Managing Risk

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For a more detailed discussion of these factors, see the information under the caption "Risk Factors" in our most recent annual report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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In this presentation, we may refer to some non-GAAP financial measures, including, among others, operating income, operating income per diluted share, operating income excluding catastrophes, operating return on equity, underwriting gain (loss), GAAP combined ratio excluding catastrophes and prior year development and adjusted and tangible book value per common share. For a reconciliation of these measures to the most comparable GAAP measures and a glossary of financial measures, we refer you to the press release and financial supplement that we have made available with our quarterly earnings release which is available on the Travelers website under the investor section (www.travelers.com).
Mission

Meaningful and sustainable competitive advantages

Generation of top tier earnings and capital substantially in excess of growth needs

Balanced approach to rightsizing capital and growing book value per share over time

Create Shareholder Value
Objective: Mid-Teens ROE Over Time
Travelers: An Industry Leader, With Strong Performance

- 2005 through 1st half of 2008 operating return on equity of approximately 15%
- Very strong financial position
  - Debt-to-capital ratio of 19.7%\(^1\)
  - Holding company liquidity of $2.2 billion\(^1\)
  - Financial strength ratings
    - Moody’s: Aa2 (Upgraded June ’08)
    - S&P: AA-
    - Fitch: AA
    - A.M. Best: A+

### Operating Return on Equity

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<td>2005</td>
<td>$2.0 billion</td>
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<td>2006</td>
<td>$4.2 billion</td>
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<td>2007</td>
<td>$4.5 billion</td>
<td>$6.71</td>
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<td>1st Half 2008</td>
<td>$1.9 billion</td>
<td>$3.11</td>
<td>9.1% (0.3%)</td>
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\(^1\) As of June 30, 2008
Risk Management Embedded in the Corporate Culture
What Are Our Risks and How Do We Manage Them

- Insurance
- Liquidity & Capital
- Operational
- Legal & Regulatory
- Investment

TRAVELERS
Insurance Risk: Diversified Business Profile

- **Personal Insurance**
  - Standard and preferred markets

- **Select Accounts**
  - Small commercial business
  - Average premium size: $6,000

- **Mid-size, individually underwritten**
  - Majority of account premiums less than $500,000

- **International**
  - Operations in Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland and Lloyd’s

- **National Accounts**
  - Primarily loss sensitive products

Significant focus on flow business, 44% of NWP

Note: Percentage of 2007 net written premiums excluding Business Insurance Other.
Insurance Risk: Characteristics of Flow Business

- High volume, low transaction size
- Pricing and marketing advantages through predictive modeling techniques
- Sophisticated technology platforms with built-in risk evaluation and pricing
  - Speed and ease of doing business are critical
  - Objective: Business moves from agent submission to policy issuance without underwriter intervention
- Historically, pricing subject to less cyclicality
- Size and scale are important competitive advantages and lead to more predictable outcomes
- Losses defined by frequency rather than severity
Insurance Risk
Risk Management: Underwriting Process

- Well defined risk appetite
- Individual underwriter limits
- CURE process: a formal, collaborative underwriting review
Insurance Risk
Risk Management: Underwriting Process

➢ Thoughtful reinsurance program

  • Designed to reduce severity per individual loss and/or aggregate exposure
  • Largely a “gross line” underwriter
  • Limited reliance on property catastrophe reinsurance

➢ Extensive detailed data and sophisticated analytics support pricing, reserving, underwriting and claim processes on a real time basis

  • Granularity of data; views accessible by region, office, line of business, industry/program, account size, distributor and underwriter
  • Technology, systems and people in place to effectively analyze data and execute on the knowledge
  • Integrated process to communicate and share risk information throughout the organization

Disciplined and thoughtful risk selection process
Insurance Risk
Disciplined Underwriting Driven by Extensive Analytics

Product profitability analysis based upon risk adjusted capital

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Red = Below Benchmark; Blue = Within Benchmark; Black = Above Benchmark

Note: Illustrative Data
Risk Management: Insurance Oversight

**Management risk committee**
Broad representation of organization: 40 members
Considers current and emerging insurance issues

**Risk Committee of the Board of Directors**
Responsibilities defined by charter

Coordinated risk evaluation process
What Are Our Risks and How Do We Manage Them
Investment Philosophy

- Investment operations support the insurance operations
  - High quality fixed income return is factored into insurance pricing decisions
  - Ensure the company’s ability to meet its liabilities to policyholders and other creditors
  - Disciplined, long-term risk / return analysis drives asset allocation decisions

- Investment and Capital Markets Committee of the Board oversees
  - Investment policies and performance
  - Credit aggregation
  - Asset / liability management
### Investment Portfolio

*($ in billions)*

- **Fixed Maturity**: 86%
- **Short-term**: 8%
- **Mortgage Loans**: <0.1%
- **Private Equities**
- **Hedge Funds**
- **Equity Securities**
- **Real Estate & Other**: 6%

**Duration**: 4.1

**Average quality rating**: Aa1, AA+

**Below investment grade**: 2.5%

#### Investment Portfolio Breakdown

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<td>$25.1 34%</td>
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<td>38.0 52%</td>
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<td>Total fixed maturities</td>
<td>63.1 86%</td>
<td>64.9 87%</td>
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<td>Total fixed income</td>
<td>68.6 94%</td>
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<td>Real estate &amp; other</td>
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<td>Total other investments</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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**($ in billions)**
### Financial Strength Unaffected by Recent Market Disruption

#### Areas of Market Disruption

- Subprime / Alt-A mortgage-backed securities
- Collateralized debt obligations
- Collateralized loan obligations
- Monoline insurer guarantee of municipal bonds
- Structured investment vehicles
- Municipal tender-option programs
- Asset-backed commercial paper
- Auction-rate securities
- Liquidity puts
- Holdings of FNM/FRE debentures / preferred equity
- Loss of access to commercial paper market

#### Status

- **Holdings of $290 million - negligible exposure**
- **None**
- **None**
- **Municipal bond portfolio AA+ with or without guarantee (based on underlying ratings)**
- **None**
- **Conservatively structured - negligible exposure**
- **None**
- **None**
- **None**
- **Debentures: $12 million**
  Preferred equity: $7 million
- **Access uninterrupted; approximately $100 million outstanding**

Note: As of June 30, 2008
Risk Management Embedded in the Corporate Culture

- Investment
- Insurance
- Legal & Regulatory
- Operational
- Liquidity & Capital
End Result: 2008 S&P Insurance ERM Study

Travelers received S&P’s highest rating: Excellent

Ratings Distribution
S&P Assessment of 152 Insurance Groups

- Excellent: 4%
- Strong: 10%
- Adequate With Positive Trend: 10%
- Adequate: 71%
- Weak: 5%

1 Results published in May 28, 2008 S&P report titled “Enterprise Risk Management Is Improving In North America and Bermudian Insurers” and incorporate the ERM assessments of 152 insurance groups.
Continuing to create shareholder value
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