# 2011 INVESTOR BRIEFING

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#### CAPITAL POSITION

#### STRONG BALANCE SHEET MAINTAINED

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# Long term target range 1.45–1.5 times MCR

- At 31 December 2010:
  - Capital requirement was \$2.3bn
  - Group capital base of \$4.2bn
  - Equated to MCR of 1.81 times

# Dividend policy to pay 50–70% of cash earnings

Provides sufficient capital to allow growth and pursue bolt-on acquisitions

# Capital mix remains within targeted range

- 60–70% ordinary equity: 30–40% debt and hybrids
- At 31 December 2010, debt to total tangible capitalisation of 33%

# **Capital management initiatives**

- Continuing to consider options
- A number of factors at play



#### REINSURANCE

#### KEY ELEMENT OF CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

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## Resilient long term source of capital

- Longstanding relationships some for over 50 years
- Diversified panel of 30+ reinsurers with strong counter-party credit profile
- Continuing availability of reinsurance capital

### **Upwards pricing pressure**

- Sequence of recent peril events in Australia and New Zealand
- Other global events e.g. Japan earthquake and tsunami, US tornadoes
- Quantum of reinsurance rate increases uncertain
  - Main programme renews 1 January 2012

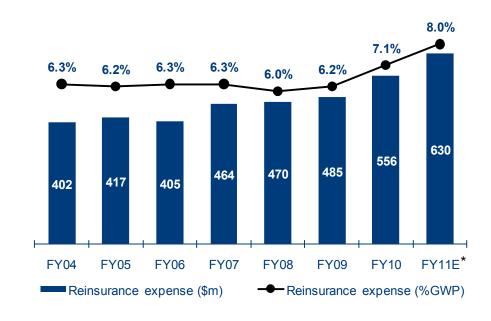
## **Primary rate increases being implemented**

- Price increases across all major businesses
- Modest adverse timing impact on margin in FY12



- Consistent reinsurance expense in recent years (as % of GWP)
- Uptick in FY10 mainly due to cost of ADC in UK
- Group reinsurance expense of c.\$500m (ex ADC) vs. GWP pool of nearly A\$8bn in FY10
- Large proportion of reinsurance expense relates to catastrophe cover
- Expected FY11 reinsurance expense of c.\$630m\*, or c.8% of GWP, including:
  - 2010 UK ADC cost
  - Main programme reinstatement costs
- Further increase in FY12 reinsurance expense expected

#### **GROUP REINSURANCE EXPENSE**





<sup>\*</sup> Prior to Christchurch earthquakes on 13 June 2011

### REINSURANCE

#### PROGRAMME STRUCTURE AND PERILS UPDATE

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#### Two main aspects to catastrophe cover

- Capital preservation main programme up to \$4.1bn
- Reduced earnings volatility lower level and subsequent event covers, including aggregate

# Potential changes to 2012 programme – renewed at 1 January 2012

Work with reinsurance partners to review options over next six months

### FY11 natural perils update (prior to Christchurch earthquakes on 13 June 2011)

- Net natural peril costs slightly higher than \$540m
- Approximately half of \$150m aggregate cover utilised
- Next event MER \$95m

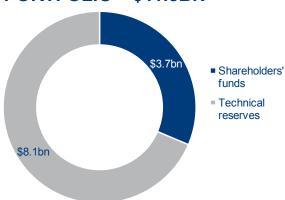


#### INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

#### CONSERVATIVE MIX AND HIGH CREDIT QUALITY

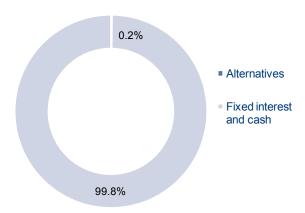
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# TOTAL INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO – \$11.8BN



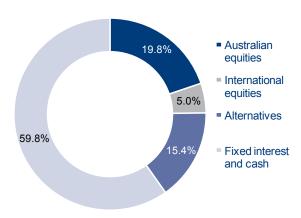
- Two distinct pools with different investment strategies:
  - Technical reserves backing insurance liabilities
  - -Shareholders' funds

#### **TECHNICAL RESERVES**



- Almost 100% fixed interest and cash
- Expect to maintain 100bps of return above risk free rate over medium term

#### SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS



- 40% growth assets intention to move to around 50%
- Over 15% of growth assets currently in alternatives, including global convertible bonds

