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Employers Holdings, Inc. Investor Presentation





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Overview

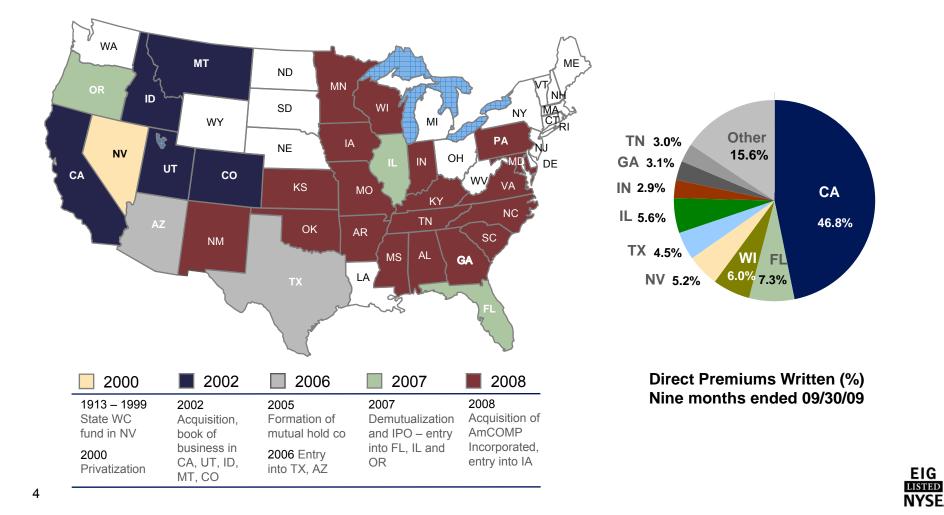
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Business	 Specialty provider of workers' compensation insurance Coverage required by statute Medical, temporary/permanent indemnity, death 	\$45 billion per year industry (2008, A.M. Best)
Customers	 Small "main street" businesses Small business accounts for over 70% of new jobs Low-to-medium hazard exposure industries Top classes include restaurants, physicians, dentists, clerical, retail stores Distribution through agents and strategic partners 	Highly focused business model
Geographic	 30 states with concentrations in CA, FL, WI, IL and NV > Unique markets by state and area 	Operate in 74% of total market (2008, A.M. Best)

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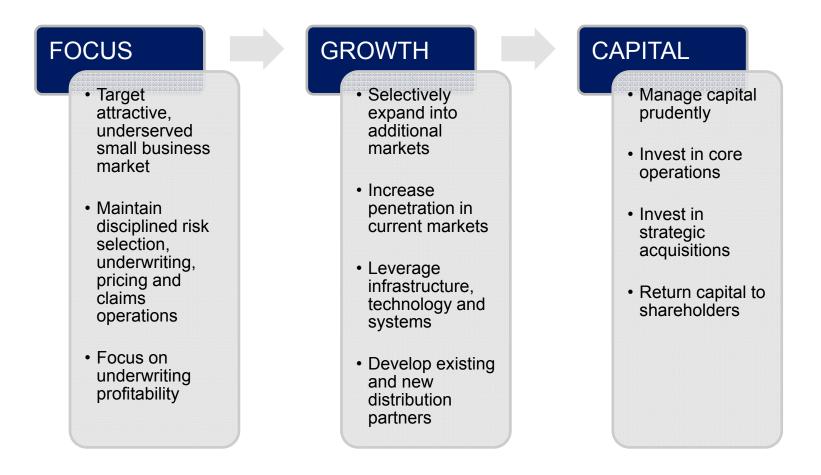
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Selectively Expanding Footprint



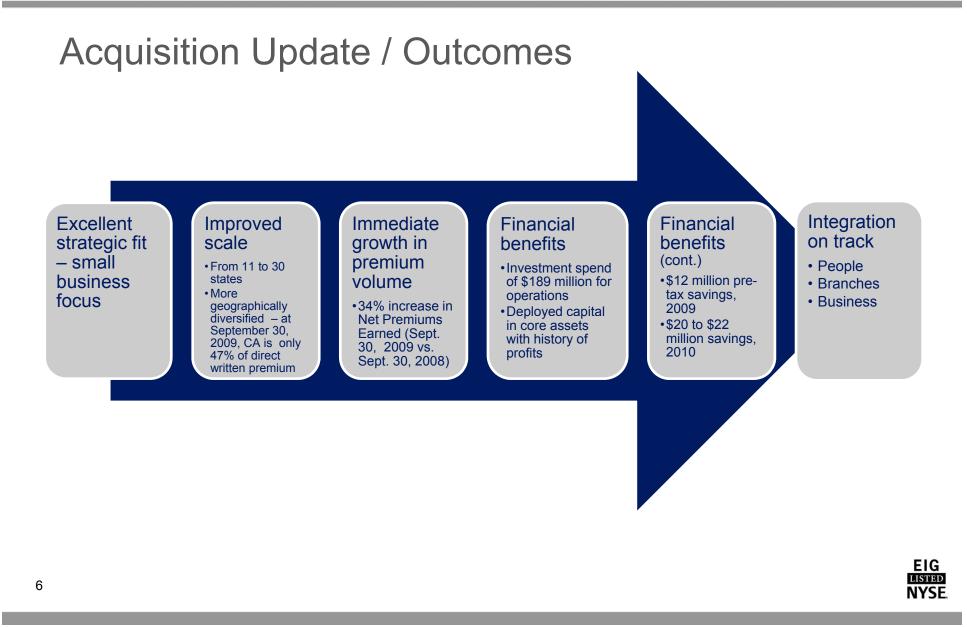


Key Strategies







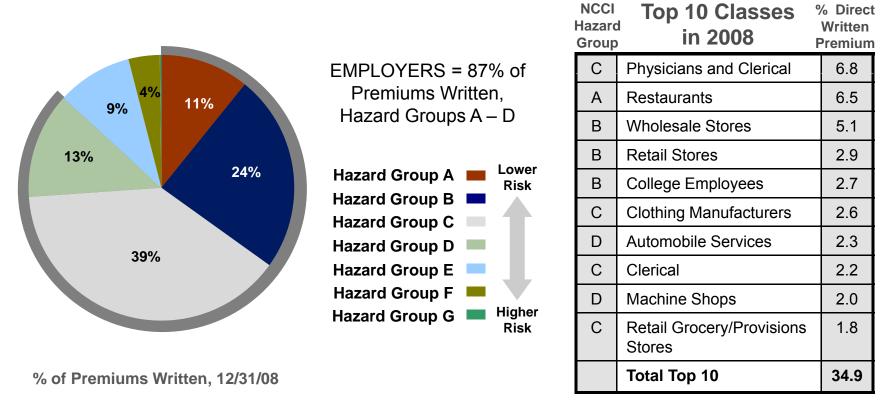


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Disciplined Risk Selection

Focused Guidelines and Selection within Industry-defined Classes





Superior Claims Management

In-house medical management staff

- · Coordinate care and manage medical costs
- URAC accreditation in case management and utilization review

Comprehensive fraud program

• \$4.2 million savings in 2008

Rigorous quality assurance processes

• Ensure compliance with best practices and regulatory requirements

Dedicated subrogation unit

Recoveries over \$3.9 million in 2008

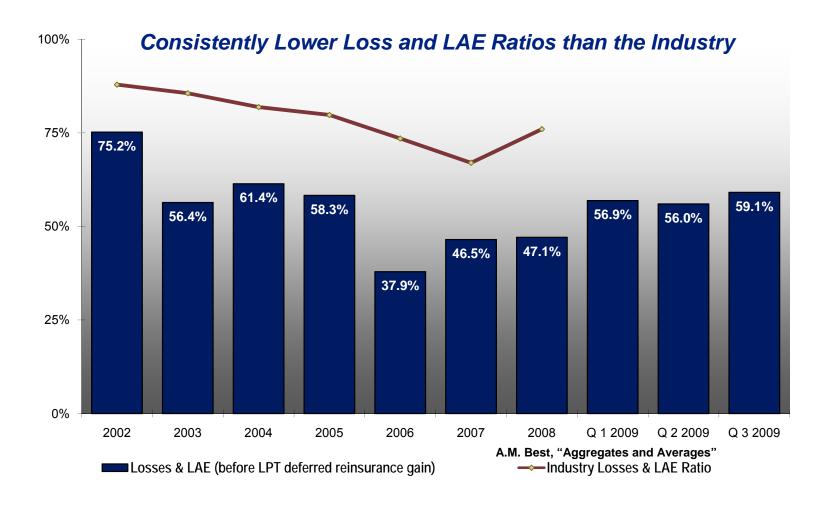
Pharmacy benefit management program

Savings over \$2.9 million in 2008

Claims professionals average over a decade of experience



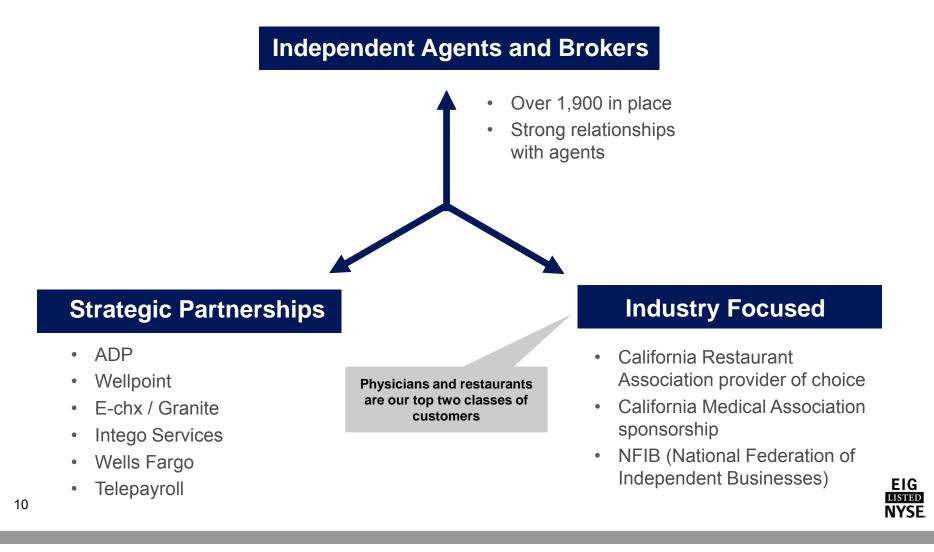
Delivering Superior Loss Ratios







Unique Distribution Network



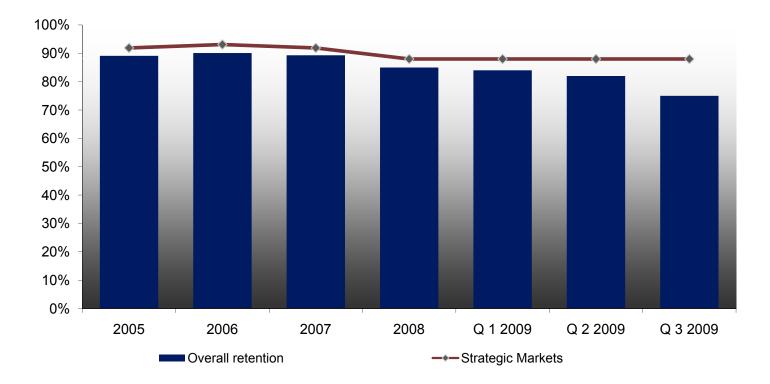


Increasing Points of Access





Strong Retention Rates

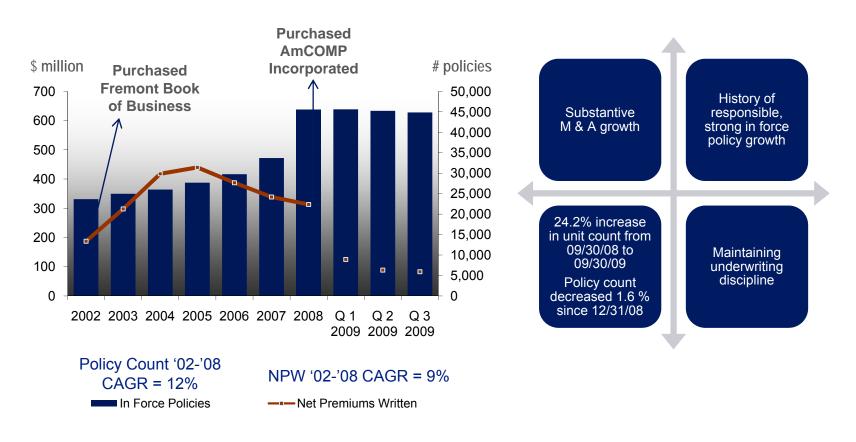


Strategic Partnerships Result in Consistently Higher Retention Rates





Increasing Market Penetration – Unit Count





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Third Quarter Highlights

Increase in net premiums earned of 34% as a result of acquisition

Three month book value per share growth of 9.3% to \$20.74 and 19% book value per share growth since December 31, 2008

Contingent profit commission from LPT of \$14.1 million resulted in a negative commission expense of \$1.3 million

Favorable prior accident year development of \$10.4 million

Stable \$2.1 billion portfolio tax equivalent yield of 5.6%

Recent announcement of 2010 \$50 million stock repurchase program • Disciplined and opportunistic

Income Statement (\$ million)	Q 3 2009			
Gross Written Premium	\$ 84.8			
Net Written Premium	82.8			
Net Earned Premium	98.2			
Net Investment Income	22.3			
Net Income	30.6			
Net Income Before LPT Gain	25.9			
Balance Sheet (\$ million)	Q 3 2009			
Total Investments	\$ 2,114.9			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	212.6			
Total Assets	3,789.5			
Reserves for Loss and LAE	2,443.6			
Shareholders' Equity	524.6			
Equity Including LPT Deferred Gain	917.8			
Underwriting Ratios	Q 3 2009			
Loss Ratio Before LPT Gain	59.1%			
Combined Ratio Before LPT Gain	93.7%			





Loss Portfolio Transfer (LPT)

Retroactive 100% quota share reinsurance coverage for all losses prior to 7/1/95

Gain on transaction booked as statutory surplus; deferred and amortized under GAAP Non-recurring transaction with no ongoing cash benefits or charges to current operations <u>3 Reinsurers: ACE,</u> <u>Berkshire (NICO), XL</u> Fully collateralized under agreement: largely cash/short-term, U. S. treasuries; and Wells Fargo stock

Contract				
	(\$ million)			
Total Coverage	\$2,000			
Original Reserves (Liabilities) Transferred	\$1,525			
Consideration	\$ 775			
Gain at 1/1/2000	750			
Subsequent Reserve Adjustments	(147.5)			
Gain at 09/30/09	\$602.5			

Accounting at 09/30/09	
	(\$ million)
Statutory Surplus Created	\$602.5
Cumulative Amortization To Date	(209.3)
GAAP: Deferred Reinsurance Gain – LPT Agreement	\$393.2

Youngest claim is 14 years old – Approximately 3,600 claims open as of 09/30/09 with 5% closing each year

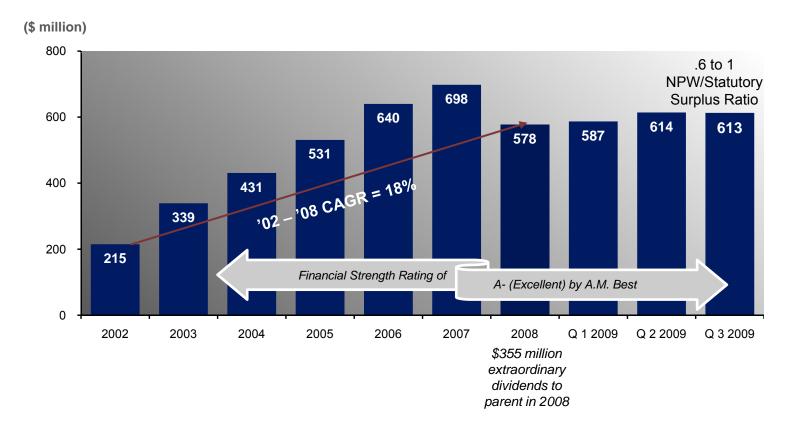
Remaining liabilities at 09/30/09: \$899.0 million





Strong Capital Position

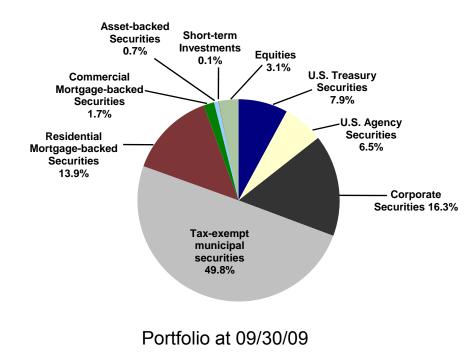
Strong Growth in Statutory Surplus Provides a Solid Basis for Underwriting



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High Quality Investment Portfolio



\$2.1 billion fair market value

- Approximately 77.1% fixed maturities with an average weighted AA rating
- Nine month book yield of 4.6%
- Tax equivalent book yield of 5.6%
- Effective duration of 5.08
- 2008: added \$418 million acquired assets
- Managed by Conning Asset Management
- Minimal impacts during challenging markets
 - Nine months, 2009 OTTI of \$1.9 million
 - 2008 OTTI of \$12.7 million

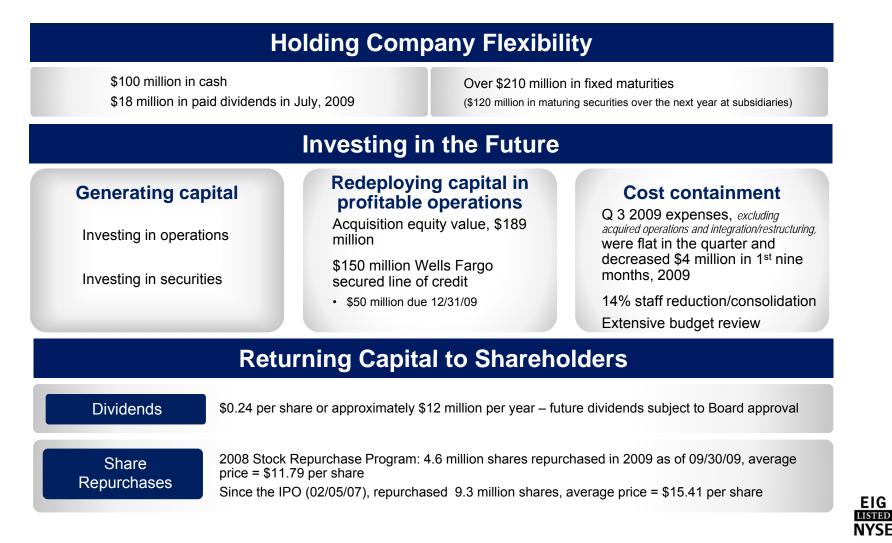




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Prudent Capital Management





History of Reserve Strength

Net reserves for workers' comp industry estimated to be deficient by \$6 Billion at 12/31/08⁽¹⁾





(1) NCCI, "2009 State of the Line"



High Quality Reinsurance

Reinsurance Management

Program Structure, Effective 7/1/09

Maintain a high quality reinsurance program

Focus on select small business provides a natural dispersion of exposure across markets

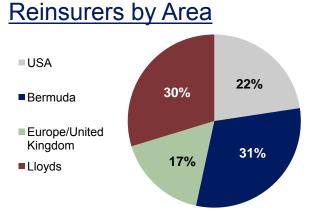


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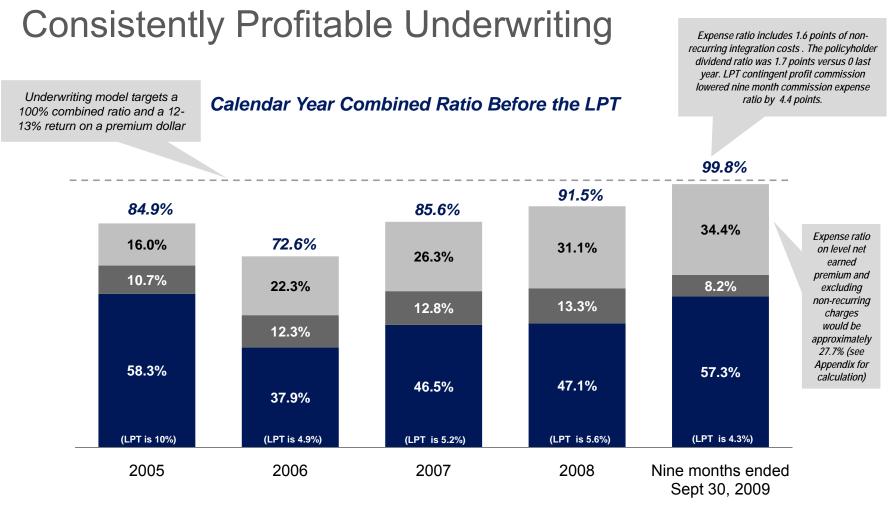
Limits of \$200M

Retention of \$5M



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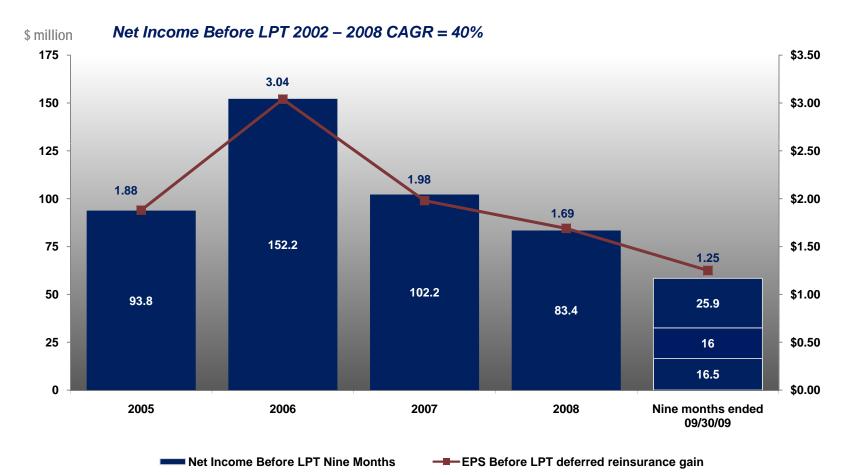
■ Loss & LAE Ratio Before the LPT ■ Commission Expense Ratio

Underwriting & Other Operating Expense Ratio

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Continuing Profits

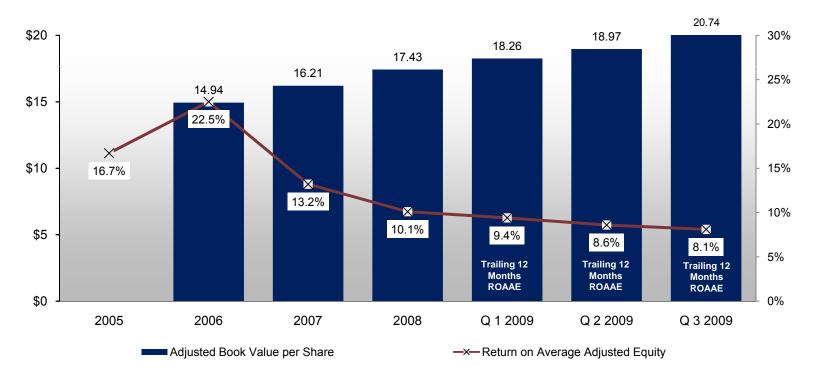


NOTE: 50,000,002 pro forma shares prior to February 5, 2007 (IPO date)





Return on Average Adjusted Equity, Increasing Book Value per Share

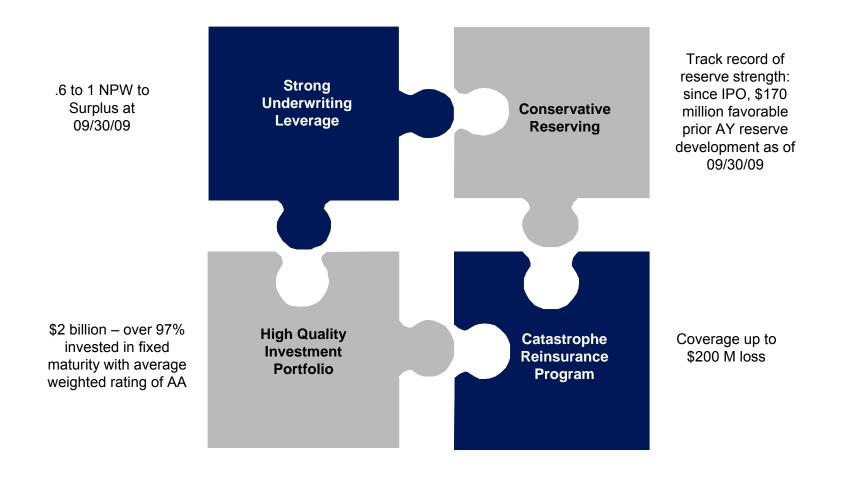


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Summary of Financial Strength







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 person may directly or indirectly acquire or offer to acquire in any manner beneficial ownership of 5% or more of any
 class of EIG's voting securities without the prior approval by the Nevada Commissioner of Insurance of an application for
 acquisition under Section 693A.500 of the Nevada Revised Statutes.
- Under Nevada insurance law, the Nevada Commissioner of Insurance may not approve an application for such acquisition unless the Commissioner finds that (1) the acquisition will not frustrate the plan of conversion as approved by our members and the Commissioner, (2) the board of directors of Employers Insurance Company of Nevada has approved the acquisition or extraordinary circumstances not contemplated in the plan of conversion have arisen which would warrant approval of the acquisition, and (3) the acquisition is consistent with the purpose of relevant Nevada insurance statutes to permit conversions on terms and conditions that are fair and equitable to the members eligible to receive consideration.
- Furthermore, any person or entity who individually or together with an affiliate (as defined by applicable law) seeks to directly or indirectly acquire in any manner, at any time, beneficial ownership of 5% or more of any class of EIG's voting securities, will be subject to certain requirements, including the prior approval of the proposed acquisition by certain state insurance regulators, depending upon the circumstances involved. Any such acquisition without prior satisfaction of applicable regulatory requirements may be deemed void under state law.





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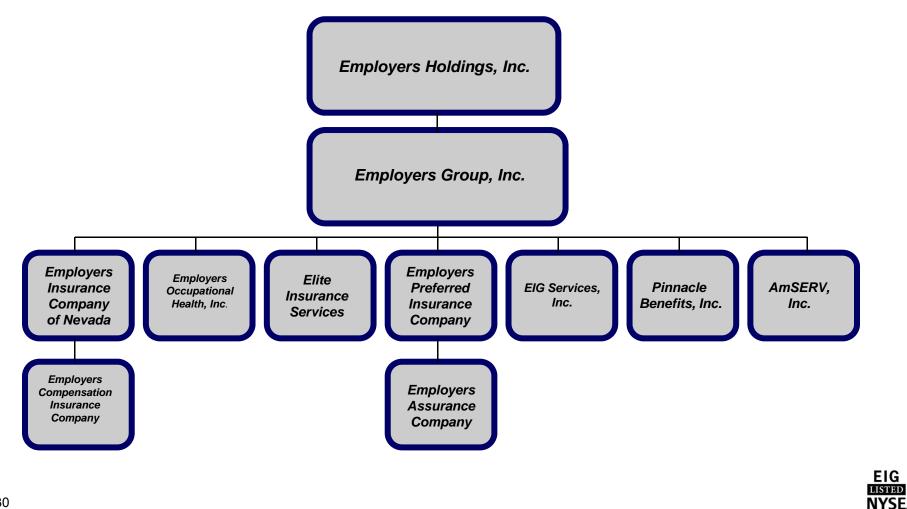


Appendix





Organization





Selected Operating Results

Income Statement (\$ million)	2005	2006	2007	2008	Q 1 2009	Q 2 2009	Q 3 2009
Gross Written Premium	\$ 458.7	\$ 401.8	\$ 350.7	\$ 322.9	\$ 128.1	\$91.0	\$84.8
Net Written Premium	439.7	387.2	338.6	312.8	124.7	88.3	82.8
Net Earned Premium	438.3	393.0	346.9	328.9	111.6	104.4	98.2
Net Investment Income	54.4	68.2	78.6	78.1	23.3	23.1	22.3
Net Income	137.6	171.6	120.3	101.8	20.9	20.3	30.6
Net Income Before LPT	93.8	152.2	102.2	83.4	16.5	16.0	25.9
Balance Sheet (\$ million)	2005	2006	2007	2008	Q 1 2009	Q 2 2009	Q 3 2009
Balance Sheet (\$ million) Total Investments	2005 \$ 1,595.8	2006 \$ 1,715.7	2007 \$ 1,726.3	2008 \$ 2,042.9			
					2009	2009	2009
Total Investments	\$ 1,595.8	\$ 1,715.7	\$ 1,726.3	\$ 2,042.9	2009 \$ 2,083.2	2009 \$ 2,059.0	2009 \$2,114.9
Total Investments Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,595.8 61.1	\$ 1,715.7 80.0	\$ 1,726.3 149.7	\$ 2,042.9 202.9	2009 \$ 2,083.2 190.4	2009 \$ 2,059.0 217.0	2009 \$2,114.9 212.6
Total Investments Cash and Cash Equivalents Total Assets	\$ 1,595.8 61.1 3,094.2	\$ 1,715.7 80.0 3,195.7	\$ 1,726.3 149.7 3,191.2	\$ 2,042.9 202.9 3,756.7	2009 \$ 2,083.2 190.4 3,764.8	2009 \$ 2,059.0 217.0 3,729.0	2009 \$2,114.9 212.6 3,789.5



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Computation of Adjusted Expense Ratio on Level Premiums

	Nine Months Ending <u>09/30/2008</u> (millions)		Nine Months Ending 09/30/2009		
Earned Premium					
Employers	222.8		\$	314.2	
Acquired operations	148.9*	_		-	
	371.7	_ D		314.2	A
Underwriting & Other Operating Expenses				102.6	
Policyholder Dividends				5.4	
Total Expenses				108.0	В
Less: One-time restructuring charge	-			4.9	
Net Underwriting & Other			\$	103.1	C
Expense ratio Adjusted Expense ratio (net)				34.4% 32.8%	B/A C/A
Adjusted Expense ratio (net) on Level Premiums (nine months ended 09/30/08)				27.7%	C/D

*Based on Employers Holdings, Inc. Form 8-K/A, filed on 12/31/08





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Regional Organization, Pricing Trends in 2009 at 8/31/09

