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FORM 10-Q

☒ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the period ended September 30, 2014

OR

☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from to

Commission file number 1-8993

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	94-2708455 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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80 South Main Street, Hanover, New Hampshire (Address of principal executive offices)	03755-2053 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (603) 640-2200

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months, and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months. Yes ☒ No ☐

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Large accelerated filer ☒ Accelerated filer ☐ Non-accelerated filer ☐ Smaller reporting company ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).
Yes ☐ No ☒

As of October 29, 2014, 6,004,776 common shares with a par value of \$1.00 per share were outstanding (which includes 81,325 restricted common shares that were not vested at such date).

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Part I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

Item 1. Financial Statements

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Millions, except share amounts)	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Assets	Unaudited	
Fixed maturity investments, at fair value	\$ 4,785.5	\$5,030.5
Short-term investments, at amortized cost (which approximates fair value)	834.9	635.9
Common equity securities, at fair value	986.1	1,156.8
Convertible fixed maturity investments, at fair value	48.9	80.5
Other long-term investments	320.9	288.9
Total investments	6,976.3	7,192.6
Cash (restricted: \$23.8 and \$56.1)	543.5	382.8
Reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses	430.7	428.1
Reinsurance recoverable on paid losses	27.2	25.4
Insurance and reinsurance premiums receivable	677.8	518.9
Funds held by ceding entities	123.9	106.3
Investments in unconsolidated affiliates	413.5	321.4
Deferred acquisition costs	204.4	174.7
Deferred tax asset	439.1	512.1
Ceded unearned insurance and reinsurance premiums	114.3	92.4
Accrued investment income	32.7	39.3
Accounts receivable on unsettled investment sales	39.0	12.1
Other assets	466.7	458.1
Assets held for sale	1,699.2	1,880.1
Total assets	\$ 12,188.3	\$12,144.3
Liabilities		
Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves	\$ 3,022.9	\$3,079.3
Unearned insurance and reinsurance premiums	1,089.5	901.4
Variable annuity benefit guarantee	11.7	52.8
Debt	678.1	676.4
Deferred tax liability	303.0	356.2
Accrued incentive compensation	187.5	218.3
Ceded reinsurance payable	134.0	71.9
Funds held under insurance and reinsurance contracts	132.2	127.1
Accounts payable on unsettled investment purchases	76.0	20.5
Other liabilities	355.4	362.9
Liabilities held for sale	1,699.2	1,880.1
Total liabilities	7,689.5	7,746.9
Equity		
White Mountains's common shareholders' equity		
White Mountains's common shares at \$1 par value per share - authorized 50,000,000 shares;		
issued and outstanding 6,028,251 and 6,176,739 shares	6.0	6.2
Paid-in surplus	1,030.9	1,044.9
Retained earnings	2,961.5	2,802.3
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), after tax:		
Equity in net unrealized gains (losses) from investments in Symetra common shares	19.1	(40.4)
Net unrealized foreign currency translation (losses) gains	(11.9)	88.4

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Pension liability and other	4.5	4.1
Total White Mountains's common shareholders' equity	4,010.1	3,905.5
Non-controlling interests		
Non-controlling interest - OneBeacon Ltd.	275.6	273.7
Non-controlling interest - SIG Preference Shares	250.0	250.0
Non-controlling interest - HG Global	18.0	16.6
Non-controlling interest - BAM	(114.3	) (97.6
Non-controlling interest - other	59.4	49.2
Total non-controlling interests	488.7	491.9
Total equity	4,498.8	4,397.4
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 12,188.3	\$12,144.3
See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements		

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME

Unaudited

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(Millions, except per share amounts)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Revenues:				
Earned insurance and reinsurance premiums	\$538.6	\$500.4	\$1,535.6	\$1,493.3
Net investment income	24.7	27.3	78.1	84.5
Net realized and unrealized investment gains	20.8	28.2	198.5	66.1
Other revenue	5.3	18.2	8.3	46.9
Total revenues	589.4	574.1	1,820.5	1,690.8
Expenses:				
Loss and loss adjustment expenses	289.1	278.3	801.1	797.2
Insurance and reinsurance acquisition expenses	105.3	106.7	299.3	281.0
Other underwriting expenses	81.0	80.4	244.3	244.0
General and administrative expenses	69.3	41.5	189.9	125.5
Interest expense	10.3	11.9	30.4	32.4
Total expenses	555.0	518.8	1,565.0	1,480.1
Pre-tax income from continuing operations	34.4	55.3	255.5	210.7
Income tax expense	(7.8)	(8.2)	(62.0)	(49.2)
Net income from continuing operations	26.6	47.1	193.5	161.5
Net income from discontinued operations, net of tax	6.7	.4	8.8	4.8
Income before equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	33.3	47.5	202.3	166.3
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax	7.0	8.6	33.3	24.9
Net income	40.3	56.1	235.6	191.2
Net loss attributable to non-controlling interests	11.2	1.1	7.1	12.7
Net income attributable to White Mountains's common shareholders	51.5	57.2	242.7	203.9
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax:				
Change in equity in net unrealized (losses) gains from investments in Symetra common shares, net of tax	(9.9)	(7.2)	59.5	(81.2)
Change in foreign currency translation, pension liability and other	(64.3)	46.6	(100.0)	8.4
Comprehensive (loss) income	(22.7)	96.6	202.2	131.1
Comprehensive loss (income) attributable to non-controlling interests	.1	(.1)	.1	(.1)
Comprehensive (loss) income attributable to White Mountains's common shareholders	\$(22.6)	\$96.5	\$202.3	\$131.0
Income per share attributable to White Mountains's common shareholders				

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Basic income per share				
Continuing operations	\$7.35	\$9.20	\$38.07	\$32.05
Discontinued operations	1.10	.06	1.43	.78
Total consolidated operations	\$8.45	\$9.26	\$39.50	\$32.83
Diluted income per share				
Continuing operations	\$7.35	\$9.20	\$38.07	\$32.05
Discontinued operations	1.10	.06	1.43	.78
Total consolidated operations	\$8.45	\$9.26	\$39.50	\$32.83
Dividends declared per White Mountains's common share	\$—	\$—	\$1.00	\$1.00
See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements				

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
Unaudited

(Millions)	White Mountains's Common Shareholders' Equity					
	Common shares and paid-in surplus	Retained earnings	AOCI, after tax	Total	Non-controlling interest	Total Equity
Balance at January 1, 2014	\$1,051.1	\$2,802.3	\$52.1	\$3,905.5	\$ 491.9	\$4,397.4
Net income (loss)	—	242.7	—	242.7	(7.1)	235.6
Net change in unrealized gains from investments in unconsolidated affiliates	—	—	59.5	59.5	—	59.5
Net change in foreign currency translation	—	—	(100.3)	(100.3)	(.1)	(100.4)
Net change in pension liability and other	—	—	.4	.4	—	.4
accumulated comprehensive items	—	242.7	(40.4)	202.3	(7.2)	195.1
Total comprehensive income (loss)	—	(6.2)	—	(6.2)	—	(6.2)
Dividends declared on common shares	—	—	—	—	(26.0)	(26.0)
Dividends to non-controlling interests	(29.6)	(77.3)	—	(106.9)	—	(106.9)
Repurchases and retirements of common shares	2.9	—	—	2.9	—	2.9
Issuances of common shares	—	—	—	—	29.4	29.4
Net contributions from non-controlling interests	12.5	—	—	12.5	.6	13.1
Amortization of restricted share awards	\$1,036.9	\$2,961.5	\$11.7	\$4,010.1	\$ 488.7	\$4,498.8

(Millions)	White Mountains's Common Shareholders' Equity					
	Common shares and paid-in surplus	Retained earnings	AOCI, after tax	Total	Non-controlling interest	Total Equity
Balance at January 1, 2013	\$1,057.2	\$2,542.7	\$131.9	\$3,731.8	\$ 526.4	\$4,258.2
Net income (loss)	—	203.9	—	203.9	(12.7)	191.2
Net change in unrealized losses from investments in unconsolidated affiliates	—	—	(81.2)	(81.2)	—	(81.2)
Net change in foreign currency translation	—	—	7.8	7.8	—	7.8
Net change in pension liability and other	—	—	.5	.5	.1	.6
accumulated comprehensive items	—	203.9	(72.9)	131.0	(12.6)	118.4
Total comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Dividends declared on common shares	—	(6.2) —	(6.2) —	(6.2)	
Dividends to non-controlling interests	—	—	—	—	(25.1)	(25.1)
Repurchases and retirements of common shares	(23.8)	(56.0) —	(79.8) —	(79.8)
Issuances of common shares	1.0	—	—	1.0	—	1.0		
Net contributions from non-controlling interests	—	—	—	—	7.7	7.7		
Amortization of restricted share awards	12.2	—	—	12.2	.8	13.0		
Balance at September 30, 2013	\$1,046.6	\$2,684.4	\$59.0	\$3,790.0	\$ 497.2	\$4,287.2		
See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements								

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
Unaudited

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(Millions)	2014	2013
Cash flows from operations:		
Net income	\$235.6	\$191.2
Charges (credits) to reconcile net income to net cash (used for) provided from operations:		
Net realized and unrealized investment gains	(198.5	) (66.1
Deferred income tax expense	19.7	5.4
Net income from discontinued operations	(8.8	) (4.8
Gain on sale of subsidiary - Citation and Essentia	(.7	) (23.0
Excess of fair value of acquired net assets over cost - Ashmere	—	(6.9
Undistributed equity in earnings from unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax	(33.3	) (24.9
Other operating items:		
Net change in loss and loss adjustment expense reserves	2.3	(95.1
Net change in reinsurance recoverable on paid and unpaid losses	(28.3	) 15.5
Net change in unearned insurance and reinsurance premiums	232.8	91.2
Net change in variable annuity benefit guarantee liabilities	(41.1	) (297.8
Net change in variable annuity benefit guarantee derivative instruments	3.9	6.8
Net change in deferred acquisition costs	(36.3	) 7.6
Net change in funds held by ceding entities	(24.7	) 36.0
Net change in ceded unearned premiums	(35.3	) (30.6
Net change in funds held under reinsurance treaties	11.8	44.8
Net change in insurance and reinsurance premiums receivable	(197.5	) (143.8
Net change in ceded reinsurance payable	63.9	53.2
Net change in restricted cash	32.3	175.4
Net change in other assets and liabilities, net	153.1	88.6
Net cash provided from operations - continuing operations	150.9	22.7
Net cash used for operations - discontinued operations	(27.6	) (93.5
Net cash provided from (used for) operations	123.3	(70.8
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Net change in short-term investments	(240.8	) (9.9
Sales of fixed maturity and convertible fixed maturity investments	3,654.4	3,350.9
Maturities, calls and paydowns of fixed maturity and convertible fixed maturity investments	368.3	380.0
Sales of common equity securities	344.7	412.5
Distributions and redemptions of other long-term investments	45.1	36.6
Sales of consolidated and unconsolidated affiliates, net of cash sold	12.8	31.3
Funding of operational cash flows for discontinued operations	(27.6	) (93.5
Purchases of other long-term investments	(31.6	) (31.7
Purchases of common equity securities	(163.4	) (357.6
Purchases of fixed maturity and convertible fixed maturity investments	(3,764.2	) (3,403.8
Purchases of consolidated and unconsolidated affiliates, net of cash acquired	(32.2	) (9.2
Net change in unsettled investment purchases and sales	28.9	(17.8
Net acquisitions of property and equipment	(8.5	) (10.4
Net cash provided from investing activities - continuing operations	185.9	277.4
Net cash provided from investing activities - discontinued operations	27.6	93.5

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Net cash provided from investing activities	213.5	370.9	
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Draw down of revolving line of credit	40.0	150.0	
Repayment of revolving line of credit	(40.2)	) (225.0)
Payments on capital lease obligation	(4.0)	) (4.0)
Cash dividends paid to the Company's common shareholders	(6.2)	) (6.2)
Cash dividends paid to OneBeacon Ltd.'s non-controlling common shareholders	(14.8)	) (14.9)
Cash dividends paid on SIG Preference Shares	(9.4)	) (9.4)
Common shares repurchased	(100.6)	) (79.8)
OneBeacon Ltd. common shares repurchased and retired	(1.8)) —	
Capital contributions from non-controlling interest of consolidated LPs	2.5	1.6	
Redemptions paid to non-controlling interest of consolidated LPs	(4.9)	) (.7)
Purchase of interest rate cap	—	(9.9)
Collateral provided by interest rate cap counterparties	(5.4)	) 9.7	
Capital contributions from BAM members	11.6	11.5	
Net cash used for financing activities - continuing operations	(133.2)	) (177.1)
Net cash (used for) provided from financing activities - discontinued operations	—	—	
Net cash used for financing activities	(133.2)	) (177.1)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(10.6)	) 1.0	
Net change in cash during the period	193.0	124.0	
Cash balances at beginning of period (excludes restricted cash balances of \$56.1 and \$249.8)	326.7	212.6	
Cash balances at end of period (excludes restricted cash balances of \$23.8 and \$74.4)	\$519.7	\$336.6	
Supplemental cash flows information:			
Interest paid	\$(41.3	) \$(32.0)
Net income tax refund (payment) to national governments	\$7.8	\$(1.5)
See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements			

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

These interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (“GAAP”) and include the accounts of White Mountains Insurance Group, Ltd. (the “Company” or the “Registrant”), its subsidiaries (collectively, with the Company, “White Mountains”) and other entities required to be consolidated under GAAP. The Company is an exempted Bermuda limited liability company whose principal businesses are conducted through its insurance and reinsurance subsidiaries and affiliates. The Company’s headquarters is located at 14 Wesley Street, Hamilton, Bermuda HM 11, its principal executive office is located at 80 South Main Street, Hanover, New Hampshire 03755-2053 and its registered office is located at Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton, Bermuda HM 11. White Mountains’s reportable segments are OneBeacon, Sirius Group, HG Global/BAM and Other Operations.

The OneBeacon segment consists of OneBeacon Insurance Group, Ltd. (“OneBeacon Ltd.”), an exempted Bermuda limited liability company that owns a family of property and casualty insurance companies (collectively, “OneBeacon”). OneBeacon is a specialty property and casualty insurance writer that offers a wide range of insurance products in the United States through independent agencies, regional and national brokers, wholesalers and managing general agencies. During the third quarter of 2013, OneBeacon formed Split Rock Insurance, Ltd. (“Split Rock”), a Bermuda-based reinsurance company. As of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, White Mountains owned 75.3% and 75.2% of OneBeacon Ltd.’s outstanding common shares.

As discussed further in Note 2, OneBeacon entered into a definitive agreement to sell its runoff business (the “Runoff Business”) in October 2012 (the “Runoff Transaction”). Accordingly, the Runoff Business is presented as discontinued operations. The OneBeacon Runoff Business includes assets and liabilities that are principally related to non-specialty commercial lines and certain other runoff business that it no longer writes, including nearly all of its asbestos and environmental reserves. Assets and liabilities associated with the Runoff Business as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013 have been presented as held for sale in the financial statements (See Note 15 for discontinued operations).

The Sirius Group segment consists of Sirius International Insurance Group, Ltd., an exempted Bermuda limited liability company, and its subsidiaries (collectively, “Sirius Group”). Sirius Group provides insurance and reinsurance products for property, accident and health, aviation and space, trade credit, marine, agriculture and certain other exposures on a worldwide basis through its primary subsidiaries, Sirius International Insurance Corporation (“Sirius International”), Sirius America Insurance Company (“Sirius America”) and Lloyds Syndicate 1945 (“Syndicate 1945”). Sirius Group also specializes in the acquisition and management of runoff insurance and reinsurance companies both in the United States and internationally through its White Mountains Solutions division (“WM Solutions”).

The HG Global/BAM segment consists of HG Global Ltd. (“HG Global”) and the consolidated results of Build America Mutual Assurance Company (“BAM”). In 2012, White Mountains capitalized HG Global with \$594.5 million to fund the start-up of BAM. BAM is a municipal bond insurer domiciled in New York that was established to provide insurance on bonds issued to support essential U.S. public purposes such as schools, utilities, core governmental functions and existing transportation facilities. HG Global, together with its subsidiaries, provided the initial capitalization of BAM through the purchase of \$503.0 million of surplus notes issued by BAM (the “BAM Surplus Notes”). HG Global, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, HG Re Ltd. (“HG Re”), also provides 15%-of-par, first loss reinsurance protection for policies underwritten by BAM. As of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, White Mountains owned 96.9% and 97.3% of HG Global’s preferred equity and 88.4% and 88.7% of its common equity. White Mountains does not have an ownership interest in BAM, which is a mutual insurance company owned by its members. However, GAAP requires White Mountains to consolidate BAM’s results in its financial statements. BAM’s results are attributed to non-controlling interests.

White Mountains’s Other Operations segment consists of the Company and its intermediate holding companies, its wholly-owned investment management subsidiary, White Mountains Advisors LLC (“WM Advisors”), White Mountains’s variable annuity reinsurance business, White Mountains Life Reinsurance (Bermuda) Ltd. (“Life Re

Bermuda”), which is in runoff, and its U.S.-based service provider, White Mountains Financial Services LLC (collectively, “WM Life Re”), and White Mountains’s investments in Wobi Insurance Agency Ltd. (“Wobi”), QL Holdings LLC (“QuoteLab”) and Star & Shield Risk Management LLC (“SSRM”). At September 30, 2014, White Mountains holds \$17.0 million of Star & Shield Insurance Exchange’s (“SSIE”) surplus notes but does not have an ownership interest in SSIE, which is a reciprocal and is owned by its policyholders. However, as a result of SSRM’s role as the attorney-in-fact to SSIE and the investment in SSIE’s surplus notes, White Mountains is required to consolidate SSIE in its GAAP financial statements. SSIE’s results do not affect White Mountains’s common shareholders’ equity as they are attributable to non-controlling interests.

All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. These interim financial statements include all adjustments considered necessary by management to fairly present the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of White Mountains. These interim financial statements may not be indicative of financial results for the full year and should be read in conjunction with the Company’s 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP 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 financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Refer to the Company's 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K for a complete discussion regarding White Mountains's significant accounting policies.

Non-controlling Interests

Non-controlling interests consist of the ownership interests of non-controlling shareholders in consolidated subsidiaries and are presented separately on the balance sheet.

The percentage of the non-controlling shareholders' ownership interest in OneBeacon Ltd. at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013 was 24.7% and 24.8%.

In 2012, HG Global was capitalized with \$594.5 million from White Mountains and \$14.5 million from certain management members of BAM, the latter of which is included in non-controlling interest. Upon closing, certain BAM management members also received additional common and preferred shares of HG Global that resulted in a \$2.2 million allocation of the carrying value of White Mountains's investment in HG Global to the non-controlling interest, which was recorded as an adjustment to paid-in surplus in White Mountains's consolidated statement of changes in equity.

White Mountains is required to consolidate BAM in its GAAP financial statements. However, since BAM is a mutual insurance company that is owned by its members, BAM's results do not affect White Mountains's common shareholders' equity as they are attributable to non-controlling interests. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, White Mountains reported \$13.1 million and \$29.7 million in pre-tax losses from BAM that have been allocated to non-controlling interest. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, White Mountains reported \$15.1 million and \$60.2 million in pre-tax losses from BAM that have been allocated to non-controlling interest.

In May 2007, Sirius International Group, Ltd. ("SIG"), an intermediate holding company of Sirius Group, issued \$250.0 million non-cumulative perpetual preference shares, with a \$1,000 per share liquidation preference (the "SIG Preference Shares"), and received \$245.7 million of proceeds, net of \$4.3 million of issuance costs and commissions. SIG Preference Shares and dividends thereon are included in non-controlling interest on the balance sheet and on the statement of income and comprehensive income. The SIG Preference Shares have an initial fixed annual dividend rate of 7.506%. In June 2017, the fixed rate will move to a floating rate equal to the greater of (i) 7.506% and (ii) 3-month LIBOR plus 320 basis points. In July 2013, SIG executed a 5-year forward LIBOR cap (the "Interest Rate Cap") for the period from June 2017 to June 2022 to protect against a significant increase in interest rates during that 5-year period. The Interest Rate Cap economically fixes the annual dividend rate on the SIG Preference Shares from June 2017 to June 2022 at 8.30%. The Interest Rate Cap is recorded in other assets at fair value. Changes in fair value are recorded in other revenue.

At September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, the non-controlling equity interest in White Mountains's consolidated limited partnerships was \$45.5 million and \$46.1 million. At September 30, 2014, the non-controlling equity interests in Wobi, QuoteLab and SSIE were \$3.8 million, \$18.0 million and \$(11.1) million, respectively. At September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, the non-controlling equity interest in A.W.G. Dewar Inc, a subsidiary of OneBeacon, was \$3.2 million and \$3.1 million.

Recently Adopted Changes in Accounting Principles

Unrecognized Tax Benefits

Effective January 1, 2014, White Mountains adopted ASU 2013-11, Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists (ASC 740). The new ASU requires balance sheet presentation of an unrecognized tax benefit as a reduction of a deferred tax asset for a net operating loss ("NOL") carryforward or tax credit carryforward rather than as a liability. The exception is in circumstances where a carryforward is not available to settle the additional taxes that might arise upon disallowance of the tax position under the tax law of the applicable jurisdiction. Prior to the issuance of ASU 2013-11, the guidance

for unrecognized tax benefits under ASC 740 did not provide explicit guidance on whether an entity should present an unrecognized tax benefit as a liability or as a reduction of NOL carryforwards or other tax credits. In circumstances where an NOL carryforward is not available to offset settlement of any additional taxes arising from a disallowed tax position, the unrecognized tax benefit should be presented as a liability. The new guidance became effective for White Mountains on January 1, 2014. Adoption did not have any impact on White Mountains's financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Revenue Recognition

On May 28, 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (ASC 606) which modifies the guidance for revenue recognition. The scope of the new ASU excludes insurance contracts but is applicable to certain fee arrangements, such as investment management fees. White Mountains is in the process of evaluating the new guidance and has not yet determined the potential effect of adoption on its financial position, results of operations, or cash flows. ASU 2014-09 is effective for annual and interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016.

Share-Based Compensation Awards

On June 19, 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-12, Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could Be Achieved after the Requisite Service Period. The new guidance is intended to eliminate diversity in practice for employee share-based awards containing performance targets that could be achieved after the requisite service period. Some reporting entities account for performance targets that can be achieved after the requisite service period as performance conditions that affect the vesting of the award while other reporting entities treat those performance targets as nonvesting conditions that affect the grant-date fair value of the award. The updated guidance requires that a performance target that affects vesting and that can be achieved after the requisite service period be treated as a performance condition. Compensation cost should be recognized in the period in which it becomes probable that the performance target will be achieved and should represent the compensation cost attributable to the periods for which service has been rendered. White Mountains is in the process of evaluating the new guidance and has not yet determined the potential effect of adoption on its financial position, results of operations, or cash flows. The new guidance is effective for annual and interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015.

Qualified Affordable Housing Projects

On January 15, 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-01, Accounting for Investments in Qualified Affordable Housing Projects ("QAHP") (ASC 323), which permits companies to make an accounting policy election to account for its investment in a QAHP using the proportional amortization method, if certain conditions are met. Under this method, the initial cost of the investment is amortized in proportion to the tax credits and other tax benefits received, with the net investment performance recognized in the income statement as a component of income tax expense. The new guidance also requires certain new disclosures for all QAHP investments. ASU 2014-01 is effective for annual and interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2014 and may be applied retrospectively to all periods presented upon adoption. White Mountains currently holds an investment in a QAHP that is accounted for under the equity method and does not expect the adoption to have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Reporting Discontinued Operations and Disclosures of Disposals of Components of an Entity

On April 10, 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-08, Reporting Discontinued Operations and Disclosures of Disposals of Components of an Entity to reduce diversity in practice for reporting discontinued operations. Under the previous guidance, any component of an entity that was a reportable segment, an operating segment, a reporting unit, a subsidiary, or an asset group was eligible for discontinued operations presentation. The revised guidance only allows disposals of components of an entity that represent a strategic shift (e.g., disposal of a major geographical area, a major line of business, a major equity method investment, or other major parts of an entity) and that have a major effect on a reporting entity's operations and financial results to be reported as discontinued operations. The revised guidance also requires expanded disclosure in the financial statements for discontinued operations as well as for disposals of significant components of an entity that do not qualify for discontinued operations presentation. The updated guidance is effective for transactions entered into after December 15, 2014.

Note 2. Significant Transactions

durchblicker.at

In July 2014, White Mountains acquired 45% of the outstanding common shares of durchblicker.at, Austria's first independent price comparison portal for insurance, gas/electricity and financial services, for EUR 8.5 million (approximately \$11.7 million based upon the foreign exchange spot rate at the date of acquisition).

PassportCard

In June 2014, White Mountains committed \$21.0 million to fund a 50/50 joint venture with DavidShield Group ("DavidShield") for the development, marketing and distribution of PassportCard travel insurance. The transaction is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2014, subject to regulatory approvals.

QuoteLab

On March 14, 2014, White Mountains acquired 60% of the outstanding Class A common units of QuoteLab. As of September 30, 2014, White Mountains owned 58.4% of the equity of QuoteLab. QuoteLab is an advertising technology company that operates a transparent online advertising exchange that facilitates transactions between buyers and sellers of insurance media, including advertising inventory on QuoteLab's owned and operated websites. White Mountains paid an initial purchase price of \$28.1 million and will pay additional consideration to the sellers equal to 62.5% of the 2015 gross profit in excess of the 2013 gross profit. At acquisition, QuoteLab had total assets of \$56.9 million, including \$43.7 million of intangible assets, and total liabilities of \$10.0 million.

Wobi

On February 19, 2014, White Mountains acquired 54% of the outstanding common shares of Wobi for NIS 14.4 million (approximately \$4.1 million based upon the foreign exchange spot rate at the date of acquisition). In addition to the common shares, White Mountains also purchased NIS 12.7 million (approximately \$3.6 million based upon the foreign exchange spot rate at the date of acquisition) of newly-issued convertible preferred shares of Wobi. Wobi is the only price comparison/aggregation business in Israel, with an insurance carrier panel that represents 85% of the premiums written in the Israeli insurance market. Wobi sells four lines of business, primarily personal auto, and operates as an agency, charging upfront commissions on all policy sales. As of September 30, 2014, on a fully converted basis, White Mountains owned 60.7% of Wobi. At acquisition, Wobi had total assets of \$13.4 million, including \$8.4 million of intangible assets, and total liabilities of \$0.7 million.

Star & Shield

On January 31, 2014, White Mountains acquired certain assets and liabilities of Star & Shield Holdings LLC, including SSRM, the attorney-in-fact for SSIE, for a purchase price of \$1.8 million. White Mountains also purchased \$17.0 million of surplus notes issued by SSIE. Principal and interest on the surplus notes are payable to White Mountains only with approval from the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation. SSIE is a Florida-domiciled reciprocal insurance exchange providing private passenger auto insurance to the public safety community and their families. SSIE is a variable interest entity ("VIE"). As a result of SSRM's role as the attorney-in-fact to SSIE and the investment in SSIE's surplus notes, White Mountains is required to consolidate SSIE. At September 30, 2014, consolidated amounts included total assets of \$11.8 million and total liabilities of \$22.8 million of SSIE. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, SSIE had pre-tax losses of \$1.4 million and \$11.1 million that were recorded in net loss attributable to non-controlling interests.

WM Solutions

In the first quarter of 2014, WM Solutions completed the shell sale of Citation Insurance Company, which resulted in a gain of \$0.7 million recorded in other revenue.

In the first quarter of 2013, WM Solutions acquired Ashmere Insurance Company ("Ashmere", formerly known as American Fuji Fire and Marine Insurance Company), an American International Group, Inc. ("AIG") runoff subsidiary. The transaction resulted in a gain of \$6.9 million recorded in other revenue.

Sale of Essentia Insurance Company

Effective January 1, 2013, OneBeacon completed the sale of Essentia Insurance Company (“Essentia”), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary which wrote the collector car and boat business, to Markel Corporation. Concurrently, OneBeacon and Hagerty Insurance Agency (“Hagerty”) terminated their underwriting arrangement with respect to the collector car and boat business. OneBeacon recognized a pre-tax gain on sale of \$23.0 million (\$15.0 million after tax) in the first quarter of 2013.

Sale of OneBeacon Runoff Business

On October 17, 2012, one of OneBeacon's indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries, OneBeacon Insurance Group LLC, entered into a definitive agreement (as amended, the "Runoff SPA") with Trebuchet US Holdings, Inc. ("Trebuchet"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Armour Group Holdings Limited (together with Trebuchet, "Armour"), to sell the Runoff Business. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, at closing OneBeacon will transfer to Trebuchet all of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of certain legal entities that will contain the assets, liabilities (including gross and ceded loss reserves) and capital supporting the Runoff Business as well as certain elements of the Runoff Business infrastructure, including staff and office space. The transaction is subject to regulatory approval. As a result of the agreement, the OneBeacon Runoff Business is reported as discontinued operations (see Note 15).

Common Shares Repurchased and Retired

During the past several years, White Mountains's board of directors has authorized the Company to repurchase its common shares, from time to time, subject to market conditions. The repurchase authorizations do not have a stated expiration date. As of September 30, 2014, White Mountains may repurchase an additional 382,118 shares under these board authorizations. In addition, from time to time White Mountains has also repurchased its common shares through tender offers that were separately approved by its board of directors.

During the three months ended September 30, 2014, the Company repurchased 122,264 common shares for \$76.5 million at an average share price of \$626.13, all of which were repurchased under the board authorization. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, the Company repurchased 173,853 common shares for \$106.9 million at an average share price of \$614.78, which was comprised of 163,378 common shares repurchased under the board authorization and 10,475 common shares repurchased pursuant to employee benefit plans. Shares repurchased pursuant to employee benefit plans do not reduce the board authorizations referred to above.

During the three months ended September 30, 2013, no shares were purchased. During the nine months ended September 30, 2013, the Company repurchased 141,535 common shares for \$79.8 million at an average share price of \$564, which was comprised of 140,000 common shares repurchased under the board authorization and 1,535 common shares repurchased pursuant to employee benefit plans.

Note 3. Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves

The following table summarizes the loss and loss adjustment expense (“LAE”) reserve activities of White Mountains’s insurance and reinsurance subsidiaries for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013:

Millions	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Gross beginning balance	\$3,053.3	\$3,057.9	\$3,079.3	\$3,168.9
Less beginning reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses	(433.2)	(388.6)	(428.1)	(429.1)
Net loss and LAE reserves	2,620.1	2,669.3	2,651.2	2,739.8
Loss and LAE reserves acquired ⁽¹⁾	—	—	—	21.3
Loss and LAE reserves consolidated — SSIE	—	—	13.6	—
Loss and LAE incurred relating to:				
Current year losses	301.2	289.9	820.1	822.8
Prior year losses	(12.1)	(11.6)	(19.0)	(25.6)
Total incurred losses and LAE	289.1	278.3	801.1	797.2
Accretion of fair value adjustment to loss and LAE reserves	.1	.2	.5	1.5
Foreign currency translation adjustment to loss and LAE reserves	(23.5)	12.3	(22.2)	(1.9)
Loss and LAE paid relating to:				
Current year losses	(86.2)	(90.0)	(187.0)	(209.9)
Prior year losses	(207.4)	(178.0)	(665.0)	(655.9)
Total loss and LAE payments	(293.6)	(268.0)	(852.0)	(865.8)
Net ending balance	2,592.2	2,692.1	2,592.2	2,692.1
Plus ending reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses	430.7	416.0	430.7	416.0
Gross ending balance	\$3,022.9	\$3,108.1	\$3,022.9	\$3,108.1

⁽¹⁾ Loss and LAE reserves acquired relate to WM Solutions purchase of Ashmere in the first quarter of 2013.

Loss and LAE incurred relating to prior year losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, White Mountains experienced net favorable loss reserve development of \$12.1 million and \$19.0 million.

For the three months ended September 30, 2014, OneBeacon had net unfavorable loss reserve development of \$7.3 million primarily related to unfavorable development in professional liability, management liability and financial services businesses included within OneBeacon Professional Insurance (“OBPI”), in OneBeacon Accident and in the inland marine business within International Marine Underwriters (“IMU”), partially offset by favorable development in the healthcare business within OBPI and in OneBeacon Technology. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, OneBeacon had net unfavorable loss reserve development of \$14.3 million primarily related to unfavorable development in professional liability and management liability businesses included within OBPI, in OneBeacon Accident and in the inland marine business within IMU, partially offset by favorable development in the healthcare business within OBPI, in OneBeacon Specialty Property and in the ocean marine business within IMU.

For the three months ended September 30, 2014, Sirius Group had net favorable loss reserve development of \$19.2 million primarily due to decreases in property loss reserves, including reductions for prior period catastrophe losses, in addition to decreases in aviation and accident and health loss reserves. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, Sirius Group had net favorable loss reserve development of \$35.3 million primarily due to decreases in property loss reserves, including reductions for prior period catastrophe losses, in addition to decreases in aviation, accident

and health, and trade credit loss reserves.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, SSIE had net favorable loss reserve development of \$0.2 million and net unfavorable loss reserve development of \$2.0 million.

Loss and LAE incurred relating to prior year losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, White Mountains experienced \$11.6 million and \$25.6 million of net favorable loss reserve development.

For the three months ended September 30, 2013, OneBeacon had net unfavorable loss reserve development of \$3.8 million primarily driven by its property and entertainment business. For the nine months ended September 30, 2013, OneBeacon had net favorable loss reserve development of \$0.1 million. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, Sirius Group had net favorable loss reserve development of \$15.4 million and \$25.5 million primarily due to decreases in property loss reserves, mostly from recent underwriting years, in addition to reductions in loss reserves for the Japan earthquake.

Fair value adjustment to loss and LAE reserves

In connection with purchase accounting for acquisitions, White Mountains is required to adjust loss and LAE reserves and the related reinsurance recoverables to fair value on their respective acquired balance sheets. The net reduction to loss and LAE reserves is being recognized through an income statement charge ratably with and over the period the claims are settled.

White Mountains recognized \$0.1 million and \$0.5 million of such charges, recorded as loss and LAE for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, and \$0.2 million and \$1.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013. As of September 30, 2014, the remaining pre-tax un-accreted adjustment was \$4.2 million.

Note 4. Third Party Reinsurance

In the normal course of business, White Mountains's insurance and reinsurance subsidiaries may seek to limit losses that may arise from catastrophes or other events by reinsuring with third party reinsurers. White Mountains remains liable for risks reinsured in the event that the reinsurer does not honor its obligations under reinsurance contracts.

OneBeacon

At September 30, 2014, OneBeacon had \$12.7 million and \$101.4 million of reinsurance recoverables on paid and unpaid losses. At December 31, 2013, OneBeacon had \$9.7 million and \$80.2 million of reinsurance recoverables on paid and unpaid losses. The reinsurance balances associated with the Runoff Business are included in discontinued operations (see Note 15). Reinsurance contracts do not relieve OneBeacon of its obligation to its policyholders.

OneBeacon is selective with its reinsurers, placing reinsurance with only those reinsurers having a strong financial condition. OneBeacon monitors the financial strength and ratings of its reinsurers on an ongoing basis. Uncollectible amounts related to the ongoing specialty business historically have not been significant.

Except as discussed below, there have been no material changes to OneBeacon's reinsurance coverage as discussed in Note 4 —“Reinsurance” in White Mountains's 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Effective May 1, 2014, OneBeacon renewed its property catastrophe reinsurance program through April 30, 2015. The program provides coverage for OneBeacon's property business as well as certain acts of terrorism. Under the program, the first \$20.0 million of losses resulting from any single catastrophe are retained and 100% of the next \$110.0 million of losses resulting from the catastrophe are reinsured. Any loss above \$130.0 million would be retained in full. In the event of a catastrophe, OneBeacon's property catastrophe reinsurance program is reinstated for the remainder of the original contract term by paying a reinstatement premium that is based on the percentage of coverage reinstated and the original property catastrophe coverage premium.

Also effective May 1, 2014, OneBeacon lowered its retention on its property-per-risk reinsurance program from \$10.0 million to \$5.0 million.

Effective January 1, 2014, OneBeacon entered into reinsurance treaties to provide coverage for the 2014 crop year. OneBeacon purchased an aggregate stop loss on its multiple peril crop insurance portfolio, providing 48.5% of coverage in excess of a 101.5% loss ratio on premiums covered by the contract and a separate aggregate stop loss providing 80.0% of coverage in excess of a 100.0% loss ratio on its crop-hail portfolio.

Sirius Group

At September 30, 2014, Sirius Group had \$14.5 million and \$329.3 million of reinsurance recoverables on paid and unpaid losses that will become recoverable if claims are paid in accordance with current reserve estimates. At December 31, 2013, Sirius Group had \$15.7 million and \$347.9 million of reinsurance recoverables on paid and unpaid losses. Because retrocessional reinsurance contracts do not relieve Sirius Group of its obligation to its insureds, the collectability of balances due from Sirius Group's reinsurers is important to its financial strength. Sirius Group monitors the financial strength and ratings of retrocessionaires on an ongoing basis. Uncollectible amounts historically have not been significant.

Except as discussed below, there have been no material changes to Sirius Group's reinsurance coverage as discussed in Note 4 -“Reinsurance” in White Mountains's 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Effective January 1, 2014, Sirius Group entered into a reinsurance agreement to provide excess of loss coverage for losses under medical stop loss policies produced, underwritten and administered on behalf of Sirius Group by various managing general underwriters in the United States. The coverage is in excess of a \$1 million retention and consists of multiple layers with limits dependent on the individual policies produced by the managing general underwriters. The coverage is for all losses occurring on or after January 1, 2014 on policies written or renewed with effective dates in 2014.

Note 5. Investment Securities

White Mountains's invested assets consist of securities and other long-term investments held for general investment purposes. The portfolio of investment securities includes short-term investments, fixed maturity investments, convertible fixed maturity investments and common equity securities which are all classified as trading securities. Trading securities are reported at fair value as of the balance sheet date. Realized and unrealized investment gains and losses on trading securities are reported in pre-tax revenues. White Mountains's investments in fixed maturity investments, including mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities, are generally valued using industry standard pricing models. Key inputs include benchmark yields, benchmark securities, reported trades, issuer spreads, bids, offers, credit ratings and prepayment speeds. Income on mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities is recognized using an effective yield based on anticipated prepayments and the estimated economic life of the securities. When actual prepayments differ significantly from anticipated prepayments, the estimated economic life is recalculated and the remaining unamortized premium or discount is amortized prospectively over the remaining economic life. Realized investment gains and losses resulting from sales of investment securities are accounted for using the specific identification method. Premiums and discounts on all fixed maturity investments are amortized or accreted to income over the anticipated life of the investment. Short-term investments consist of money market funds, certificates of deposit and other securities which, at the time of purchase, mature or become available for use within one year. Short-term investments are carried at amortized or accreted cost, which approximated fair value as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013. Other long-term investments are primarily comprised of White Mountains's investments in hedge funds and private equity funds.

Net Investment Income

Pre-tax net investment income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 consisted of the following:

Millions	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Investment income:				
Fixed maturity investments	\$ 24.4	\$ 25.1	\$ 72.4	\$ 76.3
Short-term investments	.8	1.1	2.0	2.9
Common equity securities	4.3	4.4	15.2	14.0
Convertible fixed maturity investments	1.1	.7	2.3	2.1
Other long-term investments	.1	1.2	1.8	2.7
Interest on funds held under reinsurance treaties	(.1	) —	(.1	) .2
Total investment income	30.6	32.5	93.6	98.2
Less third-party investment expenses	(5.9	) (5.2	) (15.5	) (13.7
Net investment income, pre-tax	\$ 24.7	\$ 27.3	\$ 78.1	\$ 84.5

Net Realized and Unrealized Investment Gains and Losses

Net realized and unrealized investment gains and losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 consisted of the following:

Millions	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Net realized investment gains, pre-tax	\$ 76.0	\$ 11.7	\$ 128.3	\$ 60.2
Net unrealized investment (losses) gains, pre-tax	(55.2) 16.5	70.2	5.9
Net realized and unrealized investment gains, pre-tax	20.8	28.2	198.5	66.1

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Income tax expense attributable to net realized and unrealized investment gains	(6.6) (1.2) (45.4) (2.5)
Net realized and unrealized investment gains, after tax	\$ 14.2	\$ 27.0	\$ 153.1	\$ 63.6	

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Net realized investment gains (losses)

Net realized investment gains (losses) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 consisted of the following:

Millions	Three Months Ended September 30, 2014			Three Months Ended September 30, 2013		
	Net realized gains (losses)	Net foreign exchange gains (losses)	Total net realized gains (losses) reflected in earnings	Net realized gains (losses)	Net foreign currency gains (losses)	Total net realized gains (losses) reflected in earnings
Fixed maturity investments	\$ 6.9	\$ 7.6	\$ 14.5	\$ (9.1)	\$ (.3)	\$ (9.4)
Short-term investments	—	1.1	1.1	—	(.6)	(.6)
Common equity securities	54.6	.1	54.7	23.5	(3.0)	20.5
Convertible fixed maturity investments	2.1	—	2.1	(.2)	—	(.2)
Other long-term investments	3.9	(.6)	3.3	(1.1)	3.0	1.9
Forward contracts	.3	—	.3	(.5)	—	(.5)
Net realized investment gains (losses), pre-tax	67.8	8.2	76.0	12.6	(.9)	11.7
Income tax (expense) benefit attributable to net realized investment gains (losses)	(9.6)	(2.0)	(11.6)	(.4)	.4	—
Net realized investment gains (losses), after tax	\$ 58.2	\$ 6.2	\$ 64.4	\$ 12.2	\$ (.5)	\$ 11.7
Millions	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014			Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013		
	Net realized gains (losses)	Net foreign exchange gains (losses)	Total net realized gains (losses) reflected in earnings	Net realized gains (losses)	Net foreign currency gains (losses)	Total net realized gains (losses) reflected in earnings
Fixed maturity investments	\$ 17.1	\$ 7.1	\$ 24.2	\$ 12.9	\$ (14.4)	\$ (1.5)
Short-term investments	—	1.1	1.1	.2	—	.2
Common equity securities	92.9	—	92.9	60.7	(3.0)	57.7
Convertible fixed maturity investments	5.9	—	5.9	(.7)	—	(.7)
Other long-term investments	4.2	(.2)	4.0	4.8	—	4.8
Forward contracts	.2	—	.2	(.3)	—	(.3)
Net realized investment gains (losses), pre-tax	120.3	8.0	128.3	77.6	(17.4)	60.2
Income tax (expense) benefit attributable to net realized investment gains (losses)	(19.6)	(2.1)	(21.7)	(17.8)	5.1	(12.7)
Net realized investment gains (losses), after tax	\$ 100.7	\$ 5.9	\$ 106.6	\$ 59.8	\$ (12.3)	\$ 47.5

Net unrealized investment gains (losses)

The following table summarizes net unrealized investment gains (losses) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013:

Millions	Three Months Ended September 30, 2014			Three Months Ended September 30, 2013		
	Net unrealized gains (losses)	Net foreign exchange gains (losses)	Total net unrealized gains (losses) reflected in earnings	Net unrealized gains (losses)	Net foreign exchange gains (losses)	Total net unrealized gains (losses) reflected in earnings
Fixed maturity investments	\$(14.3	) \$37.6	\$23.3	\$9.3	\$(30.5	) \$(21.2)
Short-term investments	—	—	—	—	.1	.1
Common equity securities	(67.8	) (2.1	) (69.9	) 35.6	(2.0	) 33.6
Convertible fixed maturity investments	(4.0	) .1	(3.9	) 2.4	(.1	) 2.3
Other long-term investments	(6.4	) 1.7	(4.7	) 3.1	(1.4	) 1.7
Net unrealized investment (losses) gains, pre-tax	(92.5	) 37.3	(55.2	) 50.4	(33.9	) 16.5
Income tax benefit (expense) attributable to net unrealized investment (losses) gains	15.8	(10.8	) 5.0	(8.6	) 7.4	(1.2)
Net unrealized investment (losses) gains, after tax	\$(76.7	) \$26.5	\$(50.2	) \$41.8	\$(26.5	) \$15.3
Millions	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014			Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013		
	Net unrealized gains (losses)	Net foreign exchange gains (losses)	Total net unrealized gains (losses) reflected in earnings	Net unrealized gains (losses)	Net foreign currency gains (losses)	Total net unrealized gains (losses) reflected in earnings
Fixed maturity investments	\$30.0	\$78.0	\$108.0	\$(94.8	) \$6.2	\$(88.6)
Common equity securities	(42.8	) (.2	) (43.0	) 85.2	(1.0	) 84.2
Convertible fixed maturity investments	(5.8	) .4	(5.4	) (.5	) —	(.5)
Other long-term investments	7.2	3.4	10.6	7.6	3.2	10.8
Net unrealized investment (losses) gains, pre-tax	(11.4	) 81.6	70.2	(2.5	) 8.4	5.9
Income tax (expense) benefit attributable to net unrealized investment (losses) gains	(3.1	) (20.6	) (23.7	) 13.1	(2.9	) 10.2
Net unrealized investment (losses) gains, after tax	\$(14.5	) \$61.0	\$46.5	\$10.6	\$5.5	\$16.1

The following table summarizes the amount of total pre-tax (losses) gains included in earnings attributable to unrealized investment (losses) gains for Level 3 investments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013:

Millions	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Fixed maturity investments	\$1.8	\$(2.2)	) \$2.2	\$(2.4)
Common equity securities	.9	(.7)	) 3.7	—
Convertible fixed maturity investments	.1	—	3.3	—
Other long-term investments	(6.7)	) .9	8.3	8.7
Total unrealized investment (losses) gains, pre-tax - Level 3 investments	\$(3.9)	) \$(2.0)	) \$17.5	\$6.3

Investment Holdings

The cost or amortized cost, gross unrealized investment gains and losses, net foreign currency gains and losses, and carrying values of White Mountains's fixed maturity investments as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013 were as follows:

Millions	September 30, 2014				
	Cost or amortized cost	Gross unrealized gains	Gross unrealized losses	Net foreign currency gains (losses)	Carrying value
U.S. Government and agency obligations	\$254.4	\$.2	\$(.5)	) \$ 5.6	\$259.7
Debt securities issued by corporations	2,314.6	48.9	(6.3)	) 30.1	2,387.3
Municipal obligations	78.9	1.3	(.3)	) —	79.9
Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities	1,846.7	6.8	(4.6)	) 16.0	1,864.9
Foreign government, agency and provincial obligations	311.6	3.7	(.8)	) (3.3)	) 311.2
Preferred stocks	79.7	6.7	—	—	86.4
Total fixed maturity investments including assets held for sale	\$4,885.9	\$67.6	\$(12.5)	) \$ 48.4	\$4,989.4
Fixed maturity investments reclassified to assets held for sale related to the Runoff Transaction					(203.9)
Total fixed maturity investments					\$4,785.5

Millions	December 31, 2013				
	Cost or amortized cost	Gross unrealized gains	Gross unrealized losses	Net foreign currency losses	Carrying value
U.S. Government and agency obligations	\$365.5	\$.5	\$(1.0)	) \$(2.5)	) \$362.5
Debt securities issued by corporations	2,330.7	44.0	(13.2)	) (14.3)	) 2,347.2
Municipal obligations	18.3	—	(.4)	) —	17.9
Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities	2,027.3	2.4	(9.9)	) (5.3)	) 2,014.5
Foreign government, agency and provincial obligations	444.2	3.7	(3.2)	) (4.8)	) 439.9
Preferred stocks	79.9	5.1	—	(.2)	) 84.8
Total fixed maturity investments including assets held for sale	\$5,265.9	\$55.7	\$(27.7)	) \$(27.1)	) \$5,266.8
Fixed maturity investments reclassified to assets held for sale related to the Runoff Transaction					(236.3)
Total fixed maturity investments					\$5,030.5

The cost or amortized cost, gross unrealized investment gains and losses, net foreign currency gains and losses, and carrying values of White Mountains's common equity securities, convertible fixed maturity investments and other long-term investments as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013 were as follows:

September 30, 2014					
Millions	Cost or amortized cost	Gross unrealized gains	Gross unrealized losses	Net foreign currency gains (losses)	Carrying value
Common equity securities	\$ 766.7	\$ 229.9	\$ (9.1	) \$ (1.4	) \$ 986.1
Convertible fixed maturity investments	\$ 45.0	\$ 4.4	\$ (1.1	) \$ .6	\$ 48.9
Other long-term investments	\$ 256.1	\$ 85.5	\$ (21.6	) \$ .9	\$ 320.9
December 31, 2013					
Millions	Cost or amortized cost	Gross unrealized gains	Gross unrealized losses	Net foreign currency losses	Carrying value
Common equity securities	\$ 890.2	\$ 271.0	\$ (3.6	) \$ (.8	) \$ 1,156.8
Convertible fixed maturity investments	\$ 71.7	\$ 9.9	\$ (.9	) \$ (.2	) \$ 80.5
Other long-term investments	\$ 238.3	\$ 79.6	\$ (26.6	) \$ (2.4	) \$ 288.9

Other Long-term Investments

Other long-term investments consist of the following at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013:

Millions	Fair Value at September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Hedge funds and private equity funds, at fair value ⁽¹⁾	\$241.9	\$239.0
Partnership investments accounted for under the equity method	23.5	26.6
Limited liability companies and private equity securities, at fair value ⁽¹⁾	50.1	20.3
Other ⁽¹⁾	5.2	3.1
Forward contracts at fair value (see Note 8)	.2	(.1)
Total other-long term investments	\$320.9	\$288.9

⁽¹⁾ See Fair Value Measurements by Level table.

Hedge Funds and Private Equity Funds

White Mountains owns 67% of the limited partnership interests in Prospector Offshore Fund, Ltd. and 69% of the limited partnership interests in Prospector Turtle Fund (collectively, the “Prospector Funds”). At September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, White Mountains’s investment in the Prospector Funds was \$95.4 million and \$112.4 million. The Prospector Funds are hedge funds that pursue investment opportunities in a variety of equity and equity-related instruments, primarily in the financial services sector. White Mountains has determined that the Prospector Funds are VIEs that White Mountains is required to consolidate. At September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, White Mountains consolidated total assets of \$223.5 million and \$249.2 million and total liabilities of \$82.7 million and \$90.6 million of the Prospector Funds. At September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, White Mountains also recorded non-controlling interest of \$45.4 million and \$46.2 million in the Prospector Funds.

In addition to the Prospector Funds, White Mountains holds investments in hedge funds and private equity funds, which are included in other long-term investments. The fair value of these investments has been estimated using the net asset value of the funds. At September 30, 2014, White Mountains held investments in 14 hedge funds and 32 private equity funds. The largest investment in a single fund was \$19.5 million at September 30, 2014. The following table summarizes investments in hedge funds and private equity funds by investment objective and sector at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013:

Millions	September 30, 2014		December 31, 2013	
	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments
Hedge funds				
Long/short equity	\$ 54.8	\$ —	\$ 62.6	\$ —
Long/short credit & distressed	22.9	—	22.8	—
Long/short equity REIT	19.5	—	18.3	—
Long/short equity activist	17.2	—	16.8	—
Long bank loan	.2	—	.2	—
Long diversified strategies	—	—	.1	—
Total hedge funds	114.6	—	120.8	—
Private equity funds				
Energy infrastructure & services	46.8	11.0	45.9	13.1
Multi-sector	24.5	5.9	23.8	6.5
Manufacturing/Industrial	18.8	14.8	11.2	15.5
Aerospace/Defense/Government	12.1	13.4	5.8	19.2
Private equity secondaries	9.4	3.1	9.5	3.1
Healthcare	5.8	2.8	5.6	2.8
Real estate	3.5	3.3	8.2	3.3
Insurance	2.2	41.3	2.3	41.3
Venture capital	1.4	.3	1.6	.3
International multi-sector, Asia	—	—	—	2.7
International multi-sector, Europe	2.8	2.5	3.9	2.8
Distressed residential real estate	—	—	.4	—
Total private equity funds	127.3	98.4	118.2	110.6
Total hedge funds and private equity funds included in other long-term investments	\$ 241.9	\$ 98.4	\$ 239.0	\$ 110.6

Redemption of investments in certain hedge funds is subject to restrictions including lock-up periods where no redemptions or withdrawals are allowed, restrictions on redemption frequency and advance notice periods for redemptions. Amounts requested for redemptions remain subject to market fluctuations until the redemption effective date, which generally falls at the end of the defined redemption period.

The following summarizes the September 30, 2014 fair value of hedge funds subject to restrictions on redemption frequency and advance notice period requirements for investments in active hedge funds:

	Notice Period				
Millions	30-59 days	60-89 days	90-119 days	120+ days	Total
Redemption frequency	notice	notice	notice	notice	
Monthly	\$4.5	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$4.5
Quarterly	30.7	22.9	11.1	8.4	73.1
Semi-annual	—	26.9	—	—	26.9
Annual	—	—	9.9	.2	10.1
Total	\$35.2	\$49.8	\$21.0	\$8.6	\$114.6

Certain of the hedge fund investments in which White Mountains is invested are no longer active and are in the process of disposing of their underlying investments. Distributions from such funds are remitted to investors as the fund's underlying investments are liquidated. At September 30, 2014, distributions of \$2.1 million were outstanding from these investments. The actual amount of the final distribution remittances remain subject to market fluctuations. The date at which such remittances will be received is not determinable at September 30, 2014.

White Mountains has also submitted redemption requests for certain of its investments in active hedge funds. At September 30, 2014, redemptions of \$28.3 million are outstanding and are subject to market fluctuations. Such redemptions are expected to be received in the first quarter of 2015. Redemptions are recorded as receivables when the investment is no longer subject to market fluctuations.

Investments in private equity funds are generally subject to a "lock-up" period during which investors may not request a redemption. Distributions prior to the expected termination date of the fund may be limited to dividends or proceeds arising from the liquidation of the fund's underlying investments. In addition, certain private equity funds provide an option to extend the lock-up period at either the sole discretion of the fund manager or upon agreement between the fund and the investors.

At September 30, 2014, investments in private equity funds were subject to lock-up periods as follows:

Millions	1-3 years	3 – 5 years	5 – 10 years	>10 years	Total
Private Equity Funds — expected lock-up period remaining	\$14.4	\$31.6	\$60.6	\$20.7	\$127.3

Fair value measurements at September 30, 2014

White Mountains's invested assets that are measured at fair value include fixed maturity investments, common equity securities, convertible fixed maturity securities and other long-term investments, such as interests in hedge funds and private equity funds. Fair value measurements reflect management's best estimate of the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements fall into a hierarchy with three levels based on the nature of the inputs. Fair value measurements based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets are at the top of the hierarchy ("Level 1"), followed by fair value measurements based on observable inputs that do not meet the criteria for Level 1, including quoted prices in inactive markets and quoted prices in active markets for similar, but not identical instruments ("Level 2"). Measurements based on unobservable inputs, including a reporting entity's estimates of the assumptions that market participants would use are at the bottom of the hierarchy ("Level 3").

White Mountains uses quoted market prices or other observable inputs to determine fair value for the vast majority of its investment portfolio. Investments valued using Level 1 inputs include fixed maturity investments, primarily investments in U.S. Treasuries, common equity securities and short-term investments, which include U.S. Treasury Bills. Investments valued using Level 2 inputs consist of fixed maturity investments including corporate debt, state and other governmental debt, convertible fixed maturity securities and mortgage and asset-backed securities. Fair value estimates for investments that trade infrequently and have few or no observable market prices are classified as Level 3 measurements. Level 3 fair value estimates based upon unobservable inputs include White Mountains's investments in hedge funds and private equity funds, as well as investments in certain debt and equity securities where quoted market prices are unavailable. White Mountains uses brokers and outside pricing services to assist in determining fair values. For investments in active markets, White Mountains uses the quoted market prices provided by outside pricing services to determine fair value. The outside pricing services used by White Mountains have indicated that if no observable inputs are available for a security, they will not provide a price. In those circumstances, White Mountains estimates the fair value using industry standard pricing models and observable inputs such as benchmark interest rates, matrix pricing, market comparables, broker quotes, issuer spreads, bids, offers, credit rating, prepayment speeds and other relevant inputs. White Mountains performs procedures to validate the market prices obtained from the outside pricing sources. Such procedures, which cover substantially all of its fixed maturity investments include, but are not limited to, evaluation of model pricing methodologies and review of the pricing services' quality control processes and procedures on at least an annual basis, comparison of market prices to prices obtained from different independent pricing vendors on at least a semi-annual basis, monthly analytical reviews of certain prices, and review of assumptions utilized by the pricing service for selected measurements on an ad hoc basis throughout the year. White Mountains also performs back-testing of selected sales activity to determine whether there are any significant differences between the market price used to value the security prior to sale and the actual sale price on an ad-hoc basis throughout the year. Prices provided by the pricing services that vary by more than 5% and \$1.0 million from the expected price based on these procedures are considered outliers. In circumstances where the results of White Mountains's review process do not appear to support the market price provided by the pricing services, White Mountains challenges the price. If White Mountains cannot gain satisfactory evidence to support the challenged price, it relies upon its own pricing methodologies to estimate the fair value of the security in question. The fair values of such securities are considered to be Level 3 measurements.

White Mountains's fixed maturity investments are generally valued using matrix and other pricing models. Key inputs include benchmark yields, benchmark securities, reported trades, issuer spreads, bids, offers, credit ratings and prepayment speeds. Income on mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities is recognized using an effective yield based on anticipated prepayments and the estimated economic life of the securities. When actual prepayments differ significantly from anticipated prepayments, the estimated economic life is recalculated and the remaining unamortized premium or discount is amortized or accreted prospectively over the remaining economic life.

White Mountains employs a number of procedures to assess the reasonableness of the fair value measurements for its other long-term investments, including obtaining and reviewing the audited annual financial statements of each hedge fund and private equity fund and periodically discussing each fund's pricing with the fund manager. However, since the fund managers do not provide sufficient information to evaluate the pricing inputs and methods for each underlying investment, the inputs are considered to be unobservable. Accordingly, the fair values of White Mountains's investments in hedge funds and private equity funds have been classified as Level 3 measurements. The fair value of White Mountains's investments in hedge funds and private equity funds has been determined using net asset value.

In addition to the investments described above, White Mountains has \$81.0 million and \$86.3 million of investment-related liabilities recorded at fair value and included in other liabilities as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013. These liabilities relate to securities that have been sold short by limited partnerships in which White Mountains has investments and is required to consolidate under GAAP. These liabilities have a Level 1 designation.

Fair Value Measurements by Level

The following tables summarize White Mountains's fair value measurements for investments at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, by level:

Millions	September 30, 2014			
	Fair value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Fixed maturity investments:				
U.S. Government and agency obligations	\$ 259.7	\$ 197.1	\$ 62.6	\$—
Debt securities issued by corporations:				
Consumer	680.5	—	680.5	—
Financials	476.4	—	476.4	—
Communications	260.3	—	260.3	—
Industrial	407.8	—	407.8	—
Energy	179.8	—	179.8	—
Utilities	161.1	—	161.1	—
Basic Materials	140.7	—	134.7	6.0
Technology	56.8	—	56.8	—
Other	23.9	—	23.9	—
Total debt securities issued by corporations:	2,387.3	—	2,381.3	6.0
Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities	1,864.9	—	1,842.9	22.0
Foreign government, agency and provincial obligations	311.2	22.1	289.1	—
Preferred stocks	86.4	—	14.9	71.5
Municipal obligations	79.9	—	79.9	—
Total fixed maturity investments ⁽¹⁾	4,989.4	219.2	4,670.7	99.5
Short-term investments	834.9	833.9	1.0	—
Common equity securities:				
Financials	296.4	257.5	—	38.9
Consumer	277.5	277.2	.3	—
Industrial	97.1	97.1	—	—
Energy	58.8	58.8	—	—
Communications	54.6	54.6	—	—
Basic materials	38.9	38.9	—	—
Technology	36.8	36.8	—	—
Utilities	22.3	22.3	—	—
Other	103.7	27.5	76.2	—
Total common equity securities	986.1	870.7	76.5	38.9
Convertible fixed maturity investments	48.9	—	38.0	10.9
Other long-term investments ⁽²⁾	297.2	—	—	297.2
Total investments	\$7,156.5	\$1,923.8	\$4,786.2	\$446.5

⁽¹⁾ Carrying value includes \$203.9 that is classified as assets held for sale relating to discontinued operations.

⁽²⁾ Excludes carrying value of \$23.5 associated with other long-term investment limited partnerships accounted for using the equity method and \$0.2 related to forward contracts.

Millions	December 31, 2013			
	Fair value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Fixed maturity investments:				
U.S. Government and agency obligations	\$ 362.5	\$ 295.8	\$ 66.7	\$—
Debt securities issued by corporations:				
Consumer	754.4	—	754.4	—
Financials	434.4	—	434.4	—
Industrial	281.1	—	281.1	—
Communications	265.0	—	265.0	—
Utilities	173.6	—	173.6	—
Energy	159.7	—	159.7	—
Basic materials	149.1	—	149.1	—
Technology	91.2	—	91.2	—
Other	38.7	—	38.7	—
Total debt securities issued by corporations:	2,347.2	—	2,347.2	—
Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities	2,014.5	—	1,992.5	22.0
Foreign government, agency and provincial obligations	439.9	44.5	395.4	—
Preferred stocks	84.8	—	13.8	71.0
Municipal obligations	17.9	—	17.9	—
Total fixed maturity investments ⁽¹⁾	5,266.8	340.3	4,833.5	93.0
Short-term investments	635.9	621.5	14.4	—
Common equity securities:				
Financials	360.4	314.3	—	46.1
Consumer	308.2	308.2	—	—
Industrial	105.4	105.4	—	—
Energy	78.6	78.6	—	—
Technology	60.6	60.6	—	—
Communications	57.1	57.1	—	—
Basic materials	53.4	53.4	—	—
Utilities	34.3	34.3	—	—
Other	98.8	24.5	74.3	—
Total common equity securities	1,156.8	1,036.4	74.3	46.1
Convertible fixed maturity investments	80.5	—	74.4	6.1
Other long-term investments ⁽²⁾	262.4	—	—	262.4
Total investments	\$ 7,402.4	\$ 1,998.2	\$ 4,996.6	\$ 407.6

⁽¹⁾ Carrying value includes \$236.3 that is classified as assets held for sale relating to discontinued operations.

⁽²⁾ Excludes carrying value of \$26.6 associated with other long-term investment limited partnerships accounted for using the equity method and \$(0.1) related to currency forward contracts.

Debt securities issued by corporations

The following table summarizes the ratings of the corporate debt securities held in White Mountains's investment portfolio as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013:

Millions	Fair Value at	
	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
AAA	\$—	\$—
AA	233.3	228.8
A	974.6	1,039.5
BBB	1,167.9	1,075.5
BB	—	—
Other	11.5	3.4
Debt securities issued by corporations ⁽¹⁾	\$2,387.3	\$2,347.2

⁽¹⁾ Credit ratings are assigned based on the following hierarchy: 1) Standard and Poor's Financial Services LLC ("Standard & Poor's") and 2) Moody's Investor Service ("Moody's").

Mortgage-backed, Asset-backed Securities

White Mountains purchases commercial and residential mortgage-backed securities with the goal of maximizing risk adjusted returns in the context of a diversified portfolio. White Mountains's non-agency commercial mortgage-backed portfolio ("CMBS") is generally short-term and structurally subordinate. In general, subordination represents the percentage principal loss on the underlying collateral that would be absorbed by other securities lower in the capital structure before the more senior security incurs a loss. As of September 30, 2014, on average less than 1% of the underlying loans were reported as non-performing for all non-agency CMBS held by White Mountains. White Mountains is not an originator of residential mortgage loans. White Mountains's investments in hedge funds and private equity funds contain negligible amounts of sub-prime mortgage-backed securities at September 30, 2014. White Mountains considers sub-prime mortgage-backed securities as those that have underlying loan pools that exhibit weak credit characteristics, or those that are issued from dedicated sub-prime shelves or dedicated second-lien shelf registrations (i.e., White Mountains considers investments backed primarily by second-liens to be sub-prime risks regardless of credit scores or other metrics).

White Mountains categorizes mortgage-backed securities as "non-prime" (also called "Alt A" or "A-") if they are backed by collateral that has overall credit quality between prime and sub-prime based on White Mountains's review of the characteristics of their underlying mortgage loan pools, such as credit scores and financial ratios. White Mountains's non-agency residential mortgage-backed portfolio is generally moderate-term and structurally senior. White Mountains does not own any collateralized loan obligations. White Mountains does not own any collateralized debt obligations, with the exception of \$49.8 million of non-agency residential mortgage resecuritization tranches, each a senior tranche in its own right and each collateralized by a single earlier vintage Super Senior or Senior non-agency residential mortgage backed security.

The following table summarizes mortgage and asset-backed securities as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013:

Millions	September 30, 2014			December 31, 2013		
	Fair Value	Level 2	Level 3	Fair Value	Level 2	Level 3
Mortgage-backed securities:						
Agency:						
GNMA	\$429.6	\$429.6	\$—	\$512.3	\$512.3	\$—
FNMA	56.6	56.6	—	81.2	81.2	—
FHLMC	45.0	45.0	—	91.3	91.3	—
Total Agency ⁽¹⁾	531.2	531.2	—	684.8	684.8	—
Non-agency:						
Residential	196.6	196.6	—	125.7	125.7	—
Commercial	256.2	256.2	—	282.3	282.3	—
Total Non-agency	452.8	452.8	—	408.0	408.0	—
Total mortgage-backed securities	984.0	984.0	—	1,092.8	1,092.8	—
Other asset-backed securities:						
Credit card receivables	385.7	363.7	22.0	311.4	289.4	22.0
Vehicle receivables	305.9	305.9	—	365.0	365.0	—
Other	189.3	189.3	—	245.3	245.3	—
Total other asset-backed securities	880.9	858.9	22.0	921.7	899.7	22.0
Total mortgage and asset-backed securities	\$1,864.9	\$1,842.9	\$22.0	\$2,014.5	\$1,992.5	\$22.0

⁽¹⁾ Represents publicly traded mortgage-backed securities which carry the full faith and credit guaranty of the U.S. government (i.e., GNMA) or are guaranteed by a government sponsored entity (i.e., FNMA, FHLMC).

Non-agency Mortgage-backed Securities

The security issuance years of White Mountains's investments in non-agency residential mortgage-backed securities ("RMBS") and non-agency CMBS securities as of September 30, 2014 are as follows:

Millions	Fair Value	Security Issuance Year										
		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Non-agency RMBS	\$196.6	\$9.5	\$16.1	\$10.6	\$—	\$17.2	\$—	\$16.3	\$23.5	\$6.2	\$42.6	\$54.6
Non-agency CMBS	256.2	—	—	8.5	2.8	—	—	12.0	—	20.6	94.5	117.8
Total	\$452.8	\$9.5	\$16.1	\$19.1	\$2.8	\$17.2	\$—	\$28.3	\$23.5	\$26.8	\$137.1	\$172.4

Non-agency Residential Mortgage-backed Securities

The classification of the underlying collateral quality and the tranche levels of White Mountains's non-agency RMBS securities are as follows as of September 30, 2014:

Millions	Fair Value	Super Senior ⁽¹⁾	Senior ⁽²⁾	Subordinate ⁽³⁾
Prime	\$180.3	\$71.7	\$108.6	\$—
Non-prime	12.1	—	12.1	—
Sub-prime	4.2	4.2	—	—
Total	\$196.6	\$75.9	\$120.7	\$—

⁽¹⁾ At issuance, Super Senior, or in the case of resecuritization, the underlying securities, were rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's, "Aaa" by Moody's or "AAA" by Fitch Ratings ("Fitch") and were senior to other "AAA" or "Aaa" securities.

⁽²⁾ At issuance, Senior, or in the case of resecuritization, the underlying securities, were rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's, "Aaa" by Moody's or "AAA" by Fitch and were senior to non-"AAA" or non-"Aaa" securities.

⁽³⁾ At issuance, Subordinate were not rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's, "Aaa" by Moody's or "AAA" by Fitch and were junior to "AAA" or "Aaa" securities.

Non-agency Commercial Mortgage-backed Securities

The amount of fixed and floating rate securities and their tranche levels of White Mountains's non-agency CMBS securities are as follows as of September 30, 2014:

Millions	Fair Value	Super Senior ⁽¹⁾	Senior ⁽²⁾	Subordinate ⁽³⁾
Fixed rate CMBS	\$ 149.3	\$ 55.4	\$ 52.3	\$ 41.6
Floating rate CMBS	106.9	2.8	—	104.1
Total	\$ 256.2	\$ 58.2	\$ 52.3	\$ 145.7

⁽¹⁾ At issuance, Super Senior, or in the case of resecuritization, the underlying securities, were rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's, "Aaa" by Moody's or "AAA" by Fitch and were senior to other "AAA" or "Aaa" securities.

⁽²⁾ At issuance, Senior, or in the case of resecuritization, the underlying securities, were rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's, "Aaa" by Moody's or "AAA" by Fitch and were senior to non-"AAA" or non-"Aaa" securities.

⁽³⁾ At issuance, Subordinate were not rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's, "Aaa" by Moody's or "AAA" by Fitch and were junior to "AAA" or "Aaa" securities.

Rollforward of Fair Value Measurements by Level

White Mountains uses quoted market prices where available as the inputs to estimate fair value for its investments in active markets. Such measurements are considered to be either Level 1 or Level 2 measurements, depending on whether the quoted market price inputs are for identical securities (Level 1) or similar securities (Level 2). Level 3 measurements for fixed maturity investments, common equity securities, convertible fixed maturity investments and other long-term investments at September 30, 2014 and 2013 consist of securities for which the estimated fair value has not been determined based upon quoted market price inputs for identical or similar securities.

The following tables summarize the changes in White Mountains's fair value measurements by level for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013:

Millions	Level 3 Investments						Total
	Level 1 investments	Level 2 investments	Fixed maturity investments	Common equity securities	Convertible fixed maturity investments	Other long-term investments	
Balance at January 1, 2014	\$ 1,376.7	\$ 4,982.2	\$ 93.0	\$ 46.1	\$ 6.1	\$ 262.4	\$ 6,766.5 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾
Total realized and unrealized gains	57.5	115.0	3.1	3.7	3.3	15.6	198.2 ⁽⁴⁾
Foreign currency losses through OCI	(16.8)	(142.1)	(.9)	—	—	(3.5)	(163.3)
Amortization/Accretion	(.4)	(33.2)	(.1)	—	—	—	(33.7)
Purchases	1,261.6	2,595.3	80.0	—	1.5	47.1	3,985.5
Sales	(1,585.8)	(2,815.2)	—	(10.9)	—	(24.4)	(4,436.3)
Net change in investments related to (sales) purchases of consolidated affiliates	(2.7)	7.4	—	—	—	—	4.7
Transfers in	—	75.8	—	—	—	—	75.8
Transfers out	(.2)	—	(75.6)	—	—	—	(75.8)
Balance at September 30, 2014	\$ 1,089.9	\$ 4,785.2	\$ 99.5	\$ 38.9	\$ 10.9	\$ 297.2	\$ 6,321.6 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾

⁽¹⁾ Excludes carrying value of \$26.6 and \$23.5 at January 1, 2014 and September 30, 2014 associated with other long-term investments accounted for using the equity method and \$(0.1) and \$0.2 at January 1, 2014 and September 30, 2014 related to forward contracts.

⁽²⁾ Carrying value includes \$236.3 and \$203.9 at January 1, 2014 and September 30, 2014 that is classified as assets held for sale relating to discontinued operations.

⁽³⁾ Excludes carrying value of \$635.9 and \$834.9 at January 1, 2014 and September 30, 2014 associated with short-term investments.

⁽⁴⁾ Excludes \$0.6 realized and unrealized gains associated with the Prospector Funds consolidation of investment-related liabilities.

Millions	Level 3 Investments						Total	
	Level 1 investments	Level 2 investments	Fixed maturity investments	Common equity securities	Convertible fixed maturity investments	Other long-term investments		
Balance at January 1, 2013	\$ 1,355.1	\$ 5,206.1	\$ 92.9	\$ 37.3	\$ —	\$ 259.3	\$ 6,950.7	(1)(2)(3)
Total realized and unrealized gains (losses)	140.6	(70.7)	(3.3)	—	—	14.0	80.6	(4)
Foreign currency gains through OCI	1.4	17.5	.5	—	—	(.8)	18.6	
Amortization/Accretion	(.9)	(39.7)	—	—	—	—	(40.6))
Purchases	735.9	3,014.7	32.4	.5	—	91.8	3,875.3	
Sales	(877.9)	(3,309.7)	(.7)	—	—	(91.1)	(4,279.4))
Net change in investments related to purchases of consolidated affiliates	14.5	2.7	—	—	—	—	17.2	
Transfers in	1.8	32.1	90.3	—	—	—	124.2	
Transfers out	—	(91.1)	(32.1)	(1.0)	—	—	(124.2))
Balance at September 30, 2013	\$ 1,370.5	\$ 4,761.9	\$ 180.0	\$ 36.8	\$ —	\$ 273.2	\$ 6,622.4	(1)(2)(3)

(1) Excludes carrying value of \$35.0 and \$26.9 at January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2013 associated with other long-term investment limited partnerships accounted for using the equity method and \$(0.1) and \$(0.1) at January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2013 related to forward contracts.

(2) Carrying value includes \$338.1 and 239.7 at January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2013 that is classified as assets held for sale relating to discontinued operations.

(3) Excludes carrying value of \$630.6 and \$648.0 at January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2013 and realized and unrealized loss for the period of \$0.2 associated with short-term investments.

(4) Excludes \$14.1 realized and unrealized losses associated with the Prospector Funds consolidation of investment-related liabilities.

Fair Value Measurements — transfers between levels - Nine-month period ended September 30, 2014 and 2013
During the first nine months of 2014, four fixed maturity investments classified as Level 3 measurements in the prior period were recategorized as Level 2 measurements because quoted market prices for similar securities that were considered reliable and could be validated against an alternative source were available at September 30, 2014. These measurements comprise “Transfers out” of Level 3 and “Transfers in” to Level 2 of \$75.6 million for the period ended September 30, 2014.

During the first nine months of 2013, two fixed maturity investments classified as Level 3 measurements in the prior period were recategorized as Level 2 measurements because quoted market prices for similar securities that were considered reliable and could be validated against an alternative source were available at September 30, 2013. These measurements comprise “Transfers out” of Level 3 and “Transfers in” to Level 2 of \$32.1 million for the period ended September 30, 2013.

During the first nine months of 2014, no fixed maturity investment which had been classified as a Level 2 measurements in the prior period were recategorized as Level 3 measurements.

During the first nine months of 2013, one fixed maturity investment, which had been classified as a Level 2 measurement at June 30, 2013 was recategorized as a Level 3 measurement at September 30, 2013. The security was priced with unobservable inputs and represents “Transfers out” of Level 2 and “Transfers in” to Level 3 of \$90.3 million for the period ended September 30, 2013. The fair value of this security was estimated using industry standard pricing methodology, in which management selected inputs using its best judgment. The security is considered to be Level 3 because the measurements are

not directly observable. At September 30, 2013, the estimated fair value for this security determined using the industry standard pricing models was \$1.3 million less than the estimated fair value based upon quoted prices provided by a third party pricing vendor.

Significant Unobservable Inputs

The following summarizes significant unobservable inputs used in estimating the fair value of investment securities classified within Level 3 other than hedge funds and private equity funds as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013. The fair value of investments in hedge funds and private equity funds, which are classified within Level 3, are estimated using the net asset value of the funds.

(\$ in Millions)		September 30, 2014			
Description	Fair Value	Rating ⁽²⁾	Valuation Technique(s)	Unobservable Input	
Debt securities issued by corporations ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	\$6.0	NR	Exchange Transaction		
Asset-backed securities ⁽¹⁾	\$22.0	AA+	Broker pricing	Broker quote	
Preferred stock ⁽¹⁾	\$71.5	NR	Discounted cash flow	Discount yield	6.6%
Private equity security ⁽¹⁾	\$38.4	NR	Multiple of GAAP book value	Book value multiple	1.0
Private equity security ⁽¹⁾	\$15.7	NR	Share price of recent transaction	Share price	\$1.10
Convertible fixed maturity investment ⁽¹⁾	\$6.4	NR	Multiple of EBITDA	EBITDA multiple	6X
Convertible fixed maturity investment ⁽¹⁾	\$4.5	NR	Share price of recent transaction	Share price	\$0.71
Private equity security ⁽¹⁾	\$11.7	NR	Share price of recent transaction	Share price	\$290.96

⁽¹⁾ As of September 30, 2014, consists of one security.

⁽²⁾ Credit ratings are assigned based on the following hierarchy: 1) Standard and Poor's and 2) Moody's.

⁽³⁾ Derived from the exchange of a convertible fixed maturity investment, where the valuation of the debt security issued by a corporation represents a portion of the total exchange price after taking into consideration the cash and value of the common equity security that was also received in the exchange transaction.

(\$ in Millions)		December 31, 2013			
Description	Fair Value	Rating ⁽²⁾	Valuation Technique(s)	Unobservable Input	
Asset-backed securities ⁽¹⁾	\$22.0	AA+	Broker pricing	Broker quote	
Preferred stock ⁽¹⁾	\$71.0	NR	Discounted cash flow	Discount yield	7.4%
Private equity security ⁽¹⁾	\$35.6	NR	Multiple of GAAP book value	Book value multiple	1.0
Private equity security ⁽¹⁾	\$10.5	NR	Share price of recent transaction	Share price	\$1.10
Convertible fixed maturity investments	\$6.1	NR	Share price of recent transaction	Recent market transaction	\$6.1

⁽¹⁾ As of December 31, 2013, consists of one security.

⁽²⁾ Credit ratings are assigned based on the following hierarchy: 1) Standard and Poor's and 2) Moody's.

Note 6. Debt

White Mountains's debt outstanding as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013 consisted of the following:

Millions	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
2012 OBH Senior Notes, at face value	\$ 275.0	\$ 275.0
Unamortized original issue discount	(.3	) (.3
2012 OBH Senior Notes, carrying value	274.7	274.7
SIG Senior Notes, at face value	400.0	400.0
Unamortized original issue discount	(.4	) (.4
SIG Senior Notes, carrying value	399.6	399.6
WTM Bank Facility	—	—
Old Lyme Note	2.8	2.1
QuoteLab	1.0	—
Total debt	\$ 678.1	\$ 676.4

WTM Bank Facility

On August 14, 2013, White Mountains entered into a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of lenders administered by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., which has a total commitment of \$425.0 million and has a maturity date of August 14, 2018 (the "WTM Bank Facility"). As of September 30, 2014, the WTM Bank Facility was undrawn.

The WTM Bank Facility contains various affirmative, negative and financial covenants which White Mountains considers to be customary for such borrowings, including certain minimum net worth and maximum debt to capitalization standards. Failure to meet one or more of these covenants could result in an event of default, which ultimately could eliminate availability under these facilities and result in acceleration of principal repayment on any amounts outstanding.

Debt Covenants

At September 30, 2014, White Mountains was in compliance with all debt covenants.

Note 7. Income Taxes

The Company and its Bermuda domiciled subsidiaries are not subject to Bermuda income tax under current Bermuda law. In the event there is a change in the current law such that taxes are imposed, the Company and its Bermuda domiciled subsidiaries would be exempt from such tax until March 31, 2035, pursuant to the Bermuda Exempted Undertakings Tax Protection Act of 1966. The Company has subsidiaries and branches that operate in various other jurisdictions around the world that are subject to tax in the jurisdictions in which they operate. The jurisdictions in which the Company's consolidated subsidiaries and branches are subject to tax are Australia, Belgium, Canada, Germany, Gibraltar, Israel, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Singapore, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States.

White Mountains's income tax expense related to pre-tax income from continuing operations for the three months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 represented net effective tax rates of 22.7% and 14.8%. The effective tax rates for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 were 24.3% and 23.4%. The effective tax rates for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 were lower than the U.S. statutory rate of 35% due to income generated in jurisdictions with lower tax rates than the United States.

In arriving at the effective tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, White Mountains forecasted all income and expense items including the change in unrealized investment gains (losses) and realized investment gains (losses) for the years ending December 31, 2014 and 2013.

White Mountains records a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets if it becomes more likely than not that all or a portion of a deferred tax asset will not be realized. Changes in valuation allowances from period to period are included in income tax expense in the period of change. In determining whether or not a valuation allowance, or

change therein, is warranted, White Mountains considers factors such as prior earnings history, expected future earnings, carryback and carryforward periods and strategies that if executed would result in the realization of a deferred tax asset. During the next twelve months, it is possible that certain planning strategies or projected earnings in certain subsidiaries may not be feasible to utilize the entire deferred tax asset, which could result in material changes to White Mountains's deferred tax assets and tax expense.

White Mountains is no longer subject to U.S. federal or state tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2007. With few exceptions, White Mountains is no longer subject to non-U.S. income tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2005.

On February 14, 2014, OneBeacon received Form 870-AD (Offer to Waive Restrictions on Assessment and Collection Tax Deficiency and to Accept Overassessment) from the IRS Appeals Office relating to the examination of tax years 2005 and 2006. All disputed items have now been agreed and resolved with the Joint Committee. OneBeacon recorded a tax benefit of \$5.0 million in the first quarter of 2014 relating to the settlement of the IRS examination for tax years 2005 and 2006.

On July 28, 2011, the IRS commenced an examination of the income tax returns for 2007, 2008 and 2009 for certain U.S. subsidiaries of OneBeacon. On July 17, 2013, OneBeacon received a revised Form 4549-A (Income Tax Discrepancy Adjustments) from the IRS relating to the examination of tax years 2007, 2008 and 2009. The estimated total assessment, including interest, utilization of alternative minimum and foreign tax credit carryovers and capital loss carrybacks, is \$72.0 million. However, \$60.2 million of the proposed adjustments relate to items for which the expense deduction has been disallowed in a year being examined, but ultimate deductibility is highly certain to occur in a later period. Because of the impact of deferred tax accounting, other than interest and penalties, the disallowance of these deductions in the exam period would not affect the effective tax rate, but would accelerate the payment of cash to the taxing authority. White Mountains disagrees with the adjustments proposed by the IRS and is defending its position. Although the timing of the resolution of these issues is uncertain, it is reasonably possible that the resolution could occur within the next twelve months. An estimate of the range of potential outcomes cannot be made at this time. White Mountains does not expect the resolution of this examination to result in a material change to its financial position.

On September 2, 2013, the IRS commenced an examination of the income tax returns for 2010, 2011 and 2012 for certain U.S. subsidiaries of OneBeacon. White Mountains does not expect the resolution of this examination to result in a material change to its financial position.

Note 8. Derivatives

Variable Annuity Reinsurance

White Mountains has entered into agreements to reinsure death and living benefit guarantees associated with certain variable annuities in Japan. WM Life Re reinsured ¥200 billion (approximately \$1.7 billion at the then current exchange rate) of guarantees in September 2006 and an additional ¥56 billion (approximately \$0.5 billion at the then current exchange rate) in March 2007. At September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, the total guarantee value was approximately ¥156.8 billion (approximately \$1.4 billion at exchange rates on that date) and ¥203.6 billion (approximately \$1.9 billion at exchange rates on that date), respectively. The collective account values of the underlying variable annuities were approximately 107% and 104% of the guarantee value at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. WM Life Re is in runoff, and all of its contracts will mature by June 30, 2016. The following table summarizes the pre-tax operating results of WM Life Re for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
Millions	2014	2013	2014	2013
Fees, included in other revenue	\$4.5	\$6.2	\$15.0	\$19.2
Change in fair value of variable annuity liability, included in other revenue	19.9	49.1	40.5	289.3
Change in fair value of derivatives, included in other revenue	(23.8)	(63.1)	(56.5)	(308.4)
Foreign exchange, included in other revenue	(1.7)	.6	(1.2)	(13.9)
Other investment income and (losses) gains	(.9)	.2	(.4)	(5.2)
Total revenue	(2.0)	(7.0)	(2.6)	(19.0)
Change in fair value of variable annuity death benefit liabilities, included in other general and administrative expenses	.2	1.3	.6	8.5
Death benefit claims paid, included in general and administrative expenses	—	(.2)	(.1)	(1.6)
General and administrative expenses	(.9)	(1.0)	(3.3)	(3.8)

Pre-tax loss	\$ (2.7)	\$ (6.9)	\$ (5.4)	\$ (15.9)
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The following summarizes realized and unrealized derivative gains (losses) recognized in other revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 and the carrying values, included in other assets, at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013 by type of instrument:

Millions	Gains (losses)		Carrying Value	
	Three Months Ended September 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,	As of September 30,	December 31,
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Fixed income/interest rate	\$ (8.4)	\$ (24.1)	\$ (20.4)	\$ (97.4)
Foreign exchange	(.4)	(28.5)	(13.3)	(144.5)
Equity	(15.0)	(10.5)	(22.8)	(66.5)
Total	\$ (23.8)	\$ (63.1)	\$ (56.5)	\$ (308.4)
			\$ 65.3	\$ 69.2

The following tables summarize the changes in White Mountains's variable annuity reinsurance liabilities and derivative instruments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013:

Millions	Three Months Ended September 30, 2014				
	Variable Annuity (Liabilities)	Derivative Instruments			
	Level 3	Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Level 2 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Level 1 ⁽³⁾	Total
Beginning of period	\$ (31.8)	\$ 53.3	\$ 22.3	\$ (.8)	\$ 74.8
Purchases	—	—	—	—	—
Realized and unrealized gains (losses)	20.1	⁽⁴⁾ (17.4)	(19.8)	13.4	(23.8)
Transfers in	—	—	—	—	—
Sales/settlements	—	—	22.5	(8.2)	14.3
End of period	\$ (11.7)	\$ 35.9	\$ 25.0	\$ 4.4	\$ 65.3

Millions	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014				
	Variable Annuity (Liabilities)	Derivative Instruments			
	Level 3	Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Level 2 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Level 1 ⁽³⁾	Total
Beginning of period	\$ (52.8)	\$ 63.4	\$ 4.7	\$ 1.1	\$ 69.2
Purchases	—	—	—	—	—
Realized and unrealized gains (losses)	41.1	⁽⁴⁾ (27.5)	(42.1)	13.1	(56.5)
Transfers in	—	—	—	—	—
Sales/settlements	—	—	62.4	(9.8)	52.6
End of period	\$ (11.7)	\$ 35.9	\$ 25.0	\$ 4.4	\$ 65.3

Millions	Three Months Ended September 30, 2013				
	Variable Annuity	Derivative Instruments			
	(Liabilities)	Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Level 2 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Level 1 ⁽³⁾	Total
Beginning of period	\$ (194.1)	\$ 126.5	\$ 18.2	\$ (3.4)	\$ 141.3
Purchases	—	—	—	—	—
Realized and unrealized gains (losses)	50.4 ⁽⁴⁾	(24.1)	(28.5)	(10.5)	(63.1)
Transfers in	—	—	—	—	—
Sales/settlements	—	—	3.2	10.1	13.3
End of period	\$ (143.7)	\$ 102.4	\$ (7.1)	\$ (3.8)	\$ 91.5

Millions	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013				
	Variable Annuity	Derivative Instruments			
	(Liabilities)	Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Level 2 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Level 1 ⁽³⁾	Total
Beginning of period	\$ (441.5)	\$ 140.5	\$ (20.5)	\$ (21.7)	\$ 98.3
Purchases	—	59.3	—	—	59.3
Realized and unrealized gains (losses)	297.8 ⁽⁴⁾	(97.4)	(144.5)	(66.5)	(308.4)
Transfers in	—	—	—	—	—
Sales/settlements	—	—	157.9	84.4	242.3
End of period	\$ (143.7)	\$ 102.4	\$ (7.1)	\$ (3.8)	\$ 91.5

⁽¹⁾ Consists of over-the-counter instruments.

⁽²⁾ Consists of interest rate swaps, total return swaps, foreign currency forward contracts, and bond forwards. Fair value measurement based upon bid/ask pricing quotes for similar instruments that are actively traded, where available. Swaps for which an active market does not exist have been priced using observable inputs including the swap curve and the underlying bond index.

⁽³⁾ Consists of exchange traded equity index, foreign currency and interest rate futures. Fair value measurements based upon quoted prices for identical instruments that are actively traded.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes \$0.2 and \$0.6 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and \$1.3 and \$8.5 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 related to the change in the fair value of variable annuity death benefit liabilities, which are included in general and administrative expenses.

In addition to derivative instruments, WM Life Re held cash, short-term and fixed maturity investments posted as collateral to its variable annuity reinsurance counterparties. The total collateral includes the following:

Millions	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	September 30, 2013
Cash	\$ 23.8	\$ 56.1	\$ 74.4
Short-term investments	—	2.0	15.8
Fixed maturity investments	10.4	23.2	24.6
Total	\$ 34.2	\$ 81.3	\$ 114.8

Collateral in the form of fixed maturity securities consists of Government of Japan Bonds, which are recorded at fair value. Collateral in the form of short-term investments consists of money-market instruments, carried at amortized cost, which approximates fair value.

All of White Mountains's variable annuity reinsurance liabilities were classified as Level 3 measurements at September 30, 2014 and 2013. The fair value of White Mountains's variable annuity reinsurance liabilities are estimated using actuarial and capital market assumptions related to the projected discounted cash flows over the term of the reinsurance agreement. Actuarial assumptions regarding future policyholder behavior, including surrender and lapse rates, are generally unobservable inputs and significantly impact the fair value estimates. Market conditions including, but not limited to, changes in interest rates, equity indices, market volatility and foreign currency exchange

rates as well as the variations in actuarial assumptions regarding policyholder behavior may result in significant fluctuations in the fair value estimates. Generally, the liabilities associated with these guarantees increase with declines in the equity markets, interest rates and currencies against the Japanese yen, as well as with increases in market volatilities. White Mountains uses derivative instruments, including put options, interest rate swaps, total return swaps on bond and equity indices and forwards and futures contracts on major equity indices, currency pairs and government bonds, to mitigate the risks associated with changes in the fair value of the reinsured variable annuity guarantees. The types of inputs used to estimate the fair value of these derivative instruments, with the exception of actuarial assumptions regarding policyholder behavior and risk margins, are generally the same as those used to estimate the fair value of variable annuity liabilities.

The following summarizes quantitative information about significant unobservable inputs associated with the fair value estimates for variable annuity reinsurance liabilities and derivative instruments that have been classified as Level 3 measurements:

(\$ in Millions)		September 30, 2014					
Description	Fair Value	Valuation Technique(s)	Unobservable Input	Range		Weighted Average	
	\$ 11.7	Discounted cash flows	Surrenders				
Variable annuity benefit guarantee liabilities			1 year	0.2	% - 32.0%	26.0	%
			2 year	0.1	% - 14.0%	7.2	%
			Mortality	0.0	% - 5.9%	1.0	%
			Foreign exchange volatilities				
			1 year	10.3	% - 13.0%	10.9	%
			2 year	10.6	% - 12.6%	11.4	%
			Index volatilities				
			1 year	18.3	% - 21.0%	20.3	%
			2 year	18.2	% - 21.1%	20.3	%
			Adjustment to counterparty valuations	(1.2)	% - 8.0%	2.6	%
Foreign exchange options	\$ 15.4	Counterparty valuations, adjusted for unwind quote discount					
Equity index options	\$ 20.5	Counterparty valuations, adjusted for unwind quote discount	Adjustment to counterparty valuations	0.5	% - 9.7%	3.2	%

WM Life Re enters into both over-the-counter (“OTC”) and exchange traded derivative instruments to economically hedge the liability from the variable annuity benefit guarantee. In the case of OTC derivatives, WM Life Re has exposure to credit risk for amounts that are uncollateralized by counterparties. WM Life Re’s internal risk management guidelines establish net counterparty exposure thresholds that take into account OTC counterparties’ credit ratings. The OTC derivative contracts are subject to restrictions on liquidation of the instruments and distribution of proceeds under collateral agreements.

In the case of exchange traded instruments, WM Life Re has exposure to credit risk for amounts uncollateralized by margin balances. WM Life Re has entered into master netting agreements with certain of its counterparties whereby the collateral provided (held) is calculated on a net basis. The following summarizes amounts offset under master netting agreements:

Millions	September 30, 2014			December 31, 2013		
	Gross asset amounts before offsets ⁽¹⁾	Gross liability amounts offset under master netting arrangements	Net amounts recognized in Other Assets	Gross asset amounts before offsets ⁽¹⁾	Gross liability amounts offset under master netting arrangements	Net amounts recognized in Other Assets
Interest rate contracts						
OTC	\$.2	\$(3.1)	\$(2.9)	\$2.4	\$(11.7)	\$(9.3)
Exchange traded	.8	—	.8	1.0	(1.6)	(.6)
Foreign exchange contracts						
OTC	48.0	—	48.0	67.8	(12.0)	55.8
Exchange traded	5.0	(.7)	4.3	2.3	—	2.3
Equity contracts						
OTC	20.5	(4.7)	15.8	30.7	(9.2)	21.5
Exchange traded	.6	(1.3)	(.7)	1.8	(2.3)	(.5)

Total ⁽²⁾	\$75.1	\$(9.8) \$65.3	\$106.0	\$(36.8) \$69.2
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⁽¹⁾ Amount equal to fair value of instrument as recognized in other assets

⁽²⁾ All derivative instruments held by WM Life Re are subject to master netting arrangements.

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The following summarizes the value, collateral held or provided by WM Life Re and net exposure to credit losses on OTC and exchange traded derivative instruments by counterparty recorded within other assets:

September 30, 2014

Millions