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This presentation may be deemed to be solicitation material in respect of the proposed merger of Anthem and WellPoint. In connection with the proposed transaction, a registration statement on Form S-4 will be filed with the SEC. SHAREHOLDERS OF ANTHEM AND STOCKHOLDERS OF WELLPOINT ARE ENCOURAGED TO READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC, INCLUDING THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS THAT WILL BE PART OF THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED MERGER. The final joint proxy statement prospectus will be mailed to shareholders of Anthem and stockholders of WellPoint. Investors and security holders will be able to obtain the documents free of charge at the SEC's web site, www.sec.gov, from Anthem Investor Relations at 120 Monument Circle, Indianapolis, IN 46204-4903, or from WellPoint Investor Relations at 1 WellPoint Way, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362.

Anthem, WellPoint and their directors and executive officers and other members of their management and employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed transaction. Anthem's Current Report on Form 8-K, which was filed with the SEC on October 27, 2003, contains information regarding Anthem's participants and their interests in the solicitation. Information concerning WellPoint's participants is set forth in the proxy statement, dated March 31, 2003, for Wellpoint's 2003 annual meeting of stockholders as filed with the SEC on Schedule 14A. Additional information regarding the interests of Anthem's and WellPoint's participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed transaction will be included in the registration statement and joint proxy statement/prospectus to be filed with the SEC.

PARTICIPANTS IN SOLICITATION

Today s Agenda

Financial results

Third quarter

Membership growth

WellPoint merger

Q&A and open discussion

Financial Results

*Financial Highlights Three Months Ended
September 30, 2003*

Financials

Diluted earnings per share of \$1.38 exceeded the investor consensus estimate and improved over prior year third quarter by 7.0%

*Financial Highlights Nine Months Ended
September 30, 2003*

Diluted earnings per share of \$3.98 improved over prior year-to-date by 20.6%

*Summary Results of Operations: Nine Months Ended
September 30, 2003*

Financials

(\$ in millions except EPS)

(1) Administrative expense ratio calculated using total operating revenue.

Actual

Change

**Prior Year
2002**

Membership (000s)

11,847

10,952

8%

Operating Revenue

\$12,260.9

\$9,090.2

35%

Net Income

565.5

377.2

50%

Net income per diluted share

\$3.98

\$3.30

21%

Benefit Expense Ratio

81.3%

83.1%

(180) bp

Admin. Expense Ratio⁽¹⁾

18.5%

19.1%

(60) bp

Income before taxes and
minority interest as a
percentage of total revenue

7.1%

5.8%

130 bp

2003

*Operating Gain by Segment Nine Months Ended
September 30, 2003*

(in millions)

**Actual
2003**

**Prior Year
2002**

Operating Gain (Loss):

Financials

(1) If Anthem had owned Trigon for the entire nine months ended September 2002, operating results would have included an additional \$117.9 million in operating gain. These amounts have been reclassified to Anthem's presentation format.

Change

Midwest

\$323.6

\$182.9

77%

East

212.8

156.8

36%

Southeast⁽¹⁾

243.4

46.3

-

West

79.9

49.3

62%

Regional Health Segments

859.7

435.3

97%

Specialty

47.6

38.6

23%

Other

(97.4)

(55.2)

76%

Peer Information Compared to Anthem - 2004

Financials

Peer

Average (A)

Top 2 Peer

Average (B)

Operating Revenue Growth

8.2%

11.5%

Low double-digit growth

Administrative Expense Ratio

18.4%

16.5%

17.8% - 18.3%

Benefit Expense Ratio

83.0%

81.8%

82% - 83%

Diluted Earnings per Share Growth

13.9%

17.1%

13% - 16%

Membership Growth

1.8%

3.5%

4% - 6%

(A) Peers include: Aetna, Cigna, Health Net, Humana, UnitedHealth, WellChoice and WellPoint.

(B) Top 2 peer average is the weighted average performance metric for UnitedHealth and WellPoint.

**Anthem
Guidance**

Membership Growth

Sept-03

Dec-02

Chg

% Chg

Total Membership by Region

Membership in 000s

Midwest

5,624

5,234

390

7.5%

East

2,621

2,434

187

7.7%

Southeast

2,671

2,549

122

4.8%

West

931

836

95

11.4%

Total

11,847

11,053

794

7.2%

Sept-03

Dec-02

Chg

% Chg

**Total Membership by Funding
Arrangement**

Membership in 000s

Total

11,847

11,053

794

7.2%

Large Group

3,868

3,867

1

Small Group

1,223

1,168

55

4.7%

Individual

1,182

1,084

98

9.0%

National

Natl Excl. BlueCard

1,765

1,532

233

15.2%

BlueCard

2,809

2,419

390

16.1%

Total National

4,574

3,951

623

15.8%

Medicare + Choice

96

103

(7)

(6.8%)

FEP

699

677

22

3.2%

Medicaid

205

203

2

1.0%

Sept-03

Dec-02

Chg

% Chg

**Total Membership by Funding
Arrangement (cont.)**

Membership in 000s

Fully Insured

5,479

5,436

43

0.8%

ASO

6,368

5,617

751

13.4%

Total

11,847

11,053

794

7.2%

SM

WellPoint Overview

WellPoint is the second largest health plan in the U.S.

14 million medical members

49 million specialty members

20,000 associates

\$13.9 billion in assets

\$19.4 billion in revenue

Fortune Magazine's Most Admired health care company

WellPoint: Family of Companies

Blue Cross of California

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Georgia

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Missouri

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wisconsin*

Unicare

**Specialty: Pharmacy, Dental and Vision, Behavioral,
Life, Disability, Worker's Compensation**

**Health Link: Network rental and administrative
services**

* Closed on September 23, 2003

**WellPoint offers a broad range of medical and
specialty products.**

Wellpoint: Recognition

BusinessWeek 50

Wellpoint ranked number two on the magazines list of 50 best-performing large public corporations in the S&P500.

Fortune's Most Admired Health Care Company

Wellpoint topped FORTUNE's list for an unprecedented fifth consecutive year.

Forbes Magazine Platinum List

Wellpoint named to list four years in a row. The company is currently ranked as one of America's 400 Best big companies

Worth Magazine's Best CEO List

Leonard Schaeffer was named one of America's best CEOs for the fourth consecutive year.

WORTH

Executive Female Magazine's Top 25 Companies for Executive Women

Recognized for the three consecutive years.

Executive

Female

Why Merge with WellPoint?

Creates the nation's leading health benefits company

Geographic diversification with local focus and national reach

Growth opportunities in regional and national markets

Building on combined strength to create operating synergies

Operational excellence with strong, consistent performance

Growth Opportunities

**Utilize strong local presence to add members
in all segments**

**Introduce new products to under-served
markets**

Offer an enhanced Specialty product portfolio

Penetrate fragmented markets

**Complement portfolio with disciplined
acquisitions**

Implement best practices across the enterprise

**Use technology to support information-based
consumer decisions**

Offer Per WellPoint Share:

\$23.80 cash and 1 Anthem share

Offer Price¹:

\$101.06 per WellPoint share

Consideration:

76% stock, 24% cash

Expected Closing:

Mid-2004

Required Approvals:

**Anthem and WellPoint
shareholders**

**State Departments of Insurance
and Other Regulators**

**Blue Cross Blue Shield
Association**

Hart-Scott-Rodino

Transaction Summary

¹ Based on Anthem closing price as of October 24, 2003

Transaction Summary

Name: **WellPoint, Inc.***

Headquarters:

Indiana

Board Representation:

60% Anthem, 40% WellPoint

Chairman:

**Leonard Schaeffer
President and CEO:**

**Larry Glasscock
Chief Financial Officer:**

**David Colby
Co-Heads of Integration:**

Mike Smith, Alice Rosenblatt

***Anthem will continue to do business as Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield in markets we currently serve and WellPoint will use its brand names in states where it operates.**

Reaching Across the Nation

Anthem

WellPoint

CO

OH

KY

VA

2

IN

GA

MO

NV

**CA
ME**

WI

TX

CT

NH

IL

**UNICARE and HealthLink greater than
100K members**

MA

Geographic Diversification

Combined Membership at 9/30/2003 = 26 million

(Excludes BlueCard Host Members for WellPoint)

Colorado

3%

Wisconsin

2%

**New
Hampshire**

2%

Maine

2%

Nevada

1%

California

26%

Virginia

10%

Ohio

10%

Georgia

8%

Indiana

7%

Missouri

6%

Connecticut

6%

Kentucky

5%

Non-Branded

12%

Creating Operating Synergies

Recognize at least \$250 million in pre-tax synergies

Information technology

\$75 million +

Specialty businesses

\$75 million +

Operations

\$50 million +

Corporate & Shared Services

\$50 million +

Positioned to implement over 18 - 24 months: \$50 million in 2004, \$175 million in 2005, and \$250 million in 2006

Targets consistent with accomplishments in prior transactions

Synergies represent approximately 4% to 5% of combined administrative expenses

Industry Leading Size and Scale

Source: Latest company filings as of 9/30/03 or 6/30/03.

(a) Excludes BlueCard host membership for WellPoint.

(b) Latest 12 months(LTM) revenues as of 9/30/03 for Anthem, WellPoint and UnitedHealth. LTM as of 6/30/03 for CIGNA, Aetna and MAMSI.

(in millions)

(\$ in billions)

Membership^(a)

Latest 12 Months Revenues^(b)

¹ After-tax margin is calculated by dividing net income by total revenue.

Anthem

WellPoint

~\$16.7

Operational Excellence

~\$20.4

Mid-4%

Mid-4%

Revenue CAGR 24%

Revenue CAGR 30%

4.1%

\$17.3

\$12.4

\$9.2

\$13.3

\$10.4

\$8.8

4.1%

3.3%

2.6%

3.3%

3.7%

A Commitment to Values

WellPoint

**Be customer-focused in everything
we do and everyone we serve**

**Take personal responsibility for
achieving planned results**

Be a leader

Be creative and entrepreneurial

**Embody ethics, pride, integrity and
passion in everything we do**

**Collaborate to achieve company
results**

Respect and listen to others

**Help the organization work faster,
simpler, smarter and more
profitably**

Anthem

Customer focus

**Commitment to
excellence**

**Continuous
improvement and
innovation**

Results with integrity

Teamwork

Day One - The Reaction

October 28, 2003

October 27, 2003

October 28, 2003

October 28, 2003

Day One - The Reaction (cont.)

October 27, 2003

**998 participated in the analyst call and 440 on
Webcast**

More than 100 media inquiries to Anthem and WellPoint

8 broadcast interviews including:

Bloomberg

CNBC

175 print stories including:

The Chicago Tribune

The Los Angeles Times

The New York Times

The Wall Street Journal

The Washington Post

USA Today

The WellPoint Merger and Stock Price Performance

The 8% decline in Anthem's stock price after the deal was announced was not unusual

In addition, the decline on the day of the announcement was relatively consistent with that experienced with Trigon

WellPoint naturally saw an 8.5% increase in stock price the day the deal was announced

Most of our other peers experienced a stock price decline the day the deal was announced

Anthem Stock Price Performance*

Day One - The Reaction (cont.)

10/24/03

10/27/03

10/28/03

10/29/03

10/30/03

10/31/03

***ATH closing price on NYSE on day indicated**

4/26/02

4/29/02

4/30/02

5/1/02

5/2/02

5/3/02

Increase/(Decrease)

10/27/03

-10.0%

-8.0%

-6.0%

-4.0%

-2.0%

0.0%

2.0%

ATH

UNH

AET

WC

HNT

HUM

CI

\$65.00

\$70.00

\$75.00

\$80.00

Day

Before

Day Of

1 Day

After

2 Days

After

3 Days

After

4 Days

After

During WLP

During TGH

What This Means for All Associates

Additional opportunities for professional growth

Greater opportunities for advancement

Larger, growing company with an eye for talent

Opportunity to leverage best practices

What Doesn't Change

Our commitment to associates

Our commitment to communicating

**Our focus on customers and the business
at hand**

Our commitment to core values

What We Need You to Do

Stay focused -- Lots of excitement ahead

Remember the customer -- continue to give exceptional service

Talk to your manager; support your peers

Best security comes from profitable growth

Together, we are making a difference and heading in the right direction

Believe in the future

Next Steps

Filing S-4

Filing form A s

Participating in regulatory hearings

Regulatory approval

Multiple states

Securities and Exchange Commission

Blue Cross Blue Shield Association

Shareholders of both companies

Transition planning teams being put in place

Anthem CFO Mike Smith co-leading team

Expected to close mid-2004

Summary of Key Points

Strong competitive position as a leading health benefits company

Complementary cultures focused on customer needs and quality service

Geographically diverse with strong local focus and national reach

Significant operational synergies

Well positioned for future growth

The Challenge

This is a good time for us to introduce some new products that can compete with them, while this acquisition consumes their time and energy.

**- President and CEO of
PacifiCare Health Systems
(Source: The New York Times 10/30/03)**

**What questions do
you have?**

Reminder: Follow-up & Expectations

Upon the conclusion of this session of Management Meetings, you will receive a *streamlined* version of the presentation (11/11/03) and talking points by e-mail to share with your staff

Please remember

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Please share with your staff and submit any questions by December 4, 2003

Allows 3 weeks for delivery (+2 extra days for Thanksgiving)

As usual, please update your information on the Notes database

Any questions?

Contact Paul Branks

Open Forum

**What Questions/Concerns
Do You Have About Our
Direction and Progress?**