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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, 2011

Commission file number 001-33606

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

BERMUDA
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

98-0501001
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

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29 Richmond Road, Pembroke, Bermuda HM 08

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(441) 278-9000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

As of November 2, 2011 there were 99,053,996 outstanding Common Shares, \$0.175 par value per share, of the registrant.

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Consolidated Balance Sheets

As at September 30, 2011 (unaudited) and December 31, 2010

(Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share information)

	September 30, 2011 (unaudited)	December 31, 2010
Assets		
Fixed maturities, at fair value (amortized cost: 2011 - \$4,744,882; 2010 - \$4,772,037)	\$ 4,777,686	\$ 4,823,867
Short-term investments, at fair value (amortized cost: 2011 - \$547,527; 2010 - \$273,444)	547,452	273,514
Other investments, at fair value (amortized cost: 2011 - \$14,415; 2010 - \$18,392)	15,905	21,478
Cash and cash equivalents	855,982	620,740
Total investments and cash	6,197,025	5,739,599
Premiums receivable	808,472	568,761
Deferred acquisition costs	154,694	123,897
Prepaid reinsurance premiums	141,631	71,417
Securities lending collateral	24,250	22,328
Loss reserves recoverable	386,200	283,134
Paid losses recoverable	80,917	27,996
Income taxes recoverable	3,057	1,142
Intangible assets	115,773	118,893
Goodwill	20,393	20,393
Accrued investment income	27,062	33,726
Other assets	41,266	49,592
Total assets	\$ 8,000,740	\$ 7,060,878
Liabilities		
Reserve for losses and loss expenses	\$ 2,565,912	\$ 2,035,973
Unearned premiums	1,058,593	728,516
Reinsurance balances payable	103,997	63,667
Securities lending payable	25,000	23,093
Deferred income taxes	24,195	24,908
Net payable for investments purchased	12,549	43,896
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	83,647	99,320
Senior notes payable	246,955	246,874
Debentures payable	289,800	289,800
Total liabilities	\$ 4,410,648	\$ 3,556,047
Commitments and contingent liabilities		
Shareholders equity		

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Common shares, 571,428,571 authorized, par value \$0.175 (Issued: 2011 - 134,071,607; 2010 - 132,838,111; Outstanding: 2011 - 99,039,622; 2010 - 98,001,226)	\$	23,463	\$	23,247
Treasury shares (2011 - 35,031,985; 2010 - 34,836,885)		(6,131)		(6,096)
Additional paid-in-capital		1,886,897		1,860,960
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss)		(4,932)		(5,455)
Retained earnings		1,544,572		1,632,175
Total shareholders equity available to Validus		3,443,869		3,504,831
Noncontrolling interest		146,223		
Total shareholders equity	\$	3,590,092	\$	3,504,831
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$	8,000,740	\$	7,060,878

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

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Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss)

For the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (unaudited)

(Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share information)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Revenues				
Gross premiums written	\$ 391,129	\$ 344,040	\$ 1,846,412	\$ 1,731,835
Reinsurance premiums ceded	(30,586)	(35,641)	(272,752)	(194,106)
Net premiums written	360,543	308,399	1,573,660	1,537,729
Change in unearned premiums	98,081	124,275	(259,863)	(209,417)
Net premiums earned	458,624	432,674	1,313,797	1,328,312
Net investment income	27,747	34,033	84,216	103,141
Net realized gains on investments	5,246	23,058	23,177	46,897
Net unrealized (losses) gains on investments	(27,848)	31,588	(22,150)	88,641
Other income		1,082	2,201	4,667
Foreign exchange (losses) gains	(19,932)	10,790	(22,390)	(2,073)
Total revenues	443,837	533,225	1,378,851	1,569,585
Expenses				
Losses and loss expenses	226,067	158,936	909,572	832,361
Policy acquisition costs	77,405	67,074	232,931	217,376
General and administrative expenses	35,926	48,831	145,244	154,779
Share compensation expenses	7,382	7,618	27,059	21,040
Finance expenses	10,935	13,715	41,297	42,084
Transaction expenses	13,583		13,583	
Total expenses	371,298	296,174	1,369,686	1,267,640
Net income before taxes	72,539	237,051	9,165	301,945
Tax (expense) benefit	(2,538)	1,422	(1,050)	(2,068)
Net income	\$ 70,001	\$ 238,473	\$ 8,115	\$ 299,877
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(13,516)		(14,110)	
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to Validus	\$ 56,485	\$ 238,473	\$ (5,995)	\$ 299,877
Comprehensive income				
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(413)	1,781	523	(94)
Comprehensive income (loss) available (attributable) to Validus	\$ 56,072	\$ 240,254	\$ (5,472)	\$ 299,783
Earnings per share				
Weighted average number of common shares and common share equivalents outstanding				

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Basic	98,961,795	110,601,888	98,430,686	119,414,906
Diluted	100,823,335	114,842,742	98,430,686	123,735,683
Basic earnings (loss) per share available (attributable) to common shareholders				
\$	0.55	\$ 2.14	\$ (0.12)	\$ 2.47
Diluted earnings (loss) per share available (attributable) to common shareholders				
\$	0.54	\$ 2.08	\$ (0.12)	\$ 2.42
Cash dividends declared per share				
\$	0.25	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.66

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Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (unaudited)

(Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share information)

	September 30, 2011 (unaudited)	September 30, 2010 (unaudited)
Common shares		
Balance - Beginning of period	\$ 23,247	\$ 23,033
Common shares issued, net	216	121
Balance - End of period	\$ 23,463	\$ 23,154
Treasury shares		
Balance - Beginning of period	\$ (6,096)	\$ (553)
Repurchase of common shares	(35)	(3,484)
Balance - End of period	\$ (6,131)	\$ (4,037)
Additional paid-in capital		
Balance - Beginning of period	\$ 1,860,960	\$ 2,675,680
Common shares issued (redeemed), net	4,838	(605)
Repurchase of common shares	(5,960)	(502,975)
Share compensation expenses	27,059	21,040
Balance - End of period	\$ 1,886,897	\$ 2,193,140
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss)		
Balance - Beginning of period	\$ (5,455)	\$ (4,851)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	523	(94)
Balance - End of period	\$ (4,932)	\$ (4,945)
Retained earnings		
Balance - Beginning of period	\$ 1,632,175	\$ 1,337,811
Dividends	(81,608)	(83,715)
Net income	8,115	299,877
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(14,110)	
Balance - End of period	\$ 1,544,572	\$ 1,553,973
Total shareholders' equity available to Validus	\$ 3,443,869	\$ 3,761,285
Noncontrolling interest	146,223	
Total shareholders' equity	\$ 3,590,092	\$ 3,761,285

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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (unaudited)

(Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share information)

	September 30, 2011 (unaudited)	September 30, 2010 (unaudited)
Cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities		
Net income	\$ 8,115	\$ 299,877
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Share compensation expenses	27,059	21,040
Amortization of discount on senior notes	81	54
Net realized (gains) on investments	(23,177)	(46,897)
Net unrealized losses (gains) on investments	22,150	(88,641)
Amortization of intangible assets	3,120	3,120
Foreign exchange losses (gains) on cash and cash equivalents included in net income	9,602	(3,432)
Amortization of premium on fixed maturities	23,470	22,936
Change in:		
Premiums receivable	(239,934)	(194,939)
Deferred acquisition costs	(30,797)	(39,372)
Prepaid reinsurance premiums	(70,214)	(15,487)
Loss reserves recoverable	(103,048)	(87,199)
Paid losses recoverable	(52,853)	(4,779)
Income taxes recoverable	(2,164)	1,019
Accrued investment income	6,620	(3,396)
Other assets	7,740	(9,287)
Reserve for losses and loss expenses	530,925	400,405
Unearned premiums	330,077	231,132
Reinsurance balances payable	40,206	(4,526)
Deferred income taxes	(518)	(608)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(16,557)	(32,356)
Net cash provided by operating activities	469,903	448,664
Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities		
Proceeds on sales of investments	3,424,462	3,972,225
Proceeds on maturities of investments	266,594	272,169
Purchases of fixed maturities	(3,697,544)	(4,495,131)
(Purchases) sales of short-term investments, net	(273,939)	253,340
Sales of other investments	4,364	18,070
(Increase) decrease in securities lending collateral	(1,907)	56,201
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(277,970)	76,874
Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities		
Net proceeds on issuance of senior notes		246,793
Issuance (redemption) of common shares, net	5,054	(484)
Purchases of common shares under share repurchase program	(5,995)	(506,459)
Dividends paid	(81,108)	(81,859)
Increase (decrease) in securities lending payable	1,907	(56,201)
Third party investment in noncontrolling interest	132,113	

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Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	51,971	(398,210)
Effect of foreign currency rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(8,662)	3,857
Net increase in cash	235,242	131,185
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of period	\$ 620,740	\$ 387,585
Cash and cash equivalents - end of period	\$ 855,982	\$ 518,770
Taxes (recovered) paid during the period	\$ (3,676)	\$ 2,358
Interest paid during the period	\$ 39,336	\$ 30,188

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited)

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1. Basis of preparation and consolidation

These unaudited consolidated financial statements include Validus Holdings, Ltd. and its wholly and majority owned subsidiaries (together, the Company) and have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 in Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements. In addition, the year-end balance sheet data was derived from audited financial statements but does not include all disclosures required by U.S. GAAP. This Quarterly Report should be read in conjunction with the financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, as filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC).

In the opinion of management, these unaudited consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation of the Company's financial position and results of operations as at the end of and for the periods presented. Certain amounts in prior periods have been reclassified to conform to current period presentation. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates. The major estimates reflected in the Company's consolidated financial statements include the reserve for losses and loss expenses, premium estimates for business written on a line slip or proportional basis, the valuation of goodwill and intangible assets, reinsurance recoverable balances including the provision for unrecoverable reinsurance recoverable balances and investment valuation. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The results of operations for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results for a full year. The term ASC used in these notes refers to Accounting Standard Codifications issued by the United States Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB).

On May 25, 2011, the Company joined with other investors in capitalizing AlphaCat Re 2011, Ltd. (AlphaCat Re 2011) a new special purpose sidecar reinsurer formed for the purpose of writing collateralized reinsurance and retrocessional reinsurance. Validus Reinsurance, Ltd. (Validus Re) has an equity interest in AlphaCat Re 2011 and as Validus Re holds a majority of AlphaCat Re 2011's outstanding voting rights, the financial statements of AlphaCat Re 2011 are included in the consolidated financial statements of the Company. The portion of AlphaCat Re 2011's earnings attributable to third party investors for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 is recorded in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income as net income attributable to noncontrolling interest. Refer to Note 4 Noncontrolling interest for further information.

2. Recent accounting pronouncements

In May 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-04, *Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS* (ASU 2011-04). The objective of ASU 2011-04 is to provide common fair value

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measurement and disclosure requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs. Consequently, the amendments change the wording used to describe many of the requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements. For many of the requirements, the amendments do not result in a change in the application of the requirements in Topic 820 *Fair Value Measurements*. ASU 2011-04 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this guidance, however it is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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In June 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05, *Presentation of Comprehensive Income* (ASU 2011-05). The objective of ASU 2011-05 is to improve the comparability, consistency and transparency of financial reporting and to increase the prominence of items reported in other comprehensive income. ASU 2011-05 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this guidance; however, since this update affects disclosures only, it is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In September 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-08, *Testing Goodwill for Impairment* (ASU 2011-08). The objective of ASU 2011-08 is to simplify how entities test goodwill for impairment. The amendments permit an entity to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount as a basis for determining whether it is necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test described in Topic 350 *Intangibles - Goodwill and Other*. The amendments are effective for annual and interim goodwill impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011. Early adoption is permitted, including for annual and interim goodwill impairment tests performed as of a date before September 15, 2011, if an entity's financial statements for the most recent annual or interim period have not yet been issued. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this guidance; however it is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

3. Investments

The Company's investments in fixed maturities are classified as trading and carried at fair value, with related net unrealized gains or losses included in earnings. The Company has adopted all authoritative guidance in effect as of the balance sheet date regarding certain market conditions that allow for fair value measurements that incorporate unobservable inputs where active market transaction based measurements are unavailable.

(a) Classification within the fair value hierarchy

Under U.S. GAAP, a company must determine the appropriate level in the fair value hierarchy for each fair value measurement. The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs, which refer broadly to assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability, into three levels. It gives the highest priority to quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs. The level in the fair value hierarchy within which a fair value measurement in its entirety falls is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date. Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. A significant adjustment to a Level 2 input could result in the Level 2 measurement becoming a Level 3 measurement.

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Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

Level 1 primarily consists of financial instruments whose value is based on quoted market prices or alternative indices including overnight repos and commercial paper. Level 2 includes financial instruments that are valued through independent external sources using models or other valuation methodologies. These models are primarily industry-standard models that consider various assumptions, including time value, yield curve, prepayment speeds, default rates, loss severity, current market and contractual prices for the underlying financial instruments, as well as other relevant economic measures. Substantially all of these assumptions are observable in the marketplace, can be derived from observable data or are supported by observable levels at which transactions are executed in the marketplace. The Company performs internal procedures on the valuations received from independent external sources. Financial instruments in this category include U.S. and U.K. Treasuries, sovereign debt, corporate debt, catastrophe bonds, U.S. agency and non-agency mortgage and asset-backed securities and bank loans. Level 3 includes financial instruments that are valued using market approach and income approach valuation techniques. These models incorporate both observable and unobservable inputs. A hedge fund is the only financial instrument in

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this category as at September 30, 2011.

The Company's management and external investment advisors had noted illiquidity and dislocation in the non-Agency RMBS market for the period September 30, 2008 through to June 30, 2010. During this period, the Company identified certain non-Agency RMBS securities in its portfolio trading in inactive markets (identified RMBS securities). In order to gauge market activity for the identified RMBS securities, the Company, with assistance from external investment advisors, reviewed the pricing sources for each security in the portfolio. The Company utilized various pricing vendors to obtain market pricing information for investment securities.

Consistent with U.S. GAAP, market approach fair value measurements for securities trading in inactive markets are not determinative. In weighing the fair value measurements resulting from market approach and income approach valuation techniques, the Company had previously placed less reliance on the market approach fair value measurements. The income approach valuation technique determines the fair value of each security on the basis of contractual cash flows, discounted using a risk-adjusted discount rate. As the income approach valuation technique incorporates both observable and significant unobservable inputs, the securities were included as Level 3 assets with respect to the fair value hierarchy. The foundation for the income approach was the amount and timing of future cash flows.

During the three month period ended September 30, 2010, the Company, with assistance from external investment advisors, determined that market activity had increased for the identified RMBS securities. Therefore, a market approach valuation technique was adopted for the identified RMBS securities. Because the market approach incorporated observable inputs, the identified RMBS securities are classified as Level 2 with respect to the fair value hierarchy at September 30, 2010. During the three months ended December 31, 2010, the Company liquidated substantially all of the identified RMBS securities which had previously been classified as Level 3 securities.

Other investments consist of an investment in a fund of hedge funds and a deferred compensation trust held in mutual funds. The fund of hedge funds is a side pocket valued at \$8,767 at September 30, 2011. While a redemption request has been submitted, the timing of receipt of proceeds on the side pocket is unknown. The fund's administrator provides monthly reported net asset values (NAV) with a one-month delay in its valuation. As a result, the funds administrator's August 31, 2011 NAV was used as a partial basis for fair value measurement in the Company's September 30, 2011 balance sheet. The fund manager provides an estimate of the performance of the fund for the following month based on the estimated performance provided from the underlying third-party funds. The Company utilizes the fund investment manager's primary market approach estimated NAV that incorporates relevant valuation sources on a timely basis. As this valuation technique incorporates both observable and significant unobservable inputs, the fund of hedge funds is classified as a Level 3 asset. To determine the reasonableness of the estimated NAV, the Company assesses the variance between the estimated NAV and the one-month delayed fund administrator's NAV. Immaterial variances are recorded in the following reporting period.

At September 30, 2011, the Company's investments were allocated between Levels 1, 2 and 3 as follows:

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	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
U.S. Government and Government Agency	\$	\$ 1,011,622	\$	\$ 1,011,622
Non-U.S. Government and Government Agency		462,961		462,961
States, municipalities, political subdivision		26,910		26,910
Agency residential mortgage-backed securities		484,501		484,501
Non-Agency residential mortgage-backed securities		34,904		34,904
U.S. corporate		1,353,497		1,353,497
Non-U.S. corporate		574,320		574,320
Bank loans		456,855		456,855
Catastrophe bonds		25,959		25,959
Asset-backed securities		334,480		334,480
Commercial mortgage-backed securities		11,677		11,677
Total fixed maturities		4,777,686		4,777,686
Short-term investments	494,829	52,623		547,452
Hedge fund			8,767	8,767
Mutual funds		7,138		7,138
Total	\$ 494,829	\$ 4,837,447	\$ 8,767	\$ 5,341,043

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At December 31, 2010, the Company's investments were allocated between Levels 1, 2 and 3 as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
U.S. Government and Government Agency	\$	\$ 1,677,166	\$	\$ 1,677,166
Non-U.S. Government and Government Agency		554,199		554,199
States, municipalities, political subdivision		26,285		26,285
Agency residential mortgage-backed securities		445,859		445,859
Non-Agency residential mortgage-backed securities		56,470		56,470
U.S. corporate		1,308,406		1,308,406
Non-U.S. corporate		502,067		502,067
Bank loans		52,566		52,566
Catastrophe bonds		58,737		58,737
Asset-backed securities		123,569		123,569
Commercial mortgage-backed securities		18,543		18,543
Total fixed maturities		4,823,867		4,823,867
Short-term investments	259,261	14,253		273,514
Hedge fund			12,892	12,892
Mutual funds		8,586		8,586
Total	\$ 259,261	\$ 4,846,706	\$ 12,892	\$ 5,118,859

At September 30, 2011, Level 3 investments totaled \$8,767, representing 0.2% of total investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis. At December 31, 2010, Level 3 investments totaled \$12,892 representing 0.3% of total investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

The following tables present a reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances for all investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 3 inputs during the three and nine month periods ending September 30, 2011 and 2010:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2011		
	Fixed Maturity Investments	Other Investments	Total Fair Market Value
Level 3 investments - Beginning of period	\$	\$ 9,776	\$ 9,776
Purchases			
Sales		(556)	(556)
Issuances			
Settlements			
Realized gains		73	73
Unrealized (losses)		(526)	(526)
Amortization			
Transfers			

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Level 3 investments - End of period	\$	\$	8,767	\$	8,767
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Three Months Ended September 30, 2010

	Fixed Maturity Investments	Other Investments	Total Fair Market Value
Level 3 investments - Beginning of period	\$ 75,578	\$ 19,130	\$ 94,708
Purchases			
Sales		(6,757)	(6,757)
Issuances			
Settlements			
Realized gains		318	318
Unrealized (losses)	(4,673)	(359)	(5,032)
Amortization	(3,717)		(3,717)
Transfers	(67,188)		(67,188)
Level 3 investments - End of period	\$	\$ 12,332	\$ 12,332

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011

	Fixed Maturity Investments	Other Investments	Total Fair Market Value
Level 3 investments - Beginning of period	\$	\$ 12,892	\$ 12,892
Purchases			
Sales		(4,365)	(4,365)
Issuances			
Settlements			
Realized gains		508	508
Unrealized (losses)		(268)	(268)
Amortization			
Transfers			
Level 3 investments - End of period	\$	\$ 8,767	\$ 8,767

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010

	Fixed Maturity Investments	Other Investments	Total Fair Market Value
Level 3 investments - Beginning of period	\$ 85,336	\$ 25,670	\$ 111,006
Purchases			
Sales		(13,851)	(13,851)
Issuances			
Settlements			
Realized gains		662	662
Unrealized (losses)	(6,307)	(149)	(6,456)
Amortization	(11,841)		(11,841)
Transfers	(67,188)		(67,188)
Level 3 investments - End of period	\$	\$ 12,332	\$ 12,332

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(b) Net investment income

Net investment income was derived from the following sources:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Fixed maturities and short-term investments	\$ 27,773	\$ 34,531	\$ 84,243	\$ 106,632
Cash and cash equivalents	1,864	960	5,132	1,857
Securities lending income	7	49	31	168
Total gross investment income	29,644	35,540	89,406	108,657
Investment expenses	(1,897)	(1,507)	(5,190)	(5,516)
Net investment income	\$ 27,747	\$ 34,033	\$ 84,216	\$ 103,141

(c) Fixed maturity and short-term investments

The following represents an analysis of net realized gains and the change in net unrealized (losses) gains on investments:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Fixed maturities, short-term and other investments and cash equivalents				
Gross realized gains	\$ 8,794	\$ 23,459	\$ 37,591	\$ 51,344
Gross realized (losses)	(3,548)	(401)	(14,414)	(4,447)
Net realized gains on investments	5,246	23,058	23,177	46,897
Net unrealized (losses) gains on securities lending	(26)	7	15	(1,013)
Change in net unrealized (losses) gains on investments	(27,822)	31,581	(22,165)	89,654
Total net realized gains and change in net unrealized (losses) gains on investments	\$ (22,602)	\$ 54,646	\$ 1,027	\$ 135,538

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and (losses) and estimated fair value of investments at September 30, 2011 were as follows:

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	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
U.S. Government and Government Agency	\$ 999,909	\$ 12,081	\$ (368)	\$ 1,011,622
Non-U.S. Government and Government Agency	457,520	10,501	(5,060)	462,961
States, municipalities, political subdivision	26,326	600	(16)	26,910
Agency residential mortgage-backed securities	468,327	17,094	(920)	484,501
Non-Agency residential mortgage-backed securities	40,837	147	(6,080)	34,904
U.S. corporate	1,337,530	26,103	(10,136)	1,353,497
Non-U.S. corporate	568,507	8,270	(2,457)	574,320
Bank loans	475,115	932	(19,192)	456,855
Catastrophe bonds	25,250	709		25,959
Asset-backed securities	333,918	1,244	(682)	334,480
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	11,643	34		11,677
Total fixed maturities	4,744,882	77,715	(44,911)	4,777,686
Total short-term investments	547,527		(75)	547,452
Total other investments	14,415	1,490		15,905
Total	\$ 5,306,824	\$ 79,205	\$ (44,986)	\$ 5,341,043

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and (losses) and estimated fair value of investments at December 31, 2010 were as follows:

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
U.S. Government and Government Agency	\$ 1,665,050	\$ 20,134	\$ (8,018)	\$ 1,677,166
Non-U.S. Government and Government Agency	550,759	11,635	(8,195)	554,199
States, municipalities, political subdivision	26,365	90	(170)	26,285
Agency residential mortgage-backed securities	430,873	15,491	(505)	445,859
Non-Agency residential mortgage-backed securities	62,020	64	(5,614)	56,470
U.S. corporate	1,288,078	28,526	(8,198)	1,308,406
Non-U.S. corporate	497,689	7,939	(3,561)	502,067
Bank loans	52,612	58	(104)	52,566
Catastrophe bonds	56,991	2,042	(296)	58,737
Asset-backed securities	123,354	605	(390)	123,569
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	18,246	299	(2)	18,543
Total fixed maturities	4,772,037	86,883	(35,053)	4,823,867
Total short-term investments	273,444	70		273,514
Total other investments	18,392	3,086		21,478
Total	\$ 5,063,873	\$ 90,039	\$ (35,053)	\$ 5,118,859

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The following table sets forth certain information regarding the investment ratings of the Company's fixed maturities portfolio as at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010. Investment ratings are the lower of Moody's or Standard & Poor's rating for each investment security, presented in Standard & Poor's equivalent rating. For

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investments where Moody's and Standard & Poor's ratings are not available, Fitch ratings are used and presented in Standard & Poor's equivalent rating.

	September 30, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total
AAA	\$ 1,003,248	21.0%	\$ 2,946,514	61.2%
AA	1,875,316	39.3%	428,972	8.9%
A	1,074,441	22.5%	1,077,389	22.3%
BBB	334,289	7.0%	219,523	4.6%
Investment grade	4,287,294	89.8%	4,672,398	97.0%
BB	253,686	5.3%	74,475	1.5%
B	220,065	4.6%	45,660	0.9%
CCC	9,848	0.2%	29,219	0.6%
CC	4,712	0.1%		0.0%
D/NR	2,081	0.0%	2,115	0.0%
Non-Investment grade	490,392	10.2%	151,469	3.0%
Total Fixed Maturities	\$ 4,777,686	100.0%	\$ 4,823,867	100.0%

The amortized cost and estimated fair value amounts for fixed maturity securities held at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 are shown by contractual maturity. Actual maturity may differ from contractual maturity because certain borrowers may have the right to call or prepay certain obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

	September 30, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Due in one year or less	\$ 416,322	\$ 417,321	\$ 424,327	\$ 426,167
Due after one year through five years	3,095,845	3,128,465	3,498,334	3,540,408
Due after five years through ten years	369,777	358,078	207,918	206,317
Due after ten years	8,213	8,260	6,965	6,534
	3,890,157	3,912,124	4,137,544	4,179,426
Asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities	854,725	865,562	634,493	644,441
Total	\$ 4,744,882	\$ 4,777,686	\$ 4,772,037	\$ 4,823,867

The Company has a five year, \$500,000 secured letter of credit facility provided by a syndicate of commercial banks (the Five Year Facility). At September 30, 2011, approximately \$275,407 (December 31, 2010: \$268,944) of letters of credit were issued and outstanding under this facility for which \$358,566 of investments were pledged as collateral (December 31, 2010: \$325,532). In 2007, the Company entered into a \$100,000 standby letter of credit facility which provides Funds at Lloyd's (the Talbot FAL Facility). On November 19, 2009, the Company entered into a Second Amendment to the Talbot FAL Facility to reduce the commitment from \$100,000 to \$25,000. At September 30, 2011, \$25,000 (December 31, 2010: \$25,000) of letters of credit were issued and outstanding under the Talbot FAL Facility for which \$44,892 of investments

were pledged as collateral (December 31, 2010: \$45,504).

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In addition, \$2,264,995 of investments were held in trust at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010: \$1,729,631). Of those, \$1,652,659 were held in trust for the benefit of Talbot's cedants and policyholders, and to facilitate the accreditation of Talbot as an alien insurer/reinsurer by certain regulators (December 31, 2010: \$1,489,243).

The Company assumed two letters of credit facilities as part of the acquisition of IPC Holdings, Ltd. (the *IPC Acquisition*). A Credit Facility between IPC, IPCRe Limited, the Lenders party thereto and Wachovia Bank, National Association (the *IPC Syndicated Facility*) and a Letters of Credit Master Agreement between Citibank N.A. and IPCRe Limited (the *IPC Bi-Lateral Facility*). At March 31, 2010, the IPC Syndicated Facility was closed. At September 30, 2011, the IPC Bi-Lateral Facility had \$57,464 (December 31, 2010: \$68,063) letters of credit issued and outstanding for which \$107,171 (December 31, 2010: \$105,310) of investments were held in an associated collateral account.

On August 2, 2011, the Company announced that it had entered into an Amendment to the Five Year Facility in order to modify certain provisions thereof, including definitions, affirmative covenants, negative covenants (including those relating to consolidations, mergers and sales of assets, indebtedness, liens, limitations on certain restrictions on subsidiaries and investments) and events of default, in each case, in order to reflect and permit the proposed exchange offer, the proposed second-step merger and the other proposed transactions contemplated by the Registration Statement on Form S-4 of the Company originally filed with the Securities Exchange Commission on July 25, 2011 (the *Exchange Offer Transactions*) in connection with its proposed acquisition of Transatlantic Holdings, Inc. (*Transatlantic*).

(d) Securities lending

The Company participates in a securities lending program whereby certain securities from its portfolio are loaned to third parties for short periods of time through a lending agent. The Company retains all economic interest in the securities it lends and receives a fee from the borrower for the temporary use of the securities. Collateral in the form of cash, government securities and letters of credit is required at a rate of 102% of the market value of the loaned securities and is held by a third party. As at September 30, 2011, the Company had \$24,428 (December 31, 2010: \$22,566) in securities on loan. During the three months ended September 30, 2011, the Company recorded a \$26 unrealized loss on this collateral on its Statements of Operations (September 30, 2010: unrealized gain \$7). During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company recorded a \$15 unrealized gain on this collateral in its Statements of Operations (September 30, 2010: unrealized loss \$1,013).

Securities lending collateral reinvested includes corporate floating rate securities and overnight repos with an average reset period of 3.0 days (December 31, 2010: 17.6 days). As at September 30, 2011, the securities lending collateral reinvested by the Company in connection with its securities lending program was allocated between Levels 1, 2 and 3 as follows:

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	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Corporate	\$	\$ 231	\$	\$ 231
Asset-backed securities				
Short-term investments	23,956	63		24,019
Total	\$ 23,956	\$ 294	\$	\$ 24,250

As at December 31, 2010, the securities lending collateral reinvested by the Company in connection with its securities lending program was allocated between Levels 1, 2 and 3 as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Corporate	\$	\$ 229	\$	\$ 229
Asset-backed securities		5,005		5,005
Short-term investments	2,644	14,450		17,094
Total	\$ 2,644	\$ 19,684	\$	\$ 22,328

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The following table sets forth certain information regarding the investment ratings of the Company's securities lending collateral reinvested as at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010. Investment ratings are the lower of Moody's or Standard & Poor's rating for each investment security, presented in Standard & Poor's equivalent rating. For investments where Moody's and Standard & Poor's ratings are not available, Fitch ratings are used and presented in Standard & Poor's equivalent rating.

	September 30, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total
AAA	\$ 63	0.2%	\$ 5,454	24.4%
AA+		0.0%	11,003	49.3%
AA		0.0%		0.0%
AA-		0.0%	2,998	13.5%
A+		0.0%		0.0%
A		0.0%		0.0%
NR	231	1.0%	229	1.0%
	294	1.2%	19,684	88.2%
NR- Short-term investments (a)	23,956	98.8%	2,644	11.8%
Total	\$ 24,250	100.0%	\$ 22,328	100.0%

(a) This amount relates to certain short-term investments with short original maturities which are generally not rated.

The amortized cost and estimated fair value amounts for securities lending collateral reinvested by the Company at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 are shown by contractual maturity below. Actual maturity may differ from contractual maturity because certain borrowers may have the right to call or prepay certain obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

	September 30, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Due in one year or less	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,019	\$ 17,093	\$ 17,094
Due after one year through five years	1,000	231	6,000	5,234
Total	\$ 25,000	\$ 24,250	\$ 23,093	\$ 22,328

4. Noncontrolling interest

On May 25, 2011, the Company joined with other investors in capitalizing AlphaCat Re 2011, a new special purpose sidecar reinsurer formed for the purpose of writing collateralized reinsurance and retrocessional reinsurance. Validus Re has an equity interest in AlphaCat Re 2011 and

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as Validus Re holds a majority of AlphaCat Re 2011's outstanding voting rights, the financial statements of AlphaCat Re 2011 are included in the consolidated financial statements of the Company. The portion of AlphaCat Re 2011's earnings attributable to third party investors for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 is recorded in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income as net income attributable to noncontrolling interest.

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The following tables present a reconciliation of the beginning and ending noncontrolling interest balance for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2011	
Noncontrolling interest - June 30, 2011	\$	134,895
Discount on preferred shares		116
Initial transaction costs		(2,304)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		13,516
Noncontrolling interest - September 30, 2011	\$	146,223

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011	
Noncontrolling interest - December 31, 2010	\$	
Purchase of shares by noncontrolling interest		134,301
Discount on preferred shares		116
Initial transaction costs		(2,304)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		14,110
Noncontrolling interest - September 30, 2011	\$	146,223

5. Derivative instruments used in hedging activities

The Company enters into derivative instruments for risk management purposes, specifically to hedge unmatched foreign currency exposures. During the three months ended June 30, 2011, the Company entered into a foreign currency forward exchange contract to mitigate the risk of foreign currency exposure of unpaid losses denominated in Japanese Yen. The Yen foreign currency forward contract was renewed during the three months ended September 30, 2011. During the three months ended March 31, 2011, the Company entered into three foreign currency forward exchange contracts to mitigate the risk of fluctuations in the Euro and Australian dollar to U.S. dollar rates. Two of the contracts were renewed during the three months ended September 30, 2011. During the year ended December 31, 2010, the Company entered into a foreign currency forward contract to mitigate the risk of foreign currency exposure of unpaid losses denominated in Chilean Pesos (CLP). The CLP foreign currency forward contract was renewed during the three months ended September 30, 2011. The following table summarizes information on the location and amount of the derivative fair value on the consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2011:

Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:	Notional amount	Asset derivatives		Liability derivatives	
		Balance Sheet location	Fair value	Balance Sheet location	Fair value
Foreign exchange contracts	\$ 77,401	Other assets	\$ 1,063	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 3,295

The following table summarizes information on the location and amount of the derivative fair value on the consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2010:

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Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:	Notional amount	Asset derivatives		Liability derivatives	
		Balance Sheet location	Fair value	Balance Sheet location	Fair value
Foreign exchange contract	\$ 75,000	Other assets	\$ 2,905	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$

(a) Classification within the fair value hierarchy

As described in Note 3 Investments under U.S. GAAP, a company must determine the appropriate level in the fair value hierarchy for each fair value measurement. The assumptions used within the valuation are observable in the marketplace, can be derived from observable data or are supported by observable levels at which transactions are executed in the marketplace. Accordingly, these derivatives were classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

(b) Derivative instruments designated as a fair value hedge

The Company designates its derivative instruments as fair value hedges and formally and contemporaneously documents all relationships between the hedging instruments and hedged items and links the hedging derivatives to specific assets and liabilities. The Company assesses the effectiveness of the hedges, both at inception and on an on-going basis and determines whether the hedges are highly effective in offsetting changes in fair value of the linked hedged items.

The following table provides the total impact on earnings relating to the derivative instruments formally designated as fair value hedges along with the impact of the related hedged items for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011:

Derivatives designated as fair value hedges and related hedged item:	Location of gain (loss) recognized in income	Three Months Ended September 30, 2011		
		Amount of gain (loss) recognized in income on derivative	Amount of gain (loss) on hedged item recognized in income attributable to risk being hedged	Amount of gain (loss) recognized in income on derivative (ineffective portion)
Foreign exchange	Foreign exchange (losses) gains	\$ (617)	\$ 617	\$

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Derivatives designated as fair value hedges and related hedged item:	Location of gain (loss) recognized in income	Amount of gain (loss) recognized in income on derivative	Amount of gain (loss) on hedged item recognized in income attributable to risk being hedged	Amount of gain (loss) recognized in income on derivative (ineffective portion)
Foreign exchange	Foreign exchange (losses) gains	\$ (3,542)	\$ 3,542	\$

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There was no derivative activity for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010.

6. Reserve for losses and loss expenses

Reserves for losses and loss expenses are based in part upon the estimation of case losses reported from brokers, insureds and ceding companies. The Company also uses statistical and actuarial methods to estimate ultimate expected losses and loss expenses. The period of time from the occurrence of a loss, the reporting of a loss to the Company and the settlement of the Company's liability may be several months or years. During this period, additional facts and trends may be revealed. As these factors become apparent, case reserves will be adjusted, sometimes requiring an increase or decrease in the overall reserves of the Company, and at other times requiring a reallocation of incurred but not reported reserves to specific case reserves. These estimates are reviewed regularly, and such adjustments, if any, are reflected in earnings in the period in which they become known. While management believes that it has made a reasonable estimate of ultimate losses, there can be no assurances that ultimate losses and loss expenses will not exceed the total reserves.

The following table represents an analysis of paid and unpaid losses and loss expenses incurred and a reconciliation of the beginning and ending unpaid loss expenses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Reserve for losses and loss expenses, beginning of period	\$ 2,620,360	\$ 1,978,130	\$ 2,035,973	\$ 1,622,134
Losses and loss expenses recoverable	(439,805)	(193,604)	(283,134)	(181,765)
Net reserves for losses and loss expenses, beginning of period	2,180,555	1,784,526	1,752,839	1,440,369
Increase (decrease) in net losses and loss expenses incurred in respect of losses occurring in:				
Current year	287,149	208,689	1,022,875	958,406
Prior years	(61,082)	(49,753)	(113,303)	(126,045)
Total incurred losses and loss expenses	226,067	158,936	909,572	832,361
Total net paid losses	(200,256)	(213,846)	(484,559)	(519,930)
Foreign exchange	(26,654)	22,408	1,860	(776)
Net reserve for losses and loss expenses, end of period	2,179,712	1,752,024	2,179,712	1,752,024
Losses and loss expenses recoverable	386,200	268,821	386,200	268,821

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Reserve for losses and loss expenses, end of period	\$	2,565,912	\$	2,020,845	\$	2,565,912	\$	2,020,845
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7. Reinsurance

The Company enters into reinsurance and retrocession agreements in order to mitigate its accumulation of loss, reduce its liability on individual risks, enable it to underwrite policies with higher limits and increase its aggregate capacity. The cession of insurance and reinsurance does not legally discharge the Company from its primary liability for the full amount of the policies, and the Company is required to pay the loss and bear collection risk if the reinsurer fails to meet its obligations under the reinsurance or retrocession agreement. Amounts recoverable from reinsurers are estimated in a manner consistent with the underlying liabilities.

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(a) Credit risk

The Company evaluates the financial condition of its reinsurers and monitors concentration of credit risk arising from its exposure to individual reinsurers. The reinsurance program is generally placed with reinsurers whose rating, at the time of placement, was A- or better rated by Standard & Poor's or the equivalent with other rating agencies. Exposure to a single reinsurer is also controlled with restrictions dependent on rating. At September 30, 2011, 99.3% of reinsurance recoverables (which includes loss reserves recoverable and recoverables on paid losses) were from reinsurers rated A- or better and included \$109,106 of IBNR recoverable (December 31, 2010: \$146,519). Reinsurance recoverables by reinsurer are as follows:

	September 30, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Reinsurance Recoverable	% of Total	Reinsurance Recoverable	% of Total
Top 10 reinsurers	\$ 314,983	67.5%	\$ 222,420	71.5%
Other reinsurers balances > \$1 million	143,607	30.7%	80,221	25.8%
Other reinsurers balances < \$1 million	8,527	1.8%	8,489	2.7%
Total	\$ 467,117	100.0%	\$ 311,130	100.0%

Top 10 Reinsurers	Rating	September 30, 2011	
		Reinsurance Recoverable	% of Total
Lloyd's Syndicates	A+	\$ 69,900	22.3%
Allianz	AA-	69,643	22.1%
Hannover Re	AA-	35,293	11.2%
Everest Re	A+	31,149	9.9%
Fully collateralized reinsurers	NR	20,077	6.4%
Manufacturers P&C Limited	AA-	20,000	6.3%
Tokio Millennium Re Ltd	AA-	20,000	6.3%
Transatlantic Re	A+	17,577	5.6%
Odyssey Reinsurance Company	A-	16,154	5.1%
Munich Re	AA-	15,190	4.8%
Total		\$ 314,983	100.0%

Top 10 Reinsurers	Rating	December 31, 2010	
		Reinsurance Recoverable	% of Total
Lloyd's Syndicates	A+	\$ 60,716	27.2%
Hannover Re	AA-	32,392	14.6%
Fully collateralized reinsurers	NR	23,750	10.7%
Montpelier Re	A-	20,000	9.0%
Munich Re	AA-	17,411	7.8%
Everest Re	A+	16,611	7.5%

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Allianz	AA	14,184	6.4%
Transatlantic Re	A+	13,758	6.2%
Tokio Millennium Re	AA	11,980	5.4%
Platinum Re	A	11,618	5.2%
Total		\$ 222,420	100.0%

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At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the provision for uncollectible reinsurance relating to losses recoverable was \$6,393 and \$5,652, respectively. To estimate the provision for uncollectible reinsurance recoverable, the reinsurance recoverable is first allocated to applicable reinsurers. This determination is based on a process rather than an estimate, although an element of judgment is applied. As part of this process, ceded IBNR is allocated by reinsurer. Of the \$467,117 reinsurance recoverable at September 30, 2011, \$20,077 was fully collateralized (December 31, 2010: \$23,750).

The Company uses a default analysis to estimate uncollectible reinsurance. The primary components of the default analysis are reinsurance recoverable balances by reinsurer and default factors used to determine the portion of a reinsurer's balance deemed to be uncollectible. Default factors require considerable judgment and are determined using the current rating, or rating equivalent, of each reinsurer as well as other key considerations and assumptions.

8. Share capital

(a) Authorized and issued

The Company's authorized share capital is 571,428,571 voting and non-voting shares with a par value of \$0.175 per share. The holders of common voting shares are entitled to receive dividends and are allocated one vote per share, provided that, if the controlled shares of any shareholder or group of related shareholders constitute more than 9.09 percent of the outstanding common shares of the Company, their voting power will be reduced to 9.09 percent.

The Company may from time to time repurchase its securities, including common shares, Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures and Senior Notes. In November 2009, the Board of Directors of the Company authorized an initial \$400,000 share repurchase program. On February 17, 2010, the Board of Directors of the Company authorized the Company to return up to \$750,000 to shareholders. This amount was in addition to, and in excess of, the \$135,494 of common shares purchased by the Company through February 17, 2010 under its previously authorized \$400,000 share repurchase program. On May 6, 2010, the Board of Directors authorized a self tender offer pursuant to which the Company repurchased \$300,000 in common shares. On November 4, 2010, the Board of Directors authorized a self tender offer pursuant to which the Company repurchased \$238,362 in common shares. In addition, the Board of Directors authorized separate repurchase agreements with funds affiliated with or managed by each of Aquiline Capital Partners LLC, New Mountain Capital LLC, and Vestar Capital Partners pursuant to which the Company repurchased \$61,638 in common shares. On December 20, 2010, the Board of Directors authorized the Company to return up to an additional \$400,000 to shareholders. This amount is in addition to the \$929,173 of common shares purchased by the Company through December 23, 2010 under its previously authorized share repurchase program.

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The Company expects the purchases under its share repurchase program to be made from time to time in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. The timing, form and amount of the share repurchases under the program will depend on a variety of factors, including market conditions, the Company's capital position relative to internal and rating agency targets, legal requirements and other factors. The repurchase program may be modified, extended or terminated by the Board of Directors at any time.

The following table is a summary of the common shares issued and outstanding:

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	Common Shares
Common shares issued, December 31, 2010	132,838,111
Restricted share awards vested, net of shares withheld	534,658
Restricted share units vested, net of shares withheld	9,496
Employee seller shares vested	197,174
Options exercised	457,465
Warrants exercised	34,340
Direct issuance of common stock	363
Common shares issued, September 30, 2011	134,071,607
Shares repurchased	(35,031,985)
Common shares outstanding, September 30, 2011	99,039,622

	Common Shares
Common shares issued, December 31, 2009	131,616,349
Restricted share awards vested, net of shares withheld	369,576
Restricted share units vested, net of shares withheld	57,192
Employee seller shares vested	203,544
Options exercised	58,500
Warrants exercised	2,996
Common shares issued, September 30, 2010	132,308,157
Shares repurchased	(23,070,267)
Common shares outstanding, September 30, 2010	109,237,890

(b) Warrants

During the three months ended September 30, 2011, no warrants were exercised. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, 72,598 warrants were exercised which resulted in the issuance of 34,340 common shares. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, 10,018 warrants were exercised which resulted in the issuance of 2,996 common shares.

(c) Deferred share units

Under the terms of the Company's Director Stock Compensation Plan, non-management directors may elect to receive their director fees in deferred share units rather than cash. The number of share units distributed in case of election under the plan is equal to the amount of the annual retainer fee otherwise payable to the director on such payment date divided by 100% of the fair market value of a share on such payment date. Additional deferred share units are issued in lieu of dividends that accrue on these deferred share units. The total outstanding deferred share units at September 30, 2011 were 4,802 (December 31, 2010: 4,727).

(d) Dividends

On February 9, 2011, the Company announced a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 (2010: \$0.22) per common share and \$0.25 per common share equivalent for which each outstanding warrant is exercisable. This dividend was paid on March 30, 2011 to holders of record on March 15, 2011.

On May 4, 2011, the Company announced a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 (2010: \$0.22) per common share and \$0.25 per common share equivalent for which each outstanding warrant is exercisable. This dividend was paid on June 30, 2011 to holders of record on June 15, 2011.

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On August 3, 2011, the Company announced a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 (2010: \$0.22) per common share and \$0.25 per common share equivalent for which each outstanding warrant is exercisable. This dividend was paid on September 30, 2011 to holders of record on September 15, 2011.

9. Stock plans*(a) Long Term Incentive Plan and Short Term Incentive Plan*

The Company's Amended and Restated 2005 Long Term Incentive Plan (LTIP) provides for grants to employees of options, stock appreciation rights (SARs), restricted shares, restricted share units, performance shares, dividend equivalents or other share-based awards. In addition, the Company may issue restricted share awards or restricted share units in connection with awards issued under its annual Short Term Incentive Plan (STIP). The total number of shares reserved for issuance under the LTIP and STIP are 13,126,896 shares of which 4,120,511 shares are remaining. The LTIP and STIP are administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. No SARs have been granted to date. Grant prices are established at the fair market value of the Company's common shares at the date of grant.

i. Options

Options may be exercised for voting common shares upon vesting. Options have a life of 10 years and vest either ratably or at the end of the required service period from the date of grant. Grant prices are established at the estimated fair value of the Company's common shares at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The following weighted average assumptions were used for all grants to date:

Year	Weighted average risk free interest rate	Weighted average dividend yield	Expected life (years)	Expected volatility
2008	3.5%	3.2%	7	30.0%
2009	3.9%	3.7%	2	34.6%
2010 (a)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

(a) The Company did not grant any stock option awards during the year ended December 31, 2010 or the nine months ended September 30, 2011.

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Expected volatility is based on stock price volatility of comparable publicly-traded companies. The Company used the simplified method consistent with U.S. GAAP authoritative guidance on stock compensation expenses to estimate expected lives for options granted during the period as historical exercise data was not available and the options met the requirement as set out in the guidance.

Share compensation expenses of \$183 were recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$1,059). Share compensation expenses of \$1,609 were recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$3,133). The expenses represent the proportionate accrual of the fair value of each grant based on the remaining vesting period.

Activity with respect to options for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was as follows:

	Options		Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value		Weighted Average Grant Date Exercise Price
Options outstanding, December 31, 2010	2,723,684	\$	6.74	\$	20.19
Options granted					
Options exercised	(457,465)		6.97		20.56
Options forfeited	(370)		10.30		20.39
Options outstanding, September 30, 2011	2,265,849	\$	6.70	\$	20.12
Options exercisable at September 30, 2011	2,182,810	\$	6.62	\$	20.01

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Activity with respect to options for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was as follows:

	Options		Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value		Weighted Average Grant Date Exercise Price
Options outstanding, December 31, 2009	3,278,015	\$	6.83	\$	19.88
Options granted					
Options exercised	(58,500)		5.97		21.91
Options forfeited	(4,317)		10.30		20.39
Options outstanding, September 30, 2010	3,215,198	\$	6.84	\$	19.84
Options exercisable at September 30, 2010	2,545,289	\$	6.05	\$	20.10

At September 30, 2011, there were \$301 (December 31, 2010: \$851) of total unrecognized share compensation expenses in respect of options that are expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 0.5 year (December 31, 2010: 1.2 years).

ii. Restricted share awards

Restricted shares granted under the LTIP and STIP vest either ratably or at the end of the required service period and contain certain restrictions during the vesting period, relating to, among other things, forfeiture in the event of termination of employment and transferability. Share compensation expenses of \$6,265 were recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$5,134). Share compensation expenses of \$21,213 were recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$14,195). The expenses represent the proportionate accrual of the fair value of each grant based on the remaining vesting period.

Activity with respect to unvested restricted share awards for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was as follows:

	Restricted Share Awards		Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Restricted share awards outstanding, December 31, 2010	3,114,039	\$	24.33
Restricted share awards granted	610,469		31.95
Restricted share awards vested	(669,649)		24.91
Restricted share awards forfeited	(14,271)		27.11
Restricted share awards outstanding, September 30, 2011	3,040,588	\$	25.72

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Activity with respect to unvested restricted share awards for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was as follows:

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	Restricted Share Awards	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Restricted share awards outstanding, December 31, 2009	2,525,958	\$ 23.43
Restricted share awards granted	1,108,169	25.75
Restricted share awards vested	(453,851)	23.43
Restricted share awards forfeited	(34,901)	23.29
Restricted share awards outstanding, September 30, 2010	3,145,375	\$ 24.25

At September 30, 2011, there were \$45,439 (December 31, 2010: \$44,290) of total unrecognized share compensation expenses in respect of restricted share awards that are expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.6 years (December 31, 2010: 2.5 years).

iii. Restricted share units

Restricted share units under the LTIP and STIP vest either ratably or at the end of the required service period and contain certain restrictions during the vesting period, relating to, among other things, forfeiture in the event of termination of employment and transferability. Share compensation expenses of \$122 were recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$68). Share compensation expenses of \$333 were recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$302). The expenses represent the proportionate accrual of the fair value of each grant based on the remaining vesting period.

Activity with respect to unvested restricted share units for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was as follows:

	Restricted Share Units	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Restricted share units outstanding, December 31, 2010	47,049	\$ 25.04
Restricted share units granted	18,388	32.10
Restricted share units vested	(13,340)	24.72
Restricted share units issued in lieu of cash dividends	704	26.87
Restricted share units forfeited		
Restricted share units outstanding, September 30, 2011	52,801	\$ 27.60

Activity with respect to unvested restricted share units for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was as follows:

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	Restricted Share Units		Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Restricted share units outstanding, December 31, 2009	79,448	\$	19.02
Restricted share units granted	26,782		25.65
Restricted share units vested	(59,193)		17.31
Restricted share units issued in lieu of cash dividends	793		25.44
Restricted share units forfeited	(1,094)		21.49
Restricted share units outstanding, September 30, 2010	46,736	\$	25.03

At September 30, 2011, there were \$1,079 (December 31, 2010: \$809) of total unrecognized share compensation expenses in respect of restricted share units that are expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.8 years (December 31, 2010: 2.7 years).

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iv. Performance share awards

The Performance Share Awards (PSAs) contain a performance based component. The performance component relates to the compounded growth in the Dividend Adjusted Diluted Book Value per Share over a three year period. For PSAs granted during the period, the grant date Diluted Book Value per Share (DBVPS) is based on the DBVPS at the end of the most recent financial reporting year. The Dividend Adjusted Performance Period End DBVPS will be the DBVPS three years after the grant date DBVPS. The fair value estimate earns over the requisite attribution period and the estimate will be reassessed at the end of each performance period which will reflect any adjustments in the consolidated statements of income in the period in which they are determined.

Share compensation expenses of \$739 were recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$nil). Share compensation expenses of \$1,611 were recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$nil). The expenses represent the proportionate accrual of the fair value of each grant based on the remaining vesting period.

Activity with respect to unvested performance share awards for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was as follows:

	Performance Share Awards	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Performance share awards outstanding, December 31, 2010	132,401	\$ 28.70
Performance share awards granted	146,618	32.64
Performance share awards vested		
Performance share awards forfeited		
Performance share awards outstanding, September 30, 2011	279,019	\$ 30.77

Activity with respect to unvested performance share awards for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was as follows:

	Performance Share Awards	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Performance share awards outstanding, December 31, 2009		\$
Performance share awards granted		
Performance share awards vested		
Performance share awards forfeited		
Performance share awards outstanding, September 30, 2010		\$

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At September 30, 2011, there were \$6,373 (December 31, 2010: \$3,375) of total unrecognized share compensation expenses in respect of PSAs that are expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.3 years (December 31, 2010: 2.4 years).

(b) *Employee seller shares*

Pursuant to the Share Sale Agreement for the purchase of Talbot Holdings, Ltd. (Talbot), the Company issued 1,209,741 restricted shares to Talbot employees (the employee seller shares). Upon consummation of the

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acquisition, the employee seller shares were validly issued, fully-paid and non-assessable and entitled to vote and participate in distributions and dividends in accordance with the Company's By-laws. However, the employee seller shares are subject to a restricted period during which they are subject to forfeiture (as implemented by repurchase by the Company for a nominal amount). Forfeiture of employee seller shares will generally occur in the event that any such Talbot employee's employment terminates, with certain exceptions, prior to the end of the restricted period. The restricted period ended for 25% of the employee seller shares on each anniversary of the closing date of July 2, 2007 for all Talbot employees other than Talbot's Chairman, such that on July 2, 2011 the potential for forfeiture was completely extinguished.

Share compensation expenses of \$73 were recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$1,357). Share compensation expenses of \$2,293 were recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 (2010: \$3,410).

Activity with respect to unvested employee seller shares for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was as follows:

	Employee Seller Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Employee seller shares outstanding, December 31, 2010	197,879	\$ 22.01
Employee seller shares granted		
Employee seller shares vested	(197,174)	22.01
Employee seller shares forfeited	(705)	22.01
Employee seller shares outstanding, September 30, 2011		\$

Activity with respect to unvested employee seller shares for nine months ended September 30, 2010 was as follows:

	Employee Seller Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Employee seller shares outstanding, December 31, 2009	410,667	\$ 22.01
Employee seller shares granted		
Employee seller shares vested	(203,544)	22.01
Employee seller shares forfeited	(3,551)	22.01
Employee seller shares outstanding, September 30, 2010	203,572	\$ 22.01

At September 30, 2011, there were total unrecognized share compensation expenses of \$nil in respect of employee seller shares. At December 31, 2010, there were \$2,141 of total unrecognized share compensation expenses in respect of employee seller shares that were expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 0.5 year.

(c) Total share compensation expenses

The breakdown of share compensation expenses by award type was as follows:

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	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Options	\$ 183	\$ 1,059	\$ 1,609	\$ 3,133
Restricted share awards	6,265	5,134	21,213	14,195
Restricted share units	122	68	333	302
Performance share awards	739		1,611	
Employee seller shares	73	1,357	2,293	3,410
Total	\$ 7,382	\$ 7,618	\$ 27,059	\$ 21,040

10. Debt and financing arrangements*(a) Financing structure and finance expenses*

The financing structure at September 30, 2011 was:

	Commitment	Outstanding (a)	Drawn
2006 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
2007 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures	200,000	139,800	139,800
2010 Senior Notes due 2040	250,000	250,000	246,955
\$340,000 syndicated unsecured letter of credit facility	340,000		
\$60,000 bilateral unsecured letter of credit facility	60,000		
\$500,000 secured letter of credit facility	500,000	275,407	
Talbot FAL Facility (b)	25,000	25,000	
IPC Bi-Lateral Facility	80,000	57,464	
Total	\$ 1,605,000	\$ 897,671	\$ 536,755

The financing structure at December 31, 2010 was:

	Commitment	Outstanding (a)	Drawn
2006 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
2007 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures	200,000	139,800	139,800
2010 Senior Notes due 2040	250,000	250,000	246,874
\$340,000 syndicated unsecured letter of credit facility	340,000		
\$60,000 bilateral unsecured letter of credit facility	60,000		

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\$500,000 secured letter of credit facility	500,000	268,944		
Talbot FAL Facility (b)	25,000	25,000		
IPC Bi-Lateral Facility	80,000	68,063		
Total	\$ 1,605,000	\$ 901,807	\$	536,674

(a) Indicates utilization of commitment amount, not drawn borrowings.

(b) Talbot operates in Lloyd's through a corporate member, Talbot 2002 Underwriting Capital Ltd (T02), which is the sole participant in Syndicate 1183. Lloyd's sets T02's required capital annually based on

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Syndicate 1183's business plan, rating environment, reserving environment together with input arising from Lloyd's discussions with, inter alia, regulatory and rating agencies. Such capital, called Funds at Lloyd's (FAL), comprises: cash, investments and undrawn letters of credit provided by various banks.

Finance expenses consist of interest on our junior subordinated deferrable debentures and senior notes, the amortization of debt offering costs, fees relating to our credit facilities, preferred share dividends, and the costs of FAL as follows:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
2006 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures	\$ 1,456	\$ 3,588	\$ 8,272	\$ 10,765
2007 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures	3,029	3,029	9,086	9,086
2010 Senior Notes due 2040	5,597	5,597	16,791	15,172
Credit facilities	1,508	1,501	4,821	3,921
AlphaCat Re 2011 fees (a)	(807)		2,112	
Talbot FAL Facility	152		215	333
Talbot other interest				59
Talbot third party FAL facility				2,748
Total	\$ 10,935	\$ 13,715	\$ 41,297	\$ 42,084

(a) Includes finance expenses and preferred share dividends attributable to AlphaCat Re 2011.

(b) \$250,000 2010 Senior Notes due 2040

On January 21, 2010, the Company offered and sold \$250,000 of Senior Notes due 2040 (the 2010 Senior Notes) in a registered public offering. The 2010 Senior Notes mature on January 26, 2040, and are redeemable at the Company's option in whole any time or in part from time to time at a make-whole redemption price. The Company may redeem the notes in whole, but not in part, at any time upon the occurrence of certain tax events as described in the notes prospectus supplement. The 2010 Senior Notes bear interest at the rate of 8.875% per annum from January 26, 2010 to maturity or early redemption. Interest on the 2010 Senior Notes is payable semi-annually in arrears on January 26 and July 26 of each year, commencing on July 26, 2010. The net proceeds of \$243,967 from the sale of the 2010 Senior Notes, after the deduction of commissions paid to the underwriters in the transaction and other expenses, was used by the Company for general corporate purposes, which included the repurchase of its outstanding capital stock and payment of dividends to shareholders. Debt issuance costs of \$2,808 were deferred as an asset and amortized over the life of the 2010 Senior Notes.

The 2010 Senior Notes are unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Company and rank equally in right of payment with all of the Company's existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness. The 2010 Senior Notes will be effectively junior to all of the Company's future secured debt, to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such debt, and will rank senior to all our existing and future subordinated debt. The 2010 Senior Notes will be structurally subordinated to all obligations of the Company's subsidiaries.

Future expected payments of principal on the 2010 Senior Notes are as follows:

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2011	\$	
2012		
2013		
2014		
2015 and thereafter		250,000
Total minimum future payments	\$	250,000

(c) *Junior subordinated deferrable debentures*

On June 15, 2006, the Company participated in a private placement of \$150,000 of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures due 2036 (the 2006 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures). The 2006 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures mature on June 15, 2036, are redeemable at the Company's option at par beginning June 15, 2011, and require quarterly interest payments by the Company to the holders of the 2006 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures. Interest is payable at 9.069% per annum through June 15, 2011, and thereafter at a floating rate of three-month LIBOR plus 355 basis points, reset quarterly. The proceeds of \$150,000 from the sale of the 2006 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures, after the deduction of commissions paid to the placement agents in the transaction and other expenses, were used by the Company to fund Validus Re segment operations and for general working capital purposes. Debt issuance costs of \$3,750 were deferred as an asset and are amortized to income over the five year optional redemption period.

On June 21, 2007, the Company participated in a private placement of \$200,000 of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures due 2037 (the 2007 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures). The 2007 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures mature on June 15, 2037, are redeemable at the Company's option at par beginning June 15, 2012, and require quarterly interest payments by the Company to the holders of the 2007 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures. Interest will be payable at 8.480% per annum through June 15, 2012, and thereafter at a floating rate of three-month LIBOR plus 295 basis points, reset quarterly. The proceeds of \$200,000 from the sale of the 2007 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures, after the deduction of commissions paid to the placement agents in the transaction and other expenses, were used by the Company to fund the purchase of Talbot Holdings Ltd. Debt issuance costs of \$2,000 were deferred as an asset and are amortized to income over the five year optional redemption period.

During 2008 and 2009 the Company repurchased from an unaffiliated financial institution \$60,200 principal amount of its 2007 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures due 2037.

Future expected payments of principal on the 2006 and 2007 Junior Subordinated Deferrable Debentures are as follows:

2011	\$
2012	

2013		
2014		
2015 and thereafter		289,800
Total minimum future payments	\$	289,800

(d) *Credit facilities*

(i) *\$340,000 syndicated unsecured letter of credit facility, \$60,000 bilateral unsecured letter of credit facility and \$500,000 secured letter of credit facility*

On March 12, 2010, the Company entered into a three-year \$340,000 syndicated unsecured letter of credit facility and a \$60,000 bilateral unsecured letter of credit facility which provide for letter of credit availability for

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Validus Re and the Company's other subsidiaries and revolving credit availability for the Company (the "Three Year Facilities") (the full \$400,000 of which is available for letters of credit and/or revolving loans).

On March 12, 2007, the Company entered into a \$500,000 five-year secured letter of credit facility, as subsequently amended on October 25, 2007, July 24, 2009, and March 12, 2010, which provides for letter of credit availability for Validus Re and the Company's other subsidiaries (the "Five Year Facility" and, together with the Three Year Facilities, the "Credit Facilities"). The Credit Facilities were provided by a syndicate of commercial banks arranged by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. On October 25, 2007, the Company entered into the First Amendment to the Credit Facilities to provide for, among other things, additional capacity to incur up to \$100,000 under a new Funds at Lloyd's Letter of Credit Facility (as described below) to support underwriting capacity provided to Talbot 2002 Underwriting Ltd through Syndicate 1183 at Lloyd's of London for the 2008 and 2009 underwriting years of account. The amendment also modified certain provisions in the Credit Facilities in order to permit dividend payments on existing and future preferred and hybrid securities notwithstanding certain events of default.

On September 4, 2009, the Company announced that it had entered into Amendments to its \$500,000 five-year secured letter of credit facility and its then outstanding \$200,000 three-year unsecured facility and \$100,000 Talbot FAL Facility to amend a specific investment restriction clause in order to permit the completion of the IPC Acquisition. The amendment also modified and updated certain pricing and covenant terms.

On August 2, 2011, the Company announced that it had entered into Amendments to the Credit Facilities in order to modify certain provisions thereof, including definitions, affirmative covenants, negative covenants (including those relating to consolidations, mergers and sales of assets, indebtedness, liens, limitations on certain restrictions on subsidiaries and investments) and events of default, in each case, in order to reflect and permit the proposed exchange offer, the proposed second-step merger and the other proposed transactions contemplated by the Registration Statement on Form S-4 of the Company originally filed with the Securities Exchange Commission on July 25, 2011 (the "Exchange Offer Transactions") in connection with its proposed acquisition of Transatlantic.

As amended, the Credit Facilities contain covenants that include, among other things, (i) the requirement that the Company initially maintain a minimum level of consolidated net worth of at least 70% of consolidated net worth (\$2,925,590) and, commencing with the end of the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2009 to be increased quarterly by an amount equal to 50% of its consolidated net income (if positive) for such quarter plus 50% of any net proceeds received from any issuance of common shares during such quarter, (ii) the requirement that the Company maintain at all times a consolidated total debt to consolidated total capitalization ratio not greater than 0.35:1.00, and (iii) the requirement that Validus Re and any other material insurance subsidiaries maintain a financial strength rating by A.M. Best of not less than B++ (Fair). For purposes of covenant compliance (i) net worth is calculated with investments carried at amortized cost and (ii) consolidated total debt does not include the Company's junior subordinated deferrable debentures. The credit facilities also contain restrictions on our ability to pay dividends and other payments in respect of equity interests at any time that we are otherwise in default with respect to certain provisions under the credit facilities, make investments, incur debt at our subsidiaries, incur liens, sell assets and merge or consolidate with others.

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As of September 30, 2011, there was \$275,407 in outstanding letters of credit under the Five Year Facility (December 31, 2010: \$268,944) and \$nil outstanding under the Three Year Facilities (December 31, 2010: \$nil).

As of September 30, 2011, and throughout the reporting periods presented, the Company was in compliance with all covenants and restrictions under the Credit Facilities.

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(ii) Talbot FAL Facility

On November 28, 2007, Talbot entered into a \$100,000 standby Letter of Credit facility (the Talbot FAL Facility) to provide Funds at Lloyd s for the 2008 and 2009 underwriting years of account; this facility is guaranteed by the Company and is secured against the assets of Validus Re. The Talbot FAL Facility was provided by a syndicate of commercial banks arranged by Lloyds TSB Bank plc and ING Bank N.V., London Branch.

On November 19, 2009, the Company entered into an Amendment and Restatement of the Talbot FAL Facility to reduce the commitment from \$100,000 to \$25,000, and to extend the support to the 2010 and 2011 underwriting years of account.

As amended, the Talbot FAL Facility contains affirmative covenants that include, among other things, (i) the requirement that we initially maintain a minimum level of consolidated net worth of at least 70% of consolidated net worth (\$2,607,219), and commencing with the end of the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2009 to be increased quarterly by an amount equal to 50% of our consolidated net income (if positive) for such quarter plus 50% of any net proceeds received from any issuance of common shares during such quarter, and (ii) the requirement that we maintain at all times a consolidated total debt to consolidated total capitalization ratio not greater than 0.35:1.00.

The Talbot FAL Facility also contains restrictions on our ability to incur debt at our subsidiaries, incur liens, sell assets and merge or consolidate with others. Other than in respect of existing and future preferred and hybrid securities, the payment of dividends and other payments in respect of equity interests are not permitted at any time that we are in default with respect to certain provisions under the Credit Facilities. As of September 30, 2011, the Company had \$25,000 in outstanding letters of credit under this facility (December 31, 2010: \$25,000).

As of September 30, 2011, and throughout the reporting periods presented, the Company was in compliance with all covenants and restrictions under the Talbot FAL Facility.

(iii) IPC Syndicated Facility and IPC Bi-Lateral Facility

IPC obtained letters of credit through the IPC Syndicated Facility and the IPC Bi-Lateral Facility (the IPC Facilities). In July, 2009, certain terms of these facilities were amended including suspending IPC s ability to increase existing letters of credit or to issue new letters of credit. Effective March 31, 2010, the IPC Syndicated Facility was closed. As of September 30, 2011, \$57,464 of outstanding letters of credit were issued under the IPC Bi-Lateral Facility (December 31, 2010: \$68,063).

As of September 30, 2011, and throughout the reporting periods presented, the Company was in compliance with all covenants and restrictions under the IPC Bi-Lateral Facility.

11. Commitments and contingencies

(a) Concentrations of credit risk

The Company's investments are managed following prudent standards of diversification. The Company attempts to limit its credit exposure by purchasing high quality fixed income investments to maintain an average portfolio credit quality of AA- or higher with mortgage and commercial mortgage-backed issues having an aggregate weighted average credit quality of triple-A. In addition, the Company limits its exposure to any single issuer to 3% or less, excluding treasury and agency securities. With the exception of the Company's bank loan portfolio, the minimum credit rating of any security purchased is Baa3/BBB- and where investments are downgraded, the Company permits a holding of up to 2% in aggregate market value, or 10% with written pre-authorization. At September 30, 2011, 1.0% of the portfolio, excluding bank loans, had a split rating below Baa3/BBB- and the

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Company did not have an aggregate exposure to any single issuer of more than 1.0% of its investment portfolio, other than with respect to government and agency securities.

(b) Funds at Lloyd's

The amounts provided under the Talbot FAL Facility would become a liability of the Company in the event of Syndicate 1183 declaring a loss at a level which would call on this arrangement.

Talbot operates in Lloyd's through a corporate member, Talbot 2002 Underwriting Capital Ltd (T02), which is the sole participant in Syndicate 1183. Lloyd's sets T02's required capital annually based on syndicate 1183's business plan, rating environment, reserving environment together with input arising from Lloyd's discussions with, inter alia, regulatory and rating agencies. Such capital, called Funds at Lloyd's (FAL), comprises: cash, investments and undrawn letters of credit provided by various banks. The amounts of cash, investments and letters of credit at September 30, 2011 amounted to \$441,000 (December 31, 2010: \$441,000) of which \$25,000 is provided under the Talbot FAL Facility (December 31, 2010: \$25,000).

(c) Lloyd's Central Fund

Whenever a member of Lloyd's is unable to pay its debts to policyholders, such debts may be payable by the Lloyd's Central Fund. If Lloyd's determines that the Central Fund needs to be increased, it has the power to assess premium levies on current Lloyd's members up to 3% of a member's underwriting capacity in any one year. The Company does not believe that any assessment is likely in the foreseeable future and has not provided any allowance for such an assessment. However, based on the Company's 2011 estimated premium income at Lloyd's of £560,000, the September 30, 2011 exchange rate of £1 equals \$1.5582 and assuming the maximum 3% assessment, the Company would be assessed approximately \$26,178.

12. Related party transactions

The transactions listed below are classified as related party transactions as each counterparty has either a direct or indirect shareholding in the Company.

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a) On December 8, 2005, the Company entered into agreements with Goldman Sachs Asset Management and its affiliates (GSAM) under which GSAM provides investment management services for a portion of the Company s investment portfolio. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, GSAM was deemed to be a related party due to a combination of GSAM being a shareholder in the Company and having an employee on the Company s Board of Directors during this period. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, GSAM was no longer a related party due to the resignation of Sumit Rajpal from the Board of Directors effective February 7, 2011. Investment management fees earned by GSAM for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 were \$370 and \$1,397, respectively. Management believes that the fees charged were consistent with those that would have been charged in arm s-length transactions with unrelated third parties.

b) Aquiline Capital Partners, LLC and its related companies (Aquiline), which own 6,255,943 shares in the Company, hold warrants to purchase 2,756,088 shares, and have two employees on the Company s Board of Directors who do not receive compensation from the Company, are shareholders of Group Ark Insurance Holdings Ltd. (Group Ark). Christopher E. Watson, a director of the Company, also serves as a director of Group Ark. Pursuant to reinsurance agreements with a subsidiary of Group Ark, the Company recognized gross premiums written during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 of \$53 (2010: \$nil) and \$1,464 (2010: \$1,341), respectively, of which \$683 was included in premiums receivable at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010: \$378). The Company also recognized reinsurance premiums ceded during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 of \$nil (2010: \$nil) and \$163 (2010: \$606), respectively, of which \$21 was included in reinsurance balances payable at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010: \$132). Earned premium adjustments of \$451 (2010: (\$237)) and \$1,129 (2010: \$645) were incurred during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011.

c) Aquiline is also a shareholder of Tiger Risk Partners LLC (Tiger Risk). Christopher E. Watson, a director of the Company serves as a director of Tiger Risk. Pursuant to certain reinsurance contracts, the Company

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recognized brokerage expenses paid to Tiger Risk for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 of \$57 (2010: (\$11)) and \$1,138 (2010: \$1,458), respectively, of which \$155 was included in accounts payable and accrued expenses at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010: \$792).

d) On November 24, 2009, the Company entered into an Investment Management Agreement with Conning, Inc. (Conning) to manage a portion of the Company's investment portfolio. Aquiline acquired Conning on June 16, 2009. John J. Hendrickson and Jeffrey W. Greenberg, directors of the Company, each serve as a director of Conning Holdings Corp., the parent company of Conning and Michael Carpenter, the Chairman of Talbot Holdings, Ltd. serves as a director of a subsidiary company of Conning Holdings Corp. Investment management fees earned by Conning for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 were \$200 (2010: \$100) and \$580 (2010: \$286), respectively, of which \$201 was included in accounts payable and accrued expenses at September 30, 2011 (December 31, 2010: \$97).

13. Earnings per share

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share available (attributable) to common shareholders for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Basic earnings per share				
Income	\$ 70,001	\$ 238,473	\$ 8,115	\$ 299,877
Income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(13,516)		(14,110)	
Income (loss) available (attributable) to Validus	\$ 56,485	\$ 238,473	\$ (5,995)	\$ 299,877
less: Dividends and distributions declared on outstanding warrants	(1,966)	(1,747)	(5,916)	(5,245)
Income (loss) available (attributable) to common shareholders	\$ 54,519	\$ 236,726	\$ (11,911)	\$ 294,632
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	98,961,795	110,601,888	98,430,686	119,414,906
Basic earnings (loss) per share available (attributable) to common shareholders	\$ 0.55	\$ 2.14	\$ (0.12)	\$ 2.47
Diluted earnings per share				
Income	\$ 70,001	\$ 238,473	\$ 8,115	\$ 299,877
Income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(13,516)		(14,110)	

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Income (loss) available (attributable) to Validus	\$	56,485	\$	238,473	\$	(5,995)	\$	299,877
less: Dividends and distributions declared on outstanding warrants		(1,966)				(5,916)		
Income (loss) available (attributable) to common shareholders	\$	54,519	\$	238,473	\$	(11,911)	\$	299,877
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding		98,961,795		110,601,888		98,430,686		119,414,906
Share equivalents:								
Warrants				2,442,095				2,494,322
Stock options		603,581		867,429				849,187
Unvested restricted shares		1,257,959		931,330				977,268
Weighted average number of diluted common shares outstanding		100,823,335		114,842,742		98,430,686		123,735,683
Diluted earnings (loss) per share available (attributable) to common shareholders	\$	0.54	\$	2.08	\$	(0.12)	\$	2.42

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Share equivalents that would result in the issuance of common shares of 175,454 (2010: 168,670) and 223,518 (2010: 152,765) were outstanding for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the effect would be antidilutive.

14. Subsequent events

Loss Events

The Company has evaluated the following subsequent events:

- Persistent rains in the Northern and Northeastern regions of Thailand caused severe flooding throughout the country, becoming particularly acute in the Bangkok area during October of 2011.
- On October 23, 2011, an earthquake struck Eastern Turkey, which caused widespread damage to property in the city of Van.
- On October 30, 2011, areas in the Northeast United States experienced significant snowstorms which caused extensive damage and power outages across a number of states.

The Company is continuing to review its in-force contracts and preliminary loss information from clients for the events described above and does not expect that these losses, either individually or when aggregated, will have a material impact on its shareholders' equity or liquidity.

Transatlantic Acquisition Proposal

On November 2, 2011, the Board of Directors authorized, through open market purchases or otherwise, an increase in the Company's current share repurchase authorization to \$1.0 billion contingent upon the consummation of the acquisition of Transatlantic Holdings, Inc.

(Transatlantic).

On November 3, 2011, the Company announced that it had increased its offer to acquire Transatlantic to 1.5564 voting common shares and \$11.00 per share in cash and, subject to the impact of certain Transatlantic share repurchase activity, up to an additional \$2.00 in cash per Transatlantic share, to be funded from available cash on hand at Transatlantic. The Transatlantic board failed to accept this revised offer.

Quarterly Dividend

On November 2, 2011, the Company announced a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 per each common share and \$0.25 per common share equivalent for which each outstanding warrant is exercisable, payable on December 30, 2011 to holders of record on December 15, 2011.

15. Segment information

The Company conducts its operations worldwide through two wholly-owned subsidiaries, Validus Reinsurance, Ltd. and Talbot Holdings Ltd. from which two operating segments have been determined under U.S. GAAP segment reporting. The Company's operating segments are strategic business units that offer different products and services. They are managed and have capital allocated separately because each business requires different strategies.

Validus Re

The Validus Re segment is focused on short-tail lines of reinsurance. The primary lines in which the segment conducts business are property, marine and specialty which includes agriculture, aerospace and aviation, financial lines of business, nuclear, terrorism, life, accident & health, workers' compensation, crisis management and motor.

Talbot

The Talbot segment focuses on a wide range of marine and energy, war, political violence, commercial property, financial institutions, contingency, bloodstock, accident & health and aviation classes of business on an insurance or facultative reinsurance basis and principally property, aerospace and marine classes of business on a treaty reinsurance basis.

Corporate and other reconciling items

The Company has a Corporate function, which includes the activities of the parent company, and which carries out certain functions for the group. Corporate includes non-core underwriting expenses, predominantly general and administrative and stock compensation expenses.

Corporate also denotes the activities of certain key executives such as the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. For internal

reporting purposes,

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Corporate is reflected separately, however Corporate is not considered an operating segment under these circumstances. Other reconciling items include, but are not limited to, the elimination of intersegment revenues and expenses and unusual items that are not allocated to segments.

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The following tables summarize the results of our operating segments and corporate segment:

Three Months Ended September 30, 2011	Validus Re	Talbot	Corporate & Eliminations	Total
Underwriting income				
Gross premiums written	\$ 182,803	\$ 238,937	\$ (30,611)	\$ 391,129
Reinsurance premiums ceded	(5,646)	(55,551)	30,611	(30,586)
Net premiums written	177,157	183,386		360,543
Change in unearned premiums	90,755	7,326		98,081
Net premiums earned	267,912	190,712		458,624
Underwriting deductions				
Losses and loss expenses	128,823	97,244		226,067
Policy acquisition costs	42,834	36,651	(2,080)	77,405
General and administrative expenses	8,129	23,164	4,633	35,926
Share compensation expenses	2,190	1,903	3,289	7,382
Total underwriting deductions	181,976	158,962	5,842	346,780
Underwriting income (loss)	\$ 85,936	\$ 31,750	\$ (5,842)	\$ 111,844
Net investment income	23,557	6,451	(2,261)	27,747
Other income	2,297	1,418	(3,715)	
Finance expenses	(697)	(151)	(10,087)	(10,935)
Operating income (loss) before taxes	111,093	39,468	(21,905)	128,656
Tax (expense)	(7)	(2,345)	(186)	(2,538)
Net operating income (loss)	\$ 111,086	\$ 37,123	\$ (22,091)	\$ 126,118
Net realized gains on investments	4,513	733		5,246
Net unrealized (losses) on investments	(25,973)	(1,875)		(27,848)
Foreign exchange (losses)	(9,942)	(9,943)	(47)	(19,932)
Transaction expenses (a)			(13,583)	(13,583)
Net income (loss)	\$ 79,684	\$ 26,038	\$ (35,721)	\$ 70,001
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(13,516)			(13,516)
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to Validus	\$ 66,168	\$ 26,038	\$ (35,721)	\$ 56,485
Selected ratios:				
Net premiums written / Gross premiums written	96.9%	76.8%		92.2%
Losses and loss expenses	48.1%	51.0%		49.3%
Policy acquisition costs	16.0%	19.2%		16.9%
General and administrative expenses (b)	3.9%	13.1%		9.4%

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Expense ratio	19.9%	32.3%	26.3%
Combined ratio	68.0%	83.3%	75.6%
Total assets	\$ 5,209,849	\$ 2,773,597	\$ 17,294

(a) The transaction expenses relate to costs incurred in relation to the proposed acquisition of Transatlantic Holdings, Inc. Transaction expenses are primarily comprised of legal, financial advisory and audit related services.

(b) Ratios are based on net premiums earned. The general and administrative expense ratio includes share compensation expenses.

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Three Months Ended September 30, 2010	Validus Re	Talbot	Corporate & Eliminations	Total
Underwriting income				
Gross premiums written	\$ 142,630	\$ 218,722	\$ (17,312)	\$ 344,040
Reinsurance premiums ceded	(8,463)	(44,490)	17,312	(35,641)
Net premiums written	134,167	174,232		308,399
Change in unearned premiums	124,747	(472)		124,275
Net premiums earned	258,914	173,760		432,674
Underwriting deductions				
Losses and loss expenses	79,098	79,838		158,936
Policy acquisition costs	39,818	32,451	(5,195)	67,074
General and administrative expenses	5,663	33,201	9,967	48,831
Share compensation expenses	1,869	1,754	3,995	7,618
Total underwriting deductions	126,448	147,244	8,767	282,459
Underwriting income (loss)	\$ 132,466	\$ 26,516	\$ (8,767)	\$ 150,215
Net investment income	28,683	7,614	(2,264)	34,033
Other income	891	3,291	(3,100)	1,082
Finance expenses	(1,505)		(12,210)	(13,715)
Operating income (loss) before taxes	160,535	37,421	(26,341)	171,615
Tax benefit (expense)		1,544	(122)	1,422
Net operating income (loss)	\$ 160,535	\$ 38,965	\$ (26,463)	\$ 173,037
Net realized gains on investments	20,297	2,761		23,058
Net unrealized gains on investments	25,505	6,083		31,588
Foreign exchange gains	2,895	7,595	300	10,790
Net income (loss)	\$ 209,232	\$ 55,404	\$ (26,163)	\$ 238,473
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest				
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to Validus	\$ 209,232	\$ 55,404	\$ (26,163)	\$ 238,473
Selected ratios:				
Net premiums written / Gross premiums written	94.1%	79.7%		89.6%
Losses and loss expenses	30.5%	45.9%		36.7%
Policy acquisition costs	15.4%	18.7%		15.5%
General and administrative expenses (a)	2.9%	20.1%		13.0%
Expense ratio	18.3%	38.8%		28.5%
Combined ratio	48.8%	84.7%		65.2%
Total assets	\$ 4,884,520	\$ 2,558,598	\$ 60,124	\$ 7,503,242

(a) Ratios are based on net premiums earned. The general and administrative expense ratio includes share compensation expenses.

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011	Validus Re	Talbot	Corporate & Eliminations	Total
Underwriting income				
Gross premiums written	\$ 1,135,692	\$ 778,880	\$ (68,160)	\$ 1,846,412
Reinsurance premiums ceded	(150,669)	(190,243)	68,160	(272,752)
Net premiums written	985,023	588,637		1,573,660
Change in unearned premiums	(232,124)	(27,739)		(259,863)
Net premiums earned	752,899	560,898		1,313,797
Underwriting deductions				
Losses and loss expenses	533,402	376,170		909,572
Policy acquisition costs	118,669	116,174	(1,912)	232,931
General and administrative expenses	34,244	86,604	24,396	145,244
Share compensation expenses	7,118	6,648	13,293	27,059
Total underwriting deductions	693,433	585,596	35,777	1,314,806
Underwriting income (loss)	\$ 59,466	\$ (24,698)	\$ (35,777)	\$ (1,009)
Net investment income	71,597	19,413	(6,794)	84,216
Other income	4,584	6,402	(8,785)	2,201
Finance expenses	(6,912)	(214)	(34,171)	(41,297)
Operating income (loss) before taxes	128,735	903	(85,527)	44,111
Tax (expense)	(13)	(760)	(277)	(1,050)
Net operating income (loss)	\$ 128,722	\$ 143	\$ (85,804)	\$ 43,061
Net realized gains on investments	17,984	5,193		23,177
Net unrealized (losses) on investments	(19,931)	(2,219)		(22,150)
Foreign exchange (losses)	(19,639)	(2,632)	(119)	(22,390)
Transaction expenses (a)			(13,583)	(13,583)
Net income (loss)	\$ 107,136	\$ 485	\$ (99,506)	\$ 8,115
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(14,110)			(14,110)
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to Validus	\$ 93,026	\$ 485	\$ (99,506)	\$ (5,995)
Selected ratios:				
Net premiums written / Gross premiums written	86.7%	75.6%		85.2%
Losses and loss expenses	70.8%	67.1%		69.2%
Policy acquisition costs	15.8%	20.7%		17.7%
General and administrative expenses (b)	5.5%	16.6%		13.1%
Expense ratio	21.3%	37.3%		30.8%
Combined ratio	92.1%	104.4%		100.0%
Total assets	\$ 5,209,849	\$ 2,773,597	\$ 17,294	\$ 8,000,740

(a) The transaction expenses relate to costs incurred in relation to the proposed acquisition of Transatlantic Holdings, Inc. Transaction expenses are primarily comprised of legal, financial advisory and audit related services.

(b) Ratios are based on net premiums earned. The general and administrative expense ratio includes share compensation expenses.

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010	Validus Re	Talbot	Corporate & Eliminations	Total
Underwriting income				
Gross premiums written	\$ 1,067,253	\$ 742,973	\$ (78,391)	\$ 1,731,835
Reinsurance premiums ceded	(62,748)	(209,749)	78,391	(194,106)
Net premiums written	1,004,505	533,224		1,537,729
Change in unearned premiums	(199,629)	(9,788)		(209,417)
Net premiums earned	804,876	523,436		1,328,312
Underwriting deductions				
Losses and loss expenses	551,811	280,550		832,361
Policy acquisition costs	121,300	106,043	(9,967)	217,376
General and administrative expenses	32,958	83,709	38,112	154,779
Share compensation expenses	5,247	4,781	11,012	21,040
Total underwriting deductions	711,316	475,083	39,157	1,225,556
Underwriting income (loss)	\$ 93,560	\$ 48,353	\$ (39,157)	\$ 102,756
Net investment income	87,842	22,185	(6,886)	103,141
Other income	3,446	8,350	(7,129)	4,667
Finance expenses	(3,905)	(3,140)	(35,039)	(42,084)
Operating income (loss) before taxes	180,943	75,748	(88,211)	168,480
Tax (expense)	(185)	(1,755)	(128)	(2,068)
Net operating income (loss)	\$ 180,758	\$ 73,993	\$ (88,339)	\$ 166,412
Net realized gains on investments	40,439	6,458		46,897
Net unrealized gains on investments	73,397	15,244		88,641
Foreign exchange (losses) gains	(3,087)	753	261	(2,073)
Net income (loss)	\$ 291,507	\$ 96,448	\$ (88,078)	\$ 299,877
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest				
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to Validus	\$ 291,507	\$ 96,448	\$ (88,078)	\$ 299,877
Selected ratios:				
Net premiums written / Gross premiums written	94.1%	71.8%		88.8%
Losses and loss expenses	68.6%	53.6%		62.7%
Policy acquisition costs	15.1%	20.3%		16.4%
General and administrative expenses (a)	4.7%	16.9%		13.2%
Expense ratio	19.8%	37.2%		29.6%
Combined ratio	88.4%	90.8%		92.3%
Total assets	\$ 4,884,520	\$ 2,558,598	\$ 60,124	\$ 7,503,242

(a) Ratios are based on net premiums earned. The general and administrative expense ratio includes share compensation expenses.

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The Company's exposures are generally diversified across geographic zones. The following tables set forth the gross premiums written allocated to the territory of coverage exposure for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2011					
	Gross premiums written					
	Validus Re	Talbot	Eliminations	Total	%	
United States	\$ 57,998	\$ 34,615	\$ (4,286)	\$ 88,327	22.6%	
Worldwide excluding United States (a)	15,410	62,570	(8,265)	69,715	17.8%	
Europe	14,722	6,660	(919)	20,463	5.2%	
Latin America and Caribbean	5,886	33,836	(4,285)	35,437	9.1%	
Japan	9,679	3,571	(306)	12,944	3.3%	
Canada	306	2,480	(306)	2,480	0.6%	
Rest of the world (b)	3,063			3,063	0.8%	
Sub-total, non United States	49,066	109,117	(14,081)	144,102	36.8%	
Worldwide including United States (a)	29,675	14,997	(1,836)	42,836	11.0%	
Marine and Aerospace (c)	46,064	80,208	(10,408)	115,864	29.6%	
Total	\$ 182,803	\$ 238,937	\$ (30,611)	\$ 391,129	100.0%	

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2010					
	Gross premiums written					
	Validus Re	Talbot	Eliminations	Total	%	
United States	\$ 67,097	\$ 19,639	\$ (995)	\$ 85,741	24.9%	
Worldwide excluding United States (a)	6,243	60,500	(594)	66,149	19.2%	
Europe	7,163	9,688	(146)	16,705	4.9%	
Latin America and Caribbean	17,340	29,033	(14,336)	32,037	9.3%	
Japan	3,125	1,556	(21)	4,660	1.4%	
Canada	21	1,808	(21)	1,808	0.5%	
Rest of the world (b)	(372)			(372)	(0.1)%	
Sub-total, non United States	33,520	102,585	(15,118)	120,987	35.2%	
Worldwide including United States (a)	4,635	13,317	(135)	17,817	5.2%	
Marine and Aerospace (c)	37,378	83,181	(1,064)	119,495	34.7%	
Total	\$ 142,630	\$ 218,722	\$ (17,312)	\$ 344,040	100.0%	

(a) Represents risks in two or more geographic zones.

(b) Represents risks in one geographic zone.

(c) Not classified as geographic area as marine and aerospace risks can span multiple geographic areas and are not fixed locations in some instances.

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The Company's exposures are generally diversified across geographic zones. The following tables set forth the gross premiums written allocated to the territory of coverage exposure for the periods indicated:

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011					%
	Gross premiums written					
	Validus Re	Talbot	Eliminations	Total		
United States	\$ 511,727	\$ 96,627	\$ (8,490)	\$ 599,864		32.5%
Worldwide excluding United States (a)	44,968	187,741	(11,234)	221,475		12.0%
Europe	84,417	41,604	(1,480)	124,541		6.7%
Latin America and Caribbean	42,437	74,369	(26,856)	89,950		4.9%
Japan	43,748	6,327	(406)	49,669		2.7%
Canada	416	8,731	(416)	8,731		0.5%
Rest of the world (b)	48,059			48,059		2.6%
Sub-total, non United States	264,045	318,772	(40,392)	542,425		29.4%
Worldwide including United States (a)	110,455	41,033	(2,378)	149,110		8.1%
Marine and Aerospace (c)	249,465	322,448	(16,900)	555,013		30.0%
Total	\$ 1,135,692	\$ 778,880	\$ (68,160)	\$ 1,846,412		100.0%

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(Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share information)

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010						%
	Gross premiums written						
	Validus Re	Talbot	Eliminations	Total			
United States	\$ 487,317	\$ 74,613	\$ (6,486)	\$ 555,444		32.1%	
Worldwide excluding United States (a)	50,837	195,324	(6,512)	239,649		13.8%	
Europe	98,396	38,058	(1,107)	135,347		7.8%	
Latin America and Caribbean	61,115	75,628	(42,889)	93,854		5.4%	
Japan	23,025	5,165	(158)	28,032		1.6%	
Canada	158	8,811	(158)	8,811		0.5%	
Rest of the world (b)	24,796			24,796		1.4%	
Sub-total, non United States	258,327	322,986	(50,824)	530,489		30.5%	
Worldwide including United States (a)	82,902	42,004	(2,369)	122,537		7.2%	
Marine and Aerospace (c)	238,707	303,370	(18,712)	523,365		30.2%	
Total	\$ 1,067,253	\$ 742,973	\$ (78,391)	\$ 1,731,835		100.0%	

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

The following is a discussion and analysis of the Company's consolidated results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 and the Company's consolidated financial condition, liquidity and capital resources at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, the discussions of critical accounting policies and the qualitative and quantitative disclosure about market risk contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010.

For a variety of reasons, the Company's historical financial results may not accurately indicate future performance. See Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements. The Risk Factors set forth in Item 1A of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010 present a discussion of important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results described in or implied by the forward-looking statements contained herein.

Executive Overview

The Company underwrites from two distinct global operating segments, Validus Reinsurance, Ltd. (Validus Re) and Talbot Holdings Ltd. (Talbot). Validus Re, the Company's principal reinsurance operating segment, operates as a Bermuda-based provider of short-tail reinsurance products on a global basis. Talbot, the Company's principal insurance operating segment, operates through its two underwriting platforms: Talbot Underwriting Ltd, which manages Syndicate 1183 at Lloyd's of London (Lloyd's) and which writes short-tail insurance products on a worldwide basis, and Underwriting Risk Services Ltd, which is an underwriting agency writing primarily yacht and onshore energy business on behalf of the Talbot syndicate and others.

The Company's strategy has been to concentrate primarily on short-tail risks, which has been an area where management believes current prices and terms provide an attractive risk adjusted return and the management team has proven expertise. The Company's profitability in any given period is based upon premium and investment revenues, less net losses and loss expenses, acquisition expenses and operating expenses. Financial results in the insurance and reinsurance industry are influenced by the frequency and/or severity of claims and losses, including as a result of catastrophic events, changes in interest rates, financial markets and general economic conditions, the supply of insurance and reinsurance capacity and changes in legal, regulatory and judicial environments.

On September 4, 2009, the Company acquired all of the outstanding shares of IPC (the IPC Acquisition) in exchange for common shares and cash. IPC's operations focused on short-tail lines of reinsurance. The primary lines in which IPC conducted business were property catastrophe reinsurance and, to a limited extent, property-per-risk excess, aviation (including satellite) and other short-tail reinsurance on a worldwide basis. The IPC Acquisition was undertaken to increase the Company's capital base and gain a strategic advantage in the then current reinsurance market. This acquisition created a leading Bermuda carrier in the short-tail reinsurance market that facilitates stronger relationships with major reinsurance intermediaries.

On May 25, 2011, the Company joined with other investors in capitalizing AlphaCat Re 2011, a new special purpose sidecar reinsurer formed for the purpose of writing collateralized reinsurance and retrocessional reinsurance. Validus Re has an equity interest in AlphaCat Re 2011 and as Validus Re holds a majority of AlphaCat Re 2011's outstanding voting rights, the financial statements of AlphaCat Re 2011 are included in the

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consolidated financial statements of the Company. The portion of AlphaCat Re 2011's earnings attributable to third party investors for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 is recorded in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income as net income attributable to noncontrolling interest.

Business Outlook and Trends

We underwrite global specialty property insurance and reinsurance and have large aggregate exposures to natural and man-made disasters. The occurrence of claims from catastrophic events results in substantial volatility, and can have material adverse effects on the Company's financial condition and results and ability to write new business. This volatility affects results for the period in which the loss occurs because U.S. accounting principles do

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not permit reinsurers to reserve for such catastrophic events until they occur. Catastrophic events of significant magnitude historically have been relatively infrequent, although management believes the property catastrophe reinsurance market has experienced a higher level of worldwide catastrophic losses in terms of both frequency and severity in the period from 1992 to the present. We also expect that increases in the values and concentrations of insured property will increase the severity of such occurrences in the future. The Company seeks to reflect these trends when pricing contracts.

Property and other reinsurance premiums have historically risen in the aftermath of significant catastrophic losses. As loss reserves are established, industry surplus is depleted and the industry's capacity to write new business diminishes. At the same time, management believes that there is a heightened awareness of exposure to natural catastrophes on the part of cedants, rating agencies and catastrophe modeling firms, resulting in an increase in the demand for reinsurance protection.

The global property and casualty insurance and reinsurance industry has historically been highly cyclical. The Company was formed in October 2005 in response to the supply/demand imbalance resulting from the large industry losses in 2004 and 2005. In the aggregate, the Company observed substantial increases in premium rates in 2006 compared to 2005 levels. During the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2008, the Company experienced increased competition in most lines of business. Capital provided by new entrants or by the commitment of additional capital by existing insurers and reinsurers increased the supply of insurance and reinsurance which resulted in a softening of rates in most lines. However, during 2008, the insurance and reinsurance industry incurred material losses and capital declines due to Hurricanes Ike and Gustav and the global financial crisis. In the wake of these events, the January 2009 renewal season saw decreased competition and increased premium rates due to relatively scarce capital and increased demand. During 2009, the Company observed reinsurance demand stabilization and industry capital recovery from investment portfolio gains. In 2009, there were few notable large losses affecting the worldwide (re)insurance industry and no major hurricanes making landfall in the United States. During 2010, the Company continued to see increased competition and decreased premium rates in most classes of business with the exception of offshore energy, Latin America, financial institutions and political risk lines. During 2010 there was an increased level of catastrophe activity, principally the Chilean earthquake and the Deepwater Horizon events.

During the January 2011 renewal season, Validus Re increased gross premiums written on the U.S. Cat XOL lines and decreased gross premiums written in the proportional lines. In addition, Validus Re decreased gross premiums written in the International Property lines as market conditions dictated. In the aftermath of 2010's Deepwater Horizon loss, Validus Re saw additional opportunities and rate increases in the marine lines. Within its specialty lines, Validus Re increased gross premiums written in the terrorism lines among other sub-classes. During the first quarter of 2011, premiums in Talbot have been relatively stable with rate increases occurring on renewals that have suffered losses but rate reductions continuing elsewhere, as a result of good experience and excess capacity in the market. Talbot is receiving improved pricing in the energy, property and political risk lines as a result of recent loss events. The significant worldwide elevated loss activity since the beginning of 2010, in conjunction with changes to certain commercial vendors' catastrophe models, is resulting in improved pricing and demand for catastrophe reinsurance. Rate levels in both our U.S. and International property catastrophe business continued to improve for mid-year 2011 renewals due to the magnitude of the worldwide loss activity.

During the third quarter, the Talbot segment has experienced significant price increases in its offshore energy, onshore energy and property classes, offset by some pricing pressure in other classes, resulting in an overall price increase at a whole account level of 3.4% for the year to date.

Financial Measures

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The Company believes the following financial indicators are important in evaluating performance and measuring the overall growth in value generated for shareholders:

Annualized return on average equity represents the level of net income available to shareholders generated from the average shareholders' equity during the period. Annualized return on average equity is calculated by dividing the net income available to Validus for the period by the average shareholders' equity during the period. Average shareholders' equity is the average of the beginning, ending and intervening quarter end shareholders' equity balances. Percentages for the

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quarter and interim periods are annualized. The Company's objective is to generate superior returns on capital that appropriately reward shareholders for the risks assumed and to grow premiums written only when returns meet or exceed internal requirements. Details of annualized return on average equity are provided below.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Year Ended December 31,	
	2011	2010	2010	
Annualized return on average equity	6.6%	25.9%	10.8%	

The decrease in annualized return on average equity for the three months ended September 30, 2011 was driven primarily by a reduction in net income. Net income available to Validus for the three months ended September 30, 2011 decreased by \$182.0 million, or 76.3% compared to the three months ended September 30, 2010. This unfavorable movement was primarily due to large loss events coupled with an unfavorable movement in unrealized gains on investments.

Diluted book value per common share is considered by management to be an appropriate measure of our returns to common shareholders, as we believe growth in our book value on a diluted basis ultimately translates into growth of our stock price. Diluted book value per common share decreased by \$0.75, or 2.3%, from \$32.98 at December 31, 2010 to \$32.23 at September 30, 2011. The decrease was due to the loss generated in the nine months ended September 30, 2011. Diluted book value per common share is a Non-GAAP financial measure. The most comparable U.S. GAAP financial measure is book value per common share. Diluted book value per common share is calculated based on total shareholders equity plus the assumed proceeds from the exercise of outstanding options and warrants, divided by the sum of common shares, unvested restricted shares, options and warrants outstanding (assuming their exercise). A reconciliation of diluted book value per common share to book value per common share is presented below in the section entitled *Other Non-GAAP Financial Measures*.

Cash dividends per common share are an integral part of the value created for shareholders. On November 2, 2011, the Company announced a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 per each common share and \$0.25 per common share equivalent for which each outstanding warrant is exercisable, payable on December 30, 2011 to holders of record on December 15, 2011.

Underwriting income (loss) measures the performance of the Company's core underwriting function, excluding revenues and expenses such as net investment income (loss), other income, finance expenses, net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments and foreign exchange gains (losses). The Company believes the reporting of underwriting income enhances the understanding of our results by highlighting the underlying profitability of the Company's core insurance and reinsurance operations. Underwriting income for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$111.8 million and \$150.2 million, respectively. Underwriting income (loss) is a Non-GAAP financial measure as described in detail and reconciled in the section below entitled *Underwriting Income (Loss)*.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

There are certain accounting policies that the Company considers to be critical due to the judgment and uncertainty inherent in the application of those policies. In calculating financial statement estimates, the use of different assumptions could produce materially different estimates. The Company believes the following critical accounting policies affect significant estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements:

- Premiums;
- Reinsurance premiums ceded and reinsurance recoverable;
- Investment valuation; and
- Reserve for losses and loss expenses.

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For insurance and reinsurance companies, a significant judgment made by management is the estimation of the reserve for losses and loss expenses. The Company establishes its reserve for losses and loss expenses to cover the estimated remaining liability incurred for both reported claims (case reserves) and unreported amounts (incurred but not reported or IBNR reserves). For insurance and reinsurance business, the IBNR reserves include provision for loss incidents that have occurred but have not yet been reported to the Company as well as for future variation in case reserves (where the claim has been reported but the ultimate cost is not yet known). Within the reinsurance business, the portion of total IBNR related to future variation on known claims is calculated at the individual claim level in some instances (either as an additional case reserve or individual claim IBNR). Within the insurance business, the provision for future variation in current case reserves is generally calculated using actuarial estimates of total IBNR, while individual claim IBNR amounts are sometimes calculated for larger claims. During 2010 and 2011, given the complexity and severity of notable loss events in the year, an explicit reserve for development on 2010 and 2011 notable loss events was included within the Company's IBNR reserving process. As uncertainties surrounding initial estimates on notable loss events develop, it is expected that the reserve will be allocated to specific notable loss events.

The requirement for a provision in respect of the reserve for development on notable loss events in a quarter is a function of (a) the number of significant events occurring in that quarter and (b) the complexity and volatility of those events. These factors are considered in the aggregate for the events occurring in the quarter, recognizing that it is more likely that one or some of the events may deteriorate significantly, rather than all deteriorating proportionately. The evaluation of each quarter's requirement for provision for a reserve for development on notable loss events takes place as part of the quarterly evaluation of the reserve requirement. It is not directly linked in isolation to any one significant/notable loss in the quarter, and therefore it is not assigned to a contract on the basis of a specific review. The provision for the reserve for development on notable loss events is evaluated by our in-house actuaries as part of their normal process in setting of indicated reserves for the quarter. In ensuing quarters senior management revisits and re-estimates each event previously considered in the catastrophe loss event process, as well as events that have subsequently emerged in the current quarter. Changes to the reserve for potential development on notable loss events will be considered in light of changes to previous loss estimates from notable losses in this re-estimation process.

Critical accounting policies and estimates are discussed further in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Segment Reporting

Management has determined that the Company operates in two reportable segments. The two significant operating segments are Validus Re and Talbot.

Results of Operations

Validus Re commenced operations on December 16, 2005. The Company's fiscal year ends on December 31. Financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) for interim financial information.

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The following table presents results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010:

(Dollars in thousands)	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Gross premiums written	\$ 391,129	\$ 344,040	\$ 1,846,412	\$ 1,731,835
Reinsurance premiums ceded	(30,586)	(35,641)	(272,752)	(194,106)
Net premiums written	360,543	308,399	1,573,660	1,537,729
Change in unearned premiums	98,081	124,275	(259,863)	(209,417)
Net premiums earned	458,624	432,674	1,313,797	1,328,312
Losses and loss expenses	226,067	158,936	909,572	832,361
Policy acquisition costs	77,405	67,074	232,931	217,376
General and administrative expenses	35,926	48,831	145,244	154,779
Share compensation expenses	7,382	7,618	27,059	21,040
Total underwriting deductions	346,780	282,459	1,314,806	1,225,556
Underwriting income (loss) (a)	111,844	150,215	(1,009)	102,756
Net investment income	27,747	34,033	84,216	103,141
Other income		1,082	2,201	4,667
Finance expenses	(10,935)	(13,715)	(41,297)	(42,084)
Operating income before taxes	128,656	171,615	44,111	168,480
Tax (expense) benefit	(2,538)	1,422	(1,050)	(2,068)
Net operating income (a)	126,118	173,037	43,061	166,412
Net realized gains on investments	5,246	23,058	23,177	46,897
Net unrealized (losses) gains on investments	(27,848)	31,588	(22,150)	88,641
Foreign exchange (losses) gains	(19,932)	10,790	(22,390)	(2,073)
Transaction expenses	(13,583)		(13,583)	
Net income	70,001	238,473	8,115	299,877
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(13,516)		(14,110)	
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to Validus	\$ 56,485	\$ 238,473	\$ (5,995)	\$ 299,877
Selected ratios:				
Net premiums written / Gross premiums written	92.2%	89.6%	85.2%	88.8%
Losses and loss expenses	49.3%	36.7%	69.2%	62.7%
Policy acquisition costs	16.9%	15.5%	17.7%	16.4%
General and administrative expenses (b)	9.4%	13.0%	13.1%	13.2%
Expense ratio	26.3%	28.5%	30.8%	29.6%
Combined ratio	75.6%	65.2%	100.0%	92.3%

(a) Non-GAAP Financial Measures: In presenting the Company's results, management has included and discussed underwriting income and net operating income that are not calculated under standards or rules that comprise U.S. GAAP. Such measures are referred to as non-GAAP. Non-GAAP measures may be defined or calculated differently by other companies. These measures should not be viewed as a substitute for those determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP. A reconciliation of underwriting income to net income, the most comparable U.S. GAAP financial measure, is presented in the section below entitled Underwriting Income.

(b) The general and administrative expense ratio includes share compensation expenses.

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	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Validus Re				
Gross premiums written	\$ 182,803	\$ 142,630	\$ 1,135,692	\$ 1,067,253
Reinsurance premiums ceded	(5,646)	(8,463)	(150,669)	(62,748)
Net premiums written	177,157	134,167	985,023	1,004,505
Change in unearned premiums	90,755	124,747	(232,124)	(199,629)
Net premiums earned	267,912	258,914	752,899	804,876
Losses and loss expenses	128,823	79,098	533,402	551,811
Policy acquisition costs	42,834	39,818	118,669	121,300
General and administrative expenses	8,129	5,663	34,244	32,958
Share compensation expenses	2,190	1,869	7,118	5,247
Total underwriting deductions	181,976	126,448	693,433	711,316
Underwriting income (a)	85,936	132,466	59,466	93,560
Talbot				
Gross premiums written	\$ 238,937	\$ 218,722	\$ 778,880	\$ 742,973
Reinsurance premiums ceded	(55,551)	(44,490)	(190,243)	(209,749)
Net premiums written	183,386	174,232	588,637	533,224
Change in unearned premiums	7,326	(472)	(27,739)	(9,788)
Net premiums earned	190,712	173,760	560,898	523,436
Losses and loss expenses	97,244	79,838	376,170	280,550
Policy acquisition costs	36,651	32,451	116,174	106,043
General and administrative expenses	23,164	33,201	86,604	83,709
Share compensation expenses	1,903	1,754	6,648	4,781
Total underwriting deductions	158,962	147,244	585,596	475,083
Underwriting income (loss) (a)	31,750	26,516	(24,698)	48,353
Corporate & Eliminations				
Gross premiums written	\$ (30,611)	\$ (17,312)	\$ (68,160)	\$ (78,391)
Reinsurance premiums ceded	30,611	17,312	68,160	78,391
Net premiums written				
Change in unearned premiums				
Net premiums earned				
Losses and loss expenses				
Policy acquisition costs	(2,080)	(5,195)	(1,912)	(9,967)
General and administrative expenses	4,633	9,967	24,396	38,112
Share compensation expenses	3,289	3,995	13,293	11,012
Total underwriting deductions	5,842	8,767	35,777	39,157
Underwriting (loss) (a)	(5,842)	(8,767)	(35,777)	(39,157)
Total underwriting income (loss) (a)	\$ 111,844	\$ 150,215	\$ (1,009)	\$ 102,756

(a) Non-GAAP Financial Measures: In presenting the Company's results, management has included and discussed underwriting income that is not calculated under standards or rules that comprise U.S. GAAP. Such measures are referred to as non-GAAP. Non-GAAP measures may be defined or calculated differently by other companies. These measures should not be viewed as a substitute for those determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP. A reconciliation of this measure to net income, the most comparable U.S. GAAP financial measure, is presented in the section below entitled "Underwriting Income."

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Net income available to Validus for the three months ended September 30, 2011 was \$56.5 million compared to \$238.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010, a decrease of \$182.0 million or 76.3%. The primary factors driving the decrease in net income were:

- Decrease in underwriting income of \$38.4 million due to:
 - The impact of \$58.5 million adverse development, net of reinstatement premiums, on prior quarter, current accident year, notable and certain other loss events, partially offset by \$11.3 million in favorable development on prior accident year losses.
- Offset by a \$26.0 million increase in net premiums earned.
- An unfavorable movement of \$59.4 million in net unrealized (losses) gains on investments;
- An unfavorable movement of \$30.7 million in foreign exchange (losses); and
- An unfavorable movement of \$17.8 million in net realized (losses) gains on investments.

The change in net income available to Validus for the three months ended September 30, 2011 of \$182.0 million as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2010 is described in the following table:

(Dollars in thousands)	Three Months Ended September 30, 2011			
	Increase (Decrease) Over the Three Months Ended September 30, 2010			
	Validus Re	Talbot	Corporate and Eliminations	Total
Notable losses - (increase) in net loss and loss expenses (a)	\$ (2,929)	\$ (1,276)	\$	\$ (4,205)
Less: Notable losses - increase in net reinstatement premiums (a)	3,164	265		3,429
Other underwriting (loss) income	(46,765)	6,245	2,925	(37,595)
Underwriting (loss) income (b)	(46,530)	5,234	2,925	(38,371)
Net investment income	(5,126)	(1,163)	3	(6,286)
Other income	1,406	(1,873)	(615)	(1,082)
Finance expenses	808	(151)	2,123	2,780

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	(49,442)	2,047	4,436	(42,959)
Taxes	(7)	(3,889)	(64)	(3,960)
	(49,449)	(1,842)	4,372	(46,919)
Net realized (losses) on investments	(15,784)	(2,028)		(17,812)
Net unrealized (losses) on investments	(51,478)	(7,958)		(59,436)
Net foreign exchange (losses)	(12,837)	(17,538)	(347)	(30,722)
Transaction expenses			(13,583)	(13,583)
Net (loss)	(129,548)	(29,366)	(9,558)	(168,472)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(13,516)			(13,516)
Net (loss) attributable to Validus	\$ (143,064)	\$ (29,366)	\$ (9,558)	\$ (181,988)

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(a) Notable losses for the three months ended September 30, 2011 included: Danish floods and Hurricane Irene. Notable losses for the three months ended September 30, 2010 included: New Zealand earthquake, Oklahoma windstorm, a Political risk loss and Hurricane Karl. Excludes the reserve for potential development on 2010 and 2011 notable loss events.

(b) Non-GAAP Financial Measures: In presenting the Company's results, management has included and discussed underwriting income (loss) that is not calculated under standards or rules that comprise U.S. GAAP. Such measures are referred to as non-GAAP. Non-GAAP measures may be defined or calculated differently by other companies. These measures should not be viewed as a substitute for those determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP. A reconciliation of this measure to net income, the most comparable U.S. GAAP financial measure, is presented in the section below entitled Underwriting Income.

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Gross Premiums Written

Gross premiums written for the three months ended September 30, 2011 were \$391.1 million compared to \$344.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010, an increase of \$47.1 million or 13.7%. Details of gross premiums written by line of business are provided below.

**Three Months Ended
September 30, 2011**

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