SUMMIT INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Shareholders of Summit Insurance Company Limited

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Summit Insurance Company Limited and its subsidiary, which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as of 31 December 2014, and the consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.



Auditors' Responsibility (continued)

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Summit Insurance Company Limited and its subsidiary as of 31 December 2014, and their financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

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Chartered Accountants

Nassau, Bahamas

11 May 2015

Summit Insurance Company Limited (Incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas)

Consolidated Balance Sheet As of 31 December 2014 (Expressed in Bahamian dollars)

	Note	2014 \$	2013
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ASSETS			
Cash on hand and at banks	3	7,155,307	6,383,824
Term deposits	3	13,344,197	14,264,561
Due from reinsurers		454,029	77,456
Due from agents		5,399,478	6,795,673
Prepayments and other assets	4	78,088	93,433
Unearned premiums reserve – reinsurance		8,913,785	9,588,822
Deferred commissions expense		2,723,069	2,898,107
Outstanding claims recoverable from reinsurers	8	6,849,428	1,662,295
Investments in securities:	5		
Available-for-sale		5,132,538	4,572,931
Loans and receivables		2,562,344	2,382,394
Investment property	6	1,160,000	1,490,000
Property, plant and equipment	7	1,734,146	2,013,104
Total assets		55,506,409	52,222,600
LIABILITIES			
General insurance funds			
Unearned premiums reserve		15,495,368	17,045,862
Deferred commissions income		1,882,676	2,189,032
Outstanding claims reserve	8	12,698,373	6,735,000
		30,076,417	25,969,894
Other liabilities			
Due to reinsurers		1,774,579	3,001,073
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		750,736	951,604
Total liabilities		32,601,732	29,922,571

Summit Insurance Company Limited (Incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas)

Consolidated Balance Sheet As of 31 December 2014 (Continued) (Expressed in Bahamian dollars)

	Note	2014	2013
		\$	\$
EQUITY			
Share capital	9	4,090,000	4,090,000
General reserve	10	1,000,000	1,000,000
Other reserves	11	1,166,017	1,037,042
Retained earnings	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	16,648,660	16,172,987
Total equity	-	22,904,677	22,300,029
Total liabilities and equity	=	55,506,409	52,222,600

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SIGNED ON ITS BEHALF BY:

CA Saunders Director

Director

11 May 2015

Date

Consolidated Statement of Income For the Year Ended 31 December 2014 (Expressed in Bahamian dollars)

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
REVENUE			
Premiums written		34,260,238	35,876,252
Premium tax		(1,027,807)	(1,076,287)
Premiums ceded to reinsurers		(19,700,471)	(19,925,704)
Net premiums written		13,531,960	14,874,261
Change in unearned premium reserve		875,457	302,979
Net premiums earned		14,407,417	15,177,240
DIRECT EXPENSES			
Net claims incurred	8	5,228,007	4,711,293
Net commissions incurred	12	933,220	1,278,719
Catastrophe and excess of loss reinsurance		4,922,590	5,847,743
Total direct expenses		11,083,817	11,837,755
Underwriting gain		3,323,600	3,339,485
OTHER INCOME			
Interest income		606,934	677,719
Dividend income		208,749	204,162
Net fair value gain/(loss) on investment property	6	(178,456)	48,279
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	7	(258,245)	-
Foreign exchange gains and other income		194,224	107,582
Total other income		573,206	1,037,742
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Personnel costs	13	1,065,323	1,016,848
General and administrative		1,062,876	920,654
Depreciation and amortization	7	312,934	290,635
Total operating expenses		2,441,133	2,228,137
Net income		1,455,673	2,149,090

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

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income For the Year Ended 31 December 2014 (Expressed in Bahamian dollars)

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Net income		1,455,673	2,149,090
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME Items that may subsequently be reclassified to net income Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation of investments in securities	5	359,607	183,698
Items not reclassified to net income Investment property revaluation	6	(206,043)	- -
Property, plant and equipment revaluation	7	(24,589)	230,632
Total comprehensive income	:	1,584,648	2,563,420

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For the Year Ended 31 December 2014 (Expressed in Bahamian dollars)

	Share Capital \$	General Reserve \$	Other Reserves \$	Retained Earnings \$	Total \$
As of 1 January 2014	4,090,000	1,000,000	1,037,042	16,172,987	22,300,029
Comprehensive income Net income	- -	- -	<u>-</u>	1,455,673	1,455,673
Other comprehensive income					
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation of					
investments in securities	-	-	359,607	-	359,607
Investment property revaluation		<u>-</u>	(206,043)	-	(206,043)
Property, plant and equipment revaluation		· .	(24,589)		(24,589)
Total comprehensive income			128,975	1,455,673	1,584,648
Transactions with owners Dividends			-	(980,000)	(980,000)
Total transactions with owners		·		(980,000)	(980,000)
As of 31 December 2014	4,090,000	1,000,000	1,166,017	16,648,660	22,904,677

Dividends per share (Note 9): \$0.20 (2013: \$0.13)

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For the Year Ended 31 December 2014 (Continued) (Expressed in Bahamian dollars)

	Share Capital \$	General Reserve \$	Other Reserves \$	Retained Earnings \$	Total \$
As of 1 January 2013	4,090,000	1,000,000	622,712	14,636,397	20,349,109
Comprehensive income Net income		-	. .	2,149,090	2,149,090
Other comprehensive income					
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation of investments in securities			183,698		183,698
Property, plant and equipment revaluation		<u>-</u>	230,632	_	230,632
Total comprehensive income			414,330	2,149,090	2,563,420
Transactions with owners Dividends			·	(612,500)	(612,500)
Total transactions with owners		·		(612,500)	(612,500)
As of 31 December 2013	4,090,000	1,000,000	1,037,042	16,172,987	22,300,029

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 31 December 2014 (Expressed in Bahamian dollars)

	2014 \$	2013
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	1,455,673	2,149,090
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Adjustments for: Interest income	(606,934)	(677,719)
Dividend income	(208,749)	(204,162)
Net fair value (gain)/loss on investment property	178,456	(48,279)
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	258,245	(10,275)
Gain on sale of property, plant and equipment	(3,913)	(15,635)
Depreciation and amortization	312,934	290,635
(Increase)/Decrease in operating assets		
Due from reinsurers	(376,573)	1,417,531
Due from agents	1,396,195	2,181,919
Prepayments and other assets	15,345	(7,963)
Unearned premiums reserve – reinsurance	675,037	860,451
Deferred commissions expense	175,038	150,357
Outstanding claims reserve recoverable from reinsurers	(5,187,133)	1,335,381
Increase/(Decrease) in operating liabilities		
Unearned premiums reserve	(1,550,494)	(1,163,430)
Deferred commissions income	(306,356)	(32,554)
Outstanding claims reserve	5,963,373	(1,852,481)
Due to reinsurers	(1,226,494)	2,269,868
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(200,868)	610,336
Net cash from operating activities	762,782	7,263,345
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest received	450,263	598,128
Dividends received	208,749	204,162
Net (increase)/decrease in term deposits	1,092,442	(264,632)
Purchases of investments in securities	(405,000)	(815,500)
Proceeds from sale/maturity of investments in securities	9,643	159,143
Additions of investment property	(54,499)	
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(316,810)	(934,412)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	3,913	15,635
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities	988,701	(1,037,476)

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

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 31 December 2014 (Continued) (Expressed in Bahamian dollars)

	2014 \$	2013 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Dividends paid	(980,000)	(612,500)
Net cash used in financing activities	(980,000)	(612,500)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	771,483	5,613,369
Cash and cash equivalents as of the beginning of the year	6,383,824	770,455
Cash and cash equivalents as of the end of the year (Note 3)_	7,155,307	6,383,824

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014

1. General Information

Summit Insurance Company Limited (the Company) is incorporated under the Companies Act, 1992 of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas (The Bahamas) and is licensed to operate as a property and casualty insurance company in The Bahamas under the Insurance Act, 2005.

The Company is sole beneficiary of a trust established to comply with regulations promulgated by the Insurance Commission of The Bahamas (Note 3). The Company consolidates the trust for financial reporting purposes.

The Company's registered office is at Sassoon House, Shirley Street and Victoria Avenue, Nassau, Bahamas.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and under the historical cost convention, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below. The preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires management to exercise judgement in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies. It also requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements, are disclosed in Notes 2(e), 2(f), 2(g), 2(h), 2(i) and 2(k).

New standards, amendments and interpretations adopted by the Group

Standards and amendments and interpretations to published standards that became effective for the Company's financial year beginning on 1 January 2014 were either not relevant or not significant to the Company's operations and accordingly did not have a material impact on the Company's accounting policies or consolidated financial statements.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(a) Basis of preparation (continued)

New standards, amendments and interpretations not yet adopted by the Group

With the exception of IFRS 9 Financial Instruments (IFRS 9) and IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers (IFRS 15), the application of new standards and amendments and interpretations to existing standards that have been published but are not yet effective are not expected to have a material impact on the Company's accounting policies or consolidated financial statements in the financial period of initial application.

IFRS 9 addresses the classification, measurement and recognition of financial assets and financial liabilities, and replaces the guidance in IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement (IAS 39) that relates to the classification and measurement of financial instruments. IFRS 9 retains but simplifies the mixed measurement model and establishes three primary measurement categories for financial assets: amortized cost, fair value through profit or loss and fair value The determination is made at initial through other comprehensive income. recognition, and the basis of classification depends on the Company's business model for managing its financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. In addition, IFRS 9 will require the impairment of financial assets to be calculated using an expected credit loss model that replaces the incurred loss impairment model required by IAS 39. For financial liabilities, there were no changes to classification and measurement, except for the recognition of changes in own credit risk in other comprehensive income for financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss. The Company has not yet assessed the full impact of adopting IFRS 9, which is effective for financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018.

IFRS 15 deals with revenue recognition and establishes principles for reporting useful information to users of financial statements about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from an entity's contracts with its customers. Revenue is recognized when a customer obtains control of a good or service and thus has the ability to direct the use and obtain the benefits from the good or service. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017, and replaces IAS 18 *Revenue* and IAS 11 *Construction Contracts* and related interpretations. The Company has not yet assessed the full impact of adopting IFRS 15.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(b) Consolidation

Subsidiaries are all entities (including special purpose entities) over which the Company has control. The Company controls an entity when the Company is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Company controls another entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Company. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealized gains on transactions between group entities are eliminated. Unrealized losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries are changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Company.

(c) Foreign currency translation

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Bahamian dollars, which is the Company's functional and presentation currency. Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from settlement of such transactions and from translation of monetary assets and liabilities at year-end exchange rates are recognized in the consolidated statement of income.

(d) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand, current accounts at banks and unrestricted term deposits with original contractual maturities of three months or less.

(e) Financial assets

The Company classifies its financial assets into the following categories: loans and receivables (due from reinsurers and agents; and investments in certain debt securities and preference shares) and available-for-sale (investments in equity securities and certain debt securities). Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition and re-evaluates this at each reporting date.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(e) Financial assets (continued)

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not traded in an active market, other than those that the Company intends to sell in the short term.

Available-for-sale securities are financial assets intended to be held for an indefinite period of time, which may be sold in response to needs for liquidity or changes in market conditions (interest rates, exchange rates or equity prices).

Regular-way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognized on the trade date, which is the date that the Company commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are initially recognized at fair value plus transaction costs. Financial assets are derecognized when the rights to receive cash flows from them have expired or when they have been transferred and the Company has also transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

Loans and receivables are carried at amortized cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment.

Available-for-sale securities are subsequently carried at fair value based on quoted prices for investments traded in active markets or valuation techniques, including recent arm's length transactions, discounted cash flow analyses and other valuation techniques commonly used by market participants for investments not traded in active markets.

Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of available-for-sale securities are recognized in other comprehensive income. When securities classified as available-for-sale are sold or impaired, the accumulated fair value adjustments recognized in other comprehensive income are included in the consolidated statement of income as net realized gain or loss on investments in securities.

(f) Impairment of financial assets

The Company evaluates at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and impairment losses are incurred if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a loss event) and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(f) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on loans and receivables has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. By comparison, the amount of loss on available-for-sale securities is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of interest for a similar financial asset.

The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the loss is recognized in the consolidated statement of income. If in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognized, the previously recognized impairment loss is reversed by adjusting the allowance account. The amount of the reversal is recognized in the consolidated statement of income. When a financial asset is uncollectible, it is written off against the related allowance account. Recoveries of accounts previously written off are recognized directly in the consolidated statement of income.

(g) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment, other than land and buildings, are carried at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of an item. Land and buildings, which comprise the Company's offices, are carried at fair value based upon periodic independent appraisals that are commissioned at intervals generally not exceeding three years, less subsequent depreciation for buildings. Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset, and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or are recognized as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. Repairs and maintenance are charged to the consolidated statement of income during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(g) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are recognized in other comprehensive income and shown as part of 'other reserves' in equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are recognized in other comprehensive income against other reserves directly in equity; all other decreases are recognized in the consolidated statement of income. Each year the difference between depreciation based on the revalued carrying amount of the asset recognized in the consolidated statement of income and depreciation based on the asset's original cost is transferred from other reserves to retained earnings.

Land and artwork are not depreciated. Depreciation and amortization on all other assets is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate the assets' costs to their residual values over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Buildings	50 years
Computer software	3-5 years
Leasehold improvements	Lesser of lease term and 20 years
Furniture and equipment	3 years
Motor vehicles	3 years

Assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date. Assets that are subject to depreciation and amortization are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognized in the consolidated statement of income. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in other reserves are transferred directly to retained earnings.

(h) Investment property

Property held for long-term rental yields and/or capital appreciation, that is not occupied by the Company, is classified as investment property. Investment property comprises residential and commercial land and buildings.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(h) Investment property (continued)

Investment property is measured initially at its cost, including related transaction costs. Subsequently, investment property is carried at fair value. Fair value is based on valuation methods using discounted cash flow analyses and comparable sales. These valuations are periodically reviewed by an independent appraiser, who holds recognized and relevant professional qualifications and has recent experience in the category of the investment property being valued, at intervals generally not exceeding three years. The fair value of investment property reflects, among other things, rental income from current leases and assumptions about rental income from future leases in the light of current market conditions. The fair value also reflects, on a similar basis, any cash outflows that could be expected in respect of the property.

Subsequent expenditure is capitalized to the asset's carrying amount only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. Repairs and maintenance costs are charged to the consolidated statement of income during the financial period in which they are incurred. When part of an investment property is replaced, the carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognized.

The fair value of investment property does not reflect future capital expenditure that will improve or enhance the property and does not reflect the related future benefits from this future expenditure other than those a rational market participant would take into account when determining the fair value of the property.

Changes in fair values are recognized in the consolidated statement of income. Investment property is derecognized either when it has been disposed of or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefit is expected from its disposal.

(i) General insurance funds

Insurance contracts are those that transfer significant insurance risk, which is defined as the risk of having to pay benefits on the occurrence of a specified uncertain future event (the insured event) that significantly exceed the benefits that would be paid if the insured event did not occur. The insurance contracts issued by the Company principally comprise property and casualty insurance contracts. Property and casualty insurance contracts, which typically are one year renewable insurance contracts, compensate policyholders for damage to or loss of property; and/or compensate third parties for damage by policyholders as a result of legitimate activities.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(i) General insurance funds (continued)

General insurance funds comprise unearned premiums reserve and unearned premiums reserve – reinsurance; deferred commissions income and deferred commissions expense; and outstanding claims reserve and outstanding claims recoverable from reinsurers.

Unearned premiums

Unearned premiums reserve and unearned premiums reserve – reinsurance represent the portion of premiums written and premiums ceded to reinsurers, respectively, which relate to periods of insurance coverage subsequent to the balance sheet date.

Deferred commissions

Deferred commissions income represents the portion of commissions earned on premiums ceded, which relate to periods of insurance coverage subsequent to the balance sheet date. Deferred commissions expense represents the portion of commissions incurred on premiums written, which relate to periods of insurance coverage subsequent to the balance sheet date.

Outstanding claims

The outstanding claims reserve comprises liabilities for unpaid claims that are estimated using: the input of assessments for individual cases reported to the Company; and statistical analyses for claims incurred but not reported, and the estimate of the expected ultimate cost of more complex claims that may be affected by external factors. The Company does not discount its liabilities for outstanding claims.

Outstanding claims recoverable from reinsurers represent the portion of unpaid claims to be recovered from reinsurers based on reinsurance contracts applicable to the claims.

The Company performs at each balance sheet date a liability adequacy test to ensure the sufficiency of insurance contract liabilities, using current estimates of the related expected future cash flows. If the test indicates that the carrying value of insurance contract liabilities is inadequate, the liabilities are adjusted to correct the deficiency.

(j) Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are shown in equity as a deduction from the proceeds.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(j) Share capital (continued)

Where the Company acquires its own equity shares (treasury shares), the consideration paid including any directly attributable incremental costs is deducted from equity until the shares are cancelled or reissued. Where such shares are subsequently reissued, any consideration received net of any directly attributable incremental costs is included in equity. No gain or loss is recognized in the consolidated statements of income or comprehensive income on treasury share transactions.

(k) Income and expense recognition

Net premiums written (premiums written less premiums ceded) are recognized as revenue over the periods covered by the related policies. Commissions expense incurred on premiums written and commissions income earned on premiums ceded are recognized in the same manner as net premiums written.

The Company's net share of claims and loss adjustment expenses are recognized as incurred based on the estimated liability for compensation owed to policyholders or third parties damaged by policyholders. They include direct and indirect claims settlement costs that arise from events that have occurred up to the balance sheet date regardless of whether or not they have been reported.

Interest income and expense for all interest-bearing financial instruments are recognized using the effective interest method. Profit and loyalty commission income and expense, and dividend income are recognized when the Company's right to receive, or obligation to make, payment has been established. Other income and expenses are recognized on the accrual basis.

(I) Taxation

Premium tax is incurred at a rate of 3.00% of premiums written in The Bahamas. The proportion for premiums ceded is recovered from reinsurers.

Under the current laws of The Bahamas, the country of domicile of the Company, there are no income, capital gains or other corporate taxes imposed. The Company's operations do not subject it to taxation in any other jurisdiction.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(m) Leases

Leases, where a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor, are classified as operating leases. Where the Company is lessee, payments made under operating leases are charged to the consolidated statement of income on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Where the Company is lessor, lease income is recognized in the consolidated statement of income on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

(n) Employee benefits

The Company has a defined contribution pension plan, combined with that of a related party, for its eligible employees, whereby the Company makes fixed contributions to a privately administered pension plan. The Company has no legal or constructive obligations to pay further contributions if the plan does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current or prior periods. The Company and employees make contributions based on eligible earnings, and the Company's contributions to the defined contribution pension plan are recognized in the consolidated statement of income in the financial period to which they relate.

(o) Corresponding figures

Where necessary, corresponding figures are adjusted to conform to changes in presentation adopted in the current year.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

3. Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Cash on hand and at banks	7,155,307	6,383,824
Term deposits	13,344,197	14,264,561
Less:	20,499,504	20,648,385
Term deposits with original contractual maturities greater than three months	(11,825,792)	(12,918,234)
Restricted term deposit	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Accrued interest	(518,405)	(346,327)
	7,155,307	6,383,824

The restricted term deposit represents funds placed by the Company in a trust that cannot be distributed without the permission of the Insurance Commission of The Bahamas.

Interest rates on term deposits range from 2.75% to 5.25% (2013: 2.50% to 4.25%) per annum.

4. Prepayments and Other Assets

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Prepayments Other receivables	41,900 36,188	47,760 45,673
	78,088	93,433

5. Investments in Securities

Available-for-sale

The Company ranks its investments in securities based on the hierarchy of valuation techniques required by IFRS, which is determined based on whether the inputs to those valuation techniques are observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources; unobservable inputs reflect the Company's market assumptions.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

5. Investments in Securities (Continued)

Available-for-sale (continued)

These two types of inputs lead to the following fair value hierarchy:

Level 1 – Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices).

Level 3 – Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

This hierarchy requires the use of observable market data when available. The Company considers relevant and observable market prices in its valuations where possible.

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorized in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a Level 3 measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgement by the Company. The Company considers observable data to be that market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the balance sheet date. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from the exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. These instruments are included in Level 1.

Financial instruments that trade in markets that are not considered to be active but are valued based on quoted market prices, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources supported by observable inputs are classified within Level 2.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

5. Investments in Securities (Continued)

Available-for-sale (continued)

Financial instruments classified within Level 3 have significant unobservable inputs, as they trade infrequently. Level 3 instruments include unlisted securities that have significant unobservable components, including investment entities and equity securities. The valuation techniques used for Level 3 investments in securities include net asset values based on audited financial statements and interim financial statements, latest trade information and discounted cash flow analyses.

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Level 1		
Equity securities	2,775,768	2,421,248
Level 2		
Equity securities	1,800,000	1,600,000
Debt securities	100,000	100,000
	1,900,000	1,700,000
Level 3		
Debt securities	250,000	250,000
Investment entities	206,770	201,683
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	456,770	451,683
Total available-for-sale investments	5,132,538	4,572,931

As of 31 December 2014, the cost of financial assets available-for-sale totaled \$3,966,521 (2013: \$3,766,521), of which \$400,000 (2013: \$400,000) represented Level 3 securities.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

5. Investments in Securities (Continued)

Available-for-sale (continued)

Movements in available-for-sale securities comprise:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as of 1 January 2014	2,421,248	1,700,000	451,683	4,572,931
Purchases		200,000	- ·	200,000
Sales	<u>-</u>		·	- · ·
Net realized gain/(loss)	<u>-</u> 1	_	· .	-
Net change in unrealized				
appreciation/depreciation	354,520		5,087	359,607
Balance as of 31 December 2014	2,775,768	1,900,000	456,770	5,132,538
Balance as of 1 January 2013	2,255,624	1,300,000	183,609	3,739,233
Purchases		400,000	250,000	650,000
Sales	· -	_	_	·
Net realized gain/(loss)	·	_	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-
Net change in unrealized				
appreciation/depreciation	165,624		18,074	183,698
Balance as of 31 December 2013	2,421,248	1,700,000	451,683	4,572,931

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

5. Investments in Securities (Continued)

Loans and receivables

	Interest Rate	Maturity	2014 \$	2013 \$
The Government of The Bahamas	Prime + 0.02%			
Bahamas Government registered stocks	to 0.72%;			
	4.25%	25/09/2016		
	to 4.50%	to 26/07/2037	1,921,800	1,719,300
Clifton Heritage Authority bonds	Prime + 0.50%	20/05/2025		
	to + 0.75%	to 20/05/2035	232,300	232,300
Bridge Authority bonds	Prime + 1.63%	24/03/2029	11,600	11,600
Cable Bahamas Limited Series 4				
preference shares	8.00%	31/08/2019		100,000
Cable Bahamas Limited Series 5 preference shares	7.00%	30/06/2015	·	100,000
Cable Bahamas Limited Series 6 preference shares	5.75%	15/05/2024	200,000	
Public Hospitals Authority Series A redeemable term notes	Prime + 1.25%	30/09/2033	50,000	50,000
The College of the Bahamas redeemable				
term notes	7.00%	30/06/2026	85,714	92,857
			2,501,414	2,306,057
Accrued interest			60,930	76,337
Total loans and receivables			2,562,344	2,382,394

6. Investment Property

The Company owns property located on Abaco, Bahamas and Sears Hill, New Providence, Bahamas that are classified as investment property. The latest independent appraisals were performed during the years ended 31 December 2011 and 2014, respectively.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

6. Investment Property (Continued)

The fair value hierarchy for non-financial assets is similar to the hierarchy for financial assets disclosed in Note 5. Investment property is classified as Level 3 as inputs are generally unobservable. The valuation techniques used were discounted cash flow analyses and comparable sales, based on knowledge of transactions involving similar properties in the vicinity.

		2014 \$	2013 \$
Year ended 31 December			~
Opening net book value		1,490,000	186,721
Additions		54,499	<u>-</u> -
Net fair value gain/(loss)		(384,499)	48,279
Transfers			1,255,000
Closing net book value		1,160,000	1,490,000

The following table illustrates the impact of changes in estimates and assumptions in determination of fair values of investment property.

Estimate/Assumption	Change	Impact on fair value
Rental revenue	+5.00%/-5.00%	\$24,000/(\$24,000)
Vacancy rates	+5.00%/-5.00%	(\$25,000)/\$25,000
Discount rate	+1.00%/-1.00%	(\$48,000)/\$59,000

During 2013, certain land and buildings owned by the Company, that were under construction in the prior years, were classified as investment property and transferred from property, plant and equipment; see Note 7. The respective land and buildings were revalued as of the date of transfer with the revaluation gain of \$206,043 recognized in other comprehensive income and other reserves; the amount was reversed in other comprehensive income and other reserves during 2014 following the recent revaluation.

Included in other income is \$2,850 (2013: \$202) in rental income earned on the investment property.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

7. Property, Plant and Equipment

	Land & Buildings \$	Computer Software	Leasehold Improvements \$	Furniture & Equipment	Motor Vehicles \$	Total S
Year ended 31 December 2014	Ų	3	Ψ	J	J	3
Opening net book value	1,195,000	578,704	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	213,798	25,602	2,013,104
Additions	299,500	2,979	-	14,331		316,810
Revaluation	(282,834)	<u>-</u> .	· ·	-	, -	(282,834)
Transfers	· · · =	- · ·	-	-	· · ·	-
Disposals						
Cost			<u>-</u>	(7,290)	· . -	(7,290)
Accumulated depreciation/						
amortization	.		- "	7,290	-	7,290
Depreciation/Amortization	(16,666)	(201,164)	<u> </u>	(73,051)	(22,053)	(312,934)
Closing net book value	1,195,000	380,519	-	155,078	3,549	1,734,146
As of 31 December 2014						
Cost	1,195,000	919,576		391,095	69,850	2,575,521
Accumulated depreciation/	1,193,000	919,570	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	391,093	09,630	2,373,321
amortization		(539,057)		(236,017)	(66,301)	(841,375)
	 .:	(883,087)		(230,017)	(00,501)	(011,575)
Net book value	1,195,000	380,519	-	155,078	3,549	1,734,146
Year ended 31 December 2013						
Opening net book value	2,118,030	162,835		63.945	48,885	2,393,695
Additions	101,338	637,988	_	195,086	-0,005	934,412
Revaluation	230.632	057,500	-	155,000	· ·	230,632
Transfers	(1,255,000)	· · · · ·	· <u>-</u>	`	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(1,255,000)
Disposals	(-,,					
Cost	· _	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(58,856)	(3,135)	(24,995)	(86,986)
Accumulated depreciation/						
amortization	-		58,856	3,135	24,995	86,986
Depreciation/Amortization		(222,119)		(45,233)	(23,283)	(290,635)
Closing net book value	1,195,000	578,704	<u>-</u>	213,798	25,602	2,013,104
As of 31 December 2013						
Cost	1,195,000	916,597		384,054	69,850	2,565,501
Accumulated depreciation/	_,,	,		, y		
amortization	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(337,893)		(170,256)	(44,248)	(552,397)
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Net book value	1,195,000	578,704	-	213,798	25,602	2,013,104

Land and buildings comprise a commercial building complex on Sears Hill, New Providence, Bahamas. During 2013, the portion of the commercial building complex that is not occupied by the Company and held for long-term rental yields and/or capital appreciation was transferred to investment property (Note 6). The portion of the commercial building complex occupied by the Company continues to be recognized in property, plant and equipment. As of the date of transfer, the respective properties were revalued with the revaluation gain of \$206,043 recognized in other comprehensive income and other reserves; the reserve will be transferred to retained earnings following the disposal of the respective land and buildings.

The fair value hierarchy for non-financial assets is similar to the hierarchy for financial assets disclosed in Note 5. Land and buildings are classified as Level 3 as inputs are generally unobservable.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

7. Property, Plant and Equipment (Continued)

The following table illustrates the impact of changes in estimates and assumptions in determination of fair values of land and buildings.

Estimate/Assumption	Change	Impact on fair value
Rental revenue	+5.00%/-5.00%	\$46,000/(\$46,000)
Vacancy rates	+5.00%/-5.00%	(\$48,000)/\$48,000
Discount rate	+1.00%/-1.00%	(\$91,000)/\$114,000

Land and buildings were revalued by independent appraisers as of 31 December 2014. If land and buildings were stated on the historical cost basis, the amounts would be as follows:

		2014 \$	2013 \$
	Cost – Land	320,000	320,000
	Cost – Building	891,666	850,411
	Accumulated depreciation – Building	(16,666)	<u> </u>
		1,195,000	1,170,411
8.	Outstanding Claims Reserve and Net Claims Incurred		
		2014	2013
		\$	\$
	Outstanding claims reserve		
	Gross outstanding claims	12,698,373	6,735,000
	Amounts recoverable from reinsurers	(6,849,428)	(1,662,295)
		5,848,945	5,072,705
	Net claims incurred		
	Gross claims incurred	13,351,686	7,570,219
	Amounts recoverable from reinsurers	(8,123,679)	(2,858,926)
		5,228,007	4,711,293

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

8. Outstanding Claims Reserve and Net Claims Incurred (Continued)

Insurance claims – Gross

Movements in outstanding claims reserve, based on the policy year to which claims relate, can be analyzed as follows:

	2010 \$	2011 \$	2012 \$	2013 \$	2014 \$	Total \$
Estimate of ultimate claims cost:						
At end of accident year	4,882,619	15,213,790	12,220,245	8,559,144	10,862,492	51,738,290
One year later	5,325,004	15,062,717	11,191,210	9,568,106	- · · · ·	- · · · · · · · · · ·
Two years later	5,029,978	15,036,291	11,933,608			
Three years later	4,786,729	15,155,458	-		-	· · · · · · · · -
Four years later	4,869,188				<u> </u>	
Current estimate of cumulative claim	4,869,188	15,155,458	11,933,608	9,568,106	10,862,492	52,388,852
Cumulative payments to date	(4,630,842)	(14,578,505)	(10,624,254)	(7,890,428)	(3,890,604)	(41,614,633)
Liability included in gross claims	238,346	576,953	1,309,354	1,677,678	6,971,888	10,774,219
Liability in respect of prior years						861,980
Provision for claims incurred but not reported						1,062,174
Total liability included in gross outstanding claims						12,698,373
Insurance claims – Net						
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Liability included in net claims	224,422	206,414	896,170	1,384,393	1,784,682	4,496,081
Liability in respect of prior years						590,362
Provision for claims incurred but not reported						762,502
Total liability included in consolidated balance sheet						5,848,945

9. Share Capital

The Company has authorized share capital of \$10,000,000, comprised of 10,000,000 ordinary shares with a par value of \$1.00 each. The Company originally issued 5,000,000 ordinary shares with a par value of \$1.00 each. In prior years, the Company acquired 350,000 of its ordinary shares directly from a shareholder for \$910,000, and it has the right to reissue these shares at a later date; accordingly, these shares are classified as treasury shares. Treasury shares are not in issue and are therefore deducted from the total number of issued shares.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

9. Share Capital

	Number of Issued Shares	Share Capital \$	Treasury Shares \$	Total
Balance as of 31 December 2014	4,650,000	5,000,000	(910,000)	4,090,000
Balance as of 31 December 2013	4,650,000	5,000,000	(910,000)	4,090,000

Included in issued share capital are 1,000,000 ordinary shares designated as founder shares that entitle the holder to the right as regards to dividends and retained earnings as though he were the holder of 1.25 ordinary shares for each founder share.

10. General Reserve

The general reserve is established for unforeseeable risks and future losses. Distributions from the general reserve can only be made following the approval of the Board of Directors.

11. Other Reserves

	Fair Value Reserve \$	Revaluation Reserve \$	Total \$
Balance as of 1 January 2014	806,410	230,632	1,037,042
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation of investment securities	359,607		359,607
Investment property revaluation	 	(206,043)	(206,043)
Property, plant and equipment revaluation		(24,589)	(24,589)
Balance as of 31 December 2014	1,166,017	_	1,166,017

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

11. Other Reserves (Continued)

11.	Other Reserves (Continued)	Fair Value Reserve \$	Revaluation Reserve	Total \$
	Balance as of 1 January 2013	622,712		622,712
	Net change in unrealized appreciation/ depreciation of investment securities	183,698	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	183,698
	Property, plant and equipment revaluation		230,632	230,632
	Balance as of 31 December 2013	806,410	230,632	1,037,042
12.	Net Commissions Incurred			
			2014 \$	2013 \$
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Amounts paid to agents Amounts received from insurers and reinsure	ers	5,998,462 (4,933,924)	6,278,289 (5,117,373)
			1,064,538	1,160,916
	Movement in deferred commissions expense Movement in deferred commissions income		175,038 (306,356)	150,357 (32,554)
			933,220	1,278,719

13. Employee Benefits

The pension costs recognized in personnel costs in the consolidated statement of income total \$37,675 (2013: \$32,451). The Company's contributions to the pension plan vest 50% with the employee upon completion of 5 years of employment, incrementally vesting annually, with full vesting upon completion of 10 years of employment.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

14. Related Party Balances and Transactions

Related parties comprise significant shareholders, directors and key management personnel, and entities these parties control or over which they exercise significant influence. Of the premiums written during the year, 96% (2013: 94%) were generated by an insurance agency whose principal is a director of the Company and owns 25% of the Company's shares in issue.

The consolidated financial statements include the following balances and transactions with related parties, not otherwise disclosed:

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Consolidated Balance Sheet		
Due from agents	5,399,478	6,740,309
Consolidated Statement of Income		
Premiums written	1,499,071	1,487,106
Commission paid to agents, including profit commissions	5,992,750	6,260,370
General and administrative expense – directors' fees	24,540	20,000
General and administrative expense – consultant fees	117,589	160,922

During the year, personnel costs for key management personnel totaled \$532,777 (2013: \$648,513), which included \$23,552 (2013: \$23,075) in pension benefits.

15. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

Contingent liabilities

The Company is a party to several legal actions involving claims. Management believes that the resolution of these matters will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements and adequate provision has been made in the outstanding claims reserve.

16. Risk Management

The Company engages in transactions that expose it to insurance risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, interest rate risk, price risk and currency risk in the normal course of business. The Company's financial performance is affected by its capability to understand and effectively manage these risks, and its challenge is not only to measure and monitor these risks but also to manage them as profit opportunities.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

16. Risk Management (Continued)

(a) Insurance risk

Insurance risk is the risk under insurance contracts that the insured event occurs and the amount of the resulting claim is uncertain. By the very nature of an insurance contract, the risk is random and therefore unpredictable.

The frequency and severity of claims can be affected by several factors with the single most significant event being a catastrophic event. The Company has outsourced it claims department to a related party insurance agency and has an internal claims technical officer who works closely with the insurance agency to actively manage and pursue early settlement of claims to reduce the Company's exposure to unpredictable developments. The Company also uses external loss adjusters, as necessary. In respect of serious bodily injury claims and complex claim disputes, the Company will appoint legal counsel to act on its behalf, where necessary, to ensure settlements and avoid claims development. However, the severity of claims can be affected by an increasing level of awards of the courts and inflation.

In the normal course of business, the Company seeks to limit its exposure to losses that may arise from any single occurrence through the use of reinsurance arrangements. Reinsurance is primarily placed using a combination of proportional, facultative and excess of loss treaties. The Company has reinsurance coverage in place to limit the impact of claims in any one year, with such coverage designed to limit the impact of claims related to any single event and/or catastrophe to approximately 8% of total equity.

Obtaining reinsurance does not, however, relieve the Company of its primary obligations to the policyholders; therefore, the Company is exposed to the risk that the reinsurers may be unable to fulfil their obligations under the contracts. The Company seeks to mitigate this risk by placing its reinsurance coverage with large multi-national insurers and as of 31 December 2014, the Company's principal reinsurers have a minimum A.M. Best Financial Strength Rating of A- (Excellent) or equivalent rating with alternate rating agencies. The Company does not anticipate any issues with the collection of amounts due from reinsurers as they become due, and is not aware of any disputes with reinsurers, overdue amounts or any specific credit issues.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

16. Risk Management (Continued)

(a) Insurance risk (continued)

Property insurance risks

Property insurance contracts provide compensation for loss or damage to property and business interruption insurance contracts provide compensation for loss of profits following damage to the insured property. Such insurance contracts cover property, motor and marine risks, and are underwritten by reference to the commercial replacement value of the property and contents insured.

For property insurance contracts, climatic changes are giving rise to more frequent severe extreme weather events (for example, hurricanes, tropical storms and storm surges) and resulting damages. The Company has: the right to re-price each individual risk on renewal; the ability to impose or increase deductibles; and payment limits to cap the amount payable on occurrence of the insured event. The costs of repairing or rebuilding properties, the cost of providing replacement or indemnity for damaged or stolen contents, and time taken to restart business operations are the key factors that influence the level of claims under these policies. The most likely cause of major loss under property insurance contracts arises from a hurricane event or other serious weather related event. Single events, such as fires and collisions, may also generate significant claims.

As property claims generally have short settlement periods, these claims can be estimated with greater reliability.

Casualty insurance risks

Casualty insurance contracts provide compensation for personal injury from motor claims, public liability, employers' liability, workmen's compensation and personal liability coverage.

The Company manages these risks through conservative underwriting and reinsurance strategies and the adoption of proactive claims management. Underwriting policies and procedures enforce appropriate risk selection criteria, and include the right not to renew individual insurance contracts and the right to reject the payment of a fraudulent claim. The frequency and severity of claims can be affected by several factors, including inflation, the level of awards of the courts and length of time to settle the claims.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

16. Risk Management (Continued)

(a) Insurance risk (continued)

Casualty insurance risks (continued)

Claims on casualty insurance contracts are payable on a claims-occurrence basis. The Company is liable for all insured events that occur during the term of the contract, even if the loss is discovered after the end of the contract term. As a result, liability claims are settled over a longer period of time. Given the uncertainty in establishing reserves for such claims, it is possible that the final cost of a claim will vary significantly from the initial reserve. In calculating the estimated cost of outstanding claims, the Company uses various industry standard loss estimation techniques and the experience of the Company in settling similar claims.

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the potential failure of a counterparty to perform according to the terms of the contract. The Company's exposure to credit risk includes the majority of its assets. To mitigate this risk, the Company places cash and term deposits with financial institutions in good standing with the Central Bank of The Bahamas; monitors the payment history of its agents before continuing to do business with them; places reinsurance coverage as noted in (a) above; and invests in debt securities of financially sound companies.

As of 31 December 2014, amounts due from reinsurers and agents are current.

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company may not have the necessary financial resources to honor all of its financial commitments including claims. All 'other liabilities' are due on demand and claims are payable on the occurrence of the claims, which principally results in short-term cash outflows. The remaining general insurance liabilities could result in cash outflows within one year.

The Company manages its liquidity risk by maintaining an appropriate level of liquid assets (principally cash at banks and term deposits), which mature or could be sold immediately to meet cash requirements for normal operating purposes. Except for certain investments in securities (Note 5), investment property and property, plant and equipment, all assets could result in cash inflows within one year.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

16. Risk Management (Continued)

(d) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair values or cash flows of financial instruments may fluctuate significantly as a result of changes in market interest rates. The Company's exposure to fair value interest rate risk is considered minimal as its interest-bearing financial instruments for the most part have short terms to maturity or interest rates that periodically reset to market rates. The resulting cash flow interest rate risk is not considered significant as the Bahamian dollar Prime rate has not experienced any changes since the year ended 31 December 2011. Accordingly, the risk is not hedged and considered a profit opportunity.

(e) Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the fair values and/or amounts realized on sale of financial instruments may fluctuate significantly as a result of changes in market prices. The available-for-sale securities expose the Company to price risk. The Company invests in private equity securities of companies demonstrating profit potential generally accompanying underlying assets with fair values in excess of the entity's equity. Investments are also made in exchange traded securities of companies that the Directors of the Company, with the advice of investment managers, consider to have income and/or capital gains potential.

For the year ended 31 December 2014, the All Share Index of the Bahamas International Securities Exchange experienced a return of 13%. The carrying amount of the Company's available-for-sale investments in securities would increase/(decrease) by \$667,000/(\$667,000), if these investments in securities experienced returns of +13% and -13%, respectively.

(f) Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair values and/or amounts realized on settlement of financial instruments, and settlements of foreign currency transactions, will fluctuate due to changes in foreign currency rates. Currency risk arises when future commercial transactions and recognized monetary assets and liabilities are denominated in currencies other than the Company's functional currency. The Company is not subject to significant currency risk as its foreign currency transactions and monetary assets and liabilities are denominated in currencies with foreign exchange rates currently fixed against the Company's functional currency.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2014 (Continued)

17. Capital Management

The Company's objectives when managing capital, which consists of total equity on the consolidated balance sheet, are:

- To comply with the capital requirements imposed by the Insurance Commission of The Bahamas and other regulators of the insurance markets in which the Company operates;
- To safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern so that it can continue to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders; and
- To provide adequate returns to shareholders by pricing insurance contracts commensurate with the level of risk.

The Insurance Commission of The Bahamas specifies the minimum amount and type of capital that must be held and solvency ratio that must be maintained.

The minimum capital requirement applicable to the Company is \$2,000,000. The Company has complied with all of the externally imposed capital requirements to which it is subject.

18. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Financial instruments utilized by the Company are limited to the recorded financial assets and liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet. These financial instruments are carried at fair value, are relatively short-term in nature or have interest rates that periodically reset to market interest rates, and accordingly, the estimated fair values are not significantly different from the carrying value as reported in the consolidated balance sheet.

For financial assets, other than those recognized at fair value, the fair value hierarchy is principally Level 2.