



Validus Agreed Acquisition of Western World

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Transaction Summary

- **Transaction:** Validus' indirect U.S. subsidiary, Validus Specialty Inc., to acquire 100% of the share capital of Western World
- **Transaction Value:** \$690.0 million in cash
 - Net transaction value / adjusted GAAP book value paid for Western World of 1.33x
 - Funded 100% by cash from existing Validus resources
- **Adjusted GAAP book value:** \$518.3 million estimated as of March 31, 2014
 - GAAP book value of \$431.3 million as of March 31, 2014
 - Net redundant reserve release of \$149.0 million pre-tax
 - Transaction-related expenses
 - Estimated fair value of assets and liabilities
- **Management:** Western World's current management team to remain in place
- **Expected Closing:** On or about the end of the third quarter of 2014
 - Subject to the obtaining of required regulatory approvals and the satisfaction of other customary closing conditions

Transaction Rationale

- **Strategic**

- A strategic move to enhance Validus' access to the specialty U.S. commercial insurance market – the world's largest short tail market

- **Leverage**

- Ability to leverage and enhance Validus' existing market position and operational strengths in short tail classes of business

- **Growth**

- Western World has identified short tail classes of business as being essential for their continued development and relevance to agents and customers

- **Fit**

- Good cultural and management fit between Validus and Western World

- **Diversification**

- Improves Validus' cycle management abilities – reinsurance and insurance

An Important Addition to Validus' Distribution Platform

- Provides a specialty platform in North America property and casualty, complementing Validus' market leading positions in both Bermuda reinsurance and Lloyd's marketplace



- **Bermuda based reinsurer**
- Focused on short tail lines of reinsurance, including property cat
- Specializing in Property CAT XOL, Marine, and Agriculture
- 43% of Pro Forma 2013 GWP



- **Bermuda based investment adviser**
- Focused on managing capital for third parties and the Group in ILS and other property catastrophe reinsurance investments
- 6% of Pro Forma 2013 GWP



- **The 11th largest Syndicate at Lloyd's of London**
- Focused on short tail specialty lines in the Lloyd's of London market
- Market leader in War and Terror and Energy and Marine Classes
- 41% of Pro Forma 2013 GWP



- **U.S. based specialty property and casualty underwriter**
- Focused on U.S. Excess and Surplus Lines
- Pioneer in the binding authority business
- 10% of Pro Forma 2013 GWP

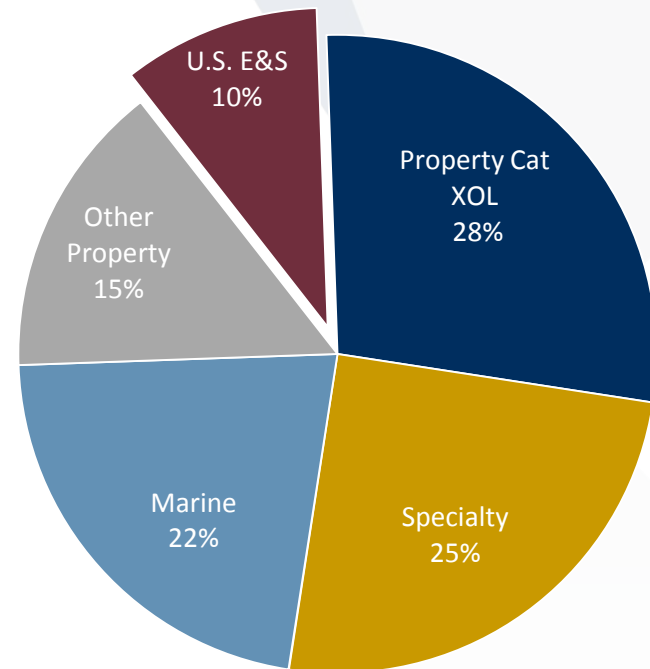
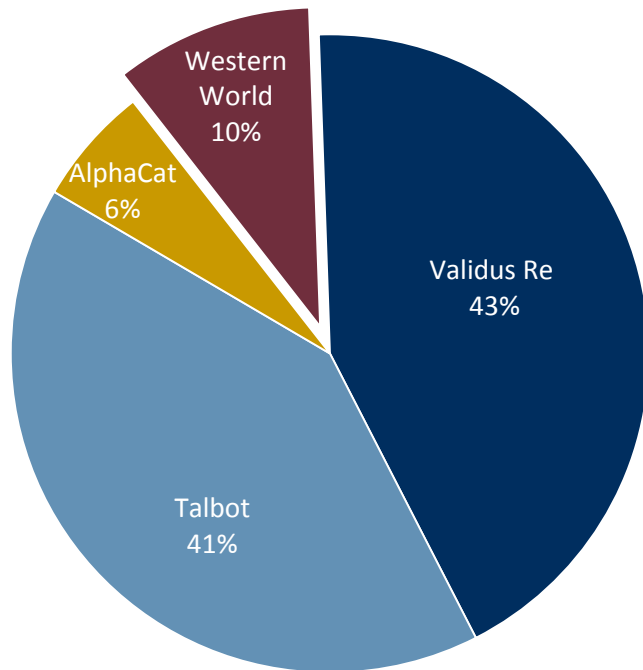
Validus Research – Provides Analytical Support Across All Platforms

What Western World Brings to Validus

- **Excellent Track Record and Market Reputation in the Specialty U.S. Insurance Market**
 - 50 consecutive years of increased shareholders' equity
 - Pioneer and leader in the small and medium enterprise (“SME”) excess and surplus (“E&S”) lines specialty U.S. insurance market
- **Platform and Distribution**
 - Established position in multiple distribution channels
 - Superior technology capabilities (“Western World Integrated Platform” or “WWIP”)
 - Admitted and non-admitted licenses
- **Experienced Management Team with Complementary Competencies**
 - Deep understanding of target markets and proven ability to navigate market cycles
 - Established and proven underwriting and claims functions
- **Business Compatibility and Meaningful Opportunity to Expand the Current Platform**
 - Clean balance sheet with full operational capabilities in the U.S. insurance market
 - Excellent positioning to introduce Validus/Talbot short tail products – speed to market

Broadens and Diversifies Validus' Product Offerings

Validus Pro Forma 2013 Gross Premium Written of \$2.7 Billion



56% Reinsurance / 44% Insurance

Purchase Price and Adjusted Book Value Summary

(Expressed in thousands of U.S. Dollars)

Purchase Price	\$ 690,000	
		<u>P/BV</u>
Western World Shareholders' Equity at 3/31/2014	431,256	1.60x
Estimated Reserve Release (\$149,000 net of tax)	101,320	
Investments Fair Market Value Adjustment	11,560	
Deferred Acquisition Cost Adjustment	(3,400)	
Western World Transaction Expenses	(7,500)	
Change in Control Costs	<u>(14,960)</u>	<u>P/Adj. BV</u>
Adjusted Shareholders' Equity	<u>518,276</u>	1.33x
Goodwill and Intangibles	(171,724)	
Tax Amortization Benefit Step-Up	<u>(12,800)</u>	
Total Goodwill and Intangibles	<u>(184,524)</u>	
Transaction Expenses	<u>(10,000)</u>	
Total Book Value Impact on Validus	<u>\$ (194,524)</u>	

Expected Pro Forma Book Value Impact & Capitalization

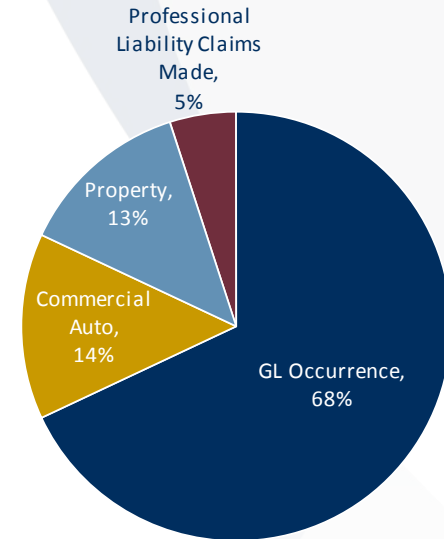
Metric	Pre- Transaction	Transaction Impact (\$690m)		
		Post- Transaction	\$ Increase/ (Decrease)	% Increase/ (Decrease)
<u>Diluted Book Value per Share</u>				
March 31, 2014	\$ 37.58	\$ 37.48	\$ (0.10)	-0.3%
<u>Diluted Tangible Book Value per Share</u>				
March 31, 2014	\$ 36.33	\$ 34.39	\$ (1.94)	-5.3%
<u>Capitalization</u> ⁽¹⁾				
Senior debt/capitalization	5.6%	5.6%	0.0%	
Hybrid securities/capitalization	<u>12.2%</u>	<u>12.2%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	
Total leverage/capitalization	<u>17.8%</u>	<u>17.8%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	

Western World Insurance Group

Overview

- Specialty U.S. Excess & Surplus lines insurer with a consistent 50-year track record of profitability and book value growth
- Widely recognized as a pioneer in the binding authority business – remains at the core of Western World’s business model, representing 86% of FY 2013 DPW ⁽¹⁾
- Primary coverage offered is general liability
- Target risks are small-to-medium size enterprises
- Strong partnership with 271 agent and broker offices with nearly 15 years average tenure of agency relationships
- Differentiated industry leading Western World Integrated Platform (“WWIP”) technology that allows agent customers to rate, quote, bind, issue, endorse, and renew policies online
- Background:
 - Headquartered in Franklin Lakes, NJ
 - Founded in 1964
 - March 31, 2014 GAAP BV of \$431 million and statutory surplus of \$376 million
 - 210 employees, all located at Franklin Lakes
 - All insurance companies domiciled in New Hampshire
 - A.M. Best rating of A+

Premium by Product (2013 DPW of \$280 million)



Three UW divisions based on distribution channels

	Contract	Program	Brokerage
% of DPW	64%	22%	14%
Distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Exclusive general agents with binding authority for individual states 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Affinity group program administrators 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Select wholesale brokers
Coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ General & Prof. Liability ▪ Commercial Auto and Auto Physical Damage ▪ Property (package) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ General Liability & Professional ▪ Commercial Auto ▪ Property 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Casualty ▪ Professional

Western World - Corporate Structure

Western World Insurance Group, Inc. ("WWIG")

- 94% owned by a family-controlled non-U.S. holding company

Western World Insurance Company ("WWIC")

- As Western World's flagship underwriting entity, WWIC, domiciled in NH, writes business on a surplus lines basis in all other states except NY

Stratford Insurance Company

- Domiciled in NH and licensed in 49 jurisdictions. Stratford writes primarily commercial auto business on an admitted basis, where the coverage cannot be written on a non-admitted basis due to regulatory requirements

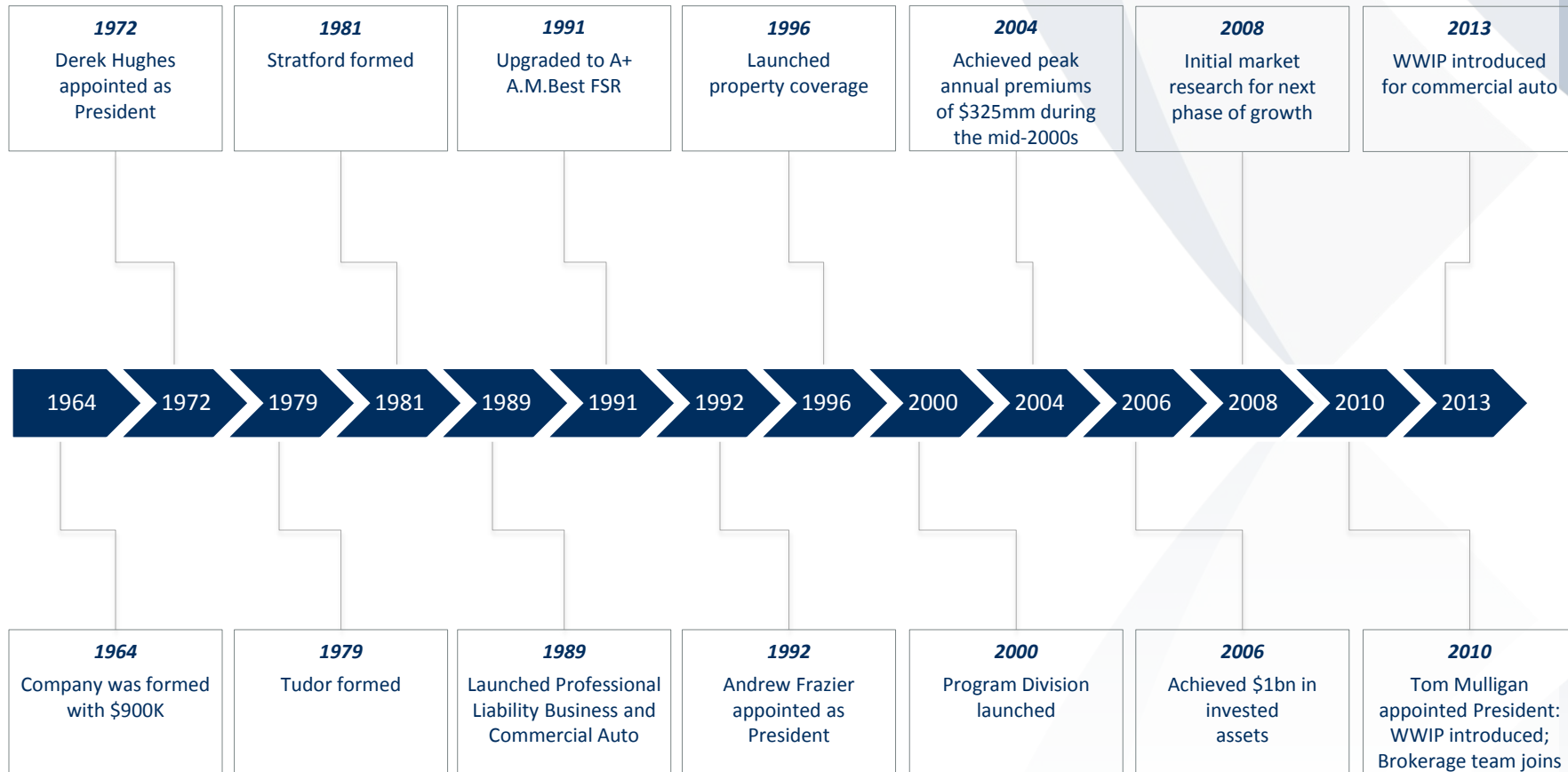
Tudor Insurance Company

- Domiciled in NH as a DSLI, Tudor writes business on a surplus lines basis nationwide

Pooling Arrangement

- WWIC, Stratford, and Tudor participate in an intercompany reinsurance pooling arrangement
- WWIC assumes a share of 80% under the pooling arrangement; the remaining 20% is allocated equally between Stratford and Tudor
- All premiums, losses and loss adjustment expenses, and underwriting and investment expenses distributed among the three companies in proportion to their participation percentage in the pool

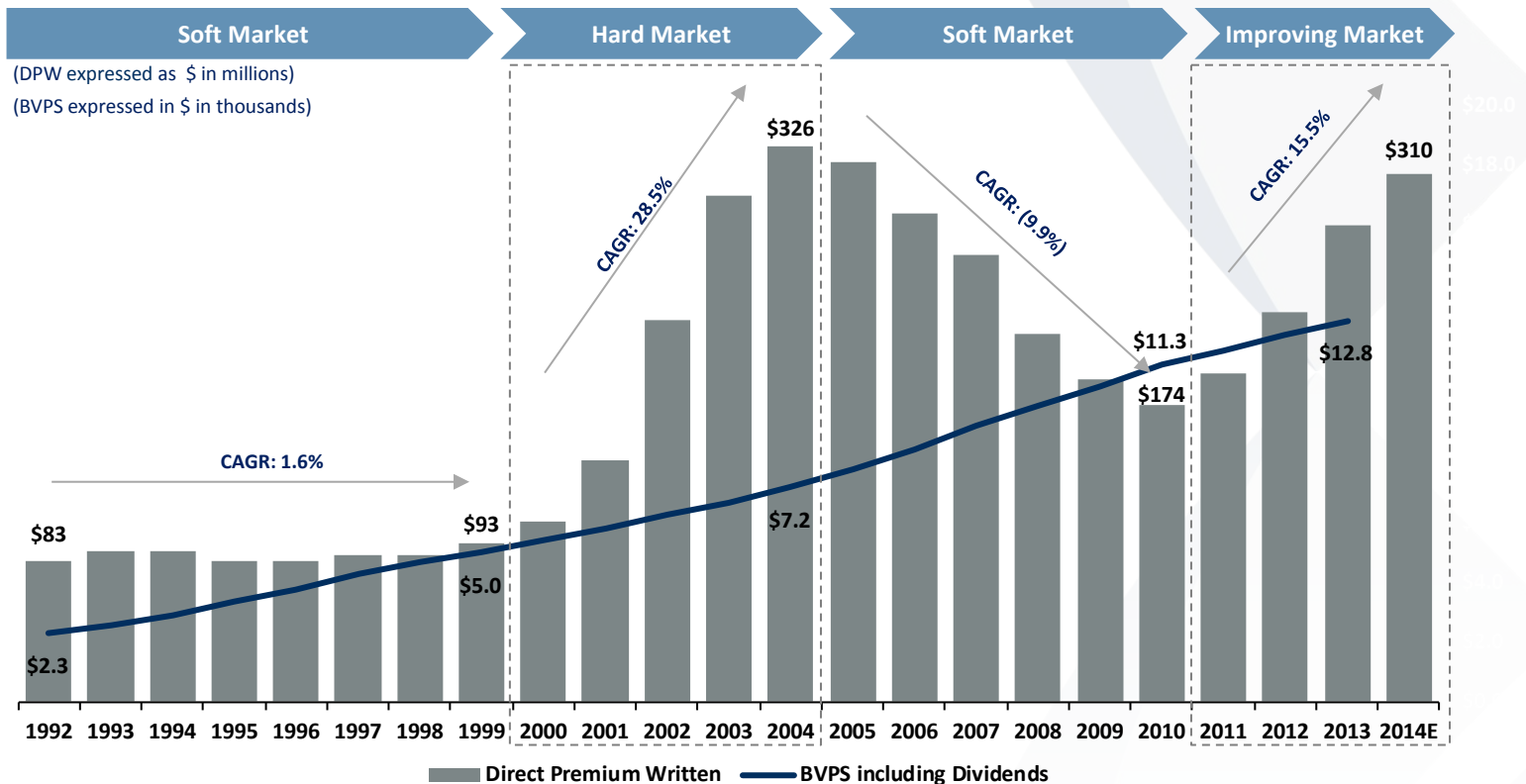
Western World - History



Five Decades of Industry Leadership and Franchise Development

Western World - Successful Cycle Management

Western World's Direct Premiums Written Across Underwriting Cycles



50 consecutive years of profitability and growth in shareholders' equity

Western World - Products and Premiums

Product Type	2013 Direct Premium Written (\$mm)	Description
General Liability Occurrence	\$190	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written exclusively on an E&S basis in all states other than NH • Classes include general and artisan contractors, habitational risks, misc. professional and misc. malpractice, often packaged with property coverage • Limits of liability generally do not exceed \$1m and the majority of insureds are small-to medium size commercial businesses • The majority of business is distributed on a Contract and Program basis with binding authority. Business is also written on a transactional brokerage basis
Commercial Auto	\$39	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial auto liability and physical damage coverage is currently offered in 39 states for small-to medium size commercial businesses • Commercial auto business is written on an E&S basis in several states where permitted by regulation • Major classes include tractor-trailers, food delivery program and tow trucks • Distributed on a Contract and Programs basis
Property	\$36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written only on a package basis alongside the core general liability coverage • Concentrated in the owners, landlords and tenants classes with minimal cat exposure • Distributed on a Contract and Programs basis
Professional Liability Claims Made	\$15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major classes include Nonprofit D&O, A&E and misc. E&O • Concentration is on small to medium size risks • The majority of business is written on a transactional brokerage basis. Also distributed on a Contract and Programs basis with binding authority

Western World - Divisional Organization

	Contract Division	Program Division	Brokerage Division
2013 DPW	\$179mm	\$60mm	\$41mm
% of Total 2013 DPW	64%	22%	14%
Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General & Professional Liability and Property Coverage on small-to-medium size commercial risks offered in all 50 states • Commercial Auto Coverage in 39 states • Distributed through exclusive general agents with binding authority for individual states 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General, Professional, Liability, Property and Commercial Auto plans • Distributed through affinity group program administrators • Single-class relationships, generally with 50-state binding authority 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers General Liability and Professional Liability coverage • Underwrites larger, more complex accounts • Distributed through select wholesale brokers • Business accepted from all 50 states
Coverages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General & Professional Liability • Commercial Auto Liability and APD • Property (package) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Liability & Professional • Commercial Auto • Property 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casualty • Professional
Business Classes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manufacturers and Contractors • Owner, Landlords and Tenants • Professional Services / Misc. Malpractice • Spectator events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitality & Habitational • Contracted Services • Outdoor / Recreation & Amusement • Professional Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Habitational • Contracting • Manufacturing • Errors & Omissions • Management Liability • Architects & Engineers

Established Operating Platform with Modern Technology

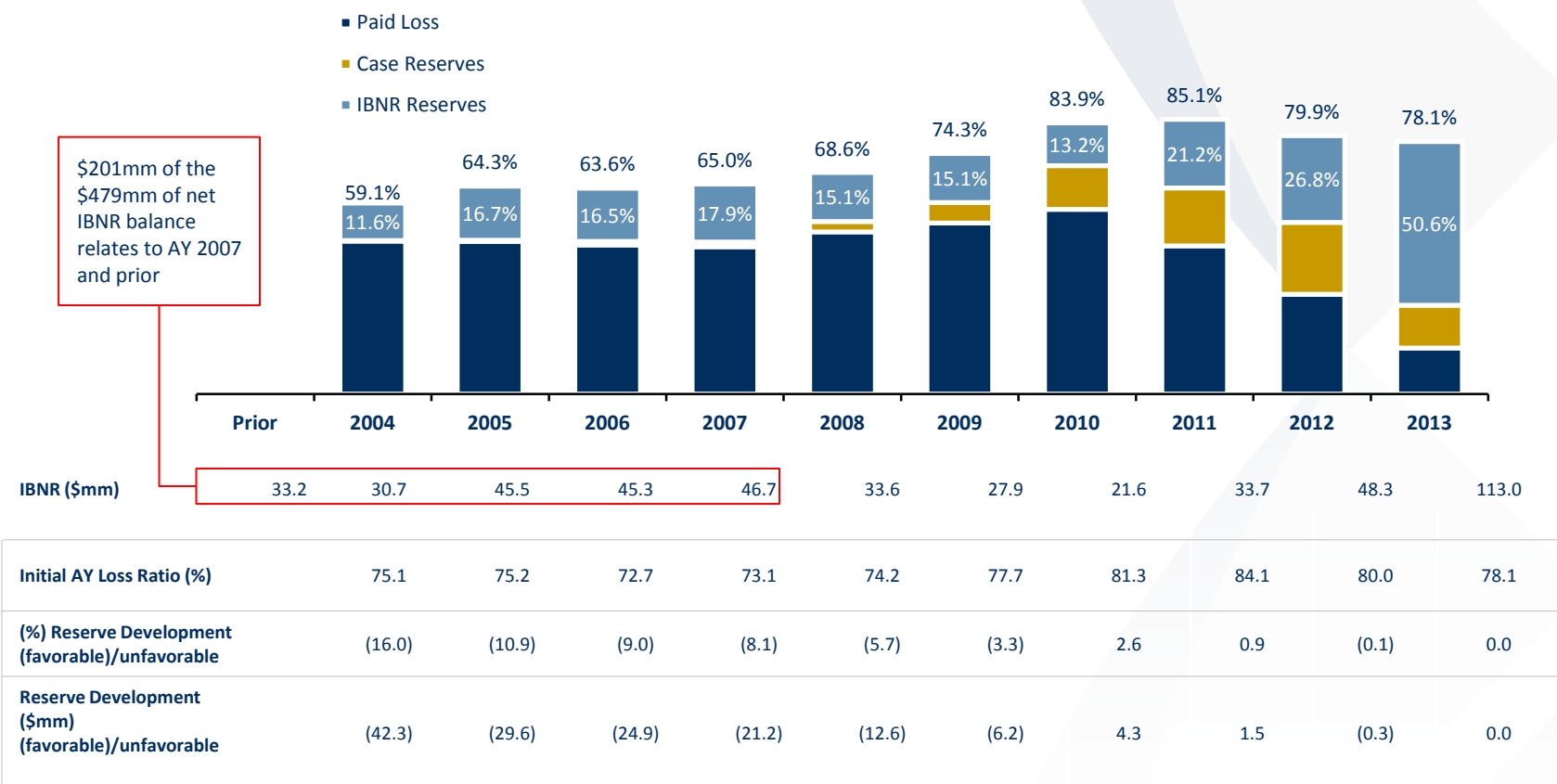
- WWIP is a proprietary system that offers comprehensive underwriting rules, rate, quote, bind, issue, endorse, and renewal functionality across all underwriting divisions
- Acts as a single interface for outside parties as well as the Western World underwriters in exchanging information and transacting business under both binding authority and brokerage agreements

Features	Benefits to Customers and Western World
Scalability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Designed to provide a solid foundation for growth and increased functionality ✓ Ability to add new products with little incremental investment
Integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Web-service function and data modules allowing flexible agency system integration ✓ Information interchange between WWIP and agency systems, reducing re-keying and data errors ✓ Maintenance required of agencies diminished, significant cost savings
Speed and Quality of Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Real-time access to submissions provides greater control over underwriting ✓ More responsive customer service facilitates improved agent retention
Control and Flexibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Clarity in underwriting guidelines ✓ Transparency during underwriting process and tracking of exceptions ✓ Flexibility to update, refine as necessary
Versatility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Operates in multiple distribution environments ✓ Western World owns technology and source code
Mobility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ WWIP platform operates on mobile devices
Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Comprehensive security module allocating resource access down to the user level

WWIP is a critical element of Western World value proposition to distribution partners

Historically Conservative Reserve Allocation

Western World's Initial vs. Ultimate Loss and LAE Picks, and Reserve Development



IBNR losses have historically accounted for nearly 80% of loss reserves

Validus Success in M&A: Talbot, IPCRe, Flagstone and Longhorn

Talbot - 2007

- In July 2007, Validus acquired Talbot, a leading Lloyd's Syndicate for \$382 million
 - Talbot has contributed \$677.7 million of net income through March 31, 2014
- A large number of competitors followed Validus' entry into Lloyd's, none have reached the size, scale or profitability that Talbot has brought to Validus
- Talbot has maintained a high degree of autonomy while benefiting from Validus' capital resources and short tail expertise
- Talbot has brought numerous benefits to Validus including the Lloyd's licensing/ratings and access to London market insurance talent

IPCRe - 2009

- \$1.75 billion acquisition solidified Validus position as leader in global short tail reinsurance markets
 - \$287.1 million gain on bargain purchase, net of expenses
- Validus demonstrated its ability to integrate the business quickly and efficiently

Flagstone - 2012

- Strategic rationale: Additional scale secured Validus' leadership position in property cat reinsurance
- Catastrophe portfolio integration was completed within days of the acquisition
- Balance sheet adjustments to both assets and liabilities were an important part of the transaction economics
 - \$17.7 million gain on bargain purchase, net of expenses

Longhorn - 2013

- Longhorn provided a foundation for a broader, well-diversified expansion of the existing crop reinsurance business

Key Integration Steps

- **Culture**
 - High level of existing alignment
- **Financial Reporting**
 - Western World currently reports on a quarterly basis and prepares U.S. GAAP financials
- **Enterprise Risk Management**
 - Validus ERM framework to be implemented at Western World
- **Loss Reserving**
 - Detailed, class by class analysis has already taken place as part of due diligence
- **Expense Synergies**
 - Validus not assuming any expense synergies in current and projected economics

The Validus Model – Strongly Profitable Growing Global Business



- A leading Bermuda based reinsurer focused on short tail classes
- Market leading analytical and underwriting expertise
- **Profitable every year**



- Managing third party reinsurance capital since 2008
- Unique strategy supporting the Validus Re customer value proposition
- **Profitable every year**



- The 11th largest Syndicate at Lloyd's of London
- Leadership in short tail specialty classes
- **Profitable every year**



- A pioneer in the unique binding authority business model
- Attractive distribution capabilities to be supported by Validus' increased risk appetite
- **Profitable every year**

Building a Global Business....Delivering Sustainable Earnings

Summary

- A strategic move to enhance Validus' access to the specialty U.S. commercial insurance market – the world's largest short tail market
- Ability to leverage and enhance Validus' existing market position and operational strengths in short tail classes of business
- Western World has identified short tail classes of business as essential for their continued development and relevance to agents and customers
- Good cultural and management fit between Validus and Western World
- Improves Validus' cycle management abilities – reinsurance and insurance



Validus Agreed Acquisition of Western World

APPENDIX

Notes on Non-GAAP Measures

In presenting the Company's results herein, management has included and discussed certain schedules containing diluted book value per common share that are not calculated under standards or rules that comprise U.S. GAAP. Such measures are referred to as non-GAAP. Non-GAAP measures may be defined or calculated differently by other companies. We believe that these measures are important to investors and other interested parties. These measures should not be viewed as a substitute for those determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Diluted book value per share is calculated based on total shareholders' equity plus the assumed proceeds from the exercise of outstanding stock options and warrants, divided by the sum of unvested restricted shares, stock options, warrants and share equivalents outstanding (assuming their exercise).

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