.* (Supreme Court, Queens County, New York, February of 2003); *Lucier v. Philip Morris USA, et al.* (Superior Court, Sacramento County, California, February of 2003); and *Carter v. Philip Morris USA* (Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, January of 2003).

In addition to these cases, trial has been held against Lorillard in one case in which plaintiffs asserted both Conventional Product Liability claims and Filter claims, the case of *Gadaleta v. AC&S, Inc., et al.* (Supreme Court, New York County, New York). During October of 2004, the jury returned a verdict in favor of Lorillard, which was the only defendant in the case at trial. Plaintiffs did not seek review of the judgment and the matter is concluded. Also see Filter Cases below.

Some cases against U.S. cigarette manufacturers and manufacturers of smokeless tobacco products are scheduled for trial during 2006 and beyond. Lorillard is not a defendant in any of the cases scheduled for trial through the end of the first quarter of 2006. The Company is not a defendant in any of the cases scheduled for trial. The trial dates are subject to change.

**FLIGHT ATTENDANT CASES** - Approximately 2,650 Flight Attendant cases are pending. Lorillard and three other cigarette manufacturers are the defendants in each of these matters. The Company is not a defendant in any of these cases. These suits were filed as a result of a settlement agreement by the parties, including Lorillard, in *Broin v. Philip Morris Companies, Inc., et al.* (Circuit Court, Miami-Dade County, Florida, filed October 31, 1991), a class action brought on behalf of flight attendants claiming injury as a result of exposure to environmental tobacco smoke. The settlement agreement, among other things, permitted the plaintiff class members to file these individual suits. These individuals may not seek punitive damages for injuries that arose prior to January 15, 1997.

The judges that have presided over the cases that have been tried have relied upon an order entered during October of 2000 by the Circuit Court of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The October 2000 order has been construed by these judges as holding that the flight attendants are not required to prove the substantive liability elements of their claims for negligence, strict liability and breach of implied warranty in order to recover damages. The court further ruled that the trials of these suits are to address whether the plaintiffs' alleged injuries were caused by their exposure to environmental tobacco smoke and, if so, the amount of damages to be awarded. The appellate court denied defendants' appeals of the October 2000 order. Defendants are seeking review of this ruling by the Florida Supreme Court. An appeal is pending in another of the cases in which defendants prevailed at trial.

Lorillard has been a defendant in each of the seven flight attendant cases in which verdicts have been returned. Defendants have prevailed in six of the seven trials. Appeals are pending in three of the seven cases. One of these appeals is the only case in which the plaintiff was awarded damages. In a 2002 verdict, the plaintiff was awarded \$5.5 million in actual damages, although the court reduced the award to \$500,000. A Florida court of appeal affirmed the judgment and the defendants are seeking review of the case by the Florida Supreme Court. The second appeal is from a case in which the court granted plaintiff's motion for new trial. A Florida court of appeal affirmed this ruling, and the defendants are seeking review of this matter by the Florida Supreme Court. The third pending appeal was noticed by the plaintiff and is from the only case that has been tried during 2005.

No flight attendant cases are scheduled for trial. Trial dates are subject to change.

**CLASS ACTION CASES** - Lorillard is a defendant in eleven pending cases. The Company is a defendant in two of these cases. In most of the pending cases, plaintiffs purport to seek class certification on behalf of groups of cigarette smokers, or the estates of deceased cigarette smokers, who reside in the state in which the case was filed. One of the cases in which Lorillard is a defendant, *Schwab v. Philip Morris USA, Inc., et al.*, is a purported national class action on behalf of purchasers of "light" cigarettes in which plaintiffs' claims are based on defendants' alleged RICO

violations. Neither Lorillard nor the Company are defendants in approximately 35 additional class action cases pending against other cigarette manufacturers in various courts throughout the nation. All of these 35 additional cases assert claims on behalf of smokers or purchasers of “light” cigarettes.

Cigarette manufacturers, including Lorillard, have defeated motions for class certification in a total of 34 cases, 13 of which were in state court and 21 of which were in federal court. These 34 cases were filed in 17 states, the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. In addition, a Nevada court granted motions to deny class certification in 20 separate cases in which the class definition asserted by the plaintiffs was identical to those in which the court had previously ruled in defendants’ favor. Motions for class certification have also been ruled upon in some of the “lights” cases or in other class actions to which Lorillard was not a party. In some of these cases, courts have denied class certification to the plaintiffs, while classes have been certified in other matters.

The *Engle* Case - One of the class actions pending against Lorillard is *Engle v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., et al.* (Circuit Court, Miami-Dade County, Florida, filed May 5, 1994). *Engle* was certified as a class action on behalf of Florida residents, and survivors of Florida residents, who were injured or died from medical conditions allegedly caused by addiction to cigarettes. During 2000, a jury awarded approximately \$16.3 billion in punitive damages against Lorillard as part of a \$145.0 billion verdict against all of the defendants. The judgment also provided that the jury’s awards would bear interest at the rate of 10.0% per year. During May of 2003, a Florida appellate court reversed the judgment and decertified the class. The court also held that the claims for punitive damages asserted by Florida smokers were barred as these claims are based on the same misconduct alleged in the case filed by the State of Florida against cigarette manufacturers, including Lorillard, which was concluded by a 1997 settlement agreement and judgment (see “Settlement of State Reimbursement Litigation” below). The court subsequently denied plaintiffs’ motion for rehearing. Plaintiffs appealed to the Florida Supreme Court which heard argument on November 3, 2004. Even if the Florida Supreme Court were to rule in favor of the defendants, plaintiffs will not have exhausted all of the appellate options available to them as they could seek review of the case by the U.S. Supreme Court. The Company and Lorillard believe that the appeals court’s decision should be upheld upon further appeals.

Florida has enacted legislation that limits the amount of an appellate bond required to be posted in order to stay execution of a judgment for punitive damages in a certified class action. While Lorillard believes this legislation is valid and that any challenges to the possible application or constitutionality of this legislation would fail, Lorillard entered into an agreement with the plaintiffs during May of 2001 in which it contributed \$200.0 million to a fund held for the benefit of the *Engle* plaintiffs (the “*Engle* Agreement”). The \$200.0 million contribution included the \$100.0 million that Lorillard posted as collateral for the appellate bond. Accordingly, Lorillard recorded a pretax charge of \$200.0 million in the year ended December 31, 2001. Two other defendants executed agreements with the plaintiffs that were similar to Lorillard’s. As a result, the class agreed to a stay of execution, with respect to Lorillard and the two other defendants on its punitive damages judgment until appellate review is completed, including any review by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The *Engle* Agreement provides that in the event that Lorillard, Inc.’s balance sheet net worth falls below \$921.2 million (as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in effect as of July 14, 2000), the stay granted in favor of Lorillard in the *Engle* Agreement would terminate and the class would be free to challenge the Florida legislation. As of September 30, 2005, Lorillard, Inc. had a balance sheet net worth of approximately \$1.3 billion. In addition, the *Engle* Agreement requires Lorillard to obtain the written consent of class counsel or the court prior to selling any trademark or formula comprising a cigarette brand having a U.S. market share of 0.5% or more during the preceding calendar year. The *Engle* Agreement also requires Lorillard to obtain the written consent of the *Engle* class counsel or the court to license to a third party the right to manufacture or sell such a cigarette brand unless the cigarettes to be manufactured under the license will be sold by Lorillard. It is not clear how the *Engle* Agreement is affected by the decertification of the class and by the order vacating the judgment.

Lorillard is a defendant in eleven separate cases pending in the Florida courts in which the plaintiffs claim that they are members of the *Engle* class, that all liability issues associated with their claims were resolved in the earlier phases of the *Engle* proceedings, and that trials on their claims should proceed immediately. Additional cases with similar contentions are pending against other cigarette manufacturers. In a case in which Lorillard was not a party, *Lukacs v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, et al.*, plaintiff was awarded damages. No post-trial motions are scheduled to be filed in *Lukacs* as a final judgment reflecting the verdict will not be entered until the *Engle* appeal is resolved. None of these cases are expected to proceed until all appellate activity in *Engle* is concluded.

The *Scott* case - Another class action pending against Lorillard is *Scott v. The American Tobacco Company, et al.* (District Court, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, filed May 24, 1996). During 1997, the court certified a class composed of certain cigarette smokers resident in the State of Louisiana who desire to participate in medical monitoring or

smoking cessation programs and who began smoking prior to September 1, 1988, or who began smoking prior to May 24, 1996 and allege that defendants undermined compliance with the warnings on cigarette packages.

Trial in *Scott* was heard in two phases. While the jury in its July 2003 Phase I verdict rejected medical monitoring, the primary relief requested by plaintiffs, it returned sufficient findings in favor of the class to proceed to a Phase II trial on plaintiffs' request for a state-wide smoking cessation program. The second phase of the trial began in March of 2004.

During May of 2004, the jury returned its verdict in the trial's second phase and awarded approximately \$591.0 million to fund cessation programs for Louisiana smokers. The court's final judgment, entered during June of 2004, reflects the jury's award of damages and also awarded judicial interest. The judicial interest award will continue to accrue until the judgment is paid. As of October 15, 2005 judicial interest totaled an additional amount of approximately \$385.0 million. Lorillard's share of the judgment and the judicial interest has not been determined. The court denied defendants' motion for judgment notwithstanding the verdict or, in the alternative, for new trial. Lorillard and the other defendants have initiated an appeal from the judgment to the Louisiana Court of Appeals. The parties filed a stipulation in the trial court agreeing that an article of the Louisiana Code of Civil Procedure, and a Louisiana statute governing the amount of appellate bonds in civil cases involving a signatory to the Master Settlement Agreement, required that the amount of the bond for the appeal be set at \$50.0 million for all defendants collectively. The parties further agreed that the plaintiffs have full reservations of rights to contest in the trial court, at a later date, the sufficiency or amount of the bond on any grounds. The trial court entered an order setting the amount of the bond at \$50.0 million for all defendants. Defendants collectively posted a surety bond in that amount, of which Lorillard secured 25%, or \$12.5 million. While Lorillard believes the limitation on the appeal bond amount is valid as required by Louisiana law, and that any challenges to the amount of the bond would fail, in the event of a successful challenge the amount of the appeal bond could be set as high as 150% of the judgment and judicial interest combined. If such an event occurred, Lorillard's share of the appeal bond has not been determined.

**Other Class Action Cases** - In five additional class actions in which Lorillard has been a defendant, courts have granted plaintiffs' motions for class certification. Two of these matters have been resolved in favor of the defendants and plaintiffs' claims in a third case were resolved through a settlement agreement. The two other cases were subsequently decertified. These five matters are listed below:

*Blankenship v. American Tobacco Company, et al.* (Circuit Court, Ohio County, West Virginia, filed January 31, 1997). During 2000, the court certified a class composed of certain West Virginia cigarette smokers who sought, among other things, medical monitoring. During November of 2001, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendants, including Lorillard. During May of 2004, the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals affirmed the judgment. Plaintiffs did not seek further appellate review and the case has been concluded.

*Broin v. Philip Morris Companies, Inc., et al.* (Circuit Court, Miami-Dade County, Florida, filed October 31, 1991). This is the matter concluded by a settlement agreement and discussed under "Flight Attendant Cases" above.

*Brown v. The American Tobacco Company, Inc., et al.* (Superior Court, San Diego County, California, filed June 10, 1997). During 2001, the court certified a class composed of residents of California who smoked at least one of defendants' cigarettes between June 10, 1993 and April 23, 2001 and who were exposed to defendants' marketing and advertising activities in California. During 2005, the court granted defendants' motion to decertify the class. Plaintiffs have appealed the class decertification ruling.

*Daniels v. Philip Morris, Incorporated, et al.* (Superior Court, San Diego County, California, filed August 2, 1998). During 2000, the court certified a class composed of California residents who, while minors, smoked at least one cigarette between April of 1994 and December 31, 1999 and were exposed to defendants' marketing and advertising activities in California. During 2002, the court granted defendants' motion for summary judgment and entered final judgment in their favor. During October of 2004, the California Court of Appeal affirmed the judgment. The California Supreme Court has granted review of the case.

*In re: Simon II Litigation v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.* (U.S. District Court, Eastern District, New York, filed September 6, 2000). During 2002, the case was certified as a nationwide non-opt out class composed of the punitive damages claims asserted by individuals who allege certain injuries or medical conditions allegedly caused by smoking. Certain individuals, including those who allege membership in the class certified in *Engle v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.*, were excluded from the class. During May of 2005, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit decertified the class and vacated the class certification order. The Second Circuit Court of Appeals denied plaintiffs' motion for reconsideration of the decertification ruling. Plaintiffs have not

announced whether they will renew their motion for class certification with the trial court, as permitted by the decertification order, or whether they will seek review of the decertification ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court.

As discussed above, motions for class certification have been granted in some cases in which Lorillard is not a defendant. One of these is the case of *Price v. Philip Morris USA* (Circuit Court, Madison County, Illinois, filed February 10, 2000). Plaintiffs in *Price* contended they were defrauded by Philip Morris' marketing of its cigarettes labeled as "light" or "ultra light." *Price* was certified as a class composed of Illinois residents who purchased certain of Philip Morris' "light" brands. During March of 2003, the court returned a verdict in favor of the class and awarded it \$7.1 billion in actual damages. The court also awarded \$3.0 billion in punitive damages to the State of Illinois, which was not a party to the suit, and awarded plaintiffs' counsel approximately \$1.8 billion in fees and costs. Pursuant to Illinois law and according to the final judgment that reflected these awards, Philip Morris USA would have been required to post a bond of approximately \$12.0 billion in order to pursue an appeal from the judgment. The Illinois Supreme Court permitted Philip Morris USA to post a bond in the amount of approximately \$6.0 billion and accepted direct appellate review of the appeal. The Illinois Supreme Court heard argument in Philip Morris USA's appeal during November of 2004. Philip Morris USA has initiated a separate action in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, in which it seeks a declaration that the state has released any right or interest in the punitive damages award. While approximately 35 purported "lights" class actions are pending against U.S. cigarette manufacturers, Lorillard is a defendant in one such case, *Schwab v. Philip Morris USA, Inc., et al.* (U.S. District Court, Eastern District, New York), a purported national class action in which plaintiffs' claims are based on defendants' alleged RICO violations. The court heard plaintiffs' motion for class certification during September of 2005 but it has permitted plaintiffs to submit additional evidence and has not issued a ruling.

**REIMBURSEMENT CASES** - Although the cases settled by the State Settlement Agreements, as described below, are concluded, certain matters are pending against cigarette manufacturers. The pending cases include Reimbursement cases on file in U.S. courts, a Reimbursement case on file in Israel, and cases challenging the State Settlement Agreements. Lorillard is a defendant in six pending Reimbursement cases in the U.S. and has been named as a party to the case in Israel. The Company is a defendant in two of the Reimbursement cases in the U.S. and it has been named as a party to the case in Israel. Additional cases are pending against other cigarette manufacturers. The plaintiffs in these cases have included the U.S. federal government, U.S. state, county or city governments, foreign governments that have filed suits in U.S. courts, American Indian tribes, labor union health and welfare funds, hospitals or hospital districts, private companies and private citizens. Plaintiffs in some of these cases sought certification as class actions.

More than 75 cases filed by labor union health and welfare funds as well as more than 35 cases filed by foreign governments in U.S. courts have been dismissed, either due to orders that granted defendants' dispositive motions or as the result of plaintiffs' voluntary dismissal of their claims. Each of the courts of appeal that reviewed these dismissals have affirmed the trial courts' orders.

**U.S. Federal Government Action** - A bench trial of the U.S. federal government's reimbursement and racketeering case began during September of 2004 (*United States of America v. Philip Morris USA, Inc., et al.*, U.S. District Court, District of Columbia, filed September 22, 1999). Lorillard, other cigarette manufacturers, two parent companies and two trade associations are defendants in the case. The Company is not a party to this action. At the time trial began, the government sought approximately \$280.0 billion in disgorgement of profits from the defendants, including Lorillard, as well as injunctive relief. During February of 2005, a federal court of appeals ruled that the government is not permitted to recover disgorgement of profits. The U.S. Supreme Court declined to review this decision during October of 2005, although plaintiff could again seek review of this issue following the entry of a verdict. The parties are expected to complete their post-trial submissions during November of 2005.

Trial is scheduled to begin during January of 2006 in *City of St. Louis, et al. v. American Tobacco Company, Inc., et al.* (Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, Missouri), a Reimbursement case filed on behalf of the City of St. Louis and numerous Missouri hospitals. As a result of a June 2005 ruling, the court has limited plaintiffs' claims by barring those that occurred more than five years before the case was filed. Lorillard is a defendant in this action.

In *Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Jersey, Inc., et al. v. Philip Morris, Incorporated, et al.* (U.S. District Court, Eastern District, New York), a jury awarded damages against the defendants but the verdict was reversed on appeal and the case has been dismissed in favor of the defendants.

During 2005, the plaintiffs voluntarily dismissed *County of McHenry [Illinois] v. Philip Morris Incorporated, et al.* (Circuit Court, Cook County, Illinois, filed July 13, 2000), which was filed on behalf of several Illinois hospital districts. In three Reimbursement cases, *Anderson v. The American Tobacco Company, Inc., et al.* (U.S. District Court, Middle District, Tennessee), *County of Cook [Illinois] v. Philip Morris, Incorporated, et al.* (Circuit Court,

Cook County, Illinois), and *Temple v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.* (U.S. District Court, Middle District, Tennessee), plaintiffs did not seek additional appellate review of dismissal orders and the cases are concluded.

In addition to the above, the District Court of Jerusalem, Israel, has permitted a private insurer in Israel, Clalit Health Services, to make service outside the jurisdiction on the Company and Lorillard in a suit in which Clalit Health Services seeks damages for providing treatment to individuals allegedly injured by cigarette smoking. The Company and Lorillard have separately moved to set aside the order that permitted service outside the jurisdiction. The court has not ruled on the motions to set aside the attempted service.

**SETTLEMENT OF STATE REIMBURSEMENT LITIGATION** - On November 23, 1998, Lorillard, Philip Morris Incorporated, Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation and R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, the “Original Participating Manufacturers,” entered into a Master Settlement Agreement (“MSA”) with 46 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to settle the asserted and unasserted health care cost recovery and certain other claims of those states. These settling entities are generally referred to as the “Settling States.” The Original Participating Manufacturers had previously settled similar claims brought by Mississippi, Florida, Texas and Minnesota, which together with the Master Settlement Agreement are generally referred to as the “State Settlement Agreements.”

The State Settlement Agreements provide that the agreements are not admissions, concessions or evidence of any liability or wrongdoing on the part of any party, and were entered into by the Original Participating Manufacturers to avoid the further expense, inconvenience, burden and uncertainty of litigation.

Lorillard recorded pretax charges of \$223.9 million, \$213.6 million, \$658.2 million and \$649.0 million (\$140.8 million, \$132.8 million, \$402.0 million, and \$398.3 million after taxes) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively, to accrue its obligations under the State Settlement Agreements. Lorillard’s portion of ongoing adjusted payments and legal fees is based on its share of domestic cigarette shipments in the year preceding that in which the payment is due. Accordingly, Lorillard records its portions of ongoing settlement payments as part of cost of manufactured products sold as the related sales occur.

The State Settlement Agreements require that the domestic tobacco industry make annual payments in the following amounts, subject to adjustment for several factors, including inflation, market share and industry volume: \$8.4 billion through 2007 and \$9.4 billion thereafter. In addition, the domestic tobacco industry is required to pay settling plaintiffs’ attorneys’ fees, subject to an annual cap of \$500.0 million, as well as an additional amount of up to \$125.0 million in each year through 2008. These payment obligations are the several and not joint obligations of each settling defendant.

The State Settlement Agreements also include provisions relating to significant advertising and marketing restrictions, public disclosure of certain industry documents, limitations on challenges to tobacco control and underage use laws, and other provisions. Lorillard and the other Original Participating Manufacturers have notified the States that they intend to seek an adjustment in the amount of payments made in 2003 pursuant to a provision in the MSA that permits such adjustment if the companies can prove that the MSA was a significant factor in their loss of market share to companies not participating in the MSA and that the States failed to diligently enforce certain statutes passed in connection with the MSA. If the Original Participating Manufacturers are ultimately successful, any adjustment would be reflected as a credit against future payments by the Original Participating Manufacturers under the agreement.

From time to time, lawsuits have been brought against Lorillard and other participating manufacturers to the MSA, or against one or more of the states, challenging the validity of that agreement on certain grounds, including as a violation of the antitrust laws. Lorillard is a defendant in one such case, which has been dismissed by the trial court but has been appealed by the plaintiffs. Lorillard understands that additional such cases are proceeding against other defendants.

In addition, in connection with the MSA, the Original Participating Manufacturers entered into an agreement to establish a \$5.2 billion trust fund payable between 1999 and 2010 to compensate the tobacco growing communities in 14 states (the “Trust”). These payments to the Trust will no longer be required as a result of an assessment imposed under a new federal law repealing the federal supply management program for tobacco growers. Under the new law, enacted in October of 2004, tobacco quota holders and growers will be compensated with payments totaling \$10.1 billion, funded by an assessment on tobacco manufacturers and importers. Payments to qualifying tobacco quota holders and growers are to be paid during 2005, and the first two quarterly assessments were issued to Lorillard and other manufacturers in May of 2005. Litigation was commenced by the certification

entities of the tobacco growing states and the Trustee challenging the offset provided by the new law with respect to all or a portion of the payments made to the Trust by the Original Participating Manufacturers in 2004. In December of 2004 the Superior Court of North Carolina ruled in favor of the manufacturers and ordered that the amounts due in the last quarter of 2004 would not have to be paid into the Trust. The Court also ordered that the Trust was required to refund the amounts paid by the companies for the first three quarters of 2004. The Trustee and state certification entities appealed the decision to the North Carolina Supreme Court which reversed the trial court decision. Thereafter, the trial court on remand ordered that the funds already paid into the Trust be distributed to trust beneficiaries, and that the payments due to the Trust for the fourth quarter of 2005 be paid by the manufacturers for distribution as well. The trial court also ordered the manufacturers to pay interest at 8.0% from December 15, 2004 on the fourth quarter payment, and the companies have requested the court to reconsider this aspect of its order. Lorillard's share of payments into the Trust in 2004 was approximately \$30.0 million and its share of the payment due for the last quarter of that year was approximately \$10.0 million.

The Company believes that the State Settlement Agreements will materially adversely affect its cash flows and operating income in future years. The degree of the adverse impact will depend, among other things, on the rates of decline in U.S. cigarette sales in the premium price and discount price segments, Lorillard's share of the domestic premium price and discount price cigarette segments, and the effect of any resulting cost advantage of manufacturers not subject to significant payment obligations under the State Settlement Agreements.

**CONTRIBUTION CLAIMS** - Plaintiffs seek recovery of funds paid by them to individuals whose asbestos disease or illness was alleged to have been caused in whole or in part by smoking-related illnesses. One such case is pending against Lorillard and other cigarette manufacturers. The Company is not a defendant in this matter.

**FILTER CASES** - In addition to the above, claims have been brought against Lorillard by smokers as well as former employees of Lorillard seeking damages resulting from alleged exposure to asbestos fibers that were incorporated into filter material used in one brand of cigarettes manufactured by Lorillard for a limited period of time, ending almost 50 years ago. Approximately 30 such matters are pending against Lorillard. The Company is not a defendant in any of these matters. Since January 1, 2003, Lorillard has paid, or has reached agreement to pay, a total of approximately \$19.3 million in payments of judgments and settlements to finally resolve approximately 80 claims. Juries have returned verdicts in favor of Lorillard in both of the cases that have been tried since January 1, 2003 in which plaintiffs have asserted Filter claims, *Sachs v. Lorillard Tobacco Co.* (U.S. District Court, Maryland) and *Gadaleta v. AC&S, Inc., et al.* (Supreme Court of New York, New York County). Plaintiffs in *Gadaleta* asserted both Filter claims and Conventional Product Liability claims. Trial dates are scheduled in some of the pending cases. Trial dates are subject to change.

#### Other Tobacco - Related

**TOBACCO - RELATED ANTITRUST CASES** - Indirect Purchaser Suits - Approximately 30 antitrust suits were filed on behalf of putative classes of consumers in various state courts against Lorillard and its major competitors. The suits allege that the defendants entered into agreements to fix the wholesale prices of cigarettes in violation of state antitrust laws which permit indirect purchasers, such as retailers and consumers, to sue under price fixing or consumer fraud statutes. Approximately 20 states permit such suits. Lorillard was a defendant in all but one of these indirect purchaser cases. The Company was also named as a defendant in most of these indirect purchaser cases but has been voluntarily dismissed without prejudice from all of them. Three indirect purchaser suits in New York, Florida and Michigan, were dismissed by courts in their entirety and plaintiffs have withdrawn their appeals, and the other actions in all states except for New Mexico and Kansas have been voluntarily dismissed. A decision granting class certification in New Mexico was affirmed by the New Mexico Court of Appeals on February 8, 2005. The defendants, including Lorillard, have filed motions for summary judgment and a response is to be served on or before January 31, 2006. The Court has ordered that class notice be sent out by October 30, 2005. The New Mexico plaintiffs have been permitted to rely on discovery produced in the Kansas case. In the Kansas case, the District Court of Seward County certified a class of purchasers in Kansas in 2002. Discovery is proceeding in the Kansas case, and the parties are in the process of litigating certain privilege issues with no date having yet been set by the Court for dispositive motions and trial.

**Tobacco Growers Suit** - *DeLoach v. Philip Morris Inc., et al.* (U.S. District Court, Middle District of North Carolina, filed February 16, 2000). On October 1, 2003, the Court approved a settlement by Lorillard with a class consisting of all persons holding a quota (the licenses that a farmer must either own or rent to sell the crop) to grow, and all domestic producers who sold flue-cured or burley tobacco at anytime from February 1996 to present. In addition to payments previously made, Lorillard committed to buy 20 million pounds of domestic tobacco for each crop year through 2012. Pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreement, that obligation was subsequently extended until crop year 2014 as a result of the enactment of the Fair and Equitable Tobacco Reform Act of 2004.

Lorillard has also committed to purchase at least 35% of its annual total requirements for flue-cured and burley tobacco domestically for the same period. The other major domestic tobacco companies and the major leaf buyers were also defendants, and all of the defendants with the exception of R.J. Reynolds were parties to the settlement agreement entered on October 1, 2003. R.J. Reynolds subsequently entered into a settlement agreement with the class and that agreement was approved by the Court. Lorillard contends that the R.J. Reynolds settlement agreement triggers a clause in Lorillard's settlement agreement that would substantially reduce Lorillard's commitments to buy domestic tobacco. After Lorillard prevailed on an appeal related to the claimed reduction, the trial court ruled that the leaf commitment will be reduced for Lorillard by approximately 60%, effective in 2006.

MSA Federal Antitrust Suit - *Sanders v. Lockyer, et al.* (U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, filed June 9, 2004). Lorillard and the other major cigarette manufacturers, along with the Attorney General of the State of California, have been sued by a consumer purchaser of cigarettes in a putative class action alleging violations of the Sherman Act and California state antitrust and unfair competition laws. The plaintiff seeks treble damages of an unstated amount for the putative class as well as declaratory and injunctive relief. All claims are based on the assertion that the Master Settlement Agreement that Lorillard and the other cigarette manufacturer defendants entered into with the State of California and more than forty other states, together with certain implementing legislation enacted by California, constitute unlawful restraints of trade. On March 28, 2005 the defendants' motion to dismiss the suit was granted. Plaintiffs appealed the dismissal to the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and briefing on the appeal should be completed in December 2005.

Vending Machine Operators Antitrust Suit - *Genesee Vending, Inc., et al. v. Lorillard Tobacco Co.* (U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, filed May 14, 2004). More than 220 cigarette vending machine operators instituted a suit against Lorillard individually and on behalf of a putative class of all domestic cigarette vending machine operators, claiming that Lorillard has violated the federal Robinson-Patman Act by allegedly discriminating against them in price and with respect to advertising and promotional payments and services provided in connection with the sale of cigarettes to competing convenience stores, gasoline stations, mini-marts, kiosks and discount stores. Plaintiffs seek treble damages and injunctive relief. On November 2, 2004, the Court granted Lorillard's motion to dismiss the action. Plaintiffs then filed a first amended complaint on December 10, 2004. Lorillard also moved to dismiss this Complaint for failure to state a claim on which relief can be granted. The Court denied that motion on April 6, 2005. Lorillard filed an answer to the complaint on May 4, 2005. The Court heard argument on plaintiffs' motion to certify the class on October 18, 2005. Pretrial discovery has been stayed pending a ruling on that motion.

REPARATION CASES - During 2002, the Company was named as a defendant in three cases in which plaintiffs seek reparations for the alleged financial benefits derived from the uncompensated use of slave labor. These three cases were transferred to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois as a result of a multi-district litigation proceeding. The Company was named as a defendant in these matters as a result of conduct purportedly engaged in by predecessors to Lorillard and various other entities. Plaintiffs in these suits sought various types of damages including disgorgement of profits, restitution and punitive damages. Plaintiffs were alleging class certification on behalf of the descendants of enslaved African Americans. During July of 2005, the Northern District of Illinois granted with prejudice the defendants' motion to dismiss the cases. Plaintiffs have appealed.

## Defenses

Lorillard believes that it has valid defenses to the cases pending against it. Lorillard also believes it has valid bases for appeal of the adverse verdicts against it. To the extent the Company is a defendant in any of the lawsuits described in this section, the Company believes that it is not a proper defendant in these matters and has moved or plans to move for dismissal of all such claims against it. While Lorillard intends to defend vigorously all tobacco products liability litigation, it is not possible to predict the outcome of any of this litigation. Litigation is subject to many uncertainties. Plaintiffs have prevailed in several cases, as noted above. It is possible that one or more of the pending actions could be decided unfavorably as to Lorillard or the other defendants. Lorillard may enter into discussions in an attempt to settle particular cases if it believes it is appropriate to do so.

Lorillard cannot predict the outcome of pending litigation. Jury awards in the billions of dollars have been returned against cigarette manufacturers in recent years. In addition, health issues related to tobacco products continue to receive media attention. These events could have an adverse affect on the ability of Lorillard to prevail in smoking and health litigation. Lorillard also cannot predict the type or extent of litigation that could be brought against it and other cigarette manufacturers in the future.

Except for the impact of the State Settlement Agreements as described above, management is unable to make a meaningful estimate of the amount or range of loss that could result from an unfavorable outcome of pending litigation and, therefore, no provision has been made in the Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements for any

unfavorable outcome. It is possible that the Company's results of operations or cash flows in a particular quarterly or annual period or its financial position could be materially adversely affected by an unfavorable outcome or settlement of certain pending litigation.

## **OTHER LITIGATION**

The Company and its subsidiaries are also parties to other litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. The outcome of this other litigation will not, in the opinion of management, materially affect the Company's results of operations or equity.

## **15. Commitments and Contingencies**

### **Guarantees**

CNA holds an investment in a real estate joint venture. In the normal course of business, CNA, on a joint and several basis with other unrelated insurance company shareholders, has committed to continue funding the operating deficits of this joint venture. Additionally, CNA and the other unrelated shareholders, on a joint and several basis, have guaranteed an operating lease for an office building, which expires in 2016.

The guarantee of the operating lease is a parallel guarantee to the commitment to fund operating deficits; consequently, the separate guarantee to the lessor is not expected to be triggered as long as the joint venture continues to be funded by its shareholders and continues to make its annual lease payments.

In the event that the other parties to the joint venture are unable to meet their commitments in funding the operations of this joint venture, CNA would be required to assume the obligation for the entire office building operating lease. The maximum potential future lease payments at September 30, 2005 that CNA could be required to pay under this guarantee are approximately \$253.0 million. If CNA were required to assume the entire lease obligation, CNA would have the right to pursue reimbursement from the other shareholders and would have the right to all sublease revenues.

In the course of selling business entities and assets to third parties, CNA has agreed to indemnify purchasers for losses arising out of breaches of representation and warranties with respect to the business entities or assets being sold, including, in certain cases, losses arising from undisclosed liabilities or certain named litigation. Such indemnification provisions generally survive for periods ranging from nine months following the applicable closing date to the expiration of the relevant statutes of limitation. As of September 30, 2005, the aggregate amount of quantifiable indemnification agreements in effect for sales of business entities, assets and third party loans was \$940.0 million.

In addition, CNA has agreed to provide indemnification to third party purchasers for certain losses associated with sold business entities or assets that are not limited by a contractual monetary amount. As of September 30, 2005, CNA had outstanding unlimited indemnifications in connection with the sales of certain of its business entities or assets for tax liabilities arising prior to a purchaser's ownership of an entity or asset, defects in title at the time of sale, employee claims arising prior to closing and in some cases losses arising from certain litigation and undisclosed liabilities. These indemnification agreements survive until the applicable statutes of limitation expire, or until the agreed upon contract terms expire. CNA recorded approximately \$21.0 million of other liabilities related to these indemnification agreements as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

In connection with the issuance of preferred securities by CNA Surety Capital Trust I, CNA Surety, a 63% owned and consolidated subsidiary of CNA, issued a guarantee of \$75.0 million to guarantee the payment by CNA Surety Capital Trust I of annual dividends of \$1.5 million over 30 years and redemption of \$30.0 million of preferred securities.

### **CNA Surety**

CNA Surety has provided significant surety bond protection for a large national contractor that undertakes projects for the construction of government and private facilities, a substantial portion of which have been reinsured by CCC. In order to help this contractor meet its liquidity needs and complete projects which had been bonded by CNA Surety, commencing in 2003 CNA provided loans to the contractor through a credit facility, up to an amended aggregate maximum of \$126.0 million. The credit facility expires in March 2009 and the current interest rate is 5.0% per annum.

As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, there was \$126.0 million and \$95.0 million of loans outstanding under the credit facility, and \$6.0 million and \$4.0 million of deferred or accrued and unpaid interest. The Company, through a participation agreement with CNA, has funded and owns a participation of \$40.0 million and \$29.0 million of the outstanding advances as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

Loans under the credit facility are secured by a pledge of substantially all of the assets of the contractor and certain of its affiliates. In connection with the credit facility, CNA has also guaranteed or provided collateral for letters of credit which are charged against the maximum available line and, if drawn upon, would be treated as loans under the credit facility. As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, these guarantees and collateral obligations aggregated \$13.0 million.

The contractor implemented a restructuring plan intended to reduce costs and improve cash flow, resulting in the contractor substantially reducing the scope of its original business and concentrating on those segments determined to be potentially profitable. As a consequence, operating cash flow, and in turn the capacity to service debt, have been reduced below previous levels. In light of these developments, the Company recorded a pretax impairment charge of \$80.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2004, with respect to amounts loaned under the facility, and an additional pretax impairment charge of \$20.0 million during the first quarter of 2005. Representatives from CNA and CNA Surety met with senior management of the national contractor in June 2005 to review their actual cash flow through that date, as well as discuss expected future cash flow. Pursuant to those discussions and ongoing monitoring of the status of the contractor's restructuring plan, deterioration in operations and cash flow was observed. This deterioration was concentrated in an operating division of the contractor that had previously been placed into run off. As a result of these developments, CNA made a decision not to provide additional liquidity to the contractor. Accordingly, during the second quarter of 2005 the Company took a further pretax impairment charge of \$27.0 million. Further, CNA Surety established \$40.0 million of estimated initial surety loss reserves in the second quarter of 2005 in anticipation of future loss payments related to the national contractor. During the third quarter of 2005, CNA Surety paid \$16.0 million in loss payments to the national contractor to settle outstanding bonded obligations. In the third quarter, CNA Surety began an evaluation of the contractor's current restructuring efforts. Possible changes to the restructuring strategy could result in higher loss estimates and trigger additional reserve actions. CNA Surety expects to complete this reevaluation in the fourth quarter.

If any such reserve additions were taken, CNA Surety would have exposure for the first \$20.0 million and CCC would have all further surety bond exposure through the reinsurance arrangements discussed below. CNA Surety has advised that it intends to continue to provide surety bonds on behalf of the contractor while it reevaluates the contractor's restructuring efforts, subject to the contractor's initial and ongoing compliance with CNA Surety's underwriting standards and ongoing management of CNA Surety's exposure in relation to the contractor. All surety bonds written for the national contractor are issued by CCC and its affiliates, other than CNA Surety, and are subject to underlying reinsurance treaties pursuant to which all bonds written on behalf of CNA Surety are 100% reinsured to one of CNA Surety's insurance subsidiaries.

During the second quarter of 2005, CCC and CNA Surety executed amendments to existing treaties that provide reinsurance protection to CNA Surety for losses associated with the contractor. Coverage for all such losses in excess of an aggregate \$60.0 million is now provided under one treaty. This treaty provides coverage for the life of bonds either in force or written during the term of the treaty, which runs from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005.

CCC and CNA Surety continue to engage in periodic discussions with insurance regulatory authorities regarding the level of bonds provided for this principal and will continue to apprise those authorities of the status of their ongoing exposure to this account.

Indemnification and subrogation rights, including rights to contract proceeds on construction projects in the event of default, exist that reduce CNA Surety's and ultimately the Company's exposure to loss. While CNA believes that the contractor's continuing restructuring efforts may be successful, the contractor's failure to ultimately achieve its extended restructuring plan or perform its contractual obligations under the credit facility or under CNA's surety bonds could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and/ or equity. If such failures occur, CNA estimates the additional surety loss, net of indemnification and subrogation recoveries, but before the effects of minority interest, to be approximately \$160.0 million pretax.

CCC provided an excess of loss reinsurance contract to the insurance subsidiaries of CNA Surety over a period that expired on December 31, 2000 (the "stop loss contract"). The stop loss contract limits the net loss ratios for CNA Surety with respect to certain accounts and lines of insurance business. In the event that CNA Surety's accident year net loss ratio exceeds 24.0% for 1997 through 2000 (the "contractual loss ratio"), the stop loss contract

requires CCC to pay amounts equal to the amount, if any, by which CNA Surety's actual accident year net loss ratio exceeds the contractual loss ratio multiplied by the applicable net earned premiums. The minority shareholders of CNA Surety do not share in any losses that apply to this contract. There were no reinsurance balances payable under this stop loss contract as of September 30, 2005.

## **Other**

Hurricane Katrina resulted in the temporary closing of the Loews New Orleans Hotel, a managed property. Loews Hotels is a guarantor of up to \$10.0 million of the \$40.0 million principal amount first mortgage debt on the New Orleans Hotel. No advances have been made to date under this guarantee.

In the normal course of business, CNA has obtained letters of credit in favor of various unaffiliated insurance companies, regulatory authorities and other entities. As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, there were approximately \$22.0 million and \$35.0 million of outstanding letters of credit.

The Company is obligated to make future payments totaling \$379.9 million for non-cancelable operating leases expiring from 2005 through 2015 primarily for office space and data processing, office and transportation equipment. Estimated future minimum payments under these contracts are as follows: \$23.7 million in 2005; \$65.7 million in 2006; \$56.3 million in 2007; \$47.5 million in 2008; \$39.5 million in 2009; and \$147.2 million in 2010 and beyond. Additionally, CNA has entered into a limited number of guaranteed payment contracts, primarily relating to telecommunication and software services, amounting to approximately \$30.0 million. Estimated future minimum payments under these contracts are as follows: \$8.0 million in 2005; \$15.0 million in 2006; and \$7.0 million in 2007.

As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, CNA had committed approximately \$213.0 million and \$104.0 million for future capital calls from various third-party limited partnership investments in exchange for an additional ownership interest in the related partnership.

The Company invests in multiple bank loan participations as part of its overall investment strategy and has committed to additional future purchases and sales. The purchase and sale of these investments are recorded on the date that the legal agreements are finalized and cash settlement is made. As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, the Company had commitments to purchase \$134.4 million and \$65.9 million and sell \$58.1 million and \$17.6 million of various bank loan participations. When loan participations purchases are settled and recorded they may contain both funded and unfunded amounts. An unfunded loan represents an obligation to provide additional amounts under the terms of the loan participation. The funded portions are reflected on the Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheet, while any unfunded amounts are not recorded until a draw is made under the loan facility. As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, obligations on unfunded bank loan participations were \$14.0 million and \$3.0 million.

In the normal course of investing activities, CCC had committed approximately \$51.0 million as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 to future capital calls from certain of its unconsolidated affiliates in exchange for an additional ownership interest in such affiliates.

## **16. Income Taxes**

The Company's consolidated federal income tax returns have been settled with the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") through 2001 as the tax returns for 1998 through 2001, including related carryback claims and prior claims for refund, were approved by the Joint Committee on Taxation in the second quarter of 2005. As a result, the Company recorded a federal income tax benefit of \$31.8 million and net refund interest of \$77.4 million, net of tax and minority interest, in the second quarter of 2005. The tax benefit relates primarily to the release of federal income tax reserves. Net refund interest of \$129.7 million is included in Other Revenues in the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income.

The federal income tax returns for 2002 through 2004 are currently under examination by the IRS. The Company believes the outcome of this examination will not have a material effect on its financial condition or results of operations.

## **17. Restatement for Reinsurance and Equity Investee Accounting**

In May of 2005, the Company filed an amendment to its 2004 Annual Report on Form 10-K to correct CNA's accounting for several reinsurance contracts, primarily with a former affiliate of CNA, and CNA's equity accounting

for that affiliate. The Company restated its previously reported financial statements as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, and all related disclosures, as well as its interim financial data for all interim periods of 2004 and 2003. This restatement is based upon reconsideration of CNA's accounting for its former equity interest in Accord Re Ltd. ("Accord"), and for several reinsurance contracts with Accord, but also includes two reinsurance agreements with unaffiliated parties that are immaterial in the aggregate. A subsidiary of The Continental Corporation ("TCC") acquired a 49% ownership interest in Accord, a Bermuda company, in 1989 upon Accord's formation. TCC also provided capital support to Accord through a guarantee from a TCC subsidiary. TCC was acquired by CNA in 1995.

Reinsurance relationships with Accord involved both property and casualty assumed reinsurance risks that were written by TCC subsidiaries and 100% ceded to Accord or reinsured from other cedents by Accord. Stop-loss protection in relation to those risks was obtained by Accord from a wholly owned TCC subsidiary.

All of CNA's reinsurance agreements with Accord relating to property risks were commuted as of year-end 2001, leaving six reinsurance agreements with Accord relating to casualty risks outstanding at that time. As of March 31, 2005, CNA provided no capital support to and had no ownership interest in Accord. During the period of CNA's minority ownership, Accord also maintained reinsurance relationships with reinsurers unaffiliated with CNA.

CNA accounted for its reinsurance cessions to Accord and related retrocessions from Accord as reinsurance. CNA subsequently concluded that the reinsurance cession and retrocession should be viewed as a single transaction which does not transfer risk. The restatement corrections applied deposit accounting to CNA's reinsurance cessions to Accord. The restatement corrections also include adjustments to CNA's historical equity method accounting for its ownership and economic interest in Accord, including the effects of applying deposit accounting to certain of Accord's reinsurance contracts with parties other than CNA. The remaining restatement corrections related to applying deposit accounting to two small reinsurance treaties unrelated to Accord that were previously accounted for using reinsurance accounting.

The effect of the restatement to the September 30, 2004 Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income is included in the table below.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2004 (In millions, except per share data)	Previously Reported	Adjustment	Restated
Net investment income (a)	\$ 394.1	\$ 1.3	\$ 395.4
Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits	1,596.4	0.3	1,596.1
Income tax expense	120.8	0.6	121.4
Minority interest	4.0	0.1	4.1
Net income	277.6	0.9	278.5
Basic net income per Loews common share	\$ 1.21		\$ 1.21
Diluted net income per Loews common share	\$ 1.21		\$ 1.21
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004			
Net investment income (a)	\$ 1,333.0	\$ 4.6	\$ 1,337.6
Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits	4,859.3	4.5	4,854.8
Income tax expense	289.4	3.2	292.6
Minority interest	18.7	0.5	19.2
Net income	728.5	5.4	733.9
Basic net income per Loews common share	\$ 3.24	\$ 0.02	\$ 3.26
Diluted net income per Loews common share	\$ 3.24	\$ 0.02	\$ 3.26

(a) Net investment income, as previously reported, includes a reclassification related to the Corporate trading portfolio as discussed in Note 1 - Basis of Presentation. The reclassification had no impact on net income.

The restatement had no effect on cash flows from operating, investing or financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

## 18. Consolidating Financial Information

The following schedules present the Company's consolidating balance sheet information at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, and consolidating statements of income information for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. These schedules present the individual subsidiaries of the Company and their contribution to the consolidated condensed financial statements. Amounts presented will not necessarily be the same as those in the individual financial statements of the Company's subsidiaries due to adjustments for purchase accounting, income taxes and minority interests. In addition, many of the Company's subsidiaries use a classified balance sheet which also leads to differences in amounts reported for certain line items. This information also does not reflect the impact of the Company's issuance of Carolina Group stock. Lorillard is reported as a 100% owned subsidiary and does not include any adjustments relating to the tracking stock structure. See Note 4 for consolidating condensed information of the Carolina Group and Loews Group.

The Corporate and Other column primarily reflects the parent company's investment in its subsidiaries, invested cash portfolio, corporate long-term debt and Bulova Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary. The elimination adjustments are for intercompany assets and liabilities, interest and dividends, the parent company's investment in capital stocks of subsidiaries, and various reclasses of debit or credit balances to the amounts in consolidation. Purchase accounting adjustments have been pushed down to the appropriate subsidiary.

September 30, 2005	CNA Financial	Lorillard	Boardwalk Pipelines	Diamond Offshore	Loews Hotels	Corporate and Other	Eliminations	Total
(In millions)								
<b>Assets:</b>								
Investments	\$ 41,780.0	\$ 1,727.5	\$ 24.0	\$ 757.0	\$ 8.9	\$ 2,212.4		\$ 46,509.8
Cash	86.1	52.1	10.0	32.2	10.3	12.3		203.0
Receivables	17,137.2	27.1	88.5	303.5	24.9	144.0	\$ (187.2)	17,538.0
Property, plant and equipment	179.3	223.5	1,855.2	2,237.7	367.3	20.8		4,883.8
Deferred income taxes	945.0	412.9	13.8			49.0	(700.8)	719.9
Goodwill and other intangible assets	103.6		163.5	21.8	2.6	5.0		296.5
Investments in capital stocks of subsidiaries						12,269.9	(12,269.9)	
Other assets	1,898.6	363.5	299.4	90.1	32.6	70.2	(57.2)	2,697.2
Deferred acquisition costs of insurance subsidiaries	1,234.1							1,234.1
Separate account business	553.7							553.7
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 63,917.6</b>	<b>\$ 2,806.6</b>	<b>\$ 2,454.4</b>	<b>\$ 3,442.3</b>	<b>\$ 446.6</b>	<b>\$ 14,783.6</b>	<b>\$ (13,215.1)</b>	<b>\$ 74,636.0</b>
<b>Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:</b>								
Insurance reserves	\$ 43,546.9							\$ 43,546.9
Payable for securities purchased	1,650.6					\$ 268.7		1,919.3
Collateral on loaned securities and derivatives	2,006.2							2,006.2
Short-term debt	52.5			\$ 12.8	\$ 4.0			69.3
Long-term debt	1,698.6		\$ 1,101.1	965.9	236.9	1,164.6		5,167.1
Reinsurance balances payable	2,648.6							2,648.6
Deferred income taxes				432.6	51.2	217.0	\$ (700.8)	
Other liabilities	2,144.2	\$ 1,488.5	264.2	238.7	15.0	175.2	(192.2)	4,133.6
Separate account business	553.7							553.7
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>54,301.3</b>	<b>1,488.5</b>	<b>1,365.3</b>	<b>1,650.0</b>	<b>307.1</b>	<b>1,825.5</b>	<b>(893.0)</b>	<b>60,044.7</b>
Minority interest	968.8			799.5				1,768.3
Shareholders' equity	8,647.5	1,318.1	1,089.1	992.8	139.5	12,958.1	(12,322.1)	12,823.0
<b>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 63,917.6</b>	<b>\$ 2,806.6</b>	<b>\$ 2,454.4</b>	<b>\$ 3,442.3</b>	<b>\$ 446.6</b>	<b>\$ 14,783.6</b>	<b>\$ (13,215.1)</b>	<b>\$ 74,636.0</b>

Loews Corporation  
Consolidating Balance Sheet Information

December 31, 2004	CNA Financial	Lorillard	Boardwalk Pipelines	Diamond Offshore	Loews Hotels	Corporate and Other	Eliminations	Total
(In millions)								
<b>Assets:</b>								
Investments	\$ 39,227.3	\$ 1,545.6	\$ 9.0	\$ 876.9	\$ 63.8	\$ 2,575.9		\$ 44,298.5
Cash	95.3	35.5	7.5	51.0	4.6	26.0		219.9
Receivables	18,200.3	32.1	131.6	187.6	19.1	144.3	\$ (18.8)	18,696.2
Property, plant and equipment	175.6	231.5	1,842.1	2,192.8	376.9	21.8		4,840.7
Deferred income taxes	748.8	436.5	48.9			31.9	(625.2)	640.9
Goodwill and other intangible assets	118.3		163.5	9.7	2.6			294.1
Investments in capital stocks of subsidiaries						12,061.0	(12,061.0)	
Other assets	1,943.5	396.5	250.0	88.2	95.2	240.5	(205.2)	2,808.7
Deferred acquisition costs of insurance subsidiaries	1,268.1							1,268.1
Separate account business	567.8							567.8
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 62,345.0</b>	<b>\$ 2,677.7</b>	<b>\$ 2,452.6</b>	<b>\$ 3,406.2</b>	<b>\$ 562.2</b>	<b>\$ 15,101.4</b>	<b>\$ (12,910.2)</b>	<b>\$ 73,634.9</b>
<b>Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:</b>								
Insurance reserves	\$ 43,652.2							\$ 43,652.2
Payable for securities purchased	494.1					\$ 101.4		595.5
Collateral on loaned securities and derivatives	918.0							918.0
Short-term debt	530.9			\$ 477.1	\$ 2.1			1,010.1
Long-term debt	1,726.5		\$ 1,106.1	700.0	142.3	2,305.3		5,980.2
Reinsurance balances payable	2,980.8							2,980.8
Deferred income taxes				361.5	38.0	225.7	\$ (625.2)	
Other liabilities	2,091.2	\$ 1,392.6	253.5	193.2	166.3	208.1	(210.4)	4,094.5
Separate account business	567.8							567.8
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>52,961.5</b>	<b>1,392.6</b>	<b>1,359.6</b>	<b>1,731.8</b>	<b>348.7</b>	<b>2,840.5</b>	<b>(835.6)</b>	<b>59,799.1</b>
Minority interest	934.9			739.3		5.6		1,679.8
Shareholders' equity	8,448.6	1,285.1	1,093.0	935.1	213.5	12,255.3	(12,074.6)	12,156.0
<b>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 62,345.0</b>	<b>\$ 2,677.7</b>	<b>\$ 2,452.6</b>	<b>\$ 3,406.2</b>	<b>\$ 562.2</b>	<b>\$ 15,101.4</b>	<b>\$ (12,910.2)</b>	<b>\$ 73,634.9</b>

Loews Corporation  
Consolidating Statement of Income Information

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005	CNA Financial	Lorillard	Boardwalk Pipelines	Diamond Offshore	Loews Hotels	Corporate and Other	Eliminations	Total
(In millions)								
<b>Revenues:</b>								
Insurance premiums	\$ 5,684.4						\$ (0.1)	\$ 5,684.3
Net investment income	1,345.3	\$ 43.4	\$ 2.2	\$ 18.0	\$ 5.8	\$ 53.8		1,468.5
Intercompany interest and dividends						652.9	(652.9)	
Investment gains (losses)	76.3	(2.0)		(1.5)		(3.1)		69.7
Manufactured products		2,651.8				119.4		2,771.2
Other	350.4	6.1	390.8	897.0	261.6	10.2		1,916.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,456.4</b>	<b>2,699.3</b>	<b>393.0</b>	<b>913.5</b>	<b>267.4</b>	<b>833.2</b>	<b>(653.0)</b>	<b>11,909.8</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>								
<b>Insurance claims and policyholders'</b>								
benefits	4,886.4							4,886.4
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs	1,167.6							1,167.6
Cost of manufactured products sold		1,605.0				57.4		1,662.4
Other operating expenses	756.0	282.3	255.1	666.2	214.5	88.1	(0.1)	2,262.1
Interest	95.9		44.7	33.7	7.8	107.4		289.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,905.9</b>	<b>1,887.3</b>	<b>299.8</b>	<b>699.9</b>	<b>222.3</b>	<b>252.9</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>	<b>10,268.0</b>
	550.5	812.0	93.2	213.6	45.1	580.3	(652.9)	1,641.8
Income tax expense (benefit)	56.5	316.1	37.1	69.6	12.4	(45.1)		446.6
Minority interest	51.8			69.9				121.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>108.3</b>	<b>316.1</b>	<b>37.1</b>	<b>139.5</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>(45.1)</b>		<b>568.3</b>
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 442.2</b>	<b>\$ 495.9</b>	<b>\$ 56.1</b>	<b>\$ 74.1</b>	<b>\$ 32.7</b>	<b>\$ 625.4</b>	<b>\$ (652.9)</b>	<b>\$ 1,073.5</b>

Loews Corporation  
Consolidating Statement of Income Information

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004	CNA Financial	Lorillard	Boardwalk Pipelines	Diamond Offshore	Loews Hotels	Corporate and Other	Eliminations	Total
(In millions)								
<b>Revenues:</b>								
Insurance premiums	\$ 6,221.1						\$ (2.8)	\$ 6,218.3
Net investment income	1,216.6	\$ 21.2	\$ 0.3	\$ 7.6	\$ 1.6	\$ 96.1	(5.8)	1,337.6
Intercompany interest and dividends						464.1	(464.1)	
Investment gains (losses)	(411.4)	0.6		0.2		1.2		(409.4)
Manufactured products		2,515.3				110.2		2,625.5
Other	226.7		185.0	575.7	232.3	204.0		1,423.7
Total	7,253.0	2,537.1	185.3	583.5	233.9	875.6	(472.7)	11,195.7
<b>Expenses:</b>								
Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits	4,854.8							4,854.8
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs	1,114.1							1,114.1
Cost of manufactured products sold		1,504.4				54.2		1,558.6
Other operating expenses	1,088.6	288.0	109.5	592.0	206.3	95.0	(2.8)	2,376.6
Interest	93.8		22.5	20.4	4.5	110.5	(5.8)	245.9
Total	7,151.3	1,792.4	132.0	612.4	210.8	259.7	(8.6)	10,150.0
	101.7	744.7	53.3	(28.9)	23.1	615.9	(464.1)	1,045.7
Income tax expense (benefit)	(69.9)	287.7	21.3	(6.9)	9.1	51.3		292.6
Minority interest	27.6			(8.5)		0.1		19.2
Total	(42.3)	287.7	21.3	(15.4)	9.1	51.4		311.8
Net income (loss)	\$ 144.0	\$ 457.0	\$ 32.0	\$ (13.5)	\$ 14.0	\$ 564.5	\$ (464.1)	\$ 733.9

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

Management’s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations (“MD&A”) is comprised of the following sections:

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**OVERVIEW**

Loews Corporation is a holding company. Its subsidiaries are engaged in the following lines of business: commercial insurance (CNA Financial Corporation (“CNA”), a 91% owned subsidiary); the production and sale of cigarettes (Lorillard, Inc. (“Lorillard”), a wholly owned subsidiary); the operation of interstate natural gas transmission pipeline systems (Boardwalk Pipelines, LLC (“Boardwalk Pipelines”), a wholly owned subsidiary); the operation of offshore oil and gas drilling rigs (Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. (“Diamond Offshore”), a 55% owned subsidiary); the operation of hotels (Loews Hotels Holding Corporation (“Loews Hotels”), a wholly owned subsidiary) and the distribution and sale of watches and clocks (Bulova Corporation (“Bulova”), a wholly owned subsidiary). Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms “Company,” “Loews” and “Registrant” as used herein mean Loews Corporation excluding its subsidiaries.

## Consolidated Financial Results

Consolidated net income (including both the Loews Group and Carolina Group) for the 2005 third quarter was \$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.

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions, except per share data)</b>				
Net income attributable to Loews common stock:				
Income before net investment (losses) gains	\$ 198.5	\$ 255.3	\$ 865.1	\$ 836.0
Net investment gains (losses) (a)	34.0	(30.2)	38.7	(230.5)
Net income attributable to Loews common stock	232.5	225.1	903.8	605.5
Net income attributable to Carolina Group stock	67.5	53.4	169.7	128.4
Consolidated net income	\$ 300.0	\$ 278.5	\$ 1,073.5	\$ 733.9
Net income per share:				
Loews common stock	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.21	\$ 4.86	\$ 3.26
Carolina Group stock	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.92	\$ 2.49	\$ 2.21

(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.

### 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.

## **Impact of Hurricanes**

Net income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 includes a loss of \$263.3 million as a result of Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Dennis and Ophelia which had a significant impact on the CNA, Diamond Offshore and Boardwalk Pipelines subsidiaries:

- CNA incurred insurance losses of \$268.3 million (after tax and minority interest) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 as a result of the third quarter hurricanes as compared with insurance losses from hurricanes of \$158.8 million (after tax and minority interest) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004. Because of the nature of Hurricane Katrina, the estimate involves significant judgment due in part to the limited ability to access portions of the affected area, legal and regulatory uncertainties, the complexity of factors contributing to the losses and the preliminary nature of the information available. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that CNA's ultimate cost for Hurricane Katrina will not exceed its estimate.
- Diamond Offshore recorded a gain of \$8.9 million (after tax and minority interest) for the three and nine 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 caused primarily to its Gulf South pipeline as a result of the hurricanes in the third quarter of 2005.

## **Restatement**

In May of 2005, the Company restated its financial results for prior years to correct CNA's accounting for several reinsurance contracts, primarily with a former affiliate, and CNA's equity accounting for that affiliate, as discussed in Note 17 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1. For information regarding regulatory reviews of CNA's use of non-traditional, or finite, insurance and CNA's accounting for and transactions with that affiliate see the Liquidity and Capital Resources section of this MD&A under the Regulatory Matters caption.

## **Classes of Common Stock**

The issuance of Carolina Group stock has resulted in a two class common stock structure for Loews Corporation. Carolina Group stock, commonly called a tracking stock, is intended to reflect the economic performance of a defined group of assets and liabilities of the Company referred to as the Carolina Group. The principal assets and liabilities attributed to the Carolina Group are (a) the Company's 100% stock ownership interest in Lorillard, Inc.; (b) notional, intergroup debt owed by the Carolina Group to the Loews Group (\$1.7 billion outstanding at September 30, 2005), bearing interest at the annual rate of 8.0% and, subject to optional prepayment, due December 31, 2021; and (c) any and all liabilities, costs and expenses arising out of or related to tobacco or tobacco-related businesses.

As of September 30, 2005, the outstanding Carolina Group stock represents a 39.27% economic interest in the economic performance of the Carolina Group. The Loews Group consists of all the Company's assets and liabilities other than the 39.27% economic interest represented by the outstanding Carolina Group stock, and includes as an asset the notional, intergroup debt of the Carolina Group.

The existence of separate classes of common stock could give rise to occasions where the interests of the holders of Loews common stock and Carolina Group stock diverge or conflict or appear to diverge or conflict. Subject to its fiduciary duties, the Company's board of directors could, in its sole discretion, from time to time, make determinations or implement policies that affect disproportionately the groups or the different classes of stock. For example, the Company's board of directors may decide to reallocate assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and cash flows between groups, without the consent of shareholders. The board of directors would not be required to select the option that would result in the highest value for holders of Carolina Group stock.

As a result of the flexibility provided to Loews's board of directors, it might be difficult for investors to assess the future prospects of the Carolina Group based on the Carolina Group's past performance.

The creation of the Carolina Group and the issuance of Carolina Group stock does not change the Company’s ownership of Lorillard, Inc. or Lorillard, Inc.’s status as a separate legal entity. The Carolina Group and the Loews Group are notional groups that are intended to reflect the performance of the defined sets of assets and liabilities of each such group as described above. The Carolina Group and the Loews Group are not separate legal entities and the attribution of assets and liabilities to the Loews Group or the Carolina Group does not affect title to the assets or responsibility for the liabilities.

Holders of the Company’s common stock and of Carolina Group stock are shareholders of Loews Corporation and are subject to the risks related to an equity investment in Loews Corporation.

## **Parent Company Structure**

The Company is a holding company and derives substantially all of its cash flow from its subsidiaries, principally Lorillard. The Company relies upon its invested cash balances and distributions from its subsidiaries to generate the funds necessary to meet its obligations and to declare and pay any dividends to its stockholders. The ability of the Company’s subsidiaries to pay dividends is subject to, among other things, the availability of sufficient funds in such subsidiaries, applicable state laws, including in the case of the insurance subsidiaries of CNA, laws and rules governing the payment of dividends by regulated insurance companies. Claims of creditors of the Company’s subsidiaries will generally have priority as to the assets of such subsidiaries over the claims of the Company and its creditors and stockholders (see Liquidity and Capital Resources - CNA Financial, below).

## **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES**

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and the related notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes have been prepared in accordance with GAAP, applied on a consistent basis. The Company continually evaluates the accounting policies and estimates used to prepare the consolidated financial statements. In general, management’s estimates are based on historical experience, evaluation of current trends, information from third party professionals and various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the known facts and circumstances.

The accounting policies discussed below are considered by management to be critical to an understanding of the Company’s consolidated condensed financial statements as their application places the most significant demands on management’s judgment. Due to the inherent uncertainties involved with this type of judgment, actual results could differ significantly from estimates and may have a material adverse impact on the Company’s results of operations or equity.

### **Insurance Reserves**

Insurance reserves are established for both short and long-duration insurance contracts. Short-duration contracts are primarily related to property and casualty insurance policies where the reserving process is based on actuarial estimates of the amount of loss, including amounts for known and unknown claims. Long-duration contracts typically include traditional life insurance and long term care products and are estimated using actuarial estimates about mortality and morbidity, as well as assumptions about expected investment returns. Changes in estimates of claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserves and premium accruals for prior accident years are defined as development within this MD&A. These changes can be favorable or unfavorable. The inherent risks associated with the reserving process are discussed in the Reserves - Estimates and Uncertainties section below.

### **Reinsurance**

Amounts recoverable from reinsurers are estimated in a manner consistent with claim and claim adjustment expense reserves or future policy benefits reserves and are reported as receivables in the Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets. The ceding of insurance does not discharge the primary liability of CNA. An exposure exists with respect to property and casualty and life reinsurance ceded to the extent that any reinsurer is unable to meet its obligations or disputes the liabilities assumed under reinsurance agreements. Therefore, an estimated allowance for doubtful accounts is recorded on the basis of periodic evaluations of balances due from reinsurers, reinsurer solvency, CNA management’s experience and current economic conditions.

Reinsurance accounting allows for contractual cash flows to be reflected as premiums and losses, as compared to deposit accounting, which requires cash flows to be reflected as assets and liabilities. To qualify for reinsurance accounting, reinsurance agreements must include risk transfer. Considerable judgment by CNA management may be necessary to determine if risk transfer requirements are met. CNA believes it has appropriately applied reinsurance accounting principles in its evaluation of risk transfer. However, CNA's evaluation of risk transfer and the resulting accounting could be challenged in connection with regulatory reviews or possible changes in accounting and/or financial reporting rules related to reinsurance, which could materially adversely affect the Company's results of operations and/or equity. Further information on reinsurance is provided in the Reinsurance section below.

## **Tobacco and Other Litigation**

Lorillard and other cigarette manufacturers continue to be confronted with substantial litigation. Plaintiffs in most of the cases seek unspecified amounts of compensatory damages and punitive damages, although some seek damages ranging into the billions of dollars. Plaintiffs in some of the cases seek treble damages, statutory damages, disgorgement of profits, equitable and injunctive relief, and medical monitoring, among other damages.

Lorillard believes that it has valid defenses to the cases pending against it. Lorillard also believes it has valid bases for appeal of the adverse verdicts against it. To the extent the Company is a defendant in any of the lawsuits, the Company believes that it is not a proper defendant in these matters and has moved or plans to move for dismissal of all such claims against it. While Lorillard intends to defend vigorously all tobacco products liability litigation, it is not possible to predict the outcome of any of this litigation. Litigation is subject to many uncertainties, and it is possible that some of these actions could be decided unfavorably. Lorillard may enter into discussions in an attempt to settle particular cases if it believes it is appropriate to do so.

On May 21, 2003 the Florida Third District Court of Appeal vacated the judgment entered in favor of a class of Florida smokers in the case of *Engle v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., et al.* The judgment reflected an award of punitive damages to the class of approximately \$145.0 billion, including \$16.3 billion against Lorillard. The court of appeals also decertified the class ordered during pre-trial proceedings. Plaintiffs appealed to the Florida Supreme Court which heard argument on November 3, 2004. The Company and Lorillard believe that the appeals court's decision should be upheld upon further appeals.

During May of 2004, a jury in the Circuit Court of Louisiana, Orleans Parish, awarded \$591.0 million to fund cessation programs for Louisiana smokers in the case of *Scott v. The American Tobacco Company, et al.* The class also was awarded judicial interest, which will continue to accrue until the judgment is paid. As of October 15, 2005 judicial interest totaled an additional amount of approximately \$385.0 million. The jury was not asked to apportion damages in its verdict so Lorillard's share of the judgment, including the judicial interest, has not been determined. Lorillard and the other defendants in this matter have initiated an appeal from the judgment to the Louisiana Court of Appeals. Pursuant to Louisiana law, the trial court entered an order setting the amount of the appeal bond at \$50.0 million for all defendants, of which Lorillard secured \$12.5 million. While Lorillard believes the limitation on the appeal bond amount is valid and required by Louisiana law, and that any challenges to the amount of the bond would fail, in the event of a successful challenge the amount of the appeal bond could be set as high as 150% of the judgment and judicial interest combined. If such an event occurred, Lorillard's share of the appeal bond is uncertain.

Except for the impact of the State Settlement Agreements as described in Note 14 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Report, management is unable to make a meaningful estimate of the amount or range of loss that could result from an unfavorable outcome of pending litigation and, therefore, no provision has been made in the Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements for any unfavorable outcome. It is possible that the Company's results of operations, cash flows and its financial position could be materially adversely affected by an unfavorable outcome of certain pending or future litigation.

## **Valuation of Investments and Impairment of Securities**

Invested assets are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain invested assets and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of these assets, it is possible that changes in risks in the near term could have an adverse material impact on the Company's results of operations or equity.

CNA's investment portfolio is subject to market declines below book value that may be other-than-temporary. CNA has an Impairment Committee, which reviews the investment portfolio on a quarterly basis, with ongoing analysis as new information becomes available. Any decline that is determined to be other-than-temporary is recorded as an

impairment loss in the results of operations in the period in which the determination occurred. Further information on CNA's process for evaluating impairments is included in the Investments section below.

Securities in the parent company's investment portfolio that are not part of its cash management activities are classified as trading securities in order to reflect the Company's investment philosophy. These investments are carried at fair value with the net unrealized gain or loss included in the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income.

### **Long Term Care Products**

CNA's reserves and deferred acquisition costs for its long term care products are based on certain assumptions including morbidity, policy persistency and interest rates. Actual experience may differ from these assumptions. The recoverability of deferred acquisition costs and the adequacy of the reserves are contingent on actual experience related to these key assumptions and other factors including potential future premium increases and future health care cost trends. The Company's results of operations and/or equity may be materially, adversely affected if actual experience varies significantly from these assumptions.

### **Pension and Postretirement Benefit Obligations**

The Company is required to make a significant number of assumptions in order to estimate the liabilities and costs related to its pension and postretirement benefit obligations to employees under its benefit plans. The assumptions that have the most impact on pension costs are the discount rate, the expected return on plan assets and the rate of compensation increases. These assumptions are evaluated relative to current market factors such as inflation, interest rates and fiscal and monetary policies. Changes in these assumptions can have a material impact on pension obligations and pension expense. Further information on the Company's pension and postretirement benefit obligations is included in Note 12 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included under Item 1.

### **Loans to National Contractor**

CNA Surety, a 63% owned and consolidated subsidiary of CNA, has provided significant surety bond protection for a large national contractor that undertakes projects for the construction of government and private facilities, a substantial portion of which have been reinsured by CCC. In order to help this contractor meet its liquidity needs and complete projects which had been bonded by CNA Surety, commencing in 2003 CNA provided loans to the contractor through a credit facility, up to an amended aggregate maximum of \$126.0 million. The credit facility expires in March 2009 and the current interest rate is 5.0% per annum. As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, there was \$126.0 million and \$95.0 million of loans outstanding under the credit facility, and \$6.0 million and \$4.0 million of deferred or accrued and unpaid interest. The Company, through a participation agreement with CNA, has funded and owns a participation of \$40.0 million and \$29.0 million of the outstanding advances as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

Loans under the credit facility are secured by a pledge of substantially all of the assets of the contractor and certain of its affiliates. In connection with the credit facility, CNA has also guaranteed or provided collateral for letters of credit which are charged against the maximum available line and, if drawn upon, would be treated as loans under the credit facility. As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, these guarantees and collateral obligations aggregated \$13.0 million.

The contractor implemented a restructuring plan intended to reduce costs and improve cash flow, resulting in the contractor substantially reducing the scope of its original business and concentrating on those segments determined to be potentially profitable. As a consequence, operating cash flow, and in turn the capacity to service debt, have been reduced below previous levels. In light of these developments, the Company recorded a pretax impairment charge of \$80.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2004 with respect to amounts loaned under the facility, and an additional pretax impairment charge of \$20.0 million during the first quarter of 2005. Representatives from CNA and CNA Surety met with senior management of the national contractor in June 2005 to review their actual cash flow through that date, as well as discuss expected future cash flow. Pursuant to those discussions and ongoing monitoring of the status of the contractor's restructuring plan, deterioration in operations and cash flow was observed. This deterioration was concentrated in an operating division of the contractor that had previously been placed into run off. As a result of these developments, CNA made a decision not to provide additional liquidity to the contractor. Accordingly, during the second quarter of 2005 the Company took a further pretax impairment charge of \$27.0 million. Further, CNA Surety established \$40.0 million of estimated initial surety loss reserves in the second quarter of 2005 in anticipation of future loss payments related to the national contractor. During the third quarter of 2005, CNA Surety paid \$16.0 million in loss payments to the national contractor to settle outstanding bonded obligations. In the third quarter, CNA Surety began an evaluation of the contractor's current restructuring efforts. Possible changes to the restructuring strategy could result in higher loss estimates and trigger additional reserve actions. CNA Surety expects to complete this reevaluation in the fourth quarter.

If any such reserve additions were taken, CNA Surety would have exposure for the first \$20.0 million and CCC would have all further surety bond exposure through the reinsurance arrangements discussed below. CNA Surety has advised that it intends to continue to provide surety bonds on behalf of the contractor while it reevaluates the contractor's restructuring efforts, subject to the contractor's initial and ongoing compliance with CNA Surety's underwriting standards and ongoing management of CNA Surety's exposure in relation to the contractor. All surety bonds written for the national contractor are issued by CCC and its affiliates, other than CNA Surety, and are subject to underlying reinsurance treaties pursuant to which all bonds written on behalf of CNA Surety are 100% reinsured to one of CNA Surety's insurance subsidiaries.

During the second quarter of 2005, CCC and CNA Surety executed amendments to existing treaties that provide reinsurance protection to CNA Surety for losses associated with the contractor. Coverage for all such losses in excess of an aggregate \$60.0 million is now provided under one treaty. This treaty provides coverage for the life of bonds either in force or written during the term of the treaty, which runs from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005.

Indemnification and subrogation rights, including rights to contract proceeds on construction projects in the event of default, exist that reduce CNA Surety's and ultimately the Company's exposure to loss. While CNA believes that the contractor's continuing restructuring efforts may be successful, the contractor's failure to ultimately achieve its extended restructuring plan or perform its contractual obligations under the credit facility or under CNA's surety bonds could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and/or equity. If such failures occur, CNA estimates the additional surety loss, net of indemnification and subrogation recoveries, but before the effects of minority interest, to be approximately \$160.0 million pretax.

Further information on the Company's exposure to this national contractor and this credit agreement is provided in Note 15 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included under Item 1.

## **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS BY BUSINESS SEGMENT**

### **CNA Financial**

*Insurance operations are conducted by subsidiaries of CNA Financial Corporation ("CNA"). CNA is a 91% owned subsidiary of the Company.*

CNA manages its property and casualty operations in two operating segments which represent CNA's core operations: Standard Lines and Specialty Lines. The non-core operations are managed in the Life and Group Non-Core and Other Insurance segments. Standard Lines includes standard property and casualty coverages sold to small and middle market commercial businesses primarily through an independent agency distribution system, and excess and surplus lines, as well as insurance and risk management products sold to large corporations in the U.S., as well as globally. Specialty Lines includes professional, financial and specialty property and casualty products and services. Life and Group Non-Core primarily includes the results of the life and group lines of business sold or placed in run-off. Other Insurance includes the results of certain property and casualty lines of business placed in run-off, including CNA Re. This segment also includes the results related to the centralized adjusting and settlement of Asbestos, Environment Pollution and Mass Tort ("APMT") claims as well as the results of CNA's participation in voluntary insurance pools, which are primarily in run-off, and various other non-insurance operations.

### **Reserves - Estimates and Uncertainties**

CNA maintains reserves to cover its estimated ultimate unpaid liability for claim and claim adjustment expenses, including the estimated cost of the claims adjudication process, for claims that have been reported but not yet settled ("case reserves") and claims that have been incurred but not reported ("IBNR"). Claim and claim adjustment expense reserves are reflected as liabilities and are included on the Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets under the heading "Insurance Reserves." Adjustments to prior year reserve estimates, if necessary, are reflected in the results of operations in the period that the need for such adjustments is determined. The carried case and IBNR reserves are provided in the Segment Results section of this MD&A and in Note 7 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included under Item 1.

The level of reserves maintained by CNA represents management's best estimate, as of a particular point in time, of what the ultimate settlement and administration of claims will cost based on its assessment of facts and circumstances known at that time. Reserves are not an exact calculation of liability but instead are complex estimates that are derived by CNA, generally utilizing a variety of actuarial reserve estimation techniques, from numerous assumptions and expectations about future events, both internal and external, many of which are highly uncertain.

Among the many uncertain future events about which CNA makes assumptions and estimates, many of which have become increasingly unpredictable, are claims severity, frequency of claims, mortality, morbidity, expected interest rates, inflation, claims handling and case reserving policies and procedures, underwriting and pricing policies, changes in the legal and regulatory environment and the lag time between the occurrence of an insured event and the time it is ultimately settled, referred to in the insurance industry as the “tail.” These factors must be individually considered in relation to CNA’s evaluation of each type of business. Many of these uncertainties are not precisely quantifiable, particularly on a prospective basis, and require significant management judgment.

Given the factors described above, it is not possible to quantify precisely the ultimate exposure represented by claims and related litigation. As a result, CNA regularly reviews the adequacy of its reserves and reassesses its reserve estimates as historical loss experience develops, additional claims are reported and settled and additional information becomes available in subsequent periods.

In addition, CNA is subject to the uncertain effects of emerging or potential claims and coverage issues that arise as industry practices and legal, judicial, social and other environmental conditions change. These issues have had, and may continue to have, a negative effect on CNA’s business by either extending coverage beyond the original underwriting intent or by increasing the number or size of claims. Examples of emerging or potential claims and coverage issues include:

- increases in the number and size of claims relating to injuries from medical products, and exposure to lead;
- the effects of accounting and financial reporting scandals and other major corporate governance failures, which have resulted in an increase in the number and size of claims, including director and officer and errors and omissions insurance claims;
- class action litigation relating to claims handling and other practices;
- construction defect claims, including claims for a broad range of additional insured endorsements on policies; and
- increases in the number of claims alleging abuse by members of the clergy, including passage of legislation to reopen or extend various statutes of limitations.

The impact of these and other unforeseen emerging or potential claims and coverage issues is difficult to predict and could materially adversely affect the adequacy of CNA’s claim and claim adjustment expense reserves and could lead to future reserve additions. See the Segment Results sections of this MD&A for a discussion of changes in reserve estimates and the impact on CNA’s results of operations.

CNA’s experience has been that establishing reserves for casualty coverages relating to asbestos, environmental pollution and mass tort (“APMT”) claim and claim adjustment expenses is subject to uncertainties that are greater than those presented by other claims. Estimating the ultimate cost of both reported and unreported APMT claims is subject to a higher degree of variability due to a number of additional factors, including among others:

- coverage issues, including whether certain costs are covered under the policies and whether policy limits apply;
- inconsistent court decisions and developing legal theories;
- increasingly aggressive tactics of plaintiffs’ lawyers;
- the risks and lack of predictability inherent in major litigation;
- changes in the volume of asbestos and environmental pollution and mass tort claims which cannot now be anticipated;
- continued increase in mass tort claims relating to silica and silica-containing products;
- the impact of the exhaustion of primary limits and the resulting increase in claims on any umbrella or excess policies CNA has issued;
- the number and outcome of direct actions against CNA; and

- CNA's ability to recover reinsurance for asbestos and environmental pollution and mass tort claims.

It is also not possible to predict changes in the legal and legislative environment and the impact on the future development of APMT claims. This development will be affected by future court decisions and interpretations, as well as changes in applicable legislation. It is difficult to predict the ultimate outcome of large coverage disputes until settlement negotiations near completion and significant legal questions are resolved or, failing settlement, until the dispute is adjudicated. This is particularly the case with policyholders in bankruptcy where negotiations often involve a large number of claimants and other parties and require court approval to be effective. A further uncertainty exists as to whether a national privately financed trust to replace litigation of asbestos claims with payments to claimants from the trust will be established and approved through federal legislation, and, if established and approved, whether it will contain funding requirements in excess of CNA's carried loss reserves.

Due to the factors described above, among others, establishing reserves for APMT claim and claim adjustment expenses is subject to uncertainties that are greater than those presented by other claims. Traditional actuarial methods and techniques employed to estimate the ultimate cost of claims for more traditional property and casualty exposures are less precise in estimating claim and claim adjustment reserves for APMT, particularly in an environment of emerging or potential claims and coverage issues that arise from industry practices and legal, judicial and social conditions. Therefore, these traditional actuarial methods and techniques are necessarily supplemented with additional estimation techniques and methodologies, many of which involve significant judgments that are required of management. Due to the inherent uncertainties in estimating reserves for APMT claim and claim adjustment expenses and the degree of variability due to, among other things, the factors described above, CNA may be required to record material changes in its claim and claim adjustment expense reserves in the future, should new information become available or other developments emerge. See the APMT Reserves section of this MD&A for additional information relating to APMT claims and reserves.

CNA's recorded reserves, including APMT reserves, reflect management's best estimate as of a particular point in time based upon known facts, current law and CNA management's judgment. The reserve analyses performed by CNA's actuaries result in point estimates. CNA management uses these point estimates as the primary factor in determining the carried reserve. The carried reserve may differ from the actuarial point estimate as the result of CNA management's consideration of the factors noted above including, but not limited to, the potential volatility of the projections associated with the specific product being analyzed and the effects of changes in claims handling, underwriting and other factors impacting claims costs that may not be quantifiable through actuarial analysis. For APMT reserves, the reserve analysis performed by CNA's actuaries results in both a point estimate and a range. CNA management uses the point estimate as the primary factor in determining the carried reserve but also considers the range given the volatility of APMT exposures, as noted above.

For Standard Lines, the September 30, 2005 carried net claim and claim adjustment expense reserve is slightly higher than the actuarial point estimate. For Specialty Lines, the September 30, 2005 carried net claim and claim adjustment expense reserve is also slightly higher than the actuarial point estimate. For both Standard Lines and Specialty Lines, the difference is primarily due to the 2004 and 2005 accident years. The data from these recent accident years is very immature from a claim and claim adjustment expense point of view so it is prudent to wait until experience confirms that the loss ratios should be adjusted. For Other Insurance, the September 30, 2005 carried net claim and claim adjustment expense reserve is slightly higher than the actuarial point estimate. While the actuarial estimates for APMT exposures reflect current knowledge, management feels it is prudent, based on the history of developments in this area, to reflect some volatility in the carried reserve until the ultimate outcome of the issues associated with these exposures is clearer.

In light of the many uncertainties associated with establishing the estimates and making the assumptions necessary to establish reserve levels, CNA reviews its reserve estimates on a regular basis and makes adjustments in the period that the need for such adjustments is determined. These reviews have resulted in CNA identifying information and trends that have caused CNA to increase its reserves in prior periods and could lead to the identification of a need for additional material increases in claim and claim adjustment expense reserves, which could materially adversely affect CNA's business and insurer financial strength and debt ratings (see the Ratings section of this MD&A) and the Company's results of operations and equity.

## **Reinsurance**

CNA assumes and cedes reinsurance with other insurers, reinsurers and members of various reinsurance pools and associations. CNA utilizes reinsurance arrangements to limit its maximum loss, provide greater diversification of risk, minimize exposures on larger risks and to exit certain lines of business. The ceding of insurance does not discharge the

primary liability of CNA. Therefore, an exposure exists with respect to property and casualty and life reinsurance ceded to the extent that any reinsurer is unable to meet its obligations or disputes the liabilities assumed under reinsurance agreements.

Property and casualty reinsurance coverages are tailored to the specific risk characteristics of each product line and CNA's retained amount varies by type of coverage. Treaty reinsurance is purchased to protect specific lines of business such as property, workers compensation and professional liability. Corporate catastrophe reinsurance is also purchased for property and workers compensation exposure. Most treaty reinsurance is purchased on an excess of loss basis. CNA also utilizes facultative reinsurance in certain lines.

The following table summarizes the amounts receivable from reinsurers at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(In millions)</b>		
Reinsurance receivables related to insurance reserves:		
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense	\$ 12,842.0	\$ 13,878.4
Ceded future policy benefits	1,212.9	1,259.6
Ceded policyholders' funds	59.0	64.8
Billed reinsurance receivables	535.7	685.2
Reinsurance receivables	14,649.6	15,888.0
Less allowance for uncollectible reinsurance	552.1	546.3
Reinsurance receivables, net	\$ 14,097.5	\$ 15,341.7

The expenses incurred related to uncollectible reinsurance receivables are presented as a component of "Insurance claims and policyholders' benefits" on the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income.

CNA attempts to mitigate its credit risk related to reinsurance by entering into reinsurance arrangements only with reinsurers that have credit ratings above certain levels and by obtaining substantial amounts of collateral. The primary methods of obtaining collateral are through reinsurance trusts, letters of credit and funds withheld balances.

In certain circumstances, including significant deterioration of a reinsurer's financial strength ratings or resolution of disputes, CNA may engage in commutation discussions with individual reinsurers. The outcome of such discussions may result in a lump sum settlement that is less than the recorded receivable, net of any applicable allowance for doubtful accounts. Losses arising from commutations could have an adverse material impact on the Company's results of operations.

Reinsurance accounting allows for contractual cash flows to be reflected as premiums and losses, as compared to deposit accounting, which requires cash flows to be reflected as assets and liabilities. To qualify for reinsurance accounting, reinsurance agreements must include risk transfer. To meet risk transfer requirements, a reinsurance contract must include both insurance risk, consisting of underwriting and timing risk, and a reasonable possibility of a significant loss for the assuming entity. Reinsurance contracts that include both significant risk sharing provisions, such as adjustments to premiums or loss coverage based on loss experience, and relatively low policy limits as evidenced by a high proportion of maximum premium assessments to loss limits, may require considerable judgment to determine whether or not risk transfer requirements are met. For such contracts, often referred to as finite products, CNA generally assesses risk transfer for each contract by developing quantitative analyses at contract inception which measure the present value of reinsurer losses as compared to the present value of the related premium.

Reinsurance contracts that do not effectively transfer the underlying economic risk of loss on policies written by CNA are recorded using the deposit method of accounting, which requires that premium paid or received by the ceding company or assuming company be accounted for as a deposit asset or liability. CNA primarily records these deposits as either reinsurance receivables or other assets for ceded recoverables and reinsurance balances payable or other liabilities for assumed liabilities.

## Catastrophe Reinsurance

The anticipated reinsurance recoveries related to Hurricane Katrina assume significant utilization of CNA's Corporate Property Catastrophe, Corporate Property Per Risk and Marine reinsurance treaties. The Corporate Property Catastrophe treaty provides 90.0% coverage for the accumulation of losses between \$200.0 million and \$500.0 million arising out of a single catastrophe occurrence. Coverage under this treaty was fully utilized for Hurricane Katrina. After payment of a reinstatement premium, CNA has coverage for one additional occurrence in 2005 under this treaty. The Corporate Property Per Risk treaty limits CNA's loss on an individual insured property to \$10.0 million, subject to certain limitations and aggregate limits contained in the treaty. CNA's Marine treaty provides \$75.0 million of protection above a \$10.0 million retention on the accumulation of losses arising out of a single catastrophe occurrence. After payment of reinstatement premiums, CNA has almost full ongoing coverage under these treaties.

In addition to these reinsurance treaties, CNA's exposure to Hurricane Rita is further mitigated by an Aggregate Property Catastrophe treaty. This treaty provides reinsurance protection against the aggregation of losses from multiple catastrophic events. The Aggregate Property Catastrophe treaty covers 95.0% of \$150.0 million of losses above a retention of \$100.0 million from named earthquake or wind storm catastrophes which exceed \$25.0 million in 2005. For any single event, the maximum that can be applied to CNA's retention or recovered under the treaty is \$80.0 million. CNA has approximately \$45.0 million of available recoveries from this treaty in the event its estimate of gross losses from Hurricane Rita increases in the future. Hurricane Wilma made landfall on October 24, 2005. It is too early for CNA to estimate the impact of this hurricane. If the aggregate losses exceed \$25.0 million, coverage under this treaty would apply.

## Funds Withheld Reinsurance Arrangements

CNA's overall ceded reinsurance program includes certain finite property and casualty contracts, such as the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties discussed in more detail below, that are entered into and accounted for on a "funds withheld" basis. Under the funds withheld basis, CNA records the cash remitted to the reinsurer for the reinsurer's margin, or cost of the reinsurance contract, as ceded premiums. The remainder of the premiums ceded under the reinsurance contract not remitted in cash is recorded as funds withheld liabilities. CNA is required to increase the funds withheld balance at stated interest crediting rates applied to the funds withheld balance or as otherwise specified under the terms of the contract. The funds withheld liability is reduced by any cumulative claim payments made by CNA in excess of CNA's retention under the reinsurance contract. If the funds withheld liability is exhausted, interest crediting will cease and additional claim payments are recoverable from the reinsurer. The funds withheld liability is recorded in Reinsurance Balances Payable in the Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets.

The following table summarizes the pretax impact of these contracts, including the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties discussed in further detail below. In 2003, CNA discontinued purchases of such contracts.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2005 (In millions)	Aggregate Cover	CCC Cover	All Other	Total
Ceded earned premium	\$ 1.0		\$ (9.0)	\$ (8.0)
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense			15.0	15.0
Ceding commissions			3.0	3.0
Interest charges	(15.0)	\$ (17.0)	(16.0)	(48.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (14.0)	\$ (17.0)	\$ (7.0)	\$ (38.0)
Three Months Ended September 30, 2004				
Ceded earned premium	\$ 3.0		\$ (21.0)	\$ (18.0)
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense			29.0	29.0
Ceding commissions			(2.0)	(2.0)
Interest charges	(19.0)	\$ (12.0)	(22.0)	(53.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (16.0)	\$ (12.0)	\$ (16.0)	\$ (44.0)
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005				
Ceded earned premium	\$ (17.0)		\$ 56.0	\$ 39.0
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense			(52.0)	(52.0)
Ceding commissions			(27.0)	(27.0)
Interest charges	(57.0)	\$ (49.0)	(26.0)	(132.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (74.0)	\$ (49.0)	\$ (49.0)	\$ (172.0)
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004				
Ceded earned premium			\$ (13.0)	\$ (13.0)
Ceded claim and claim adjustment expense			12.0	12.0
Ceding commissions			1.0	1.0
Interest charges	\$ (61.0)	\$ (34.0)	(55.0)	(150.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (61.0)	\$ (34.0)	\$ (55.0)	\$ (150.0)

Included in “All Other” above for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 is approximately \$24.0 million of pretax expense related to Standard Lines which resulted from an unfavorable arbitration ruling on two reinsurance treaties impacting ceded earned premiums, ceded claim and claim adjustment expenses, ceding commissions and interest charges. This unfavorable outcome was partially offset by a release of previously established reinsurance bad debt reserves resulting in a net impact of \$10.0 million pretax expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2005.

The pretax impact by operating segment of CNA’s funds withheld reinsurance arrangements, including the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties, was as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(In millions)	2005	2004	2005	2004
Standard Lines	\$ (24.0)	\$ (38.0)	\$ (120.0)	\$ (118.0)
Specialty Lines	(3.0)	4.0	(10.0)	
Other Insurance	(11.0)	(10.0)	(42.0)	(32.0)
Pretax expense	\$ (38.0)	\$ (44.0)	\$ (172.0)	\$ (150.0)

Interest cost on reinsurance contracts accounted for on a funds withheld basis is incurred during all periods in which a funds withheld liability exists, and is included in net investment income. The amount subject to interest crediting rates on such contracts was \$2,225.0 million and \$2,564.0 million at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004. Certain funds withheld reinsurance contracts, including the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties, require interest on additional premiums arising from ceded losses as if those premiums were payable at the inception of the contract.

The amount subject to interest crediting on these funds withheld contracts will vary over time based on a number of factors, including the timing of loss payments and ultimate gross losses incurred. CNA expects that it will continue to incur significant interest costs on these contracts for several years.

### **Corporate Aggregate Reinsurance Treaties**

CNA has an aggregate reinsurance treaty related to the 1999 through 2001 accident years that covers substantially all of CNA's property and casualty lines of business (the "Aggregate Cover"). The Aggregate Cover provides for two sections of coverage. These coverages attach at defined loss ratios for each accident year. Coverage under the first section of the Aggregate Cover, which is available for all accident years covered by the treaty, has a \$500.0 million limit per accident year of ceded losses and an aggregate limit of \$1.0 billion of ceded losses for the three accident years. The ceded premiums associated with the first section are a percentage of ceded losses and for each \$500.0 million of limit the ceded premium is \$230.0 million. The second section of the Aggregate Cover, which only relates to accident year 2001, provides additional coverage of up to \$510.0 million of ceded losses for a maximum ceded premium of \$310.0 million. Under the Aggregate Cover, interest charges on the funds withheld liability accrue at 8.0% per annum. The aggregate loss ratio for the three-year period has exceeded certain thresholds which required additional premiums to be paid and an increase in the rate at which interest charges are accrued. This rate will increase to 8.25% per annum commencing in 2006. Also, if an additional aggregate loss ratio threshold is exceeded, additional premiums of 10.0% of amounts in excess of the aggregate loss ratio threshold are to be paid retroactively with interest. The aggregate limits under both sections of the Aggregate Cover have been fully utilized.

In 2001, CNA entered into a one-year aggregate reinsurance treaty related to the 2001 accident year covering substantially all property and casualty lines of business in the Continental Casualty Company pool (the "CCC Cover"). The loss protection provided by the CCC Cover has an aggregate limit of approximately \$761.0 million of ceded losses. The ceded premiums are a percentage of ceded losses. The ceded premium related to full utilization of the \$761.0 million of limit is \$456.0 million. The CCC Cover provides continuous coverage in excess of the second section of the Aggregate Cover discussed above. Under the CCC Cover, interest charges on the funds withheld are accrued at 8.0% per annum. The interest rate increases to 10.0% per annum if the aggregate loss ratio exceeds certain thresholds. The aggregate loss ratio exceeded that threshold in the fourth quarter of 2004 which required retroactive interest charges on funds withheld. The CCC Cover was fully utilized in 2003.

At CNA's discretion, the contract can be commuted annually on the anniversary date of the contract. The CCC Cover requires mandatory commutation on December 31, 2010, if the agreement has not been commuted on or before such date. Upon mandatory commutation of the CCC Cover, the reinsurer is required to release to CNA the existing balance of the funds withheld account if the unpaid ultimate ceded losses at the time of commutation are less than or equal to the funds withheld account balance. If the unpaid ultimate ceded losses at the time of commutation are greater than the funds withheld account balance, the reinsurer will release the existing balance of the funds withheld account and pay CNA the present value of the projected amount the reinsurer would have had to pay from its own funds absent a commutation. The present value is calculated using 1-year LIBOR as of the date of the commutation.

On July 12, 2005, CNA received arbitration notices from several insurance affiliates of Hannover Reinsurance Group ("Hannover") related to the Aggregate Cover and two additional finite reinsurance treaties written by Hannover. Among the contract interpretation issues in dispute are the allocation of losses to accident year under the first section of the Aggregate Cover, the timing of deductions from the funds withheld account for all of the treaties, the timing of deductions from a reserve account for one of the treaties, and coverage for certain self-insured obligations under one of the treaties. CNA intends to vigorously defend its interpretation of the contracts. If Hannover's position on all issues were to be sustained, CNA estimates that it would incur additional ceded premium and interest charges of \$46.0 million to \$64.0 million after-tax and minority interest.

### **Terrorism Insurance**

CNA and the insurance industry incurred substantial losses related to the 2001 World Trade Center event. For the most part, the industry was able to absorb the loss of capital from these losses, but the capacity to withstand the effect of any additional terrorism events was significantly diminished.

The Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (the “Act”) established a program within the Department of the Treasury under which the federal government will share the risk of loss by commercial property and casualty insurers arising from future terrorist attacks. The Act expires on December 31, 2005. Each participating insurance company must pay a deductible, ranging from 7.0% of direct earned premiums from commercial insurance lines in 2003 to 15.0% in 2005, before federal government assistance becomes available. For losses in excess of a company’s deductible, the federal government will cover 90.0% of the excess losses, while companies retain the remaining 10.0%. Losses covered by the program will be capped annually at \$100.0 billion; above this amount, insurers are not liable for covered losses and Congress is to determine the procedures for and the source of any payments. Amounts paid by the federal government under the program over certain phased limits are to be recouped by the Department of the Treasury through policy surcharges, which cannot exceed 3.0% of annual premium.

CNA is required to participate in the program, but it does not cover life or health insurance products. State law limitations applying to premiums and policies for terrorism coverage are not generally affected under the program. The Act required insurers to offer terrorism coverage through 2004. On June 18, 2004, the Department of the Treasury announced its decision to extend this offer requirement until December 31, 2005.

While the Act provides the property and casualty industry with an increased ability to withstand the effect of a terrorist event through 2005, given the unpredictability of the nature, targets, severity or frequency of potential terrorist events, the Company’s results of operations or equity could nevertheless be materially adversely impacted by them. CNA is attempting to mitigate this exposure through its underwriting practices, policy terms and conditions (where applicable). In addition, under state laws, CNA is generally prohibited from excluding terrorism exposure from its primary workers compensation. In those states that mandate property insurance coverage of damage from fire following a loss, CNA is also prohibited from excluding terrorism exposure under such coverage.

Terrorism-related reinsurance losses are not covered by the Act. CNA’s assumed reinsurance arrangements either exclude terrorism coverage or significantly limit the level of coverage.

There are currently two pending bills in Congress, H.R. 1153 and S. 467, to reauthorize the Act. These bills would extend the Act for two additional years and require that terrorism coverage be made available for all years. Deductibles under the bills would be held at 15.0% in 2006 and raised to 20.0% in 2007. The Department of the Treasury released a study on June 30, 2005 that does not support Congress’ reauthorization of the Act in its current form. CNA will continue to work with other insurers, policyholders and members of Congress to craft a workable solution to replace the Act.

Over the past several years, CNA has been underwriting its business to manage its terrorism exposure. If the Act is not reauthorized, CNA will utilize conditional terrorism exclusions for risks that present terrorism exposure, where permitted by law. Strict underwriting standards and risk avoidance measures will be taken where exclusions are not permitted. Annual policy renewals with effective dates of January 1, 2005 or later are being underwritten with the assumption that the Act will not be extended and that no Federal backstop for terrorism exposure will be available. In July 2004, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners adopted a Model Bulletin available for use in states that intend to approve terrorism coverage limitations in the event the Act is not reauthorized. To date, conditional terrorism exclusions have been approved in all states except New York, Florida and Georgia. Accordingly, if the Act is not extended, CNA will utilize these conditional terrorism exclusions in all states where so allowed. Notwithstanding CNA’s efforts, however, there is no assurance that CNA will be able to eliminate or limit terrorism exposure risks in coverages, or that all regulatory authorities will approve policy exclusions for terrorism. There is also substantial uncertainty as to CNA’s ability to effectively contain its terrorism exposure since, notwithstanding the underwriting measures described above, it continues to issue forms of coverage, in particular workers’ compensation, that are exposed to risk of loss from a terrorism event.

## **Restructuring**

As discussed in the Company’s 2004 Form 10-K/A, CNA continues to manage the liabilities from a restructuring plan related to restructuring the property and casualty segments and the Life and Group Non-Core segment, discontinuation of the variable life and annuity business and consolidation of real estate locations (the “2001 Plan”). No restructuring and other related charges related to the 2001 Plan were incurred for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. During 2005, \$1.0 million in payments for lease termination costs were charged against the liability and the remaining accrual of \$1.0 million related to impaired asset charges was released. As of September 30, 2005, the accrued liability, relating to lease termination costs, was \$13.0 million. Of the remaining accrual, approximately \$2.0 million is expected to be paid in the fourth quarter of 2005.

## Segment Results

The following discusses the results of operations for CNA's operating segments. In evaluating the results of the Standard Lines and Specialty Lines, CNA management utilizes the combined ratio, the loss ratio, the expense ratio, and the dividend ratio. These ratios are calculated using GAAP financial results. The loss ratio is the percentage of net incurred claim and claim adjustment expenses to net earned premiums. The expense ratio is the percentage of underwriting and acquisition expenses, including the amortization of deferred acquisition costs, to net earned premiums. The dividend ratio is the ratio of dividends incurred to net earned premiums. The combined ratio is the sum of the loss, expense and dividend ratios.

CNA records favorable or unfavorable premium and claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties as movements in the claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserves for the accident years covered by the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties indicate such development is required. While the available limit of these treaties has been fully utilized, the ceded premiums and losses for an individual segment may change because of the re-estimation of the subject losses. See the Reinsurance section of this MD&A for further discussion of the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties. For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, CNA recorded unfavorable net prior year development of \$17.0 million related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties, consisting of \$13.0 million of unfavorable development in Standard Lines, \$6.0 million of favorable development in Specialty Lines and \$10.0 million of unfavorable development in Other Insurance.

### Standard Lines

The following table summarizes the results of operations for Standard Lines.

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions, except %)</b>				
Net written premiums	\$ 1,047.0	\$ 1,046.0	\$ 3,352.0	\$ 3,520.0
Net earned premiums	1,080.0	1,183.0	3,333.0	3,756.0
Net investment income	186.0	125.0	540.0	382.0
Income before net realized investment gains (losses)	(131.5)	(67.3)	52.0	126.2
Net realized investment gains (losses)	30.7	(20.5)	38.5	59.6
Net income (loss)	(100.8)	(87.8)	90.5	185.8
Ratios:				
Loss and loss adjustment expense	106.3%	80.4%	82.5%	71.9%
Expense	33.0	41.1	32.2	34.8
Dividend	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.1
Combined	139.6%	122.2%	115.2%	106.8%

### Three Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared with 2004

Net written premiums for Standard Lines increased \$1.0 million. The net written premium results are consistent with CNA's strategy of portfolio optimization. CNA's priority is a diversified portfolio in profitable classes of business. Net earned premiums decreased \$103.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. This decrease was primarily driven by decreased premiums written over the past quarters, as well as increased reinsurance reinstatement premiums in 2005 due to the hurricanes.

Standard Lines averaged rate decreases of 2.0% and rate increases of 3.0% for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 for the contracts that renewed during the period. Retention rates of 78.0% and 65.0% were achieved for those contracts that were up for renewal.

Net operating income decreased \$64.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. These results were adversely impacted by increased catastrophe impacts. Catastrophe impacts were \$255.5 million and \$157.0 million after-tax and minority interest for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. The 2005 catastrophe impacts include estimated net losses related to Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Dennis and Ophelia. Also adversely impacting the 2005 results was less favorable current accident year losses as discussed below and

decreased premiums. Third quarter of 2005 results were favorably impacted by a decrease in the insurance receivable bad debt provision and increased net investment income.

Net loss increased \$13.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. This increase was primarily attributable to an increased net operating loss, partially offset by improved net realized investment results. See the Investments section of the MD&A for discussion on net investment income and net realized investment results.

The combined ratio increased 17.4 points for the three months ended September 30, 2005, as compared with the same period in 2004. The loss ratio increased 25.9 points due principally to increased catastrophe losses and a higher current accident year loss ratio compared with the same period in 2004. The 2005 catastrophes had an adverse impact of 40.0 points on the loss ratio for the three months ended September 30, 2005. The 2004 catastrophes had an adverse impact of 21.0 points on the loss ratio for the three months ended September 30, 2004.

The loss ratio for the third quarter of 2004 was favorably impacted by a \$55.0 million reduction of 2004 accident year losses. Catastrophe losses, net of reinsurance of \$418.0 million pretax and \$245.0 million pretax were recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

Unfavorable net prior year development of \$25.0 million was recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2005, including \$18.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$7.0 million of unfavorable premium development. Unfavorable net prior year development of \$6.0 million, including \$2.0 million of favorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$8.0 million of unfavorable premium development, was recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2004.

### **2005 Net Prior Year Development**

Approximately \$33.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development resulted from increased severity trends for workers compensation, primarily in accident year 2001 and prior. Approximately \$23.0 million of favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded due to continued improvement in the severity and number of claims for property coverages, primarily in accident year 2004.

Approximately \$35.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was attributed to increased severity in liability coverages for large account policies. The remainder of the favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was primarily a result of improved experience on several coverages on middle market business mainly in accident year 2004.

### **2004 Net Prior Year Development**

In the third quarter of 2004, approximately \$15.0 million of unfavorable net prior claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development was recorded in relation to CNA's share of the National Workers Compensation Reinsurance Pool ("NWCRP"). During the third quarter of 2004, the NWCRP reached an agreement with a former pool member to settle their pool liabilities at an amount less than their established share. The result of this settlement was a higher allocation to the remaining pool members, including CNA.

The expense ratio decreased 8.1 points for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. This decrease in 2005 was primarily due to the decrease in the bad debt provision for insurance receivables, a change in estimate related to the 2004 hurricane assessments and lower guaranty fund assessments. CNA recorded an estimated bad debt provision of \$95.0 million in the third quarter of 2004 related to PEO accounts. Partially offsetting these favorable impacts was the lower earned premium base.

The dividend ratio decreased 0.4 points for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004, driven primarily by lower current accident year dividends recorded in 2005.

### **Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared with 2004**

Net written premiums for Standard Lines decreased \$168.0 million and net earned premiums decreased \$423.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The net written premium results are consistent with CNA's strategy of portfolio optimization. CNA's priority is a diversified portfolio in profitable classes of business. The decrease in premiums earned was attributable to the decreased premium writing trend.

Standard Lines averaged rate decreases of 1.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and rate increases of 5.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 for the contracts that renewed during the period. Retention rates of 75.0% and 69.0% were achieved for those contracts that were up for renewal.

Net operating income decreased \$74.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. Net operating income was adversely impacted by increased catastrophe impacts, decreased premiums, increased unfavorable net prior year development and less favorable current accident year results. Partially offsetting these adverse impacts was increased net investment income, decreased bad debt provision for insurance receivables as discussed above in the three month comparison and favorable operating expenses.

Net income decreased \$95.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. This decrease was attributable to decreased net operating income and decreased net realized investment results. See the Investments section of the MD&A for further discussion on net investment income and net realized investment results.

The combined ratio increased 8.4 points for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The loss ratio increased 10.6 points due principally to increased catastrophe losses and increased unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development. The 2005 catastrophes had an adverse impact of 13.1 points on the loss ratio for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. The 2004 catastrophes had an adverse impact of 6.9 points on the loss ratio for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

Unfavorable net prior year development of \$97.0 million was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2005, including \$202.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$105.0 million of favorable premium development. Unfavorable net prior year development of \$13.0 million, including \$111.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$98.0 million of favorable premium development, was recorded for the same period in 2004.

### **2005 Net Prior Year Development**

Approximately \$141.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development resulted from increased severity trends for workers compensation, primarily in accident year 2002 and prior.

Approximately \$135.0 million of favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded due to improvement in the severity and number of claims for property coverages and marine business, primarily in accident year 2004.

Approximately \$90.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$83.0 million of favorable net prior year premium development resulted from an unfavorable arbitration ruling on two reinsurance treaties.

Approximately \$76.0 million of the unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was attributed to increased severity in liability coverages for large account policies.

Approximately \$51.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was related to reviews of liquor liability, trucking and habitational business that indicated that the number of large claims was higher than previously expected in recent accident years. The remainder of the favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was primarily a result of improved experience on several coverages on middle market business, mainly in accident year 2004.

Favorable net prior year premium development was recorded primarily as a result of additional premium resulting from audits and endorsements on recent policies, primarily workers compensation.

Additionally, there was \$19.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$6.0 million of favorable premium development related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties.

### **2004 Net Prior Year Development**

In the second quarter of 2004, CNA finalized commutation agreements with several members of the Trenwick Group. These commutations resulted in unfavorable claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development which was more than offset by a release of a previously established allowance for uncollectible reinsurance.

In addition approximately \$75.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development recorded in the second quarter of 2004 resulted from increased severity trends for workers compensation on large account policies primarily in accident years 2002 and prior. Favorable premium development on retrospectively rated large account policies of \$25.0 million was recorded in relation to this unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development. Also, favorable net prior year premium development of approximately \$60.0 million resulted primarily from higher audit and endorsement premiums on workers compensation and general liability policies. Approximately \$30.0 million of the unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development was recorded related to the higher audit and endorsement premium.

In the third quarter of 2004, approximately \$15.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development was recorded in relation to CNA's share of the NWCRP. During the third quarter of 2004, the NWCRP reached an agreement with a former pool member to settle their pool liabilities at an amount less than their established share. The result of this settlement was a higher allocation to the remaining pool members, including CNA.

The following table summarizes the gross and net carried reserves as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 for Standard Lines.

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(In millions)</b>		
Gross Case Reserves	\$ 6,764.0	\$ 6,904.0
Gross IBNR Reserves	8,023.0	7,398.0
Total Gross Carried Claim and Claim Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$ 14,787.0	\$ 14,302.0
Net Case Reserves	\$ 4,289.0	\$ 4,761.0
Net IBNR Reserves	5,756.0	4,547.0
Total Net Carried Claim and Claim Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$ 10,045.0	\$ 9,308.0

The expense ratio decreased 2.6 points for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The 2005 expense ratio decreased as compared to 2004 due primarily to the reasons discussed in the three month comparison.

The dividend ratio increased 0.4 points for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004 due to decreased favorable dividend development.

### Specialty Lines

The following table summarizes the results of operations for Specialty Lines.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions, except %)</b>				
Net written premiums	\$ 649.0	\$ 599.0	\$ 1,838.0	\$ 1,772.0
Net earned premiums	628.0	576.0	1,831.0	1,672.0
Net investment income	74.0	61.0	197.0	182.0
Income before net realized investment gains (losses)	98.9	73.7	244.6	215.6
Net realized investment gains (losses)	9.6	(7.7)	17.5	21.0
Net income	108.5	66.0	262.1	236.6
Ratios:				
Loss and loss adjustment expense	58.4%	62.8%	63.3%	63.4%
Expense	27.3	27.2	26.3	26.4
Dividend	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.3
Combined	85.9%	90.4%	89.8%	90.1%

### Three Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared with 2004

Net written premiums for Specialty Lines increased \$50.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to the same period in 2004. This increase was primarily due to increased premium writings across most professional liability insurance lines of business. These favorable impacts were partially offset by increased ceded premiums for certain professional liability lines of business and decreased premiums for the warranty business. Due to a change in the warranty product offering, fees related to the new warranty product are included within other revenues.

Net earned premiums increased \$52.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004, which reflects the increased premium writings over the past several quarters in Specialty Lines.

Specialty Lines averaged rate increases of 2.0% and 6.0% for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 for the contracts that renewed during those periods. Retention rates of 83.0% and 81.0% were achieved for those contracts that were up for renewal. CNA expects rate achievement will continue to moderate as competition for premiums continues to accelerate in these lines of business.

Net operating income increased \$25.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. This increase was primarily driven by an increase in net investment income, improvements in current accident year results, a decrease in the bad debt provision for reinsurance receivables and increased earned premiums. These increases to operating income were partially offset by reduced favorable net prior year development and increased catastrophe impacts in 2005. Catastrophe impacts were \$12.8 million and \$6.4 million after-tax and minority interest for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

Net income increased \$42.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004 due to increased net operating income and improved net realized investment results. See the Investments section of this MD&A for further discussion on net investment income and net realized investment results.

The combined ratio improved 4.5 points for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The loss ratio decreased 4.4 points due to a decrease in the bad debt provision for reinsurance receivables and improvements in the current accident year results, primarily in the warranty line of business. The improvement in the warranty current accident year results was offset by a corresponding increase in profit commissions as discussed in the expense ratio paragraph below. These favorable impacts to the loss ratio were partially offset by increased catastrophe losses. The 2005 catastrophes had an adverse impact of 3.1 points on the loss ratio for the three months ended September 30, 2005. The 2004 catastrophes had an adverse impact of 1.7 points on the loss ratio for the three months ended September 30, 2004.

Favorable net prior year development of \$1.0 million was recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2005, including \$7.0 million of favorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$6.0 million of unfavorable premium development. Favorable net prior year development of \$21.0 million, including \$9.0 million of favorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$12.0 million of favorable premium development, was recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2004.

The expense ratio increased 0.1 points and was impacted by a change in estimate related to profit commissions in the warranty line of business. This was partially offset by decreased net commission rates in certain specialty lines and an increased earned premium base.

### Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared to 2004

Net written premiums for Specialty Lines increased \$66.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. Net earned premiums increased \$159.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. These increases were primarily attributable to the increased premium writing trend discussed above. Additionally, net earned premiums were adversely impacted by the premium development discussed below.

Specialty Lines averaged rate increases of 2.0% and 10.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 for the contracts that renewed during the period. Retention rates of 86.0% and 82.0% were achieved for those contracts that were up for renewal.

Net operating income increased \$29.0 million compared to the prior year period. These results were favorably impacted by increased earned premium, improved current accident year results and an increase in net investment income. These results were unfavorably impacted by the absence of a net reduction of the allowance for uncollectible reinsurance receivables recorded in 2004 and increased catastrophe impacts. Catastrophe impacts were \$12.8 million and \$8.2 million after-tax and minority interest for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

Net income increased \$25.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004 due primarily to increased net operating income. See the Investments section of this MD&A for discussion on net investment income and net realized investment results.

The combined ratio improved 0.3 points for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The loss ratio decreased 0.1 points and was impacted by an improvement in the current accident year results, primarily due to the warranty line of business as discussed above and decreased unfavorable net prior year claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development. These improvements were partially offset by an increase in the bad debt provision recorded for reinsurance receivables as compared to the prior year period and increased catastrophe losses. The 2005 catastrophes had an adverse impact of 1.1 points on the loss ratio for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. The 2004 catastrophes had an adverse impact of 0.8 points on the loss ratio for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

Unfavorable net prior year development was \$41.0 million, including \$31.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense and \$10.0 million of unfavorable premium development for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. Unfavorable net prior year development of \$39.0 million, including \$65.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$26.0 million of favorable premium development, was recorded for the same period in 2004.

#### **2005 Net Prior Year Development**

Approximately \$60.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded due to increased claim adjustment expenses and increased severities in the architects and engineers book of business, in accident years 2000 through 2003. Favorable net prior year premium development of approximately \$10.0 million was recorded in relation to this unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development.

Approximately \$27.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was related to large directors and officers (“D&O”) claims assumed from a London syndicate, primarily in accident years 2001 and prior. Approximately \$40.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded due to large claims resulting from excess coverages provided to health care facilities.

Approximately \$17.0 million of favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded due to lower severity in the dental program.

Approximately \$24.0 million of favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was recorded as a result of improvements in the claim severity and claim frequency, mainly in recent accident years, from nursing home businesses. The remainder of the favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was primarily attributed to favorable experience in the warranty line of business, partially offset by unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development attributed to other large D&O claims.

Additionally, there was approximately \$25.0 million of favorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$19.0 million of unfavorable premium development related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties in 2005.

#### **2004 Net Prior Year Development**

In the second quarter of 2004, CNA finalized commutation agreements with several members of the Trenwick Group. These commutations resulted in unfavorable claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development which was more than offset by a release of a previously established allowance for uncollectible reinsurance. Additionally, unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development resulted from the increased emergence of several large D&O claims primarily in recent accident years.

The following table summarizes the gross and net carried reserves as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 for Specialty Lines.

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(In millions)</b>		
Gross Case Reserves	\$ 1,820.0	\$ 1,659.0
Gross IBNR Reserves	3,287.0	3,201.0
Total Gross Carried Claim and Claim Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$ 5,107.0	\$ 4,860.0
Net Case Reserves	\$ 1,214.0	\$ 1,191.0
Net IBNR Reserves	2,339.0	2,042.0
Total Net Carried Claim and Claim Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$ 3,553.0	\$ 3,233.0

The expense ratio decreased 0.1 points primarily due to the reasons discussed in the three month comparison and lower state premium taxes and guaranty fund assessments in 2005 as compared to 2004 due to a change in estimate which reduced prior accruals.

### Life and Group Non-Core

The following table summarizes the results of operations for Life and Group Non-Core.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Net earned premiums	\$	169.0	\$	182.0
Net investment income		179.0		109.0
Income (loss) before net realized investment				
(losses) gains		(31.5)		(11.4)
Net realized investment (losses) gains		(1.5)		1.0
Net income (loss)		(33.0)		(10.4)

### Three Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared to 2004

The earned premiums for the Life and Group Non-Core segment consist primarily of premiums from the group and individual long term care businesses. Net earned premiums of \$161.0 million in the third quarter of 2005 and \$165.0 million in the third quarter of 2004 relate to these businesses. The specialty medical business was sold on January 6, 2005. There was \$42.0 million of net earned premiums from the sold specialty medical business in the three months ended September 30, 2004.

Net results declined \$22.6 million in the third quarter of 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The decline in net results was due primarily to a \$15.5 million after-tax and minority interest provision for estimated indemnification liabilities related to the sold individual life business and unfavorable reserve development of \$12.8 million after-tax and minority interest related to an accident and health reinsurance program. Partially offsetting these unfavorable impacts was increased net investment income, which included approximately \$61.0 million from the trading portfolio which was largely offset by a corresponding increase in the policyholders' funds reserves supported by the trading portfolio. See the Investments section of this MD&A for additional information on net investment income and net realized investment results.

### Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared to 2004

Net earned premiums for Life and Group Non-Core decreased \$171.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The decrease in net earned premiums was due primarily to decreased premiums from the sold individual life and specialty medical businesses.

Net results improved \$336.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The improvement in net results related primarily to a \$352.9 million after-tax and minority interest realized loss

from the sale of the individual life business in 2004. Additionally contributing to the improvement in net results are the absence of a \$20.1 million after-tax and minority interest increase in insurance reserves and allowance for uncollectible reinsurance recorded in 2004 related to assumed business underwritten through a managing general agent, IOA Global, which consists primarily of certain accident and health exposures ("IGI Program") and the absence of a charge recorded in 2004 related to individual long term care reserve strengthening. Also impacting the 2005 results are the unfavorable impacts discussed in the three month comparison and the absence of favorable results from the individual life and specialty medical businesses.

## Other Insurance

The following table summarizes the results of operations for the Other Insurance segment, including APMT and intrasegment eliminations.

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Net investment income	\$ 61.0	\$ 65.0	\$ 177.0	\$ 195.0
Revenues	59.2	47.4	251.2	301.9
Income before net realized investment (losses) gains	32.9	22.8	129.8	52.0
Net realized investment (losses) gains	(0.2)	(11.0)	(9.0)	37.4
Net income	32.7	11.8	120.8	89.4

## Three Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared to 2004

Revenues increased \$11.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The increase in revenues was due primarily to reduced net realized investment losses. Partially offsetting this increase was decreased net investment income due to the segment's declining reserve base. See the Investments section of this MD&A for additional information on net realized investment results.

Net income increased \$20.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The increase in net income was due primarily to the increased revenues as discussed above and decreased unfavorable net prior year development.

Unfavorable net prior year development of \$1.0 million was recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2005. There was no net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$1.0 million of unfavorable premium development. Unfavorable net prior year development of \$11.0 million was recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2004, including \$9.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense reserve development and \$2.0 million of unfavorable premium development.

## Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 Compared to 2004

Revenues decreased \$50.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The decrease in revenues was due primarily to reduced net earned premiums in CNA Re of \$124.0 million due to the exit from the assumed reinsurance business in 2003, decreased net realized investment results and decreased net investment income as discussed above. Partially offsetting these decreases was \$121.0 million (\$72.1 million after-tax and minority interest) of interest related to a Federal income tax settlement. See Note 16 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements for further discussion. See the Investments section of this MD&A for additional information on net realized investment results.

As previously disclosed, CNA sold its personal insurance business to Allstate Corporation ("Allstate") in 1999. Under the revised terms of this transaction, Allstate purchased an option exercisable during 2005 to purchase 100% of the common stock of five CNA subsidiaries at the fair market value as of the exercise date. Royalty fees earned for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 for personal insurance policies 100% reinsured with Allstate were approximately \$24.0 million and \$20.0 million. The royalty fee arrangement terminated on September 30, 2005.

Net income increased \$31.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared with the same period in 2004. The second quarter of 2005 Federal income tax settlement and a release of Federal income tax reserves increased net income by \$105.0 million after tax and minority interest. This increase was partially offset by decreased net

realized investment results, decreased operating results from CNA Re, decreased net investment income and increased unfavorable net prior year development. Net realized investment results for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 include a \$20.1 million after-tax and minority interest impairment related to a national contractor. See the Critical Accounting Estimates section of this MD&A for additional information regarding the national contractor.

Unfavorable net prior year development was \$89.0 million, including \$74.0 million of unfavorable net prior year claim and allocated claim adjustment expense and \$15.0 million of unfavorable premium development, for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. Unfavorable net prior year development of \$71.0 million, including \$58.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development and \$13.0 million of unfavorable premium development, was recorded in the same period in 2004.

## 2005 Net Prior Year Development

Approximately \$56.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development recorded in 2005 was a result of a second quarter commutation of a finite reinsurance contract put in place in 1992. CNA recaptured \$400.0 million of losses and received \$344.0 million of cash. The commutation was economically attractive because of the reinsurance agreement's contractual interest rate and maintenance charges. Approximately \$6.0 million of unfavorable claim and allocated claim adjustment expense development was related to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties. The unfavorable premium development was driven by \$10.0 million of additional ceded reinsurance premium on agreements where the ceded premium depends on the ceded loss and \$4.0 million of additional premium ceded to the corporate aggregate reinsurance treaties.

## 2004 Net Prior Year Development

The net prior year development recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 relates to commutation agreements with several members of the Trenwick Group which resulted in unfavorable net prior year development which was partially offset by a release of a previously established allowance for uncollectible reinsurance.

The following table summarizes the gross and net carried reserves as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 for Other Insurance.

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(In millions)</b>		
Gross Case Reserves	\$ 3,477.0	\$ 3,806.0
Gross IBNR Reserves	4,568.0	4,875.0
Total Gross Carried Claim and Claim Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$ 8,045.0	\$ 8,681.0
Net Case Reserves	\$ 1,483.0	\$ 1,588.0
Net IBNR Reserves	1,684.0	1,691.0
Total Net Carried Claim and Claim Adjustment Expense Reserves	\$ 3,167.0	\$ 3,279.0

## APMT Reserves

CNA's property and casualty insurance subsidiaries have actual and potential exposures related to APMT claims.

Establishing reserves for APMT claim and claim adjustment expenses is subject to uncertainties that are greater than those presented by other claims. Traditional actuarial methods and techniques employed to estimate the ultimate cost of claims for more traditional property and casualty exposures are less precise in estimating claim and claim adjustment expense reserves for APMT, particularly in an environment of emerging or potential claims and coverage issues that arise from industry practices and legal, judicial, and social conditions. Therefore, these traditional actuarial methods and techniques are necessarily supplemented with additional estimating techniques and methodologies, many of which involve significant judgments that are required of management. Accordingly, a high degree of uncertainty remains for CNA's ultimate liability for APMT claim and claim adjustment expenses.

In addition to the difficulties described above, estimating the ultimate cost of both reported and unreported APMT claims is subject to a higher degree of variability due to a number of additional factors, including among others: the number and outcome of direct actions against CNA; coverage issues, including whether certain costs are covered under the policies and whether policy limits apply; allocation of liability among numerous parties, some of whom may be in

bankruptcy proceedings, and in particular the application of “joint and several” liability to specific insurers on a risk; inconsistent court decisions and developing legal theories; increasingly aggressive tactics of plaintiffs’ lawyers; the risks and lack of predictability inherent in major litigation; increased filings of claims in certain states; enactment of national federal legislation to address asbestos claims; a future increase in asbestos and environmental pollution claims which cannot now be anticipated; a future increase in number of mass tort claims relating to silica and silica-containing products, and the outcome of ongoing disputes as to coverage in relation to these claims; a further increase of claims and claims payments that may exhaust underlying umbrella and excess coverages at accelerated rates; and future developments pertaining to CNA’s ability to recover reinsurance for asbestos, pollution and mass tort claims.

CNA regularly performs ground up reviews of all open APMT accounts to evaluate the adequacy of CNA’s APMT reserves. In performing its comprehensive ground up analysis, CNA considers input from its professionals with direct responsibility for the claims, inside and outside counsel with responsibility for representation of CNA, and its actuarial staff. These professionals review, among many factors, the policyholder’s present and predicted future exposures, including such factors as claims volume, trial conditions, prior settlement history, settlement demands and defense costs; the impact of asbestos defendant bankruptcies on the policyholder; the policies issued by CNA, including such factors as aggregate or per occurrence limits, whether the policy is primary, umbrella or excess and the existence of policyholder retentions and/or deductibles; the existence of other insurance; and reinsurance arrangements.

With respect to other court cases and how they might affect CNA’s reserves and reasonable possible losses, the following should be noted. State and federal courts issue numerous decisions each year, which potentially impact losses and reserves in both a favorable and unfavorable manner. Examples of favorable developments include decisions to allocate defense and indemnity payments in a manner so as to limit carriers’ obligations to damages taking place during the effective dates of their policies; decisions holding that injuries occurring after asbestos operations are completed are subject to the completed operations aggregate limits of the policies; and decisions ruling that carriers’ loss control inspections of their insured’s premises do not give rise to a duty to warn third parties to the dangers of asbestos.

Examples of unfavorable developments include decisions limiting the application of the absolute pollution exclusion and decisions holding carriers liable for defense and indemnity of asbestos, pollution and mass tort claims on a joint and several basis.

CNA’s ultimate liability for its environmental pollution and mass tort claims is impacted by several factors including ongoing disputes with policyholders over scope and meaning of coverage terms and, in the area of environmental pollution, court decisions that continue to restrict the scope and applicability of the absolute pollution exclusion contained in policies issued by CNA. Due to the inherent uncertainties described above, including the inconsistency of court decisions, the number of waste sites subject to cleanup and in the area of environmental pollution, the standards for cleanup and liability, the ultimate liability of CNA for environmental pollution and mass tort claims may vary substantially from the amount currently recorded.

Due to the inherent uncertainties in estimating reserves for APMT claim and claim adjustment expenses and due to the significant uncertainties previously described related to APMT claims, the ultimate liability for these cases, both individually and in aggregate, may exceed the recorded reserves. Any such potential additional liability, or any range of potential additional amounts, cannot be reasonably estimated currently, but could be material to CNA’s business, and insurer financial strength and debt ratings and the Company’s results of operations and equity. Due to, among other things, the factors described above, it may be necessary for CNA to record material changes in its APMT claim and claim adjustment expense reserves in the future, should new information become available or other developments emerge.

The following table provides data related to CNA’s APMT claim and claim adjustment expense reserves.

	September 30, 2005		December 31, 2004	
	Asbestos	Environmental Pollution and Mass Tort	Asbestos	Environmental Pollution and Mass Tort
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Gross reserves	\$ 3,072.0	\$ 634.0	\$ 3,218.0	\$ 755.0
Ceded reserves	(1,493.0)	(232.0)	(1,532.0)	(258.0)
Net reserves	\$ 1,579.0	\$ 402.0	\$ 1,686.0	\$ 497.0

CNA's property and casualty insurance subsidiaries have exposure to asbestos-related claims. Estimation of asbestos-related claim and claim adjustment expense reserves involves limitations such as inconsistency of court decisions, specific policy provisions, allocation of liability among insurers and insureds and additional factors such as missing policies and proof of coverage. Furthermore, estimation of asbestos-related claims is difficult due to, among other reasons, the proliferation of bankruptcy proceedings and attendant uncertainties, the targeting of a broader range of businesses and entities as defendants, the uncertainty as to which other insureds may be targeted in the future and the uncertainties inherent in predicting the number of future claims.

In the past several years, CNA has experienced, at certain points in time, significant increases in claim counts for asbestos-related claims. The factors that led to these increases included, among other things, intensive advertising campaigns by lawyers for asbestos claimants, mass medical screening programs sponsored by plaintiff lawyers and the addition of new defendants such as the distributors and installers of products containing asbestos. During 2004 and continuing in 2005, the rate of new filings appears to have decreased from the filing rates seen in the past several years. Various challenges to mass screening claimants have been mounted. Nevertheless, CNA continues to experience an overall increase in total asbestos claim counts. The majority of asbestos bodily injury claims are filed by persons exhibiting few, if any, disease symptoms. Recent studies have concluded that the percentage of unimpaired claimants to total claimants ranges between 66.0% and up to 90.0%. Some courts, including the federal district court responsible for pre-trial proceedings in all federal asbestos bodily injury actions, have ordered that so-called "unimpaired" claimants may not recover unless at some point the claimant's condition worsens to the point of impairment. Some plaintiffs classified as "unimpaired" have challenged those orders. Therefore, the ultimate impact of the orders on future asbestos claims remains uncertain.

Several factors are, in CNA management's view, negatively impacting asbestos claim trends. Plaintiff attorneys who previously sued entities who are now bankrupt are seeking other viable targets. As a result, companies with few or no previous asbestos claims are becoming targets in asbestos litigation and, although they may have little or no liability, nevertheless must be defended. Additionally, plaintiff attorneys and trustees for future claimants are demanding that policy limits be paid lump-sum into the bankruptcy asbestos trusts prior to presentation of valid claims and medical proof of these claims. Various challenges to these practices are currently in litigation and the ultimate impact or success of these tactics remains uncertain. Plaintiff attorneys and trustees for future claimants are also attempting to devise claims payment procedures for bankruptcy trusts that would allow asbestos claims to be paid under lax standards for injury, exposure and causation. This also presents the potential for exhausting policy limits in an accelerated fashion.

As a result of bankruptcies and insolvencies, CNA management has observed an increase in the total number of policyholders with current asbestos claims as additional defendants are added to existing lawsuits and are named in new asbestos bodily injury lawsuits. New asbestos bodily injury claims have also increased substantially in 2003, but the rate of increase has moderated in 2004 and continues to moderate in 2005.

As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, CNA carried approximately \$1,579.0 million and \$1,686.0 million of claim and claim adjustment expense reserves, net of reinsurance recoverables, for reported and unreported asbestos-related claims. CNA recorded \$8.0 million and \$44.0 million of unfavorable asbestos-related net claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. The unfavorable net prior year development for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 was primarily related to a commutation. CNA paid asbestos-related claims, net of reinsurance recoveries, of \$115.0 million and \$104.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

CNA has resolved a number of its large asbestos accounts by negotiating settlement agreements. Structured settlement agreements provide for payments over multiple years as set forth in each individual agreement. At September 30, 2005, CNA had 13 structured settlement agreements with a reserve, net of reinsurance, of \$158.0 million. At December 31, 2004, CNA had 11 structured settlement agreements with a reserve, net of reinsurance, of \$175.0 million. As to the 13 structured settlement agreements existing at September 30, 2005, payment obligations under those settlement agreements are projected to terminate by 2016.

In 1985, 47 asbestos producers and their insurers, including CIC, executed the Wellington Agreement. The agreement intended to resolve all issues and litigation related to coverage for asbestos exposures. Under this agreement, signatory insurers committed scheduled policy limits and made the limits available to pay asbestos claims based upon coverage blocks designated by the policyholders in 1985, subject to extension by policyholders. CIC was a signatory insurer to the Wellington Agreement. At September 30, 2005, CNA had obligations for four accounts. With respect to these four remaining unpaid Wellington obligations, CNA has evaluated its exposure and the expected reinsurance recoveries under these agreements and has a recorded reserve of \$16.0 million, net of reinsurance. At December 31, 2004, CNA had

fulfilled its Wellington Agreement obligations as to all but four accounts and had a recorded reserve of \$17.0 million, net of reinsurance.

CNA has also used coverage in place agreements to resolve large asbestos exposures. Coverage in place agreements are typically agreements between CNA and its policyholders identifying the policies and the terms for payment of asbestos related liabilities. Claims payments are contingent on presentation of adequate documentation showing exposure during the policy periods and other documentation supporting the demand for claims payment. Coverage in place agreements may have annual payment caps. Coverage in place agreements are evaluated based on claims filings trends and severities. As of September 30, 2005, CNA had negotiated 34 coverage in place agreements. CNA has evaluated these commitments and the expected reinsurance recoveries under these agreements and has recorded a reserve of \$70.0 million, net of reinsurance as of September 30, 2005. As of December 31, 2004, CNA had negotiated 33 coverage in place agreements. CNA had evaluated these commitments and the expected reinsurance recoveries under these agreements and had recorded a reserve of \$76.0 million, net of reinsurance, as of December 31, 2004.

CNA categorizes active asbestos accounts as large or small accounts. CNA defines a large account as an active account with more than \$100,000 of cumulative paid losses. CNA has made closing large accounts a significant management priority. At September 30, 2005, CNA had 201 large accounts with reserves of \$339.0 million, net of reinsurance. At December 31, 2004, CNA had 180 large accounts and had established reserves of \$368.0 million, net of reinsurance. Small accounts are defined as active accounts with \$100,000 or less cumulative paid losses. At September 30, 2005, CNA had 1,082 small accounts, approximately 81.0% of its total active asbestos accounts, with reserves of \$113.0 million, net of reinsurance. At December 31, 2004, CNA had 1,109 small accounts, approximately 82.9% of its total active asbestos accounts, with reserves of \$141.0 million, net of reinsurance. Small accounts are typically representative of policyholders with limited connection to asbestos. As entities which were historic targets in asbestos litigation continue to file for bankruptcy protection, plaintiffs' attorneys are seeking other viable targets. As a result, companies with few or no previous asbestos claims are becoming targets in asbestos litigation and nevertheless must be defended by CNA under its policies. Bankruptcy filings and increased claims filings in the last few years could potentially increase costs incurred in defending small accounts.

CNA also evaluates its asbestos liabilities arising from its assumed reinsurance business and its participation in various pools. At September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, CNA had \$145.0 million and \$148.0 million of reserves, net of reinsurance, related to these asbestos liabilities arising from CNA's assumed reinsurance obligations and CNA's participation in pools, including Excess & Casualty Reinsurance Association ("ECRA").

At September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, the unassigned IBNR reserve was \$684.0 million and \$707.0 million, net of reinsurance. This IBNR reserve relates to potential development on accounts that have not settled and potential future claims from unidentified policyholders.

The tables below depict CNA's overall pending asbestos accounts and associated reserves at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

September 30, 2005 (In millions of dollars)	Number of Policyholders	Net Paid Losses	Net Asbestos Reserves	Percent of Asbestos Net Reserves
<b>Policyholders with settlement agreements</b>				
Structured settlements	13	\$ 29.0	\$ 158.0	10.0%
Wellington	4	2.0	16.0	1.0
Coverage in place	34	7.0	70.0	4.5
Fibreboard	1		54.0	3.4
<b>Total with settlement agreements</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>38.0</b>	<b>298.0</b>	<b>18.9</b>
<b>Other policyholders with active accounts</b>				
Large asbestos accounts	201	52.0	339.0	21.5
Small asbestos accounts	1,082	21.0	113.0	7.1
<b>Total other policyholders</b>	<b>1,283</b>	<b>73.0</b>	<b>452.0</b>	<b>28.6</b>
<b>Assumed reinsurance and pools</b>		<b>4.0</b>	<b>145.0</b>	<b>9.2</b>
<b>Unassigned IBNR</b>			<b>684.0</b>	<b>43.3</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,335</b>	<b>\$ 115.0</b>	<b>\$ 1,579.0</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>December 31, 2004</b>				
<b>Policyholders with settlement agreements</b>				
Structured settlements	11	\$ 39.0	\$ 175.0	10.4%
Wellington	4	4.0	17.0	1.0
Coverage in place	33	14.0	76.0	4.5
Fibreboard	1		54.0	3.2
<b>Total with settlement agreements</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>57.0</b>	<b>322.0</b>	<b>19.1</b>
<b>Other policyholders with active accounts</b>				
Large asbestos accounts	180	47.0	368.0	21.8
Small asbestos accounts	1,109	23.0	141.0	8.4
<b>Total other policyholders</b>	<b>1,289</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>509.0</b>	<b>30.2</b>
<b>Assumed reinsurance and pools</b>		<b>8.0</b>	<b>148.0</b>	<b>8.8</b>
<b>Unassigned IBNR</b>			<b>707.0</b>	<b>41.9</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,338</b>	<b>\$ 135.0</b>	<b>\$ 1,686.0</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Some asbestos-related defendants have asserted that their insurance policies are not subject to aggregate limits on coverage. CNA has such claims from a number of insureds. Some of these claims involve insureds facing exhaustion of products liability aggregate limits in their policies, who have asserted that their asbestos-related claims fall within so-called "non-products" liability coverage contained within their policies rather than products liability coverage, and that the claimed "non-products" coverage is not subject to any aggregate limit. It is difficult to predict the ultimate size of any of the claims for coverage purportedly not subject to aggregate limits or predict to what extent, if any, the attempts to assert "non-products" claims outside the products liability aggregate will succeed. CNA's policies also contain other limits applicable to these claims, and CNA has additional coverage defenses to certain claims. CNA has attempted to manage its asbestos exposure by aggressively seeking to settle claims on acceptable terms. There can be no assurance that any of these settlement efforts will be successful, or that any such claims can be settled on terms acceptable to CNA. Where CNA cannot settle a claim on acceptable terms, CNA aggressively litigates the claim. A recent court ruling by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit has supported certain of CNA's positions with respect to coverage for "non-products" claims. However, adverse developments with respect to such matters could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and/or equity.

Certain asbestos litigation in which CNA is currently engaged is described below:

The ultimate cost of reported claims, and in particular APMT claims, is subject to a number of uncertainties, including future developments of various kinds that CNA does not control and that are difficult or impossible to foresee accurately. With respect to the litigation identified below in particular, numerous factual and legal issues remain unresolved. Rulings on those issues by the courts are critical to the evaluation of the ultimate cost to CNA. The outcome of the litigation cannot be predicted with any reliability. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

On February 13, 2003, CNA announced it had resolved asbestos related coverage litigation and claims involving A.P. Green Industries, A.P. Green Services and Bigelow - Liptak Corporation. Under the agreement, CNA is required to pay \$74.0 million, net of reinsurance recoveries, over a ten year period commencing after the final approval of a bankruptcy plan of reorganization. The settlement resolves CNA's liabilities for all pending and future asbestos claims involving A.P. Green Industries, Bigelow - Liptak Corporation and related subsidiaries, including alleged "non-products" exposures. The settlement received initial bankruptcy court approval on August 18, 2003 and CNA expects to procure confirmation of a bankruptcy plan containing an injunction to protect CNA from any future claims.

CNA is engaged in insurance coverage litigation in New York State Court, filed in 2003, with a defendant class of underlying plaintiffs who have asbestos bodily injury claims against the former Robert A. Keasbey Company ("Keasbey") (*Continental Casualty Co. v. Employers Ins. of Wausau et al.*, No. 601037/03 (N.Y. County)). Keasbey, a currently dissolved corporation, was a seller and installer of asbestos-containing insulation products in New York and New Jersey. Thousands of plaintiffs have filed bodily injury claims against Keasbey; however, Keasbey's involvement at a number of work sites is a highly contested issue. Therefore, the defense disputes the percentage of valid claims against Keasbey. CNA issued Keasbey primary policies for 1970-1987 and excess policies for 1972-1978. CNA has paid an amount substantially equal to the policies' aggregate limits for products and completed operations claims in the confirmed CNA policies. Claimants against Keasbey allege, among other things, that CNA owes coverage under sections of the policies not subject to the aggregate limits, an allegation CNA vigorously contests in the lawsuit. In the litigation, CNA and the claimants seek declaratory relief as to the interpretation of various policy provisions. The court dismissed a claim alleging bad faith and seeking unspecified damages on March 21, 2004; that ruling was affirmed on March 31, 2005 by Appellate Division, First Department. The trial in the *Keasbey* coverage action continues. It is unclear when CNA will have a decision from the trial court. With respect to this litigation in particular, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include, among others: (a) whether CNA has any further responsibility to compensate claimants against Keasbey under its policies and, if so, under which policies; (b) whether CNA's responsibilities extend to a particular claimant's entire claim or only to a limited percentage of the claim; (c) whether CNA's responsibilities under its policies are limited by the occurrence limits or other provisions of the policies; (d) whether certain exclusions in some of the policies apply to exclude certain claims; (e) the extent to which claimants can establish exposures to asbestos materials as to which Keasbey has any responsibility; (f) the legal theories which must be pursued by such claimants to establish the liability of Keasbey and whether such theories can, in fact, be established; (g) the diseases and damages alleged by such claimants; and (h) the extent that such liability would be shared with other responsible parties. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

CNA has insurance coverage disputes related to asbestos bodily injury claims against Burns & Roe Enterprises, Inc. ("Burns & Roe"). Originally raised in litigation, now stayed, these disputes are currently part of *In re: Burns & Roe Enterprises, Inc.*, pending in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey, No. 00-41610. Burns & Roe provided engineering and related services in connection with construction projects. At the time of its bankruptcy filing, on December 4, 2000, Burns & Roe faced approximately 11,000 claims alleging bodily injury resulting from exposure to asbestos as a result of construction projects in which Burns & Roe was involved. CNA allegedly provided primary liability coverage to Burns & Roe from 1956-1969 and 1971-1974, along with certain project-specific policies from 1964-1970. The parties in the litigation are seeking a declaration of the scope and extent of coverage, if any, afforded to Burns & Roe for its asbestos liabilities. The litigation has been stayed since May 14, 2003 pending resolution of the bankruptcy proceedings. A confirmation hearing in the bankruptcy proceeding has been scheduled for April, 2006. With respect to the Burns & Roe litigation and the pending bankruptcy proceeding, numerous unresolved factual and legal issues will impact the ultimate exposure to CNA. With respect to this litigation, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include, among others: (a) whether CNA has any further responsibility to compensate claimants against Burns & Roe under its policies and, if so, under which; (b) whether CNA's responsibilities under its policies extend to a particular claimants' entire claim or only to a limited percentage of the claim; (c) whether CNA's responsibilities under its policies are limited by the occurrence limits or other provisions of the policies; (d) whether certain exclusions, including professional liability exclusions, in some of CNA's policies apply to exclude certain claims; (e) the extent to which claimants can establish exposures to asbestos materials as to which Burns & Roe has any responsibility; (f) the legal

theories which must be pursued by such claimants to establish the liability of Burns & Roe and whether such theories can, in fact, be established; (g) the diseases and damages claimed by such claimants; (h) the extent that any liability of Burns & Roe would be shared with other potentially responsible parties; and (i) the impact of bankruptcy proceedings on claims and coverage issue resolution. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

CIC issued certain primary and excess policies to Bendix Corporation (“Bendix”), now part of Honeywell International, Inc. (“Honeywell”). Honeywell faces approximately 77,708 pending asbestos bodily injury claims resulting from alleged exposure to Bendix friction products. CIC’s primary policies allegedly covered the period from at least 1939 (when Bendix began to use asbestos in its friction products) to 1983, although the parties disagree about whether CIC’s policies provided product liability coverage before 1940 and from 1945 to 1956. CIC asserts that it owes no further material obligations to Bendix under any primary policy. Honeywell alleges that two primary policies issued by CIC covering 1969-1975 contain occurrence limits but not product liability aggregate limits for asbestos bodily injury claims. CIC has asserted, among other things, even if Honeywell’s allegation is correct, which CNA denies, its liability is limited to a single occurrence limit per policy or per year, and in the alternative, a proper allocation of losses would substantially limit its exposure under the 1969-1975 policies to asbestos claims. These and other issues are being litigated in *Continental Insurance Co., et al. v. Honeywell International Inc.*, No. MRS-L-1523-00 (Morris County, New Jersey) which was filed on May 15, 2000. In the litigation, the parties are seeking declaratory relief of the scope and extent of coverage, if any, afforded to Bendix under the policies issued by CNA. With respect to this litigation, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include, among others: (a) whether certain of the primary policies issued by CNA contain aggregate limits of liability; (b) whether CNA’s responsibilities under its policies extend to a particular claimants’ entire claim or only to a limited percentage of the claim; (c) whether CNA’s responsibilities under its policies are limited by the occurrence limits or other provisions of the policies; (d) whether some of the claims against Bendix arise out of events which took place after expiration of CNA’s policies; (e) the extent to which claimants can establish exposures to asbestos materials as to which Bendix has any responsibility; (f) the legal theories which must be pursued by such claimants to establish the liability of Bendix and whether such theories can, in fact, be established; (g) the diseases and damages claimed by such claimants; (h) the extent that any liability of Bendix would be shared with other responsible parties; and (i) whether Bendix is responsible for reimbursement of funds advanced by CNA for defense and indemnity in the past. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

Suits have also been initiated directly against two CNA companies and other insurers in four jurisdictions: Ohio, Texas, West Virginia and Montana. In the approximately 75 Ohio actions, plaintiffs allege that the defendants negligently performed duties undertaken to protect workers and the public from the effects of asbestos, spoliated evidence and conspired and acted in concert to harm the plaintiffs. (E.g., *Varner v. Ford Motor Co.*, (Ohio Ct. Common Pl., filed June 12, 2003); *Peplowski v. ACE American Ins. Co.* (N.D. Ohio, filed April 1, 2004), and *Cross v. Garlock, Inc.*, (Ohio Ct. Common Pl., filed September 1, 2004)). The Cuyahoga County court granted insurers, including CNA, dismissals against an initial group of plaintiffs, ruling that insurers had no duty to warn plaintiffs about the dangers of asbestos and that there was no basis for spoliation, conspiracy and concert of action claims. That ruling was recently affirmed on appeal. *Budd v. Am. Std., Inc., No. 84829* (Ohio Ct. App. May 26, 2005). The Cuyahoga County court has continued to dismiss substantially similar types of complaints and plaintiffs have either failed to appeal the dismissals or have voluntarily dismissed their appeals. Nonetheless, plaintiffs continue to file additional similar suits. With respect to this litigation in particular, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include: (a) the speculative nature and unclear scope of any alleged duties owed to individuals exposed to asbestos and the resulting uncertainty as to the potential pool of potential claimants; (b) the fact that imposing such duties on all insurer and non-insurer corporate defendants would be unprecedented and, therefore, the legal boundaries of recovery are difficult to estimate; (c) the fact that many of the claims brought to date may be barred by various Statutes of Limitation and it is unclear whether future claims would also be barred; (d) the unclear nature of the required nexus between the acts of the defendants and the right of any particular claimant to recovery; and (e) the existence of hundreds of co-defendants in some of the suits and the applicability of the legal theories pled by the claimants to thousands of potential defendants. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

Similar lawsuits were filed in Texas beginning in 2002 against two CNA companies and numerous other insurers and non-insurer corporate defendants asserting liability for failing to warn of the dangers of asbestos (E.g. *Boson v. Union Carbide Corp.*, (Nueces County, Texas)). During 2003, many of the Texas suits were dismissed as time-barred by the applicable Statute of Limitations. In other suits, the carriers argued that they did not owe any duty to the plaintiffs or the general public to advise the world generally or the plaintiffs particularly of the effects of asbestos and that Texas statutes precluded liability for such claims, and the Texas courts dismissed these suits. Certain of the Texas courts’ rulings were appealed, but plaintiffs later dismissed their appeals. Recently, a different Texas court denied similar motions seeking

dismissal at the pleading stage, allowing limited discovery to proceed. With respect to this litigation in particular, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include: (a) the speculative nature and unclear scope of any alleged duties owed to individuals exposed to asbestos and the resulting uncertainty as to the potential pool of potential claimants; (b) the fact that imposing such duties on all insurer and non-insurer corporate defendants would be unprecedented and, therefore, the legal boundaries of recovery are difficult to estimate; (c) the fact that many of the claims brought to date are barred by various Statutes of Limitation and it is unclear whether future claims would also be barred; (d) the unclear nature of the required nexus between the acts of the defendants and the right of any particular claimant to recovery; and (e) the existence of hundreds of co-defendants in some of the suits and the applicability of the legal theories pled by the claimants to thousands of potential defendants. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

CCC was named in *Adams v. Aetna, Inc., et al.* (Circuit Court of Kanawha County, West Virginia, filed June 28, 2002), a purported class action against CCC and other insurers, alleging that the defendants violated West Virginia's Unfair Trade Practices Act ("UTPA") in handling and resolving asbestos claims against five specifically named asbestos defendants. The *Adams* litigation had been stayed pending a planned motion by plaintiffs to file an amended complaint that reflected two June 2004 decisions of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. In June 2005, the court presiding over *Adams* and three similar putative class actions against other insurers, on its own motion, directed plaintiffs to file any amended complaints by June 13, 2005 and directed the parties to agree upon a case management order that would result in trial being commenced by July 2006. Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint greatly expands the scope of the action against the insurers, including CCC. Under the Amended Complaint, the defendant insurers, including CCC have now been sued for alleged violations of the UTPA in connection with handling and resolving asbestos personal injury or wrongful death claims in the West Virginia courts against all their insureds if those claims were resolved before June 30, 2001. CCC, along with other insurer defendants, removed the *Adams* case to Federal court, *Adams v. Ins. Co. of North America ("INA"), et al.* (S.D. W. Va. No. 2:05-CV-0527). A motion by plaintiffs to remand the case to state court is pending. Numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result in *Adams*, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These issues include: (a) the legal sufficiency of the novel statutory claims pled by the claimants; (b) the applicability of claimants' legal theories to insurers who issued excess policies and/ or neither defended nor controlled the defense of certain policyholders; (c) the possibility that certain of the claims are barred by various statutes of limitation; (d) the fact that the imposition of duties would interfere with the attorney-client privilege and the contractual rights and responsibilities of the parties to CNA's insurance policies; (e) whether plaintiffs' claims are barred in whole or in part by injunctions that have been issued by bankruptcy courts that are overseeing, or that have overseen, the bankruptcies of various insureds; (f) whether some or all of the named plaintiffs or members of the plaintiff class have released CCC from the claims alleged in the Amended Complaint when they resolved their underlying asbestos claims; (g) the appropriateness of the case for class action treatment; and (h) the potential and relative magnitude of liabilities of co-defendants. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

On March 22, 2002, a direct action was filed in Montana (*Pennock, et al. v. Maryland Casualty, et al.* First Judicial District Court of Lewis & Clark County, Montana) by eight individual plaintiffs (all employees of W.R. Grace & Co. ("W.R. Grace")) and their spouses against CNA, Maryland Casualty and the State of Montana. This action alleges that the carriers failed to warn of or otherwise protect W.R. Grace employees from the dangers of asbestos at a W.R. Grace vermiculite mining facility in Libby, Montana. The Montana direct action is currently stayed because of W.R. Grace's pending bankruptcy. With respect to such claims, numerous factual and legal issues remain to be resolved that are critical to the final result, the outcome of which cannot be predicted with any reliability. These factors include: (a) the unclear nature and scope of any alleged duties owed to people exposed to asbestos and the resulting uncertainty as to the potential pool of potential claimants; (b) the potential application of Statutes of Limitation to many of the claims which may be made depending on the nature and scope of the alleged duties; (c) the unclear nature of the required nexus between the acts of the defendants and the right of any particular claimant to recovery; (d) the diseases and damages claimed by such claimants; (e) and the extent that such liability would be shared with other potentially responsible parties; and (f) the impact of bankruptcy proceedings on claims resolution. Accordingly, the extent of losses beyond any amounts that may be accrued are not readily determinable at this time.

CNA is vigorously defending these and other cases and believes that it has meritorious defenses to the claims asserted. However, there are numerous factual and legal issues to be resolved in connection with these claims, and it is extremely difficult to predict the outcome or ultimate financial exposure represented by these matters. Adverse developments with respect to any of these matters could have a material adverse effect on CNA's business, insurer financial strength and debt ratings and the Company's results of operations and/or equity.

As a result of the uncertainties and complexities involved, reserves for asbestos claims cannot be estimated with traditional actuarial techniques that rely on historical accident year loss development factors. In establishing asbestos

reserves, CNA evaluates the exposure presented by each insured. As part of this evaluation, CNA considers the available insurance coverage; limits and deductibles; the potential role of other insurance, particularly underlying coverage below any CNA excess liability policies; and applicable coverage defenses, including asbestos exclusions. Estimation of asbestos-related claim and claim adjustment expense reserves involves a high degree of judgment on the part of management and consideration of many complex factors, including:

- inconsistency of court decisions, jury attitudes and future court decisions;
- specific policy provisions;
- allocation of liability among insurers and insureds;
- missing policies and proof of coverage;
- the proliferation of bankruptcy proceedings and attendant uncertainties;
- novel theories asserted by policyholders and their counsel;
- the targeting of a broader range of businesses and entities as defendants;
- the uncertainty as to which other insureds may be targeted in the future and the uncertainties inherent in predicting the number of future claims;
- volatility in claim numbers and settlement demands;
- increases in the number of non-impaired claimants and the extent to which they can be precluded from making claims;
- the efforts by insureds to obtain coverage not subject to aggregate limits;
- long latency period between asbestos exposure and disease manifestation and the resulting potential for involvement of multiple policy periods for individual claims;
- medical inflation trends;
- the mix of asbestos-related diseases presented; and
- the ability to recover reinsurance.

CNA is also monitoring possible legislative reforms on the state and national level, including possible federal legislation to create a national privately financed trust financed by contributions from insurers such as CNA, industrial companies and others, which if established, could replace litigation of asbestos claims with payments to claimants from the trust. It is uncertain at the present time whether such legislation will be enacted or, if it is, its impact on CNA.

## **Environmental Pollution and Mass Tort**

Environmental pollution cleanup is the subject of both federal and state regulation. By some estimates, there are thousands of potential waste sites subject to cleanup. The insurance industry is involved in extensive litigation regarding coverage issues. Judicial interpretations in many cases have expanded the scope of coverage and liability beyond the original intent of the policies. The Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (“Superfund”) and comparable state statutes (“mini-Superfunds”) govern the cleanup and restoration of toxic waste sites and formalize the concept of legal liability for cleanup and restoration by “Potentially Responsible Parties” (“PRP”s). Superfund and the mini-Superfunds establish mechanisms to pay for cleanup of waste sites if PRPs fail to do so and assign liability to PRPs. The extent of liability to be allocated to a PRP is dependent upon a variety of factors. Further, the number of waste sites subject to cleanup is unknown. To date, approximately 1,500 cleanup sites have been identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) and included on its National Priorities List (“NPL”). State authorities have designated many cleanup sites as well.

Many policyholders have made claims against various CNA insurance subsidiaries for defense costs and indemnification in connection with environmental pollution matters. The vast majority of these claims relate to accident

years 1989 and prior, which coincides with CNA's adoption of the Simplified Commercial General Liability coverage form, which includes what is referred to in the industry as an absolute pollution exclusion. CNA and the insurance industry are disputing coverage for many such claims. Key coverage issues include whether cleanup costs are considered damages under the policies, trigger of coverage, allocation of liability among triggered policies, applicability of pollution exclusions and owned property exclusions, the potential for joint and several liability and the definition of an occurrence. To date, courts have been inconsistent in their rulings on these issues.

As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, CNA carried approximately \$402.0 million and \$497.0 million of claim and claim adjustment expense reserves, net of reinsurance recoverables, for reported and unreported environmental pollution and mass tort claims. There was \$3.0 million of environmental pollution and mass tort net claim and claim adjustment expense reserve development recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. No development was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. CNA recorded \$15.0 million and \$10.0 million of current accident year losses related to mass tort for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004. CNA paid environmental pollution-related claims and mass tort-related claims, net of reinsurance recoveries, of \$113.0 million and \$79.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

CNA has made resolution of large environmental pollution exposures a management priority. CNA has resolved a number of its large environmental accounts by negotiating settlement agreements. In its settlements, CNA sought to resolve those exposures and obtain the broadest release language to avoid future claims from the same policyholders seeking coverage for sites or claims that had not emerged at the time CNA settled with its policyholder. While the terms of each settlement agreement vary, CNA sought to obtain broad environmental releases that include known and unknown sites, claims and policies. The broad scope of the release provisions contained in those settlement agreements should, in many cases, prevent future exposure from settled policyholders. It remains uncertain, however, whether a court interpreting the language of the settlement agreements will adhere to the intent of the parties and uphold the broad scope of language of the agreements.

In 2003, CNA observed a marked increase in silica claims frequency in Mississippi, where plaintiff attorneys appear to have filed claims to avoid the effect of tort reform. In 2004, silica claims frequency in Mississippi has moderated notably due to implementation of tort reform measures and favorable court decisions. To date, the most significant silica exposures identified included a relatively small number of accounts with significant numbers of new claims reported in 2003 and that continued at a far lesser rate in 2004 and 2005. Establishing claim and claim adjustment expense reserves for silica claims is subject to uncertainties because of disputes concerning medical causation with respect to certain diseases, including lung cancer, geographical concentration of the lawsuits asserting the claims, and the large rise in the total number of claims without underlying epidemiological developments suggesting an increase in disease rates or plaintiffs. Moreover, judicial interpretations regarding application of various tort defenses, including application of various theories of joint and several liabilities, impede CNA's ability to estimate its ultimate liability for such claims.

CNA classifies its environmental pollution accounts into several categories, which include structured settlements, coverage in place agreements and active accounts. Structured settlement agreements provide for payments over multiple years as set forth in each individual agreement. At September 30, 2005, CNA had five structured settlement agreements with its policyholders for which it had future payment obligations with a recorded reserve of \$7.0 million, net of reinsurance. At December 31, 2004, CNA had two structured settlement agreements and has established reserves of \$5.0 million, net of reinsurance, to fund future payment obligations under the agreements.

CNA has also used coverage in place agreements to resolve pollution exposures. Coverage in place agreements are typically agreements between CNA and its policyholders identifying the policies and the terms for payment of pollution related liabilities. Claims payments are contingent on presentation of adequate documentation of damages during the policy periods and other documentation supporting the demand for claims payment. Coverage in place agreements may have annual payment caps. At September 30, 2005, CNA had 18 such agreements with a recorded reserve of \$17.0 million, net of reinsurance. At December 31, 2004, CNA had negotiated 15 coverage in place agreements and had established a reserve of \$16.0 million, net of reinsurance.

CNA categorizes active accounts as large or small accounts in the pollution area. CNA defines a large account as an active account with more than \$100,000 cumulative paid losses. At September 30, 2005, CNA had 124 large accounts with a collective reserve of \$66.0 million, net of reinsurance. At December 31, 2004, CNA had 134 large accounts with a collective reserve of \$75.0 million, net of reinsurance. CNA has made closing large accounts a significant management priority. Small accounts are defined as active accounts with \$100,000 or less cumulative paid losses. At September 30, 2005, CNA had 372 small accounts with a collective reserve of \$43.0 million, net of reinsurance. At December 31, 2004, CNA had 405 small accounts with a collective reserve of \$47.0 million, net of reinsurance.

CNA also evaluates its environmental pollution exposures arising from its assumed reinsurance and its participation in various pools, including ECRA. CNA had reserves of \$34.0 million and \$36.0 million related to these liabilities as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, CNA carried unassigned IBNR reserves for environmental pollution of \$122.0 million, net of reinsurance and \$163.0 million, net of reinsurance. This IBNR reserve relates to potential development on accounts that have not settled and potential future claims from unidentified policyholders.

The table below depicts CNA's overall pending environmental pollution accounts and associated reserves at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

<b>September 30, 2005</b> <b>(In millions of dollars)</b>	<b>Number of</b> <b>Policyholders</b>	<b>Net</b> <b>Paid Losses</b>	<b>Net</b> <b>Environmental</b> <b>Pollution</b> <b>Reserves</b>	<b>Percent of</b> <b>Environmental</b> <b>Pollution Net</b> <b>Reserve</b>
<b>Policyholders with Settlement Agreements</b>				
Structured settlements	5	\$ 5.0	\$ 7.0	2.4%
Coverage in place	18	9.0	17.0	5.9
<b>Total with Settlement Agreements</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>8.3</b>
<b>Other Policyholders with Active Accounts</b>				
Large pollution accounts	124	22.0	66.0	22.8
Small pollution accounts	372	15.0	43.0	14.9
<b>Total Other Policyholders</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>37.0</b>	<b>109.0</b>	<b>37.7</b>
<b>Assumed Reinsurance &amp; Pools</b>		<b>2.0</b>	<b>34.0</b>	<b>11.8</b>
<b>Unassigned IBNR</b>			<b>122.0</b>	<b>42.2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>\$ 53.0</b>	<b>\$ 289.0</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>December 31, 2004</b>				
<b>Policyholders with Settlement Agreements</b>				
Structured settlements	2	\$ 14.0	\$ 5.0	1.5%
Coverage in place	15	5.0	16.0	4.7
<b>Total with Settlement Agreements</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>6.2</b>
<b>Other Policyholders with Active Accounts</b>				
Large pollution accounts	134	18.0	75.0	21.9
Small pollution accounts	405	14.0	47.0	13.7
<b>Total Other Policyholders</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>122.0</b>	<b>35.6</b>
<b>Assumed Reinsurance &amp; Pools</b>		<b>2.0</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>10.5</b>
<b>Unassigned IBNR</b>			<b>163.0</b>	<b>47.7</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>\$ 53.0</b>	<b>\$ 342.0</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Lorillard

*Lorillard, Inc. and subsidiaries (“Lorillard”). Lorillard, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.*

The following table summarizes the results of operations for Lorillard for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 as presented in Note 18 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Report:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
(In millions)	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Manufactured products	\$ 928.4	\$ 879.3	\$ 2,651.8	\$ 2,515.3
Net investment income	18.9	7.5	43.4	21.2
Investment (losses) gains			(2.0)	0.6
Other			6.1	
Total	947.3	886.8	2,699.3	2,537.1
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Cost of sales	543.9	504.8	1,605.0	1,504.4
Other operating	95.3	85.0	282.3	288.0
Total	639.2	589.8	1,887.3	1,792.4
	308.1	297.0	812.0	744.7
Income tax expense	115.2	113.0	316.1	287.7
Net income	\$ 192.9	\$ 184.0	\$ 495.9	\$ 457.0

Revenues increased by \$60.5 million and \$162.2 million, or 6.8% and 6.4%, and net income increased by \$8.9 million and \$38.9 million, or 4.8% and 8.5%, in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004.

The increase in revenues in the three months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding period of 2004, is primarily due to higher net sales of \$49.1 million and higher investment income of \$11.4 million related to improved returns on Lorillard’s invested cash balances. Net sales revenue increased \$55.9 million due to increased unit sales volume, assuming prices were unchanged from the prior year, partially offset by \$6.8 million due to lower effective unit prices reflecting higher sales promotion expenses (accounted for as a reduction to net sales), although total promotional expenses, including amounts recorded as a component of cost of sales, declined by \$8.8 million. The increase in net investment income is related to improved returns on Lorillard’s invested cash balances and includes \$6.4 million from investments in limited partnerships for the three months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to \$3.1 million in the corresponding period of 2004.

The increase in net income in the three months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding period of 2004, reflects the higher revenues discussed above, partially offset by charges of \$27.6 million pretax due to a federal assessment (including \$13.0 million of charges in relation to losses by grower related entities from the sale of surplus tobacco) relating to the repeal of the federal supply management program for tobacco growers and higher costs related to the settlement agreements entered into between the major cigarette manufacturers, including Lorillard, and each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and certain U.S. territories (together, the “State Settlement Agreements”). Lorillard recorded pretax charges of \$223.9 million and \$213.6 million (\$140.8 million and \$132.8 million after taxes) for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively, to record its obligations under the State Settlement Agreements. Lorillard’s portion of ongoing adjusted settlement payments and related legal fees are based on its share of domestic cigarette shipments in the year preceding that in which the payment is due. Accordingly, Lorillard records its portion of ongoing settlement payments as part of cost of manufactured products sold as the related sales occur. The \$10.3 million pretax increase in tobacco settlement costs in the three months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the comparable period of 2004, is due to the impact of the inflation adjustment (\$9.7 million), charges for higher gross unit sales (\$7.1 million), and other adjustments (\$4.8 million) under the State Settlement Agreements, partially offset by the elimination of Lorillard’s payment obligations under the national Tobacco Growers Settlement Trust (\$11.3 million) due to the new federal assessment.

Lorillard regularly reviews results of its promotional spending activities and adjusts its promotional spending programs in an effort to maintain its competitive position. Accordingly, unit sales volume and sales promotion costs in

any period are not necessarily indicative of sales and costs that may be realized in subsequent periods. The relatively strong volume achieved in the fourth quarter of 2004 due in part to advance buying by many wholesalers in anticipation of pricing changes and higher costs associated with state settlement and grower buyout expenses in 2005, discussed above, may result in an unfavorable comparison between the fourth quarter of 2005 and the fourth quarter of 2004.

The increase in revenues in the nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding period of 2004, is primarily due to higher net sales of \$136.5 million and higher investment and other income of \$25.7 million. Net sales revenue increased \$121.0 million due to increased unit sales volume, assuming prices were unchanged from the prior year, \$10.6 million due to higher effective unit prices reflecting lower sales promotion expenses and \$4.9 million as a result of the reduction of approximately one percentage point in Lorillard's cash discount rate offered to direct buying accounts. In addition, Lorillard's promotional expenses included in cost of sales decreased by \$15.0 million. Other revenues include interest of \$6.1 million relating to a refund of income taxes paid in prior years. Net investment income increased due primarily to higher yields on invested cash balances and includes \$12.8 million from limited partnerships in the nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to \$9.9 million in the corresponding period of 2004.

Net income increased in the nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding period of 2004, due primarily to the higher revenues discussed above, partially offset by higher State Settlement Agreement costs as described below, and charges of \$78.6 million pretax due to a federal assessment (including \$26.0 million of charges in relation to losses by grower related entities from the sale of surplus tobacco) relating to the repeal of the federal supply management program for tobacco growers. Lorillard recorded pretax charges of \$658.2 million and \$649.0 million (\$402.0 million and \$398.3 million after taxes) for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively, to record its obligations under the State Settlement Agreements. The \$9.2 million pretax increase in tobacco settlement costs in the nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the comparable period of 2004, is due to the the impact of the inflation adjustment (\$26.2 million) and charges for higher gross unit sales (\$19.3 million) under the State Settlement Agreements, partially offset by the elimination of Lorillard's payment obligations under the national Tobacco Growers Settlement Trust (\$34.2 million) and other adjustments (\$2.1 million).

Overall, domestic industry unit sales volume decreased 1.9% and 2.8% in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared with the corresponding periods of 2004. Industry sales for premium brands were 71.0% and 71.3% of the total market in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to 70.0% and 69.7% for the corresponding periods of 2004.

Lorillard's total (domestic, Puerto Rico and certain U.S. Territories) gross unit sales volume increased 3.3% and 3.1% in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004. Domestic wholesale volume increased 2.8% and 3.0% in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004. Total Newport unit sales volume increased 3.8% and 3.9% and domestic volume increased 3.3% and 3.9% in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared with the corresponding periods of 2004. These results, while reflecting positive change, continue to be affected by on-going competitive promotions and the availability of deep discount brands.

The costs of litigating and administering product liability claims, as well as other legal expenses, are included in other operating expenses. Lorillard's outside legal fees and other external product liability defense costs were \$22.8 million, \$16.9 million, \$61.8 million and \$69.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively. Numerous factors affect product liability defense costs. The principal factors are the number and types of cases filed, the number of cases tried, the results of trials and appeals, the development of the law, the application of new or different theories of liability by plaintiffs and their counsel, and litigation strategy and tactics. See Note 14 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Report for detailed information regarding tobacco litigation. The factors that have influenced past product liability defense costs are expected to continue to influence future costs. Although Lorillard does not expect that product liability defense costs will increase significantly in the future, it is possible that adverse developments in the factors discussed above, as well as other circumstances beyond the control of Lorillard, could have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

## Selected Market Share Data

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(Units in billions)</b>				
Total domestic Lorillard unit volume (1)	<b>9.101</b>	8.849	<b>26.710</b>	25.921
Total domestic industry unit volume (1)	<b>99.134</b>	101.089	<b>287.052</b>	295.457
Lorillard's share of the domestic market (1)	<b>9.2</b>	8.7	<b>9.3</b>	8.8
Lorillard's premium segment as a percentage of its total domestic volume (1)	<b>95.0</b>	95.3	<b>95.3</b>	95.4
Newport share of the domestic segment (1)	<b>8.4</b>	7.9	<b>8.5</b>	8.0
Newport share of the premium segment (1)	<b>11.8</b>	11.4	<b>11.9</b>	11.4
Total menthol segment market share for the industry (2)	<b>27.2</b>	26.9	<b>27.1</b>	26.9
Newport's share of the menthol segment (2)	<b>32.5</b>	31.4	<b>32.7</b>	31.0
Newport as a percentage of Lorillard's (3):				
Total volume	<b>91.5</b>	91.0	<b>91.7</b>	90.9
Net sales	<b>92.8</b>	92.2	<b>92.9</b>	92.2

Sources:

- (1) Management Science Associates, Inc.
- (2) Lorillard proprietary data
- (3) Lorillard shipment reports

Unless otherwise specified, all market share data in this MD&A is based on data made available by Management Science Associates, Inc. ("MSAI"), an independent third-party database management organization that collects wholesale shipment data from various cigarette manufacturers and provides analysis of market share, unit sales volume and premium versus discount mix for individual companies and the industry as a whole. MSAI's information relating to unit sales volume and market share of certain of the smaller, primarily deep discount, cigarette manufacturers is based on estimates derived by MSAI.

MSAI divides the cigarette market into two price segments, the premium price segment and the discount or reduced price segment. According to MSAI, the discount segment share of market decreased from approximately 30.0% and 30.3% in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, to 29.0% and 28.7% in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005. Virtually all of Lorillard's sales are in the premium price segment where Lorillard's share amounted to approximately 12.9% and 13.1% in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 12.5% and 12.6% in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, as reported by MSAI. Lorillard management continues to believe that volume and market share information for deep discount manufacturers are understated and, correspondingly, share information for the larger manufacturers, including Lorillard, are overstated by MSAI.

## Business Environment

The tobacco industry in the United States, including Lorillard, continues to be faced with a number of issues that have, or may, materially adversely impact the results of operations, cash flows and financial condition of Lorillard and the Company, including the following:

- A substantial volume of litigation seeking compensatory and punitive damages ranging into the billions of dollars, as well as equitable and injunctive relief, arising out of allegations of cancer and other health effects resulting from the use of cigarettes, addiction to smoking or exposure to environmental tobacco smoke, including claims for reimbursement of health care costs allegedly incurred as a result of smoking, as well as other alleged damages. Pending litigation includes:
  - A jury award in Florida of \$16.3 billion in punitive damages against Lorillard in *Engle v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.*, a judgment which was vacated by the Florida Third District Court of Appeal in September of 2003. The Florida Supreme Court heard argument of plaintiffs' appeal on November 3, 2004.
  - In *Scott v. The American Tobacco Company, et al.*, a jury awarded \$591.0 million against the defendants, including Lorillard, to fund cessation programs for Louisiana smokers. Lorillard's share of the *Scott*

judgment has not been determined. The court's final judgment also reflects its award of judicial interest. As of October 15, 2005, judicial interest totaled approximately \$385.0 million. Judicial interest will continue to accrue until the judgment is paid or dismissed on appeal. Lorillard and the other defendants have appealed the *Scott* judgment to the Louisiana Court of Appeals.

- The U.S. Department of Justice has brought an action against Lorillard and other tobacco companies. At the time trial began in September of 2004, the government sought, pursuant to the federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act, disgorgement of profits from the industry of \$280.0 billion that the government contends were earned as a consequence of a racketeering "enterprise." On February 4, 2005, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ruled that disgorgement was not a proper remedy in this case. On October 17 2005, the U.S. Supreme Court issued an order in which it declined to review the disgorgement issue at this time. The parties are expected to complete their post-trial submissions during November of 2005.

See Item 3 - Legal Proceedings of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2004 and Note 14 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Report for information with respect to these actions, other litigation and the State Settlement Agreements.

- Substantial annual payments by Lorillard, continuing in perpetuity, and significant restrictions on marketing and advertising agreed to under the terms of the State Settlement Agreements. The State Settlement Agreements impose a stream of future payment obligations on Lorillard and the other major U.S. cigarette manufacturers and place significant restrictions on their ability to market and sell cigarettes.
- The cigarette market is highly concentrated with Lorillard's two major competitors, Philip Morris USA and Reynolds American Inc. having a combined market share of approximately 76.9% in the first nine months of 2005. In addition, Reynolds American Inc. owns the third and fourth leading menthol brands, Kool and Salem, which have a combined share of the menthol segment of approximately 18.9%. The concentration of U.S. market share could make it more difficult for Lorillard to compete for shelf space in retail outlets, which is already exacerbated by restrictive marketing programs of Lorillard's larger competitors, and could impact price competition among menthol brands.
- The continuing contraction of the U.S. cigarette market, in which Lorillard currently conducts its only significant business. As a result of price increases, restrictions on advertising and promotions, increases in regulation and excise taxes, health concerns, a decline in the social acceptability of smoking, increased pressure from anti-tobacco groups and other factors, U.S. cigarette shipments among the three major U.S. cigarette manufacturers have decreased at a compound annual rate of approximately 2.3% over the period 1984 through the first nine months of 2005 according to information provided by MSAI.
- Competition from deep discounters who enjoy competitive cost and pricing advantages because they are not subject to the same payment obligations under the State Settlement Agreements as Lorillard. Market share for the deep discount brands decreased 1.1 share points from 14.1% in the first nine months of 2004 to 13.0% in the first nine months of 2005, as estimated by MSAI. Lorillard's focus on the premium market and its obligations under the State Settlement Agreements make it very difficult to compete successfully in the deep discount market.
- Continuing sizable industry-wide promotional expenses and sales incentives are being implemented in response to declining unit volume, state excise tax increases and continuing competition among the three largest cigarette manufacturers, including Lorillard, and smaller participants who have established a competitive level of market share in recent years, principally in the deep discount cigarette segment. As a result of on-going high levels of competition based on the retail price of brands and the competitive price advantages of deep discounters, the ability of Lorillard and the other major manufacturers to raise prices has been adversely affected. In light of this environment, Lorillard's ability to raise prices of its brands has been substantially affected to the extent that from March of 2002 through December of 2004 Lorillard did not increase wholesale prices. During this period, increases by manufacturers in wholesale and retail price promotion allowances served to effectively reduce the prices of many key brands. While the environment remains highly price competitive, in December of 2004 and January of 2005, several manufacturers, including Lorillard, implemented price changes in terms of increased wholesale list prices and/or lower promotional discounts on select brands.
- Substantial federal, state and local excise taxes which are reflected in the retail price of cigarettes. In 1999, federal excise taxes were \$0.24 per pack and state excise taxes ranged from \$0.03 to \$1.00 per pack. In the first nine months of 2005, the federal excise tax was \$0.39 per pack and combined state and local excise taxes ranged from

\$0.03 to \$3.00 per pack. In the first nine months of 2005, excise tax increases ranging from \$0.10 to \$1.00 per pack were implemented in eleven states. Proposals continue to be made to increase federal, state and local excise taxes. Lorillard believes that increases in excise and similar taxes have had an adverse impact on sales of cigarettes and that future increases, the extent of which cannot be predicted, could result in further volume declines for the cigarette industry, including Lorillard, and an increased sales shift toward lower priced discount cigarettes rather than premium brands. In addition, Lorillard and other cigarette manufacturers are required to pay an assessment under a federal law designed to fund payments to tobacco quota holders and growers.

- Increases in actual and proposed state and local regulation of the tobacco industry relating to the manufacture, sale, distribution, advertising, labeling and use of tobacco products and government restrictions on smoking.
- Substantial and increasing regulation of the tobacco industry and governmental restrictions on smoking. Bills have been introduced in the U.S. Congress to grant the Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”) authority to regulate tobacco products under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Lorillard believes that FDA regulations, if enacted, could among other things result in new restrictions on the manner in which cigarettes can be advertised and marketed, and may alter the way cigarette products are developed and manufactured. Lorillard also believes that any such proposals, if enacted, would provide Philip Morris, as the largest tobacco company in the country, with a competitive advantage.
- Sales of counterfeit cigarettes in the United States continue to adversely impact sales by the manufacturer of the counterfeited brands, including Lorillard, and potentially damage the value and reputation of those brands.

## Boardwalk Pipelines

*Boardwalk Pipelines, LLC and subsidiaries (“Boardwalk Pipelines”). Boardwalk Pipelines is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.*

The following table summarizes the results of operations for Boardwalk Pipelines for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 as presented in Note 18 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Report:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Revenues:				
Operating	\$ 121.5	\$ 46.9	\$ 390.8	\$ 185.0
Net investment income (loss)	0.8	0.3	2.2	0.3
Total	122.3	47.2	393.0	185.3
Expenses:				
Operating	99.7	38.1	255.1	109.5
Interest	15.0	7.3	44.7	22.5
Total	114.7	45.4	299.8	132.0
	7.6	1.8	93.2	53.3
Income tax expense	3.1	0.8	37.1	21.3
Net income	\$ 4.5	\$ 1.0	\$ 56.1	\$ 32.0

Boardwalk Pipelines derives revenues primarily from the interstate transportation and storage of natural gas for third parties. Transportation and storage services are provided under firm service and interruptible service agreements. Transportation rates are subject to maximum tariff rates established by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”), although most services are provided at a discount to the maximum tariff rate due to the competitive marketplace.

Under firm transportation agreements, customers generally pay a fixed “demand” or “capacity reservation” charge to reserve pipeline capacity at certain receipt and delivery points, plus a commodity and fuel charge paid on the volume of gas actually transported. Firm storage customers reserve a specific amount of storage capacity and generally pay a capacity reservation charge based on the amount of capacity being reserved plus an injection and/or withdrawal fee. Capacity reservation revenues derived from firm service generally remain constant over the term of the contract because the charges are based upon the capacity reserved and do not vary with actual use.

Interruptible transportation and storage service is typically short-term in nature and is generally used by customers that either do not need firm service or have been unable to contract for firm service. Customers pay for interruptible services when capacity is used.

Operating expenses typically do not vary significantly based upon the amount of gas transported with the exception of gas consumed by Gulf South's compressor stations. Gulf South's fuel recoveries are included as part of transportation revenues.

In late August and September of 2005, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita damaged a portion of Boardwalk Pipeline's assets, primarily on the Gulf South system. The pipelines continued to operate and the vast majority of service to customers was not interrupted. Boardwalk Pipelines recognized pretax expenses of approximately \$6.0 million in the third quarter of 2005 as a result of hurricane damage. The damage caused by these storms could impact Boardwalk Pipeline in a variety of ways in the future, including among others reduced demand from damaged customers, reduced supplies of natural gas due to damage to suppliers' facilities, changes in demand for natural gas due to increased gas prices, potential costs to relocate portions of pipeline as damaged regions, particularly New Orleans, are reconstructed and future litigation, including two class action cases already commenced against Gulf South and numerous other defendants. Based on current estimates by management of Boardwalk Pipelines, the Company does not expect additional costs to materially adversely affect its results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

Boardwalk Pipelines acquired Gulf South Pipelines LP ("Gulf South") on December 29, 2004. Therefore, results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 did not include the operations of Gulf South. Revenues and net income of Gulf South totaled \$75.7 million and \$7.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005, and \$220.7 million and \$39.1 million, for the nine months ended September 30, 2005.

Excluding the operations of Gulf South, revenues decreased \$0.6 million and \$13.0 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, primarily due to unfavorable market conditions for Texas Gas Transmission, LLC ("Texas Gas"), a subsidiary of Boardwalk Pipelines, during the 2004-2005 winter season. Temperatures in January and February 2005 were 20.0% warmer than the comparable period of the prior year, resulting in excess capacity and a reduction in storage flexibility due to unusually high storage levels.

Excluding the operations of Gulf South, net income decreased \$3.8 million and \$15.0 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to the same periods of 2004, primarily due to the lower revenues noted above.

## Diamond Offshore

*Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. and subsidiaries ("Diamond Offshore"). Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. is a 55% owned subsidiary of the Company.*

The following table summarizes the results of operations for Diamond Offshore for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 as presented in Note 18 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Report:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Revenues:				
Operating	\$ 346.0	\$ 206.8	\$ 897.0	\$ 575.7
Net investment income	6.1	2.9	18.0	7.6
Investment gains (losses)	(0.2)	(0.1)	(1.5)	0.2
Total	351.9	209.6	913.5	583.5
Expenses:				
Operating	225.8	200.6	666.2	592.0
Interest	8.4	7.7	33.7	20.4
Total	234.2	208.3	699.9	612.4
	117.7	1.3	213.6	(28.9)
Income tax expense (benefit)	39.8	(0.1)	69.6	(6.9)
Minority interest	37.4	1.3	69.9	(8.5)
Net income (loss)	\$ 40.5	\$ 0.1	\$ 74.1	\$ (13.5)

Diamond Offshore's revenues vary based upon demand, which affects the number of days the fleet is utilized and the dayrates earned. When a rig is idle, no dayrate is earned and revenues will decrease as a result. Revenues can also be affected as a result of the acquisition or disposal of rigs, required surveys and shipyard upgrades. In order to improve utilization or realize higher dayrates, Diamond Offshore may mobilize its rigs from one market to another. However, during periods of mobilization, revenues may be adversely affected. As a response to changes in demand, Diamond Offshore may withdraw a rig from the market by stacking it or may reactivate a rig stacked previously, which may decrease or increase revenues, respectively. The two most significant variables affecting revenues are dayrates for rigs and rig utilization rates, each of which is a function of rig supply and demand in the marketplace. As utilization rates increase, dayrates tend to increase as well, reflecting the lower supply of available rigs, and vice versa. The same factors, primarily demand for drilling services, which is dependent upon the level of expenditures set by oil and gas companies for offshore exploration and development as well as a variety of political and economic factors, and availability of rigs in a particular geographical region, affect both dayrates and utilization rates. These factors are not within Diamond Offshore's control and are difficult to predict with any degree of specificity beyond broad market trends.

Revenues increased by \$142.3 million and \$330.0 million, or 67.9% and 56.6%, and net income increased by \$40.4 million and \$87.6 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004. Revenues increased due primarily to higher contract drilling revenues of \$99.9 million and \$268.7 million compared to the corresponding prior year periods.

In the third quarter of 2005, one of Diamond Offshore's jack-up drilling rigs, the *Ocean Warwick*, was damaged beyond repair during Hurricane Katrina and other rigs in Diamond Offshore's fleet sustained lesser damage in Hurricanes Katrina or Rita, or in some cases from both storms. Diamond Offshore believes the physical damage to its rigs, as well as any related removal and recovery costs, are covered by insurance, after applicable deductibles.

The Company recognized a \$33.6 million casualty gain during the third quarter of 2005 as a result of the constructive total loss of the *Ocean Warwick*. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, this drilling unit generated \$4.0 million and \$11.8 million in revenues compared to \$3.3 million and \$9.0 million in the same periods of 2004 primarily due to a higher average operating dayrate earned during 2005, as compared to the three and nine months of 2004.

Revenues from jack-up rigs and other semisubmersible rigs increased by \$62.6 million and \$164.4 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004. The increase primarily reflects increased dayrates of \$43.6 million and \$112.4 million and improved utilization of \$17.2 million and \$43.7 million (excluding the *Ocean Warwick*), respectively.

Revenues from high specification floaters increased \$37.6 million and \$105.5 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 due primarily to increased dayrates of \$41.2 million and \$76.9 million as compared to the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively. Utilization fell in the third quarter of 2005, resulting in a decrease in revenues of \$3.8 million, but improved in the first nine months of 2005, which generated an additional \$28.6 million in revenue as compared to the first nine months of 2004.

Net investment income increased by \$3.2 million and \$10.4 million, primarily due to interest earned on higher average cash and investment balances in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004.

Interest expense increased \$0.7 million and \$13.3 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, primarily due to the additional expense related to the issuance of its 5.2% and 4.9% senior unsecured notes. The nine months ended September 30, 2005 included a write-off of \$6.9 million of debt issuance costs associated with the partial repurchase of its Zero Coupon Debentures in June of 2005.

Net income increased in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 due primarily to the higher revenues discussed above, partially offset by increased contract drilling expenses and interest expense.

## Loews Hotels

*Loews Hotels Holding Corporation and subsidiaries (“Loews Hotels”). Loews Hotels Holding Corporation is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.*

The following table summarizes the results of operations for Loews Hotels for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 as presented in Note 18 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Report:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>In millions)</b>				
Revenues:				
Operating	\$ 81.1	\$ 66.4	\$ 261.6	\$ 232.3
Net investment income	0.4	0.5	5.8	1.6
Total	81.5	66.9	267.4	233.9
Expenses:				
Operating	73.0	66.9	214.5	206.3
Interest	3.0	1.2	7.8	4.5
Total	76.0	68.1	222.3	210.8
	5.5	(1.2)	45.1	23.1
Income tax expense (benefit)	1.8	(0.4)	12.4	9.1
Net income (loss)	\$ 3.7	\$ (0.8)	\$ 32.7	\$ 14.0

Revenues increased by \$14.6 million and \$33.5 million, or 21.8% and 14.3%, and net income increased by \$4.5 million and \$18.7 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004.

Revenues increased in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004, due primarily to an increase in operating revenue, higher equity income from joint ventures and, for the nine month period, increased investment income as a result of the early repayment of a note received in connection with the sale of a hotel property. The increase in operating revenue reflects an increase in revenue per available room to \$151.94 and \$152.81 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, compared to \$127.90 and \$134.74 in the comparable period of the prior year. Revenue per available room increased due to higher average room rates, which increased by \$23.13 and \$20.06, or 13.8% and 11.4%, and a 4.3% and 1.8% increase in occupancy rates for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, respectively.

Revenue per available room is an industry measure of the combined effect of occupancy rates and average room rates on room revenues. Other hotel operating revenues primarily include guest charges for food and beverages.

Net income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 increased due to the higher revenues discussed above, partially offset by increased interest and advertising expenses.

## Corporate and Other

Corporate operations consist primarily of investment income, including investment gains (losses) from non-insurance subsidiaries, the operations of Bulova, equity earnings from Majestic Shipping Corporation (“Majestic”), corporate interest expenses and other corporate administrative costs.

In the fourth quarter of 2004, investment gains (losses) related to the Corporate trading portfolio were reclassified to net investment income on the Consolidated Condensed Statement of Income. Prior period amounts and ratios have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no impact on net income (loss) in any period.

The following table summarizes the results of operations for Corporate and Other for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 as presented in Note 18 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Report:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2005		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Revenues:				
Manufactured products	\$ 39.9	\$ 38.7	\$ 119.4	\$ 110.2
Net investment income	81.8	23.6	53.8	90.3
Investment gains (losses)	(6.9)	12.7	(3.1)	1.2
Other	0.2	182.8	10.1	201.2
Total	115.0	257.8	180.2	402.9
Expenses:				
Cost of sales	18.7	18.9	57.4	54.2
Operating	31.3	35.3	88.0	92.2
Interest	18.8	29.3	107.4	104.7
Total	68.8	83.5	252.8	251.1
	46.2	174.3	(72.6)	151.8
Income tax expense (benefit)	(4.8)	59.7	(45.1)	51.3
Minority interest				0.1
Net income (loss)	\$ 51.0	\$ 114.6	\$ (27.5)	\$ 100.4

Revenues decreased by \$142.8 million and \$222.7 million and net income decreased by \$63.6 million and \$127.9 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004.

Revenues decreased in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, as compared to the corresponding periods of 2004, due primarily to a reduction in equity income of \$182.6 million and \$188.2 million from shipping operations, and investment losses of \$6.9 million and \$3.1 million in 2005, as compared to investment gains of \$12.7 million and \$1.2 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively, partially offset by increased net investment income of \$57.4 million for the three months ended September 2005.

Net investment income includes income from the trading portfolio of \$62.5 million, \$11.5 million, \$9.7 million and \$64.6 million (\$40.6 million, \$7.5 million, \$6.3 million and \$42.0 million after taxes) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively. Net investment income includes a \$40.7 million gain and \$9.3 million loss for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 due to interest rate swaps.

Net income decreased in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 due primarily to the reduced revenues discussed above, partially offset by lower income tax expense. Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2005, included \$23.1 million related to charges from the early retirement of the Company's \$400.0 million principal amount of 7.0% senior notes due 2023 and \$1,150.0 million principal amount of 3.1% exchangeable subordinated notes due 2007. Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, included \$11.1 million related to charges from the early retirement of the Company's \$300.0 million principal amount of 7.6% senior notes due 2023.

Subsequent to the settlement of the Company's 1998 through 2001 tax returns with the Internal Revenue Service, a review of tax liabilities was performed. As a result, the Company reduced its deferred tax liabilities by \$21.2 million in the three months ended September 30, 2005.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

### CNA Financial

#### Cash Flow

The principal operating cash flow sources of CNA's insurance subsidiaries are premiums and investment income. The primary operating cash flow uses are payments for claims, policy benefits and operating expenses.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, net cash provided by operating activities was \$1,034.0 million as compared with \$1,259.0 million provided for the same period in 2004. The decrease in cash provided by operating activities related primarily to decreased net premium collections, partially offset by a reduction in claims and expense payments in 2005 as compared with 2004. The decrease in net premium collections is primarily due to the sale of the individual life business. Also impacting operating cash flows were net tax payments of \$289.0 million in 2005 as compared with net tax refunds of \$534.0 million in 2004. In addition, CNA received cash of \$344.0 million in 2005 related to a commutation and received cash of \$121.0 million related to net refund interest as discussed further in Note 16 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements.

Cash flows from investing activities include the purchase and sale of financial instruments, as well as the purchase and sale of land, buildings, equipment and other assets not generally held for resale.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, net cash used by investing activities was \$540.0 million as compared with \$1,149.0 million used for the same period in 2004. Cash flows used for investing activities related principally to purchases of fixed maturity securities.

Cash flows from financing activities include proceeds from the issuance of debt or equity securities, outflows for dividends or repayment of debt and outlays to reacquire equity instruments.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, net cash used by financing activities was \$503.0 million as compared with \$178.0 million used for the same period in 2004. Cash flows used for financing activities were related principally to the repayment of debt.

CNA believes it has adequate liquidity to meet its catastrophe loss obligations.

CNA has an effective Registration Statement on Form S-3 registering the future sale of its debt and/or equity securities. As of September 14, 2005, \$1.5 billion of securities were available for issuance under this shelf registration statement.

## **Debt and Other Commitments**

See Note 9 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements for a detailed discussion of the Company's debt.

See Note 15 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements for information related to CNA Surety's and a large national contractor's related party transactions with CNA. The impact of these transactions should be considered when evaluating the Company's liquidity and capital resources.

See Note 15 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements for information related to CNA's commitments and contingencies. The impact of these commitments and contingencies should be considered when evaluating the Company's liquidity and capital resources.

## **Regulatory Matters**

CNA has established a plan to reorganize and streamline its U.S. property and casualty insurance legal entity structure. One phase of this multi-year plan has been completed. This phase served to consolidate CNA's U.S. property and casualty insurance risks into CCC, as well as realign the capital supporting these risks. As part of this phase, CNA implemented a 100% quota share reinsurance agreement, effective January 1, 2003, ceding all of the net insurance risks of CIC and its 14 affiliated insurance companies ("CIC Group") to CCC. Additionally, the ownership of the CIC Group was transferred to CCC in order to align the insurance risks with the supporting capital. In subsequent phases of this plan, CNA will continue its efforts to reduce both the number of U.S. property and casualty insurance entities it maintains and the number of states in which such entities are domiciled. In order to facilitate the execution of this plan, CNA, CCC and CIC have agreed to participate in a working group consisting of several states of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

In connection with the approval process for aspects of the reorganization and legal entity streamlining plan, CNA agreed to undergo a state regulatory financial examination of CCC and CIC as of December 31, 2003, including a review of insurance reserves by an independent actuarial firm. Such review also includes examination of certain of the finite reinsurance contracts entered into by CNA and whether such contracts possess sufficient risk transfer characteristics necessary to qualify for accounting treatment as reinsurance. Several examination reports were issued by state regulatory

authorities in the second and third quarters of 2005, and two examination reports are outstanding.

Pursuant to its participation in the working group referenced above, CNA has agreed to certain time frames and informational provisions in relation to the reorganization plan. CNA has also agreed that any proceeds from the sale of any member of the CIC pool, net of transaction expenses, will be retained in CIC or one of its subsidiaries until the dividend stipulation discussed below expires.

Along with other companies in the industry, CNA has received subpoenas, interrogatories and inquiries from: (i) California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, West Virginia and the Canadian Council of Insurance Regulators concerning investigations into practices including contingent compensation arrangements, fictitious quotes, and tying arrangements; (ii) the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), the New York State Attorney General, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, the Connecticut Attorney General, the Connecticut Department of Insurance, the Delaware Department of Insurance, the Georgia Office of Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner and the California Department of Insurance concerning finite insurance products purchased and sold by CNA; (iii) the Massachusetts Attorney General and the Connecticut Attorney General concerning investigations into anti-competitive practices; and (iv) the New York State Attorney General concerning declinations of attorney malpractice insurance. Subsequent to issuance of its subpoena as indicated above, the SEC requested that CNA produce documents and provide additional information relating to its previously referenced restatement, including its relationship with and accounting for Accord Re. CNA continues to respond to these subpoenas, interrogatories and inquiries.

In the course of complying with the above matters, during the first quarter of 2005 CNA conducted a comprehensive review of its finite reinsurance relationships, including the contracts with Accord and other reinsurers that were the subject of the previously referenced restatement. It is possible that CNA’s analyses of, or accounting treatment for, other finite reinsurance contracts could be questioned or disputed in state regulatory examinations or in connection with the subpoenas, interrogatories and inquiries recited above in relation to finite insurance products purchased and sold by CNA and the referenced restatement, and further restatements of the Company’s financial results are possible as a consequence, which could have a material adverse impact on the Company’s financial condition. See the Critical Accounting Estimates section of this MD&A for further information.

## **Ratings**

Ratings are an important factor in establishing the competitive position of insurance companies. CNA’s insurance company subsidiaries are rated by major rating agencies, and these ratings reflect the rating agency’s opinion of the insurance company’s financial strength, operating performance, strategic position and ability to meet its obligations to policyholders. Agency ratings are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold any security, and may be revised or withdrawn at any time by the issuing organization. Each agency’s rating should be evaluated independently of any other agency’s rating. One or more of these agencies could take action in the future to change the ratings of CNA’s insurance subsidiaries.

The actions that can be taken by rating agencies are changes in ratings or modifiers. “On Review,” “Credit Watch” and “Rating Watch” are modifiers used by the ratings agencies to alert those parties relying on CNA’s ratings of the possibility of a rating change in the near term. Modifiers are utilized when the agencies are uncertain as to the impact of a CNA action or initiative, which could prove to be material to the current rating level. Modifiers are generally used to indicate a possible change in rating within 90 days. “Outlooks” accompanied with ratings are additional modifiers used by the rating agencies to alert those parties relying on CNA’s ratings of the possibility of a rating change in the longer term. The time frame referenced in an outlook is not necessarily limited to ninety days as defined in the Credit-Watch category.

The table below reflects the various group ratings issued by A.M. Best Company (“A.M. Best”), Fitch Ratings (“Fitch”), Moody’s Investors Service (“Moody’s”) and Standard & Poor’s (“S&P”) as of October 11, 2005 for the Property and Casualty and Life companies. The table also includes the ratings for CNA’s senior debt and Continental senior debt.

	Insurance Financial Strength Ratings			Debt Ratings	
	Property & Casualty (a)	Life		CNA	Continental
	CCC Group	CIC Group	CAC(b)	Senior Debt	Senior Debt
A.M. Best	A	A	A-	bbb	Not rated
Fitch	A-	A-	A-	BBB-	BBB-
Moody’s	A3	A3	Baa1	Baa3	Baa3
S&P	A-	A-	BBB+	BBB-	BBB-

(a) Fitch’s outlook for the Property & Casualty companies’ financial strength and holding company debt ratings is stable. All others are negative.

(b) A.M. Best, Fitch and Moody’s have a stable outlook while S&P has a negative outlook on the CAC rating.

On August 16 and 25, 2005, S&P and A.M Best assigned the current debt ratings (bbb and BBB-, respectively) to CNA’s \$1.5 billion shelf offering.

If CNA’s property and casualty insurance financial strength ratings were downgraded below current levels, CNA’s business and the Company’s results of operations could be materially adversely affected. The severity of the impact on CNA’s business is dependent on the level of downgrade and, for certain products, which rating agency takes the rating action. Among the adverse effects in the event of such downgrades would be the inability to obtain a material volume of business from certain major insurance brokers, the inability to sell a material volume of CNA’s insurance products to certain markets, and the required collateralization of certain future payment obligations or reserves.

In addition, CNA believes that a lowering of the debt ratings of Loews by certain of these agencies could result in an adverse impact on CNA’s ratings, independent of any change in circumstances at CNA. Each of the major rating agencies which rates Loews currently maintains a negative outlook, but none currently has Loews on negative Credit Watch.

CNA has entered into several settlement agreements and assumed reinsurance contracts that require collateralization of future payment obligations and assumed reserves if CNA’s ratings or other specific criteria fall below certain thresholds. The ratings triggers are generally more than one level below CNA’s current ratings.

#### Dividend Paying Ability

CNA’s ability to pay dividends and other credit obligations is significantly dependent on receipt of dividends from its subsidiaries. The payment of dividends to CNA by its insurance subsidiaries without prior approval of the insurance department of each subsidiary’s domiciliary jurisdiction is limited by formula. Dividends in excess of these amounts are subject to prior approval by the respective state insurance departments.

Dividends from CCC are subject to the insurance holding company laws of the State of Illinois, the domiciliary state of CCC. Under these laws, ordinary dividends, or dividends that do not require prior approval of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation - Division of Insurance (the “Department”), may be paid only from earned surplus, which is calculated by removing unrealized gains from unassigned surplus. As of September 30, 2005, CCC is in a positive earned surplus position, thereby enabling CCC to pay approximately \$330.0 million in dividends for the remainder of 2005 that would not be subject to the Department’s prior approval. The actual level of dividends paid in any year is determined after an assessment of available dividend capacity, holding company liquidity and cash needs as well as the impact the dividends will have on the statutory surplus of the applicable insurance company.

CCC’s earned surplus was negative at December 31, 2004. As a result, CCC obtained approval from the Department in December of 2004 for extraordinary dividends in the amount of approximately \$125.0 million to be used to fund CNA’s 2005 debt service requirements. CCC’s earned surplus was restored to a positive position, in part, as a result of a \$500.0 million dividend received from its subsidiary, CAC, during the first quarter of 2005.

By agreement with the New Hampshire Insurance Department, the CIC Group may not pay dividends to CCC until after January 1, 2006.

Lorillard and other cigarette manufacturers continue to be confronted with substantial litigation. Plaintiffs in most of the cases seek unspecified amounts of compensatory damages and punitive damages, although some seek damages ranging into the billions of dollars. Plaintiffs in some of the cases seek treble damages, statutory damages, disgorgement of profits, equitable and injunctive relief, and medical monitoring, among other remedies.

Lorillard believes that it has valid defenses to the cases pending against it. Lorillard also believes it has valid bases for appeal of the adverse verdicts against it. To the extent the Company is a defendant in any of the lawsuits, the Company believes that it is not a proper defendant in these matters and has moved or plans to move for dismissal of all such claims against it. While Lorillard intends to defend vigorously all tobacco products liability litigation, it is not possible to predict the outcome of any of this litigation. Litigation is subject to many uncertainties, and it is possible that some of these actions could be decided unfavorably. Lorillard may enter into discussions in an attempt to settle particular cases if it believes it is appropriate to do so.

Except for the impact of the State Settlement Agreements as described below, management is unable to make a meaningful estimate of the amount or range of loss that could result from an unfavorable outcome of pending tobacco related litigation and, therefore, no provision has been made in the Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements for any unfavorable outcome. It is possible that the Company's results of operations, cash flows and financial position could be materially adversely affected by an unfavorable outcome of certain pending litigation.

The State Settlement Agreements require Lorillard and the other Original Participating Manufacturers ("OPMs") to make aggregate annual payments in the following amounts, subject to adjustment for several factors described below: \$8.4 billion through 2007 and \$9.4 billion thereafter. In addition, the OPMs are required to pay plaintiffs' attorneys' fees, subject to an aggregate annual cap of \$500.0 million, as well as an additional aggregate amount of up to \$125.0 million in each year through 2008. These payment obligations are the several and not joint obligations of each of the OPMs. The Company believes that Lorillard's obligations under the State Settlement Agreements will materially adversely affect the Company's cash flows and operating income in future years.

Both the aggregate payment obligations of the OPMs, and the payment obligations of Lorillard, individually, under the State Settlement Agreements are subject to adjustment for several factors: inflation; aggregate volume of domestic cigarette shipments; market share; and industry operating income. The inflation adjustment increases payments on a compounded annual basis by the greater of 3.0% or the actual total percentage change in the consumer price index for the preceding year. The inflation adjustment is measured starting with inflation for 1999. The volume adjustment increases or decreases payments based on the increase or decrease in the total number of cigarettes shipped in or to the 50 U.S. states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico by the OPMs during the preceding year, as compared to the 1997 base year shipments. If volume has increased, the volume adjustment would increase the annual payment by the same percentage as the number of cigarettes shipped exceeds the 1997 base number. If volume has decreased, the volume adjustment would decrease the annual payment by 98.0% of the percentage reduction in volume. In addition, downward adjustments to the annual payments for changes in volume may, subject to specified conditions and exceptions, be reduced in the event of an increase in the OPMs aggregate operating income from domestic sales of cigarettes over base year levels established in the State Settlement Agreements, adjusted for inflation. Any adjustments resulting from increases in operating income would be allocated among those OPMs who have had increases.

Lorillard's cash payment under the State Settlement Agreements in the nine months ended September 30, 2005 was approximately \$668.8 million. Lorillard estimates the remaining amount payable in 2005 will be approximately \$170.0 million to \$180.0 million, primarily based on estimated industry volume for 2005. Because of the many factors discussed above, Lorillard is unable to predict the amount of payments under the State Settlement Agreements in subsequent years. Lorillard's cash payment in the nine months ended September 30, 2005 for the federal assessment relating to the repeal of the federal supply management program for tobacco growers was \$91.3 million. Lorillard estimates the remaining amount payable in 2005 will be approximately \$20.0 million to \$25.0 million.

See Item 3 - Legal Proceedings of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2004 and Note 14 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Report for additional information regarding this settlement and other litigation matters.

Lorillard's cash and investments, net of receivables and payables, totaled \$1,779.6 million and \$1,581.1 million at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, respectively. At September 30, 2005, fixed maturity securities represented 86.7% of the total investment in marketable securities, including 8.1% invested in overnight repurchase agreements and 91.9% invested in money market accounts.

The principal source of liquidity for Lorillard's business and operating needs is internally generated funds from its operations. Lorillard's operating activities resulted in a net cash inflow of approximately \$670.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005, compared to a net cash inflow of \$544.7 million for the corresponding period of the prior year. Lorillard believes, based on current conditions, that cash flows from operating activities will be sufficient to enable it to meet its obligations under the State Settlement Agreements and to fund its capital expenditures. Lorillard cannot predict the impact on its cash flows of cash requirements related to any future settlements or judgments, including cash required to bond any appeals, if necessary, or the impact of subsequent legislative actions, and thus can give no assurance that it will be able to meet all of those requirements.

## **Boardwalk Pipelines**

Boardwalk Pipelines funds its operations and capital requirements with cash flows from operating activities. Funds from operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 amounted to \$159.0 million as compared to \$93.4 million for the comparable period of 2004. At September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, cash and investments amounted to \$34.0 million and \$16.5 million, respectively.

Boardwalk Pipelines' capital expenditures for the first nine months of 2005 and 2004 were \$49.8 million and \$20.0 million, respectively. The increase in capital expenditures through September 30, 2005 was primarily attributable to a storage expansion project by Texas Gas and the acquisition of Gulf South. Capital expenditures for the full year 2005 are expected to approximate \$75.6 million and be funded through cash flows from operating activities.

## **Diamond Offshore**

Cash and investments, net of receivables and payables, totaled \$789.2 million at September 30, 2005, compared to \$927.9 million at December 31, 2004. Cash provided by operating activities was \$214.5 million in the first nine months of 2005, compared to \$132.5 million in the comparable period of 2004. The increase in cash flow from operations is the result of higher utilization and average dayrates earned by Diamond Offshore's drilling units as a result of an increase in overall demand for offshore contract drilling services.

In the second quarter of 2005, Diamond Offshore entered into agreements with Keppel FELS Limited to construct two high-performance, premium jack-up rigs. The two new drilling units, the *Ocean Scepter* and the *Ocean Shield*, will be constructed in Brownsville, Texas and in Singapore, respectively, at an aggregate expected cost of approximately \$300.0 million. Diamond Offshore paid shipyard deposits totaling \$56.8 million in the second quarter of 2005 related to the new construction. Diamond Offshore expects delivery of both units in the first quarter of 2008.

In May 2005, Diamond Offshore began a major upgrade of the *Ocean Endeavor* for ultra-deepwater service. The modernized rig is being designed to operate in up to 10,000 feet of water at an estimated upgrade cost of approximately \$250.0 million, of which approximately \$25.9 million had been spent as of September 30, 2005 and an additional \$78.0 million is anticipated to be spent in the remainder of 2005. The project is estimated to be approximately 19.0% complete, and Diamond Offshore expects delivery of the upgraded rig in mid-2007.

As of September 30, 2005, Diamond Offshore had purchase obligations aggregating approximately \$200.0 million and \$227.0 million related to the major upgrade of the *Ocean Endeavor* and construction of two new jack-up rigs, respectively. Diamond Offshore had no other purchase obligations for major rig upgrades or any other significant obligations at September 30, 2005, except for those that arise during the normal course of business and are related to its direct rig operations.

Diamond Offshore estimates that capital expenditures in 2005 associated with its ongoing rig equipment replacement and enhancement programs and other corporate requirements will be approximately \$122.0 million. As of September 30, 2005, Diamond Offshore had spent approximately \$81.0 million for capital additions, excluding upgrade costs for the *Ocean Endeavor*, construction of the two new jack-up rigs and the reactivation of the *Ocean New Era*.

In August 2005, Diamond Offshore concluded the purchase of the *Garden Banks*, a Victory-class semi-submersible drilling rig, and related equipment for \$20.0 million, which was initiated in the second quarter of 2005.

Diamond Offshore's liquidity and capital requirements are primarily a function of its working capital needs, capital expenditures and debt service requirements. Cash required to meet Diamond Offshore's capital commitments is determined by evaluating the need to upgrade rigs to meet specific customer requirements and by evaluating Diamond Offshore's ongoing rig equipment replacement and enhancement programs, including water depth and drilling capability upgrades. It is the opinion of Diamond Offshore's management that its operating cash flows and cash reserves will be sufficient to meet these capital commitments; however, Diamond Offshore will continue to make periodic assessments

based on industry conditions. In addition, Diamond Offshore may, from time to time, issue debt or equity securities, or a combination thereof, to finance capital expenditures, the acquisition of assets and businesses or for general corporate purposes. Diamond Offshore's ability to affect any such issuance will be dependent on the results of Diamond Offshore's operations, its current financial condition, current market conditions and other factors, which are beyond its control.

In June of 2005, Diamond Offshore issued \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.9% Senior Notes at an offering price of 99.785% of the principal amount, resulting in net proceeds of \$247.7 million.

In June of 2005, Diamond Offshore repurchased \$460.0 million accreted value, or \$774.1 million in aggregate principal amount at maturity, of its Zero Coupon Debentures at a purchase price of \$594.25 per \$1,000 principal amount at maturity, which represented approximately 96.2% of its then outstanding Zero Coupon Debentures.

## **Loews Hotels**

Cash and investments were \$19.2 million at September 30, 2005, compared to \$58.6 million at December 31, 2004. Cash and investments decreased by \$39.4 million due to cash dividends paid to the Company of \$45.0 million and \$107.3 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005. Funds from operations continue to exceed operating requirements. Funds for other capital expenditures and working capital requirements are expected to be provided from existing cash balances and operations.

In the first quarter of 2005, Loews Hotels refinanced \$107.8 million of mortgages with new loans of \$206.3 million. Loews Hotels used the excess proceeds to fund repayment of its intercompany debt. Loews Hotels also received cash distributions of \$80.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005, from its joint venture investments. Cash distributions include available cash generated by operations as well as financing transactions, in accordance with joint venture agreements.

Hurricane Katrina resulted in the temporary closing of the Loews New Orleans Hotel, a managed property. Loews Hotels is a guarantor of up to \$10.0 million of the \$40.0 million principal amount first mortgage debt on the New Orleans Hotel. No advances have been made to date under this guarantee.

## **Corporate and Other**

On January 27, 2005, the Company sold an additional \$100.0 million principal amount of its 5.3% senior notes due 2016 and sold \$300.0 million principal amount of a new issue of 6.0% senior notes due 2035. The Company used net proceeds from the sale, together with available cash, to redeem its outstanding \$400.0 million principal amount of 7.0% senior notes due 2023 at a redemption price of 102.148% of the principal amount on February 28, 2005.

On April 21, 2005, the Company redeemed its outstanding \$1,150.0 million principal amount of 3.1% exchangeable subordinated notes due 2007 at a redemption price of 100.9375% of the principal amount, plus accrued interest. The Company funded the redemption price from its available cash balances.

Corporate cash and investments, net of receivables and payables, at September 30, 2005 totaled \$2.0 billion, as compared to \$2.5 billion at December 31, 2004. The decrease in net cash and investments is primarily due to the redemption of its 3.1% exchangeable subordinated notes due 2007 for \$1,164.4 million and \$176.5 million of dividends paid to shareholders, partially offset by the receipt of \$652.9 million in dividends from the Company's subsidiaries and net proceeds of \$103.5 million from the repayment of intercompany debt.

The Company's indirect wholly owned subsidiary, Boardwalk Pipeline Partners, LP, has filed a Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a proposed initial public offering of its common units. Prior to completing its initial public offering, Boardwalk Pipeline Partners, LP would become the holder of all of the outstanding equity of Boardwalk Pipelines, the parent company of Texas Gas and Gulf South.

The Company has an effective Registration Statement on Form S-3 registering the future sale of its debt and/or equity securities. As of October 21, 2005, \$2.0 billion of securities were available for issuance under this shelf registration statement.

As of 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 and other conditions, the Company from time to time may purchase shares of its, and its subsidiaries', outstanding common stock in the open market or otherwise.

The Company continues to pursue conservative financial strategies while seeking opportunities for responsible growth. These include the expansion of existing businesses, full or partial acquisitions and dispositions, and opportunities for efficiencies and economies of scale.

## INVESTMENTS

### Insurance

#### Net Investment Income

The significant components of CNA's net investment income are presented in the following table:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Fixed maturity securities	\$ 393.6	\$ 396.3	\$ 1,167.4	\$ 1,189.1
Short-term investments	42.3	13.4	103.0	38.8
Limited partnerships	72.3	25.5	189.2	130.6
Equity securities	5.7	3.2	17.7	11.2
Income (loss) from trading portfolio (a)	41.3	(20.5)	25.1	13.1
Interest on funds withheld and other deposits	(49.2)	(54.1)	(138.6)	(156.8)
Other	2.5	4.4	15.3	15.6
Total investment income	508.5	368.2	1,379.1	1,241.6
Investment expenses	(8.5)	(7.6)	(33.8)	(25.0)
Net investment income	\$ 500.0	\$ 360.6	\$ 1,345.3	\$ 1,216.6

(a) The change in net unrealized gains (losses) on trading securities, included in net investment income, was \$3.0 million, \$(4.0) million, \$(4.0) million and \$(2.0) million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

Net investment income increased by \$139.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 compared with the same period of 2004. This increase was due primarily to improved investment income from the trading portfolio, limited partnerships and short term investments which reflects the improved period over period returns within the sector. The improved income from the trading portfolio was largely offset by a corresponding increase in the policyholders' funds reserves supported by the trading portfolio.

CNA earned higher net investment income for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 compared with the same period of 2004. This increase was due primarily to improved short term and limited partnership results in addition to reduced interest expense on funds withheld and other deposits. See the Reinsurance section of the MD&A regarding additional information about interest costs on funds withheld and other deposits.

The bond segment of the investment portfolio yielded 4.8% and 4.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

## Net Realized Investment Gains (Losses)

The components of CNA's net realized investment gains (losses) for available-for-sale securities are presented in the following table:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30, 2005	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Realized investment gains (losses):				
Fixed maturity securities:				
U.S. Government bonds	\$ 2.5	\$ 3.5	\$ (9.9)	\$ 12.7
Corporate and other taxable bonds	9.7	(35.0)	(36.0)	(1.8)
Tax-exempt bonds	3.6	42.2	38.0	22.8
Asset-backed bonds	7.0	9.1	18.4	44.3
Redeemable preferred stock	(0.5)	6.8	9.7	11.1
Total fixed maturity securities	22.3	26.6	20.2	89.1
Equity securities	6.7	10.0	45.5	187.2
Derivative securities	53.1	(105.8)	34.4	(88.4)
Short-term investments	1.2	0.2	1.4	0.2
Other, including disposition of individual life business net of participating policyholders' interest	(16.5)	9.8	(27.5)	(590.7)
Allocated to participating policyholders' and minority interests	0.3	(3.0)	2.3	(8.8)
Total realized investment gains (losses)	67.1	(62.2)	76.3	(411.4)
Income tax (expense) benefit	(24.8)	20.4	(30.3)	157.5
Minority interest	(3.7)	3.6	(3.9)	22.3
Net realized investment gains (losses)	\$ 38.6	\$ (38.2)	\$ 42.1	\$ (231.6)

Net realized investment gains were \$38.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to net realized investment losses of \$38.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004. The increase in net realized gains was primarily driven by favorable results in derivative securities and improved results in corporate and other taxable bonds, partially offset by less favorable results from tax-exempt bonds. Impairment losses of \$10.0 million after-tax and minority interest and \$11.0 million after-tax and minority interest were recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and September 30, 2004.

Net realized investment gains were \$42.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to net realized investment losses of \$231.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The improvement in the net realized investment results was due primarily to a \$352.9 million after-tax and minority interest loss on the sale of the individual life insurance business in 2004. This improvement was partially offset by reduced gains for equities securities, which was largely attributable to the 2004 gain of \$95.8 million after-tax and minority interest on the disposition of Canary Wharf. Impairment losses of \$42.0 million after-tax and minority interest were recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 across various sectors, including an impairment loss of \$20.1 million after-tax and minority interest related to loans made under a credit facility to a national contractor. See Note 15 for further details. Impairment losses were \$11.9 million after-tax and minority interest for other-than-temporary declines in fair value for fixed maturity and equity securities for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

A primary objective in the management of the fixed maturity and equity portfolios is to maximize total return relative to underlying liabilities and respective liquidity needs. CNA's views on the current interest rate environment, tax regulations, asset class valuations, specific security issuer and broader industry segment conditions and the domestic and global economic conditions are some of the factors that may enter into a decision to move between asset classes. Based on CNA's consideration of these factors, in the course of normal investment activity CNA may, in pursuit of the total return objective, be willing to sell securities that, in its analysis, are overvalued on a risk adjusted basis relative to other opportunities that are available at the time in the market; in turn CNA may purchase other securities that, according to its analysis, are undervalued in relation to other securities in the market. In making these value decisions, securities may be bought and sold that shift the investment portfolio between asset classes. CNA also continually monitors exposure to issuers of securities held and broader industry sector exposures and may from time to time reduce such exposures based on its views of a specific issuer or industry sector. These activities will produce realized gains or losses.

The investment portfolio is periodically analyzed for changes in duration and related price change risk. Additionally, CNA periodically reviews the sensitivity of the portfolio to the level of foreign exchange rates and other factors that contribute to market price changes. A summary of these risks and specific analysis on changes is included in Item 3 - Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risks included herein. Under certain economic conditions, including but not limited to a changing interest rate environment, CNA may hedge the value of the investment portfolio by utilizing derivative strategies.

A further consideration in the management of the investment portfolio is the characteristics of the underlying liabilities and the ability to align the duration of the portfolio to those liabilities to meet future liquidity needs, minimize interest rate risk and maintain a level of income sufficient to support the underlying insurance liabilities. For portfolios where future liability cash flows are determinable and long term in nature, CNA segregates assets for asset liability management purposes.

CNA classifies its fixed maturity securities (bonds and redeemable preferred stocks) and its equity securities as either available-for-sale or trading, and as such, they are carried at fair value. The amortized cost of fixed maturity securities is adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts to maturity, which is included in net investment income. Changes in fair value related to available-for-sale securities are reported as a component of other comprehensive income. Changes in fair value of trading securities are reported within net investment income.

The following table provides further detail of gross realized gains and losses on available-for sale fixed maturity and equity securities:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Net realized gains (losses) on fixed maturity and equity securities:				
Fixed maturity securities:				
Gross realized gains	\$ 65.0	\$ 130.0	\$ 330.0	\$ 443.0
Gross realized losses	(43.0)	(104.0)	(310.0)	(354.0)
Net realized gains on fixed maturity securities	22.0	26.0	20.0	89.0
Equity securities:				
Gross realized gains	16.0	16.0	70.0	198.0
Gross realized losses	(10.0)	(6.0)	(25.0)	(11.0)
Net realized gains on equity securities	6.0	10.0	45.0	187.0
Net realized gains on fixed maturity and equity securities	\$ 28.0	\$ 36.0	\$ 65.0	\$ 276.0

The following table provides details of the largest realized losses from sales of securities aggregated by issuer, including: the fair value of the securities at date of sale, the amount of the loss recorded and the period of time that the security had been in an unrealized loss position prior to sale for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. The period of time that the security had been in an unrealized loss position prior to sale can vary due to the timing of individual security purchases. Also included is a narrative providing the industry sector along with the facts and circumstances giving rise to the loss.

Issuer Description and Discussion (In millions)	Fair Value Date of Sale	Loss On Sale	Months in Unrealized Loss Prior To Sale (a)
Various notes and bonds issued by the United States Treasury. Volatility of interest rates prompted movement to other asset classes.	\$12,661.0	\$59.0	0-12+
Manufactures and sells vehicles worldwide under various brand names. The company also has financing and insurance operations. The company is experiencing inventory capacity issues. Losses relate to trades that took place to reduce issuer exposure.	357.0	45.0	0-12+
Large media company that was downgraded to below investment grade. Losses relate to trades that took place to reduce issuer exposure.	76.0	5.0	0-12+
Large domestic passenger and freight airline that filed for bankruptcy during third quarter 2005. Losses relate to trades that took place to reduce issuer exposure.	12.0	5.0	0-6
Issuer of high grade state general obligation bonds. Loss was incurred as a result of unfavorable interest rate change.	227.0	5.0	0-12
Total	\$13,333.0	\$119.0	

(a) Represents the range of consecutive months the various positions were in an unrealized loss prior to sale. 0-12+ means certain positions were less than 12 months, while others were greater than 12 months.

## Valuation and Impairment of Investments

The following table details the carrying value of CNA's general account investment portfolios:

	September 30, 2005		December 31, 2004	
(In millions of dollars)				
General account investments:				
Fixed maturity securities available-for-sale:				
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of				
government agencies	\$	3,287.0	7.9%	\$ 4,346.0 11.1%
Asset-backed securities		10,542.0	25.2	7,788.0 19.9
States, municipalities and political subdivisions-				
tax-exempt		9,075.0	21.7	8,857.0 22.6
Corporate securities		5,964.0	14.3	6,513.0 16.6
Other debt securities		2,936.0	7.0	3,053.0 7.8
Redeemable preferred stock		214.0	0.5	146.0 0.3
Options embedded in convertible debt securities		1.0		234.0 0.6
Total fixed maturity securities available-for-sale		32,019.0	76.6	30,937.0 78.9
Fixed maturity securities trading:				
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of				
government agencies		67.0	0.2	27.0 0.1
Asset-backed securities		109.0	0.3	125.0 0.3
Corporate securities		196.0	0.4	199.0 0.5
Other debt securities		33.0	0.1	35.0 0.1
Redeemable preferred stock		5.0		4.0
Total fixed maturity securities trading		410.0	1.0	390.0 1.0
Equity securities available-for-sale:				
Common stock		281.0	0.7	260.0 0.7
Non-redeemable preferred stock		226.0	0.5	150.0 0.3
Total equity securities available-for-sale		507.0	1.2	410.0 1.0
Total equity securities trading		42.0	0.1	46.0 0.1
Short-term investments available-for-sale		6,772.0	16.2	5,404.0 13.8
Short-term investments trading		381.0	0.9	459.0 1.2
Limited partnerships		1,618.0	3.9	1,549.0 3.9
Other investments		34.0	0.1	36.0 0.1
Total general account investments	\$	41,783.0	100.0%	\$ 39,231.0 100.0%

CNA's general account investment portfolio consists primarily of publicly traded government bonds, asset-backed securities, short-term investments, municipal bonds and corporate bonds.

Investments in the general account had a total net unrealized gain of \$769.0 million at September 30, 2005 compared with \$1,197.0 million at December 31, 2004. The unrealized position at September 30, 2005 was comprised of a net unrealized gain of \$644.0 million for fixed maturities, a net unrealized gain of \$126.0 million for equity securities and a \$1.0 million unrealized loss for short-term securities. The unrealized position at December 31, 2004 was comprised of a net unrealized gain of \$1,061.0 million for fixed maturities and a net unrealized gain of \$136.0 million for equity securities.

Unrealized gains (losses) on fixed maturity and equity securities are presented in the following tables:

September 30, 2005 (In millions)	Cost or Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses		Net Unrealized Gain/(Loss)
			Less than 12 Months	Greater than 12 Months	
Fixed maturity securities available-for-sale:					
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of government agencies	\$ 3,182.0	\$ 124.0	\$ 18.0	\$ 1.0	\$ 105.0
Asset-backed securities	10,616.0	42.0	102.0	14.0	(74.0)
States, municipalities and political subdivisions-tax-exempt	8,945.0	181.0	44.0	7.0	130.0
Corporate securities	5,722.0	326.0	70.0	14.0	242.0
Other debt securities	2,697.0	255.0	14.0	2.0	239.0
Redeemable preferred stock	212.0	4.0	2.0		2.0
Options embedded in convertible debt securities	1.0				
Total fixed maturity securities available-for-sale	31,375.0	932.0	250.0	38.0	644.0
Fixed maturity securities trading	410.0				
Equity securities available-for-sale:					
Common stock	171.0	112.0	2.0		110.0
Non-redeemable preferred stock	210.0	16.0			16.0
Total equity securities available-for-sale	381.0	128.0	2.0		126.0
Equity securities trading	42.0				
Total fixed maturity and equity securities	\$ 32,208.0	\$ 1,060.0	\$ 252.0	\$ 38.0	\$ 770.0

December 31, 2004	Cost or Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses		Net Unrealized Gain
			Less than 12 Months	Greater than 12 Months	
Fixed maturity securities available-for-sale:					
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of government agencies	\$ 4,233.0	\$ 126.0	\$ 13.0		\$ 113.0
Asset-backed securities	7,706.0	105.0	19.0	\$ 4.0	82.0
States, municipalities and political subdivisions-tax-exempt	8,699.0	189.0	28.0	3.0	158.0
Corporate securities	6,093.0	477.0	52.0	5.0	420.0
Other debt securities	2,769.0	295.0	11.0		284.0
Redeemable preferred stock	142.0	6.0		2.0	4.0
Options embedded in convertible debt securities	234.0				
Total fixed maturity securities available-for-sale	29,876.0	1,198.0	123.0	14.0	1,061.0
Fixed maturity securities trading	390.0				
Equity securities available-for-sale:					
Common stock	148.0	112.0			112.0
Non-redeemable preferred stock	126.0	24.0			24.0
Total equity securities available-for-sale	274.0	136.0			136.0
Equity securities trading	46.0				
Total fixed maturity and equity securities					
	\$ 30,586.0	\$ 1,334.0	\$ 123.0	\$ 14.0	\$ 1,197.0

CNA's investment policies for both the general account and separate account emphasize high credit quality and diversification by industry, issuer and issue. Assets supporting interest rate sensitive liabilities are segmented within the general account to facilitate asset/liability duration management.

At September 30, 2005, the carrying value of the general account fixed maturities was \$32,429.0 million, representing 77.6% of the total investment portfolio. The net unrealized position associated with the fixed maturity portfolio included \$288.0 million in gross unrealized losses consisting of municipal securities which represented 17.0%, corporate bonds which represented 29.0%, asset-backed securities which represented 40.0%, and all other fixed maturity securities which represented 14.0%. Within corporate bonds, the largest industry sectors were consumer cyclical and financial, which represented 31.0% and 21.0% of the gross unrealized losses. Gross unrealized losses in any single issuer were less than 0.1% of the carrying value of the total general account fixed maturity portfolio.

The following table provides the composition of fixed maturity securities with an unrealized loss at September 30, 2005 in relation to the total of all fixed maturity securities with an unrealized loss by contractual maturities.

	Percent of Market Value	Percent of Unrealized Loss
Due in one year or less	3.0%	
Due after one year through five years	11.0	5.0%
Due after five years through ten years	7.0	13.0
Due after ten years	71.0	76.0
Asset-backed securities	8.0	6.0
Total	100.0%	100.0%

The following table summarizes, for fixed maturity and equity securities in an unrealized loss position at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, the aggregate fair value and gross unrealized loss by length of time those securities have been continuously in an unrealized loss position.

	September 30, 2005		December 31, 2004	
	Estimated Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Loss	Estimated Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Loss
<b>(In millions)</b>				
Fixed maturity securities:				
Investment grade:				
0-6 months	\$ 13,637.0	\$ 160.0	\$ 7,742.0	\$ 53.0
7-12 months	2,160.0	45.0	2,448.0	59.0
13-24 months	965.0	25.0	368.0	12.0
Greater than 24 months	136.0	5.0	2.0	
Total investment grade	16,898.0	235.0	10,560.0	124.0
Non-investment grade:				
0-6 months	656.0	25.0	188.0	7.0
7-12 months	157.0	20.0	69.0	4.0
13-24 months	106.0	8.0	20.0	2.0
Greater than 24 months	2.0			
Total non-investment grade	921.0	53.0	277.0	13.0
Total fixed maturity securities	17,819.0	288.0	10,837.0	137.0
Equity securities:				
0-6 months	90.0	2.0	4.0	
7-12 months	3.0		1.0	
13-24 months			1.0	
Greater than 24 months	4.0		3.0	
Total equity securities	97.0	2.0	9.0	
Total fixed maturity and equity securities	\$ 17,916.0	\$ 290.0	\$ 10,846.0	\$ 137.0

A significant judgment in the valuation of investments is the determination of when an other-than-temporary decline in value has occurred. CNA follows a consistent and systematic process for impairing securities that sustain other-than-temporary declines in value. CNA has established a committee responsible for the impairment process. This committee, referred to as the Impairment Committee, is made up of three officers appointed by CNA's Chief Financial Officer. The Impairment Committee is responsible for analyzing watch list securities on at least a quarterly basis. The watch list includes individual securities that fall below certain thresholds or that exhibit evidence of impairment indicators including, but not limited to, a significant adverse change in the financial condition and near term prospects of the investment or a significant adverse change in legal factors, the business climate or credit ratings.

When a security is placed on the watch list, it is monitored for further fair value changes and additional news related to the issuer's financial condition. The focus is on objective evidence that may influence the evaluation of impairment factors.

The decision to impair a security incorporates both quantitative criteria and qualitative information. The Impairment Committee considers a number of factors including, but not limited to: (a) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than book value, (b) the financial condition and near term prospects of the issuer, (c) the intent and ability of CNA to retain its investment for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in value, (d) whether the debtor is current on interest and principal payments and (e) general market conditions and industry or sector specific factors.

The Impairment Committee's decision to impair a security is primarily based on whether the security's fair value is likely to remain significantly below its book value in light of all of the factors considered. For securities that are impaired, the security is written down to fair value and the resulting losses are recognized in realized gains/losses in the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income.

CNA's non-investment grade fixed maturity securities available-for-sale as of September 30, 2005 that were in a gross unrealized loss position had a fair value of \$921.0 million. As discussed previously, a significant judgment in the valuation of investments is the determination of when an other-than-temporary impairment has occurred. CNA's

Impairment Committee analyzes securities placed on the watch list on at least a quarterly basis. Part of this analysis is to monitor the length of time and severity of the decline below book value of the watch list securities. The following tables summarize the fair value and gross unrealized loss of non-investment grade securities categorized by the length of time those securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position and further categorized by the severity of the unrealized loss position in 10.0% increments as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

						Gross
	Estimated	Fair Value as a Percentage of Book Value				Unrealized
September 30, 2005	Fair Value	90-99%	80-89%	70-79%	<70%	Loss
(In millions)						
Fixed maturity securities:						
Non-investment grade:						
0-6 months	\$ 656.0	\$ 19.0	\$ 4.0	\$ 2.0		\$ 25.0
7-12 months	157.0	5.0	11.0	4.0		20.0
13-24 months	106.0	4.0	4.0			8.0
Greater than 24 months	2.0					
Total non-investment grade	\$ 921.0	\$ 28.0	\$ 19.0	\$ 6.0		\$ 53.0

#### December 31, 2004

<b>Fixed maturity securities:</b>						
<b>Non-investment grade:</b>						
0-6 months	\$ 188.0	\$ 6.0	\$ 1.0			\$ 7.0
7-12 months	69.0	3.0	1.0			4.0
13-24 months	20.0	1.0	1.0			2.0
<b>Total non-investment grade</b>	<b>\$ 277.0</b>	<b>\$ 10.0</b>	<b>\$ 3.0</b>			<b>\$ 13.0</b>

As part of the ongoing impairment monitoring process, the Impairment Committee has evaluated the facts and circumstances based on available information for each of the non-investment grade securities and determined that no further impairments were appropriate at September 30, 2005. This determination was based on a number of factors that the Impairment Committee regularly considers including, but not limited to: the issuers' ability to meet current and future interest and principal payments, an evaluation of the issuers' financial condition and near term prospects, CNA's sector outlook and estimates of the fair value of any underlying collateral. In all cases where a decline in value is judged to be temporary, CNA has the intent and ability to hold these securities for a period of time sufficient to recover the book value of its investment through a recovery in the fair value of such securities or by holding the securities to maturity. In many cases, the securities held are matched to liabilities as part of ongoing asset/liability duration management. As such, the Impairment Committee continually assesses its ability to hold securities for a time sufficient to recover any temporary loss in value or until maturity. CNA maintains sufficient levels of liquidity so as to not impact the asset/liability management process.

CNA's equity securities available for sale as of September 30, 2005 that were in an unrealized loss position had a fair value of \$97.0 million. CNA's Impairment Committee, under the same process as followed for fixed maturity securities, monitors the equity securities for other-than-temporary declines in value. In all cases where a decline in value is judged to be temporary, CNA expects to recover the book value of its investment through a recovery in the fair value of the security.

Invested assets are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain invested assets and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of these assets, it is possible that changes in risks in the near term, including increases in interest rates, could have an adverse material impact on the Company's results of operations or equity.

The general account portfolio consists primarily of high quality bonds, 91.2% and 92.8% of which were rated as investment grade (rated BBB or higher) at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004. The following table summarizes the ratings of CNA's general account bond portfolio at carrying value.

	September 30, 2005		December 31, 2004		
(In millions of dollars)					
U.S. Government and affiliated agency securities	\$	3,550.0	11.0%	\$ 4,640.0	14.9%
Other rated		16,439.0	51.0	14,628.0	46.9
AA and A rated		5,371.0	16.7	5,597.0	17.9
BBB rated		4,023.0	12.5	4,072.0	13.1
Non investment-grade		2,826.0	8.8	2,240.0	7.2
Total	\$	32,209.0	100.0%	\$ 31,177.0	100.0%

At September 30, 2005 and at December 31, 2004, approximately 96.0% and 99.0% of the general account portfolio was U.S. Government and affiliated agency securities or was rated by S&P or Moody's. The remaining bonds were rated by other rating agencies or CNA management.

Non-investment grade bonds, as presented in the table above, are high-yield securities rated below BBB by bond rating agencies, as well as other unrated securities that, in the opinion of CNA management, are below investment-grade. High-yield securities generally involve a greater degree of risk than investment-grade securities. However, expected returns should compensate for the added risk. This risk is also considered in the interest rate assumptions for the underlying insurance products.

The carrying value of non-traded securities at September 30, 2005 was \$109.0 million which represents 0.3% of CNA's total investment portfolio. These securities were in a net unrealized gain position of \$72.0 million at September 30, 2005. Of the non-traded securities, 53.0% are priced by unrelated third party sources.

Included in CNA's general account fixed maturity securities at September 30, 2005 were \$10,651.0 million of asset-backed securities, at fair value, consisting of approximately 59.0% in collateralized mortgage obligations ("CMO"s), 20.0% in corporate asset-backed obligations, 18.0% in corporate mortgage-backed pass-through certificates, and 3.0% in U.S. Government agency issued pass-through certificates. The CMOs held are actively traded in liquid markets and are priced by broker-dealers.

The carrying value of the components of the general account short-term investment portfolio is presented in the following table:

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
(In millions)		
Short-term investments available-for-sale:		
Commercial paper	\$ 1,778.0	\$ 1,655.0
U.S. Treasury securities	1,851.0	2,382.0
Money market funds	453.0	174.0
Other	2,690.0	1,193.0
Total short-term investments available-for-sale	6,772.0	5,404.0
Short-term investments trading:		
Commercial paper	91.0	46.0
U.S. Treasury securities	62.0	300.0
Money market funds	228.0	99.0
Other		14.0
Total short-term investments trading	381.0	459.0
Total short-term investments	\$ 7,153.0	\$ 5,863.0

The fair value of collateral held related to securities lending, included in other short-term investments, was \$2,006.2 million and \$918.0 million at September 31, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

CNA invests in certain derivative financial instruments primarily to reduce its exposure to market risk (principally interest rate, equity price and foreign currency risk) and credit risk (risk of non-performance of underlying obligor). Derivative securities are recorded at fair value at the reporting date. CNA also uses derivatives to mitigate market risk by purchasing S&P 500 index futures in a notional amount equal to the contract liability relating to Life and Group Non-Core indexed group annuity contracts.

## ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In December of 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued a complete replacement of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (“SFAS”) No. 123, “Share-Based Payment” (“SFAS No. 123R”), which covers a wide range of share-based compensation arrangements, including share options, restricted share plans, performance-based awards, share appreciation rights, and employee share purchase plans. SFAS No. 123R requires companies to use the fair value method in accounting for employee stock options which results in compensation expense recorded in the income statement. Compensation expense is measured at the grant date using an option-pricing model and is recognized over the service period, which is usually the vesting period. In March of 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) issued Staff Accounting Bulletin (“SAB”) No. 107, “Share-Based Payment.” This bulletin summarizes the SEC staff’s views regarding the valuation of share-based payment arrangements for public companies and the interaction between SFAS No. 123R and certain SEC rules and regulations. In April of 2005, the SEC issued an amendment to Rule 4-01(a) of Regulation S-X regarding the compliance date for SFAS No. 123R. SFAS No. 123R is effective for the first interim or annual reporting period of the first fiscal year beginning on or after June 15, 2005. The adoption of SFAS No. 123R and SAB No. 107 are not expected to have a significant impact on the Company’s results of operations or equity.

In March of 2005, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 47, “Accounting for Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations,” which clarifies when an entity is required to recognize a liability for the fair value of a conditional asset retirement obligation and is effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2005, with earlier adoption encouraged. The Company is currently evaluating the impact this interpretation may have on its results of operations or equity.

## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS DISCLAIMER

Investors are cautioned that certain statements contained in this document as well as some statements in periodic press releases and some oral statements made by officials of the Company and its subsidiaries during presentations about the Company, are “forward-looking” statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the “Act”). Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, any statement that may project, indicate or imply future results, events, performance or achievements, and may contain the words “expect,” “intend,” “plan,” “anticipate,” “estimate,” “believe,” “will be,” “will continue,” “will likely result,” and similar expressions. In addition, any statement concerning future financial performance (including future revenues, earnings or growth rates), ongoing business strategies or prospects, and possible actions by the Company or its subsidiaries, which may be provided by management are also forward-looking statements as defined by the Act.

Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and projections about future events and are inherently subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the Company’s control, that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated or projected. These risks and uncertainties include, among others:

### Risks and uncertainties primarily affecting the Company and the Company’s insurance subsidiaries

- the impact of competitive products, policies and pricing and the competitive environment in which CNA operates, including the ability to implement and maintain price increases and changes in CNA’s book of business;
- product and policy availability and demand and market responses, including the level of CNA’s ability to obtain rate increases and decline or non-renew underpriced accounts to achieve premium targets and profitability and to realize growth and retention estimates;
- the possibility that the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 will not be extended beyond the end of 2005, as a result of which CNA could incur substantial additional exposure to losses resulting from terrorist attacks, which could be increased by current state regulatory restrictions on terrorism policy exclusions and by regulatory unwillingness to approve such exclusions prospectively;
- development of claims and the impact on loss reserves, including changes in claim settlement policies, and additional charges to earnings if loss reserves are insufficient, including among others, loss reserves related to

APMT exposure which are more uncertain and therefore more difficult to estimate than loss reserves respecting traditional property and casualty exposures;

- the impact of regular and ongoing insurance reserve reviews by CNA and ongoing state regulatory exams of CNA's primary insurance company subsidiaries, and CNA's responses to the results of those reviews and exams;
- the effects upon insurance markets and upon industry business practices and relationships of current litigation, investigations and regulatory activity by the New York State Attorney General's office and other authorities concerning contingent commission arrangements with brokers and bid solicitation activities;
- exposure to catastrophic events, natural and man-made, which are inherently unpredictable, with a frequency or severity that exceeds CNA's expectations and results in material losses, or the occurrence of epidemics;
- exposure to liabilities due to claims made by insureds and others relating to asbestos remediation and health-based asbestos impairments, as well as exposure to liabilities for environmental pollution, mass tort and construction defect claims;
- whether a national privately financed trust to replace litigation of asbestos claims with payments to claimants from the trust will be established or approved through federal legislation, or, if established and approved, whether it will contain funding requirements in excess of CNA's established loss reserves or carried loss reserves;
- the availability and adequacy of reinsurance and the creditworthiness and performance of reinsurance companies under reinsurance contracts;
- regulatory limitations, impositions and restrictions upon CNA and its insurance subsidiaries, including limitations imposed by state regulatory agencies upon CNA's ability to receive dividends from its insurance subsidiaries and to pay dividends to the Company, and minimum risk-based capital standards established by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners;
- the possibility of further changes in CNA's ratings by ratings agencies, including the inability to obtain business from certain major insurance brokers, the inability of CNA to access certain markets or distribution channels, and the required collateralization of future payment obligations as a result of such changes, and changes in rating agency policies and practices;
- the effects of corporate bankruptcies and/or accounting restatements (such as Enron and WorldCom) on surety bond claims, as well as on the capital markets, including the resulting decline in value of securities held and possible additional charges for impairments;
- the effects of corporate bankruptcies and/or accounting restatements (such as Enron and WorldCom) on the markets for directors and officers and errors and omissions coverages;
- the effects of assessments and other surcharges for guaranty funds and second-injury funds and other mandatory pooling arrangements;
- general economic and business conditions, including inflationary pressures on medical care costs, construction costs and other economic sectors that increase the severity of claims and the impact of current economic conditions on companies on whose behalf CNA's subsidiaries have issued surety bonds;
- regulatory initiatives and compliance with governmental regulations, judicial decisions, including interpretations of policy provisions, decisions regarding coverage and theories of liability, trends in litigation and the outcome of any litigation involving CNA, and rulings and changes in tax laws and regulations;
- legal and regulatory activities with respect to certain non-traditional and finite-risk insurance products and possible resulting changes in accounting and financial reporting in relation to such products, including the Company's restatement of financial results in May of 2005 and its relationship with Accord Re Ltd. as disclosed in connection with that restatement;
- the effectiveness of current initiatives by claims management to reduce loss and expense ratio through more efficacious claims handling techniques; and

- changes in the composition of CNA's operating segments.

#### **Risks and uncertainties primarily affecting the Company and the Company's tobacco subsidiaries**

- health concerns, claims and regulations relating to the use of tobacco products and exposure to environmental tobacco smoke;
- legislation, including actual and potential excise tax increases, and the effects of tobacco litigation settlements on pricing and consumption rates;
- continued intense competition from other cigarette manufacturers, including increased promotional activity and the continued growth of the deep-discount category;
- the continuing decline in volume in the domestic cigarette industry;
- increasing marketing and regulatory restrictions, governmental regulation and privately imposed smoking restrictions;
- litigation, including risks associated with adverse jury and judicial determinations, courts reaching conclusions at variance with the general understandings of applicable law, bonding requirements and the absence of adequate appellate remedies to get timely relief from any of the foregoing; and
- the impact of each of the factors described under "Results of Operations-Lorillard" in the MD&A portion of this Report.

#### **Risks and uncertainties primarily affecting the Company and the Company's energy subsidiaries**

- the impact of changes in demand for oil and natural gas and oil and gas price fluctuations on exploration and production activity;
- costs and timing of rig upgrades;
- utilization levels and dayrates for offshore oil and gas drilling rigs;
- regulatory issues affecting natural gas transmission, including ratemaking and other proceedings particularly affecting the Company's gas transmission subsidiaries;
- the ability of Texas Gas and Gulf South to renegotiate, extend or replace existing customer contracts on favorable terms;
- the successful development and projected cost of planned expansion projects and investments;
- the development of additional natural gas reserves and the completion of projected new liquefied natural gas facilities and expansion of existing facilities; and
- the closing of any contemplated transactions and agreements, and the terms thereof, including the proposed initial public offering of the Company's Boardwalk Pipeline Partners, LP subsidiary.

#### **Risks and uncertainties affecting the Company and the Company's subsidiaries generally**

- general economic and business conditions;
- changes in financial markets (such as interest rate, credit, currency, commodities and equities markets) or in the value of specific investments;
- changes in domestic and foreign political, social and economic conditions, including the impact of the global war on terrorism, the war in Iraq, the future outbreak of hostilities and future acts of terrorism;
- the economic effects of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, other terrorist attacks and the war in Iraq;

- potential changes in accounting policies by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the SEC or regulatory agencies for any of the Company's subsidiaries' industries which may cause the Company or the Company's subsidiaries to revise their financial accounting and/or disclosures in the future, and which may change the way analysts measure the business or financial performance of the Company and the Company's subsidiaries;
- the impact of regulatory initiatives and compliance with governmental regulations, judicial rulings and jury verdicts;
- the results of financing efforts;
- the Company and its subsidiaries' level of success in integrating the operations of acquired businesses and in consolidating, or selling existing ones;
- the closing of any contemplated transactions and agreements; and
- the outcome of pending litigation.

Developments in any of these areas, which are more fully described elsewhere in this Report, could cause the Company's results to differ materially from results that have been or may be anticipated or projected. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Report and the Company expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to update these statements to reflect any change in the Company's expectations or beliefs or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any forward-looking statement is based.

### **Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk**

The Company is a large diversified financial services company. As such, it and its subsidiaries have significant amounts of financial instruments that involve market risk. The Company's measure of market risk exposure represents an estimate of the change in fair value of its financial instruments. Changes in the trading portfolio would be recognized in the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income. Market risk exposure is presented for each class of financial instrument held by the Company at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 assuming immediate adverse market movements of the magnitude described below. The Company believes that the various rates of adverse market movements represent a measure of exposure to loss under hypothetically assumed adverse conditions. The estimated market risk exposure represents the hypothetical loss to future earnings and does not represent the maximum possible loss nor any expected actual loss, even under adverse conditions, because actual adverse fluctuations would likely differ. In addition, since the Company's investment portfolio is subject to change based on its portfolio management strategy as well as in response to changes in the market, these estimates are not necessarily indicative of the actual results which may occur.

In accordance with the provisions of SOP 03-01, the classification and presentation of certain balance sheet and income statement items have been modified. Accordingly, the investment securities previously classified as separate account assets have now been reclassified to the general account and will be reported based on their investment classification, whether available-for-sale or trading securities. The investment portfolio for the indexed group annuity contracts is classified as held for trading purposes and is carried at fair value, with both the net realized and unrealized gains (losses) included within net investment income in the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income.

Exposure to market risk is managed and monitored by senior management. Senior management approves the overall investment strategy employed by the Company and has responsibility to ensure that the investment positions are consistent with that strategy and the level of risk acceptable to it. The Company may manage risk by buying or selling instruments or entering into offsetting positions.

**Interest Rate Risk** - The Company has exposure to interest rate risk arising from changes in the level or volatility of interest rates. The Company attempts to mitigate its exposure to interest rate risk by utilizing instruments such as interest rate swaps, interest rate caps, commitments to purchase securities, options, futures and forwards. The Company monitors its sensitivity to interest rate risk by evaluating the change in the value of its financial assets and liabilities due to fluctuations in interest rates. The evaluation is performed by applying an instantaneous change in interest rates by varying magnitudes on a static balance sheet to determine the effect such a change in rates would have on the recorded market value of the Company's investments and the resulting effect on shareholders' equity. The analysis presents the sensitivity of the market value of the Company's financial instruments to selected changes in market rates and prices which the Company believes are reasonably possible over a one-year period.

The sensitivity analysis estimates the change in the market value of the Company's interest sensitive assets and liabilities that were held on September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 due to instantaneous parallel shifts in the yield curve of 100 basis points, with all other variables held constant.

The interest rates on certain types of assets and liabilities may fluctuate in advance of changes in market interest rates, while interest rates on other types may lag behind changes in market rates. Accordingly the analysis may not be indicative of, is not intended to provide, and does not provide a precise forecast of the effect of changes of market interest rates on the Company's earnings or shareholders' equity. Further, the computations do not contemplate any actions the Company could undertake in response to changes in interest rates.

The Company's debt, as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 is denominated in U.S. Dollars. The Company's debt has been primarily issued at fixed rates, and as such, interest expense would not be impacted by interest rate shifts. The impact of a 100 basis point increase in interest rates on fixed rate debt would result in a decrease in market value of \$419.2 million and \$426.8 million, respectively. A 100 basis point decrease would result in an increase in market value of \$329.2 million and \$494.4 million, respectively.

**Equity Price Risk** - The Company has exposure to equity price risk as a result of its investment in equity securities and equity derivatives. Equity price risk results from changes in the level or volatility of equity prices which affect the value of equity securities or instruments that derive their value from such securities or indexes. Equity price risk was measured assuming an instantaneous 25% change in the underlying reference price or index from its level at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, with all other variables held constant.

**Foreign Exchange Rate Risk** - Foreign exchange rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in foreign currency exchange rates will impact the value of financial instruments. The Company has foreign exchange rate exposure when it buys or sells foreign currencies or financial instruments denominated in a foreign currency. This exposure is mitigated by the Company's asset/liability matching strategy and through the use of futures for those instruments which are not matched. The Company's foreign transactions are primarily denominated in Canadian dollars, British pounds and the European Monetary Unit. The sensitivity analysis also assumes an instantaneous 20% change in the foreign currency exchange rates versus the U.S. dollar from their levels at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, with all other variables held constant.

**Commodity Price Risk** - The Company has exposure to commodity price risk as a result of its investments in gold options. Commodity price risk results from changes in the level or volatility of commodity prices that impact instruments which derive their value from such commodities. Commodity price risk was measured assuming an instantaneous change of 20% from their levels at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

**Credit Risk** - The Company is exposed to credit risk which relates to the risk of loss resulting from the nonperformance by a customer of its contractual obligations. The Company's subsidiary, Texas Gas, has exposure related to receivables and unbilled revenue for services provided, as well as volumes owed by customers for imbalances or gas lent by Texas Gas to them generally under parking and lending services and no-notice services. Since April 1999, average natural gas prices have risen from approximately \$2.00 to over \$12.28 per MMBtu. This rise in gas prices has materially increased Texas Gas' credit risk related to gas loaned to its customers. The highest amount of gas loaned out at any one time by Texas Gas to its customers over the past twenty-four months has been approximately 35 billion cubic feet (Bcf). The aggregate market value of that volume, assuming a market price of \$12.28 per MMBtu, would be approximately \$429.8 million. If any significant customer of Texas Gas should have credit or financial problems resulting in a delay or failure to repay the gas it owes to Texas Gas, this could have a material adverse effect on Texas Gas' liquidity and its financial position.

The following tables present the Company's market risk by category (equity markets, interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates and commodity prices) on the basis of those entered into for trading purposes and other than trading purposes.

**Trading portfolio:**

Category of risk exposure:	Fair Value Asset (Liability)		Market Risk	
	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(Amounts in millions)</b>				
Equity markets (1):				
Equity securities (a)	\$ 424.2	\$ 233.1	\$ (106.0)	\$ (59.0)
Options - purchased	32.0	19.9	1.0	(2.0)
- written	(9.9)	(2.6)	(2.0)	1.0
Warrants	0.1	1.0		
Short sales	(69.9)	(77.6)	17.0	19.0
Limited partnership investments	490.6	427.7	(39.0)	(30.0)
Interest rate (2):				
Fixed maturities-short	(2.7)			
Treasury-short	(149.1)		(12.0)	
Futures-long			4.0	
Futures - short			(9.0)	(10.0)
Interest rate swaps-short		(5.5)		(46.0)
Fixed maturities	535.2	390.0	5.0	4.0
Short-term investments	381.0	459.2		
Other derivatives	0.3	2.1	(4.0)	(6.0)
Gold (3):				
Options - purchased	0.2	0.2	14.0	11.0
- written	(0.3)	(0.1)	(21.0)	(15.0)

Note: The calculation of estimated market risk exposure is based on assumed adverse changes in the underlying reference price or index of (1) a decrease in equity prices of 25%, (2) a decrease in interest rates of 100 basis points and (3) a decrease in gold prices of 20%. Adverse changes on options which differ from those presented above would not necessarily result in a proportionate change to the estimated market risk exposure.

- (a) In addition, the Separate Accounts carry positions in equity index futures. A decrease in equity prices of 25% would result in market risk amounting to \$(274.0) and \$(289.0) at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, respectively. This market risk would be offset by decreases in liabilities to customers under variable insurance contracts.

**Other than trading portfolio:**

Category of risk exposure:	Fair Value Asset (Liability)		Market Risk	
	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>(Amounts in millions)</b>				
Equity markets (1):				
Equity securities:				
General accounts (a)	\$ 507.0	\$ 410.1	\$ (127.0)	\$ (103.0)
Separate accounts	45.0	55.0	(11.0)	(14.0)
Limited partnership investments	1,407.7	1,355.7	(80.0)	(75.0)
Interest rate (2):				
Fixed maturities (a)(b)	33,019.7	33,112.1	(1,903.0)	(1,855.0)
Short-term investments (a)	9,681.1	7,847.6	(11.0)	(7.0)
Other invested assets	28.4	47.8		
Other derivative securities	3.5	(7.9)	106.0	9.0
Separate accounts (a):				
Fixed maturities	476.0	486.3	(22.0)	(24.0)
Short-term investments	26.3	19.8		
Debt	(5,490.0)	(7,101.0)		

Note: The calculation of estimated market risk exposure is based on assumed adverse changes in the underlying reference price or index of (1) a decrease in equity prices of 25% and (2) an increase in interest rates of 100 basis points.

- (a) Certain securities are denominated in foreign currencies. An assumed 20% decline in the underlying exchange rates would result in an aggregate foreign currency exchange rate risk of \$(251.0) and \$(254.0) at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, respectively.
- (b) Certain fixed maturities positions include options embedded in convertible debt securities. A decrease in underlying equity prices of 25% would result in market risk amounting to \$(54.0) and \$(63.0) at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, respectively.

**Item 4. Controls and Procedures.**

*Disclosure Controls and Procedures*

The Company maintains a system of disclosure controls and procedures which are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the federal securities laws, including this report, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported on a timely basis. These disclosure controls and procedures include controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company under the federal securities laws is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management on a timely basis to allow decisions regarding required disclosure.

The Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer evaluated the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of September 30, 2005 and concluded that the Company's controls and procedures were effective.

*Internal Control Over Financial Reporting*

There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the foregoing evaluation that occurred during the Company's last fiscal quarter that materially affected, or would be reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II. OTHER INFORMATION.

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

#### 1. Insurance Related.

Information with respect to insurance related legal proceedings is incorporated by reference to Note 14 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Part I of this Report.

#### 2. Tobacco Related.

Information with respect to tobacco related legal proceedings is incorporated by reference to Item 3, Legal Proceedings, and Exhibit 99.01, Pending Tobacco Litigation, of the Company's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004. Additional developments in relation to the foregoing are described below and incorporated by reference to Note 14 of the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements in Part I of this Report.

### CLASS ACTION CASES

In the case of *Willard Brown v. The American Tobacco Company, et al.* (Superior Court, San Diego County, California, filed June 10, 1997), the court has entered an order granting defendants' motion for class decertification. Plaintiffs are appealing this decision. This matter also is discussed under "Note 14. Legal Proceedings - Non-Insurance, Tobacco Related - Class Action Cases."

In the case of *Daniels v. Philip Morris Incorporated, Inc., et al.* (Superior Court, San Diego County, California, filed April 2, 1998), this matter is discussed under "Note 14. Legal Proceedings - Non-Insurance, Tobacco Related - Class Action Cases."

In the case of *Engle v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.* (Circuit Court, Miami-Dade County, Florida, filed May 5, 1994), this matter is discussed under "Note 14. Legal Proceedings - Non-Insurance, Tobacco Related - Class Action Cases."

In the case of *In re: Simon II Litigation v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.* (U.S. District Court, Eastern District, New York), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit has decertified the class ordered by the trial court. The Second Circuit denied plaintiffs' motion for reconsideration of the decertification ruling. Plaintiffs have not announced whether they will renew their motion for class certification with the trial court, as permitted by the decertification order, or whether they will seek review of the decertification ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court. This matter also is discussed under "Note 14. Legal Proceedings - Non-Insurance, Tobacco Related - Class Action Cases."

In the case of *Schwab v. Philip Morris USA, Inc., et al.* (U.S. District Court, Eastern District, New York), the court heard plaintiffs' motion for class certification during September of 2005 but it has permitted plaintiffs to submit additional evidence and it has not issued a ruling.

In the case of *Scott v. The American Tobacco Company, et al.* (District Court, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, filed May 24, 1996), this matter is discussed under "Note 14. Legal Proceedings - Non-Insurance, Tobacco Related - Class Action Cases."

### REIMBURSEMENT CASES

In the case of *Anderson v. The American Tobacco Company, Inc., et al.* (U.S. District Court, Middle District, Tennessee, filed as a smoking and health class action on May 23, 1997; amended complaint filed in order to assert claims on behalf of Tennessee tax payers filed July 26, 2002), plaintiffs did not seek further appellate review of the orders that dismissed this matter.

In the case of *City of St. Louis [Missouri] v. American Tobacco Co., Inc., et al.* (Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, Missouri, filed November 25, 1998), trial is scheduled for January of 2006. Numerous Missouri hospitals also are plaintiffs in this matter. As a result of a June 2005 ruling, the court has limited plaintiffs' claims by barring those that occurred more than five years before the case was filed.

In the case of *County of Cook [Illinois] v. Philip Morris, Incorporated, et al.* (Circuit Court, Cook County, Illinois, filed April 18, 1997), plaintiff did not seek further appellate review of the orders that dismissed this matter.

In the case of *County of McHenry [Illinois] v. Philip Morris Incorporated, et al.* (Circuit Court, Cook County, Illinois, filed July 13, 2000), plaintiffs have voluntarily dismissed the case with prejudice.

In the case of *Temple v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, et al.* (U.S. District Court, Middle District, Tennessee, filed as individual smoking and health case on February 7, 2000; amended complaint filed in order to expand plaintiffs' claims, September 11, 2000), plaintiffs did not seek further appellate review of the orders that dismissed this matter.

In the case of *United States of America v. Philip Morris Incorporated, et al.* (U.S. District Court, District of Columbia, filed September 22, 1999), this matter also is discussed under "Note 14. Legal Proceedings - Non-Insurance, Tobacco Related - Reimbursement Cases."

The following additional Reimbursement Cases have been filed:

The case of *The Republic of Panama v. The American Tobacco Company, Inc., et al.* (Superior Court of Delaware, New Castle County, filed July 19, 2005). The Company is a defendant in this action.

The case of *The State of São Paulo of the Federative Republic of Brazil v. The American Tobacco Company, Inc., et al.* (Superior Court of Delaware, New Castle County, filed July 19, 2005). The Company is a defendant in this action.

The case of *United Seniors Association, Inc., as a private attorney general v. Philip Morris USA, et al.* (U.S. District Court, Massachusetts, filed August 4, 2005).

#### Item 6. Exhibits.

Description of Exhibit	Number
Certification by the Chief Executive Officer of the Company pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a)	31.1*
Certification by the Chief Financial Officer of the Company pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a)	31.2*
Certification by the Chief Executive Officer of the Company pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 (as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)	32.1*
Certification by the Chief Financial Officer of the Company pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 (as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)	32.2*
Pending Tobacco Litigation, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.01 to Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004	99.1

\*Filed or furnished herewith.

## 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, hereunto duly authorized.

LOEWS CORPORATION  
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(Registrant)

Dated: October 28, 2005

By: /s/ Peter W. Keegan  
PETER W. KEEGAN  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Duly authorized officer  
and principal financial  
officer)

I, James S. Tisch, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Loews Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal controls over financial reporting, or caused such internal controls over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: October 28, 2005

By: /s/ James S. Tisch  
JAMES S. TISCH  
Chief Executive Officer

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I, Peter W. Keegan, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Loews Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal controls over financial reporting, or caused such internal controls over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: October 28, 2005

By: /s/ Peter W. Keegan  
PETER W. KEEGAN  
Chief Financial Officer

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Certification by the Chief Executive Officer  
of Loews Corporation pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350  
(as adopted by Section 906 of the  
Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, the undersigned chief executive officer of Loews Corporation (the “Company”) hereby certifies, to such officer’s knowledge, that the Company’s quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2005 (the “Report”) fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: October 28, 2005

By: /s/ James S. Tisch  
JAMES S. TISCH  
Chief Executive Officer

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Certification by the Chief Financial Officer  
of Loews Corporation pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350  
(as adopted by Section 906 of the  
Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, the undersigned chief financial officer of Loews Corporation (the “Company”) hereby certifies, to such officer’s knowledge, that the Company’s quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2005 (the “Report”) fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: October 28, 2005

By: /s/ Peter W. Keegan  
PETER W. KEEGAN  
Chief Financial Officer

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