

**USBORNE & HIBBERT MUTUAL FIRE  
INSURANCE COMPANY**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Policyholders of  
Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company  
Exeter, Ontario

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**, which comprise the statement of financial position as at **December 31, 2017** and the statements of comprehensive income, members' surplus and cash flows for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

### Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT - continued

### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company** as at **December 31, 2017** and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

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Professional Corporation

Chartered Professional Accountants

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*the Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario*

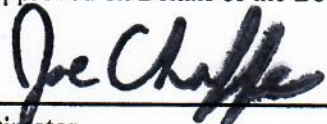
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February 23, 2018

**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
**Summary Statement of Financial Position**  
As at December 31, 2017

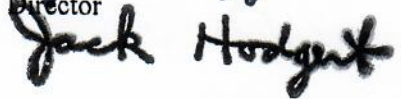
**ASSETS**

	2017	2016
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash	\$ 1,367,227	\$ 1,864,593
Accrued investment interest	218,721	163,384
Premiums receivable	1,085,516	971,284
Prepaid expenses	33,873	32,669
Income and premium taxes receivable	18,223	-
Reinsurers' share of - provision for unpaid claims	698,558	808,965
- other	5,988	2,627
Deferred policy acquisition expenses	557,103	544,582
Current portion of other assets	<u>33,349</u>	<u>81,015</u>
	<b>\$ 4,018,558</b>	<b><u>4,469,119</u></b>
<b>Investments</b>		
Fair value through profit and loss	36,361,557	36,313,848
Hensall District Co-operative demand loan receivable	<u>59,227</u>	<u>57,403</u>
	<b>36,420,784</b>	<b><u>36,371,251</u></b>
<b>Property, Plant and Equipment - net of depreciation</b>	<b>2,729,376</b>	<b><u>2,395,332</u></b>
<b>Other Assets - at unamortized cost</b>		
Promissory notes receivable	33,349	111,328
Less: Current portion	<u>33,349</u>	<u>81,015</u>
	<b>-</b>	<b><u>30,313</u></b>
	<b><u>\$ 43,168,718</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 43,266,015</u></b>

Approved on Behalf of the Board:

  
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Director

  
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Director

**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
As at December 31, 2017

**LIABILITIES**

	2017	2016
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 369,179	\$ 723,565
Due to reinsurers	83,169	161,017
Income and premium taxes payable (Note 11)	-	17,082
Refund from surplus payable	562,312	548,080
Unearned premiums (Note 9)	3,588,365	3,515,483
Unpaid claims (Note 9)	3,281,679	3,194,750
Premium deficiency (Note 19)	<u>226,541</u>	<u>211,646</u>
	<b>\$ 8,111,245</b>	<b><u>8,371,623</u></b>
<b>Deferred Income Taxes (Note 11)</b>	<u>92,347</u>	<u>114,303</u>
	<b>8,203,592</b>	<b><u>8,485,926</u></b>

**POLICYHOLDERS' EQUITY**

<b>Members' Surplus</b>	<u>34,965,126</u>	<u>34,780,089</u>
	<b><u>\$ 43,168,718</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 43,266,015</u></b>

(See Accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements)

**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
**Statement of Members' Surplus**  
For the year ended December 31, 2017

	2017	2016
<b>Balance - beginning of year</b>	<b>\$ 34,780,089</b>	<b>\$ 33,864,460</b>
Net income for the year	<u>185,037</u>	<u>915,629</u>
<b>Balance - end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ 34,965,126</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 34,780,089</u></b>

(See Accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements)

**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
**Statement of Comprehensive Income**  
For the year ended December 31, 2017

	2017	2016
<b>Gross Premiums Written</b>	<b>\$ 7,569,612</b>	<b>\$ 7,411,437</b>
Less:		
Increase in reserve for unearned premiums	\$ 72,882	280,651
Reinsurance premiums	1,112,906	1,391,486
Reinsurance assumed	<u>(42,178)</u>	<u>(51,242)</u>
	<b><u>1,143,610</u></b>	<b><u>1,620,895</u></b>
Net premium income	<b>6,426,002</b>	<b><u>5,790,542</u></b>
<b>Claims and Expenses</b>		
Gross claims incurred	3,907,664	4,151,059
Reinsurance plan recoveries	<u>657,746</u>	<u>1,694,095</u>
	<b>3,249,918</b>	<b>2,456,964</b>
Adjusting expenses (Note 12)	434,777	418,205
Commissions	1,152,746	1,376,326
Salaries and directors' fees	832,991	776,590
Audit and legal fees	47,017	73,238
Office	304,394	188,740
Loss prevention	56,397	52,667
Telephone and postage	47,918	38,729
Insurance	28,904	29,444
Association fees	47,060	36,536
Office premises	283,478	45,841
Advertising	75,480	45,452
Donations	10,313	12,923
Premium taxes	26,696	28,668
Premium deficiency (recovery)	<u>14,895</u>	<u>(82,250)</u>
	<b><u>6,612,984</u></b>	<b><u>5,498,073</u></b>
Underwriting income (loss)	<b>(186,982)</b>	<b><u>292,469</u></b>
<b>Other Income (Note 7)</b>		
Investment	718,252	584,423
Market value appreciation of investments (Note 6)	333,328	331,362
Realized gain on investments	57,004	307,093
Recovery on matured debenture receivable	-	26,265
Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	(136,602)	-
Loss on U.S. translation	(41,885)	(2,521)
Rental	<u>6,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<b><u>936,097</u></b>	<b><u>1,246,622</u></b>
	<b>749,115</b>	<b><u>1,539,091</u></b>
<b>Refund from Surplus</b>	<b><u>561,768</u></b>	<b><u>532,745</u></b>
Income before income taxes	<b>187,347</b>	<b><u>1,006,346</u></b>
Provision for (recovery of) income taxes		
- current (Note 11)	24,266	41,339
- deferred (Note 11)	<u>(21,956)</u>	<u>49,378</u>
	<b><u>2,310</u></b>	<b><u>90,717</u></b>
<b>Net income for the year</b>	<b><u>\$ 185,037</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 915,629</u></b>

(See Accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements)

**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**

For the year ended December 31, 2017

	2017	2016
<b>Operating Activities</b>		
Comprehensive income for the year	\$ 185,037	\$ 915,629
Refund from surplus	561,768	532,745
Future income taxes	(21,956)	49,378
Provision for income taxes	24,266	41,339
Investment income	<u>(718,252)</u>	<u>(584,423)</u>
	30,863	954,668
Adjustments to convert income to a cash basis:		
Increase (decrease) in unearned premiums	72,882	280,651
Increase (decrease) in unpaid claims	86,929	361,783
Increase (decrease) in payables	(403,107)	532,706
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	135,661	24,847
Amortization of discount (premiums) on bonds	123,453	93,911
Decrease (increase) in receivables	(7,186)	(293,936)
Decrease (increase) in deferred policy acquisition expenses	(12,521)	(42,498)
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses	(1,204)	51
Decrease (increase) in accrued investment interest	(55,337)	(18,001)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	136,602	-
Realized gain on sale of investments	(57,004)	(307,093)
Market value appreciation on investments	<u>(333,328)</u>	<u>(331,362)</u>
	\$ (283,297)	<u>1,255,727</u>
<b>Investing Activities</b>		
Proceeds from sale of investments	26,373,684	63,570,749
Purchase of investments	(26,156,338)	(63,008,762)
Investment income received	718,252	584,423
Income taxes paid	(59,571)	(52,925)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(607,807)	(2,127,104)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	<u>1,500</u>	<u>-</u>
	269,720	<u>(1,033,619)</u>
<b>Financing Activities</b>		
Decrease in promissory notes	77,979	233,621
Refund from surplus	<u>(561,768)</u>	<u>(532,745)</u>
	<u>(483,789)</u>	<u>(299,124)</u>
<b>Excess of cash provided over cash applied (cash applied over cash provided)</b>	<b>(497,366)</b>	<b>(77,016)</b>
<b>Cash - beginning of year</b>	<b><u>1,864,593</u></b>	<b><u>1,941,609</u></b>
<b>Cash - end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,367,227</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,864,593</u></b>

Cash consists of cash on hand and balances with banks.

(See Accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements)



**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
For the year ended December 31, 2017

**1. Nature of Operations of Reporting Entity**

Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company (the Company) is incorporated under the laws of Ontario and is subject to the Ontario Insurance Act. It is licensed to write property, liability, farmers' accident and auto insurance in Ontario. The Company's head office is located in Exeter, Ontario.

The Company is subject to rate regulation in the automobile business that it writes. Before automobile insurance rates can be changed, a rate filing is prepared as a combined filing for most Ontario Farm Mutuals by the Farm Mutual Reinsurance Plan Inc. The rate filing must include actuarial justification for rate increases or decreases. All rate filings are approved or denied by the Financial Services Commission of Ontario. Rate regulation may affect the automobile revenues that are earned by the Company. The actual impact of rate regulation would depend on the competitive environment at the time.

These financial statements have been authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on February 23, 2018.

**2. Basis of Presentation**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (the IASB).

These financial statements were prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial instruments designated as fair value through profit and loss and the revaluation of land and buildings included in property, plant and equipment.

The Company's functional and presentation currency is the Canadian dollar. The financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with IFRS requires management to make certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the Company's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment of complexity or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note 4.

**3. Significant Accounting Policies**

**(a) Insurance Contracts**

In accordance with IFRS 4, Insurance Contracts, the Company has continued to apply the accounting policies it applied in accordance with pre-changeover Canadian GAAP.

Balances arising from insurance contracts primarily include unearned premiums, provisions for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses, the reinsurers' share of provisions for unearned premiums and unpaid claims and adjustment expenses, deferred policy acquisition expenses and salvage and subrogation recoverable.

**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
For the year ended December 31, 2017

**3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**(a) Insurance Contracts (continued)**

**(i) Premiums and unearned premiums**

Premiums written comprise the premiums on contracts incepting in the financial year. Premiums written are stated gross of commissions payable to agents and exclusive of taxes levied on premiums.

The Company earns premium income evenly over the term of the insurance policy generally using the pro rata method. The portion of the premium related to the unexpired portion of the policy at the end of the fiscal year is reflected in unearned premiums.

**(ii) Reinsurers' share of unearned premiums**

The Company reflects reinsurance balances on the statement of financial position on a gross basis to indicate the extent of credit risk related to reinsurance and its obligations to policyholders and on a net basis in the statement of comprehensive income to indicate the results of its retention of its premiums written.

Reinsurance premiums ceded and reinsurance recoveries on losses incurred are recorded as reductions of the respective income and expense accounts. A contingent liability exists with respect to reinsurance ceded which could become a liability of the Company in the event that the reinsurer might be unable to meet its obligation under the reinsurance agreements. The Company ascertained that no provision is necessary at December 31, 2017 for doubtful collection of reinsurance recoveries.

**(iii) Deferred policy acquisition expenses**

Acquisition costs are comprised of agents' and brokers' commissions and premium taxes. These costs are deferred and amortized over the terms of the related policies to the extent that they are considered to be recoverable from unearned premiums, after considering the related anticipated claims and expenses.

**(iv) Provisions for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses**

Individual loss estimates are provided on each claim reported. In addition, provisions are made for adjustment expenses, changes in reported claims and for claims incurred but not reported, based on past experience and business in force. The estimates are regularly reviewed and updated and any resulting adjustments are included in current income.

Claim liabilities are carried on an undiscounted basis.

**(v) Liability adequacy test**

At each reporting date, the Company performs a liability adequacy test on its insurance liabilities less deferred policy acquisition expenses to ensure the carrying value is adequate, using current estimates of future cash flows, taking into account the relevant investment return. If that assessment shows that the carrying amount of the liabilities is inadequate, any deficiency is recognized as an expense to the income statement initially by writing off the deferred policy acquisition expense and subsequently by recognizing an additional claims liability for claims provisions.

**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
For the year ended December 31, 2017

**3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**(a) Insurance Contracts (continued)**

(vi) Reinsurers' share of provisions for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses

The Company enters into reinsurance contracts in the normal course of business in order to limit potential losses arising from certain exposures. Reinsurance premiums are accounted for in the same period as the related premiums for the direct insurance business being reinsured. Reinsurance liabilities, comprised of premiums payable for the purchase of reinsurance contracts, are included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities and are recognized as an expense when due.

Expected reinsurance recoveries on unpaid claims and adjustment expenses are recognized as assets at the same time and using principles consistent with the Company's method for establishing the related liability.

(vii) Salvage and subrogation recoverable

In the normal course of business, the Company obtains the ownership of damaged property, which they resell to various salvage operations. Unsold property is valued at its estimated net realizable value.

Where the Company indemnifies policyholders against a liability claim, it acquires rights to subrogate its claim against other parties. These claims are reflected at amounts expected to be received from the subrogated parties net of related costs.

(viii) Refund from premium

Under the discretion of the Board of Directors, the Company may declare a refund to its policyholders based on the premiums paid in the fiscal year. This refund is recognized as a reduction of revenue in the period for which it is declared.

**(b) Fire Mutuals Guarantee Fund and Financial Guarantee Contracts**

The Company is a member of the Fire Mutuals Guarantee Fund ("the Fund"). The Fund was established to provide payment of outstanding policyholders' claims if a member company becomes bankrupt. As a result, the Company may be required to contribute assets to their proportionate share in meeting this objective.

These exposures represent financial guarantee contracts. The Company accounts for financial guarantee contracts in accordance with IFRS 4, Insurance Contracts.

**(c) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits at call with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. For cash flow statement presentation purposes, cash and cash equivalents include bank overdrafts.

**(d) Financial Instruments**

The Company classifies its financial instruments into one of the following categories based on the purpose for which the asset was acquired or liability incurred. All transactions related to financial instruments are recorded on a trade date basis. The Company's accounting policy for each category is as follows:

**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
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**3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**(d) Financial Instruments (continued)**

(i) Loans and receivables

These assets are non-derivative financial assets resulting from the delivery of cash or other assets by a lender to a borrower in return for a promise to repay on a specified date or dates or on demand. They are initially recognized at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to their acquisition or issue and subsequently carried at amortized cost, using the effective interest rate method, less any impairment losses.

Impairment provisions are recognized when there is objective evidence (such as significant financial difficulties on the part of the counterparty or default or significant delay in payment) that the Company will be unable to collect all of the amounts due under the terms receivable, the amount of such a provision being the difference between the net carrying amount and the present value of the future expected cash flows associated with the impaired receivable. For amounts due from policyholders and reinsurers, which are reported net, such provisions are recorded in a separate allowance account with the loss being recognized in net income. On confirmation that the amounts receivable will not be collectable, the gross carrying value of the asset is written off against the associated provision.

(ii) Held to maturity financial assets (HTM)

If the Company has the positive intent and ability to hold debt securities to maturity, then such financial assets are classified as held to maturity. Held to maturity financial assets are recognized initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, held to maturity financial assets are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method less any impairment losses. Bonds and investments principally comprise these investments. Any sale or reclassification of a more than insignificant amount of held to maturity investments not close to their maturity would result in the reclassification of all held to maturity investments as fair value through profit and loss and prevent the Company from classifying investment securities as held to maturity for the current and the following two financial years.

(iii) Fair value through profit and loss financial assets (FVTPL)

Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss investments are financial assets that are quoted in an active market and are being actively traded. Any increase or decrease in the market value is shown in the current year on the Statement of Comprehensive Income as market value appreciation (depreciation) of investments. Term deposits and publicly traded shares principally comprise these investments. The quoted market price was used to determine the fair value of these investments. Transaction costs on these investments are expensed as incurred. Interest on debt securities classified as fair value through profit and loss is calculated using the effective interest method.

(iv) Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities include all financial liabilities and comprise accounts payable and other short-term monetary liabilities. These liabilities are initially recognized at fair value net of any transaction costs directly attributable to the issuance of the instrument and subsequently carried at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method, which ensures that any interest expense over the period to repayment is at a constant rate on the balance of the liability carrying in the statement of financial position. Interest expense in this context includes initial transaction costs and premiums payable on redemption, as well as any interest or coupon payable while the liability is outstanding.

**Usborne & Hibbert Mutual Fire Insurance Company**  
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**3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**(e) Property, Plant and Equipment**

Land and buildings are subsequently measured using the revaluation model and, as such, are measured at a revalued amount, being its fair value at the date of the revaluation (July 7, 2014) less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Revaluations are performed with sufficient regularity to ensure that the carrying amount does not differ materially from that which would be determined using fair value at the end of the reporting period. When buildings are revalued and there is a material difference between the carrying amount and the fair value, any accumulated depreciation at the date of the revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount is restated to fair value at the date of the revaluation. Revaluation gains are recognized in equity. Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount.

Office equipment and computers are initially recorded at cost and subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognized in net income and is provided at the following annual rates:

Buildings	4% straight-line
Parking lot	10% straight-line
Office equipment	10% straight-line
Computers	20% straight-line

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed annually and adjusted if necessary.

**(f) Impairment of Non-Financial Assets**

Non-financial assets are subject to impairment tests whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying amount may not be recoverable. Where the carrying value of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of value in use and fair value less costs to sell, the asset is written down accordingly.

For the purpose of assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the impairment test is carried out on the asset's cash-generating unit, which is the lowest group of assets in which the asset belongs for which there are separately identifiable cash flows. Impairment charges are included in net income.

**(g) Facility Association**

As a member of the Facility Association, the company records its proportionate share of the Association's revenue, expenses, unearned premiums and provision for unpaid claims.

**(h) Income Taxes**

Income tax expense includes current and deferred tax. Current tax and deferred tax are recognized in net income except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in policyholders' equity or in other comprehensive income.

Current income taxes are recognized for the estimated income taxes payable or receivable on taxable income or loss for the current year and any adjustment to income taxes payable in respect of previous years. Current income taxes are determined using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year-end date.

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**3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**(h) Income Taxes (continued)**

Under Section 149(1) of the Canadian Income Tax Act, the Company is exempt from income taxes if it receives at least 90% of its gross premium income in respect of insurance of farm property or residences of farmers. If more than 10% of its gross premium income is from non-farm sources, then the non-farm percentage of the Company's net income is subject to income tax.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized where the carrying amount of an asset or liability differs from its tax base, except for taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction which is not a business combination and at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting or taxable profit or loss.

Recognition of deferred tax assets or unused tax losses, tax credits and deductible temporary differences is restricted to those instances where it is probable that future taxable income will be available against which the deferred tax asset can be utilized. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized.

The amount of deferred tax asset or liability is measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. This amount is determined using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year-end date and are expected to apply when the liabilities/(assets) are settled/(recovered).

**(i) Pension Plan**

The Company participates in a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan, however, sufficient information is not available to use defined benefit accounting. Therefore, the Company accounts for the plan as if it were a defined contribution plan, recognizing contributions as an expense in the year to which they relate.

**(j) Provisions**

Provisions are recognized for liabilities of uncertain timing or amount that have arisen as a result of past transactions, including legal, equitable or constructive obligations. The provision is measured at the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

**(k) Foreign Currency Translation**

Foreign currency accounts are translated into Canadian dollars as follows:

At the transaction date, each asset, liability, revenue and expense denominated in a foreign currency is translated into Canadian dollars by the use of the exchange rate in effect at that date. At the year end date, unsettled monetary assets and liabilities are translated into Canadian dollars by using the exchange rate in effect at the year end date and the related translation differences are recognized in net income. Exchange rate gains and losses arising on the retranslation of monetary financial assets are treated as a separate component of the change in fair value and recognized in net income. Exchange gains and losses on non-monetary financial assets form part of the overall gain or loss recognized in respect of that financial instrument.

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**3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**(k) Foreign Currency Translation (continued)**

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured at historical cost are translated into Canadian dollars by using the exchange rate in effect at the date of the initial transaction and are not subsequently restated. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value or a revalued amount translated into Canadian dollars by using the exchange rate in effect at the date the value is determined and the related translation differences are recognized in net income consistent with where the gain or loss on the underlying non-monetary asset or liability has been recognized.

**(l) Leased Assets**

Where substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of a leased asset have been transferred to the Company (a "finance lease"), the asset is treated as if it had been purchased outright. The amount initially recognized as an asset is the lower of the fair value of the leased property and the present value of the minimum lease payments payable over the term of the lease. The corresponding lease commitment is shown as a liability. Lease payments are analyzed between capital and interest. The interest element is charged to the statement of comprehensive income over the period of the lease and is calculated so that it represents a constant proportion of the lease liability. The capital element reduces the balance owed to the lessor.

Where substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership are not transferred to the Company (an "operating lease"), the total rentals payable under the lease are charged to the statement of comprehensive income on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The aggregate benefit of lease incentives is recognized as a reduction of the rental expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis.

**(m) Standards, Amendments and Interpretations Not Yet Effective**

Certain new standards, amendments and interpretations have been published that are mandatory for the Company's accounting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018 or later periods that the Company has decided not to early adopt. The standards, amendments and interpretations that will be relevant to the Company are:

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments amends the requirements for classification and measurement of financial assets, impairment and hedge accounting. IFRS 9 introduces an expected loss model of impairment and retains but simplifies the mixed measurement model and establishes three primary measurement categories for financial assets: amortized cost, fair value through profit or loss and fair value through other comprehensive income (loss). The basis of classification depends on the entity's business model and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. The effective date for IFRS 9 is January 1, 2018; however, insurance entities have been provided the option of deferring the adoption of IFRS 9 until January 1, 2021, which is the effective date of IFRS 17, Insurance Contracts. The Company does not plan to defer the effective date of IFRS 9 and, therefore, expects to adopt IFRS 9 on January 1, 2018.

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**3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**(m) Standards, Amendments and Interpretations Not Yet Effective (continued)**

The Company expects that its investments will continue to be classified at fair value through profit or loss based on the business model assessment. Therefore, the adoption of IFRS 9 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial position or performance.

IFRS 16 Leases supersedes IAS 17 Leases, IFRIC 4 Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease, SIC-15 Operating Leases – Incentives and SIC-27 Evaluating the Substance of Transactions involving the Legal Form of a Lease. It eliminates the distinction between operating and finance leases from the perspective of the lessee. All contracts that meet the definition of a lease will be recorded in the statement of financial position with a 'right of use' asset and a corresponding liability, with limited exception for certain short-term and low value leases. The asset is subsequently accounted for as property, plant and equipment or investment property and the liability is reduced as payments are made with interest accruing over the lease term. The accounting requirements from the perspective of the lessor remains largely in line with previous IAS 17 requirements. The effective date for IFRS 16 is January 1, 2019. The Company does not expect to have leases. The Company is currently assessing the impact of IFRS 16.

IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts supersedes IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts. IFRS 17 fundamentally changes how entities account for insurance contracts, introducing a default "building block approach", which disaggregates the cash flows in an insurance contract and provides a different measurement basis for each component and a simplified "premium allocation approach" for certain short-term contracts. Assumptions used in measuring insurance assets and liabilities such as cash flows, discount rates and risk adjustment will be updated at each reporting period. The discount rate will reflect the characteristics of the insurance liabilities and the estimated future cash flows to settle claims incurred will be discounted unless the period of time between claim occurrence and settlement is less than one year. Presentation changes include 'insurance revenue' replacing the current reporting of 'written premiums' and 'earned premiums' and insurance contract assets and liabilities will not be netted. Under this standard, premiums receivable, unearned premiums and claims payable may no longer be presented separately from other insurance assets and liabilities. The effective date for IFRS 17 is January 1, 2021 with mandatory restatement of comparative periods. The Company is currently assessing the impact of IFRS 17.

None of the other new standards, interpretations and amendments, which are effective for the Company's accounting periods beginning after January 1, 2018 and which have not been adopted early, are expected to have a material effect on the Company's future financial statements.



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**4. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments**

The Company makes estimates and assumptions about the future that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. In the future, actual experience may differ from these estimates and assumptions.

The effect of a change in an accounting estimate is recognized prospectively by including it in comprehensive income in the period of the change, if the change affects that period only; or in the period of change and future periods, if the change affects both.

The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

**(a) Provision for Unpaid Claims**

The estimation of the provision for unpaid claims and the related reinsurers' share are the Company's most critical accounting estimates. There are several sources of uncertainty that need to be considered by the Company in estimating the amount that will ultimately be paid on these claims. The uncertainty arises because all events affecting the ultimate settlement of claims have not taken place and may not take place for some time. Changes in the estimate of the provision can be caused by receipt of additional claim information, changes in judicial interpretation of contracts or significant changes in severity or frequency of claims from historical trends. The estimates are based on the Company's historical experience and industry experience. More details are included in Note 9.

**(b) Impairment of Investments**

The Company determines that its investments are impaired when there has been a significant or prolonged decline in fair value below its cost. The determination of what is significant or prolonged requires judgment. In making this judgment, the Company considers, among other factors, the normal volatility in market price, the financial health of the investee and industry and sector performance.

**(c) Income Taxes**

The Company periodically assesses its liabilities and contingencies related to income taxes for all years open to audit based on the latest information available. For matters where it is probable that an adjustment will be made, the Company records its best estimate of the tax liability including the related interest and penalties in the current tax provision. Management believes they have adequately provided for the probable outcome of these matters; however, the final outcome may result in a materially different outcome than the amount included in the tax liabilities.

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**5. Financial Instrument Classification**

The carrying amount of the Company's financial instruments by classification is as follows:

	<b>FVTPL</b>	<b>HTM</b>	<b>Available for Sale</b>	<b>Loans and Receivables</b>	<b>Other Financial Liabilities</b>	<b>Total</b>
December 31, 2017						
Cash	\$ 1,367,227	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,367,227
Interest receivable	-	-	-	218,721	-	218,721
Investments (Note 6)	36,361,557	-	-	59,227	-	36,420,784
Premiums receivable	-	-	-	1,085,516	-	1,085,516
Promissory notes receivable	-	-	-	33,349	-	33,349
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	-	-	-	-	(1,014,660)	(1,014,660)
	<u>\$37,728,784</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,396,813</u>	<u>\$ (1,014,660)</u>	<u>\$38,110,937</u>
December 31, 2016						
Cash	1,864,593	-	-	-	-	1,864,593
Interest receivable	-	-	-	163,384	-	163,384
Investments (Note 6)	36,313,848	-	-	57,403	-	36,371,251
Premiums receivable	-	-	-	971,284	-	971,284
Promissory notes receivable	-	-	-	111,328	-	111,328
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	-	-	-	-	(1,449,744)	(1,449,744)
	<u>\$38,178,441</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,303,399</u>	<u>\$ (1,449,744)</u>	<u>\$38,032,096</u>

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**6. Investments**

The following table provides cost and fair value information of investments by type of security and issuer. The maximum exposure to credit risk would be the fair value as shown below.

	<b>December 31, 2017</b>		December 31, 2016	
	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>	Cost	Fair Value
Bankers acceptance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds issued by:				
	-	-	-	-
Provincial	5,541,953	5,453,867	3,195,484	3,147,040
Municipal	982,392	965,798	1,621,454	1,608,843
Other government	497,489	484,488	10,386,666	10,094,419
Corporate	<u>19,786,589</u>	<u>19,595,332</u>	<u>11,060,099</u>	<u>11,234,559</u>
	<u>26,808,423</u>	<u>26,499,485</u>	<u>26,263,703</u>	<u>26,084,861</u>
Equity investments				
Canadian	2,881,720	3,262,269	4,072,129	4,233,121
U.S.	<u>5,731,771</u>	<u>6,584,352</u>	<u>3,843,798</u>	<u>4,407,896</u>
	<u>8,613,491</u>	<u>9,846,621</u>	<u>7,915,927</u>	<u>8,641,017</u>
Mutual funds	-	-	1,528,173	1,572,788
Other investments				
Demand loan	59,227	59,227	57,403	57,403
Fire Mutuals				
Guarantee fund	<u>15,451</u>	<u>15,451</u>	<u>15,182</u>	<u>15,182</u>
	<u>74,678</u>	<u>74,678</u>	<u>72,585</u>	<u>72,585</u>
Total investments	<u>\$ 35,496,592</u>	<u>\$ 36,420,784</u>	<u>\$ 35,780,388</u>	<u>\$ 36,371,251</u>

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**6. Investments (continued)**

The following table provides an analysis of investments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value, grouped into Levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable:

Level 1 - fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;

Level 2 - fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and

Level 3 - fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
December 31, 2017				
Bankers acceptance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds				
Federal	-	-	-	-
Provincial	-	5,453,867	-	5,453,867
Municipal	-	965,798	-	965,798
Other				
government	-	484,488	-	484,488
Corporate	-	19,595,332	-	19,595,332
Equity investments				
Canadian	3,262,269	-	-	3,262,269
U.S.	6,584,352	-	-	6,584,352
Mutual funds	-	-	-	-
Farm Mutual				
Pooled Funds				
Cdn. fixed income	-	-	-	-
Cdn. equity	-	-	-	-
Demand loan	-	59,227	-	59,227
Fire Mutuals				
Guarantee Fund	-	-	15,451	15,451
	<u>\$ 9,846,621</u>	<u>\$ 26,558,712</u>	<u>\$ 15,451</u>	<u>\$ 36,420,784</u>

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**6. Investments (continued)**

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
December 31, 2016				
Bankers acceptance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds				
Federal	-	-	-	-
Provincial	-	3,147,040	-	3,147,040
Municipal	-	1,608,843	-	1,608,843
Other				
government	-	10,094,419	-	10,094,419
Corporate	-	11,234,559	-	11,234,559
Equity investments				
Canadian	4,233,121	-	-	4,233,121
U.S.	4,407,896	-	-	4,407,896
Mutual funds	1,572,788	-	-	1,572,788
Farm Mutual				
Pooled Funds				
Cdn. fixed income	-	-	-	-
Cdn. equity	-	-	-	-
Demand loan	-	57,403	-	57,403
Fire Mutuals				
Guarantee Fund	-	-	15,182	15,182
	<u>\$ 10,213,805</u>	<u>\$ 26,142,264</u>	<u>\$ 15,182</u>	<u>\$ 36,371,251</u>

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**6. Investments (continued)**

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2017. The following table presents a reconciliation of the other investments which are the only Level 3 investments:

	2017	2016
Balance - beginning of year	\$ 15,182	\$ 14,939
Gains (losses) recognized in other comprehensive income	-	-
Gains (losses) recognized in net income	269	243
Purchases	-	-
Sales	-	-
Transfers out of Level 3	-	-
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Balance - end of year	<u>\$ 15,451</u>	<u>\$ 15,182</u>

For the Level 3 investments in unquoted equities, fair value is estimated using a discounted cash flow model, which includes some assumptions that are not supportable by observable market prices or rates. In determining the fair value, an earnings growth factor of 2.1% and a risk adjusted discount factor of 1.9% are used. If these inputs to the valuation model were 1.0% higher or lower, while all the other variables were held constant, the carrying amount of the shares would be affected by \$ 100.

The company has determined that no investments have incurred a significant or prolonged decline in their fair value, which constitutes objective evidence of impairment. As a result, an impairment loss of \$ nil has been recognized in net income for the year ended December 31, 2017 (2016 - \$ nil). Interest income on the impaired financial assets was \$ nil (2016 - \$ nil).

Maturity profile of bonds held is as follows:

	Within 1 year	2 to 5 years	6 to 10 years	Over 10 years	No fixed	Total
December 31, 2017						
Bankers acceptance - FVTPL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds - FVTPL	820,883	8,293,626	15,996,614	1,388,362	-	26,499,485
Equity investments	-	-	-	-	9,846,621	9,846,621
Mutual funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
FMFS pooled funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Demand loan	-	-	-	-	59,227	59,227
Fire mutual guarantee fund	-	-	-	-	15,451	15,451
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>\$ 820,883</u>	<u>\$ 8,293,626</u>	<u>\$ 15,996,614</u>	<u>\$ 1,388,362</u>	<u>\$ 9,921,299</u>	<u>\$ 36,420,784</u>
Percentage of total	2 %	23 %	44 %	4 %	27 %	100 %
December 31, 2016						
Bankers acceptance - FVTPL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds - FVTPL	1,077,811	9,952,488	13,223,752	1,830,810	-	26,084,861
Equity investments	-	-	-	-	8,641,017	8,641,017
Mutual funds	-	-	-	-	1,572,788	1,572,788
FMFS pooled funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fire mutual guarantee fund	-	-	-	-	57,403	57,403
Fire mutual guarantee fund	-	-	-	-	15,182	15,182
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>\$ 1,077,811</u>	<u>\$ 9,952,488</u>	<u>\$ 13,223,752</u>	<u>\$ 1,830,810</u>	<u>\$ 10,286,390</u>	<u>\$ 36,371,251</u>
Percentage of total	3 %	27 %	37 %	5 %	28 %	100 %

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**6. Investments (continued)**

Comparative figures show bonds and debentures at their carrying value as on the balance sheet. See the chart at the beginning of Note 6 for cost and fair values.

Shares, mutual funds and the Fire Mutuals Guarantee fund have no specific maturity. The effective interest rate of the bonds portfolio held is 2.75% and 2.24% at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

**7. Investment and Other Income**

<b>2017</b>	<b>FVTPL</b>	<b>HTM</b>	<b>Loans</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
Interest income	\$ 595,837	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 595,837
Dividend and other income	231,655	-	-	-	231,655
Interest expense	-	-	-	-	-
Investment expense	(151,125)	-	-	-	(151,125)
Net realized gains	57,004	-	-	-	57,004
Change in unrealized gains	333,328	-	-	-	333,328
Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	-	-	-	(136,602)	(136,602)
Rental income	-	-	-	6,000	6,000
Investment and other income	<u>\$ 1,066,699</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (130,602)</u>	<u>\$ 936,097</u>
<b>2016</b>	<b>FVTPL</b>	<b>HTM</b>	<b>Loans</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
Interest income	\$ 502,910	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 502,910
Dividend and other income	264,485	-	-	-	264,485
Interest expense	-	-	-	-	-
Investment expense	(185,493)	-	-	-	(185,493)
Net realized gains	307,093	-	-	-	307,093
Change in unrealized gains	331,362	-	-	-	331,362
Recovery of matured debenture	-	-	-	26,265	26,265
Investment and other income	<u>\$ 1,220,357</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26,265</u>	<u>\$ 1,246,622</u>

For the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company has determined that no investments have incurred a significant or prolonged decline in their fair value, which constitutes objective evidence of impairment. As a result, an impairment loss of \$ nil (2016 - \$ nil) has been recognized in net income. Dividend income on the impaired financial assets was \$ nil (2016 - \$ nil).

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**8. Property, Plant and Equipment**

	Land	Land Improvements	Buildings	Building - not available for use	Parking Lot	Office Equipment	Computers	Total
<b>Cost</b>								
Balance at January 1, 2016	\$ 120,000	\$ -	\$ 160,000	\$ -	\$ 31,500	\$ 88,279	\$ 116,028	\$ 515,807
Additions	68,000	-	272,963	1,764,183	-	13,908	8,050	2,127,104
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at December 31, 2016	<u>188,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>432,963</u>	<u>1,764,183</u>	<u>31,500</u>	<u>102,187</u>	<u>124,078</u>	<u>2,642,911</u>
Additions	-	31,766	1,946,144	-	143,512	224,722	25,846	2,371,990
Disposals	-	-	160,000	1,764,183	31,500	72,678	95,088	2,123,449
Balance at December 31, 2017	<u>\$ 188,000</u>	<u>\$ 31,766</u>	<u>\$ 2,219,107</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 143,512</u>	<u>\$ 254,231</u>	<u>\$ 54,836</u>	<u>\$ 2,891,452</u>
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>								
Balance at January 1, 2016	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38,400	\$ -	\$ 18,900	\$ 61,786	\$ 103,646	\$ 222,732
Depreciation expense	-	-	11,859	-	3,150	4,100	5,738	24,847
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at December 31, 2016	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,259</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,050</u>	<u>65,886</u>	<u>109,384</u>	<u>247,579</u>
Depreciation expense	-	1,367	88,765	-	9,567	25,423	10,539	135,661
Disposals	-	-	44,800	-	22,050	59,226	95,088	221,164
Balance at December 31, 2017	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,367</u>	<u>\$ 94,224</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 9,567</u>	<u>\$ 32,083</u>	<u>\$ 24,835</u>	<u>\$ 162,076</u>
Net book value								
December 31, 2016	<u>\$ 188,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 382,704</u>	<u>\$ 1,764,183</u>	<u>\$ 9,450</u>	<u>\$ 36,301</u>	<u>\$ 14,694</u>	<u>\$ 2,395,332</u>
December 31, 2017	<u>\$ 188,000</u>	<u>\$ 30,399</u>	<u>\$ 2,124,883</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 133,945</u>	<u>\$ 222,148</u>	<u>\$ 30,001</u>	<u>\$ 2,729,376</u>

The Company's land and building at 507 Main Street South, Exeter, Ontario were last valued at July 7, 2014. Land and buildings were subject to an external valuation performed by L.L. Otto of Otto & Company, a qualified professional valuer adhering to the generally accepted Standards of Professional Practice (CUSPAP) and the Code of Ethics of the Appraisal Institute of Canada. The fair value of the land and buildings is determined by discounting the expected cash flows of the properties based upon internal plans and assumptions and comparable market transactions. Had land and buildings not been accounted for using the revaluation model, on a historical cost basis, their net book values would have been \$ 220,968 and \$ 2,124,883 (2016 - \$ 220,968 and \$ 326,901).



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**9. Insurance Contracts**

(i) Due from reinsurers

	2017	2016
Balance - beginning of year	\$ -	\$ -
Submitted to reinsurer	768,152	1,669,530
Received from reinsurer	<u>(768,152)</u>	<u>(1,669,530)</u>
Balance - end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Expected settlement within one year	-	-
More than one year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

At year end, the Company reviewed the amounts owing from its reinsurer and determined that no allowance is necessary.

(ii) Reinsurers share of provision for unpaid claims

	2017	2016
Balance - beginning of year	\$ 808,965	\$ 784,400
New claims reserve	757,651	1,641,223
Change in prior year's reserve	(99,906)	52,872
Submitted to reinsurer	<u>(768,152)</u>	<u>(1,669,530)</u>
Balance - end of year	<u>\$ 698,558</u>	<u>\$ 808,965</u>
Expected settlement within one year	468,158	571,065
More than one year	<u>230,400</u>	<u>237,900</u>
	<u>\$ 698,558</u>	<u>\$ 808,965</u>

(iii) Deferred policy acquisition expenses

	2017	2016
Balance - beginning of year	\$ 544,582	\$ 502,084
Acquisition costs incurred	1,195,299	1,449,292
Expense recognized as a result of liability adequacy test	-	-
Expensed during the year	<u>(1,182,778)</u>	<u>(1,406,794)</u>
Balance - end of year	<u>\$ 557,103</u>	<u>\$ 544,582</u>

Deferred policy acquisition expense will be recognized as an expense within one year.

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**9. Insurance Contracts (continued)**

(iv) Unearned premiums (UEP)

	2017	2016
Balance - beginning of year	<u>\$ 3,515,483</u>	<u>\$ 3,234,832</u>
Premiums written	7,569,612	7,411,437
Premiums earned during year	<u>(7,496,730)</u>	<u>(7,130,786)</u>
Changes in UEP recognized in income	<u>72,882</u>	<u>280,651</u>
Balance - end of year	<u>\$ 3,588,365</u>	<u>\$ 3,515,483</u>

(v) The following is a summary of the insurance contract provisions and related reinsurance assets at December 31.

	December 31, 2017			December 31, 2016		
	Gross	Re- Insurance	Net	Gross	Re- Insurance	Net
Outstanding Claims Provision						
Long settlement term	\$ 387,820	\$ 230,400	\$ 157,420	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Short settlement term	1,872,944	468,158	1,404,786	2,484,485	808,965	1,675,520
Facility Association and other residential pools	<u>20,915</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,915</u>	<u>10,265</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,265</u>
	<u>2,281,679</u>	<u>698,558</u>	<u>1,583,121</u>	2,494,750	808,965	1,685,785
Provisions for claims incurred but not reported	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>700,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>700,000</u>
	<u>\$ 3,281,679</u>	<u>\$ 698,558</u>	<u>\$ 2,583,121</u>	<u>\$ 3,194,750</u>	<u>\$ 808,965</u>	<u>\$ 2,385,785</u>

(vi) Comments and assumptions for specific claims categories

The ultimate cost of long settlement general liability claims are difficult to predict for several reasons. Claims may not be reported until many years after a policy expires. Changes in the legal environment have created further complications. Court decisions and federal and provincial legislation may dramatically increase the liability between the time a policy is written and associated claims are ultimately resolved. For example, liability for exposure to toxic substances and environmental impairment, which did not appear likely or even exist when the policies were written, has been imposed by legislators and judicial interpretation. Tort liability has been expanded by some jurisdictions to cover defective workmanship. Provisions for such difficult-to-estimate liabilities are established by examining the facts of tendered claims and adjusted in the aggregate for ultimate loss expectations based upon historical experience patterns and current socioeconomic trends.

The Company must participate in industry automobile residual pools of business and recognizes a share of this business based on its automobile market share. The Company records its share of liabilities provided by the actuaries of the pools.

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**9. Insurance Contracts (continued)**

(vii) Claims and adjustment expenses

Changes in claim liabilities recorded in the balance sheet for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 and their impact on claims and adjustment expenses for the two years are as follows:

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
Unpaid claim liabilities - beginning of year - net of reinsurance	<b>\$ 2,385,785</b>	\$ 2,048,567
Increase (decrease) in estimated losses and expenses, for losses occurring in prior years	<b>(466,041)</b>	(682,449)
Provision for losses and expenses on claims occurring in the current year	<b>3,937,453</b>	3,366,400
Payment on claims:		
Current year	<b>(2,061,333)</b>	(1,755,444)
Prior year	<b>(1,212,743)</b>	(591,289)
Unpaid claims liabilities - end of year - net of reinsurance	<b><u>2,583,121</u></b>	<u>2,385,785</u>
Reinsurer's share and subrogation recoverable	<b><u>698,558</u></b>	<u>808,965</u>
	<b><u>\$ 3,281,679</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,194,750</u></b>

The change in estimate of losses occurring in prior years is due to changes arising from new information received.

(viii) Provision for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses

The determination of the provisions for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses and the related reinsurers' share requires the estimation of three major variables which are development of claims, reinsurance recoveries and future investment income.

The Superintendent of the Financial Services Commissions of Ontario has required that consideration of future investment income be disregarded except in the evaluation of automobile accident benefit claims.

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**9. Insurance Contracts (continued)**

(ix) Claim development

The estimation of claim development involves assessing the future behaviour of claims, taking into consideration the consistency of the Company's claim handling procedures, the amount of information available, the characteristics of the line of business from which the claim arises and historical delays in reporting claims. In general, the longer the term required for the settlement of a group of claims, the more variable the estimates. Short settlement term claims are those which are expected to be substantially paid within a year of being reported.

The tables that follow present the development of claims payments and the estimated ultimate cost of claims for the claim years 2008 to 2017. The upper half of the tables show the cumulative amounts paid or estimated to be paid during successive years related to each claim year. The original estimates will be increased or decreased as more information becomes known about the original claims and overall claim frequency and severity.

Gross Claims

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Total
Gross estimate of cumulative claims cost											
At the end year of claim	\$ 5,147,045	\$ 7,049,038	\$ 3,693,475	\$ 5,293,356	\$ 2,839,289	\$ 4,190,889	\$ 4,525,246	\$ 3,848,398	\$ 5,007,624	\$ 4,690,089	\$ -
One year later	5,117,454	5,514,486	3,576,722	4,946,289	1,985,675	3,524,062	3,820,738	3,195,511	4,632,097	-	-
Two years later	4,999,650	5,533,317	3,573,813	5,323,089	2,142,727	3,505,376	3,819,989	3,041,144	-	-	-
Three years later	5,133,510	5,539,822	3,496,495	5,115,349	1,990,727	3,505,376	3,843,641	-	-	-	-
Four years later	5,303,510	5,640,668	3,496,495	5,125,236	1,989,591	3,505,376	-	-	-	-	-
Five years later	5,306,304	5,480,609	3,496,495	5,150,099	1,989,591	-	-	-	-	-	-
Six years later	5,532,839	5,480,609	3,496,495	5,150,099	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seven years later	5,464,539	5,480,609	3,496,495	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eight years later	5,464,539	5,423,742	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nine years later	<u>5,464,539</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Current estimate of cumulative claims cost	5,464,539	5,423,742	3,496,495	5,150,099	1,989,591	3,505,376	3,843,641	3,041,144	4,632,097	4,690,089	41,236,813
Cumulative payments	<u>5,359,305</u>	<u>5,423,742</u>	<u>3,496,495</u>	<u>4,772,880</u>	<u>1,989,591</u>	<u>3,505,376</u>	<u>3,720,235</u>	<u>2,864,197</u>	<u>4,475,473</u>	<u>2,347,840</u>	<u>37,955,134</u>
Outstanding claims	105,234	-	-	377,219	-	-	123,406	176,947	156,624	2,342,249	3,281,679
Outstanding claims 2007 and prior	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Claims handling expense	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>382,825</u>
Total gross outstanding claims net of claims handling expense	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,898,854</u>

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(ix) Claim development (continued)

Net of reinsurance

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Total
Net estimate of cumulative claims cost											
At the end year of claim	\$ 4,123,910	\$ 2,804,071	\$ 2,768,033	\$ 2,841,106	\$ 2,681,114	\$ 3,692,595	\$ 3,437,350	\$ 2,953,079	\$ 3,366,400	\$ 3,937,453	\$ -
One year later	3,739,965	2,714,674	2,710,286	2,779,169	1,967,435	2,945,162	2,899,966	2,253,861	2,941,306	-	-
Two years later	3,627,103	2,710,455	2,704,764	3,020,970	2,124,487	2,926,014	2,899,218	2,240,881	-	-	-
Three years later	3,680,641	2,711,105	2,697,033	3,013,431	1,972,487	2,926,014	2,922,870	-	-	-	-
Four years later	3,697,641	2,794,822	2,697,033	3,023,318	1,971,351	2,926,014	-	-	-	-	-
Five years later	3,697,920	2,778,816	2,697,033	3,041,640	1,971,351	-	-	-	-	-	-
Six years later	3,968,074	2,788,816	2,697,033	3,039,390	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seven years later	3,883,273	2,778,816	2,697,033	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eight years later	3,883,273	2,721,949	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nine years later	3,890,773	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Current estimate of cumulative claims cost	3,890,773	2,721,949	2,697,033	3,039,390	1,971,351	2,926,014	2,922,870	2,240,881	2,941,306	3,937,453	29,289,020
Cumulative payments	3,853,040	2,721,949	2,697,033	2,827,321	1,971,351	2,926,014	2,799,464	2,063,934	2,784,460	2,061,333	26,705,899
Outstanding claims	37,733	-	-	212,069	-	-	123,406	176,947	156,846	1,876,120	2,583,121
Outstanding claims 2007 and prior	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Claims handling expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	382,825
Total net outstanding claims net of claims handling	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,200,296</u>

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**10. Pension Plan**

The Company makes contributions on behalf of its employees to "The Retirement Annuity Plan for Employees of the Ontario Mutual Insurance Association and Member Companies", which is a multi-employer plan. Each member company has signed an Ontario Mutual Insurance Association Pension Plan Agreement. Eligible employees participate in the defined benefit plan and sales agents participate in the defined contribution plan. The defined benefit plan specifies the amount of the retirement benefit to be received by the employee based on the number of years the employee has contributed and his/her final average earnings. The plan is accounted for as a defined contribution plan as insufficient information is available to account for the plan as a defined benefit plan. The Company is one of a number of employers that participates in the plan and the financial information provided to the Company on the basis of the contractual agreements is insufficient to reliably measure the Company's proportionate share in the plan assets and liabilities on defined benefit accounting requirements.

The Company matches the employee contributions and funds the excess defined benefit based on the Company's percentage of pensionable earnings as calculated by the Pension Plan actuaries. The Pension Plan agreement states that the Company is responsible for its share of any deficit as a result of any actuarial valuation or cost certificate. The minimum funding requirement is the solvency valuation amount determined by the Pension Plan actuary on the valuation dates prescribed by the Pensions Benefit Act. In the event of a wind-up, voluntary withdrawal or bankruptcy, either by the Company or the group as a whole, the Company is responsible for its portion of all expenses and deficit related to such.

During 2017, the amount contributed to the plan for current service was \$ 48,878 (2016 - \$ 39,440) and the amount contributed for solvency funded status deficit was \$ 44,425 (2016 - \$ 93,736). These amounts have been recognized in comprehensive income. The Company had a 0.6% share of the total contributions to the Plan in 2017.

An actuarial valuation of the Pension Plan as of December 31, 2016 showed a going concern surplus position. The next actuarial valuation to be filed under the Pension Benefit Act will be as of December 31, 2019.

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**11. Income Taxes**

The Company is subject to income taxes on that portion of its income derived from insuring other than farm related risks.

The significant components of tax expense included in comprehensive income are composed of:

	2017	2016
Current tax expense		
Based on current year taxable income	\$ 24,266	\$ 41,339
Adjustments for over/under provision in prior periods	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 24,266</u>	<u>\$ 41,339</u>
Deferred tax expense (recovery)		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	(21,956)	49,378
Reduction in tax rate	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>(21,956)</u>	<u>49,378</u>
<b>Total Income Tax Expense</b>	<u>\$ 2,310</u>	<u>\$ 90,717</u>

Reasons for the difference between current tax expense for the year and the expected income taxes based on the statutory tax rate of 26.50% (2016 - 26.50%) are as follows:

	2017	2016
Net income for the year before income taxes	<u>\$ 187,347</u>	<u>\$ 1,006,346</u>
Expected taxes based on the statutory rate of 26.50% (2016 - 26.50%)	49,647	266,682
Income from insuring farm related risks	(81,532)	(155,985)
Deductible portion of claims liabilities	3,194	8,058
Foreign non-business tax deduction	(5,100)	(4,592)
Market to market and other adjustments related to investments	53,770	(39,757)
Depreciation in excess of capital cost allowance	17,779	733
Non-deductible expenses	5,112	
Utilization of tax credits and losses carryforward	<u>(18,604)</u>	<u>(33,800)</u>
Total current income tax expense	<u>\$ 24,266</u>	<u>\$ 41,339</u>

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**11. Income Taxes (continued)**

The movement in the 2017 deferred tax liabilities and assets are:

	Opening Balance at January 1, 2017	Recognized in Net Income	Recognized in OCI	Recognized Directly in Equity	Reclassify from Equity to Net Income	Closing Balance at December 31, 2017
Deferred tax liabilities						
Property, plant and equipment	\$ 5,304	\$ (5,304)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other tax credits	31,879	(18,604)	-	-	-	13,275
Claims liabilities	<u>77,120</u>	<u>2,456</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>79,576</u>
Deferred tax liability	<u>\$ 114,303</u>	<u>\$ (21,452)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 92,851</u>
Deferred tax assets						
Property, plant and equipment	-	504	-	-	-	504
Claims liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other tax credits	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Deferred tax assets	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 504</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 504</u>
2017 net deferred tax movement	<u>\$ (114,303)</u>	<u>\$ 21,956</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (92,347)</u>

The movement in the 2016 deferred tax liabilities and assets are:

	Opening Balance at January 1, 2016	Recognized in net income	Recognized in OCI	Recognized Directly in Equity	Reclassify from Equity to Net Income	Closing Balance at December 31, 2016
Deferred tax liabilities						
Property, plant and equipment	\$ 4,798	\$ 506	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,304
Other tax credits	-	31,879	-	-	-	31,879
Claims liabilities	<u>60,127</u>	<u>16,993</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>77,120</u>
Deferred tax liability	<u>\$ 64,925</u>	<u>\$ 49,378</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 114,303</u>
Deferred tax assets						
Other tax credits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Claims liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Deferred tax assets	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
2016 net deferred tax asset movement	<u>\$ (64,925)</u>	<u>\$ (49,378)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (114,303)</u>



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**11. Income Taxes (continued)**

	<b>2017</b>	2016
Deferred tax liabilities		
Deferred tax liabilities to be settled within 12 months	\$ 79,576	\$ 77,120
Deferred tax liabilities to be settled after more than 12 months	<u>13,275</u>	<u>37,183</u>
	<u><b>\$ 92,851</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 114,303</b></u>
Deferred tax assets		
Deferred tax assets to be recovered within 12 months	-	-
Deferred tax assets to be recovered after more than 12 months	<u>504</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u><b>\$ 504</b></u>	<u><b>\$ -</b></u>
Net deferred tax liability	<u><b>\$ (92,347)</b></u>	<u><b>\$ (114,303)</b></u>

**12. Gross Claims and Adjustment Expenses**

Included in claims expenses were wage costs of \$ 71,463 (2016 - \$ 78,747).

**13. Related Party Transactions**

The Company entered into the following transactions with key management personnel, which are defined by IAS 24, Related Party Disclosures, as those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, including directors and management.

	<b>2017</b>	2016
Compensation		
Short-term employee benefits, wages and directors' fees	\$ 212,083	\$ 227,691
Premiums	<b>81,821</b>	62,381
Claims paid	<b>11,288</b>	33,102

Amounts owing to and from key management personnel at December 31, 2017 are \$ nil (2016 - \$ nil).

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**14. Capital Management**

The Company's objectives with respect to capital management are to maintain a capital base that is structured to exceed regulatory requirements and to best utilize capital allocations.

The regulators measure the financial strength of property and casualty insurers using a minimum capital test (MCT.) The regulators generally expect property and casualty companies to comply with capital adequacy requirements. This test compares a company's capital against the risk profile of the organization. The risk based capital adequacy framework assesses the risk of assets, policy liabilities and other exposures by applying various factors. The regulator indicates that the Company should produce a minimum MCT of 150%. During the year, the Company has consistently exceeded this minimum. The regulator has the authority to request more extensive reporting and can place restrictions on the Company's operations if the Company falls below this requirement as deemed necessary.

For the purpose of capital management, the Company has defined capital as members' surplus.

**15. Insurance Risk Management**

The principal risk the Company faces under insurance contracts is that the actual claims and benefit payments or the timing thereof, differ from expectations. This is influenced by the frequency of claims, severity of claims, actual benefits paid and subsequent development of long-term claims. Therefore, the objective of the Company is to ensure that sufficient reserves are available to cover these liabilities.

The above risk exposure is mitigated by diversification across a large portfolio of insurance. The variability of risks is also improved by careful selection and implementation of underwriting strategy guidelines, as well as the use of reinsurance arrangements.

The Company purchases reinsurance as part of its risks mitigation program. Retention limits for the excess-of-loss reinsurance vary by product line.

Amounts recoverable from reinsurers are estimated in a manner consistent with the outstanding claims provision and are in accordance with the reinsurance contracts. Although the Company has reinsurance arrangements, it is not relieved of its direct obligations to its policyholders and thus a credit exposure exists with respect to ceded insurance, to the extent that any reinsurer is unable to meet its obligations assumed under such reinsurance agreements.

The Company writes insurance primarily over a twelve month duration. The most significant risks arise through high severity, low frequency events such as natural disasters or catastrophes. A concentration of risk may arise from insurance contracts issued in a specific geographic location, since all insurance contracts are written in Ontario.

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**15. Insurance Risk Management (continued)**

The Company manages this risk via its underwriting and reinsurance strategy within an overall risk management framework. Exposures are limited by having documented underwriting limits and criteria. Pricing of property and liability policies are based on assumptions in regard to trends and past experience, in an attempt to correctly match policy revenue with exposed risk. Reinsurance is purchased to mitigate the effect of the potential loss to the Company. Reinsurance is placed with Farm Mutual Reinsurance Plan Inc. (FMRe), a Canadian registered reinsurer.

The Company follows a policy of underwriting and reinsuring contracts of insurance which, in the main, limit the liability of the Company to an amount on any one claim of \$ 330,000 (2016 - \$ 330,000) in the event of a property claim, an amount of \$ 125,000 (2016 - \$ 125,000) in the event of an auto claim and an amount of \$ 250,000 (2016 - \$ 250,000) in the event of a liability claim. There is no limit on liability of the Company to an amount on any one claim in the event of a farmer's accident claim (2016 - \$ 20,000). For amounts over the respective limits, there is an 80% retention to a specified maximum. The Company also obtained reinsurance which limits the Company's liability to \$ 990,000 (2016 - \$ 900,000) in the event of a series of claims arising out of a single occurrence. In addition, the Company has obtained stop loss reinsurance which limits the liability of all claims in a specific year to 100% of gross net earned premiums for property, automobile and liability.

The Company is exposed to a pricing risk to the extent that unearned premiums are insufficient to meet the related future policy costs. Evaluation is performed regularly to estimate future claims costs, related expenses and expected profit in relation to unearned premiums. The premium deficiency at December 31, 2017 was \$ 226,541 (2016 - \$ 211,646).

The risk associated with insurance contracts are complex and subject to a number of variables which complicate quantitative sensitivity analysis. The Company's various techniques, based on past claims development experience, quantify these sensitivities. This includes indicators such as average claim costs, amount of claims occurrence, expected loss ratios and claims development as described in Note 9.

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**15. Insurance Risk Management (continued)**

The provision for unpaid claims and accounts receivable from the company's reinsurer are categorized as follows:

Type of Unpaid Claim	2017		2016	
	Gross	Ceded	Gross	Ceded
Property	\$ 1,571,616	\$ 465,322	\$ 1,673,269	\$ 571,065
Liability	1,155,344	232,650	1,172,575	237,900
Automobile	529,804	586	335,688	-
Facility	20,915	-	10,265	-
Farmer's accident	<u>4,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,953</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 3,281,679</u>	<u>\$ 698,558</u>	<u>\$ 3,194,750</u>	<u>\$ 808,965</u>

Results of sensitivity testing based on expected loss ratios are as follows, shown gross and net of reinsurance as impact on pre-tax income:

	Property Claims		Farmers Accident		Liability Claims		Auto Claims		Facility Claims	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
5% increase in loss ratios										
Gross	\$ 287,335	\$ 286,677	\$ 1,556	\$ 1,614	\$ 47,791	\$ 46,842	\$ 40,932	\$ 34,903	\$ 865	\$ 526
Net	254,980	242,288	1,556	1,320	37,591	33,700	27,842	23,146	865	526
5% decrease in loss ratios										
Gross	(287,335)	(286,677)	(1,556)	(1,614)	(47,791)	(46,842)	(40,932)	(34,903)	(865)	(526)
Net	(254,980)	(242,288)	(1,556)	(1,320)	(37,591)	(33,700)	(27,842)	(23,146)	(865)	(526)

There have been no significant changes from the previous year in the exposure to risk or policies, procedures and methods used to measure the risk.

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### 16. Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a debtor fails to make payments of interest and principal when due. The Company is exposed to this risk related to its debt holdings in its investment portfolio and the reliance on reinsurers to make payment when certain loss conditions are met.

The Company's investment policy puts limits on the bond portfolio including portfolio composition limits, issuer type limits, bond quality limits, aggregate issuer limits, corporate sector limits and general guidelines for geographic exposure. The bond portfolio includes 79.98% (2016 - 91.03%) of bonds rated A or better. The Company's investment policy limits investments in bonds and debentures of the various ratings to limits ranging from 70% to 90% of the Company's portfolio. Funds should be invested in bonds and debentures of Federal, Provincial or Municipal Government and corporations rated A or better. All fixed income portfolios are measured for performance on a quarterly basis and monitored by management on a monthly basis.

Reinsurance is placed with Farm Mutual Reinsurance Plan Inc. (FMRe), a Canadian registered reinsurer. Management monitors the creditworthiness of FMRe by reviewing their annual financial statements and through ongoing communications. Reinsurance treaties are reviewed annually by management prior to renewal of the reinsurance contract.

Accounts receivable are short-term in nature, consisting of a large number of policyholders, and are not subject to material credit risk. Regular review of outstanding receivables is performed to ensure credit worthiness.

The maximum exposure to credit risk and concentration of this risk is outlined in Note 6.

There have been no significant changes from the previous year in the exposure to risk or policies, procedures and methods used to measure the risk.

### 17. Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of market factors. Market factors include three types of risk: currency risk, interest rate risk and equity risk.

The Company's investment policy operates within the guidelines of the Ontario Insurance Act. An investment policy is in place and its application is monitored by the Investment Committee and the Board of Directors. Diversification techniques are utilized to minimize risk. The policy limits the investment in equities to a maximum of 25% of the company's total assets and a 10% limit in any one company.

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**17. Market Risk (continued)**

(a) Currency Risk

Currency risk relates to the Company operating in different currencies and converting non-Canadian earnings at different points in time at different foreign exchange levels when adverse changes in foreign currency exchange rates occur.

The Company's foreign exchange risk is related to its stock and mutual fund holdings which are limited to United States equities in sectors which are not readily available in Canada. The Company limits its holdings in foreign equity to 25% (2016 - 15%) of the total investment portfolio in accordance with its investment policy. Foreign currency changes are monitored by the investment committee and holdings are adjusted when offside of the investment policy. A 1% change in the value of the United States dollar would affect the fair value of stocks by approximately \$ 82,300 (2016 - \$ 59,000) which would be reflected in comprehensive income. At year end, there was \$ 6,584,352 (2016 - \$ 4,407,896) in foreign currency investments held in the portfolio.

There have been no significant changes from the previous year in the policies, procedures and methods used to measure the risk.

(b) Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the potential for financial loss caused by fluctuations in fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments because of changes in market interest rates. The Company is exposed to this risk through its interest-bearing investments.

Historical data and current information are used to profile the ultimate claims settlement pattern by class of insurance, which is then used in a broad sense to develop an investment policy and strategy. However, because a significant portion of the Company's assets relate to its capital rather than liabilities, the value of its interest rate based assets exceeds its interest rate based liabilities. As a result, generally, the Company's investment income, as recognized on the statement of comprehensive income, will move with interest rates over the medium to long-term. There are no occurrences where interest would be charged on liabilities. Therefore, little protection is needed to ensure the fair market value of assets will be offset by a similar change in liabilities due to an interest rate change.

The objective and policies and procedures for managing interest rate risk is to manage the bond portfolio in such a way that the bonds are a portfolio laddered over 10 years. One tenth of the bond portfolio would come due each year and be reinvested. This protects the Company from fluctuations in the interest rates.

At December 31, 2017, a 1% move in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, could impact the market value of bonds by approximately \$ 1,489,000 (2016 - \$ 1,584,000). These changes would be recognized in comprehensive income.

There have been no significant changes from the previous year in the policies, procedures and methods used to measure the risk.

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**17. Market Risk (continued)**

(c) Equity Risk

Equity risk is the uncertainty associated with the valuation of assets arising from change in equity markets. The Company is exposed to this risk through its equity holdings within its investment portfolio.

The Company's portfolio includes Canadian stocks with fair values that move with the Toronto Stock Exchange Composite Index, United States stocks with fair values that move with the S&P 500 Index and international stocks that move with financial markets in Europe, Australia and Asia. A 10% movement in the stock markets with all other variables held constant would have an estimated effect on the fair value of the Company's Canadian common stocks and United States common stocks of approximately \$ 985,000 (2016 - \$ 864,000). For stocks that the Company did not sell during the period, the change would be recognized in the asset value and the statement of comprehensive income. For stocks that the company did sell during the period, the change during the period and changes prior to the period would be recognized as net realized gains in income during the period.

In accordance with its investment policy, the Company limits its holdings in equities to 25% of total assets and a 10% limit in any one company. The Company's investment policy limits investments in common shares to a maximum of 25% of the market value of the portfolio. Up to 7% of the investment portfolio may be invested in other investments, known as the "basket clause". Up to 2% (2016 - 0%) of the investment portfolio may be invested in investment real estate.

There have been no significant changes from the previous year in the policies, procedures and methods used to measure the risk.

**18. Liquidity Risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet all cash outflow obligations as they come due. The Company mitigates this risk by monitoring cash activities and expected outflows. Current liabilities arise as claims are made. There are no material liabilities that can be called unexpectedly at the demand of a lender or client. There are no material commitments for capital expenditures and there is no need for such expenditures in the normal course of business. Claim payments are funded by current operating cash flow including investment income.

In accordance with its investment policy, the Company limits its holdings in cash and short-term investments to a maximum of 5% of the market value of the portfolio. Short-term investments include treasury bills, commercial paper and term deposits with an original maturity of less than one year.

There have been no significant changes from the previous year in the exposure to risk or policies, procedures and methods used to measure the risk.

**19. Premium Deficiency**

In 2017, due to unfavourable experiences on a couple liability and auto claims, the premium deficiency liability on the balance sheet has increased (decreased) by \$ 14,895 (2016 - (\$ 82,250)) and a corresponding premium deficiency expense (recovery) has been recorded on the statement of income.

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**20. Comparative Figures**

Certain of the 2016 figures on the statement of financial position and statement of comprehensive income have been reclassified to conform to the 2017 financial statement presentation.