# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION <u>WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549</u> FORM 10-Q

## [X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

## FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED September 30, 2015 OR

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

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM \_\_\_\_\_\_TO \_\_\_\_\_TO \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File number 000-25001

<u>Federated National Holding Company</u> (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

65-0248866 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

14050 N.W. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 180, Sunrise, Florida 33323 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

800-293-2532

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes [X] No [ ]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has electronically submitted and posted on its corporate website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

## Yes [X] No [ ]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a nonaccelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer [ ] Accelerated filer [X] Non-accelerated filer [ ] Smaller reporting company [ ]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes [ ] No [X]

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Common Stock, \$.01 par value -14,230,890 outstanding as of November 3, 2015

# FEDERATED NATIONAL HOLDING COMPANY

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#### FEDERATED NATIONAL HOLDING COMPANY CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

	September 30, 201		<u>December 31, 2014</u>		
ASSETS		(Dollars in	Thousands)		
Investments					
Debt maturities, available for sale, at fair value	\$	341,915	\$	284,099	
Debt maturities, held to maturity, at amortized cost		6,387		7,417	
Equity securities, available for sale, at fair value		38,086		39,247	
Total investments		386,388		330,763	
Cash and short term investments		76,161		40,157	
Prepaid reinsurance premiums		95,470		54,502	
Premiums receivable, net of allowance for credit losses of \$312 and \$148, respectively		34,928		27,275	
Reinsurance recoverable, net		8,349		12,534	
Deferred policy acquisition costs		13,522		13,610	
Income taxes receivable		5,763		1,810	
Property, plant and equipment, net		2,753		1,749	
Other assets		10,973		7,231	
Contingent quota-share profit sharing				14,000	
Total assets	\$	634,307	\$	503,631	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Unpaid losses and LAE	\$	91,673	\$	78,330	
Unearned premiums		250,397		192,424	
Debt		5,000		-	
Premiums deposits and customer credit balances		11,265		7,381	
Deferred income taxes, net		4,815		1,341	
Claims payments outstanding		13,272		10,152	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		16,403		10,924	
Deferred quota-share profit sharing		-		10,500	
Total liabilities		392,825		311,052	
Shareholders' equity:					
Common stock, \$0.01 par value. Authorized 25,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 13,773,130 and 13,632,414, respectively		138		136	
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value. Authorized 1,000,000 shares; none issued or outstanding		-		-	
Additional paid-in capital		131,203		127,302	
Accumulated other comprehensive income Unrealized net gains on investments, available for sale		4,838		7,718	
Total accumulated other comprehensive income		4,838		7,718	
Retained earnings		87,188		57,423	
Total Federated National Holding Company equity Non-controlling interest ("NCI")		223,367 18,115		192,579	
Total shareholders' equity		241,482		192,579	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	634,307	\$	503,631	
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#### FEDERATED NATIONAL HOLDING COMPANY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months	Ended September 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2015	<u>2014</u> s in Thousands)	2015	<u>2014</u> Thousands)		
Revenue:	(Donar	s III Thousands)	(Donars in	Thousanus)		
Gross premiums written	\$ 129,840	\$ 92,032	\$ 368,561	\$ 280,487		
Gross premiums ceded	(119,985)	(129,298)	(231,046)	(179,137)		
Net premiums written	9,855	(37,266)	137,515	101,350		
Increase in prepaid reinsurance premiums	70,018	80,013	76,756	86,900		
Increase in unearned premiums	(17,587)	(8,229)	(57,973)	(58,295)		
Net change in prepaid reinsurance premiums and unearned premiums	52,431	71,784	18,783	28,605		
Net premiums earned	62,286	34,518	156,298	129,955		
Commission income	1,863	1,173	4,296	3,350		
Finance revenue	425	392	1,322	1,051		
Direct written policy fees	2,782	2,238	7,887	6,417		
Net investment income	1,907	1,450	5,154	3,758		
Net realized investment gains	1,126	659	3,743	4,047		
Other income	2,210	970	4,548	1,540		
Quota-share profit sharing, net		1,750	3,077	1,750		
Total revenue	72,599	43,150	186,325	151,868		
Expenses:						
Losses and LAE	28,412	15,126	75,510	60,476		
Operating and underwriting expenses	11,769	6,732	24,887	14,600		
Salaries and wages	7,940	4,022	18,091	10,520		
Policy acquisition costs	6,788	5,815	16,938	23,095		
Interest expense	65		152			
Total expenses	54,974	31,695	135,578	108,691		
Income before provision for income tax expense	17,625	11,455	50,747	43,177		
Provision for income tax expense	7,054	4,228	19,519	15,973		
Income before NCI	10,571	7,227	31,228	27,204		
NCI	(22)	<u> </u>	(383)	<u> </u>		
Net income attributable to Federated National Holding Company common						
stockholders	\$ 10,593	\$ 7,227	\$ 31,611	\$ 27,204		
Net income per share - basic	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.57	\$ 2.31	<u>\$ 2.35</u>		
Net income per share - diluted	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.56	<u>\$ 2.26</u>	<u>\$ 2.28</u>		
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - basic	13,749,394	12,624,746	13,709,605	11,562,709		
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Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - diluted	13,976,709	12,956,407	13,978,381	11,934,057		
Dividends paid per share	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.09		

## FEDERATED NATIONAL HOLDING COMPANY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	<u>Three Months Ended September 30,</u> <u>2015</u> <u>2014</u> (Dollars in Thousands)			<u>Nine Months Ended S</u> 2015 (Dollars in The			<u>2014</u>	
Income before NCI	\$	10,571	\$	7,227	\$	31,228	\$	27,204
Change in net unrealized (losses) gains on investments available for sale		(2,671)		(1,883)		(4,681)		359
Comprehensive income before tax		7,900		5,344		26,547		27,563
Income tax benefit (expense) related to items of other comprehensive income		1,083		615		1,734		(229)
Comprehensive income		8,983		5,959		28,281		27,334
Less: Comprehensive income attributable to NCI		(17)				(494)		
Comprehensive income attributable to FNHC	\$	8,966	\$	5,959	\$	27,787	\$	27,334

#### FEDERATED NATIONAL HOLDING COMPANY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

	Nine Months Ended September 2015 2014			<u>ember 30,</u> 2014
		(Dollars in '	Thousa	nds)
Cash flow from operating activities:				
Income before non-controlling interest	\$	31,228	\$	27,204
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Amortization of investment premium or discount, net		3,795		2,909
Depreciation and amortization of property plant and equipment, net		495		334
Net realized investment gains		(3,743)		(4,047)
Non-cash compensation		2,903		72
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Premiums receivable, net		(7,653)		(5,698)
Prepaid reinsurance premiums		(40,967)		(31,610)
Reinsurance recoverable, net		4,186		(6,494)
Income taxes recoverable		(3,953)		(2,130)
Deferred income tax expense, net of other comprehensive income		5,277		2,741
Policy acquisition costs, net of amortization		88		5,728
Other assets		(3,742)		(1,941)
Contingent quota-share profit sharing		3,500		(1,750)
Unpaid losses and LAE		13,343		12,093
Unearned premiums		57,973		58,295
Cash received from other entitie's debt instrument		5,000		-
Premium deposits and customer credit balances Income taxes payable		3,884		3,261 (2,379)
Claims payments outstanding		3,120		979
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		5,480		1,158
Net cash provided by operating activities		80,214		58,725
Cash flow used by investing activities:		00,211		50,725
Proceeds from sale of investment securities		134,918		65,869
Purchases of investment securities available for sale		(195,278)		(162,864)
Purchases of property and equipment		(1,500)		(1,074)
Net cash used by investing activities		(61,860)		(98,069)
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Cash flow provided by financing activities:	¢	120	¢	1 422
Exercised stock options	\$	130	\$	1,433
Dividends paid		(1,847)		(1,038)
Non-controlling interest investment in affiliate Issuance of common stock		18,498		-
Tax benefit related to non-cash compensation		- 869		43,116
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Net cash provided by financing activities		17,650		43,824
Net increase in cash and short term investments		36,004		4,480
Cash and short term investments at beginning of period		40,157		41,446
Cash and short term investments at end of period	\$	76,161	\$	45,926

#### FEDERATED NATIONAL HOLDING COMPANY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

(continued)	<u>N</u>	<u>Vine Months End</u> 2015 (Dollars in	*	<u>2014</u>
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		× ×		,
Cash paid during the period for: Income taxes	\$	15.662	\$	18,185
Non-cash investing and finance activities:	¥	10,002	<u>Ψ</u>	10,100
Accrued dividends payable	<u>\$</u>	712	\$	350

## (1) Organization and Business

In this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, "FNHC" and the terms "Company", "we", "us" and "our" refer to Federated National Holding Company and its subsidiaries, unless the context indicates otherwise.

FNHC is an insurance holding company that controls substantially all steps in the insurance underwriting, distribution and claims processes through our subsidiaries and our contractual relationships with our independent agents and general agents.

We are authorized to underwrite, and/or place through our wholly owned subsidiaries, homeowners' multi-peril ("homeowners"), commercial general liability, federal flood, personal auto and various other lines of insurance in Florida and various other states. We market and distribute our own and third-party insurers' products and our other services through a network of independent agents.

Our wholly owned insurance subsidiary is Federated National Insurance Company ("FNIC") and is licensed as an admitted carrier in Florida. An admitted carrier is an insurance company that has received a license from the state department of insurance giving the company the authority to write specific lines of insurance in that state. These companies are also bound by rate and form regulations, and are strictly regulated to protect policyholders from a variety of illegal and unethical practices, including fraud. Admitted carriers are also required to financially contribute to the state guarantee fund, which is used to pay for losses if an insurance carrier becomes insolvent or unable to pay the losses due their policyholders. Through contractual relationships with a network of approximately 3,900 independent agents, of which approximately 2,500 actively sell and service our products. FNIC operates in several states authorized to write various lines of business.

The table below reflects the states and lines of business that FNIC operates in as of September 30, 2015.

			Commercial		
	Fire	Allied Lines	Passenger Automobile	Homeowners' Multiperil	General Liability
Florida (Domestic)	а	а	а	а	а
Alabama	d	d	d	а	с
Georgia	-	-	а	-	с
Louisiana	-	-	-	а	с
South Carolina	-	-	-	b	-
Texas	-	-	а	b	с

a Ongoing operations for more than one year

b Ongoing operations for less than one year

c Working with state to discontinue line of authority

d Licensed, but no current operations

Non-Florida commercial general liability operations have not been material to the Company's overall operations. Although FNIC has underwritten commercial general liability insurance in those states, the Company has decided to wind-down its commercial general liability operations in Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas, resulting in no new premium for this particular line of business. FNIC continues to underwrite commercial general liability operations in Florida.

FNIC is licensed as a non-admitted carrier in Missouri and Nevada and can underwrite commercial general liability insurance in these states. Currently, we do not have any operations in these states. A non-admitted carrier, sometimes referred to as an "excess and surplus lines" carrier, is permitted to do business in a state and, although it is strictly regulated to protect policyholders from a variety of illegal and unethical practices, including fraud, non-admitted carriers are subject to considerably less regulation with respect to policy rates and forms. Non-admitted carriers are not

required to financially contribute to and benefit from the state guarantee fund, which is used to pay for losses if an insurance carrier becomes insolvent or unable to pay the losses due their policyholders.

The Company has entered into a joint venture to organize Monarch National Insurance Company ("MNIC"), which received its certificate of authority to write homeowners' property and casualty insurance in Florida from the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation (the "Florida OIR") on March 19, 2015. The Company's joint venture partners are a majority-owned limited partnership of Crosswinds Holdings Inc., f/k/a C.A. Bancorp Inc., a publicly traded Canadian private equity firm and asset manager ("Crosswinds"); and Transatlantic Reinsurance Company ("TransRe").

The Company and Crosswinds have each invested \$14.0 million in Monarch Delaware Holdings LLC ("Monarch Delaware"), the indirect parent company of MNIC, for a 42.4% interest in Monarch Delaware (each holding 50% of the voting interests in Monarch Delaware). TransRe has invested \$5.0 million for a 15.2% non-voting interest in Monarch Delaware and has advanced an additional \$5.0 million in debt evidenced by a six-year promissory note bearing 6% annual interest payable by Monarch National Holding Company ("MNHC"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Monarch Delaware and the direct parent company of MNIC.

In connection with the organization of MNIC, the parties entered into a Managing General Agent and Claims Administration Agreement (the "Monarch MGA Agreement") dated March 17, 2015, with FedNat Underwriters, Inc. ("FNU"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, pursuant to which FNU provides underwriting, accounting, reinsurance placement and claims administration services to Monarch. For its services under the Monarch MGA Agreement, FNU will receive 4% of MNIC's total written annual premium, excluding acquisition expenses payable to agents, for FNU's managing general agent services; 3.6% of MNIC's total earned annual premium for FNU's claims administration services; and a per-policy administrative fee of \$25 for each policy underwritten for MNIC. The Company will also receive an annual expense reimbursement for accounting and related services.

On October 20, 2015, the Florida OIR approved the filing made by FNIC to comply with the cease and desist order dated May 19, 2015 to enable the Florida OIR to review and approve FNIC's analytic models. On October 21, 2015, the Florida OIR rescinded the cease and desist order based upon its approval of the Company's filing.

Pending approval of its underwriting analytics, FNIC used its current filed and approved rule-based underwriting to manage all new and existing business since early June 2015. Prior to this change, the average weekly new premium written was approximately \$3.3 million. Since discontinuing the use of the underwriting analytics, the average weekly new premium written during the next seven weeks increased to \$4.9 million, a 48% increase. Since that peak, the average written premium returned to an anticipated \$3.3 million level. The Company does not believe that the additional written premium will have a material impact on the Company's results of operations.

We previously entered into a Coexistence Agreement effective August 30, 2013 (the "Coexistence Agreement") with Federated Mutual Insurance Company ("Federated Mutual") pursuant to which, among other things, we may continue to use "Federated" until at least August 30, 2020, after which time we have agreed to either cease using "Federated" in commerce or otherwise adopt and use trade names that are not confusingly similar to Federated Mutual's trademarks. We continue to develop our brand under the "FedNat" name, which is the name by which agents generally know us.

As of September 30, 2014, we had satisfied all applicable conditions of the Consent Order we entered into in January 2011 (the "Consent Order") with the Florida OIR in connection with the merger of FNIC into American Vehicle Insurance Company ("American Vehicle"). As of the date of this Report, the only operational restriction that remains in effect is a requirement to obtain Florida OIR approval prior to writing commercial multi-peril business or any new commercial property business, including condo associations, under any other line of business for which FNIC is authorized.

During the three months ended September 30, 2015, 91.6%, 2.6%, 3.8% and 2.0% of the premiums we underwrote were for homeowners', commercial general liability, automobile insurance, and federal flood, respectively. During the three months ended September 30, 2015, \$28.6 million or 24.1% of the \$118.9 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under Ivantage Select Agency, Inc. ("ISA"), an affiliate of Allstate Insurance Company, that grants Allstate agents the authority to offer certain FNIC products. The \$9.6

million increased homeowners' premiums we underwrote under ISA represents 27.0% of the \$35.6 million increased total homeowners' premiums we underwrote during the three months ended September 30, 2015. During the three months ended September 30, 2014, \$19.0 million or 22.8% of the \$83.3 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under ISA. This network of agents began writing for FNIC in March 2013. During the three months ended September 30, 2014, 90.5%, 3.4%, 2.5% and 3.6% of the premiums we underwrote were for homeowners', commercial general liability, federal flood, and automobile insurance, respectively.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, 92.3%, 3.0%, 2.9% and 1.8% of the premiums we underwrote were for homeowners', commercial general liability, automobile insurance, and federal flood, respectively. During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, \$75.7 million or 22.2% of the \$340.2 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under ISA. The \$26.3 million increased homeowners' premiums we underwrote under ISA represents 31.2% of the \$84.3 million increased total homeowners' premiums we underwrote during the nine months ended September 30, 2015. During the nine months ended September 30, 2015. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, \$49.4 million or 19.3% of the \$255.9 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under ISA. This network of agents began writing for FNIC in March 2013. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, 91.2%, 3.4%, 2.2% and 3.2% of the premiums we underwrote were for homeowners', commercial general liability, federal flood, and automobile insurance, respectively.

Our business, results of operations and financial condition are subject to fluctuations due to a variety of factors. Abnormally high severity or frequency of claims in any period could have a material adverse effect on us. When our estimated liabilities for unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses ("LAE") are less than the actuarially determined amounts, we increase the expense in the current period. Conversely, when our estimated liabilities for unpaid losses and LAE are greater than the actuarially determined amounts, we decrease the expense in the current period.

We are focusing our marketing efforts on continuing to expand our distribution network while maintaining our commitment to long-term relationships. We market our products and services throughout Florida and in other states by establishing relationships with additional independent agents and general agents. There can be no assurance, however, that we will be able to obtain the required regulatory approvals to offer additional insurance products or expand into other states.

FNU, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, acts as FNIC's and MNIC's exclusive managing general agent and is also licensed as a managing general agent in the States of Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Nevada, South Carolina and Texas. FNU is an appointed Lloyds of London coverholder to write homeowners' multi peril insurance in Florida on an excess and surplus lines basis and has contracted with other unaffiliated insurance companies to sell personal umbrella coverage through FNU's existing network of agents. Operations for Lloyds of London commenced in the third quarter of this year.

FNU earns commissions and fees for providing policy administration, marketing, accounting and analytical services, and for participating in the negotiation of reinsurance contracts. FNU earns a per policy fee which ranges from \$25 to \$55 and a commission fee from its affiliate, FNIC and MNIC, which totaled 4% during the three months ended September 30, 2015. The Florida OIR periodically reviews our managing general agent's fee structure to ensure that it is neither excessive nor inadequate to operate.

We internally process claims made by our insureds through our wholly owned claims adjusting company, Federated National Adjusting, Inc. ("FNA"). Our agents have no authority to settle claims or otherwise exercise control over the claims process. Furthermore, we believe that the retention of independent adjusters, in addition to the employment of salaried claims personnel, results in reduced ultimate loss payments, lower LAE and improved customer service for our claimants and policyholders. We also employ an in-house litigation management team to cost effectively manage claims-related litigation and to monitor our claims handling practices for efficiency and regulatory compliance.

During 2014, the Florida OIR approved an application to allow the claims administration operations of FNA to be assumed by FNU. Under the amended managing general agency agreement between FNU and FNIC, FNU will provide the same claims administration services. The combination of these services in FNU had no effect

on consolidated net income.

Insure-Link, Inc. ("Insure-Link") is our independent insurance agency. The insurance agency markets direct to the public to provide a variety of insurance products and services to individual clients, as well as business clients, by offering a full line of insurance products including, but not limited to, homeowners', flood, personal and commercial automobile, commercial general liability, workers' compensation, boat and recreational vehicle and personal articles and jewelry insurance through their agency appointments with over one hundred different carrier relationships.

## (2) Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the Company and its majority-owned subsidiaries and its consolidated variable interest entity ("VIE") have been prepared in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") for interim financial information, and the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") rules for interim financial reporting. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. However, in the opinion of management, the accompanying financial statements reflect all normal recurring adjustments necessary to present fairly the Company's financial position as of September 30, 2015 and the results of operations and cash flows for the periods presented.

The results of operations for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected for any subsequent interim period or for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015. The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014 included in the Company's Form 10-K, which was filed with the SEC on March 16, 2015.

In preparing the interim unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements, management was required to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and related disclosures at the financial reporting date and throughout the periods being reported upon. Certain of the estimates result from judgments that can be subjective and complex and consequently actual results may differ from these estimates.

All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

## (3) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Practices

#### (A) Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions about future events that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Future events and their effects cannot be determined with absolute certainty. Therefore, the determination of estimates requires the exercise of judgment. Actual results inevitably will differ from those estimates, and such differences may be material to the financial statements.

The most significant accounting estimates inherent in the preparation of our financial statements include estimates associated with management's evaluation of the determination of (i) liability for unpaid losses and LAE, (ii) the amount and recoverability of amortization of DPAC, and (iii) estimates for our reserves with respect to finance contracts, premiums receivable and deferred income taxes. Various assumptions and other factors underlie the determination of these significant estimates, which are described in greater detail in Footnote 2 of the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014, which we included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K which was filed with the SEC on March 16, 2015.

We believe that there were no significant changes in those critical accounting policies and estimates during the nine months ended September 30, 2015. Senior management has reviewed the development and selection of our

critical accounting policies and estimates and their disclosure in this Form 10-Q with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors.

The process of determining significant estimates is fact-specific and takes into account factors such as historical experience, current and expected economic conditions, and in the case of unpaid losses and LAE, an actuarial valuation. Management regularly reevaluates these significant factors and makes adjustments where facts and circumstances dictate. In selecting the best estimate, we utilize various actuarial methodologies. Each of these methodologies is designed to forecast the number of claims we will be called upon to pay and the amounts we will pay on average to settle those claims. In arriving at our best estimate, our actuaries consider the likely predictive value of the various loss development methodologies employed in light of underwriting practices, premium rate changes and claim settlement practices that may have occurred, and weight the credibility of each methodology. Our actuarial methodologies take into account various factors, including, but not limited to, paid losses, liability estimates for reported losses, paid allocated LAE, salvage and other recoveries received, reported claim counts, open claim counts and counts for claims closed with and without payment for loss.

We are required to review the contractual terms of all our reinsurance purchases to ensure compliance with U.S. GAAP, which establishes the conditions required for a contract with a reinsurer to be accounted for as reinsurance and prescribes accounting and reporting standards for those contracts. Contracts that do not result in the reasonable possibility that the reinsurer may realize a significant loss from the insurance risk assumed generally do not meet the conditions for reinsurance accounting and must be accounted for as deposits. The guidance also requires us to disclose the nature, purpose and effect of reinsurance transactions, including the premium amounts associated with reinsurance assumed and ceded. It also requires disclosure of concentrations of credit risk associated with reinsurance receivables and prepaid reinsurance premiums.

Investments classified as held-to-maturity include debt securities wherein the Company's intent and ability are to hold the investment until maturity and are carried at amortized cost without consideration to unrealized gains or losses. Investments classified as trading securities include debt and equity securities bought and held primarily for sale in the near term and are carried at fair value with unrealized holding gains and losses included in current period operations. Investments classified as available-for-sale include debt and equity securities that are not classified as held-to-maturity or as trading security investments and are carried at fair value with unrealized holding gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported as a separate component of shareholders' equity, namely "Other Comprehensive Income".

A decline in the fair value of an available-for-sale security below cost that is deemed other-than-temporary results in a charge to income, resulting in the establishment of a new cost basis for the security. Premiums and discounts are amortized or accreted, respectively, over the life of the related debt security as an adjustment to yield using a method that approximates the effective interest method. Dividends and interest income are recognized when earned. Realized gains and losses are included in earnings and are derived using the specific-identification method for determining the cost of securities sold.

Financial instruments, which potentially expose us to concentrations of credit risk, consist primarily of investments, premiums receivable, amounts due from reinsurers on paid and unpaid losses and finance contracts. We have not experienced significant losses related to premiums receivable from individual policyholders or groups of policyholders in a particular industry or geographic area. We believe no credit risk beyond the amounts provided for collection losses is inherent in our premiums receivable or finance contracts. In order to reduce credit risk for amounts due from reinsurers, we seek to do business with financially sound reinsurance companies and regularly review the financial strength of all reinsurers used. Additionally, our credit risk in connection with our reinsurers is frequently mitigated by the establishment of irrevocable clean letters of credit in favor of FNIC.

The fair value of our investments is estimated based on prices published by financial services or quotations received from securities dealers and is reflective of the interest rate environment that existed as of the close of business on September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014. Changes in interest rates subsequent to September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 may affect the fair value of our investments.

The carrying amounts for the following financial instrument categories approximate their fair values at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 because of their short-term nature: cash and short-term investments, premiums receivable, finance contracts, due from reinsurers, revolving credit outstanding, claims payments outstanding, accounts payable and accrued expenses.

#### (B) Impact of New Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2015, the FASB issued Accounting Standard Update ("ASU") 2015-09, Financial Services -Insurance (Topic 944): Disclosures about Short-Duration-Contracts. The amendments in this ASU apply to all insurance entities that issue short-duration contracts as defined in Topic 944, Financial Services-Insurance. The amendments require insurance entities to disclose for annual reporting periods the following information about the liability for unpaid claims and claim adjustment expenses: (1) Incurred and paid claims development information by accident year, on a net basis after risk mitigation through reinsurance, for the number of years for which claims incurred typically remain outstanding (that need not exceed 10 years, including the most recent reporting period presented in the statement of financial position). Each period presented in the disclosure about claims development that precedes the current reporting period is considered to be supplementary information. (2) A reconciliation of incurred and paid claims development information to the aggregate carrying amount of the liability for unpaid claims and claim adjustment expenses, with separate disclosure of reinsurance recoverable on unpaid claims for each period presented in the statement of financial position. (3) For each accident year presented of incurred claims development information, the total of incurred-but-not-reported liabilities plus expected development on reported claims included in the liability for unpaid claims and claim adjustment expenses, accompanied by a description of reserving methodologies (as well as any changes to those methodologies). (4) For each accident year presented of incurred claims development information, quantitative information about claim frequency (unless it is impracticable to do so) accompanied by a qualitative description of methodologies used for determining claim frequency information (as well as any changes to these methodologies). (5) For all claims except health insurance claims, the average annual percentage payout of incurred claims by age (that is, history of claims duration) for the same number of accident years as presented in (3) and (4) above. The amendments in this ASU are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016. Because the new guidance does not affect the existing recognition or measurement guidance, the adoption is not expected to have any effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In February 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-02, Consolidation (Topic 810): Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis ("ASU 2015-02"). ASU 2015-02 amends the consolidation requirements and significantly changes the consolidation analysis required. The amendments in this ASU affect reporting entities that are required to evaluate whether they should consolidate certain legal entities. All legal entities are subject to reevaluation under the revised consolidation model. Specifically, the amendments: (i) modify the evaluation of whether limited partnership and similar legal entities are VIEs ,(ii) eliminate the presumption that a general partner should consolidate a limited partnership, (iii) affect the consolidation analysis of reporting entities that are involved with VIEs particularly those that have fee arrangements and related party relationships, and (iv) provide a scope exception from consolidation guidance for reporting entities with interests in legal entities that are required to comply with or operate in accordance with requirements that are similar to those in Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Act of 1940 for registered money market funds. The amendments in this ASU are effective for annual periods and interim periods within those annual periods beginning after December 15, 2015, and, earlier adoption is permitted. The adoption of the amendments in this ASU will not have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Other recent accounting pronouncements issued by FASB, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("AICPA"), and the SEC did not or are not believed by management to have a material impact on the Company's present or future financial statements.

#### (C) Stock Options

Pursuant to FASB issued guidance, compensation cost recognized during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 includes compensation cost for all share-based payments granted subsequent to January 1, 2006, based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with the guidance.

## **(D)** Earnings per Share

Basic earnings per share ("Basic EPS") is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period presented. Diluted earnings per share ("Diluted EPS") is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares of common stock and common stock equivalents outstanding during the period presented.

## (E) Adjustments

In conjunction with our third quarter 2015 analysis of actual experience to date under the July 1, 2014 quota share reinsurance contract, we re-evaluated the accounting treatment for quota share reinsurance contracts with retrospective rating provisions. As a result of this re-evaluation, we have concluded reinsurance contracts which have retrospective rating provisions should be accounted for under Accounting Standards Codification 944, *Financial Services — Insurance* ("ASC 944"), where amounts due to (from) the assuming companies are accrued based on estimated contract experience to date as though the contracts were terminated. The adjustment to the accounting treatment related to reinsurance contracts with retrospective rated provisions resulted in the following changes:

- (a) We eliminated recording of future estimated quota share profits in one line item, "Quota Share Profit Sharing," in the financial statements.
- (b) Amounts due to (from) the assuming companies have been accrued based on actual contract experience to date as though the contracts were terminated. These accruals impacted the following income statement line items: gross ceded premiums, loss and loss adjustment expenses, and deferred policy acquisition costs.

The adjustments to our accounting for the July 1, 2014 quota share reinsurance treaty, inclusive of other adjustments, are not material in any prior quarter or annual period based on an analysis of quantitative and qualitative factors in accordance with SEC Guidance.

As a result, we recorded these adjustments during the third quarter of 2015. These adjustments increased net income by \$2.2 million for the three and nine month periods ended on September 30, 2015.

Additionally, the quota share reinsurance accounting adjustments impacted the following income statement line items for the three and nine month periods ended on September 30, 2015:

- Gross ceded premiums decreased by \$10.9 million,
- Loss and loss adjustment expenses increased by \$4.5 million, and
- Deferred acquisition costs increased by \$1.5 million.

Finally, the quota share reinsurance accounting adjustments impacted the following balance sheet line items for the three and nine month periods ended on September 30, 2015:

- Prepaid reinsurance premiums increased by \$10.9 million,
- Reinsurance recoverable, net decreased by \$4.5 million, and
- Deferred policy acquisition costs decreased by \$1.5 million.
- The \$14 million balance previously reported under Contingent quota-share profit sharing has been reclassed to the prepaid reinsurance premiums line item

• The \$7 million balance previously reported under Deferred quota-share profit sharing has been reclassed to the reinsurance recoverable, net line item

#### (4) Commitments and Contingencies

Management has a responsibility to continually measure and monitor its commitments and its contingencies. The nature of the Company's commitments and contingencies can be grouped into three major categories: insured claim activity, assessment related activities and operational matters.

## (A) Insured Claim Activity

We are involved in claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. The amount of liability for these claims and lawsuits is uncertain. Revisions to our estimates are based on our analysis of subsequent information that we receive regarding various factors, including: (i) per claim information; (ii) company and industry historical loss experience; (iii) legislative enactments, judicial decisions, legal developments in the awarding of damages; and (iv) trends in general economic conditions, including the effects of inflation. Management revises its estimates based on the results of its analysis. This process assumes that experience, adjusted for the effects of current developments and anticipated trends, is an appropriate basis for estimating the ultimate settlement of all claims. There is no precise method for subsequently evaluating the impact of any specific factor on the adequacy of the reserves, because the eventual redundancy or deficiency is affected by multiple factors. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these matters may have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations, or liquidity.

The Company's subsidiaries are, from time to time, named as defendants in various lawsuits incidental to their insurance operations. Legal actions relating to claims made in the ordinary course of seeking indemnification for a loss covered by the insurance policy are considered by the Company in establishing loss and LAE reserves.

The Company also faces, in the ordinary course of business, lawsuits that seek damages beyond policy limits. The Company continually evaluates potential liabilities and reserves for litigation of these types. Reserves for a loss are recorded if the likelihood of occurrence is probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated. If a loss, while not probable, is judged to be reasonably possible, management will make an estimate of a possible range of loss or state that an estimate cannot be made. Management considers each legal action using this guidance and records reserves for losses as warranted.

#### (B) Assessment Related Activity

We operate in a regulatory environment where certain entities and organizations have the authority to require us to participate in assessments. Currently these entities and organizations include, but are not limited to, Florida Insurance Guaranty Association ("FIGA"), Citizens Property Insurance Corporation ("Citizens"), Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund ("FHCF") and Florida Joint Underwriters Insurance Association ("JUA"). As a direct premium writer in the state of Florida, we are required to participate in certain insurer solvency associations under Florida Statutes Section 631.57(3) (a), administered by FIGA.

FNIC is also required to participate in an insurance apportionment plan under Florida Statutes Section 627.351, which is referred to as a JUA Plan. The JUA Plan provides for the equitable apportionment of any profits realized, or losses and expenses incurred, among participating automobile insurers. In the event of an underwriting deficit incurred by the JUA Plan which is not recovered through the policyholders in the JUA Plan, such deficit shall be recovered from the companies participating in the JUA Plan in the proportion that the net direct written premiums of each such member during the preceding calendar year bear to the aggregate net direct premiums written in this state by all members of the JUA Plan. FNIC was not assessed by the JUA Plan during 2015 or 2014. Future assessments by this association are undeterminable at this time.

## (C) Operational Matters

The Company files federal income tax returns as well as multiple state and local tax returns. The Company's consolidated federal and state income tax returns for 2012 - 2014 are open for review by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") and the various state taxing authorities. The Company's 2011 federal tax return was reviewed by the IRS and a "no change" report was issued indicating that the IRS is in agreement with the tax positions presented on the 2011 return. The 2014 federal and state income tax returns were timely filed by the extended filing deadline of September 15, 2015. The Company does not have any known uncertain tax positions and all tax positions are evaluated in accordance with FIN 48. Any change to or resolution of tax reserves could be material to the Company's results of operations for any period, but is not expected to be material to the Company's financial position.

The Company has recorded a net deferred tax liability of \$4.8 million as of September 30, 2015 compared with \$1.3 million as of December 31, 2014.

The calculation of current and deferred income taxes presents management's assessment of the amount of current and future taxes to be paid. The calculation of deferred tax assets and liabilities is in accordance with ASC 740. These assets and liabilities may be impacted if new information not previously available is considered in future analysis and calculations. Because of the unpredictability and complexity of these future uncertainties the ultimate resolution of the tax payment may be an amount that is materially different from the current estimate of the tax liabilities. As of September 30, 2015 the Company has recorded a net deferred tax liability of \$4.8 million. The primary reason for the change in deferred tax liabilities include the tax impact of the appreciation in the market value of the available-for-sale securities. Any change in circumstances leading to a change in the tax liability would be recorded in the period that the change in circumstances occurs.

The Company is not currently involved in any material legal actions arising from the ordinary course of business that are not related to the insured claims activity.

# (5) Variable Interest Entity

Our consolidated financial statements include Monarch Delaware because we have determined Monarch Delaware is a VIE, we have a variable interest in Monarch Delaware and we are the primary beneficiary. When we are the primary beneficiary, we are required to consolidate the entity in our financial statements. The primary beneficiary of a VIE is defined as the enterprise with (1) the power to direct the activities of a VIE that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance and (2) the obligation to absorb losses of the entity or the right to receive benefits from the entity that could potentially be significant to the VIE. On an ongoing basis, we assess whether we are the primary beneficiary of VIEs in which we have a relationship.

The carrying amount of our VIE consolidated assets and liabilities are as follows.

ASSETS	September 30, 2015 (Dollars in		December 31, 2014 Thousands)	
Investments		(Donais in	i ilousailus)	
	\$	21,877	\$	
Debt maturities, held to maturity, at amortized cost	¢		¢	-
Equity securities, available for sale, at fair value		1,350		
Total investments		23,227		-
Cash and short term investments		13,492		-
Premiums receivable, net		326		-
Deferred policy acquisition costs		168		-
Deferred income taxes, net		665		-
Other assets		178		-
Total assets	\$	38,056	\$	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Unpaid losses and LAE	\$	112	\$	-
Unearned premiums	Ŷ	1.072	Ŷ	-
Income taxes payable		110		-
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		249		-
Debt		5,000		-
Total liabilities	\$	6,543	\$	-
Shareholders' equity:				
Common stock, \$0.01 par value. Issued and outstanding 100 shares		-		-
Additional paid-in capital		32,413		-
Accumulated other comprehensive income		02,110		
Unrealized net gains on investments, available for sale		(234)		-
Total accumulated other comprehensive income		(234)		-
Retained earnings		(666)		-
Total shareholders' equity		31,513		-
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	38,056	\$	-

#### (6) Investments

We account for our investment securities consistent with FASB issued guidance that requires our securities to be classified into one of three categories: (i) held-to-maturity, (ii) trading securities or (iii) available-for-sale.

Investments classified as held-to-maturity include debt securities wherein the Company's intent and ability are to hold the investment until maturity and are carried at amortized cost without consideration to unrealized gains or losses. Investments classified as trading securities include debt and equity securities bought and held primarily for sale in the near term and are carried at fair value with unrealized holding gains and losses included in current period operations. Investments classified as available-for-sale include debt and equity securities that are not classified as held-to-maturity or as trading security investments and are carried at fair value with unrealized holding gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported as a separate component of shareholders' equity, namely "Other Comprehensive Income".

The following table summarizes, by type, our investments as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	Septem	nber 30, 2015	December 31, 2014		
	Carrying	Percent	Carrying	Percent	
	Amount	of Total	Amount	of Total	
		(Dollars i	n Thousands)		
Debt securities, at fair value:					
United States government obligations and authorities	\$ 65,994	17.08%	\$ 62,323	18.84%	
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	108,597	28.11%	91,614	27.70%	
Corporate	155,324	40.20%	119,024	35.99%	
International	12,000	<u>3.11</u> %	11,138	<u>3.37</u> %	
	341,915	88.50%	284,099	85.90%	
Debt securities, at amortized cost:					
United States government obligations and authorities	4,221	1.09%	4,490	1.36%	
Corporate	2,101	0.54%	2,681	0.81%	
International	65	0.02%	246	0.07%	
	6,387	<u>1.65%</u>	7,417	<u>2.24%</u>	
Total debt securities	348,302	90.15%	291,516	88.14%	
Equity securities, at fair value:	38,086	<u>9.85</u> %	39,247	<u>11.86</u> %	
Total investments	\$ 386,388	100.00%	\$ 330,763	100.00%	

The following table shows the realized gains (losses) for debt and equity securities for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

	Three Months Ended September 30,							
		2	015			<u>20</u>	014	
	(	Gains	Fa	ir Value	G	ains	Fa	ir Value
	<u>(I</u>	Losses)	<u>i</u>	at Sale	(Losses)		<u>8</u>	at Sale
				(Dollars	in Thous	ands)		
Debt securities	\$	226	\$	21,843	\$	241	\$	16,413
Equity securities		1,847		4,226		453		1,642
Total realized gains		2,073		26,069		694		18,055
Debt securities		(178)		9,744		(20)		1,627
Equity securities		(769)		3,306		(15)	_	118
Total realized losses		(947)		13,050		(35)		1,745
Net realized gains on investments	\$	1,126	\$	39,119	\$	659	\$	19,800

Net realized investment gains totaled \$1.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$0.7 million during the three months ended September 30, 2014. From time to time, our asset managers, at their discretion, make periodic sales from the portfolio and during the three months ended September 30, 2015, the majority of the realized gains were from equity sales.

Total investments increased \$55.6 million, or 16.8%, to \$386.4 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$330.8 million as of December 31, 2014.

The debt and equity securities that are available-for-sale and carried at fair value represent 98% of total investments as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

We did not hold any trading investment securities during the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

The Company's policy for the valuation of temporarily impaired securities is to determine impairment based on the analysis of the following factors.

- rating downgrade or other credit event (eg., failure to pay interest when due);
- length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than amortized cost;
- financial condition and near term prospects of the issuer, including any specific events which may influence the operations of the issuer such as changes in technology or discontinuance of a business segment;
- prospects for the issuer's industry segment;
- intent and ability of the Company to retain the investment for a period of time sufficient to allow for anticipated recovery in market value;
- historical volatility of the fair value of the security;
- intent to sale the security.
- Whether it is more likely than not that there would be a requirement to sell the security before its anticipated recovery.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, we have charged to operations, realized investment losses of less than \$0.1 million. The charges relate to common stock held in diverse industries. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, in connection with the process, we have not charged operations with investment losses.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively, all of our securities are in good standing and not impaired as defined by FASB issued guidance except as noted above.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, our investments consisted primarily of corporate bonds held in various industries, municipal bonds and United States government bonds. As of September 30, 2015, 80% of our debt portfolio was in diverse industries and 20% was in United States government bonds. As of September 30, 2015, approximately 86% of our equity holdings were in equities related to diverse industries and 14% were in mutual funds. As of December 31, 2014, 77% of our debt portfolio was in diverse industries and 23% is in United States government bonds. As of December 31, 2014, approximately 88% of our equity holdings were in equities related to diverse industries and 12% were in mutual funds.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we have classified \$6.4 million and \$7.4 million, respectively, of our bond portfolio as held-to-maturity. We classify bonds as held-to-maturity to support securitization of credit requirements.

The following table shows the realized gains (losses) for debt and equity securities for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

	Nine Months Ended September 30,							
		2	015		<u>2014</u>			
	(	Gains	Fa	air Value	Gains		Fa	ir Value
	<u>(I</u>	Losses)		at Sale	<u>(I</u>	Losses)	<u>6</u>	at Sale
				(Dollars	in Thou	sands)		
Debt securities	\$	973	\$	71,869	\$	533	\$	38,657
Equity securities		4,189		9,985		4,013		12,595
Total realized gains		5,162		81,854		4,546		51,252
Debt securities		(504)		39,926		(118)		8,333
Equity securities		(915)		3,959		(381)		1,639
Total realized losses		(1,419)		43,885		(499)		9,972
Net realized gains on investments	\$	3,743	\$	125,739	\$	4,047	\$	61,224

Net realized investment gains totaled \$3.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$4.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2014. During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, the investment committee decided to increase the fixed income asset allocation by directing new invested dollars and reducing our exposure to equities.

A summary of the amortized cost, estimated fair value and gross unrealized gains and losses of debt and equity securities at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 is as follows.

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains (Dollars i	Gross Unrealized Losses n Thousands)	Estimated Fair Value
September 30, 2015 Debt Securities - Available-For-Sale: United States government obligations and authorities Obligations of states and political subdivisions Corporate International	\$ 64,876 107,211 154,469 12,104 \$ 338,660		\$ 115 42 770 159 \$ 1,086	\$ 65,994 108,597 155,324 12,000 \$ 341,915
Debt Securities - Held-To-Maturity: United States government obligations and authorities Corporate International Equity securities - common stocks		\$ 51 25 <u>-</u> <u>\$ 76</u> \$ 6,391	\$ 184 6 	\$ 4,088 2,120 <u>65</u> <u>\$ 6,273</u> \$ 38,086
December 31, 2014 Debt Securities - Available-For-Sale: United States government obligations and authorities Obligations of states and political subdivisions Corporate International	\$ 61,376 90,728 117,778 11,139 \$ 281,021	\$ 1,022 \$ 1,022 956 1,578 53 \$ 3,609	(-1,)10 $(-1,)10$ $(-1,$	\$ 62,323 91,614 119,024 11,138 \$ 284,099
Debt Securities - Held-To-Maturity: United States government obligations and authorities Corporate International	\$ 4,490 2,681 246 \$ 7,417	\$ 41 31 <u>1</u> \$ 73	225 5 <u>1</u> <u>\$ 231</u>	\$ 4,306 2,707 246 \$ 7,259
Equity securities - common stocks	\$ 29,908	\$ 9,836	<u>\$ 497</u>	\$ 39,247

The table below reflects our unrealized investment losses by investment class, aged for length of time in a continuous unrealized loss position as of September 30, 2015.

	Unrea	lized Losses	 <u>n 12 months</u> n Thousands)	<u>12 montl</u>	ns or longer
Debt securities:					
United States government obligations					
and authorities	\$	115	\$ 95	\$	20
Obligations of states and political subdivisions		42	42		-
Corporate		770	740		30
International		159	 159		-
		1,086	 1,036		50
Equity securities:					
Common stocks		1,910	 1,881		29
Total debt and equity securities	\$	2,996	\$ 2,917	\$	79

The table below reflects our unrealized investment losses by investment class, aged for length of time in a continuous unrealized loss position as of December 31, 2014.

	Unrealize	ed Losses	Less than 12 (Dollars in T		<u>12 month</u>	is or longer
Debt securities:						
United States government obligations						
and authorities	\$	75	\$	22	\$	53
Obligations of states and political subdivisions		70		66		4
Corporate		332		260		72
International		54		54		-
		531		402		129
Equity securities:						
Common stocks		497		461		36
Total debt and equity securities	\$	1,028	\$	863	\$	165

Below is a summary of debt securities at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, by contractual or expected maturity periods. Expected maturities may differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

		September	30, 201	<u>15</u>		Decembe	er 31, 2	014
	А	mortized	E	stimated	А	mortized	E	stimated
		Cost	Fa	air Value		Cost	F	air Value
				(Dollars in Th	iousan	ds)		
Due in one year or less	\$	19,635	\$	19,659	\$	16,777	\$	16,797
Due after one through five years		188,397		190,047		173,236		174,273
Due after five through ten years		136,989		138,449		98,404		100,259
Due after ten years		26		33		26		33
Total	\$	345,047	\$	348,188	\$	288,443	\$	291,362

United States Treasury notes with a book value of \$60,674 and \$2,204,798, maturing in 2016 and 2022, and a statutory deposit held in trust with a book value of \$0.3 million, were on deposit with the Florida OIR as of September 30, 2015, as required by law for FNIC and MNIC, respectively, and are included with other investments held until maturity.

United States Treasury notes with a book value of \$61,465 and \$2,208,588, maturing in 2016 and 2022, respectively, were on deposit with the Florida OIR as of December 31, 2014, as required by law for FNIC, and are included with other investments held until maturity.

The table below sets forth investment results for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

	Thr	ee Months Er	nded Septe	mber 30,
		<u>2015</u>		2014
		(Dollars ir	n Thousand	ds)
Interest on debt securities	\$	1,755	\$	1,328
Dividends on equity securities		147		121
Interest on cash and cash equivalents		5		1
Total investment income	\$	1,907	\$	1,450

Proceeds from sales, pay downs and maturities of debt securities and proceeds from sales of equity securities during the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, were approximately \$42.5 million and \$21.8 million, respectively.

The table below sets forth investment results for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

	Ni	ne Months En	ded Septer	<u>mber 30,</u>	
		2015		2014	
Interest on debt securities		(Dollars in	Thousands)		
Interest on debt securities	\$	4,713	\$	3,432	
Dividends on equity securities		381		324	
Interest on cash and cash equivalents		60		2	
Total investment income	\$	5,154	\$	3,758	

Proceeds from sales, pay downs and maturities of debt securities and proceeds from sales of equity securities during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, were approximately \$134.9 million and \$65.9 million, respectively.

The table below sets forth a summary of net realized investment gains during the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2015         2014         (Dollars in Thousands)         \$       48       \$         1,078	<u>ber 30,</u>	
	2015		2014
	(Dollars in	Thousands)	<u>)</u>
Net realized gains			
Debt securities	\$ 48	\$	221
Equity securities	 1,078		438
Total	\$ 1,126	\$	659

The table below sets forth a summary of net realized investment gains during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

	Nine Months End	led Septemb	<u>er 30,</u>
	<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>
	(Dollars in	Thousands)	
Net realized gains			
Debt securities	\$ 469	\$	415
Equity securities	 3,274		3,632
Total	\$ 3,743	\$	4,047

The table below sets forth a summary of net unrealized investment gains as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

		Unrealiz	ed Gains	
	Septemb	ber 30, 2015	Decem	ber 31, 2014
		(Dollars in	Thousands)	
Net unrealized gains				
Debt securities	\$	3,255	\$	3,078
Equity securities		4,481		9,339
Total	\$	7,736	\$	12,417

#### (7) Fair Value Disclosure

Fair value is the price that would be received upon the sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements are generally based upon observable and unobservable inputs. Observable inputs are based on market data from independent sources, while unobservable inputs reflect the Company's view of market assumptions in the absence of observable market information. All assets and liabilities that are carried at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following categories:

Level 1 — inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets. A quoted price for an identical asset or liability in an active market provides the most reliable fair value measurement because it is directly observable to the market.

Level 2 — inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs are observable for an asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

Level 3 — inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

**Securities available-for-sale**: The fair value of securities available-for-sale is determined by obtaining quoted prices on nationally recognized security exchanges.

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2015, presented in accordance with this guidance, are as follows.

			As of Septer	nber 30,	2015	
	I	evel 1	Level 2	Lev	<u>el 3</u>	Total
			(Dollars in	Thousa	nds)	
Debt securities:						
United States government obligations and						
authorities	\$	40,833	\$ 25,161	\$	-	\$ 65,994
Obligations of states and political						
subdivisions		-	108,597		-	108,597
Corporate		-	155,324		-	155,324
International		-	12,000		-	 12,000
		40,833	301,082			 341,915
Equity securities:						
Common stocks		38,086			-	 38,086
		38,086				 38,086
Total debt and equity securities	\$	78,919	\$ 301,082	\$	-	\$ 380,001

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2014, presented in accordance with this guidance, are as follows.

			As of Decer	mber 31,	2014	
	Ī	evel 1	Level 2	Lev	el 3	Total
			(Dollars in	n Thousa	nds)	
Debt securities:						
United States government obligations and						
authorities	\$	46,002	\$ 16,321	\$	-	\$ 62,323
Obligations of states and political						
subdivisions		-	91,614		-	91,614
Corporate		-	119,024		-	119,024
International		-	11,138		-	 11,138
		46,002	238,097			 284,099
Equity securities:						
Common stocks		39,247		_	-	 39,247
		39,247			-	 39,247
Total debt and equity securities	\$	85,249	\$ 238,097	\$	-	\$ 323,346

#### (8) Reinsurance Agreements

Financing risk generally involves a combination of risk retention and risk transfer techniques. "Retention", similar to a deductible, involves financing losses by funds internally generated. "Transfer" involves the existence of a contractual arrangement designed to shift financial responsibility to another party in exchange for premium. Secondary to the primary risk-transfer agreements, we use reinsurance agreements to transfer a portion of the risks insured under our policies to other companies through the purchase of reinsurance. We utilize reinsurance to reduce exposure to catastrophic and non-catastrophic risks and to help manage the cost of capital. Reinsurance techniques

are designed to lessen earnings volatility, improve shareholder return, and to support the required statutory surplus requirements. We also use reinsurance to realize an arbitrage of premium rates, benefit from the availability of our reinsurers' expertise, and benefit from the management of a profitable portfolio of insureds by way of enhanced analytical capacities. Our primary property line that is subject to catastrophic reinsurance is Homeowners' Multiple Peril. FNIC cedes these risks to domestic and foreign reinsurance participants around the world as well as to the FHCF.

Quota share reinsurance is a pro rata agreement among the primary insurer and one or more reinsurers where each party shares a fixed and predetermined percentage of the program's premiums and losses. Excess of loss risk transfer agreements involve the transfer of premium in exchange for reimbursement for claims, if they occur, as a result of specific events such as severe catastrophic weather. For quota share and excess of loss reinsurance, coverage is generally afforded based on meeting predetermined risk characteristics. In contrast, facultative reinsurance is negotiated between the primary insurer and the reinsurer(s) on a case-by-case basis with no obligation on either part to cede or assume share of the risk.

Generally, there are three separate kinds of reinsurance structures – quota share, excess of loss, and facultative, each considered either proportional or non-proportional. Our reinsurance structures are maintained to protect our insurance subsidiary against the severity of losses on individual claims or unusually serious occurrences in which the frequency and or the severity of claims produce an aggregate extraordinary loss from catastrophic events. In addition to reinsurance agreements, we also from time to time enter into retro-cessionary reinsurance agreements; each designed to shift financial responsibility based on predefined conditions.

Although reinsurance does not discharge us from our primary obligation to pay for losses insured under the policies we issue, reinsurance does make the assuming reinsurer liable to the insurance subsidiary for the reinsured portion of the risk. A credit risk exposure exists with respect to ceded losses to the extent that any reinsurer is unable or unwilling to meet the obligations assumed under the reinsurance contracts. The collectability of reinsurance is subject to the solvency of the reinsurers, interpretation of contract language and other factors. A reinsurer's insolvency or inability to make payments under the terms of a reinsurance contract could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. Our reinsurance structure has significant risks, including the fact that the FHCF may not be able to raise sufficient money to pay its claims or impair its ability to pay its claims in a timely manner. This could result in significant financial, legal and operational challenges to all property and casualty companies associated with FHCF, including our company.

The availability and costs associated with the acquisition of reinsurance will vary year to year. These fluctuations, which can be significant, are not subject to our control and may limit our ability to purchase adequate coverage. For example, FHCF continues to restrict its reinsurance capacity and is expected to continue constricting capacity for future seasons. This gradual restriction is requiring us to replace that capacity with private market reinsurance. Our reinsurance program is subject to approval by the Florida OIR and review by Demotech, Inc. ("Demotech"). The recovery of increased reinsurance costs through rate action is not immediate and cannot be presumed and is subject to Florida OIR approval.

For the 2015–2016 hurricane season, the excess of loss and FHCF treaties insured the property lines for approximately \$1.82 billion of aggregate catastrophic losses and LAE with a maximum single event coverage totaling approximately \$1.26 billion, with the Company retaining the first \$12.9 million in Florida and \$5.0 million in Louisiana, Alabama and South Carolina for losses and LAE from each event. The reinstatement treaty will provide for 50% of the covered losses between \$15.0 million and \$100 million. The Company retains 10% or up to \$2.5 million of a covered loss in excess of \$21.5 million resulting in the Company's maximum retention of \$15.4 million for losses incurred both in and out of Florida. Florida risks represent 95.5%, or \$1.74 billion of the \$1.82 billion of total aggregate catastrophic losses and LAE.

The reinsurance program includes coverage purchased from the private market, which is prepaid and affords reinstatement premium protection that provides coverage beyond the first event, along with any remaining coverage from the FHCF. The FHCF only affords coverage for losses sustained in Florida. Coverage afforded by the FHCF totals approximately \$581.2 million, or 33.4% of Florida's \$1.74 billion of aggregate catastrophic losses and

LAE. The FHCF affords coverage for the entire season, subject to maximum payouts, without regard to any particular insurable event.

The estimated cost to the Company for the excess of loss reinsurance products for the 2015–2016 hurricane season, inclusive of approximately \$44.83 million payable to the FHCF and the prepaid automatic premium reinstatement protection, is approximately \$149.37 million.

Included in this year's program are two quota share treaties that are similar in terms; one for 30% entered into in 2014, and one for 10% which became effective July 1, 2015. This is the second year of a two-year term for the 30% quota share treaty and the first year of a two-year term for the new 10% quota share treaty. For the 2015 – 2016 Catastrophic wind season only, both treaties combined provide a 40% quota share reinsurance treaty on the first \$100 million of covered losses for the Company's in-force new and renewal homeowners' insurance program in the State of Florida.

The original two-year quota share reinsurance treaty provides 30% of \$200 million of aggregate catastrophe coverage per year with maximum single event coverage of 30% of \$100 million per year. The new two-year quota share reinsurance treaty provides 10% of \$200 million of aggregate catastrophe coverage per year with maximum single event coverage of 10% of \$100 million per year. The projected cost of the quota share treaties are \$8.5 million for the 30% treaty and \$2.8 million for the 10% treaty, both of which are included in the \$149.4 million amount referenced above.

The 2015-2016 private reinsurance companies and their respective A.M. Best Company ("A.M. Best") and S&P ratings are listed in the table as follows.

Reinsurer	A.M. Best Rating	<u>S&amp;P Rati</u>
INITED STATES		
American Agricultural Insurance Company	A-	NR
American Standard Insurance Company of Wisconsin	А	NR
Everest Reinsurance Company	A+	A+
Odyssey Reinsurance Company	A	A-
Partner Reinsurance Company of the US QBE Reinsurance Corporation	A+ A	A+ A+
RLI Insurance Company	A A+	$A^+$ $A^+$
Transatlantic Reinsurance Company	A	A+
ERMUDA		
ACE Tempest Reinsurance Ltd.	A++	AA
Allianz Risk Transfer AG, Bermuda Branch (obo Nephila)	A+	AA-
Allied World Assurance Company, Limited Arch Reinsurance Limited	A	A
Arch Reinstrance Linned Argo Re Ltd	A+ A	A+ NR
Ariel Reinsurance Bermuda Ltd for and on Behalf of Ariel Syndicate 1910 (ARE)	A-	A+
Ascot Underwriting (Bermuda) Limited/AIG per AIRCO agreement	A	NR
Aspen Bernuda Limited	A	A
AXIS Specialty Limited	A+	A+
BGS Services (Bermuda) Limited/Lloyds Syndicate 2987	А	A+
Collateralised Re Ltd - LGT Capital	NR *	** NR
DaVinci Reinsurance Ltd.	А	AA-
Endurance Specialty Insurance Ltd.	A	A
Hamilton Re, Ltd.	A-	NR
Hiscox Insurance Company (Bermuda) Limited	A ND *	NR ** NP
Horseshoe Re (obo Coriolis) Markal Barmuda Limitad	NR *	1414
Markel Bermuda Limited	A	A
Partner Reinsurance Company Limited Renaissance Reinsurance, Ltd.	A+ A+	A+ AA-
Securis Re II Ltd. Bermuda	NR *	** NR
Securis Re IV Ltd. Bermuda	NR *	** NR
Securis Re V Ltd. Bermuda	NR *	** NR
Tokio Millennium Re AG, Bermuda Branch	A++	AA-
XL RE Limited	А	A+
NITED KINGDOM		
A.F. Beazley Syndicate No. 623 (AFB)	A	A+
A.F. Beazley Syndicate No. 2623 (AFB)	A	A+
Amlin Syndicate No. 2001 (AML)	A	A+
Antares Syndicate No. 1274 (AUL) Ariel Syndicate No. 1910 (ARE)	A A	A+ A+
ARK Syndicate No. 4020 (ARK)	A	A+
Asco Syndicate No. 1414 (ASC)	A	A+
Barbican Syndication No. 1955 (BAR)	А	A+
Canopius Syndicate No. 958 (CNP)	А	A+
Canopius Syndicate No. 4444 (CNP)	А	A+
Cathederal Syndicate No. 2010 (MMX)	А	A+
China Re Syndicate No. 2088 (CNR)	А	A+
Dale Underwriting Syndicate No. 1729 (DUW)	А	A+
Faraday Syndicate No. 435 (FDY)	А	A+
Hiscox Syndicate No. 0033 (HIS)	A	A+
Liberty Syndicates Services Limited, Paris for and on behalf of Lloyd's Syndicate No. 4472 (LIB)	A	A+
MAP Underwriting Syndicate No. 2791 (MAP) MAP Underwriting Syndicate No. 2791 (Parallel) (MAP)	A A	A+ A+
MAP Underwriting Syndicate No. 2791 (Parallel) (MAP) Novae Syndicate No. 2007 (NVA)	A A	A+ A+
Renaissance Re Syndicate No. 1458 (RNR)	A	A+ A+
S.J.O, Catlin & Others No. 2003 (SJC)	A	$A^+$ $A^+$
Vibe Syndicate No. 5678 (VSM)	A	A+ A+
JROPE		
Amlin AG, Switzerland, Bermuda Branch	А	А
Hannover Rueck SE (obo Pillar Capital Management)	NR *	** NR
Lansforsakringar Sak Forsakringsaktiebolag (publ)	NR	А
SCOR Global P&C SE, Paris, Zurich Branch	А	А
SIA		
China Reinsurance (Group) Corporation	A	NR
Fubon Insurance Co., Ltd.	A	A-
General Insurance Corporation of India, trading as GIC Re Peak Re	A-	NR NR
Peak Re Pioneer CAT (obo Peak Re)	A- A-	NR NR
Pioneer CAT (obo Taiping)	A- A-	NR
Qatar Reinsurance Company LLC	A	A
Reinstatement Premium Protection Program Participants		

For the 2014–2015 hurricane season, the excess of loss and FHCF treaties insured the property lines for approximately \$1.49 billion of aggregate catastrophic losses and LAE with a maximum single event coverage totaling approximately \$1.01 billion, with the Company retaining the first \$11.20 million in Florida and \$3.0 million in Louisiana for losses and LAE from each event. Florida risks represent 98.5%, or \$1.46 billion of the \$1.49 billion of total aggregate catastrophic losses and LAE.

The reinsurance program includes coverage purchased from the private market, which affords optional reinstatement premium protection that provides coverage beyond the first event, along with any remaining coverage from the FHCF. The FHCF only affords coverage for losses sustained in Florida. Coverage afforded by the FHCF totals approximately \$546.3 million, or 37.4% of Florida's \$1.46 billion of aggregate catastrophic losses and LAE. The FHCF affords coverage for the entire season, subject to maximum payouts, without regard to any particular insurable event.

The actual cost to the Company for the excess of loss reinsurance products for the 2014–2015 hurricane season, inclusive of approximately \$40.20 million payable to the FHCF and the prepaid automatic premium reinstatement protection, is approximately \$117.0 million.

Included in the 2014–2015 hurricane season program was a 30% quota share reinsurance treaty for the Company's in-force new and renewal homeowners' insurance program in the State of Florida. This two-year quota share reinsurance treaty continues to provide 30% of \$200 million of aggregate catastrophe coverage per year with maximum single event coverage of 30% of \$100 million per year. The cost of this quota share was \$6.7 million, net of ceding commissions, and it was included in the \$117.0 million amount referenced above.

The 2014-2015 private reinsurance companies and their respective A.M. Best and S&P ratings are listed in the table as follows.

Reinsurer	A.M. Best Rating	<u>S&amp;P Ratin</u>
JNITED STATES		
American Agricultural Insurance Company	A-	NR
American Standard Insurance Company of Wisconsin	А	NR
AIG (National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, PA)	А	A+
Everest Reinsurance Company	A+	A+
Odyssey Reinsurance Company	А	A-
QBE Reinsurance Corporation	А	A+
RLI Insurance Company	A+	A+
Transatlantic Reinsurance Company	А	A+
ERMUDA		
ACE Tempest Reinsurance Limited	A++	AA-
Allied World Assurance Company, Limited	А	А
Arch Reinsurance Limited	A+	A+
Argo Reinsurance Limited	А	NR
Ariel Reinsurance Bermuda Ltd for and on Behalf of Ariel Syndicate 1910 (ARE)	A-	A+
Aspen Bermuda Limited	А	А
AXIS Specialty Limited	A+	A+
BGS Services (Bermuda) Limited/Lloyds Syndicate 2987	А	A+
DaVinci Reinsurance Ltd	А	AA-
Endurance Specialty Insurance Limited	А	Α
Hamilton Re, Limited	A-	NR
Hiscox Insurance Company (Bermuda) Limited	А	NR
Partner Reinsurance Company Limited	A+	A+
Platinum Underwriters Bermuda Limited	А	A-
Renaissance Reinsurance, Limited	A+	AA-
Securis Re III Limited Bermuda	NR *	** NR
Securis Re IV Limited Bermuda	NR *	** NR
Tokio Millennium Re AG, Bermuda Branch	A++	AA-
XL RE Limited	А	A+
NITED KINGDOM		
A.F. Beazley Syndicate No. 623 (AFB)	А	A+
A.F. Beazley Syndicate No. 2623 (AFB)	А	A+
Amlin Syndicate No. 2001 (AML)	А	A+
Antares Syndicate No. 1274 (AUL)	А	A+
Ariel Syndicate No. 1910 (ARE)	А	A+
ARK Syndicate No. 4020 (ARK)	А	A+
Ascot Syndicate No. 1414 (ASC)	А	A+
Barbican Syndication No. 1955 (BAR)	А	A+
Canopius Syndicate No. 958 (CNP)	А	A+
Canopius Syndicate No. 4444 (CNP)	А	A+
Cathederal Syndicate No. 2010 (MMX)	А	A+
Chaucer Syndicate No. 1084 (CSL)	А	A+
Dale Underwriting Syndicate No. 1729 (DUW)	А	A+
Faraday Syndicate No. 435 (FDY)	А	A+
Hiscox Syndicate No. 0033 (HIS)	А	A+
Kiln Syndicate No. 510 (KLN)	А	A+
Liberty Syndicates Services Limited, Paris for and on behalf of Lloyd's Syndicate No. 4472 (LIB)	А	A+
MAP Underwriting Syndicate No. 2791 (MAP)	А	A+
MAP Underwriting Syndicate No. 2791 (Parallel) (MAP)	А	A+
Novae Syndicate No. 2007 (NVA)	A	A+
S.J.O, Catlin & Others No. 2003 (SJC)	А	A+
UROPE		
Amlin AG, Switzerland, Bermuda Branch	А	А
Hannover Rueck SE (obo Pillar Capital Management)	NR *	** NR
Lansforsakringar Sak Forsakringsaktiebolag (publ)	NR	A
SCOR Global P&C SE, Paris, Zurich Branch	A	A
SIA		
China Reinsurance (Group) Corporation	А	NR
Qatar Reinsurance Company LLC	A	A
Reinstatement Premium Protection Program Participants		
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Annually, the cost and amounts of reinsurance are based on management's analysis of FNIC's exposure to catastrophic risk as of June 30 and estimated to September 30. Our data is then subjected to actual exposure level analysis as of September 30. This analysis of our exposure level in relation to the total exposures to the FHCF and excess of loss treaties may produce changes in limits and reinsurance premiums as a result of the reconciliation of estimated to actual exposure level. The September 30, 2015 change to total insured value and reinsurance premiums was zero.

To date, we have made no claims asserted against our reinsurers in connection with the 2015–2016 and 2014–2015 excess of loss and FHCF treaties.

The quota share retrocessionaire reinsurance agreements require FNIC to secure the credit, regulatory and business risk. Fully funded trust agreements securing these risks totaled \$4.0 million and \$4.9 million, respectively, as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

We are selective in choosing reinsurers and consider numerous factors, the most important of which are the financial stability of the reinsurer, its history of responding to claims and its overall reputation. In an effort to minimize our exposure to the insolvency of a reinsurer, we evaluate the acceptability and review the financial condition of the reinsurer at least annually.

#### (9) Unpaid losses and LAE

The liability for unpaid losses and LAE is determined on an individual-case basis for all incidents reported. The liability also includes amounts for unallocated expenses, anticipated future claim development and Incurred but Not Yet Reported ("IBNR").

	Period Ending					
	<u>September 30, 2015</u> December 31, 2014					
	(Dollars in Thousands)					
Balance at January 1	\$	78,330	\$	61,016		
Less reinsurance recoverables	_	(12,534)		(2,742)		
Net balance at January 1	\$	65,796	\$	58,274		
Incurred related to						
Current year	\$	73,895	\$	79,932		
Prior years		1,615		1,104		
Total incurred	\$	75,510	\$	81,036		
Paid related to						
Current year	\$	30,739	\$	42,391		
Prior years		27,243		31,123		
Total paid	\$	57,982	\$	73,514		
Net balance at period end	\$	83,324	\$	65,796		
Plus reinsurance recoverables	_	8,349	_	12,534		
Balance as of period end	\$	91,673	\$	78,330		

Activity in the liability for unpaid losses and LAE is summarized as follows.

We believe that the liability for unpaid losses and LAE is adequate to cover all claims and related expenses that may arise from incidents reported.

Our review of the liability for losses and LAE includes a re-evaluation of the adequacy of reserve levels for prior year's claims. We increased the liability for losses and LAE for claims occurring in prior years by \$1.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2015. We increased the liability for losses and LAE for claims occurring in prior years by \$1.1 million during the year ended December 31, 2014.

We continue to revise our estimates of the ultimate financial impact of claims made resulting from past storms. The revisions to our estimates are based on our analysis of subsequent information that we receive regarding various factors, including: (i) per claim information; (ii) Company and industry historical loss experience; (iii) legislative enactments, judicial decisions, legal developments in the awarding of damages, and (iv) trends in general economic conditions, including the effects of inflation.

## (10) Stock Compensation Plans

We implemented a stock option plan in 2002 (the "2002 Plan"), which expired in April 2012. Under this plan, we were authorized to grant options to purchase up to 1,800,000 common shares, and as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had outstanding exercisable options to purchase 185,150 and 219,285 shares, respectively.

In April 2012, our Board of Directors adopted, and in September 2012 our shareholders approved, the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive Plan (the "2012 Plan"). The 2012 Plan permits the issuance of up to 1,000,000 shares of our common stock, subject to adjustment as provided for in the 2012 Plan, in connection with the grant of a variety of equity incentive awards, such as incentive stock options, non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, dividend equivalent rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, and performance shares. Officers, directors and executive, managerial, administrative and professional employees of the Company and its subsidiaries are eligible to participate in the 2012 Plan. Awards may be granted singly, in combination, or in tandem. The 2012 Plan was amended and restated in March 2013 to clarify the plan administrator's authority to permit the vesting of unvested restricted shares in the event of the death of the grantee. The 2012 Plan will expire on April 5, 2022.

On March 4, 2013, a total of 100,000 restricted shares from the 2012 Plan were granted pursuant to the vesting requirements and other terms and conditions set forth in restricted stock agreements. Of the total, 25,000 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President and 15,000 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Financial Officer. An aggregate of 20,000 shares were granted to the Company's directors and the remaining 40,000 shares were granted to other employees of the Company.

On August 5, 2013, a total of 150,000 restricted shares from the 2012 Plan were granted pursuant to the vesting requirements and other terms and conditions set forth in restricted stock agreements. Of the total, 100,000 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President and 50,000 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Financial Officer.

On March 4, 2014, a total of 88,648 restricted shares from the 2012 Plan were granted pursuant to the vesting requirements and other terms and conditions set forth in restricted stock agreements. Of the total, 43,997 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President and 16,341 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Financial Officer. An aggregate of 15,710 shares were granted to the Company's directors and the remaining 12,600 shares were granted to other employees of the Company.

On September 9, 2014, a total of 130,000 restricted shares from the 2012 Plan were granted pursuant to the vesting requirements and other terms and conditions set forth in restricted stock agreements. Of the total, 45,000 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President and 15,000 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Financial Officer. An aggregate of 50,000 shares were granted to the Company's directors and the remaining 20,000 shares were granted to other employees of the Company.

On December 9, 2014, a total of 50,000 restricted shares from the 2012 Plan were granted to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President pursuant to the vesting requirements and other terms and conditions set forth in the restricted stock agreement.

On March 10, 2015, a total of 66,140 restricted shares from the 2012 Plan were granted pursuant to the vesting requirements and other terms and conditions set forth in restricted stock agreements. Of the total, 32,997 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President and 9,551 shares were granted to the Company's Chief Financial Officer. An aggregate of 6,252 shares were granted to the Company's directors and the remaining 17,340 shares were granted to other employees of the Company.

On May 5, 2015, a total of 50,000 restricted shares from the 2012 Plan were granted to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President pursuant to the vesting requirements and other terms and conditions set forth in the restricted stock agreement.

Activity in our stock option and incentive plans for the period from January 1, 2013 to September 30, 2015 is as follows.

	1998 Plan		2002 Plan			2012 Plan			
		Weighted Average Option Exercise Price		Weighted Average					
	Number of			Number of	Option Exercise		Number of	Fair Market Value at Grant	
	Shares			Shares Price		Price	Shares		
Outstanding at January 1, 2013	78,500	\$	12.73	702,597	\$	5.17	-	\$	-
Granted	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	250,000	\$	5.54
Exercised	(500)	\$	8.67	(165,577)	\$	7.15	-	\$	-
Cancelled	(75,000)	\$	12.92	(13,499)	\$	5.41	(500)	\$	5.54
Outstanding at January 1, 2014	3,000	\$	8.67	523,521	\$	4.54	249,500	\$	5.54
Granted	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	268,648	\$	5.54
Exercised	(3,000)	\$	8.67	(299,735)	\$	5.10	(68,988)	\$	-
Cancelled		\$	-	(4,501)	\$	3.49	(1,359)	\$	5.54
Outstanding at January 1, 2015	-	\$	8.67	219,285	\$	3.79	447,801	\$	5.54
Granted	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	116,140	\$	26.81
Exercised	-	\$	-	(34,135)	\$	3.81	(135,134)	\$	16.03
Cancelled		\$	-		\$	-	-	\$	-
Outstanding at September 30, 2015		\$	-	185,150	\$	3.79	428,807	\$	14.57

Options outstanding as of September 30, 2015 are exercisable as follows.

	200	2002 Plan				
		Weighted				
		Average				
	Number of	Option				
Options Exercisable at:	Shares	Exercise Price				
September 30, 2015	184,150	\$	3.79			
December 31, 2015	1,000	\$	3.79			
December 31, 2016	-	\$	3.79			
December 31, 2017	-	\$	3.79			
December 31, 2018	-	\$	3.79			
December 31, 2019	-	\$	3.79			
Thereafter		\$	3.79			
Total options exercisable	185,150					

Upon the exercise of options, the Company issues authorized shares.

Summary information about the Company's stock option plans at September 30, 2015 is as follows.

			Weighted Average	Weighted	
	Range of	Outstanding at	Contractual	Average	Exercisable at
	Exercise Price	September 30, 2015	Periods in Years	Exercise Price	September 30, 2015
2002 Plan	\$2.45 - \$4.40	185,150	5.86	\$3.79	184,150

#### (11) Earnings per Share

Basic EPS is computed by dividing net income attributable to Federated National Holding Company common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period presented. Diluted EPS is computed by dividing net income attributable to Federated National Holding Company common stockholders by the weighted average number of shares of common stock and common stock equivalents outstanding during the period presented. The following table illustrates our computations of basic and diluted net income per common share.

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended Septem			tember 30,	
	2015			<u>2014</u>		2015		<u>2014</u>
	(Dollars in Thousands, H			Except Per Share Figures)				
Net income attributable to Federated National Holding Company common stockholders	\$	10,593	\$	7,227	\$	31,611	\$	27,204
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - basic		13,749		12,625		13,710		11,563
Net income per share - basic	\$	0.77	\$	0.57	\$	2.31	\$	2.35
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - basic Dilutive effect of stock compensation plans		13,749 228		12,625 332		13,710 268		11,563 371
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - diluted Net income per share - diluted	\$	<u>13,977</u> 0.76	\$	<u>12,957</u> 0.56	\$	<u>13,978</u> 2.26	\$	<u>11,934</u> 2.28

## (12) Stockholders' Equity

## **Capital Stock**

The Company's authorized capital consists of 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, and 25,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share. As of September 30, 2015, there were no preferred shares issued or outstanding and there were 13,773,130 shares of common stock outstanding.

## (13) Subsequent Events

We have evaluated all subsequent events or transactions for potential recognition or disclosure that occurred after the balance sheet date through the date on which the financial statement were issued.

#### Federated National Holding Company

General information about Federated National Holding Company can be found at <u>www.FedNat.com</u>; however, the information that can be accessed through our web site is not part of our report. We make our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to these reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 available free of charge on our web site, as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with the SEC.

#### Item 2

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

You should read the following discussion in conjunction with our condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes and information included under this Item 2 and elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on March 16, 2015 ("Form 10-K"). Unless the context requires otherwise, as used in this Form 10-Q, the terms "FNHC" "Company," "we," "us" and "our," refers to Federated National Holding Company and its subsidiaries.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Statements in this Ouarterly Report on Form 10-O for the three months ended September 30, 2015 ("Form 10-Q") or in documents that are incorporated by reference that are not historical fact are forward-looking statements that are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual events and results to differ materially from those discussed herein. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, words such as "may," "will," "expect," "believe," "anticipate," "intend," "could," "would," "estimate," or "continue" or the negative other variations thereof or comparable terminology are intended to identify forward-looking statements. The risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, uncertainties related to estimates, assumptions and projections relating to unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses ("LAE") and other accounting policies, losses from the nine hurricanes that occurred in fiscal years 2005 and 2004 and in other estimates, assumptions and projections contained in this Form 10-Q; inflation and other changes in economic conditions (including changes in interest rates and financial markets); the impact of new regulations adopted in Florida which affect the property and casualty insurance market; the costs of reinsurance, assessments charged by various governmental agencies; pricing competition and other initiatives by competitors; our ability to obtain regulatory approval for requested rate changes and the timing thereof; legislative and regulatory developments; the outcome of various litigation matters pending against us, including the terms of any settlements; risks related to the nature of our business; dependence on investment income and the composition of our investment portfolio; the adequacy of our liability for loss and loss adjustment expense; insurance agents; claims experience; ratings by industry services; catastrophe losses; reliance on key personnel; weather conditions (including the severity and frequency of storms, hurricanes, tornadoes and hail); changes in driving patterns and loss trends; acts of war and terrorist activities; court decisions and trends in litigation and health care and auto repair costs; and other matters described from time to time by us in this report, and in our other filings with the SEC, including the Company's Form 10-K.

You are cautioned not to place reliance on these forward-looking statements, which are valid only as of the date they were made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect new information or the occurrence of unanticipated events or otherwise. In addition, readers should be aware that Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") prescribes when a company may reserve for particular risks, including litigation exposures. Accordingly, results for a given reporting period could be significantly affected when a reserve is established for a major contingency. Reported results may therefore appear to be volatile in certain accounting periods.

#### Overview

FNHC is an insurance holding company that controls substantially all steps in the insurance underwriting, distribution and claims processes through our subsidiaries and our contractual relationships with our independent agents and general agents.

We are authorized to underwrite, and/or place through our wholly owned subsidiaries, homeowners' multi-peril ("homeowners"), commercial general liability, federal flood, personal auto and various other lines of insurance in Florida and various other states. We market and distribute our own and third-party insurers' products and our other services through a network of independent agents.

#### Federated National Holding Company

Our wholly owned insurance subsidiary is Federated National Insurance Company ("FNIC") and is licensed as an admitted carrier in Florida. An admitted carrier is an insurance company that has received a license from the state department of insurance giving the company the authority to write specific lines of insurance in that state. These companies are also bound by rate and form regulations, and are strictly regulated to protect policyholders from a variety of illegal and unethical practices, including fraud. Admitted carriers are also required to financially contribute to the state guarantee fund, which is used to pay for losses if an insurance carrier becomes insolvent or unable to pay the losses due their policyholders. Through contractual relationships with a network of approximately 3,900 independent agents, of which approximately 2,500 actively sell and service our products. FNIC operates in several states authorized to write various lines of business.

The table below reflects the states and lines of business that FNIC operates in as of September 30, 2015.

	Fire	Allied Lines	Private Passenger Automobile	Homeowners' Multiperil	Commercial General Liability
Florida (Domestic)	а	а	а	а	а
Alabama	d	d	d	а	с
Georgia	-	-	a	-	с
Louisiana	-	-	-	а	с
South Carolina	-	-	-	b	-
Texas	-	-	a	b	с

a Ongoing operations for more than one year

b Ongoing operations for less than one year

c Working with state to discontinue line of authority

d Licensed, but no current operations

Non-Florida commercial general liability operations have not been material to the Company's overall operations. Although FNIC has underwritten commercial general liability insurance in those states, the Company has decided to wind-down its commercial general liability operations in Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas ultimately resulting in no new premium for this particular line of business. FNIC continues to underwrite commercial general liability operations in Florida.

FNIC is licensed as a non-admitted carrier in Missouri and Nevada and can underwrite commercial general liability insurance in these states. Currently, we do not have any operations in these states. A non-admitted carrier, sometimes referred to as an "excess and surplus lines" carrier, is permitted to do business in a state and, although it is strictly regulated to protect policyholders from a variety of illegal and unethical practices, including fraud, non-admitted carriers are subject to considerably less regulation with respect to policy rates and forms. Non-admitted carriers are not required to financially contribute to and benefit from the state guarantee fund, which is used to pay for losses if an insurance carrier becomes insolvent or unable to pay the losses due their policyholders.

On October 20, 2015, the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation (the "Florida OIR") approved the filing made by FNIC to comply with the cease and desist order dated May 19, 2015 to enable the Florida OIR to review and approve FNIC's analytic models. On October 21, 2015, the Florida OIR rescinded the cease and desist order based upon its approval of the Company's filing.

Pending approval of its underwriting analytics, FNIC used its current filed and approved rule-based underwriting to manage all new and existing business since early June 2015. Prior to this change, the average weekly new premium written was approximately \$3.3 million. Since discontinuing the use of the underwriting analytics, the average weekly new premium written during the next seven weeks increased to \$4.9 million, a 48% increase. Since that peak, the average written premium returned to an anticipated \$3.3 million level. The Company does not believe that the additional written premium will have a material impact on the Company's results of operations.

We previously entered into a Coexistence Agreement effective August 30, 2013 (the "Coexistence Agreement") with Federated Mutual Insurance Company ("Federated Mutual") pursuant to which, among other things, we may continue to use "Federated" until at least August 30, 2020, after which time we have agreed to either cease using

"Federated" in commerce or otherwise adopt and use trade names that are not confusingly similar to Federated Mutual's trademarks. We continue to develop our brand under the "FedNat" name, which is the name by which agents generally know us.

## **Organization of Monarch National Insurance Company**

The Company has entered into a joint venture to organize Monarch National Insurance Company ("MNIC"), which received its certificate of authority to write homeowners' property and casualty insurance in Florida from the Florida OIR on March 19, 2015. The Company's joint venture partners are a majority-owned limited partnership of Crosswinds Holdings Inc., f/k/a C.A. Bancorp Inc., a publicly traded Canadian private equity firm and asset manager ("Crosswinds"); and Transatlantic Reinsurance Company ("TransRe").

The Company and Crosswinds have each invested \$14.0 million in Monarch Delaware Holdings LLC ("Monarch Delaware"), the indirect parent company of MNIC, for a 42.4% interest in Monarch Delaware (each holding 50% of the voting interests in Monarch Delaware). TransRe has invested \$5.0 million for a 15.2% non-voting interest in Monarch Delaware and has advanced an additional \$5.0 million in debt evidenced by a six-year promissory note bearing 6% annual interest payable by Monarch National Holding Company ("MNHC"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Monarch Delaware and the direct parent company of MNIC.

In connection with the organization of MNIC, the parties entered into the following agreements dated as of March 17, 2015:

- MNIC entered into a Managing General Agent and Claims Administration Agreement (the "Monarch MGA Agreement") with FedNat Underwriters, Inc. ("FNU"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, pursuant to which FNU provides underwriting, accounting, reinsurance placement and claims administration services to Monarch. For its services under the Monarch MGA Agreement, FNU will receive 4% of Monarch's total written annual premium, excluding acquisition expenses payable to agents, for FNU's managing general agent services; 3.6% of Monarch's total earned annual premium for FNU's claims administration services; and a per-policy administrative fee of \$25 for each policy underwritten for Monarch. The Company will also receive an annual expense reimbursement for accounting and related services.
- MNIC, MNHC and Monarch Delaware (collectively, the "Monarch Entities") entered into an Investment Management Agreement (the "Monarch Investment Agreement") with Crosswinds AUM LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Crosswinds ("Crosswinds AUM"), pursuant to which Crosswinds AUM will manage the investment portfolios of the Monarch Entities. The management fee, on an annual basis, is 0.75% of assets under management up to \$100 million; 0.50% of assets under management of more than \$100 million but less than \$200 million; and 0.30% of assets under management of more than \$200 million.
- MNIC also entered into a Reinsurance Capacity Right of First Refusal Agreement with TransRe, pursuant to which TransRe has a right of first refusal for all quota share and excess of loss reinsurance that MNIC deems necessary in its sole discretion for so long as TransRe remains a member of Monarch Delaware or the MNHC debt remains outstanding. Pursuant to this agreement, TransRe has the right to provide, at market rates and terms, a maximum of 15% of any reinsurance coverage obtained by Monarch Delaware in any individual reinsurance contract.
- The Limited Liability Company Agreement of Monarch Delaware Holdings LLC dated as of March 17, 2015 (the "Monarch LLC Agreement") provides that Monarch Delaware is managed by a seven-member Board of Managers, three of whom have been designated by the Company, three of whom have been designated by Crosswinds, and one who will be jointly selected by the Company and Crosswinds. The Company's designees are Michael H. Braun, the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer and a director of the Company; Peter J. Prygelski, III, the Company's Chief Financial Officer and a director of the Company; and Jenifer G. Kimbrough, a director of the Company. Crosswinds' designees are Colin E. King, Robert T.Wolf, and Charles S. Duncker. The Company and Crosswinds have agreed to identify the seventh member of the Board of Managers within six months.
- The Monarch LLC Agreement provides that certain material transactions must be approved by a supermajority of the managers, including a termination, amendment or non-renewal of the Monarch MGA Agreement or the Monarch Investment Agreement. The Company will be entitled to receive a termination fee equal to the aggregate fees paid under the Monarch MGA Agreement for the 12 calendar months prior to the date of termination, if the Monarch MGA Agreement is terminated other than for cause. The Monarch LLC Agreement also provides the members with certain redemption, tag-along, drag-along and buy-sell rights. In addition, the Monarch LLC

Agreement provides the Company and Crosswinds with the right, for 24 months from the closing date, to participate in certain other transactions relating to the formation or acquisition of homeowners' property and casualty insurers undertaken by the other.

Our executive offices are located at 14050 N.W. 14th Street, Suite 180, Sunrise, Florida 33323 and our telephone number is (800) 293-2532.

### **Our Subsidiaries**

During the three months ended September 30, 2015, 91.6%, 2.6%, 3.8% and 2.0% of the premiums we underwrote were for homeowners', commercial general liability, automobile insurance, and federal flood, respectively. During the three months ended September 30, 2015, \$28.6 million or 24.1% of the \$118.9 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under Ivantage Select Agency, Inc. ("ISA"), an affiliate of Allstate Insurance Company, that grants Allstate agents the authority to offer certain FNIC products. The \$9.6 million increased homeowners' premiums we underwrote under ISA represents 27.0% of the \$35.6 million increased total homeowners' premiums we underwrote during the three months ended September 30, 2014, \$19.0 million or 22.8% of the \$83.3 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote of agents began writing for FNIC in March 2013. During the three months ended September 30, 2014, 90.5%, 3.4%, 2.5% and 3.6% of the premiums we underwrote were for homeowners', commercial general liability, federal flood, and automobile insurance, respectively.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, 92.3%, 3.0%, 2.9% and 1.8% of the premiums we underwrote were for homeowners', commercial general liability, automobile insurance, and federal flood, respectively. During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, \$75.7 million or 22.2% of the \$340.2 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under ISA. The \$26.3 million increased homeowners' premiums we underwrote under ISA represents 31.2% of the \$84.3 million increased total homeowners' premiums we underwrote during the nine months ended September 30, 2015. During the nine months ended September 30, 2015. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, \$49.4 million or 19.3% of the \$255.9 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under ISA. This network of agents began writing for FNIC in March 2013. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, 91.2%, 3.4%, 2.2% and 3.2% of the premiums we underwrote were for homeowners', commercial general liability, federal flood, and automobile insurance, respectively.

Our business, results of operations and financial condition are subject to fluctuations due to a variety of factors. Abnormally high severity or frequency of claims in any period could have a material adverse effect on us. When our estimated liabilities for unpaid losses and LAE are less than the actuarially determined amounts, we increase the expense in the current period. Conversely, when our estimated liabilities for unpaid losses and LAE are greater than the actuarially determined amounts, we decrease the expense in the current period.

We are focusing our marketing efforts on continuing to expand our distribution network while maintaining our commitment to long-term relationships. We market our products and services throughout Florida and in other states by establishing relationships with additional independent agents and general agents. There can be no assurance, however, that we will be able to obtain the required regulatory approvals to offer additional insurance products or expand into other states.

FNU, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, acts as FNIC's and MNIC's exclusive managing general agent and is also licensed as a managing general agent in the States of Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Nevada, South Carolina and Texas. FNU is an appointed Lloyds of London coverholder to write homeowners' multi peril insurance in Florida on an excess and surplus lines basis and has contracted with other unaffiliated insurance companies to sell personal umbrella coverage through FNU's existing network of agents. Operations for Lloyds of London commenced in the third quarter of this year.

FNU earns commissions and fees for providing policy administration, marketing, accounting and analytical services, and for participating in the negotiation of reinsurance contracts. FNU earns a per policy fee which ranges from \$25 to \$55 and a commission fee from its affiliate, FNIC and MNIC, which totaled 4% during the three months ended September 30, 2015. The Florida OIR periodically reviews our managing general agent's fee structure to ensure that it is neither excessive nor inadequate to operate.

We internally process claims made by our insureds through our wholly owned claims adjusting company, Federated National Adjusting, Inc. ("FNA"). Our agents have no authority to settle claims or otherwise exercise

control over the claims process. Furthermore, we believe that the retention of independent adjusters, in addition to the employment of salaried claims personnel, results in reduced ultimate loss payments, lower LAE and improved customer service for our claimants and policyholders. We also employ an in-house litigation management team to cost effectively manage claims-related litigation and to monitor our claims handling practices for efficiency and regulatory compliance.

During 2014, the Florida OIR approved an application to allow the claims administration operations of FNA to be assumed by FNU. Under the amended managing general agency agreement between FNU and FNIC, FNU will provide the same claims administration services. The combination of these services in FNU had no effect on consolidated net income.

Insure-Link, Inc. ("Insure-Link") is our independent insurance agency. The insurance agency markets direct to the public to provide a variety of insurance products and services to individual clients, as well as business clients, by offering a full line of insurance products including, but not limited to, homeowners', flood, personal and commercial automobile, commercial general liability, workers' compensation, boat and recreational vehicle and personal articles and jewelry insurance through their agency appointments with over one hundred different carrier relationships.

## **Insurance Markets in Which We Operate**

We operate in highly competitive markets and face competition from national, regional and residual market insurance companies in the homeowners', commercial general liability, and automobile markets. Our competitors include companies that market their products through agents, as well as companies that sell insurance directly to their customers. Large national writers may have certain competitive advantages over agency writers, including increased name recognition, increased loyalty of their customer base and reduced policy acquisition costs. We compete based on underwriting criteria, our distribution network and superior service to our agents and insureds. Although our pricing is inevitably influenced to some degree by that of our competitors, we believe that it is generally not in our best interest to compete solely on price.

In Florida, more than 50 companies compete with us in the homeowners' insurance market. Three of our larger competitors are Citizens Property Insurance Corporation ("Citizens"), Universal Property and Casualty Insurance Company and St. Johns Insurance Company. In Florida, more than one dozen companies compete with us in the commercial general liability insurance market.

In May 2013, SB 1770 was signed by the Governor of Florida and passed during the 2013 legislative session. This bill is intended to reform Citizens by reducing its insurance policy count and establishing the Property Insurance Clearinghouse ("Clearinghouse"). The Clearinghouse launched in January 2014, for new business ineligible for Citizens if a participating insurance company is willing to afford similar coverage at a price that is no more than 15% above the price of a policy with Citizens. Similarly, existing Citizens policies will not be eligible for renewal with Citizens if a participating insurance company is willing to afford similar coverage at no additional cost over the price for a Citizens policy. This will allow potentially new and renewal policies of Citizens to be comparatively shopped by participating private market insurers before becoming, or remaining, policies of Citizens. Effective March 30, 2014 FNIC joined as a participating insurance company in the Clearinghouse.

## **Critical Accounting Policies**

There have been no significant changes to our critical accounting policies during the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with those disclosed in Item 7, "Managements Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Critical Accounting Policies" included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the yeard ended December 31, 2014, other than that described in Note 3 (E) Adjustments of this report.

## Analysis of Financial Condition As of September 30, 2015 Compared with December 31, 2014

Our recent investment in Monarch Delaware has impacted our consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2015 by inclusion of Monarch Delaware's asset and liability line items and recognition of the non-controlling interest within shareholders' equity.

## **Total Investments**

The following table summarizes, by type, our investments as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	September	30, 2015	December 31, 2014		
	Carrying	Percent	Carrying	Percent	
	Amount	of Total	Amount	<u>of Total</u>	
		(Dollars in	Thousands)		
Debt securities, at fair value:					
United States government obligations and authorities	\$ 65,994	17.08%	\$ 62,323	18.84%	
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	108,597	28.11%	91,614	27.70%	
Corporate	155,324	40.20%	119,024	35.99%	
International	12,000	<u>3.11</u> %	11,138	<u>3.37</u> %	
	341,915	88.50%	284,099	<u>85.90%</u>	
Debt securities, at amortized cost:					
United States government obligations and authorities	4,221	1.09%	4,490	1.36%	
Corporate	2,101	0.54%	2,681	0.81%	
International	65	0.02%	246	<u>0.07%</u>	
	6,387	<u>1.65%</u>	7,417	2.24%	
Total debt securities	348,302	90.15%	291,516	88.14%	
Equity securities, at fair value:	38,086	<u>9.85</u> %	39,247	<u>11.86</u> %	
Total investments	\$ 386,388	100.00%	\$ 330,763	100.00%	

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, our investments consisted primarily of corporate bonds held in various industries, municipal bonds and United States government bonds. As of September 30, 2015, 80% of our debt portfolio was in diverse industries and 20% was in United States government bonds. As of September 30, 2015, approximately 86% of our equity holdings were in equities related to diverse industries and 14% were in mutual funds. As of December 31, 2014, 77% of our debt portfolio was in diverse industries and 23% is in United States government bonds. As of December 31, 2014, approximately 88% of our equity holdings were in equities related to diverse industries and 23% is in United States government bonds. As of December 31, 2014, approximately 88% of our equity holdings were in equities related to diverse industries and 12% were in mutual funds.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we have classified \$6.4 million and \$7.4 million, respectively, of our bond portfolio as held-to-maturity. We classify bonds as held-to-maturity to support securitization of credit requirements.

Total investments increased \$55.6 million, or 16.8%, to \$386.4 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$330.8 million as of December 31, 2014.

The debt and equity securities that are available-for-sale and carried at fair value represent 98% of total investments as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

We did not hold any trading investment securities during the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

The Company's policy for the valuation of temporarily impaired securities is to determine impairment based on the analysis of the following factors.

• rating downgrade or other credit event (eg., failure to pay interest when due);

- length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than amortized cost;
- financial condition and near term prospects of the issuer, including any specific events which may influence the operations of the issuer such as changes in technology or discontinuance of a business segment;
- prospects for the issuer's industry segment;
- intent and ability of the Company to retain the investment for a period of time sufficient to allow for anticipated recovery in market value;
- historical volatility of the fair value of the security.

The Company records the unrealized losses, net of estimated income taxes that are associated with that part of our portfolio classified as available-for-sale through the shareholders' equity account titled "Other Comprehensive Income". Management periodically reviews the individual investments that comprise our portfolio in order to determine whether a decline in fair value below our cost either is other-than temporarily or permanently impaired based on the above factors.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, we have charged to operations, realized investment losses of less than \$0.1 million. The charges relate to common stock held in diverse industries. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, in connection with the process, we have not charged operations with investment losses.

Below is a summary of net unrealized gains (losses) as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, by category.

	Unrealized Gains (Losses)					
	September 30, 2015 December 31,					
	(Dollars in Thousands)					
Debt securities:						
United States government obligations and authorities	\$	1,119	\$	945		
Obligations of states and political subdivisions		1,386		886		
Corporate		855		1,249		
International		(105)		(1)		
		3,255		3,079		
Equity securities:						
Common stocks		4,481		9,338		
Total debt and equity securities	\$	7,736	\$	12,417		

The net unrealized gain of \$7.7 million is inclusive of \$0.4 million of unrealized losses; \$0.3 million of unrealized losses are from debt securities and less than \$0.1 million of unrealized losses are from equity securities.

The \$0.3 million of unrealized losses from debt securities consisted primarily of corporate bonds held in various industries, municipal bonds and United States government bonds. The Company does not expect to settle at prices less than the amortized cost basis. The Company does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2015 because we neither currently intend to sell these investments nor consider it likely that we will be required to sell these investments before recovery of the amortized cost basis.

The less than \$0.1 million of unrealized losses from equity securities are from common stocks and mutual funds held in diverse industries as of September 30, 2015. The Company evaluated the near-term prospects in relation to the severity and duration of the impairment. Based on this evaluation and the Company's ability and intent to hold these investments for a reasonable period of time sufficient for a forecasted recovery of fair value, the Company does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2015.

### **Cash and Short-Term Investments**

Cash and short-term investments, which include cash, certificates of deposits, and money market accounts, increased \$36.0 million, or 89.7%, to \$76.2 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$40.2 million as of December 31, 2014. The change is due primarily to our gross written premium, which increased by \$88.1 million, or 31.4%, to \$368.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$280.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$280.5 million for the nine months ended for investment, of which approximately \$29.0 million was transferred to the investment accounts during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and the remainder of cash is for a planned reinsurance payment.

## **Prepaid Reinsurance Premiums**

Prepaid reinsurance premiums increased \$41.0 million, or 75.2%, to \$95.5 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with the \$54.5 million as of December 31, 2014 The change is due to payments to reinsurers, offset by the amortization of prepaid reinsurance premiums. We believe concentrations of credit risk associated with our prepaid reinsurance premiums are not significant. As noted on page 14 under footnote E, Adjustments, there were quota share accounting changes consistent with ASC 944 whereby certain balance sheet line items were reclassed. As a result, \$14 million from the formerly reported line item, Contingent quota-share profit sharing is now being reported here.

## Premiums Receivable, Net of Allowance for Credit Losses

Premiums receivable, net of allowance for credit losses, increased \$7.6 million, or 28.1%, to \$34.9 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$27.3 million as of December 31, 2014.

Our homeowners' insurance premiums receivable increased \$6.6 million, or 29.7%, to \$29.0 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$22.4 million as of December 31, 2014. Our commercial general liability insurance premiums receivable increased less than \$0.1 million, or 18.5%, to \$0.3 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$0.2 million as of December 31, 2014. Our automobile insurance premiums receivable increased \$1.1 million, or 23.5%, to \$5.9 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$4.8 million as of December 31, 2014. Our allowance for credit losses decreased \$0.2 million, or 110.9%, to \$0.3 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with nothing as of December 31, 2014.

## **Reinsurance Recoverable, Net**

Reinsurance recoverable, net, decreased \$4.2 million, or 33.4%, to \$8.3 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$12.5 million as of December 31, 2014. The change is due to the payment patterns by our reinsurers, as influenced by the diminishing catastrophe related claims. All amounts are current and deemed collectable. We believe concentrations of credit risk associated with our reinsurance recoverables, net, are not significant. As noted on page 14 under footnote E, Adjustments, there were quota share accounting changes consistent with ASC 944 whereby certain balance sheet line items were reclassed. As a result, \$7 million from the formerly reported line item, Deferred quota-share profit sharing is now being reported here.

## **Deferred Policy Acquisition Costs ("DPAC")**

DPAC decreased \$0.1 million, or 0.6%, to \$13.5 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$13.6 million as of December 31, 2014. The change reflects in part the deferral of the actual policy acquisition costs, including commissions, payroll and premium taxes, less commissions earned on reinsurance ceded and policy fees earned associated with our increased unearned premium. As noted on page 14 under footnote E, Adjustments, there were quota share accounting changes consistent with ASC 944 whereby certain balance sheet line items were reclassed.

## **Income Taxes Receivable**

Income taxes receivable totaled \$5.8 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.8 million as of December 31, 2014. The change is due to estimated tax payments made in excess of the related accrued liability.

## **Property, Plant and Equipment, Net**

Property, plant and equipment, net increased \$1.1 million, or 57.4%, to \$2.8 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.7 million as of December 31, 2014.

## Other Assets

Other assets increased \$3.8 million, or 51.7%, to \$11.0 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$7.2 million as of December 31, 2014. Major components of other assets are shown in the following table. The accrued interest income receivable is primarily investment related and the commission receivable is primarily related to the commission income sharing agreement with our reinsurance intermediary.

	Septemb	per 30, 2015	Decem	<u>per 31, 2014</u>				
	(Dollars in Thousands)							
Accrued interest income receivable	\$	3,095	\$	2,600				
Commission receivable		6,284		2,077				
Deposits		122		281				
Prepaid expenses		1,065		1,496				
Receivable for investments sold		-		31				
Other		407		746				
Total	\$	10,973	\$	7,231				

## **Contingent Quota-Share Profit Sharing**

Contingent quota-share profit sharing totaled nothing as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$14.0 million as of December 31, 2014. As noted above on page 43 under Prepaid Reinsurance Premiums, and again on page 14 under footnote E, Adjustments, there were quota share accounting changes consistent with ASC 944 whereby certain balance sheet line items were reclassed. As a result, \$14 million previously reported here was reclassed to the aforementioned prepaid reinsurance premiums line item.

#### Unpaid Losses and LAE

Unpaid losses and LAE increased \$13.4 million, or 17.0%, to \$91.7 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$78.3 million as of December 31, 2014.

The composition of unpaid losses and LAE by product line is as follows.

	<u>Case</u> (	 <u>ber 30, 2015</u> <u>Bulk</u> in Thousand	-	<u>Total</u>	Case	<u>iber 31, 201</u> Bulk s in Thousan	_	<u>Total</u>
Homeowners' Commercial General Liability Automobile	\$ 26,684 5,026 3,879	\$ 32,675 14,467 8,942	\$	59,359 19,493 12,821	\$ 14,223 5,646 3,672	\$ 35,192 12,505 7,092	\$	49,415 18,151 10,764
Total	\$ 35,589	\$ 56,084	\$	91,673	\$ 23,541	\$ 54,789	\$	78,330

Please see "Results of Operations - Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014 - Losses and LAE" for a description of the factors that affect unpaid losses and LAE.

### **Unearned Premium**

Unearned premiums increased \$58.0 million, or 30.1%, to \$250.4 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$192.4 million as of December 31, 2014. The change was due to a \$54.0 million increase in unearned homeowners' insurance premiums, a \$0.7 million increase in unearned flood insurance premiums, a \$1.1 million increase in unearned commercial general liability premiums and a \$2.2 million increase in unearned

automobile premiums. Generally, as is in this case, an increase in unearned premium directly relates to an increase in written premium on a rolling twelve-month basis.

## Debt

Debt totaled \$5.0 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with nothing as of December 31, 2014, reflecting the \$5.0 million loan to MNHC from TransRe.

## **Premium Deposits and Customer Credit Balances**

Premium deposits and customer credit balances increased \$3.9 million, or 52.6%, to \$11.3 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$7.4 million as of December 31, 2014. Premium deposits are monies received on policies not yet in-force, the change of which is due to the increase in gross written premiums during this same period.

## **Deferred Income Taxes, Net**

Deferred income taxes, net, increased \$3.5 million to a net liability balance of \$4.8 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.3 million as of December 31, 2014. Deferred income taxes, net, is comprised of approximately \$10.4 million and \$9.7 million of deferred tax assets, net of approximately \$15.2 million and \$11.0 million of deferred tax liabilities as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

## **Claims Payments Outstanding**

Claims payments outstanding increased \$3.1 million, or 30.7%, to \$13.3 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$10.2 million as of December 31, 2014. The claims payments outstanding relate primarily to losses and LAE disbursements paid but not presented for payment by the policyholder or vendor. The change relates to the timing of presentation of claims checks to the issuing bank.

## Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses

Accounts payable and accrued expenses increased \$5.5 million, or 50.2%, to \$16.4 million as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$10.9 million as of December 31, 2014. The change is due to increases in the recognition of employment bonuses, premium taxes and commissions.

# **Deferred Quota-Share Profit Sharing**

Deferred quota-share profit sharing totaled nothing as of September 30, 2015, compared with \$10.5 million as of December 31, 2014. As noted above on page 43 under Reinsurance Recoverable, net, and again on page 14 under footnote E, Adjustments, there were quota share accounting changes consistent with ASC 944 whereby certain balance sheet line items were reclassed. As a result, \$7 million previously reported here was reclassed to the aforementioned reinsurance recoverable, net line item.

# Results of Operations Three Months Ended September 30, 2015 Compared with Three Months Ended September 30, 2014

Our recent investment in MNHC has impacted our consolidated statement of operations for the three months ended September 30, 2015 by inclusion of MNHC'S revenue and expense line items and recognition of the non-controlling interest when computing net income attributable to FNHC common stockholders.

### **Gross Premiums Written**

Gross premiums written increased \$37.8 million, or 41.1%, to \$129.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$92.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The following table denotes gross premiums written by major product line. The increase in gross premiums written during the 2015 period is primarily due to both the increase in the sale of homeowners' policies and, as noted on page 9, to the transition from using analytic models to our approved rule-based underwriting. Beginning in 2013, our improved underwriting, risk management and product distribution enabled us to write more policies than in prior years.

	Three Months Ended September 30,							
	201	<u>5</u>		2014				
		(Dollars	in Thousa	unds)				
	Amount Percentage			mount	Percentage			
Homeowners'	\$ 118,929	91.60%	\$	83,280	90.49%			
Commercial General Liability	3,391	2.61%		3,161	3.43%			
Federal Flood	2,529	1.95%		2,299	2.50%			
Automobile	 4,991	<u>3.84%</u>		3,292	<u>3.58%</u>			
Gross written premiums	\$ 129,840	<u>100.00%</u>	\$	92,032	<u>100.00%</u>			

The increase in the sale of homeowners' policies by \$35.6 million, or 42.8%, to \$118.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$83.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014, is gross of reinsurance costs and net of Florida's mandated homeowners' wind mitigation discounts. As noted on page 9, the increase in gross premiums written can be partially attributed to the transition from using analytic models to our approved rule-based underwriting. We offer premium discounts for wind mitigation efforts by policyholders, as required by Florida law. As of September 30, 2015, 74.6% of our in-force homeowners' policyholders were receiving wind mitigation credits totaling approximately \$414.1 million (a 50.2% reduction of in-force premium), while 76.9% of our in-force homeowners' policyholders were receiving wind mitigation, (a 50.1% reduction of in-force premium), as of September 30, 2014.

During the three months ended September 30, 2015, \$28.6 million or 24.1% of the \$118.9 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under ISA, an affiliate of Allstate Insurance Company, that grants Allstate agents the authority to offer certain FNIC products. The \$9.6 million increased homeowners' premiums we underwrote under ISA represents 27.0% of the \$35.6 million increased total homeowners' premiums we underwrote during the three months ended September 30, 2015. During the three months ended September 30, 2014, \$19.0 million or 22.8% of the \$83.3 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under ISA. This network of agents began writing for FNIC in March 2013.

During the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, the change to the cumulative wind mitigation credits afforded our policyholders totaled \$56.8 million and \$22.8 million, respectively. These premium discounts have had a significant effect on both written and earned premium. Wind mitigation credits are 50.2% of the pre-credit premium, or \$824.8 million, as of September 30, 2015, as compared with 50.1% of the pre-credit premium, or \$624.4 million, as of September 30, 2014. Our number of in-force homeowners' policies increased by approximately 19,300 or 9.1%, to approximately 231,800 as of September 30, 2015, compared with approximately 212,500 as of June 30, 2015.

We are required to report write-your-own flood premiums on a direct and 100% ceded basis.

The Company's sale of commercial general liability policies increased \$0.2 million, or 7.3%, to \$3.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$3.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

		<u>30,</u> 2014		
	Amount	2015 Percentage	Amount	Percentage
		(Dollars in	Thousands)	
<u>State</u>				
Alabama	\$6	0.19%	\$ 35	1.11%
Florida	3,370	99.37%	2,842	89.91%
Georgia	-	0.00%	7	0.22%
Louisiana	8	0.23%	36	1.14%
Texas	7	0.21%	241	7.62%
Total	\$ 3,391	<u>100.00</u> %	\$ 3,161	<u>100.00</u> %

The following table sets forth the amounts and percentages of our gross premiums written in connection with our commercial general liability program by state.

The Company's sale of auto insurance policies increased \$1.7 million, or 51.6%, to \$5.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$3.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

We are currently rated by Demotech, Inc. ("Demotech") as "A" ("Exceptional"), which is the third of seven ratings, and defined as "Regardless of the severity of a general economic downturn or deterioration in the insurance cycle, insurers earning a Financial Stability Rating ("FSR") of "A" possess "Exceptional" financial stability related to maintaining surplus as regards to policyholders". Demotech's ratings are based upon factors of concern to agents, reinsurers and policyholders and are not primarily directed toward the protection of investors. Our Demotech rating could be jeopardized by factors including adverse development and various surplus related ratio exceptions.

The withdrawal of our rating could limit or prevent us from writing or renewing desirable insurance policies, from competing with insurers who have higher ratings, from obtaining adequate reinsurance, or from borrowing on a line of credit. The withdrawal of our rating could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and financial position because the Company's insurance products might no longer be acceptable to the secondary marketplace and mortgage lenders. Furthermore, a withdrawal of our rating could prevent independent agents from selling and servicing our insurance products.

## **Gross Premiums Ceded**

Gross premiums ceded decreased \$9.3 million, or 7.2%, to \$120.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$129.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The change was due to a \$11.2 million decrease in homeowners', a less than \$0.1 million increase in commercial general liability, a \$0.2 million increase in flood and a \$1.6 million increase in automobile.

## **Increase in Prepaid Reinsurance Premiums**

The increase in prepaid reinsurance premiums was \$70.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$80.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The decreased benefit to written premium is associated with the timing of our reinsurance payments measured against the term of the underlying reinsurance policies.

## **Increase in Unearned Premiums**

The increase in unearned premiums was \$17.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$8.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The increased charge to written premium was due to a \$14.9 million increase in unearned homeowners' insurance premiums, a \$0.6 million increase in unearned flood premiums, a \$0.1 million decrease in unearned commercial general liability premiums and a \$2.2 million increase in unearned automobile insurance premiums during the three months ended September 30, 2015. These changes are a result of differences in written premium volume during this period as compared with the same period last year. See "Gross Premiums Written" above.

## **Net Premiums Earned**

Net premiums earned increased \$27.8 million, or 80.4%, to \$62.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$34.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

The following table denotes net premiums earned by product line.

	Three Months Ended September 30,							
		<u>2015</u>			<u>2014</u>			
		Amount Percentage			Amount Percenta			
		(Dollars in Thousands)						
Homeowners'	\$	58,352	93.68%	\$	30,907	89.54%		
Commercial General Liability		3,307	5.31%		2,787	8.07%		
Automobile		627	<u>1.01%</u>		824	<u>2.39%</u>		
Net premiums earned	<u>\$</u>	62,286	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$</u>	34,518	<u>100.00%</u>		

The \$27.4 million increase in homeowners' net premiums earned is due to a \$35.6 million increase in gross written premium as discussed, a \$11.2 million decrease in gross premiums ceded and a \$19.4 million decrease in the net change to prepaid reinsurance premiums and unearned premium.

The \$0.5 million increase in commercial general liability net premiums earned is a result of a \$0.2 million increase in gross written premium, a less than \$0.1 million increase in gross premiums ceded and a \$0.4 million increase in the net change to prepaid reinsurance premiums and unearned premium.

The \$0.1 million decrease in automobile net premiums earned is a result of a \$1.7 million increase in gross written premium as discussed, a \$1.6 million increase in gross premiums ceded and a \$0.2 million decrease in the net change to prepaid reinsurance premiums and unearned premium.

#### **Commission Income**

Commission income increased \$0.7 million, or 58.9%, to \$1.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The primary sources of our commission income are our managing general agent services, write-your-own flood premiums and our independent insurance agency, Insure-Link.

## **Finance Revenue**

Finance revenue remained unchanged at \$0.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014. The primary source of finance revenue is service fees and interest income from our direct billing program, wherein we accept receivables from our insureds.

## **Direct Written Policy Fees**

Direct written policy fees increased \$0.6 million, or 24.3%, to \$2.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$2.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The change is due to the increase in gross premiums written during this same period.

## **Net Investment Income**

Net investment income increased \$0.5 million, or 31.5%, to \$1.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

Our investment yields, net and gross of investment expenses, excluding equities and including cash, were 2.6% and 2.7%, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2015. Our investment yields, net and gross of investment expenses, excluding equities and including cash, were 2.2% and 2.5%, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

Our investment yield, net and gross of investment expenses measured against debt securities, excluding equities and cash, were 2.7% and 2.8%, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2015. Our investment yield, net and gross of investment expenses measured against debt securities, excluding equities and cash, were 2.3% and 2.6%, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

See also "Analysis of Financial Condition as of September 30, 2015 Compared with December 31, 2014 – Investments" for a further discussion on our investment portfolio.

## **Net Realized Investment Gains**

Net realized investment gains totaled \$1.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$0.7 million during the three months ended September 30, 2014.

The table below depicts the net realized investment gains (losses) by investment category during the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

	Three Months Ended September 30,				
	<u>2015</u>			014	
		(Dollars in	Thousands)		
Realized gains:					
Debt securities	\$	226	\$	241	
Equity securities		1,847		453	
Total realized gains		2,073		694	
Realized losses:					
Debt securities		(178)		(20)	
Equity securities		(769)		(15)	
Total realized losses		(947)		(35)	
Net realized gains on investments	\$	1,126	\$	659	

## **Other Income**

Other income increased to \$2.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The increase is primarily due to the commission sharing agreement with our reinsurance intermediary.

## **Quota-Share Profit Sharing**

Quota-share profit sharing totaled nothing for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

In conjunction with our third quarter 2015 analysis of actual experience to date under the July 1, 2014 quota share reinsurance contract, we re-evaluated the accounting treatment for quota share reinsurance contracts with retrospective rating provisions. As a result of this re-evaluation, we have concluded reinsurance contracts which have retrospective rating provisions should be accounted for under Accounting Standards Codification 944, Financial Services — Insurance ("ASC 944"), where amounts due to (from) the assuming companies are accrued based on estimated contract experience to date as though the contracts were terminated. The adjustment to the accounting treatment related to reinsurance contracts with retrospective rated provisions resulted in the following changes:

- (a) We eliminated recording of future estimated quota share profits in one line item, "Quota Share Profit Sharing," in the financial statements.
- (b) Amounts due to (from) the assuming companies have been accrued based on actual contract experience to date as though the contracts were terminated. These accruals impacted the following income statement line items: gross ceded premiums, loss and loss adjustment expenses, and deferred policy acquisition costs.

The adjustments to our accounting for the July 1, 2014 quota share reinsurance contract, inclusive of other adjustments, are not material in any prior quarter or annual period based on an analysis of quantitative and qualitative factors in accordance with SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin 108.

As a result, we recorded these adjustments during the third quarter of 2015. These adjustments increased net income by \$2.2 million for the three month period ended on September 30, 2015.

Additionally, the quota share reinsurance accounting adjustments impacted the following income statement line items for the three month period ended on September 30, 2015:

- Gross ceded premiums decreased by \$10.9 million,
- Loss and loss adjustment expenses increased by \$4.5 million, and
- Deferred acquisition costs increased by \$1.5 million.

## Losses and LAE

Losses and LAE, our most significant expense, represent actual payments made and changes in estimated future payments to be made to or on behalf of our policyholders, including expenses required to settle claims and losses. We revise our estimates based on the results of analysis of estimated future payments to be made. This process assumes that experience, adjusted for the effects of current developments and anticipated trends, is an appropriate basis for predicting future events.

Losses and LAE increased \$13.3 million, or 87.8%, to \$28.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$15.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The overall change includes a \$10.8 million increase in our homeowners' program, a \$2.0 million increase in our commercial general liability program and a \$0.5 million increase in connection with our automobile program.

The change to losses and LAE typically reflects the change to reserves in response to the change in the number of policies we wrote during the same period.

We continue to revise our estimates of the ultimate financial impact of claims made resulting from past storms. The revisions to our estimates are based on our analysis of subsequent information that we receive regarding various factors, including: (i) per claim information; (ii) Company and industry historical loss experience; (iii) legislative enactments, judicial decisions, legal developments in the awarding of damages, and (iv) trends in general economic conditions, including the effects of inflation.

The composition of unpaid losses and LAE by product line is as follows.

	<u>Case</u>	<u>ber 30, 2015</u> <u>Bulk</u> in Thousand	_	<u>Total</u>	<u>Case</u> (	 <u>iber 31, 2014</u> <u>Bulk</u> s in Thousan	_	<u>Total</u>
Homeowners' Commercial General Liability Automobile	\$ 26,684 5,026 3,879	\$ 32,675 14,467 8,942	\$	59,359 19,493 12,821	\$ 14,223 5,646 3,672	\$ 35,192 12,505 7,092	\$	49,415 18,151 10,764
Total	\$ 35,589	\$ 56,084	\$	91,673	\$ 23,541	\$ 54,789	\$	78,330

Factors that affect unpaid losses and LAE include the estimates made on a claim-by-claim basis known as "case reserves" coupled with bulk estimates known as Incurred but Not Yet Reported ("IBNR"). Periodic estimates by management of the ultimate costs required to settle all claim files are based on the Company's analysis of historical data and estimations of the impact of numerous factors such as (i) per claim information; (ii) Company and industry historical loss experience; (iii) legislative enactments, judicial decisions, legal developments in the awarding of damages, and changes in political attitudes; and (iv) trends in general economic conditions, including the effects of inflation.

Management revises its estimates based on the results of its analysis. This process assumes that experience, adjusted for the effects of current developments and anticipated trends, is an appropriate basis for estimating the ultimate settlement of all claims. There is no precise method for subsequently evaluating the impact of any specific factor on the adequacy of the reserves, because the eventual redundancy or deficiency is affected by multiple factors. Because of our process, reserves were increased by approximately \$3.6 million during the three months ended September 30, 2015. This overall change includes a \$2.0 million increase in reserves for our homeowners' program, a \$1.3 million increase in reserves for commercial general liability program and a \$0.3 million increase in reserves for our automobile program.

In accordance with GAAP and as discussed above, our loss ratio is computed as losses and LAE divided by net premiums earned. A lower loss ratio generally results in higher operating income. Our loss ratio for the three months ended September 30, 2015 was 45.6% compared with 43.8% for the same period in 2014.

## **Operating and Underwriting Expenses**

Operating and underwriting expenses increased \$5.1 million, or 74.8%, to \$11.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$6.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The change is due to increases in our SageSure profit sharing agreement, premium taxes, professional service fees, licenses and other such expenses.

## Salaries and Wages

Salaries and wages increased \$3.9 million, or 97.4%, to \$7.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$4.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The change is due to the recognition of increased employment bonuses and stock-based compensation associated in part with our increased employment base. The charge to operations for stock-based compensation, in accordance with FASB guidance, was approximately \$941,300 during the three months ended September 30, 2015 compared with approximately \$367,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

## **Policy Acquisition Costs**

Policy Acquisition Costs increased \$1.0 million, or 16.7%, to \$6.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$5.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The change to policy acquisition costs typically corresponds to the change in net premiums earned during the same period, and consists of the actual policy acquisition costs, including commissions, payroll and premium taxes, less commissions earned on reinsurance ceded and policy fees earned.

## **Interest Expense**

Interest expense was \$0.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with nothing for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

## **Provision for Income Tax Expense**

The provision for income tax expense was \$7.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$4.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The effective rate for income taxes was 40.02% for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with 36.91% for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

## **Non-Controlling Interest**

The benefit to the consolidated statement of operations for non-controlling interest was less than \$0.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with nothing for the three months ended September 30, 2014. Because our interest in Monarch Delaware is approximately 42.4%, our consolidated statement of operations has been adjusted for the other 57.6% non-controlling interest held by our joint-venture partners.

## Net Income Attributable to FNHC Common Stockholders

Net income attributable to FNHC common stockholders increased \$3.4 million, or 46.6%, to \$10.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$7.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

## Results of Operations Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014

Our recent investment in MNHC has impacted our consolidated statement of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 by inclusion of MNHC'S revenue and expense line items and recognition of the non-controlling interest when computing net income attributable to FNHC common stockholders.

## **Gross Premiums Written**

Gross premiums written increased \$88.1 million, or 31.4%, to \$368.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$280.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The following table denotes gross premiums written by major product line. The increase in gross premiums written during the 2015 period is primarily due to both the increase in the sale of homeowners' policies and, as noted on page 9, to the transition from using analytic models to our approved rule-based underwriting. Beginning in 2013, our improved underwriting, risk management and product distribution enabled us to write more policies than in prior years.

	Nine Months Ended September 30,								
		<u>201</u>	<u>5</u>		2014	<u>1</u>			
			(Dollars	in Thous	ands)				
		Amount Percentage Amount				Percentage			
Homeowners'	\$	340,205	92.30%	\$	255,858	91.21%			
Commercial General Liability		11,123	3.02%		9,473	3.38%			
Federal Flood		6,397	1.74%		6,192	2.21%			
Automobile		10,836	<u>2.94%</u>		8,964	<u>3.20%</u>			
Gross written premiums	\$	368,561	<u>100.00%</u>	\$	280,487	<u>100.00%</u>			

The increase in the sale of homeowners' policies by \$84.3 million, or 33.0%, to \$340.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$255.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, is gross of reinsurance costs and net of Florida's mandated homeowners' wind mitigation discounts. As noted on page 9, the increase in gross premiums written can be partially attributed to the transition from using analytic models to our approved rule-based underwriting. We offer premium discounts for wind mitigation efforts by policyholders, as required by Florida law. As of September 30, 2015, 74.6% of our in-force homeowners' policyholders were receiving wind mitigation credits totaling approximately \$414.1 million (a 50.2% reduction of in-force premium), while 76.9% of our in-force homeowners' policyholders were receiving wind mitigation, (a 50.1% reduction of in-force premium), as of September 30, 2014.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, \$75.7 million or 22.2% of the \$340.2 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under ISA. The \$26.3 million increased homeowners' premiums we underwrote under ISA represents 31.2% of the \$84.3 million increased total homeowners' premiums we underwrote during the nine months ended September 30, 2015. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, \$49.4 million or 19.3% of the \$255.9 million of the homeowners' premiums we underwrote were produced under ISA. This network of agents began writing for FNIC in March 2013.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, the change to the cumulative wind mitigation credits afforded our policyholders totaled \$77.5 million and \$96.0 million, respectively. Our number of in-force homeowners' policies increased by approximately 49,200 or 27.0%, to approximately 231,800 as of September 30, 2015, compared with approximately 182,600 as of December 31, 2014.

We are required to report write-your-own flood premiums on a direct and 100% ceded basis.

The Company's sale of commercial general liability policies increased \$1.6 million, or 17.4%, to \$11.1

million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$9.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

The following table sets forth the amounts and percentages of our gross premiums written in connection with our commercial general liability program by state.

	Nine Months Ended September 30,									
		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>						
	<u>Amount</u>	Percentage	<u>Amount</u>	Percentage						
		(Dollars in T	'housands)							
<u>State</u>										
Alabama	\$ 121	1.09%	\$ 124	1.31%						
Florida	10,475	94.17%	8,730	92.16%						
Georgia	59	0.53%	7	0.07%						
Louisiana	51	0.46%	82	0.87%						
Texas	417	3.75%	530	<u>5.59%</u>						
Total	\$ 11,123	<u>100.00</u> %	\$ 9,473	<u>100.00</u> %						

The Company's sale of auto insurance policies increased \$1.8 million, or 20.9%, to \$10.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$9.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

We are currently rated by Demotech, Inc. ("Demotech") as "A" ("Exceptional"), which is the third of seven ratings, and defined as "Regardless of the severity of a general economic downturn or deterioration in the insurance cycle, insurers earning a Financial Stability Rating ("FSR") of "A" possess "Exceptional" financial stability related to maintaining surplus as regards to policyholders". Demotech's ratings are based upon factors of concern to agents, reinsurers and policyholders and are not primarily directed toward the protection of investors. Our Demotech rating could be jeopardized by factors including adverse development and various surplus related ratio exceptions.

The withdrawal of our rating could limit or prevent us from writing or renewing desirable insurance policies, from competing with insurers who have higher ratings, from obtaining adequate reinsurance, or from borrowing on a line of credit. The withdrawal of our rating could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and financial position because the Company's insurance products might no longer be acceptable to the secondary marketplace and mortgage lenders. Furthermore, a withdrawal of our rating could prevent independent agents from selling and servicing our insurance products.

### **Gross Premiums Ceded**

Gross premiums ceded increased \$51.9 million, or 29.0%, to \$231.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$179.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The change was due to a \$49.8 million increase in homeowners', a \$0.1 million increase in commercial general liability, a \$0.2 million increase in flood and a \$1.8 million increase in automobile. Gross premiums ceded relating to our homeowners' are increased by our 30% and 10% property quota share agreements effective July 1, 2014 and July 1, 2015, respectively, and were also impacted by an additional reinsurance coverage purchased for the 2015-2016 season as compared with the 2014-2015 season.

#### **Increase in Prepaid Reinsurance Premiums**

The increase in prepaid reinsurance premiums was \$76.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$86.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The decreased benefit to written premium is associated with the timing of our reinsurance payments measured against the term of the underlying reinsurance policies.

### **Increase in Unearned Premiums**

The increase in unearned premiums was \$58.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$58.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The decreased charge to written premium was due to a \$54.0 million increase in unearned homeowners' insurance premiums, a \$0.7 million increase in unearned flood premiums, \$1.1 million increase in unearned commercial general liability premiums and a \$2.2

million increase in unearned automobile insurance premiums during the nine months ended September 30, 2015. These changes are a result of differences in written premium volume during this period as compared with the same period last year. See "Gross Premiums Written" above.

#### **Net Premiums Earned**

Net premiums earned increased \$26.3 million, or 20.3%, to \$156.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$130.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

The following table denotes net premiums earned by product line.

	Nine Months Ended September 30,							
		2015			2014			
		Amount Percentage			Amount Percentag			
Homeowners'	\$	144,712	92.59%	\$	119,903	92.26%		
Commercial General Liability Automobile		9,547 2,039	6.11% <u>1.30%</u>		7,869 2,183	6.06% <u>1.68%</u>		
Net premiums earned	\$	156,298	<u>100.00%</u>	\$	129,955	<u>100.00%</u>		

The \$24.8 million increase in homeowners' net premiums earned is due to a \$84.3 million increase in gross written premium as discussed, a \$49.7 million increase in gross premiums ceded and a \$9.8 million decrease in the net change to prepaid reinsurance premiums and unearned premium.

The \$1.6 million increase in commercial general liability net premiums earned is a result of a \$1.6 million increase in gross written premium, a \$0.1 million increase in gross premiums ceded remained and a \$0.1 million decrease in the net change to prepaid reinsurance premiums and unearned premium.

The \$0.1 million decrease in automobile net premiums earned is a result of a \$1.9 million increase in gross written premium as discussed, a \$1.8 million increase in gross premiums ceded and a \$0.2 million increase in the net change to prepaid reinsurance premiums and unearned premium.

## **Commission Income**

Commission income increased \$1.0 million, or 28.3%, to \$4.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$3.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The primary sources of our commission income are our managing general agent services, write-your-own flood premiums and our independent insurance agency, Insure-Link.

## **Finance Revenue**

Finance revenue increased \$0.2 million, or 25.7%, to \$1.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The primary source of finance revenue is service fees and interest income from our direct billing program, wherein we accept receivables from our insureds.

## **Direct Written Policy Fees**

Direct written policy fees increased \$1.5 million, or 22.9%, to \$7.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$6.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The change is due to the increase in gross premiums written during this same period.

## Net Investment Income

Net investment income increased \$1.4 million, or 37.2%, to \$5.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$3.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

Our investment yields, net and gross of investment expenses, excluding equities and including cash, were 2.3% and 2.4% respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. Our investment yields, net and gross of investment expenses, excluding equities and including cash, were 2.1% and 2.4%, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

Our investment yield, net and gross of investment expenses measured against debt securities, excluding equities and cash, were 2.4% and 2.6%, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. Our investment yield, net and gross of investment expenses measured against debt securities, excluding equities and cash, were 2.1% and 2.5%, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

See also "Analysis of Financial Condition as of September 30, 2015 Compared with December 31, 2014 – Investments" for a further discussion on our investment portfolio.

## Net Realized Investment Gains

Net realized investment gains totaled \$3.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$4.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

The table below depicts the net realized investment gains (losses) by investment category during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

	 <u>Months End</u> 2015 (Dollars in '	ed September 30 <u>,</u> 2014 Thousands)		
Realized gains:				
Debt securities	\$ 973	\$	533	
Equity securities	 4,189		4,013	
Total realized gains	 5,162		4,546	
Realized losses:				
Debt securities	(504)		(118)	
Equity securities	 (915)		(381)	
Total realized losses	 (1,419)		(499)	
Net realized gains on investments	\$ 3,743	\$	4,047	

## **Other Income**

Other income increased to \$4.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The increase is primarily due to the commission sharing agreement with our reinsurance intermediary.

## **Quota-Share Profit Sharing**

Quota-share profit sharing totaled \$3.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$1.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

In conjunction with our third quarter 2015 analysis of actual experience to date under the July 1, 2014 quota share reinsurance contract, we re-evaluated the accounting treatment for quota share reinsurance contracts with retrospective rating provisions. As a result of this re-evaluation, we have concluded reinsurance contracts which have retrospective rating provisions should be accounted for under Accounting Standards Codification 944, Financial Services — Insurance ("ASC 944"), where amounts due to (from) the assuming companies are accrued based on estimated contract experience to date as though the contracts were terminated. The adjustment to the accounting treatment related to reinsurance contracts with retrospective rated provisions will result in the following changes:

(a) We eliminated recording of future estimated quota share profits in one line item, "Quota Share Profit Sharing," in the financial statements.

(b) Amounts due to (from) the assuming companies have been accrued based on estimated contract experience to date as though the contracts were terminated. These accruals impacted the following income statement line items: gross ceded premiums, loss and loss adjustment expenses, and deferred policy acquisition costs.

The adjustments to our accounting for the July 1, 2014 quota share reinsurance contract, inclusive of other adjustments, are not material in any prior quarter or annual period based on an analysis of quantitative and qualitative factors in accordance with SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin 108.

As a result, we recorded these adjustments during the third quarter of 2015. These adjustments increased net income by \$2.2 million for the nine month period ended on September 30, 2015.

Additionally, the quota share reinsurance adjustments impacted the following income statement line items for the nine month period ended on September 30, 2015:

- Gross ceded premiums decreased by \$10.9 million,
- Loss and loss adjustment expenses increased by \$4.5 million, and
- Deferred acquisition costs increased by \$1.5 million.

## Losses and LAE

Losses and LAE, our most significant expense, represent actual payments made and changes in estimated future payments to be made to or on behalf of our policyholders, including expenses required to settle claims and losses. We revise our estimates based on the results of analysis of estimated future payments to be made. This process assumes that experience, adjusted for the effects of current developments and anticipated trends, is an appropriate basis for predicting future events.

Losses and LAE increased \$15.0 million, or 24.9%, to \$75.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$60.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The overall change includes a \$14.8 million increase in our homeowners' program, a \$1.3 million increase in our commercial general liability program and a \$1.1 million decrease in connection with our automobile program.

The change to losses and LAE typically reflects the change to reserves in response to the change in the number of policies we wrote during the same period.

We continue to revise our estimates of the ultimate financial impact of claims made resulting from past storms. The revisions to our estimates are based on our analysis of subsequent information that we receive regarding various factors, including: (i) per claim information; (ii) Company and industry historical loss experience; (iii) legislative enactments, judicial decisions, legal developments in the awarding of damages, and (iv) trends in general economic conditions, including the effects of inflation.

The composition of unpaid losses and LAE by product line is as follows.

	<u>September 30, 2015</u>						December 31, 2014					
		Case	Bulk			Total	Case		Bulk			Total
		(Dollars in Thousands)					(Dollars in Thousands)					
Homeowners'	\$	26,684	\$	32,675	\$	59,359	\$	14,223	\$	35,192	\$	49,415
Commercial General Liability		5,026		14,467		19,493		5,646		12,505		18,151
Automobile		3,879		8,942		12,821		3,672		7,092		10,764
Total	\$	35,589	\$	56,084	\$	91,673	\$	23,541	\$	54,789	\$	78,330

Factors that affect unpaid losses and LAE include the estimates made on a claim-by-claim basis known as "case reserves" coupled with bulk estimates known as IBNR. Periodic estimates by management of the ultimate costs required to settle all claim files are based on the Company's analysis of historical data and estimations of the

impact of numerous factors such as (i) per claim information; (ii) Company and industry historical loss experience; (iii) legislative enactments, judicial decisions, legal developments in the awarding of damages, and changes in political attitudes; and (iv) trends in general economic conditions, including the effects of inflation.

Management revises its estimates based on the results of its analysis. This process assumes that experience, adjusted for the effects of current developments and anticipated trends, is an appropriate basis for estimating the ultimate settlement of all claims. There is no precise method for subsequently evaluating the impact of any specific factor on the adequacy of the reserves, because the eventual redundancy or deficiency is affected by multiple factors. Because of our process, reserves were increased by approximately \$13.3 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2015. This overall change includes a \$9.9 million increase in reserves for our homeowners' program, a \$1.3 million increase in reserves for commercial general liability program and a \$2.1 million increase in reserves for our automobile program.

In accordance with GAAP and as discussed above, our loss ratio is computed as losses and LAE divided by net premiums earned. A lower loss ratio generally results in higher operating income. Our loss ratio for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 was 48.3% compared with 46.5% for the same period in 2014.

## **Operating and Underwriting Expenses**

Operating and underwriting expenses increased \$10.3 million, or 70.5%, to \$24.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$14.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The change is due to increases in our SageSure profit sharing agreement, premium taxes, professional service fees, licenses and other such expenses.

### **Salaries and Wages**

Salaries and wages increased \$7.6 million, or 72.0%, to \$18.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$10.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The change is due to the recognition of increased employment bonuses and stock-based compensation associated in part with our increased employment base. The charge to operations for stock-based compensation, in accordance with FASB guidance, was approximately \$2,305,700 during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 compared with approximately \$831,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

## **Policy Acquisition Costs**

Policy Acquisition Costs decreased \$6.2 million, or 26.7%, to \$16.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$23.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The change to policy acquisition costs typically corresponds to the change in net premiums earned during the same period, and consists of the actual policy acquisition costs, including commissions, payroll and premium taxes, less commissions earned on reinsurance ceded and policy fees earned. Policy Acquisition Costs relating to our homeowners' are impacted by our 30% and 10% property quota share agreements effective July 1, 2014 and July 1, 2015, respectively.

## **Interest Expense**

Interest expense was \$0.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with nothing for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

#### **Provision for Income Tax Expense**

The provision for income tax expense was \$19.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$16.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The effective rate for income taxes was 38.46% for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with 36.99% for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

## **Non-Controlling Interest**

The benefit to the consolidated statement of operations for non-controlling interest was \$0.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with nothing for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

Because our interest in Monarch Delaware is approximately 42.4%, our consolidated statement of operations has been adjusted for the other 57.6% non-controlling interest held by our joint-venture partners.

## Net Income Attributable to FNHC Common Stockholders

Net income attributable to FNHC common stockholders increased \$4.4 million, or 16.2%, to \$31.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared with \$27.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, our primary sources of capital included proceeds from the sale of investment securities, increased unearned premiums, recognition of a non-controlling interest, increased unpaid losses and LAE, increased accounts payable and accrued expenses, decreased deferred income tax expense, net of other comprehensive income, increased debt, decreased reinsurance recoverable, net and increased premium deposits and customer credit balances. Additional sources of capital included amortization of investment premium or discount, net, decreased contingent quota-share profit sharing, increased claims payments outstanding, non-cash compensation, a tax benefit related to non-cash compensation, depreciation and amortization, exercised stock options, decreased policy acquisition costs and non-cash impairment recognition. Because we are a holding company, we are largely dependent upon fees and commissions from our subsidiaries for cash flow.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, operations provided net operating cash flow of \$80.2 million and \$58.7 million, respectively.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, operations generated \$140.3 million of gross cash flow, due to a \$58.0 million increase in unearned premiums, a \$13.3 million increase in unpaid losses and LAE, a \$5.5 million increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses, a \$5.3 million decrease in deferred income tax expense, net of other comprehensive income, a \$5.0 million increase in debt, a \$4.2 million decrease in reinsurance recoverable, net, a \$3.9 million increase in premium deposits and customer credit balances and \$3.8 million of amortization of investment premium or discount, net. Additional sources of cash included a \$3.5 million decrease in contingent quota-share profit sharing, a \$3.1 million increase in claims payments outstanding, \$2.9 million non-cash compensation, \$0.5 million of depreciation and amortization and a \$0.1 million decrease in policy acquisition costs, all in conjunction with \$31.2 million of income before non-controlling interest.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, operations used \$60.1 million of gross cash flow, due to a \$41.0 million increase in prepaid reinsurance premiums, a \$7.7 million increase in premiums receivable, net and a \$4.0 million increase in income taxes recoverable. Additional uses of cash included \$3.7 million in net realized investment gains, and a \$3.7 million increase in other assets.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, net cash used by investing activities was \$61.9 million and \$98.1 million, respectively. Our available-for-sale investment portfolio is highly liquid as it consists entirely of readily marketable securities. During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, investing activities generated \$134.9 million and used \$196.8 million.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, net financing activities provided \$17.6 million and \$43.8 million, respectively. In 2015, the sources of cash in connection with financing activities included \$18.4 million from the recognition of a non-controlling interest, \$0.9 million from a tax benefit related to non-cash compensation and \$0.1 million from exercised stock options, while the useage included \$1.8 million for dividends paid.

We offer direct billing in connection with our homeowners' and commercial general liability programs. Direct billing is an agreement in which the insurance company accepts from the insured, as a receivable, a promise to pay the premium, as opposed to requiring the full amount of the policy at policy inception, either directly from the insured or from a premium finance company. The advantage of direct billing a policyholder by the insurance company is that we are not reliant on a credit facility, but remain able to charge and collect interest from the policyholder.

As discussed above, we have experienced significant growth, as evidenced by the 31.4% increase in gross premiums written during the first nine months of 2015 as compared with the same period in 2014. We believe that

our current capital resources will be sufficient to meet currently anticipated working capital requirements. There can be no assurances, however, that such will be the case. We continue to evaluate our liquidity and the possibility that we may require additional working capital.

As of September 30, 2015, we did not have any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as "structured finance" or "special purpose" entities, which were established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance-sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. As such, management believes that we currently are not exposed to any financing, liquidity, market or credit risks that could arise if we had engaged in transactions of that type requiring disclosure herein.

## **Impact of Inflation and Changing Prices**

The consolidated financial statements and related data presented herein have been prepared in accordance with GAAP, which requires the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars without considering changes in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. Our primary assets and liabilities are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates have a more significant impact on performance than the effects of general levels of inflation. Interest rates do not necessarily move in the same direction or with the same magnitude as the inflationary effect on the cost of paying losses and LAE.

Insurance premiums are established before we know the amount of losses and LAE and the extent to which inflation may affect such expenses. Consequently, we attempt to anticipate the future impact of inflation when establishing rate levels. While we attempt to charge adequate premiums, we may be limited in raising premium levels for competitive and regulatory reasons. Inflation may also affect the market value of our investment portfolio and the investment rate of return. Any future economic changes that result in prolonged and increasing levels of inflation could cause increases in the dollar amount of incurred losses and LAE and thereby materially adversely affect future liability requirements.

## Item 3

## Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Our investment objective is to maximize total rate of return after federal income taxes while maintaining liquidity and minimizing risk. Our current investment policy limits investment in non-investment-grade debt securities (including high-yield bonds), and limits total investments in preferred stock, common stock and mortgage notes receivable. We also comply with applicable laws and regulations that further restrict the type, quality and concentration of our investments. In general, these laws and regulations permit investments, within specified limits and subject to certain qualifications, in federal, state and municipal obligations, corporate bonds, preferred and common equity securities and real estate mortgages.

Our investment policy is established by the Board of Directors Investment Committee and is reviewed on a regular basis. Pursuant to this investment policy, as of September 30, 2015, approximately 92% of investments were in debt securities and cash and cash equivalents, which are considered to be either held until maturity or available-for-sale, based upon our estimates of required liquidity. Approximately 98% of the debt securities are considered available-for-sale and are marked to market. We may in the future consider additional debt securities to be held-to-maturity and carried at amortized cost. We do not use any swaps, options, futures or forward contracts to hedge or enhance our investment portfolio.

The following table summarizes, by type, our investments as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	September	30, 2015	Decembe	r 31, 2014
	Carrying	Percent	Carrying	Percent
	Amount	of Total	Amount	of Total
		(Dollars in	Thousands)	
Debt securities, at fair value:				
United States government obligations and authorities	\$ 65,994	17.08%	\$ 62,323	18.84%
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	108,597	28.11%	91,614	27.70%
Corporate	155,324	40.20%	119,024	35.99%
International	12,000	3.11%	11,138	3.37%
	341,915	88.50%	284,099	85.90%
Debt securities, at amortized cost:				
United States government obligations and authorities	4,221	1.09%	4,490	1.36%
Corporate	2,101	0.54%	2,681	0.81%
International	65	0.02%	246	<u>0.07%</u>
	6,387	1.65%	7,417	2.24%
Total debt securities	348,302	90.15%	291,516	88.14%
Equity securities, at fair value:	38,086	<u>9.85</u> %	39,247	<u>11.86</u> %
Total investments	\$ 386,388	100.00%	\$ 330,763	100.00%

Available-for-sale debt securities are carried on the balance sheet at market and held-to-maturity debt securities are carried on the balance sheet at amortized cost. As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, debt securities has had the following quality ratings by S&P and for securities not assigned a rating by S&P, Moody's or Fitch ratings were used.

	<u>September</u>	30, 2015	Decem	ber 31, 2014							
	Carrying	Percent	Carrying	Percent							
	Amount	<u>of Total</u>	Amount	<u>of Total</u>							
		(Dollars in T	(Dollars in Thousands)								
AAA	\$ 43,191	12.40%	\$ 40,119	13.76%							
AA	146,863	42.16%	125,385	43.01%							
А	80,085	22.99%	67,818	23.26%							
BBB	77,203	22.17%	58,172	19.96%							
BB	960	0.28%	-	-							
Not rated	 	<u>0.00%</u>	22	<u>0.01%</u>							
	\$ 348,302	100.00%	\$ 291,516	100.00%							

The following table summarizes, by maturity, the debt securities as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

		September	30, 2015	December	31, 2014			
	(	Carrying	Percent	Carrying	Percent			
	4	Amount	<u>of Total</u>	Amount	<u>of Total</u>			
			(Dollars in T	'housands)	usands)			
Matures In:								
One year or less	\$	19,657	5.64%	\$ 16,796	5.76%			
One year to five years		190,010	54.56%	174,260	59.78%			
Five years to 10 years		138,602	39.79%	100,427	34.45%			
More than 10 years		33	<u>0.01%</u>	33	<u>0.01%</u>			
Total debt securities	\$	348,302	100.00%	\$291,516	100.00%			

At September 30, 2015, the duration of the debt portfolio was approximately 3.8 years.

The following table provides information about the financial instruments as of September 30, 2015 that are sensitive to changes in interest rates. The table presents principal cash flows and the related weighted average interest rate by expected maturity date based upon par values.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>)18</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>hereafter</u>	<u>Total</u>	Carrying <u>Amount</u>
Principal amount by expected maturity: United States government obligations										
and authorities	\$-	\$ 1,439	\$ 4,698	\$	4,665	\$ 6,811	\$	26,161	\$ 43,774	\$ 44,831
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	1,240	8,305	18,420		13,245	13,080		42,015	96,305	108,597
Corporate securities	711	12,989	21,444		22,049	15,938		68,817	141,948	147,987
International securities	-	1,250	2,238		3,095	1,093		4,074	11,750	12,065
Collateralized mortgage obligations	833	3,166	3,549		500	3,038		21,906	32,992	34,822
Equity securities, at market	-				-	 -		-		38,086
All investments	\$ 2,784	\$ 27,149	\$50,349	\$ 4	43,554	\$ 39,960	\$	162,973	\$326,769	\$386,388
Weighted average interest rate by expected maturity:										
United States government obligations										
and authorities	0.00%	1.94%	0.70%		1.31%	1.70%		2.11%	1.80%	
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	3.93%	4.72%	4.52%		5.00%	5.00%		4.87%	4.81%	
Corporate securities	3.01%	4.03%	3.40%		4.21%	4.55%		3.93%	3.97%	
International securities	0.00%	2.46%	3.18%		3.02%	2.92%		4.35%	3.44%	
Collateralized mortgage obligations	5.39%	5.58%	4.05%		3.02%	3.84%		3.80%	4.03%	
Equity securities, at market	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%		0.00%	0.00%		0.00%	0.00%	
All investments	3.62%	4.12%	3.58%		4.05%	4.07%		3.84%	3.91%	

## Item 4

## **Controls and Procedures**

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as of September 30, 2015. Based upon their evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures, as of September 30, 2015, were effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports filed or submitted by it under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in such reports is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There were no changes during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

## Part II: OTHER INFORMATION

# Item 1

# Legal Proceedings

See Item 1 of Part I, "Financial Statements - Note 4 - Commitments and Contingencies."

# Item 1A

## **Risk Factors**

There have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in Item 1, Risk Factors, in the Company's Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014.

## **Additional Risk Factors**

The risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 are not the only risks facing our Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results.

## Item 2

## Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

(a) None

(b) None

(c) None

Item 3

# **Defaults upon Senior Securities**

(a) None

(b) None

Item 4

**Mine Safety Disclosures** 

Not applicable

## Item 5

# **Other Information**

(a) None

(b) None

## Item 6

# Exhibits

- 10.1 Excess Catastrophe Reinsurance Contract, effective July 1, 2015, between Federated National Insurance Company and subscribing reinsurers. \*
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- 10.5 Non-Florida Reinstatement Premium Protection Reinsurance Contract, effective July 1, 2015 between Federated National Insurance Company and subscribing reinsurers.\*
- 10.6 FHCF Supplement Layer Reinsurance Contract, effective June 1, 2015 between Federated National Insurance Company and subscribing reinsurers. \*
- 10.7 Final Order dated October 21, 2015 from the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation to Federated National Insurance Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 26, 2015).
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- 101.CAL-XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document. \*\*\*
- 101.LAB-XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document. \*\*\*
- 101.PRE-XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document. \*\*\*

## \* filed herewith

\*\* filed herewith. Portions of this document are omitted pursuant to an application for an order for confidential treatment pursuant to Rule 24b-2 under the Exchange Act. Confidential portions of this document have been filed separately with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

\*\*\* In accordance with Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, these interactive data files are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be part of any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

# Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

# FEDERATED NATIONAL HOLDING COMPANY

By: /s/ Michael H. Braun

Michael H. Braun, Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ Peter J. Prygelski, III Peter J. Prygelski, III, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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- 101.INS-XBRL Instance Document. \*\*\*
- 101.SCH-XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document. \*\*\*
- 101.CAL-XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document. \*\*\*
- 101.LAB-XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document. \*\*\*
- 101.PRE-XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document. \*\*\*

\* filed herewith

\*\* filed herewith. Portions of this document are omitted pursuant to an application for an order for confidential treatment pursuant to Rule 24b-2 under the Exchange Act. Confidential portions of this document have been filed separately with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

\*\*\* In accordance with Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, these interactive data files are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be part of any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

## EXHIBIT 31.1

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

I, Michael H. Braun, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Form 10-Q of Federated National Holding Company;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15(d)-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Michael H. Braun

Michael H. Braun

Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

Dated: November 9, 2015

## EXHIBIT 31.2

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

I, Peter J. Prygelski, III, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Form 10-Q of Federated National Holding Company;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15(d)-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Peter J. Prygelski, III

Peter J. Prygelski, III

**Chief Financial Officer** 

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Dated: November 9, 2015

# EXHIBIT 32.1

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Federated National Holding Company for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), I, Michael H. Braun, Chief Executive Officer of Federated National Holding Company, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Federated National Holding Company.

## By: /s/ Michael H. Braun

Michael H. Braun, Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

November 9, 2015

# EXHIBIT 32.2

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Federated National Holding Company for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), I, Peter J. Prygelski, III, Chief Financial Officer of Federated National Holding Company, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Federated National Holding Company.

By: /s/ Peter J. Prygelski, III

Peter J. Prygelski, III, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

November 9, 2015