

Third Quarter 2013 Review

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Acronym Glossary

Definitions for acronyms used in this presentation are included on the last page.

Third Quarter Key Drivers

Results Drivers

- › Solid interest spreads in Deferred and Income Annuities
- › Elevated Benefits loss ratio relative to target range
- › Strong sales results in Deferred Annuities and Individual Life
- › Fewer outstanding shares and shares subject to warrants

Forward Focus

- › Returning Benefits loss ratio to within target range
- › Driving sales of FIA and traditional fixed annuities through banks/broker-dealers
- › Continuing growth in sales of individual life through BGAs
- › Accelerating sales and revenue growth for group life and DI
- › Driving for ROAE improvement

Financial Results

\$ in millions

Three Months Ended Sept. 30

	2013	2012
Net Income	\$ 45.3	\$ 55.2
Adjusted Operating Income[†]	\$ 48.9	\$ 45.9

Twelve Months Ended Sept. 30

	2013	2012
Return on Equity (ROE)	5.5%	7.6%
Operating Return on Average Equity (ROAE)[†]	8.1%	9.5%

Benefits Segment

26% of 3Q13 Pretax Adjusted Operating Income[†]

\$ in millions

	3Q13	3Q12
Operating Revenues	\$ 156.1	\$ 152.3
Pretax Adjusted Operating Income	\$ 15.2	\$ 16.7
Loss Ratio	67.3%	65.5%
Total Sales	\$ 19.0	\$ 31.3

Priorities

- › Bring Loss Ratio back in line with target range of 63%-65%
- › Drive growth in group life and disability income premiums
- › Develop strategy for role in private health insurance exchanges

Deferred Annuities Segment

41% of 3Q13 Pretax Adjusted Operating Income[†]

\$ in millions

	3Q13	3Q12
Operating Revenues	\$ 151.7	\$ 141.8
Pretax Adjusted Operating Income	\$ 23.9	\$ 24.0
Base Interest Spread ¹	1.72%	1.78%
Total Sales	\$ 747.1	\$ 166.5
Total Account Values (end of period)	\$12,904.1	\$11,721.5

Priorities

- › Maintain solid interest spread on fixed annuities
- › Maintain strong position in sales of fixed annuities through banks and broker-dealers
- › Continue to drive strong FIA sales through banks and broker-dealers, and enhance FIA product line-up

[†] Non-GAAP financial measure.

¹ Excludes impact of asset prepayments, net of related deferred sales inducement amortization, and mortgage-backed securities prepayment speed adjustment.

Income Annuities Segment

12% of 3Q13 Pretax Adjusted Operating Income[†]

\$ in millions

	3Q13	3Q12
Operating Revenues	\$ 98.6	\$ 102.6
Pretax Adjusted Operating Income	\$ 7.1	\$ 8.6
Base Interest Spread ¹	0.53%	0.52%
Total Sales	\$ 38.9	\$ 49.5

Priorities

- › Continue to stabilize interest spread with commercial mortgage loan origination strategy
- › Drive sales of SPIA through banks and broker-dealers

Individual Life Segment

27% of 3Q13 Pretax Adjusted Operating Income[†]

\$ in millions

	3Q13	3Q12
Operating Revenues	\$ 115.3	\$ 113.0
Pretax Adjusted Operating Income	\$ 15.8	\$ 13.8
BOLI Base ROA ¹	0.64%	1.02%
Individual Sales	\$ 3.9	\$ 1.6
COLI Single Premium Sales	\$ 0.7	\$ --
COLI Recurring Premium Sales	\$ 0.4	\$ --

Priorities

- › Drive sales of individual life insurance through expanded BGA network
- › Drive bank sales of re-launched SPL product
- › Drive sales of COLI

Summary

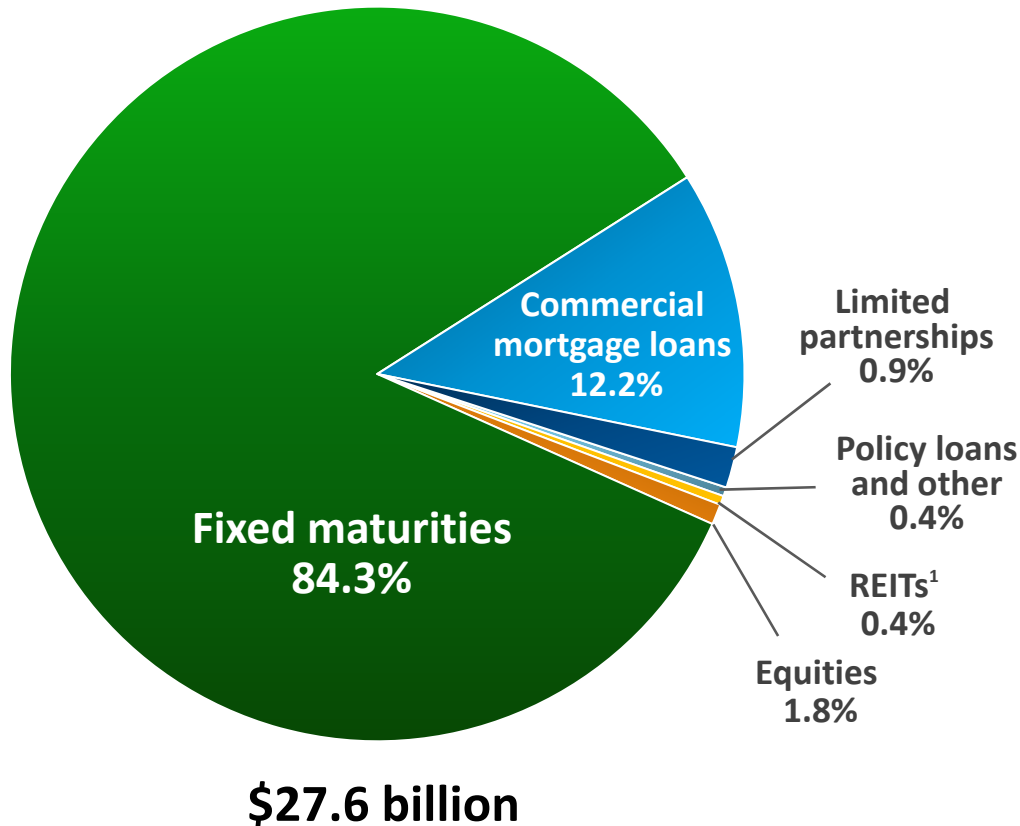
- › Maintaining **balance sheet strength** through financial and underwriting discipline
- › **Well positioned for rising interest rate environment**
- › **Preserving core franchise positions:**
 - › Medical stop-loss
 - › Fixed and fixed-indexed annuities sold through banks
- › While driving **growth in newer products:**
 - › Group life & disability income
 - › Individual life insurance
- › Working to **improve Operating ROAE** over time

Appendix

High-Quality Investment Portfolio

As of 9/30/13

Portfolio Composition



- › Pretax impairments of \$6.2M in 3Q13 vs. \$13.3M in 3Q12
- › Equity portfolio life-to-date² annualized total return of 10.6% (vs 6.0% for S&P 500 Total Return Index)
- › REIT life-to-date² annualized total return of 5.5% (vs benchmark³ total return of 6.8%)
- › European exposure of \$2.0B
 - › \$0.7M of sovereign
 - › \$197.5M of financials
 - › Largest holding = \$151.1M of Deutsche Telekom
- › Commercial mortgage loans offer attractive yields: 3Q13 originations funded at 270bps spread over Treasury securities

¹ Included in trading marketable equity securities.

² From inception of Symetra equity portfolio in January 2005 and Symetra REIT portfolio in April 2011.

³ FTSE NAREIT All Equity REITs Index.

Cash Flow Reinvestment

\$ in millions

Portfolios	Estimated Amount of Reinvestment (2013 – 2015)	Risk Management Tools
Surplus	~ \$250 / year	CML
Deferred Annuity	< \$50 / year	Rate resets
Income Annuity	< \$50 / year	CML
BOLI	~ \$400 / year	CML, rate resets, other product levers

- › Reinvestment risk is relatively small due to:
 - › Effective ALM program (matching asset and liability cash flows)
 - › Flexibility from rate resetting capabilities (except in Income Annuities segment)
 - › Attractive investment opportunity in commercial mortgage loan originations
- › Our estimates could be affected by changes in monetary policy, government programs to stimulate mortgage refinancing and significant changes in corporate refinance activity

Acronym Glossary

ALM	Asset-liability management
BGA	Brokerage general agency
BOLI	Bank-owned life insurance
CML	Commercial mortgage loans
COLI	Corporate-owned life insurance
DI	Disability income
FIA	Fixed indexed annuity
REIT	Real estate investment trust
ROA	Return on assets
ROAE	Operating return on average equity
ROE	Return on equity
SPIA	Single-premium immediate annuity
SPL	Single-premium life
UL	Universal life

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